

**INTER-AGENCY COMMITTEE ON RATIONALIZING DREDGING ACTIVITIES IN THE  
HEAVILY SILTED RIVER CHANNELS WITHIN THE PROVINCE OF ORIENTAL  
MINDORO**

<b>DATE</b>	01 February 2021
<b>TIME</b>	2:30 PM, via Zoom Videoconferencing
<b>ATTENDEES</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, PH.D. Provincial Government of Oriental Mindoro Chairperson of the IAC</li> <li>2. Regional Executive Director Maria Lourdes G. Ferrer, CESO IV DENR-MIMAROPA REGION Vice-Chairperson of the IAC</li> <li>3. Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco DPWH-Region IV-B Member of the IAC</li> <li>4. Regional Director Roland A. De Jesus, CESO V MGB-MIMAROPA Regional Office No. IV-B Member of the IAC</li> <li>5. Regional Director Michael Drake P. Matias EMB-MIMAROPA Member of the IAC</li> <li>6. Atty. Earl Ligorio R. Turano II Provincial Legal Officer Secretariat for River Restoration and Dredging Activities</li> <li>7. Atty. Nicasio A. Conti Resource Person</li> <li>8. Ms. Ma. Amabelle B. Lopez Administrative Assistant II Provincial Legal Office</li> <li>9. Mr. Mark Daniel M. Nicasio Legal Assistant (Contractual) Provincial Legal Office</li> </ol>

<b>AGENDA</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting Held on 25 January 2021.</li> <li>2. Matters Arising from the Minutes</li> <li>3. Proposal to Open Subaang River (Barangay Lumangbayan, San Teodoro), Pula River (Barangay Calima, Pola), Bansud River (Barangay Proper, Bansud), Sumagui River (Barangay Sumagui, Bansud), Baruk River (Barangay Wasig, Mansalay), Mansalay River (Barangay Poblacion, Mansalay), Cagancan River (Barangay Don Pedro, Mansalay), Butas River (Barangay Melgar A, Naujan), Cawacat River (Barangay Poblacion, Bulalacao), And Mauhao River (Barangay Mauhao, Bulalacao) to the River Restoration Project.</li> <li>4. Approval of the Second Batch for River Restoration</li> <li>5. Other Matters.</li> </ol>
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**SUMMARY OF CONCERNS AND AGREEMENTS ON THE  
3<sup>RD</sup> INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE MEETING**

Topic #1

**Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting Held on 25 January 2021.**

On 25 January 2021, the IAC confirmed the submission of documents of the pre-qualified proponents in terms of their Financial and Technical Capability. The minutes of the meeting was drafted and the members shall give their proposed amendments to the minutes which will be incorporated for the approval of the IAC.

<b>ISSUES/CONCERNS</b>	<b>COMMENTS/AGREEMENTS</b>
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Called to the meeting order, started with a warm greeting, and acknowledged the presence of the members, and the other participants in the IAC meeting.</p>	
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p>	<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b></p>

<p>Conducted a roll call and requested the members to raise their hand if they are present.</p>	<p>Raised her hand.</p> <p><b>Regional Executive Director Maria Lourdes G. Ferrer, CESO IV</b></p> <p>Was acknowledged and raised her hand.</p> <p><b>Regional Director Roland A De Jesus, CESO V</b></p> <p>Raised his hand.</p> <p><b>Regional Director Drake P. Matias</b></p> <p>Was called and was represented by Engr. Buena Fe A. Rioflorido.</p> <p><b>PA Hubbert Christopher A. Dolor, MD, MPA, MHA, PAR, Atty. Earl Ligorio R. Turano II, Provincial Engineer Edylou B. Tejido, and PG-ENRO Mr. Maximino A. Jumig, Jr.</b></p> <p>Were also recognized.</p>
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>We have a complete attendance during the IAC meeting.</p>	
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Introduced the Agenda for the meeting. He added that the first topic is the approval of the 25 January 2021 meeting, held via Zoom Videoconferencing.</p>	
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Presented the summary of the minutes during the 25 January 2021 meeting and raised a motion for the IAC to confirm the pre-qualified proponents in terms of their Financial and Technical Capabilities.</p>	<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV, Regional Executive Director Maria Lourdes G. Ferrer, CESO IV, Regional Director Roland A De Jesus, CESO V, and Regional Director Drake P. Matias</b></p> <p>Confirmed that they received the documents including the Resolutions of the FWG and TWG.</p>



