

FOREST POLICIES AND EXPERIENCES ON PROFESSIONAL ADVANCEMENT OF FORESTERS

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OUTLINE:

1. Questions asked by SFFI members
2. The Forestry Profession: Our Reason for Existence
3. Forest Policies on the Practice of Forestry Profession
4. Recommendations



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1. THE QUESTIONS ASKED BY SFFI MEMBERS:

- How the Society could influence the practice of Forestry Profession in the Country?
- How the Society could influence the Sustainable Forest Development and Management Agenda of the Country?



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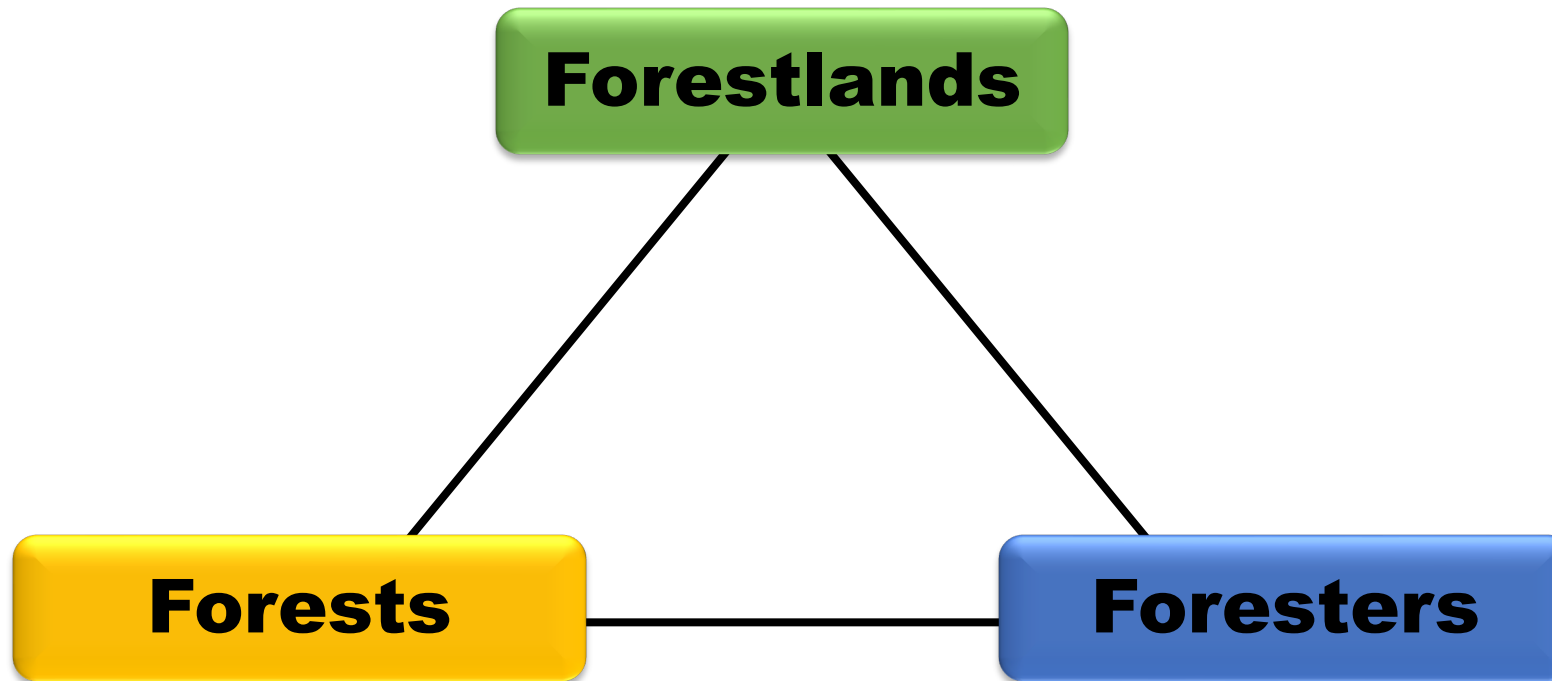
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2. THE FORESTRY PROFESSION: OUR REASON FOR EXISTENCE



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***THE FORESTLANDS:* HOW MUCH IS LEFT?**

1. Protected Areas
2. Mineral Lands (MPSA and other Mining Tenements)
3. Ancestral Domains/ CADT's
4. School Reservations, Military Reservations, Irrigation, Others
5. Titles, CLOAs, Settlements
6. Forestlands for Fishponds Development
7. Built-Up Areas(Barangay and Municipal Centers)
8. Roads and Highways



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***THE FORESTS:* WE ARE JUDGED ACCORDING TO WHAT KIND OF FOREST WE HAVE**

1. The Natural and Residual Forests
2. Forests Plantations
3. Mangroves/ Beach Forest
4. Invasive Species



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***THE FORESTERS:* EXPERTS IN FOREST ADMINISTRATION**

1. The Science of Forestry Interventions
2. Technical Positions on Sustainable Forest Development

*“ Forestry Profession is an Afternoon Profession”
Not yet a Sunset Profession*



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3. FOREST POLICIES ON THE PRACTICE OF FORESTRY PROFESSION IN THE COUNTRY

- **DAO 2004-04** dated March 16, 2004: Guidelines on the Utilization and Transport of Planted Trees in Private Lands. **REVOKED**
 - ✓ **Issuance of Certification by Professional Foresters**

- **DAO 2020-18** dated December 17, 2020: promoting Tree Plantation Development and Liberalizing Harvesting and Transport of Planted Trees and Tree Derivatives for Inclusive Growth and Sustainable Development.
 - ✓ **Issuance of Certification by Third Party Tree Plantation Certifier duly registered or accredited by DENR**



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4. RECOMMENDATIONS

- SFFI to create a Forest Policy Review Committee and to lobby its regular representation to the DENR Policy Review Committee;
- Review DAO 2020-18 and DAO 2004-04 to make it responsive to Sustainable Forest Development and the Practice of Forestry Profession;
- Continue the Practice of Business Plan Preparation for Lumber Dealership



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4. RECOMMENDATIONS

- The preparation of CDMP/CRMF by Licensed Foresters for IFMA, SIFMA, CBFMA, PACBRMA, FLAg, FLAgT and other Forestry Instruments;
- Requiring Forestry Tenorial Instrument Holders to engaged/hire the services of License Foresters in Project Implementation; and
- Explore Mandanas Ruling-the further Devolution of Functions to LGUs to provide opportunities for the hiring of Professional Foresters.



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