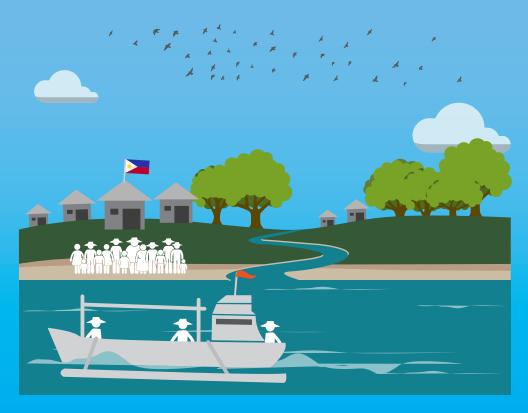
Governance of the Fisheries Management Area



Fisheries Administrative Order 263

Issued January 28, 2019, this directive calls for the establishment of Fisheries Management Areas (FMAs) for the conservation and management of fisheries in Philippine waters.

What Are Its Objectives?

- Effective conservation and management of fish population and habitats
- Uphold Ecosystems Approach to Fisheries Management
- Ensure cooperation between local governments and national agencies
- Provide science-based, participatory, and transparent governance framework

Governance Mechanisms

Jurisdictions

Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR) + Department of Interior and Local Government + Local Government Units:

Work together to manage the straddling and shared fish population within FMAs

DA-BFAR

Has authority outside of municipal waters and commercial fishing registration and licensing

Municipal/ City Government

Has authority over municipal waters

Enacts ordinance in consultation with Fisheries and Aquatic Resource Managment Councils

The Management Body

The Bureau of Fisheries Regional Office will convene and organize a Management Body within 6 months from effective date of the FAO

BFAR-RFO (Chair) Local Chief Executive (Co-Chair)

Commercial Market/Trade/ Other National Government People Academe Municipalities, Non-Government

Functions of the Management Body



Aquaculture

Develops and implements a Management Plan



Agencies

Establishes Reference Points for key species based on the National Stock Assessment Program and recommendations of the Scientific Advisory Group (SAG)



Adopts Harvest Control Rules and Harvest Control Measures



Organizations, People's Organizations

Ensures plans, programs, and ordinances are consistent with the Management Plan

The MB may create sub-groups (e.g. Technical Working Group, Policy Enforcement) as may be necessary $\,$



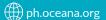


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^{*} FMAs/Sub-FMAs under NIPAS are governed by the NIPAS Act

^{*} 1 seat will be given to FMA with operational IFARMC/s