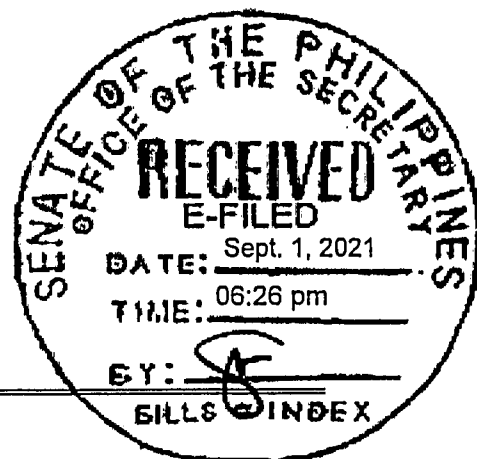


EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE)
REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES)
Third Regular Session)

SENATE



COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 301

Submitted jointly by the Committees on Environment, Natural Resources and Climate Change and on Finance on Sept. 1, 2021.

Re : House Bill No. 9327

Recommending its approval with amendments, taking into consideration Senate Bill No. 2279.

Sponsor : Senator Cynthia A. Villar

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committees on Environment, Natural Resources and Climate Change and on Finance to which were referred **House Bill No. 9327**, introduced by Representatives Singson-Meehan, Barzaga and Yap (E.), entitled:

"AN ACT

DECLARING A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF GREGORIO DEL PILAR, QUIRINO, SIGAY, CERVANTES, AND SUYO, IN THE PROVINCE OF ILOCOS SUR, A PROTECTED AREA WITH THE CATEGORY OF PROTECTED LANDSCAPE UNDER THE NATIONAL INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREAS SYSTEM (NIPAS), TO BE REFERRED TO AS THE TIRAD PASS PROTECTED LANDSCAPE, PROVIDING FOR ITS MANAGEMENT, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

and **Senate Bill No. 2279**, introduced by Senator Villar, entitled:

"AN ACT

DECLARING A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF GREGORIO DEL PILAR, QUIRINO, SIGAY, CERVANTES, AND SUYO, IN THE PROVINCE OF ILOCOS SUR, A PROTECTED AREA WITH THE CATEGORY OF PROTECTED LANDSCAPE UNDER THE NATIONAL INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREAS SYSTEM (NIPAS), TO BE REFERRED TO AS THE TIRAD PASS PROTECTED LANDSCAPE, PROVIDING FOR ITS MANAGEMENT, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

have considered the same and have the honor to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that House Bill No. 9327, taking into consideration Senate Bill No. 2279, be approved with the following amendments:

1. On page 1, on the title of the bill, delete the punctuation mark comma ",", between the words "SUYO" and "IN";
2. On page 3, lines 3 to 7, on the definition of the term "Protected landscape", delete the phrase "where the interaction of people and nature over a period of time has produced an area of distinct character with significant ecological, biological, cultural and scenic value and where the safeguarding of the integrity of this interaction is vital to protecting and sustaining the area and its associated nature conservation and other values" and in lieu thereof, insert the phrase **"OF NATIONAL SIGNIFICANCE WHICH ARE CHARACTERIZED BY THE HARMONIOUS INTERACTION OF MAN AND LAND AND WATER WHILE PROVIDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PUBLIC ENJOYMENT THROUGH RECREATION, TOURISM, AND OTHER ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES"**;
3. On page 10, line 8, between the conjunction "or" and the word "duly", delete the article "a" and in lieu thereof, insert the phrase **"HIS/HER"**;
4. On the same page, line 13, delete the last letter "s" in the word "Representatives" to make it in singular form;

5. On the same page and line, delete the last letter "s" in the word "Districts" to make it in singular form;
6. On the same page, line 14, between the conjunction "or" and the word "duly", delete the word "their" and in lieu thereof, insert the phrase **"HIS/HER"**;
7. On the same page and line, delete the last letter "s" in the word "representatives" to make it in singular form;
8. On the same page, line 15, delete the last letter "s" in the word "Representatives" to make it in singular form;
9. On the same page, line 17, between the words "Suyo" and "in", delete the punctuation mark comma ",";
10. On the same page, line 24, between the acronym in parentheses "(PNP)" and the article "the", delete the conjunction "and";
11. On the same page, line 25, after the acronym in parentheses "(DND)", insert the punctuation mark comma "," and the phrase **"THE DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM (DOT), AND THE NATIONAL HISTORICAL COMMISSION OF THE PHILIPPINES (NHCP)"**;
12. On the same page, lines 29 and 30, delete the phrase "must have a record of accomplishments in the field of" and in lieu thereof, insert the phrase **"WITH TRACK RECORD IN OR RELATED TO"**;
13. On page 11, lines 3 and 4, delete the phrase "a record of accomplishments" and in lieu thereof, insert the phrase **"PROVEN TRACK RECORD"**;
14. On the same page, line 13, on the subtitle of Section 8, before the word "Functions", insert the phrase **"POWERS AND"**;
15. Omnibus amendment to delete the phrase "protected area" and in lieu thereof, to insert the acronym **"TPL"** found on the following pages and lines:
 - a. Page 11, lines 15, 17, 18, and 27;
 - b. Page 12, lines 11 and 32;
 - c. Page 13, lines 7, 15, 20, and 24; and
 - d. Page 14, lines 2, 6, and 26-27;