<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>After the province initially identified five (5) rivers, there was a proposal to include the additional nine (9) rivers for river restoration. For this purpose, the IAC approved with condition that only the three (3) river channels which have previous studies will be opened. The others shall open after the Mines and Geosciences Bureau's (MGB) conduct of the Geological Assessment. If the rivers do not qualify after MGB's assessment, then the province will not endorse to the IAC the additional rivers for confirmation.</p>	
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Ended the first topic by explaining the highlights of the minutes. He also asked the members if they have any question for far.</p>	<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b></p> <p>Proposed amendments to the minutes. She then suggested removing the IAC in IAC-TWG of the heading. She said that the TWG and IAC perform separate responsibilities.</p>
	<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Agreed with RD Tangco, and asked the Secretariat to amend the minutes.</p>
<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b></p> <p>The amendment will be included in Topic No. 1, and in the other contents of the minutes.</p>	<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>The inclusion of the IAC in the TWG is only for purposes of presentation. He added that the TWG is a creation within the IAC, and the Secretariat can remove the IAC so as not to confuse the members. The TWG is a TWG of the IAC, a body within the creation of the IAC.</p>
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Directed the Secretariat to remove the IAC.</p>	<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b></p> <p>It is more comfortable to use the TWG separately. The FWG shall also follow. She reiterated the separate responsibilities of the IAC from the TWG and FWG.</p>
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Asked if the members have other amendments.</p>	<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b></p> <p>Requested that all IAC in the caption of the TWG and FWG be removed.</p>



	<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Concurred.</p>
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Asked the members if they have other questions concerning the minutes. He then requested for a motion to approve the minutes of the 25 January 2021 meeting.</p>	
<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b></p> <p>Clarified that supposedly the preparation of the minutes will be prepared by the Secretariat and the members of the IAC will be furnished? She observed that nobody signed for the preparation of the minutes.</p>	<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>The minutes are prepared by Atty. Turano as the Head of the Secretariat. He likewise thanked RD Tangco for her observation. Gov. Dolor mentioned that the one who drafted the minutes is Mr. Mark Daniel Nicasio. The verification is made by the Provincial Legal Office.</p>
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Informed the IAC that the changes were made and asked the members if the amendments are okay.</p>	<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b></p> <p>Affirmed with amendments.</p>
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Asked if there are other questions, there was none. He then requested for a motion to approve the minutes.</p>	<p><b>Regional Executive Director Maria Lourdes G. Ferrer, CESO IV</b></p> <p>Moved for the approval of the minutes.</p>
	<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Affirmed RED Ferrer for the approval of the minutes</p>
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Is there any second?</p>	<p><b>Regional Director Roland A De Jesus, CESO V</b></p> <p>Seconded.</p>

<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Are there any objections?</p>	
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>The IAC approves the minutes of the previous meeting held on 25 January 2021, subject to the corrections as previously manifested by RD Tangco.</p>	

Topic #2

Matters Arising from the Minutes

Part of the agreement during the IAC meeting on 25 January 2021, the TWG and FWG shall furnish separately the members of the IAC copies of the Resolutions of the TWG and FWG’s recommendation as to the determination of the technical and financial capability of pre-qualified proponents.

ISSUES/CONCERNS	COMMENTS/AGREEMENTS
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Expounded FWG Resolution No. 01-21. He stated the requirement in DAO 14-2019 that an individual applicant must have an authorized minimum capital of not less than Two Hundred Fifty Million Pesos (PhP250,000,000.00). For corporations, partnerships, association, or consortium, the applicant must have an authorized minimum capital of One Billion Pesos (PhP1,000,000,000.00), and 25% of which must be subscribed. Gov. Dolor showed a copy of the FWG Resolution duly signed by the members. He added that there are nine (9) prospective proponents which qualified after initial evaluation. He requested that the members raise their hand if they are furnished with a copy.</p>	<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV, Regional Executive Director Maria Lourdes G. Ferrer, CESO IV, Regional Director Roland A De Jesus, CESO V, and Regional Director Drake P. Matias</b></p> <p>Raised their hands.</p>
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>All the members of the IAC were furnished with a copy of the FWG Resolution. He reiterated that the Resolution was duly signed by the members of the FWG, evaluated by</p>	





<p>the chairperson PA Hubbert Christopher A. Dolor, MD, MPA, MHA, PAR (hereinafter "PA Dolor"), Provincial Budget Officer Ms. May Anne Joy M. Ylagan, Provincial Accountant Ms. Althea F. Agutaya, Provincial Treasurer Ms. Astronica G. Salcedo, Provincial Legal Officer Atty. Earl Ligorio R. Turano II, and Provincial Assessor Mr. Caesar A. Pangilinan, Jr., REA.</p>	
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>In compliance to the IAC's agreement, the TWG have submitted a Resolution endorsing the TWG findings on the pre-qualified applicants as to proof of their technical capacity. According to DAO 14-2019, the requirements indicate that in addition to the requirements of Financial Capacity, <i>"only applicants capable of implementing large-scale dredging activities for flood mitigation or prevention purposes in the heavily-silted river channels within the Province of Oriental Mindoro, based on their technical knowledge and verifiable previous track record conducting such activities, as properly vetted, duly certified, and approved by the appropriate DENR and DPWH offices."</i></p>	
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Based on the pre-evaluation of the applicant's technical capacity, out of the twenty-four (24) applicants, sixteen (16) submitted documents to substantiate their technical competence. According to the findings of the TWG, as evaluated by the following: PA Dolor, Provincial Engineer Edylou B. Tejido, Provincial Government Environment and Natural Resources Officer Mr. Maximino A. Jumig, JR, Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Officer Mr. Vinscent B. Gahol, DENR Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Officer Mr. Mary June F. Maypa, DPWH District Engineer Nestor L. Del Rosario, and DPWH District Engineer Annielyn E. Padullo. Technically the Resolution is unanimously approved. Gov. Dolor indicated that following the resolution sixteen (16) applicants qualified according to technical capacity.</p>	

