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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

On the **ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE REPORT AND MANAGEMENT PLAN (EPRMP)** of the proposed **MASBATE GOLD EXPANSION PROJECT** of the **FILMINERA RESOURCES CORPORATION (FRC)** in the **MUNICIPALITY OF AROROY, PROVINCE OF MASBATE**.

Notice is hereby given to all parties who wish to give their opinion regarding the proposed **MASBATE GOLD EXPANSION PROJECT** to attend a Public Hearing on **04 OCTOBER 2019 (FRIDAY)** at **9:00 AM** (*registration starts at 8:00 am*) to be held in **VICTORIO V. PATO MEMORIAL RECREATION CENTER, SAN ROQUE, BARANGAY PURO, AROROY, MASBATE**.

The Public Hearing is being conducted in connection with the review of the EPRMP of the aforementioned project by the Environmental Management Bureau (EMB) of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR).

The Masbate Gold Project (MGP) is a joint operation of FRC and Phil. Gold Processing & Refining Corp. (PGPRC). The proposed project expansion covers the increase of throughput ore being processed in the PGPRC plant from 7.3 million MT/yr to 9 million MT/yr. The proposed expansion will require an upgrade of plant equipment to improve the processing capacity for low-grade ore to maximize the extraction of gold. It will utilize the existing low-grade stockpile as raw material to better manage the stockpile inside the MGP area.

All interested parties who wish to attend or participate in this Public Hearing should preferably confirm their attendance/participation and may give their opinion(s) in a concise position paper to the **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT DIVISION (EIAMD)** of this Office through mail or through email at eamd.emb.co@gmail.com, three (3) days before the Public Hearing schedule. Those who will not be able to register or submit written positions may be given the opportunity to share their issues on the day of the hearing itself.

The project's EPRMP and Executive Summary for the Public (ESP) are downloadable at our website: www.eia.emb.gov.ph (*kindly access the Notice of Public Hearing/Consultation link found in our website*) while the hard copies will be available in this Office and in the following offices:

- 1) **EMB Region V**
Regional Center Site, Rawis, Legazpi City
- 2) **Municipal Planning and Development Office (MPDO)**
Municipality of Aroroy, Province of Masbate

For more details, please contact EIAM Division of this Office at telephone number (02) 920-2240 to 41 and look for the project case handlers **Engr. Carlo Vic Arida, EnP** and **Engr. Mary Therese Gonzales, EnP**.