



On 31 December 2018, JHMC has been assessed and recommended for the certification of the ISO 14001:2015 by the **AJA REGISTRARS INC.**, valid until **13 February 2022**.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

President Rodrigo Roa Duterte issued Executive Order (E.O.) No. 2, series of 2016, on "Operationalizing in the Executive Branch the People's Constitutional Rights to Information and the State Policies to Full Public Disclosure and Transparency in the Public Service and Providing Guidelines Therefore." It sets the provisions under which every Filipino may have access to information.

A Certificate of Compliance was issued to JHMC for being fully-compliant with the requirements set forth by the Inter-Agency Task Force on the Harmonization of National Government Performance Monitoring, Information, and Reporting Systems (AO 25 Task Force) through its Memorandum Circular No. 20171, Section 5 (MC No. 2017-1, Sec. 5).



FOREST MANAGEMENT

The forest watershed of Camp John Hay (the Camp) is considered as the “last frontier” of vast forested area within Baguio City, reason why it has been dubbed as the “Lungs of the City”. In fact, according to DENR-CAR statistics this Benguet Pine-dominated forest within the Camp accounts for roughly 53% of the remaining forest cover of Baguio City, reason why the *Ambient Air Quality Index* within this tourist haven in Baguio City has consistently been rated as “GOOD” by the DENR –Environmental Management Bureau, which is so far the best index in the entire Baguio, La Trinidad, Itogon, Tuba and Tublay (BLISTT) District.

For the year 2020, the following are the accomplishments relative to the management of the Forest Watershed and Biodiversity:

Reforestation/ Enrichment Planting Program/ Support to the National Greening Program

JHMC has consistently complied with Executive Order No. 26 otherwise known as the National Greening Program (NGP) of the government. A total of 2,375 seedlings of Benguet Pine, Coffea Arabica and Tibig were planted within Camp John Hay as a measure to mitigate the environmental impacts brought about by the removal of dead and/or pest-infested trees that posed danger to public safety and forest ecosystem health. The table below shows the details:

| Date (CY 2020) | Participants | No. of seedlings | Planting site/Location |
|-------------------|---|--|------------------------|
| August | Forest care personnel | 875 Ipil-ipil | Yellow Trail |
| September 28 & 30 | JHMC employees, and its service providers | 1,050 Benguet pine, 350 coffee and 100 tibig seedlings | Hillside |
| Total | | 2,375 seedlings | |



Some members of the JHMC Management Committee joining the Tree Planting Activity inside the John Hay Reservation Area (JHRA).

General Forest Care Activities

General forest care activities consisting of **fire line and green belt maintenance, gathering of abandoned forest wood wastes, assisted natural regeneration (ANR), and thinning of pine stands** are being conducted within portions of the JHSEZ and JHRA. These are undertaken to protect and enhance forest quality. The table below shows the accomplishments:

| SITE | Area covered,m ² |
|---------------|-----------------------------|
| Upper Dagsian | 2,200.00 m ² |
| Scout Barrio | 2,050.00 m ² |

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|---------------|-----------------------------|
| Hillside | 6,000.00 m ² |
| Lower Dagsian | 6,440.00 m ² |
| Yellow Trail | 9,500 m ² |
| TOTAL | 23,990 m² |



Cleared fire lines at Hillside.



Cleared fire lines at Yellow Trail.



Cleared fire lines at Lower Dagsian.



Cleared fire lines at Scout Barrio.

JHMC-Initiated Tree Cutting and Pruning Operations

In a natural, dynamic ecosystem, tree mortalities and senescence is an integral part of ecosystem functions/processes. These tree mortalities particularly due to pest infestation, however, has to be managed through sanitation cutting operations to maintain forest ecosystem health and the general aesthetics of the environment, as well as to ensure public safety and well-being within the Camp.

For the year 2020, a total of 175 dead Benguet Pine trees that posed danger to public safety and/or pest-infested were cut and 239 Benguet pine trees were pruned to ensure public safety as well as to prevent the spread of the infestation/infection to the healthy trees. These tree cutting events were all covered by a Tree Cutting Permit issued by the DENR-CAR.



Photo documentations of cutting operations to dead and/or pest-infested Benguet Pine trees posing danger to public safety.