<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b></p> <p>There is a difference between the sixteen (16) applicants who are technically qualified while on the financial aspect, only nine (9) are allowed to proceed to the next step. Will the financial evaluation come first, or the technical?</p>	<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>The TWG and FWG required the prospective proponents to submit proofs of their technical and financial capability, but there was a separate evaluation of the Financial and Technical aspects. Since there is a different membership between the TWG and FWG, the members conducted their own findings. On the technical capability there are twenty-four (24) applicants and sixteen (16) qualified. After the FWG's initial evaluation of the financial capacity twenty-four (24) applied, and nine (9) business entities qualified. Technically, there are nine (9) who qualified.</p>
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Atty. Turano, are the financially qualified also technically capable?</p>	<p><b>Atty. Earl Ligorio R. Turano II</b></p> <p>Sixteen (16) prospective proponents submitted proof of technical capacity while nine (9) business entities are financially qualified. If we combine the financial and technical capabilities, there are only nine (9) proponents who are deemed qualified after the initial pre-evaluation.</p>
<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b></p> <p>Once a proponent is deemed disqualified, does it mean that such ineligibility shall be both on the technical and financial aspects?</p>	<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Responded in the affirmative based on the provisions of DAO14-2019.</p>
<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b></p> <p>In the case of other provinces, the evaluation of financial capacity is prior to the evaluation of the technical. In the case of the Province of Oriental Mindoro, the evaluation of the technical and financial is simultaneous. She then suggested that if a proponent is not qualified on the financial aspect, then the business entity is not qualified for the next step of evaluation.</p>	<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>The financial and technical evaluation is conducted at the same time. He added that according to DAO 14-2019, a proponent must qualify both for the technical and financial capabilities. The proponents were required to submit until 08 July 2020 their respective Letters of Intent and proof of technical and financial capabilities to start the dredging activities for 2020, but the COVID-19 pandemic halted all efforts to pursue the River Restoration Project.</p>
	<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b></p>



	Conceded to the ruling of the IAC. She added that her previous comment was just to facilitate on DPWH's part to lessen the work of the TWG and FWG. She then asked which process will come first, the evaluation of the technical or financial.
<b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b>  Proposed that if a proponent will not pass the financial evaluation, then the business entity shall be deemed disqualified to participate in the assessment of the technical capacity.	<b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b>  Agreed with RD Tangco. He said that the IAC can do the recommendation of RD Tangco to speed the process of evaluation.
<b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b>  Raised a ruling to approve the policies later. He advised that the IAC may pass a Resolution indicating that the process for the technical pre-qualification of proponents shall come first. Those who will be disqualified in the technical pre-qualification shall be barred to participate in the financial evaluation. The said process can be applied in the second batch of the River Restoration Project.	<b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b>  The proposed measure will lessen the workload of the TWG and FWG.
	<b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b>  Expressed his appreciation for the inputs of RD Tangco.

### Topic #3

**Proposal to Open Subaang River (Barangay Lumangbayan, San Teodoro), Pula River (Barangay Calima, Pola), Bansud River (Barangay Proper, Bansud), Sumagui River (Barangay Sumagui, Bansud), Baruk River (Barangay Wasig, Mansalay), Mansalay River (Barangay Poblacion, Mansalay), Cagancan River (Barangay Don Pedro, Mansalay), Butas River (Barangay Melgar A, Naujan), Cawacat River (Barangay Poblacion, Bulalacao), and Mauhao River (Barangay Mauhao, Bulalacao) to the River Restoration Project.**

Proposal to open the second batch of river channels for the River Restoration Project. In the initial proposal, nine (9) river channels were mentioned. However, the province determined a new list for approval. During the 25 January 2021 meeting, the province based on the study of the DPWH and Provincial Engineering Office for quarry purposes. For purposes of the River Restoration Project, the basis of the new list is the Watershed of Oriental Mindoro Map.