16. On page 11, line 30, between the word "budgeting" and conjunction "and", insert the punctuation mark comma ",";
17. On page 12, line 16, between the words "implement" and "are", insert the word **"IT"**;
18. On page 14, line 13, on the subtitle of Section 10, between the words "Landscape" and "Fund", insert the phrase **"INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREA"**;
19. On the same page, line 14, between the words "Landscape" and "Fund", insert the phrase **"INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREA"**;
20. On the same page and line, after the word "Fund", insert the acronym in parentheses **"(TPPL-IPAF)"**;
21. On the same page, line 17, delete the word "fund" and in lieu thereof, insert the acronym **"TPPL-IPAF"**;
22. On the same page, line 31, before the word "endowment", insert the conjunction **"AND"**;
23. On the same page, lines 24 and 25, delete the phrase "with the provisions"; and
24. On the same page, line 15, after the word "circulation", insert the punctuation mark period ".".

Respectfully submitted:

Chairpersons:



SEN. SONNY ANGARA
Committee on Finance



SEN. CYNTHIA A. VILLAR
Committee on Environment, Natural Resources
and Climate Change
Vice-Chairperson, Committee on Finance

Vice-Chairpersons:



SEN. FRANCIS "TOL" N. TOLENTINO

Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Climate Change
Member, Committee on Finance

SEN. PIA S. CAYETANO

Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Climate Change
Committee on Finance

SEN. JOEL VILLANUEVA

Committee on Finance
Member, Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Climate Change


SEN. WIN GATCHALIAN

Committee on Finance
Member, Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Climate Change

SEN. RICHARD J. GORDON

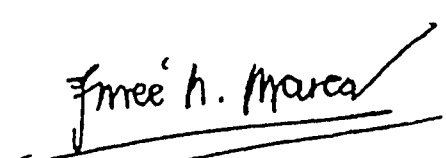
Committee on Finance
Member, Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Climate Change

SEN. CHRISTOPHER BONG GO



Committee on Finance
Member, Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Climate Change

SEN. IMÉE R. MARCOS



Committee on Finance
Member, Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Climate Change

SEN. RISA HONTIVEROS

Committee on Finance
Member, Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Climate Change

SEN. GRACE POE

Committee on Finance

Members:



SEN. MARIA LOURDES NANCY S. BINAY

Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Climate Change
Committee on Finance

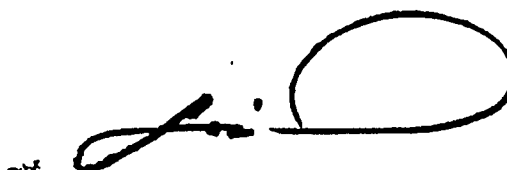
SEN. RONALD "BATO" DELA ROSA

Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Climate Change
Committee on Finance



SEN. EMMANUEL "MANNY" D. PACQUIAO

Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Climate Change
Committee on Finance




SEN. MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID

Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Climate Change
Committee on Finance



SEN. RAMON BONG REVILLA JR.

Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Climate Change
Committee on Finance

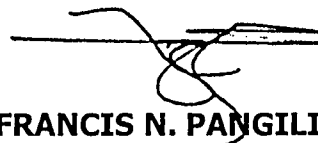


SEN. AQUILINO "KOKO" PIMENTEL III

Committee on Finance

SEN. PANFILO M. LACSON

Committee on Finance



SEN. FRANCIS N. PANGILINAN

Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Climate Change
Committee on Finance



SEN. LEILA M. DE LIMA

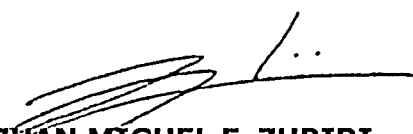
Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Climate Change
Committee on Finance

Ex-Officio Members:

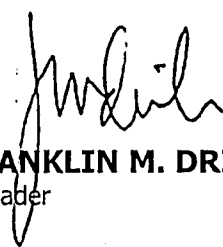


SEN. RALPH G. RECTO

President Pro-Tempore
*Member, Committee on Environment, Natural Resources
and Climate Change*



