



MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR
NO. 01 S. 2019
14 FEBRUARY 2019

TO: ALL UNIVERSITY OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC

SUBJECT: DECLARING THE FIRST THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH AS CARLESS DAY AT BENGUET STATE UNIVERSITY

I. BACKGROUND

The BLISTT (Baguio City, La Trinidad, Itogon, Sablan, Tuba and Tublay) area was designated as an Airshed by virtue of DENR Administrative Order (DAO) 2003-04 pursuant to Section 3, Rule XV of DENR (DAO) 2000-81 and Section 9 of Republic Act No. 8749 otherwise known as the Philippine Clean Air Act of 1999.

The Emission Inventory for CAR for the year 2013-2015 showed that at least 70% of air pollution source come from motor vehicles and 30% from stationary and area sources. As part of the Air Quality Control Action Plan of the BLISTT Airshed, there is a need to maintain clean air as showcase of the Air Quality Network and Information Center and part of the public awareness program of the BLISTT Airshed.

To support the reduction of motor vehicle emissions and of its clean air advocacies the BLISTT Airshed Governing Board passed Resolution Nos. 23¹ and 26² requesting all member-agencies to declare a carless day every month within their areas of jurisdiction. Compliance is sought by the DENR.

The Local Government of La Trinidad has declared every 1st Thursday of the month as its carelessness day and encouraged the Barangays of La Trinidad to adopt the same.

Recognizing the right of the people to the protection and advancement of "a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature",³ affirming that a clean and healthy environment is for the good of all, and in solidarity with the LGU, this memorandum circular is issued declaring the **FIRST THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH AS CARLESS DAY AT BENGUET STATE UNIVERSITY.**

II. COVERAGE

- A. **Motor Vehicles.** These rules shall apply to *all privately owned and operated vehicles and motorcycles* whether BSU employees or not. Excluded hereto are those used by Persons with Disabilities (PWDs), physicians, Senior Citizens, government, and delivery vehicles.
- B. **Area.** These rules shall cover that stretch starting from the gate at the Balili road behind the Philippine National Bank building right up to the boom gate at the Community Police Precinct, including the space occupied by the ATI-NTC.

The area coverage may later on be expanded once a more comprehensive study on this initiative is undertaken by the University; and with this initial step implemented over a period of time.

¹ 18 May 2017

² 17 August 2017

³ Section 16, Article II, 1987 Phil Constitution.

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III. IMPLEMENTATION

- A. All vehicles identified above (paragraph II.A) shall not be allowed to enter, pass through, or park within the covered area from 8 AM every first Thursday of every month until nighttime of the same day.
- B. Physical barriers and signs shall be installed to reinforce the implementation of these rules including the identified space for those excluded vehicles from the coverage of this memo.
- C. Though it is everybody's concern, the Security Services Office shall be the focal office in the implementation of these rules.

IV. PENALTIES

Any government official or employee who violates these rules shall be proceeded against in accordance with Civil Service rules and regulations.

V. EFFECTIVITY

This Circular shall take effect on the first day of March 2019 and shall remain in full force and effect until amended or revoked.


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