ISSUES/CONCERNS	COMMENTS/AGREEMENTS
	<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>The chair is now open to entertain questions on the pre-qualified applicants. He asked the members if they have any questions on the applicants' technical capacity. He stated that sixteen (16) submitted proof of technical capacity.</p>
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Asked the members if they received a copy of the Secretariat's submitted documents.</p>	<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV, Regional Executive Director Maria Lourdes G. Ferrer, CESO IV, Regional Director Roland A De Jesus, CESO V, and Regional Director Drake P. Matias</b></p> <p>Motioned that they received the documents.</p>
	<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Opened the chair for questions on the technical side.</p>
<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b></p> <p>Raised a concern that some proponents submitted a list of equipment which includes: dump truck, cargo track wheeler boom truck, excavator/backhoe, payloader truck, walk behind road roller, and tower light. Does it mean that All-Asia Resources and Reclamation Corporation (AARRC) is doing a quarry type excavation?</p>	
<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b></p> <p>The barge in AARRC is not included in the list and said that her perception on the matter is that the proponent will haul. By looking at the proponent's methodology and technical capability, the applicants must include all equipment, especially dredging machineries to see if they are capable to undertake large-scale dredging activities.</p>	<p><b>Atty. Earl Ligorio R. Turano II</b></p> <p>When it comes on Item No. 1, AARC, there is a bareboat charter agreement. He said that the Secretariat sent the complete checklist of all documents together with the document. Part of AARC's submission is a bareboat charter which includes the operation of a dredger and barge.</p>



<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b></p> <p>The IAC did not discuss about the access road towards the dumping area. According to the list, it appears that the backhoe will conduct the excavation and will put the minerals on the dump truck for hauling. She asked if the province have access roads for purposes of dumping the materials.</p>	
<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b></p> <p>Raised the issue of whether there is proper maintenance of such access road and a budget allocation for the installation of weighing scales so that the equipment will not overload. She also clarified as to the dumping area, because this might affect the national road.</p>	
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Clarified the question of RD Tangco if there are access roads in the province which will not affect national roads.</p>	<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b></p> <p>Affirmed Gov. Dolor's question.</p>
<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b></p> <p>Raised a concern as to the maintenance of the access road and said that there will be problem on the barangay road and existing structures which are not capable to carry the load of dump trucks considering their quantity. She said that her questions were raised to avoid destruction and for the safety of the constituents.</p>	
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Asked PE Tejido if there a road network for the River Restoration Project because of the concerns on the existing structure.</p>	<p><b>Engineer Edylou B. Tejido</b></p> <p>When it comes on the maintenance and construction of access roads, it will affect the transportation of the minerals. Based on the documents, all minerals will be transported by sea. The proponents possess their own barges, and PE Tejido admitted that the province cannot provide for access roads at the moment.</p>

	<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b></p> <p>The barge in AARRC is not included in the list and said that her perception on the matter is that the proponent will haul. By looking at the proponent's methodology and technical capability, the applicants must include all equipment, especially dredging machineries to see if they are capable to undertake large-scale dredging activities.</p>
<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b></p> <p>The members are talking about the nine (9) pre-qualified proponents with technical capacity. If they are qualified on both the financial and technical aspects, the committee shall not talk about the rest who did not qualify so that there will be no further discussion on the matter.</p>	<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>The TWG and FWG identified the nine (9) pre-qualified proponents. He enumerated the following consortiums: All Asia Reclamation Corporation with CS Rayos Construction and General Services, Inc. Consortium of EON Bulk Handling Services Inc. with Z2K Resources Inc., FJORD Oceanic Corporation in partnership with Kele Built Corporation, GC8 Kinming Incorporated, Pinnacle Development Solutions and Holding Corporation, River Delta Development Corporation, Sturdy Construction and Development Corporation, YSK Holdings Inc. and Kairo Konstrak Inc, and Vibranium Land Development and Technology in partnership with Sunwest Construction and Development Corporation. The IAC shall limit the discussion to the nine (9) pre-qualified proponents.</p>
<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b></p> <p>The Secretariat submitted copies of the summary of applicant's submitted documents indicating the prospective proponent's technical capacity, and list of equipment. She then commented that AARRC did not include the dredger and barge in the summary.</p>	<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>The dredger and barge are included in the attachment.</p>
<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b></p> <p>Suggested including all the equipment in the summary. Based on her perception and reading, there was a lack of information. The DPWH needs to countercheck the</p>	<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Agreed. The other proponents included the list of dredgers and carriers in their submission.</p>



Secretariat's submission. She also assured the IAC that DPWH will study the summary.	
	<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b></p> <p>The extracted big rocks will be hauled over on the side slope additional protection of the river. If ever there will be costing for such structure, the province and proponent will talk. She said that it is essential to show the barangay, homeowners, and affected stakeholders the social responsibility of proponent while they are dredging the rivers.</p>
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Instructed Atty. Turano and PE Tejido to include in the contract the suggestion of RD Tangco. Part of the responsibility of proponents is to haul massive rocks to the side as additional riverbank protection.</p>	
<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b></p> <p>Recommended that the proponent shall build a permanent slope protection for the protection of the people.</p>	<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Agreed to include the other conditions RD Tangco raised in the contract.</p>
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Asked the members concerning the consortium of AARRC and CS Rayos as to their dredging capacity, financial, and technical capabilities.</p>	<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b></p> <p>Provided there is a bareboat charter, it is okay.</p>
<p><b>Regional Director Drake P. Matias</b></p> <p>Raised a clarification. He quoted Section 2 of DAO 14-2019, which includes the provision "<i>as properly vetted and approved by DPWH and DENR.</i>" He asked if the IAC is talking about such evaluation in the current meeting.</p>	<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Responded that supposed to be the experience and capacity of proponents are verifiable by the DENR and DPWH.</p>
<p><b>Regional Director Drake P. Matias</b></p> <p>Posed a query if there is a certification needed from the DPWH and DENR. He added the process to which the IAC can</p>	<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Replied that the technical capacity is subject to the verification of DPWH as stated in the resolution.</p>