SEN. JUAN-MIGUEL F. ZUBIRI
Majority Leader



SEN. FRANKLIN M. DRILON
Minority Leader

HON. VICENTE C. SOTTO III
Senate President

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 9327

BY REPRESENTATIVES SINGSON-MEEHAN, BARZAGA AND YAP (E.), PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 950

“AN ACT
DECLARING A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF GREGORIO DEL PILAR, QUIRINO, SIGAY, CERVANTES, AND SUYO, IN THE PROVINCE OF ILOCOS SUR, A PROTECTED AREA WITH THE CATEGORY OF PROTECTED LANDSCAPE UNDER THE NATIONAL INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREAS SYSTEM (NIPAS), TO BE REFERRED TO AS THE TIRAD PASS PROTECTED LANDSCAPE, PROVIDING FOR ITS MANAGEMENT, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

1 SECTION 1. *Title.* – This Act shall be known as the “Tirad Pass Protected
2 Landscape Act”.

3 SEC. 2. *Declaration of Policy.* – Cognizant of the profound impact of
4 human activities on all components of the natural environment, it is hereby
5 declared the policy of the State to secure for the Filipino people of present and
6 future generations, the perpetual existence of all native plants and animals
7 through the declaration of protected areas under the National Integrated
8 Protected Areas System (NIPAS) within the classification of national park as
9 provided for in the Constitution.

10 In recognition of the richness of the biological resources, both flora and
11 fauna, that are native and distinct to the Tirad Pass National Park, as well as
12 their aesthetic and ecological importance, a parcel of land located in the

1 Municipalities of Gregorio Del Pilar, Quirino, Sigay, Cervantes, and Suyu, in the
2 Province of Ilocos Sur, is hereby declared a protected area with the category of
3 protected landscape, and shall hereinafter be referred to as the Tirad Pass
4 Protected Landscape (TPPL). As such, the State shall ensure the conservation,
5 protection, management and rehabilitation of the area. It is likewise recognized
6 that effective administration of this area is possible only through cooperation
7 among national government, local government units (LGUs), concerned
8 nongovernmental organizations (NGOs), private entities and local communities.
9 The use and enjoyment of this area must be consistent with the principles of
10 biological diversity and sustainable development.

11 Towards this end, the State shall ensure the full implementation of this Act,
12 the mobilization of resources for the institutional mechanisms herein established,
13 and the full scientific and technical support needed for the conservation of
14 biodiversity and the integrity of the ecosystems, culture and indigenous practices.

15 **SEC. 3. *Definition of Terms.*** – As used in this Act:

- 16 a. *Buffer zones* refer to identified areas outside the boundaries of and
17 immediately adjacent to designated protected areas that need special
18 development control in order to avoid or minimize harm to the protected
19 area;
- 20 b. *Conservation* refers to any act or acts of preservation and sustainable
21 utilization of wildlife or maintenance, restoration and enhancement of
22 habitats;
- 23 c. *Indigenous cultural communities (ICCs)/Indigenous peoples (IPs)* refer to
24 groups of people sharing common bonds of language, customs, traditions,
25 and other distinctive cultural traits, and who have, since time immemorial
26 occupied, possessed and utilized a territory;
- 27 d. *National park* refers to land of the public domain classified as such in the
28 Constitution which includes all areas under the NIPAS, primarily
29 designated for the conservation of native plants and animals, their
30 associated habitats and cultural diversity;
- 31 e. *Protected area* refers to an identified portion of land and water set aside by
32 reason of its unique physical and biological significance, managed to

1 enhance biological diversity and protected against destructive human
2 exploitation;

3 f. *Protected landscape* refers to an area where the interaction of people and
4 nature over a period of time has produced an area of distinct character with
5 significant ecological, biological, cultural and scenic value and where the
6 safeguarding of the integrity of this interaction is vital to protecting and
7 sustaining the area and its associated nature conservation and other values;
8 and

9 g. *Tenured migrants* refer to protected area occupants who have been actually,
10 continuously and presently occupying a portion of the protected area for five
11 (5) years before the proclamation or law establishing the same as a
12 protected area, and are solely dependent therein for subsistence.

13 **SEC. 4. Classification as a National Park.** – The TPPL is comprised of
14 a parcel of land of the public domain located in the Municipalities of Gregorio Del
15 Pilar, Quirino, Sigay, Cervantes, and Suyo, Province of Ilocos Sur. All lands of the
16 public domain within the coverage and scope of the TPPL shall fall under the
17 classification of national park as provided for in Article XII, Section 3 of the
18 Constitution.

19 **SEC. 5. Scope and Coverage.** – The boundaries of the Tirad Pass
20 Protected Landscape are more particularly described as the area beginning at a
21 point marked "1" on the Map, which is S 85°43'7" E, 1367.107 meters from PRS92
22 Control Monument "ILS 27" with geographic coordinates 17°08'59.33395" N,
23 120°36'31.07504" E located at Brgy. Poblacion, Municipality of Gregorio del Pilar,
24 Ilocos Sur,

