Forest Cover Update

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ESSC has a commitment to be a major information resource in terms of Philippine forest cover figures.

In 1999, ESSC published Decline of the Philippine Forest and is still widely used as a reference for Philippine forest cover figures. Government's official forest cover study was done in 1987 and followed with a 2003 study

In 2010, ESSC also released online the results of the Philippine forest cover update for the period 2001-2002.

The forest cover maps are available, with a comprehensive analysis by Pedro Walpole.

Previous related work:

- ESSC one of two Phl focal points for global forest resource assessment (12 Dec 2012)

- Forestry and the Poor (6 Nov 2012)
- Building and creating local capacities through free and open source software (12 Sep 2012)
- ESSC shares Open Source Geospatial experience in local planning (18 Jul 2012)
- Ridge to reef, new directions and opportunities in Western Visayas. (1 Feb 2012)
- FAO releases latest findings of world forest changes using satellite technology. (4 Jan 2012)
- ESSC shares action points for Philippine uplands at PFEC's 16th National Environmental Congress. (29 Nov 2011)
- Assisting Forests in Bendum. (27 April 2010)

- Figuring Philippine Forests (24 March 2010)
- Beach Forests and Mangroves. (18 Nov 2009)
- Low forest cover in the Philippines: Issues and responses at the community level. (2000)
- BELGIAN-PHILIPPINE PARTNERS IN MAPPING : PUTTING THE PHILIPPINES ON THE MAP: The Belgian Contribution from the 16th to the 21st Century. (28 Oct 2009)
- Community Mapping in the Philippines. (7 May 2007)

Related Publications:

- Figuring the Forest Figures (Jul 2010)

- Philippine Forest 2002: ESSC Methods mapping booklet (Jul 2010)

- Mindoro in the Balance Map (1 Jun 2000)

- Resource Conflict and
Cultural Management Map (1 Jul 1999)

- Decline of the Philippine
Forest Map (1 July 1999)

- Community Mapping Manual for Resource Management (1 Jun 1998)

- Philippine Culture and
Ecosystem Map (1 May 1998)

Editorials:

- Measure for measure (15 May 2012)

- Greener than green (30 Apr 2012)

- Cordillera's forests, green water, and watersheds (22 Feb 2012)

Events:

- ESSC shares challenges of forest cover updating work (27 Feb 2013)

- ESSC hosts Open Data Day 2013 in Phl (13 Feb 2013)

Trainings:

- ESSC provides mapping and training assistance for the Marikina Watershed Initiative. (17 Aug 2011)

- ESSC's FOSS-Geo training activities, contributing to capacity creation (20 Jul 2011)

- ESSC offers basic Geomatics Training Course. (17 Dec 2010)

- ESSC geomatics unit contributes to global forest resource assessment and validation for Philippine forest cover datasets. (29 Sept 2010)

Technical Assistance:

- ESSC joins 1st Phl geomatics symposium (5 Dec 2012)

- WCSP holds 21st Annual Philippine Biodiversity Symposium (28 March 2012)

- ESSC's Spratly Islands online map. (1 Jun 2011)

- ESSC provides technical assistance to the Philippine Cave Bat Workshop, 24 to 28 June 2011. (20 Jan 2011)

- ECOLOGICAL SOLID WASTE COALITION: ESSC assists citizens' suit vs new sanitary landfill in San Mateo, Rizal. (7 Oct 2010)