operationalize the provision of DAO 14-2019?	
<p><b>Atty. Nicasio A. Conti</b></p> <p>Likewise stated that according to provision 12.2 of DAO 14-2020 which implemented the provisions of JMC 1-2019, the DPWH shall check the equipment on site, and the DPWH will act as the equipment checker.</p>	<p><b>PA Hubbert Christopher A. Dolor, MD, MPA, MHA, PAR</b></p> <p>As to the inquiry of RD Matias, the TWG and FWG included in the checklist all the ongoing and finished project of the proponents in relation to dredging and river restoration, and that the accomplished projects can be verified by the IAC.</p>
	<p><b>Atty. Nicasio A. Conti</b></p> <p>Discussed that before the award to the proponents, the DPWH will have an opportunity to verify the technical capacity of the applicants based on the submission. The actual inspection of equipment can be done before the issuance of the Dredging Clearance.</p>
	<p><b>Atty. Nicasio A. Conti</b></p> <p>The next step for the pre-qualified proponent is to comply with the parameters of the DPWH and MGB before the issuance of the notice of award. On the other hand, the TWG will report to the IAC for confirmation. He then strongly suggested that the IAC can take on face value the report of the TWG. The proponents submitted their respective proposals to the province upon invitation with the consent of the IAC. Unlike the DAO followed by Occidental Mindoro, we have a specific DAO for Oriental Mindoro which is DAO 14-2019.</p>



	<p><b>Atty. Nicasio A. Conti</b></p> <p>Illustrated that the TWG and FWG in Occidental Mindoro set the criteria for technical capacity. The IAC set the parameters for the financial capacity and they were able to lessen the requirement depending on the size of the river as small river, medium river, or large river. Oriental Mindoro's rivers are all classified as large with the stringent financial capacity set by DAO14-2019</p>
	<p><b>Atty. Nicasio A. Conti</b></p> <p>The DPWH Regional Office will conduct the actual evaluation of equipment before the issuance of the dredging clearance in accordance with JMC1-2019. If a proponent submitted the required documents, then it is okay. The DPWH is tasked to further check the veracity of documents before issuing dredging clearance. If the proponent failed DPWH's evaluation, then no dredging clearance will be issued in their favor.</p>
	<p><b>Atty. Nicasio A. Conti</b></p> <p>If the proponent was disqualified, the river will be free for another proponent, and it will be subject to the action of the IAC. For instance, if All-Asia Resources and Reclamation Corporation failed, the IAC will let the TWG and FWG to open the river for invitation for another qualified proponent with technical capability. If the IAC will inspect the list, what the members can do is agree with the report of the TWG, since they are not the one who evaluated it. He suggested that the team can proceed to the next step.</p>
	<p><b>Atty. Nicasio A. Conti</b></p> <p>The IAC can note the report of the TWG and after endorsement to the IAC members' specific agency, they can fail the proponent. The IAC is not bound to approve the list today, because there is a possibility that they will conduct another evaluation and disqualify a proponent. The moment the documents are in the respective offices of the IAC, the group can proceed to the next step, instead of the conduct of one by one evaluation. Atty. Conti</p>

	assured the IAC that PA Dolor, the TWG, and FWG certified that they went through the whole process, the criteria is already in DAO 14-2019.
<b>Regional Executive Director Maria Lourdes G. Ferrer, CESO IV</b>  Posed a concern. So supposedly the IAC will have to confirm the list, and Atty. Conti is correct, the members will base everything on the report of the TWG. Everything will also be reviewed by the DENR and DPWH, through RD Tangco. Then the DPWH will issue the dredging clearance, the Environmental Compliance Certificate and Certificate of Non-Coverage from the DENR.	
<b>Regional Executive Director Maria Lourdes G. Ferrer, CESO IV</b>  This is not a confirmation, but the members will note that there is a shortlist. After the issuance of the IAC Resolution, the IAC can already proceed to the next. If we have to confirm the list, but later the proponents will fail, there will be a problem on the separate offices of the IAC because of the issuance of the clearances.	<b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b>  Commended RED Ferrer for her point of view.  <b>Engineer Edylou B. Tejido</b>  Agreed with the suggestion of RED Ferrer to work together on parallel task to expedite the process.
<b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b>  Asked if RED Ferrer's concern is shared by RD De Jesus, and RD Matias.	<b>Regional Director Roland A De Jesus, CESO V</b> <b>Regional Director Drake P. Matias</b>  Concurred.
<b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b>  Suggested that that IAC will just take note of the submission of the TWG on face value. Later on, upon submission of requirement for the application of dredging clearance as DPWH is concerned; ECC as far as DENR is concerned. There will be further evaluation as to the veracity of the equipment listed.	
<b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b>  Asked RD Tangco if she agrees with the proposal.	<b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b>  Strongly agreed with the rest of the members.