25	thence	N 44-2-32 E 227.818	meters to corner 2;
26	thence	S 59-30-44 E 116.844	meters to corner 3;
27	thence	N 20-46-58 E 125.195	meters to corner 4;
28	thence	N 21-45-27 E 356.678	meters to corner 5;
29	thence	N 52-38-39 E 138.796	meters to corner 6;
30	thence	S 56-7-3 E 1782.278	meters to corner 7;
31	thence	S 52-18-15 E 1210.577	meters to corner 8;
32	thence	S 39-11-3 E 257.259	meters to corner 9;

1	thence	S 44-41-12 E 456.318	meters to corner 10;
2	thence	S 25-54-1 E 335.261	meters to corner 11;
3	thence	S 33-14-14 E 224.950	meters to corner 12;
4	thence	S 6-41-4 W 641.198	meters to corner 13;
5	thence	S 72-0-53 E 362.724	meters to corner 14;
6	thence	S 29-45-56 E 344.445	meters to corner 15;
7	thence	S 66-9-40 E 94.021	meters to corner 16;
8	thence	N 67-6-34 E 97.693	meters to corner 17;
9	thence	S 19-51-19 E 497.579	meters to corner 18;
10	thence	S 41-54-5 E 248.558	meters to corner 19;
11	thence	S 3-51-30 E 430.977	meters to corner 20;
12	thence	N 80-59-29 E 166.048	meters to corner 21;
13	thence	S 22-48-36 W 308.237	meters to corner 22;
14	thence	S 42-40-7 E 140.317	meters to corner 23;
15	thence	S 37-39-54 W 287.745	meters to corner 24;
16	thence	S 88-13-8 W 197.761	meters to corner 25;
17	thence	S 2-33-41 E 194.443	meters to corner 26;
18	thence	N 89-27-30 E 213.683	meters to corner 27;
19	thence	S 25-31-0 W 412.901	meters to corner 28;
20	thence	S 65-33-11 E 125.549	meters to corner 29;
21	thence	S 13-2-14 W 237.568	meters to corner 30;
22	thence	S 82-31-2 W 257.792	meters to corner 31;
23	thence	S 22-16-4 W 385.848	meters to corner 32;
24	thence	N 49-23-45 W 302.030	meters to corner 33;
25	thence	S 40-9-37 W 373.912	meters to corner 34;
26	thence	S 16-45-54 W 146.104	meters to corner 35;
27	thence	N 60-19-54 W 226.473	meters to corner 36;
28	thence	S 23-29-34 W 289.611	meters to corner 37;
29	thence	S 41-37-14 W 253.711	meters to corner 38;
30	thence	S 8-44-48 E 324.396	meters to corner 39;
31	thence	S 43-50-21 W 214.204	meters to corner 40;
32	thence	N 64-47-13 W 437.836	meters to corner 41;

1	thence	S 87-39-46 W 98.082	meters to corner 42;
2	thence	S 57-5-41 W 141.739	meters to corner 43;
3	thence	S 58-7-29 W 140.132	meters to corner 44;
4	thence	S 79-39-48 W 161.623	meters to corner 45;
5	thence	N 45-44-47 W 434.200	meters to corner 46;
6	thence	N 64-30-21 W 239.301	meters to corner 47;
7	thence	S 19-52-9 W 214.786	meters to corner 48;
8	thence	S 6-20-25 W 226.385	meters to corner 49;
9	thence	S 33-33-24 W 595.195	meters to corner 50;
10	thence	S 9-12-15 E 130.737	meters to corner 51;
11	thence	S 9-12-15 E 88.080	meters to corner 52;
12	thence	S 69-30-27 E 317.065	meters to corner 53;
13	thence	N 79-20-2 E 226.921	meters to corner 54;
14	thence	S 8-38-26 E 206.342	meters to corner 55;
15	thence	S 31-31-37 E 139.607	meters to corner 56;
16	thence	S 0-0-0 E 405.000	meters to corner 57;
17	thence	S 90-0-0 E 111.000	meters to corner 58;
18	thence	S 11-23-51 E 965.919	meters to corner 59;
19	thence	S 4-14-32 W 1822.195	meters to corner 60;
20	thence	S 41-9-46 W 710.772	meters to corner 61;
21	thence	S 7-0-41 E 531.548	meters to corner 62;
22	thence	S 3-32-19 W 8.616	meters to corner 63;
23	thence	S 33-2-23 W 611.722	meters to corner 64;
24	thence	S 30-50-20 E 743.392	meters to corner 65;
25	thence	S 17-23-45 E 641.781	meters to corner 66;
26	thence	S 36-36-32 W 568.094	meters to corner 67;
27	thence	S 23-26-6 W 621.528	meters to corner 68;
28	thence	S 29-3-33 E 707.831	meters to corner 69;
29	thence	S 39-48-20 E 429.564	meters to corner 70;
30	thence	S 46-50-22 E 638.847	meters to corner 71;
31	thence	S 30-54-8 E 319.331	meters to corner 72;
32	thence	S 59-47-9 E 681.594	meters to corner 73;

