

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 (<i>Pithecophaga jefferyi</i>), 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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