<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Motioned that the IAC takes note of the two (2) Resolutions submitted by the TWG and FWG endorsing to the ICA the list of financially pre-qualified applicants, and those who have submitted proof of technical capacity. Sixteen (16) proponents have complied with the technical capacity, and nine (9) qualified on the financial aspect. With that, the IAC takes note of the submission.</p>	
<p><b>Atty. Nicasio A. Conti</b></p> <p>Suggested that the IAC will note. In addition, citing the provisions of DAO14-2019, the next step is, the governor has to endorse to the DPWH the documents evaluated during pre-qualification for the issuance of the dredging clearance.</p>	
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Informed the members that he will write a letter to the DPWH endorsing the proponent's submitted documents for the specific dredging clearances on the specific rivers while endorsing the same to the DENR for issuance of the necessary ECC once the dredging clearance is issued.</p>	<p><b>Atty. Nicasio A. Conti</b></p> <p>Thanked Gov. Dolor.</p>
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Before he proceeds with the list of the rivers to be opened, he will show the videos of the rivers so that the members of the IAC will have a physical idea of the status of every river subject of the river restoration. Gov. Dolor gestured the committee to look at the shared screen.</p>	
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>1. The first river is Subaang River exiting at San Teodoro which caused flooding to Lumangbayan, Calsapa, Bigaan, Caagutayan, and Poblacion, San Teodoro.</p> <p>Gov. Dolor said that the drone video was shot during high tide. He added that during low tide, the river is filled with sand.</p>	

He also showed the part facing Verde Island

2. Gov. Dolor continued by showing the status of Alag River which causes flooding to the Municipality of Baco. He observed that there is no space for the river to contain water. Alag River also has a wide siltation which is a concern for the province.
3. San Andres, Baco. Gov. Dolor added that San Andres River is a part of the first five (5) rivers but it has two (2) exit points. During low tide, the portion of siltation is like an island. He informed the IAC that last week because of the siltation and heavy rains, the Municipality of Baco was flooded and the national highway is inaccessible.
4. Gov. Dolor presented Silonay River and Bucayao River which cause floods to Calapan City and the Municipality of Naujan.

Gov. Dolor said that if the proponent can remove the Island part of Silonay River, this will lessen and remove flooding. Formerly, the Silonay River is readily accessible to large ships. He also posed the dangers of the river because he visited the area during the onslaught of Typhoon Quinta. He said that vehicles were stranded during heavy rains.

Gov. Dolor also showed Abaton Bridge, the longest and most expensive bridge in the Province of Oriental Mindoro. He informed the IAC that three (3) governors and three (3) batches of congressmen were elected before Abaton Bridge was finished because of the constant destruction of the structure brought by severe weather conditions.

5. Mag-asawang Tubig Rivers. Gov. Dolor showed San Antonio and Estrella Exit which cause flooding in the Municipality of Naujan. He added that the upstream part of the river is one (1) kilometer wide.
6. Butas River, Naujan. Gov. Dolor is concerned that during high tide, houses at the right side of the river are submerged due to the island formation.



7. Pula River is included in the new proposal which causes flooding in the Municipalities of Pola and Pinamalayan. Gov. Dolor said that the dredger cannot enter in this river because of the existing bridge.
8. Balete River, Gloria. Gov. Dolor said that this particular river is included in the original five (5) river systems. The upstream of Balete River can flood the whole Municipality of Gloria. He likewise specified that if the members are familiar with Prime Materials, Inc., and Montalban Concrete, these companies are bringing aggregates to Manila City. Crushed stones are also traded to the Provinces of Palawan, Ilo-Ilo, and to the City of Ormoc.
9. Sumagui River in Bansud. Gov. Dolor informed that IAC that Sumagui River is included in the new proposal. He also said that the said river creates flooding in the Municipality of Bansud. He also observed the massive siltation which formed a new island. He stated that instead of going to the sea, freshwater tend to flood the residents.
10. Bansud River, Bansud. Gov. Dolor said that this is included in the new proposal to open for River Restoration. He added that if dredging activities are successful in the area, a shipyard will be constructed in the future.
11. Bongabong River is included in the first five (5) rivers. Gov. Dolor pronounced that Bongabong River is thirty-six (36) to thirty-eight (38) kilometers long.
12. Mansalay River. Gov. Dolor said that the said river is included in the new proposal. The MGB finished its Geological Assessment. Mansalay River was included in the first assessment of the MGB, but was not opened for River Restoration.
13. Baruk River is also included in the study of the MGB but was not opened. Gov. Dolor said that Baruk River will be included in the second batch. He further elaborated that during high tide, the water cannot exit to the sea.