1	thence	S 13-41-48 E 654.615	meters to corner 74;
2	thence	S 2-36-51 E 1082.909	meters to corner 75;
3	thence	S 65-34-4 W 683.643	meters to corner 76;
4	thence	S 23-13-11 W 509.740	meters to corner 77;
5	thence	N 76-18-25 W 403.840	meters to corner 78;
6	thence	S 45-20-29 W 230.699	meters to corner 79;
7	thence	N 54-35-37 W 93.133	meters to corner 80;
8	thence	N 65-10-33 W 196.743	meters to corner 81;
9	thence	N 28-29-2 W 150.628	meters to corner 82;
10	thence	N 40-0-53 W 67.820	meters to corner 83;
11	thence	S 27-19-10 W 155.820	meters to corner 84;
12	thence	S 1-23-4 W 173.446	meters to corner 85;
13	thence	S 42-12-8 E 163.916	meters to corner 86;
14	thence	S 0-5-35 E 190.863	meters to corner 87;
15	thence	S 10-14-59 E 134.626	meters to corner 88;
16	thence	N 60-43-40 W 227.650	meters to corner 89;
17	thence	N 40-3-39 W 152.107	meters to corner 90;
18	thence	S 52-0-43 W 67.246	meters to corner 91;
19	thence	N 53-50-35 W 100.671	meters to corner 92;
20	thence	S 46-40-7 W 95.516	meters to corner 93;
21	thence	S 16-53-49 E 104.093	meters to corner 94;
22	thence	S 52-8-24 W 118.715	meters to corner 95;
23	thence	N 4-39-11 E 242.859	meters to corner 96;
24	thence	N 19-15-35 E 175.268	meters to corner 97;
25	thence	N 61-21-28 W 144.058	meters to corner 98;
26	thence	N 44-41-21 W 121.142	meters to corner 99;
27	thence	N 35-6-6 W 88.861	meters to corner 100;
28	thence	N 21-10-52 W 112.354	meters to corner 101;
29	thence	N 32-6-2 W 83.828	meters to corner 102;
30	thence	N 24-0-29 E 96.783	meters to corner 103;
31	thence	N 85-54-14 W 176.315	meters to corner 104;
32	thence	N 58-39-42 W 142.133	meters to corner 105;

1	thence	N 17-42-33 W 143.368	meters to corner 106;
2	thence	S 75-50-18 W 200.043	meters to corner 107;
3	thence	S 40-13-29 W 213.705	meters to corner 108;
4	thence	N 80-39-20 W 146.263	meters to corner 109;
5	thence	S 12-33-17 E 171.398	meters to corner 110;
6	thence	S 63-45-7 W 89.223	meters to corner 111;
7	thence	N 73-30-58 W 220.298	meters to corner 112;
8	thence	S 48-15-39 W 149.828	meters to corner 113;
9	thence	N 12-33-20 W 144.711	meters to corner 114;
10	thence	N 59-39-48 W 439.027	meters to corner 115;
11	thence	S 63-51-50 W 171.012	meters to corner 116;
12	thence	N 79-47-3 W 606.216	meters to corner 117;
13	thence	N 18-32-17 E 266.403	meters to corner 118;
14	thence	N 53-40-33 W 196.582	meters to corner 119;
15	thence	N 44-10-45 W 243.443	meters to corner 120;
16	thence	N 71-50-52 W 122.725	meters to corner 121;
17	thence	N 89-58-46 W 180.060	meters to corner 122;
18	thence	N 21-31-3 W 324.763	meters to corner 123;
19	thence	N 49-13-4 W 240.360	meters to corner 124;
20	thence	N 18-6-30 W 221.996	meters to corner 125;
21	thence	N 10-23-51 W 221.639	meters to corner 126;
22	thence	N 2-56-36 W 564.745	meters to corner 127;
23	thence	N 37-14-5 W 219.804	meters to corner 128;
24	thence	N 28-12-15 W 281.412	meters to corner 129;
25	thence	N 26-11-26 W 342.126	meters to corner 130;
26	thence	N 47-1-32 W 220.048	meters to corner 131;
27	thence	N 31-13-55 W 219.864	meters to corner 132;
28	thence	N 29-47-3 W 541.536	meters to corner 133;
29	thence	N 9-23-54 E 382.712	meters to corner 134;
30	thence	N 46-38-38 E 618.216	meters to corner 135;
31	thence	N 28-39-28 E 804.854	meters to corner 136;
32	thence	N 28-4-48 E 853.572	meters to corner 137;

