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## 8TH YOUTH FOR ENVIRONMENT SUMMER (YES) CAMP

To: Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents
Heads, Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools

- 1. The Department of Environment and Natural Resources-Special Concerns Office-Youth Desk (DENR-SCO-Youth Desk), Kabataang Sama-Samang Maglilingkod (KASAMA), Inc. and the Department of Education-Center for Students and Co-Curricular Affairs (DepEd-CSCA) will conduct the 8th Youth for Environment Summer (YES) Camp on April 20-24, 2010 at the Teachers Camp, Baguio City.
- 2. With its theme "SAGIP KALIKASAN, SAGIP BUHAY (Disaster Management through Environmental Protection)", the 8th YES CAMP is anchored on the implementation of DepEd Order No. 33, s. 2008 (Responding to the Threats of Climate Change and Global Warming Through Massive, Intensive and Sustained Tree-Planting, Tree-Growing and Tree-Caring Program), DepED Order No. 72, s. 2003 (Establishment of the Youth for Environment in Schools-Organizations) and DepED Memorandum No. 254, s. 2007 (Thrusts and Activities of the Youth for Environment in Schools-Organizations (YES-0)). It seeks to achieve the following objectives:
  - a. learn about Climate Change mitigation and adaptation utilizing local and international best practices;
  - b. inculcate among pupils and students the critical role of environmental protection in preventing and coping with the effects of natural disasters such as typhoons, floods, earthquakes and droughts;
  - c. develop pupils and students' awareness on the state of the environment, focusing on significant issues and concerns;
  - d. ensure pupils and students' active participation and determined concrete action in the protection, preservation and rehabilitation of the environment and the conservation of natural resources in their respective areas;
  - e. instill environmental values in every pupil and student to motivate actual involvement in worthwhile programs and projects for the environment; and
  - f. strengthen the implementation of various environmental programs and projects of the Department of Education in the schools.
- 3. Activities during the 8th YES Camp include interactive and fun plenary sessions, break-out sessions, panel discussions, action planning, outdoor activities and contests such as Speech Choir, Docu-Kalikasan, Environmental Quiz, Debate, SAYAWIT (Sayaw at Awit sa Kalikasan), On-the-Spot Poster-Making, Search for the Lakambini and Lakan ng Kalikasan, YES-O Exhibit and Spotlight featuring YES-O success stories on environmental action and initiative. Exciting prizes await winners in the contests, particularly in the YES-O Exhibit and YES-O Spotlight. The Camp features new and exciting activities such as, but not limited to, Kabataang Bayani ng Kalikasan Awards, YES-O Awards and outdoor indigenous games.