<p>14. Cagancan River. Gov. Dolor noted that if the waters rage from the mountains, flood will eventually be the problem of the people. He then showed the Don Pedro Exit.</p> <p>15. Cawacat River Bulalacao which causes flooding to Poblacion, Bulalacao, and</p> <p>16. Mauhao River, Bulalacao. Gov. Dolor indicated that the Municipality of Bulalacao is very mountainous but is prone to flooding.</p>	
	<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Thanked Mr. Maximino A. Jumig, Jr., and PE Tejido for the drone video.</p>
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Hoped that the members of the IAC were able to navigate for nineteen (19) minutes the rivers of Oriental Mindoro subject of the River Restoration Project. He made a statement that the restoration of the river channels of the province is a crucial step to promote the welfare of the Oriental Mindoreños. This is prepared to guide the IAC members for the appreciation to the needs of the province for dredging.</p>	
<p><b>Regional Director Drake P. Matias</b></p> <p>Asked if the province conducted a study for the determination of the dredging zones from the mouth of the river. He recommended that it is better to cover the River Dredging Zones (RDZs) in the map to know the extent of dredging activities.</p>	<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Answered that while the province is waiting for the final master plan for dredging, the Provincial Government of Oriental Mindoro (PGOM) will undertake with PEO and ENRO the preparation proposed areas to be dredged including the length and width of the rivers while MGB is doing the Geological Assessment for the other seven (7) rivers.</p>
	<p><b>Atty. Earl Ligorio R. Turano II</b></p> <p>Out of the ten (10) rivers to be opened for the second batch, three (3) river channels were already subjected to MGB's Geological Assessment. Based from previous discussions, the exclusive dredging zone is seven (7) kilometers.</p>



<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Requested the MGB to send their personnel to conduct the Geological Assessment for the remaining seven (7) rivers. The PGOM through PEO and ENRO will prepare the plan for the boundary lines for the proposed dredging areas. Gov. Dolor also proposed to DPWH that PGOM's study will be the basis for the dredging areas and the preparation of the master dredging plan.</p>	
<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b></p> <p>Suggested indicating in the study the presence of a bridge or any structure along the river. She added that dredging activities should be undertaken at least one (1) kilometer upstream and downstream from the existing structure/bridge.</p>	<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Responded that there is a problem with the bridges in Pula River and Bucayao River. The bridge in Bucayao River shall not be a concern because it is far from the mouth. Pula River Bridge is a major concern because it is a newly-built structure and the province was not able to consider the siltation at the entrance point. Approximately, the bridge is located within one (1) kilometer from the mouth of the river. That is the problem as far as Pula River is concerned.</p>
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Instructed PE Tejido to take into consideration the comment of RD Tangco.</p>	

Topic #4

Approval of the Second Batch for River Restoration

Approval of the IAC of the additional rivers for river restoration but there are adjustments as to the names of the rivers. The proposals mentioned during the 25 January 2021 shall be set aside. The IAC will approve today the opening of the ten (10) rivers with the condition that they will be subjected to the Geological Assessment of the MGB.

ISSUES/CONCERNS	COMMENTS/AGREEMENTS
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Submitted for approval that the following rivers be open for second batch for applications:</p> <p>1. Subaang River (Barangay Lumangbayan, San Teodoro),</p>	



2. Pula River (Barangay Calima, Pola), 3. Bansud River (Barangay Proper, Bansud), 4. Sumagui River (Barangay Sumagui, Bansud), 5. Baruk River (Barangay Wasig, Mansalay), 6. Mansalay River (Barangay Poblacion, Mansalay), 7. Cagancan River (Barangay Don Pedro, Mansalay), 8. Butas River (Barangay Melgar A, Naujan), 9. Cawacat River (Barangay Poblacion, Bulalacao), and 10. Mauhao River (Barangay Mauhao, Bulalacao).	
	<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Except for Mansalay River, Baruk River, and Cagancan River, the rest do not have their respective Geological Assessment, so the authority given is, the IAC will open the rivers for submission of Letters of Intent; subject to the condition that those rivers shall first undergo Geological Assessment. If the MGB finds out that a river is not suitable, the application will not be processed.</p>
	<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Suggested adopting the same resolution as last week, but the names will be changed. He said that the names were adopted according to the Watershed Map of Oriental Mindoro.</p>
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Requested for a motion to approve the resolution.</p>	
<p><b>Regional Director Roland A De Jesus, CESO V</b></p> <p>Moved for a resolution for the inclusion of the additional ten (10) rivers to be included in the Priority Rivers, subject to the further Geological Assessment of the MGB for those that have not been subjected to MGB's study.</p>	<p><b>Regional Director Drake P. Matias</b></p> <p>Seconded the motion.</p>
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Declared that the motion is approved.</p>	<p><b>Atty. Nicasio A. Conti</b></p> <p>Expressed his gratitude to Gov. Dolor for the</p>