1	thence	N 51-8-33 E 1719.691	meters to corner 138;
2	thence	S 83-42-13 E 377.488	meters to corner 139;
3	thence	N 60-12-49 E 342.212	meters to corner 140;
4	thence	N 20-8-58 E 676.398	meters to corner 141;
5	thence	N 15-12-32 W 588.137	meters to corner 142;
6	thence	N 5-38-7 W 629.634	meters to corner 143;
7	thence	N 2-21-58 W 363.310	meters to corner 144;
8	thence	N 15-19-17 W 302.761	meters to corner 145;
9	thence	N 7-18-4 W 9.262	meters to corner 146;
10	thence	N 7-18-4 W 313.354	meters to corner 147;
11	thence	N 13-23-7 W 362.857	meters to corner 148;
12	thence	N 13-33-9 E 431.001	meters to corner 149;
13	thence	N 28-27-1 W 762.473	meters to corner 150;
14	thence	N 52-32-39 E 133.981	meters to corner 151;
15	thence	N 37-32-21 E 160.295	meters to corner 152;
16	thence	N 84-35-15 E 120.048	meters to corner 153;
17	thence	N 0-24-51 W 240.098	meters to corner 154;
18	thence	N 74-24-49 W 280.119	meters to corner 155;
19	thence	N 21-35-11 E 130.060	meters to corner 156;
20	thence	N 18-24-42 W 130.056	meters to corner 157;
21	thence	N 3-24-48 W 240.106	meters to corner 158;
22	thence	N 3-24-48 W 320.135	meters to corner 159;
23	thence	N 14-1-18 W 437.673	meters to corner 160;
24	thence	N 21-9-6 W 180.136	meters to corner 161;
25	thence	N 12-16-33 W 663.163	meters to corner 162;
26	thence	N 14-31-19 E 240.785	meters to corner 163;
27	thence	N 9-53-37 W 531.817	meters to corner 164;
28	thence	N 20-46-6 W 473.786	meters to corner 165;
29	thence	N 57-4-38 E 263.715	meters to corner 166;
30	thence	N 4-44-48 W 922.833	meters to corner 167;
31	thence	N 37-6-1 E 326.504	meters to corner 168;
32	thence	N 32-52-17 E 143.364	meters to corner 169;

1	thence	N 9-38-44 E 172.210	meters to corner 170;
2	thence	N 39-51-58 E 177.680	meters to corner 171;
3	thence	N 13-34-31 W 178.922	meters to corner 172;
4	thence	N 55-9-5 W 304.805	meters to corner 173;
5	thence	N 25-30-40 E 356.712	meters to corner 174;
6	thence	N 39-20-6 E 265.045	meters to corner 175;
7	thence	N 76-28-50 E 188.215	meters to corner 176;
8	thence	N 6-48-7 E 278.989	meters to corner 177;
9	thence	N 2-28-24 E 300.255	meters to corner 178;
10	thence	N 17-56-15 E 234.398	meters to corner 179;
11	thence	S 61-59-30 E 74.047	meters to corner 180;
12	thence	N 9-52-54 E 156.732	meters to corner 181;
13	thence	N 42-33-5 W 115.593	meters to corner 182;
14	thence	N 67-59-5 E 70.070	meters to corner 183;
15	thence	S 62-37-2 E 90.479	meters to corner 184;
16	thence	S 33-30-35 E 109.046	meters to corner 185;
17	thence	S 69-46-14 E 218.818	meters to corner 186;
18	thence	N 51-45-6 E 95.208	meters to corner 187;
19	thence	N 13-6-4 W 203.545	meters to corner 188;
20	thence	N 16-33-0 W 109.182	meters to corner 189;
21	thence	N 55-7-53 W 106.944	meters to corner 190;
22	thence	N 83-54-46 W 74.333	meters to corner 191;
23	thence	N 34-10-45 W 201.260	meters to corner 1,

24 and comprises seven thousand five hundred seven and 60/100 (7,507.60) hectares,
25 more or less.

26 **SEC. 6. Establishment of Buffer Zones.** – The DENR Secretary, upon the
27 recommendation of the Protected Area Management Board (PAMB) created under
28 Section 7 of this Act, may designate areas surrounding the TPPL as buffer zones
29 for the purpose of providing an extra layer of protection where restrictions may be
30 applied: *Provided*, That, in cases where the designated buffer zone would cover
31 private lands, the owners thereof shall be required to design their development
32 with due consideration to the protected area management plan.

1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25
26
27
28
29
30
31
32

ARTICLE II

MANAGEMENT MECHANISMS

SEC. 7. *Protected Area Management Board (PAMB)*. – Within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Act, a Protected Area Management Board (PAMB) shall be created to oversee the management of the TPPL. The PAMB shall be composed of the following:

- a. DENR Regional Director for Region I, as Chairperson;
- b. Governor of the Province of Ilocos Sur or a duly authorized representative;
- c. Senators of the Republic of the Philippines who are duly registered residents of Ilocos Sur, or their duly designated representatives, unless the Senators decline the membership in the PAMB;
- d. District Representatives of the Congressional Districts where the TPPL is located, or their duly designated representatives, unless the District Representatives decline the membership in the PAMB;
- e. Mayors of the Municipalities of Gregorio Del Pilar, Quirino, Sigay, Cervantes, and Suyo, in the Province of Ilocos Sur or their duly authorized representatives;
- f. Chairpersons of the all the *barangays* with territorial jurisdiction over the TPPL;
- g. Regional Directors of the following government agencies, namely: the Department of Agriculture (DA), the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), the Department of Science and Technology (DOST), the Philippine National Police (PNP), and the Department of National Defense (DND);
- h. Three (3) representatives from NGOs or people's organizations (POs) based in the Province of Ilocos Sur, duly accredited both by the DENR and the provincial government. The NGOs or POs represented should have been in existence for at least five (5) years and must have a record of accomplishments in the field of protected area management;
- i. At least one (1) but not more than three (3) representatives from all the ICCs/IPs present in the area and recognized by the National

- 1 Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP);
- 2 j. One (1) representative from an academic institution, preferably from a
- 3 university or college in the Province of Ilocos Sur, with a record of
- 4 accomplishments in or related to protected area management; and
- 5 k. One (1) representative from the private sector, preferably a resident of
- 6 the Province of Ilocos Sur, who is distinguished in a profession or field of
- 7 interest relevant to the protected area management.

8 The terms of office of members of the PAMB, as well as the grounds for

9 their removal shall be in accordance with the provisions of Republic Act No. 7586,

10 otherwise known as the "National Integrated Protected Areas System Act of 1992",

11 as amended by Republic Act No. 11038, otherwise known as the "Expanded

12 National Integrated Protected Areas System Act of 2018".

13 **SEC. 8. *Functions of the PAMB.*** – The PAMB shall have the following

14 powers and functions:

- 15 a. Oversee the management of the protected area;
- 16 b. Approve policies, plans and programs, proposals, agreements, and other
- 17 related documents for the management of the protected areas;
- 18 c. Approve the management plan of the protected area and ensure its
- 19 harmonization with and integration into the Ancestral Domain Sustainable
- 20 Development and Protection Plan, land use plan and other development
- 21 plans, public or private, and their implementation;
- 22 d. Adopt a manual of operations to include rules of procedures in the conduct
- 23 of business, and the creation of committees and their respective terms of
- 24 reference;
- 25 e. Recommend the deputation of appropriate agencies and individuals for the
- 26 enforcement of the laws, rules and regulations governing the management
- 27 of the protected area;
- 28 f. Allocate financial resources for the implementation of the management plan
- 29 and manage the Protected Area Retention Income Account and other funds
- 30 in accordance with government accounting, budgeting and auditing rules
- 31 and regulations;
- 32 g. Set fees and charges in accordance with existing guidelines;

- 1 h. Issue rules and regulations for the resolution of conflicts through
2 appropriate and effective means;
- 3 i. Recommend appropriate policy changes to the DENR and other government
4 authorities with respect to the management of the TPPL;
- 5 j. Monitor and assess the performance of the Protected Area Superintendent
6 (PASu) and other protected area personnel and compliance of partners with
7 the terms and conditions of any undertaking, contract or agreement relative
8 to any project or activity within the TPPL;
- 9 k. Recommend from among a shortlist of qualified candidates, the designation
10 or appointment of the PASu; and
- 11 l. Assess the effectiveness of the management of the protected area: *Provided,*
12 That the members of the PAMB representing the LGUs and national
13 agencies shall inform their respective constituents, offices or sectors, of
14 PAMB-approved or other relevant policies, rules, regulations, programs,
15 and projects and shall ensure that the provisions of this Act and the rules
16 and regulations issued to implement are complied with and used as
17 reference and framework in their respective plans, policies, programs, and
18 projects. Failure to comply with the foregoing shall be the basis for
19 disciplinary action against such member according to administrative rules
20 and regulations and such penalties as the PAMB may provide: *Provided,*
21 *further,* That the DENR, through the Regional Director, shall ensure that
22 the PAMB acts within the scope of its powers and functions. In case of
23 conflict between the resolutions issued by the PAMB and the existing
24 administrative orders of national application, the latter shall prevail.

25 **SEC. 9. *The Protected Area Management Office (PAMO).*** – There is
26 hereby established a Protected Area Management Office (PAMO) to be headed by
27 a Protected Area Superintendent (PASu) who shall supervise the day to day
28 management, protection, and administration of the TPPL. The PASu shall hold a
29 permanent plantilla position and shall be appointed by the DENR Secretary. A
30 sufficient number of support staff with permanent plantilla positions shall
31 likewise be appointed by the DENR Secretary to assist the PASu in the
32 management of the protected area.

