



13 June 2016

Mayor
Municipality

Dear Mayor _____:

The Society for the Conservation of Philippine Wetlands, Inc. (SCPW), in partnership with the United Nations – World Food Programme (UN-WFP), is currently implementing the project entitled “Youth-in-Action for Disaster Risk Preparedness and Reduction: Resilience and Adaptation Strategies by the Youth”.

The project involves the conduct of Youth Ecological Camps among high school students through an experiential learning curriculum that focuses on wetland conservation and disaster risk reduction and preparedness. The Youth Eco-Camp will be conducted for three days following a curriculum consisting of lectures, workshops, and experiential learning through field visits/trips. The output of the youth camp will be an action plan designed to help address Climate Change Adaptation and Disaster Risk Reduction and Management issues in the area.

There will also be a Trainor's Training for teachers on how to conduct the Eco-Camp to ensure that the youth will continuously have a pool of trainors who can pass on the learnings to other sectors of the community. The Trainor's Training will be held to develop the skills of people and institutions in engaging youth towards actions and initiatives relevant to DRR and CCAM in the project sites. It will be held two days before the actual eco-camp and will use the actual ecological camp as their practicum. These new trainors will then be involved in the actual implementation of the youth camp in _____(name of municipality). With the experience that they will get from the ToT and the Youth Camp itself, they can already organize and hold similar Youth Eco-Camps in the future for other schools in the province.

In line with this, we would like to request for your support in the conduct of these activities, particularly in nominating ten (10) high school teachers from your municipality to join the Training of Trainors on June 27 to July 1, 2016. These teachers will learn innovative means of teaching in both in an out of classroom environments on various topics including

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ecology, DRR and CCA, among others. We would also like to invite thirty five (35) high school participants from your municipality to join the Eco-Camp on June 29 – July 1, 2016. The nominees should be 2nd and 3rd year students (Grades 8 to 9) from your local public and private high schools with strong leadership potentials.

It will also be appreciated if you or your representative could give the Welcome Remarks during the first day of the ToT, June 27, and during the first day of the Ecocamp, June 29. We would also like to invite _____ (DRRMO or MPDC) to give a lecture about the profile of the municipality and its DRRM programmes during the first day of the Ecocamp.

On the second day, June 30, the Ecocamp participants will be conducting a field activity entitled "Disaster Town Watching". In this connection, we would like to request if you could provide vehicles to transport the Eco-Campers to the most disaster prone Barangay in the municipality and back to the venue. We would also appreciate it if you can provide us a copy of the maps of the most disaster prone Barangay in the municipality, which will be used for the said activity. Lastly, we would like to ask for your assistance in finding a suitable venue for the event. We will be informing you of the progress of this activity and we hope that you will extend to us your support.

Attached are the Activity Design, Brochure, and Program for your perusal. Should you have questions or clarifications, you may contact us at (02) 637-2409 or (0936)-935-3363. You may also email us at _____. Thank you and we look forward to your support to this project.

Sincerely yours,

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Vice-President and Executive Officer