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MEMORANDUM

FOR : **The Regional Executive Director**
DENR MIMAROPA Region
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FROM : **The OIC Assistant Secretary for Field Operations –**
Western Mindanao and Director, in concurrent capacity

SUBJECT : **LETTER FROM ORIENTAL MINDORO GOVERNOR**
HUMERLITO A. DOLOR DATED 15 MAY 2023 RE:
REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE RELATIVE TO
GRATUITOUS SPECIAL USE PERMIT (GSUP)
CONCERNS

ATTACHMENT : Letter of Governor Humerlito A. Dolor dated 15 May 2023

DATE : **JUL 28 2023**



This refers to the above-stated subject wherein the Governor of Oriental Mindoro sent a letter dated 15 May 2023 to the DENR Secretary purposely to inform the latter about the partnership of the Provincial Local Government Unit (PLGU) of Oriental Mindoro and the Department of Agriculture (DA) within the context of the DA's Philippine Rural Development Project (PRDP).

It is well to note that for the PLGU to avail the DA-PRDP's further support for the enhancement of the existing relevant agriculture-related projects within the province, the former need to secure permit from the DENR in the form of gratuitous special use permit (GSUP) as a proof of lawful occupation/use over certain forest land thereon. Such permit will eventually facilitate the DA's prioritization/approval for implementation of the sub-project/s (e.g., farm to-market road with bridge) being proposed by the said PLGU. Thus, the Honorable Governor's request for the DENR's assistance in the PLGU's application for GSUP is essential.

In view thereof, we are referring the matter at your Office for appropriate action taking into account the proximity of the proposed project/s which is within the DENR MIMAROPA's jurisdiction, and at the minimum, kindly adhere with the provisions of the following guidelines:

1. DAO No. 2022-01, entitled, "*Guidelines in Granting Government Agencies Gratuitous Permit for the Special Uses of Forest Land*" dated 11 January 2022; and
2. DAO No. 2022-10, entitled, "*Revised DENR Manual of Authorities on Technical Matters*" dated 30 May 2022.

FOR INFORMATION AND FURTHER APPROPRIATE ACTION.

ARLEIGH J. ADORABLE, CESO III

Cc: *The Undersecretary for Policy, Planning and International Affairs*
The Undersecretary for Field Operations – Luzon, Visayas and Environment



Republic of the Philippines
PROVINCE OF ORIENTAL MINDORO



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

15 MAY 2023

MS. MARIA ANTONIA Y. LOYZAGA
Secretary
Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR)
Visayas Avenue, Diliman Quezon City

Thru: MS. LORMELYN E. CLAUDIO, CESO IV
Regional Executive Director
MIMAROPA Region

Dear SEC. LOYZAGA:

The Provincial Government of Oriental Mindoro with its, forged partnership with the Department of Agriculture Philippine Rural Development Project (DA-PRDP), has positively improved the lives of many rural communities and agricultural enterprises in the province which have benefitted in this project. However, there has been an improvement to the project which introduces a more holistic design and strategies to the agri-food/ commodity system to address the gaps in the whole value chain. The DA-PRDP Scale-up has new guidelines and policies that the project proponent/ entities shall adhere to secure spots in the prioritization run which entails changes in the supplementary documents that they previously required. This has prompted the changes in some documentary prerequisites that the project necessitates for the approval of the proposed subprojects.


Relative to this, we would like to apply for a Gratuitous Special Land-Use Permit (GSLUP) to include given expansion entailed by the new PRDP guidelines from the GSLUP that we previously secured for the following proposed infrastructure subprojects in Oriental Mindoro namely:

1. *Construction/ Concreting of Rosacara FMR with Three (3) Bridges in Rosacara, Bansud; and*
2. *Construction/ Concreting/ Rehabilitation of the Brgy. Merit-Brgy Concepcion, Victoria to Brgy. Ma. Concepcion-Brgy. Happy Valley-Brgy. Bugtong na Tuog, Socorro FMR with Bridge*

The said permit is deemed necessary to proceed with the prioritization and approval of the aforesaid subprojects. Further, we would like to request your assistance through the Community Environment and Natural Resources Office (CENRO) in facilitating the required documents in securing the land tenure instrument.

We look forward to your utmost support to this endeavor to continuously provide vital infrastructure development that will improve quality of life of our agricultural stakeholders and indigenous communities towards inclusive rural growth.

Very truly yours,


GOVERNOR RUMERLITO A. DOLOR, MPA, PhD.
Vice President for Luzon South, League of Provinces of the Philippines