

XAVIER ATENEO LAW

Environmental Law Service Learning Initiatives



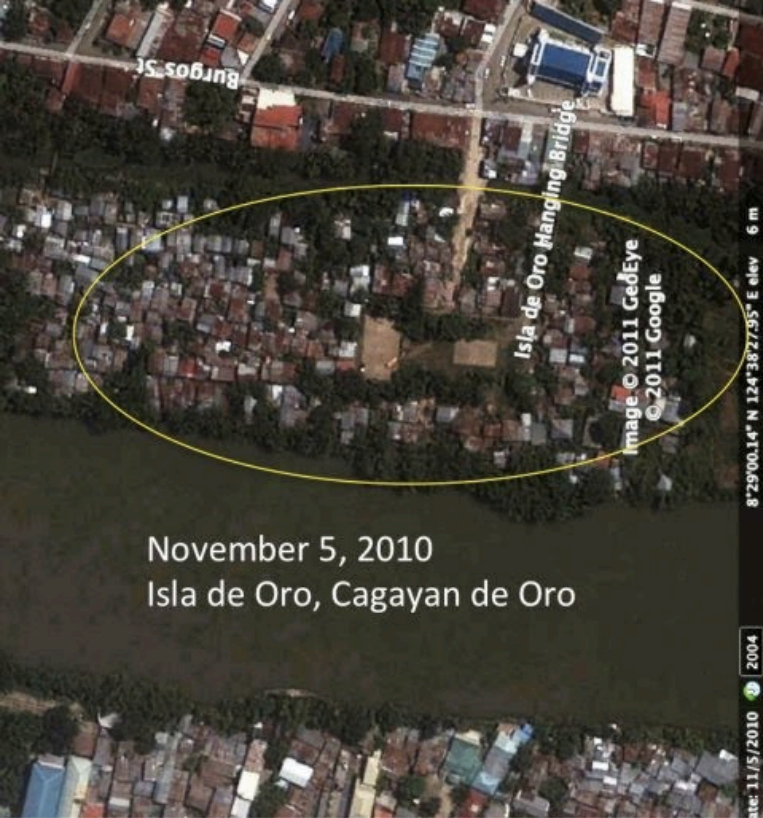
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Outline

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November 5, 2010
Isla de Oro, Cagayan de Oro



December 20, 2011
Isla de Oro, Cagayan de Oro



Causes

- Climate change
- Lack of flood warning system
- Rapid urbanization
- Deforestation
- Uncoordinated local environment management systems



CAGAYAN DE ORO RIVERBASIN MANAGEMENT COUNCIL



Macajalar Bay
Development Alliance

Ridge-River-Reef approach

STRENGTHENING THE RIDGE TO REEF ECOSYSTEM MANAGEMENT APPROACH IN MINDANAO

by Warwin O Sabasaje

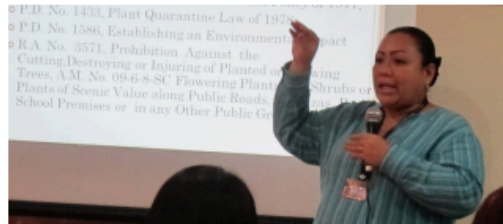
on the ridge to reef landscape approach to management. One of its objectives is to strengthen the Cagayan de Oro Riverbasin Management Council (CDORBMC), the governing body that manages the protection, rehabilitation and supervision of the Cagayan de Oro Riverbasin.

The EA team has been working with the council as its Secretariat since 2011. They gathered base information of the council, consolidated them and helped strengthen the council's organizational structure. They also helped facilitate meetings in formulating a

harmonized work plan for each of the council's Technical Working Groups (TWG). On September 5, 2012, the council has identified its Board of Stakeholders as its legislative body. Now, the CDORBMC has a much organized structure having the Board of Stakeholders that makes decision, the Executive Committee that executes and implements the Board's decision, and four technical working groups that serve as the working hands of the council. The TWGs are the following: rehabilitation, local governance, community development and resource management. ✨



Participants' planning and sharing of insights for MPA Network management



Atty. Jarley Trugillo giving a review on relevant ordinances of existing MPAs and Coastal Resources



Participants of the MPA Network Training and Planning Workshop

Activities

INTERNS (Facilitated by XUCLA)


- Development of the Macajalar Bay Development Alliance Implementing Rules and Regulation
- Rights literacy for fisherfolks association across the bay
- Immersion of upland communities in Cagayan de Oro City
- Comparative legal analysis for the development of the CDO Macajalar Bay Authority statute



PARTNERSHIP TO SHAPE LAW

XUCLA partners with the Cagayan de Oro River Basin Management Council to shape a law creating the CDO river basin authority and thus promote right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature.



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Activities

Ideas for Nat Res and Envi Class / CLEP

- *Laudato Si* Conference simulation
- Rights-literacy sessions with upland communities
- Drafting of the payment of ecosystem services ordinance
- CDO Policy on Flooding action research
- Solid waste management ordinance (single plastic ban amendment) analysis action research
- Impact of facemask and face shields in relation to solid waste management action research



Prospective activities

3R Project fully integrated in one CLEP class

Policy Inventory and Development

Environmental Rights Awareness

LGU Capacity Building and Manualization

Skills and values

- Systems thinking / thinking beyond the law
- Popular education strategies
- Coalition building
- Contract and ordinance drafting skill
- Sensing and proximity

Lessons learned

- Community context matters
- Scan existing efforts, no need to reinvent the wheel
- Define learning outcomes
- Provide space for reflection

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