Upper Pulangi Watershed, Bukidnon



Address: Bukidnon

Description: As the Philippines's second largest watershed, Pulangi owns the forests that support the vast Pulangi River Basin, which in turn provides 30% of the total hydropower generated for the whole Mindanao grid. This priority site is also a nesting area of the Philippine eagle (*Pithecophaga jefferyi*) and ancestral domain of Bukidnon's Higaonon tribe.

Status: Closed

Site Profile Summary

Ecosystem Types	Lowland Forest
Protection Status	Ancestral Domain (Indigenous Peoples Rights Act (IPRA))
Area	27, 025 hectares
Biogeographic Features	- It is the Philippine's second largest watershed, covering an area of 1.8 million hectares. - Its forests are ecologically important to the vast Pulangi River Basin (a.k.a., Rio Grnade de Mindanao), which supports 30% of total hydro-irrigation requirements of at least 100,000 hectares of rice lands, and the potable water needs of two cities and 22 municipalities in Bukidnon.
Flora	- It is also known for its dipterocarps (e.g., apitong, lauan and almaciga), pitcher plant, ferns and wild abaca
Fauna	- It has also been recognized as one of the nesting areas of the critically endangered Philippine Eagle *(Pithecophaga jefferyi),* and other endangered wildlife including several species of deers, pigs, hornbills, tarsiers, owls, freshwater eels
Livelihood Resources	- Farming - Hunting
Other Matters of Significance	Pulangi is the ancestral domain of the Higaonon tribe of Bukidnon.

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