

Boracay's growing garbage problem

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Boracay, Aklan — Fastfood chains in this world-famous resort island must help address the growing trash problem.

Councilor Nenette Aguirre-Graf of Malay town said fastfood companies here must have their own sustainable waste management program.

She said that fastfood stores are one of the establishments with the biggest volume of waste being dumped into the town's material recovery facility (MRF).

Graf called on stores like Jolibee, McDonald's, Chowking, Shakey's, Yellow Cab, Andoks, and Mang Inasal to cooperate in the town's waste management efforts.

Graf also noted that the local government wants to limit the number of new fastfood stores in Boracay.

"Foreign tourists do not really prefer fast food. They prefer cuisines. It's mostly local tourists who go to fast food chains," she added.