

COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
PUERTO RICO PLANING BOARD  
SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**  
**November 15, 2016**

**ABOUT**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CALIFICATION DISTRICTS ON THE LAND LOCATED WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE HYDROGRAFIC BASIN OF THE TORTUGUERO LAGOON  
PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE TERRITORIAL PLANS OF THE MUNICIPALITIES OF MANATI, VEGA BAJA, MOROVIS, AND CIALES; TO THE PLAN AND REGULATION FOR THE CARST SPECIAL PLANNING AREA (PRCSPA); AND THE CLASSIFICATION MAP OF PUERTO RICO LAND USE PLAN AS RESULT OF THE ACTION BEFORE DESCRIBED  
PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE DELIMITATION OF THE TORTUGUERO LAGOON NATURAL RESERVE

In accordance with the authority allowed by article 27 of Act No. 75 of 24 June 1975, Puerto Rico Planning Board Organic Act; as amended; Act No.170 of August 12, 1988, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico *Uniform Administrative Procedures Act*, the Puerto Rico Planning Board notifies the celebration of a public hearing to be held as follows:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>HOUR</u>	<u>SITE</u>
November 15, 2016	10:00 am	Municipal Legislature Luis Ramírez Torres room, Located on the 2nd floor of the Building Rafael Cano Llovio, in the Baldorioty Street, Padilla Corner in the Municipality of Vega Baja.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:**

1. Proposed amendments to calification districts on land located within the limits of the Hydrographic Basin of the Tortuguero Lagoon (HBTL), to adopt the calification districts of the Joint Permits Regulation for the Evaluation and Issuance of Permits Related to Development and Land Use.
  - a. As result of the change of calification in the HBTL is proposed:
    - Amendments to the territorial plans of the municipalities of Manatí, Vega Baja, Morovis and Ciales; to adopt the calification proposed in the HBTL.
    - Amendment to section 4.1.2 of the Plan and Regulation for Carst Special Planning Area (PRCSPA), in order to eliminate references to the calification of chapter 33 of the Joint Regulation.
    - The modification to the classification map from Puerto Rico Land Use Plan, effective as of November 30, 2015.
2. In addition it is proposed to amend the delimitation of the Tortuguero Lagoon Natural Reserve (TLNR) to exclude some built-up areas and expand the delimitation of the TLNR in 1,502 additional cuerdas.

**DOCUMENTS EXPOSITION:**

Copy of documents object of this public hearing will be available during business hours starting on October 27, 2016 at the City Halls of Manatí, Vega Baja, Morovis and Ciales, and the Land Use Plans Sub-program of the Planning Board located on the 11th floor and at the Permit Management Office (OGPE) located in the "P" floor, located in the North Building of the Roberto Sánchez Vilella Government Center, at De Diego Avenue corner Baldorioty in Santurce and. In the Regional at the Permit Office Management (OGPE), located in North Commercial Gallery building, floor 2, Road. #2, km 81.7 neighborhood Carrizales of Hatillo.

Also the documents related to this public hearing will be available at the Puerto Rico Planning Board website: [www.jp.pr.gov](http://www.jp.pr.gov).

Any person, entity, citizen, association, institution, or corporation that requires additional information about this matter can obtain it on the aforementioned places.

**INVITATION TO GENERAL PUBLIC:**

The Puerto Rico Planning Board invites all government agencies, private entities, municipalities and the general public to participate in these public hearing and submit comments and written recommendations on this matter

Section 2.2 of Act No. 170, supra, grants a thirty (30) days period, after the publication date of this notice, to submit written comments. Comments must be submitted by regular mail to: Puerto Rico Planning Board, PO Box 41119, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00940-1119, or through the following email address [comentariosjp@jp.pr.gov](mailto:comentariosjp@jp.pr.gov). The Puerto Rico Planning Board, will acknowledge receipt of comments received via email in writing within two (2) business days, in accordance to section 2.1 of Act No. 170, supra.

  
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