



EXTRACT FROM THE JOURNAL-MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN, BONTOC, MOUNTAIN PROVINCE, HELD AT SANGGUNIANG BAYAN SESSION HALL ON NOVEMBER 6, 2017

PRESENT:	HON. EUSEBIO S. KABLUYEN,	Vice Mayor and Presiding Officer
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ABSENT:	HON. THOMAS LONGATAN,	IPMR, Member
	HON. ESTEBAN O. NGUDDO,	Member

**Ordinance No. 294, S. 2017**  
 Sponsor: Hon. Alsannyster F. Patingan

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING MARINE SANCTUARIES WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF BONTOC, PROHIBITING CERTAIN ACTIVITIES THEREIN AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THERETO**

**Whereas,** this Body recognizes that this generation has the responsibility of taking care of the environment for the next generation under the principle of inter-generational responsibility enunciated in the landmark case of Oposa v. Factoran;

**Whereas,** this Body likewise recognizes the rapid decline of marine population within the rivers of the Municipality, such that fishes and other marine resources which were in abundance during the time of our fathers had become scarce, others probably driven up to near extinction and might not even survive for the next generations;

**Whereas,** this Body believes that one of the factors to this decline is caused by unregulated fishing and the obvious lack of sanctuaries for these aquatic and marine resources to pawn and replenish its population;

**Whereas,** there is a need to give these marine resources some breathing space to respawn, repelenish and repopulate, otherwise the time will come that we will lose them forever; thus,

**Wherefore,** and in view of the foregoing considerations, this Body in recognizing its obligations to the next generation now decrees the following-

**Section 1. Title-** This Ordinance shall be known as the "*Marine Sanctuary Ordinance of 2016*".

**Section 2. Scope-** This Ordinance shall be enforced where applicable within the territorial jurisdiction of the Municipality of Bontoc, Mountain Province;

**Section 3. Establishment of Marine Sanctuaries-** There is hereto established marine sanctuaries along the rivers of the Municipality, particularly in the following areas of the riverside barangays -:

BARANGAY	START	END	TOTAL LENGTH (kms)
Alab Oriente	Akeng 17° 3' 13.97" N 120° 56' 16.89" E	Papag 17° 3' 51.11" N 120° 56' 87.60" E	1.35
Alab Proper	Akeng	Papag	1.35
Balili	Junction Balili River + Chico River 17° 2' 38.91° N 120° 56' 9.30° E	Boundary Balili + Gonogon 17° 2' 18.43° N 120° 56' 8.34° E	.46
Bontoc Ili	Comesey (hanging bridge) 17° 5' 0.76" N 120° 58' 1.87" E	Paling (Rock) 17° 4' 57.01" N 120° 58' 43.83" E	2.20
Gonogon	Big Rock Lat 17° 1' 54.51" N Long 120° 56' 34.62" E	Sumbagan 17° 1' 33.16" N 120° 56' 34.62" E	1.61
Poblacion	Cheppay (Accab) Lat 17° 5' 7.9" N Long 120° 58' 43.27" N	DPWH Creek 17° 5' 31.75" N 120° 58' 48.61" E	.79
Caluttit	DPWH Creek Lat 17° 5' 31.75" N Long 120° 58' 48.61" E	Lagkhangeo Creek 17° 5' 44.97" N 120° 59' 13.57" E	.55
Samoki	Fengar 170° 03' 46.96" N 120° 59' 22.18" E	Ablaw (Blue Lagoon) 17° 3' 35.57" N 120° 59' 29.78" E	.64
Tocucan	Lattang 17° 6' 8.44" N 120° 59' 42.98" E	Arraway 170° 6' 35.87" N 121° 0' 36.29" E	1.91
Talubin	Kalangeg Resort Lat 17° 1' 52.35" N Long 121° 0' 43.87" N	Maggang Bridge 17° 2' 12.62" N 121° 0' 37.82" E	1.17
Bayyo	Waterfall Lat 17° 0' 32.97" N Long 121° 0' 56.92" E	Bridge 16° 59' 48.90" N 121° 53' 93" E	.79
Caneo	Hanging Bridge (Ili) Lat 17° 4' 39.15" N Long 121° 0' 50.95" E	Hanging Bridge (Chapyusen) 17° 4' 25.08" N 121° 0' 53.93" E	2.28

**Section 4. Marine Sanctuary Markers-** Upon implementation, the Municipality along with the concerned barangay shall establish permanent markers to mark the endpoints of the marine sanctuary. The Marine Sanctuary shall be that area between these markers.

**Section 5. Prohibited Acts-** Within the established marine sanctuaries, any fishing activities of all kinds are prohibited at all times. Likewise, all activities that tend to damage these Marine Sanctuaries, (i.e. construction of dams/impediments, quarrying, landfilling/reclamation, dumping of garbage, diverting of waterflow etc.), without prior approval of the Municipality, are likewise prohibited.

**Section 6. Penalties-** Conviction of any of the prohibited acts for the first and all succeeding offenses shall merit the penalty of imprisonment of six (6) months and the Fine of Two Thousand and Five Hundred Pesos (PHP2,500.00) including the forfeiture of any tools, equipment, etc., used to commit the prohibited act. These penalties are



separate from any other penalties for any other laws violated in the commission of the same act.

**Section 7. No contest Settlement-** The person alleged to have committed the prohibited act/s for the first offense may pay the amount of Five Hundred Pesos (PHP500.00) by way of settlement and to avoid court litigation, *provided*, he signs an undertaking to pay the amount of Five Thousand Pesos (PHP5,000.00) for each succeeding future violation. In case more than one (1) person is involved, settlement shall be done individually.

**Section 8. Authorizations-** The Municipal Mayor is hereto authorized to: (a) institute/cause the institution of court cases against person/s reported to have violated this ordinance in behalf of the Municipality; and (b) to enter into any no contest settlement with any of these person/s should there be any. The Municipal Treasurer is hereto authorized to receive for and in behalf of the Municipality such amount as may be paid in the course of any no contest settlement.

**Section 9. Separability-** Should any part or provision of this Ordinance be later on declared unconstitutional or invalid by the proper authorities, other parts or provisions hereof not so affected shall remain in full force and effect.

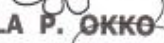
**Section 10. Repealing Clause-** All prior Municipal Ordinances inconsistent with the provisions herein are hereby repealed and/or modified accordingly.

**Section 11. Effectivity-** This Ordinance shall take effect a day after its publication or at the end of the three consecutive weeks posting period, whichever comes later, pursuant to Section 511 of the Local Government Code.

**APPROVED** by the Sangguniang Bayan this 6<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2017.

CERTIFIED TRUE, CORRECT AND DULY ADOPTED:

  
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