	<p>presentation and the drone video. He observed that from the video, the rivers are heavily-silted which is the main criterion for the conduct of river restoration activities. He also noted the old and new list. Moving the agenda forward, for the five (5) rivers, maybe the IAC can task the PEO to produce the documents pertaining to the study of each river.</p>
	<p><b>Atty. Nicasio A. Conti</b></p> <p>Suggested that Atty. Turano furnish the committee with a copy of the old master dredging plan. He further recommended that the PEO may coordinate with the DPWH for the preparation of the Master Dredging plan. Given the enormity of the task, there is a need for additional work. Further, as much as possible there will be one (1) proponent per river system according to the opinion of Atty. James Corwin Custodio of the DPWH.</p>
	<p><b>Engineer Edylou B. Tejido</b></p> <p>Committed to help the DPWH in preparing the baseline data for the master dredging plan for submission to DPWH, including the strategic environmental assessment which shall be endorsed to the EMB.</p>
	<p><b>Atty. Nicasio A. Conti</b></p> <p>The ENRO shall work with DENR for the issuance of the Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA). On the other hand, the PEO and DPWH shall be in the frontline for the preparation of the Master Dredging Plan. Without these legalities, the ECC cannot be issued. He added that Gov. Dolor can ask the Honorable Members of the IAC for other suggestions to move the matter forward.</p>
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Asked RD Tangco if it is okay with DPWH for the conduct of the initial task to facilitate the dredging plan as a guide for the approval of the dredging clearance.</p>	<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b></p> <p>Agreed with Gov. Dolor. As of present, RD Tangco admitted that the River Restoration through Large-Scale Dredging is not part of DPWH's program of work.</p>

	<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Thanked RD Tangco for her comments.</p>
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Assured the IAC that the members will work together to expedite the implementation of the River Restoration Program.</p>	<p><b>Regional Director Drake P. Matias</b>  <b>Regional Director Roland A De Jesus,</b>  <b>CESO V</b></p> <p>Agreed and supported the recommendation of Atty. Conti. PGOM is the proponent for the preparation of the SEA to expedite and move forward.</p>

Topic #5

**Other Matters.**

ISSUES/CONCERNS	COMMENTS/AGREEMENTS
<p><b>Atty. Nicasio A. Conti</b></p> <p>The rationalization of river restoration through large-scale dredging in the Province of Oriental Mindoro provides for the specific and financial requirement of a minimum authorized capital of One Billion Pesos (PhP1,000,000,000.00), and a paid-up capital of Two Hundred Fifty Million Pesos (PhP250,000,000.00), twenty-five percent (25%) of which is subscribed. He observed that not all rivers are large. He also commended the DPWH for coming up with the classification of rivers into small, medium, and large in the Province of Occidental Mindoro. He further stated that DENR DAO 2020-07 gave the IAC the prerogative to set the criteria and the process of evaluation. Unlike the DAO of Oriental Mindoro which expressly provided for the stages of evaluation.</p>	
<p><b>Atty. Nicasio A. Conti</b></p> <p>Refreshed the memory of the members. During the June 2020 meeting, the IAC issued a Resolution to have at least two (2) proponents to undertake dredging in one (1) river system. He suggested that one (1) proponent will be assigned to a small river. He then asked if one (1) proponent may dredge two (2) rivers.</p>	<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Replied that as far as he remembers, there is no prohibition as to the number of proponents per river. The only prohibition of the DAO is with the technical and financial capacities.</p>



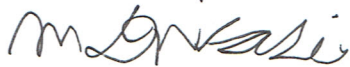
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Expressed his worry that if the IAC will ease the qualification, the proponent may not be able to undertake the target dredging results. He added that the rule is at least one (1) to three (3) taker per river. There is no prohibition for a proponent to be assigned to another river.</p>	
<p><b>Regional Director Yolanda L. Tangco, CESO IV</b></p> <p>Raised a concern that it is more problematic if there are two (2) proponents in one (1) river. If the proponents will share dredging at the river delta and land-based, there will be confusion.</p>	<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>As far as the DAO, two (2) proponents are allowed in one (1) river. There must be one proponent per river and subscribed to RD Tangco's point.</p>
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Asked the other members if they have questions.</p>	<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Thanked the IAC for spending time for today's meeting. He also hoped that PE Tejido and Mr. Maximino A. Jumig, Jr. will submit in two weeks' time the initial assessment to the DPWH and EMB. He requested RD De Jesus to send personnel for the conduct of the Geological Assessment.</p>
<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Urged the members of the IAC to come to Oriental Mindoro so that by February the province will serve as the venue for the next meeting.</p>	
<p><b>Regional Director Roland A De Jesus, CESO V</b></p> <p>Informed the members that this may be his last attendance to the IAC because he will be transferred to the head office. The current Regional Director of Region 5 will take his place.</p>	
	<p><b>Governor Humerlito A. Dolor, MPA, Ph.D.</b></p> <p>Expressed his sincere appreciation to the members of the IAC, Atty. Conti, Atty.</p>

	Turano, and the rest of the team. He also hoped that the River Restoration Project will come into fruition by the summer of this year.
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The meeting adjourned at 3:45PM.

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