

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

On the ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS) of the proposed LONG POINT NICKEL MINING PROJECT of the BERONG NICKEL CORPORATION (BNC) to be located in SITIO LONG POINT, BARANGAY APURAWAN, ABORLAN, PALAWAN.

Notice is hereby given to all parties who wish to give their opinion regarding the implementation of the proposed **LONG POINT NICKEL MINING PROJECT** to attend the Public Hearing on:

Date	Time	Venue
18 January 2024 (Thursday)	9:00 AM Registration starts at 8:30 a.m.	Apurawan Gymnasium, Brgy. Apurawan, Aborlan, Palawan

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

The following is the project information:

Project Name	Long Point Nickel Mining Project			
Project Location	Sitio Long Point, Brgy. Apurawan, Aborlan, Palawan			
Project Type	Extraction of metallic minerals			
Project Area	2,177.34 hectares			
Project Capacity	1,000,000 DMTPY			
Project Rationale	The mining industry in the Philippines is an engine for growth in the local			
	and regional economy providing critical employment, infrastructure			
	development, industrialization, and rural development. Thus, the mining			
	operation of BNC is expected to generate the same benefits in both local			
	and national economies. It aims that over the life of the mine, the			
	communities will benefit from the mining-related programs and activities.			
Project Components	Components	Area (ha) / Capacity (m ³)		
	Mining Area	441.30 ha		
	Stockyard	20.72 ha		
	Haul Roads (from Mining Area to	0.203 ha		
	Pier)			
	Access Roads (within the Mining	4.45 ha		
	Area)			
	Pier/Causeway	0.47 ha		
	Fuel Farm	$0.0250 \text{ ha} / 2,500 \text{ m}^3$		
	Support facilities – powerhouse, offices, laboratory, mine camp,			
	amenities			
	Source of power – generator sets (2 units – 360 kVa; 303 kVa)			
	Source of water – deep wells (approx. 50-60 m ³ /day)			
	Pollution Control Facilities – settling ponds, interceptor canal, stockpile			
	area (topsoil, subsoil, overburden), nursery, sanitary landfill, materials			
	recovery facility, hazardous waste storage facility, oil-water separators,			
	septic tanks, buffer zones			
Proponent	Berong Nickel Corporation (BNC)			

All interested parties who wish to attend or participate in these Public Hearings 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 email at <u>eia@emb.gov.ph</u>, at least 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 EIS and Executive Summary for the Public are downloadable at our website: www.eia.emb.gov.ph (kindly access the Notice of Public Hearing/Consultation link found on our website) while copies will be available in the following offices:

1. EMB Region IVB

6th Floor, DENR by the Bay Bldg., Roxas Blvd., Ermita, Manila Contact Number: 09988519256

2. EMB Provincial Environmental Management Unit - Palawan

PENRO Compound, Sta. Monica, Puerto Princesa City, Palawan Contact Number: 00175035322

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3. Aborlan Municipal Hall

Municipality of Aborlan, Palawan

4. Apurawan Barangay Hall

Brgy. Apurawan, Aborlan, Palawan

For more details, please contact the EIAM Division at this Office at telephone number (02) 8539-4378 loc. 116 through the project case handlers **Ms. Leonil Marie Gargar** and **Mr. Jay Mon Angoluan**.

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