1 The PASu shall be primarily accountable to the PAMB and the DENR for
2 the management and operations of the TPPL. Pursuant thereto, the PASu shall
3 have the following duties and responsibilities:

- 4 a. Prepare the management plan, in consultation with the stakeholders,
5 including the annual work and financial plan and ensure its
6 implementation;
- 7 b. Ensure the integration of the protected area management plans, programs,
8 projects, and policies with relevant national and LGUs' plans and programs;
- 9 c. Provide secretariat services to the PAMB and its committees and ensure the
10 availability of relevant and timely information for decision-making;
- 11 d. Formulate and recommend to the PAMB proposed policies, rules,
12 regulations, and programs;
- 13 e. Establish, operate, and maintain a database management system which
14 shall be an important basis for decision-making;
- 15 f. Enforce the laws, rules and regulations relevant to the protected area,
16 commence and institute administrative and legal actions in collaboration
17 with other government agencies or organizations, and assist in the
18 prosecution of offenses committed in violation of the provisions of this Act;
- 19 g. Monitor, evaluate, and report the implementation of management activities
20 of the protected area;
- 21 h. Request for and receive any technical assistance, support or advice from any
22 agency or instrumentality of the government as well as academic
23 institutions, NGOs, and the private sector, as may be necessary for the
24 effective management, protection and administration of the protected area;
- 25 i. Issue permits and clearances for activities that implement the management
26 plan and other permitted activities in accordance with terms, conditions,
27 and criteria established by the PAMB: *Provided*, That all permits for
28 extraction of natural resources, including collection of wildlife, and its by-
29 products or derivatives for research purposes, shall continue to be issued by
30 relevant authorities, subject to prior clearance from the PAMB, through the
31 PASu, in accordance with the specific acts to be covered;

1 j. Collect and receive pertinent fees, charges, donations, and other income for
2 the protected area: *Provided*, That such fees, charges, donations, and other
3 income collected and received shall be reported regularly to the PAMB and
4 the DENR in accordance with existing guidelines;

5 k. Prepare and recommend to the PAMB, approval of the annual work and
6 financial plans of the protected area based on the management plan; and

7 l. Perform such other functions as the PAMB and the DENR may assign.

8 The PAMO may be augmented by the deputized local environment and
9 natural resources officers upon the recommendation of the PAMB and approval of
10 the DENR.

11 ARTICLE III

12 PROCEEDS AND FEES

13 SEC. 10. *The Tirad Pass Protected Landscape Fund.* – There is hereby
14 established a trust fund to be known as the Tirad Pass Protected Landscape Fund
15 for purposes of financing projects of the TPPL and the NIPAS. All income
16 generated from the operation and management of wild flora and fauna in the
17 TPPL shall accrue to the fund. The income shall be derived from fees from
18 permitted sale and export of flora and fauna and other resources from the TPPL,
19 proceeds from lease of multiple-use areas, contributions from industries and
20 facilities directly benefiting from the TPPL, and such other fees and income
21 derived from the operation of the TPPL.

22 The PAMB shall retain seventy-five percent (75%) of all revenues raised
23 through the above means, which shall be deposited in the Protected Area-Retained
24 Income Account (PA-RIA) in any authorized government depository bank within
25 the locality: *Provided*, That disbursements out of such deposits shall be used solely
26 for the protection, maintenance, administration, and management of the protected
27 area and implementation of duly approved projects of the PAMB. The remaining
28 twenty-five percent (25%) of revenues shall be deposited as a special account in
29 the general fund in the National Treasury for purposes of financing the programs
30 and projects of the NIPAS.

31 The fund may be augmented by grants, donations, endowment from various
32 sources, domestic or foreign: *Provided*, That the fund shall be deposited in full as

1 a special account in the National Treasury and disbursements therefrom shall be
2 made solely for the protection, maintenance, administration, and management of
3 the NIPAS and duly approved projects endorsed by the PAMB in accordance with
4 existing accounting, budgeting, and auditing rules and regulations: *Provided,*
5 *further,* That the fund shall not be used to cover personal services expenditures.

6 The LGUs shall continue to impose and collect all other fees not enumerated
7 herein which they have traditionally collected, such as business permits, property
8 tax and rentals of LGUs' facilities.

9 ARTICLE IV

10 TRANSITORY AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

11 SEC. 11. *Appropriations.* – The Secretary of the DENR shall immediately
12 include in the Department's program the implementation of this Act, the funding
13 of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

14 SEC. 12. *Suppletory Application of the NIPAS Law.* – The provisions
15 of Republic Act No. 7586, as amended by Republic Act No. 11038, shall have
16 suppletory application to this Act.

17 SEC. 13. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* – Within ninety (90)
18 days from the effectivity of this Act, the Secretary of the DENR shall, in
19 consultation with the local governments of the Municipalities of Gregorio Del
20 Pilar, Quirino, Sigay, Cervantes, and Suyo, the provincial government of Ilocos
21 Sur, and concerned national government agencies, issue the corresponding rules
22 and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

23 SEC. 14. *Separability Clause.* – If any section or provision of this Act is
24 held unconstitutional or invalid, the remaining sections or provisions with the
25 provisions not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

26 SEC. 15. *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, decrees, letters of instruction,
27 executive orders, rules and regulations and other issuances or parts thereof
28 inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

29 SEC. 16. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
30 publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation

31 Approved,