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Third Quarter Meeting
20 September 2023 Calapan City (Online)

MINUTES OF MEETING

ATTENDANCE

Present

Represented by

RLUC Officers

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| 1. EnP. Agustin C. Mendoza | NEDA MIMAROPA and RLUC Chairperson |
| 2. EnP. Sheryll B. Sarabia | NEDA MIMAROPA and RLUC Secretary |

Regional Directors of National Government Agencies

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| 3. Engr. Maria Christine C. Inting | DA MIMAROPA | Mr. Jack Fabello |
| 4. Atty. Marvin V. Bernal | DAR MIMAROPA | ARD Josefina Lopez |
| 5. RED Felix S. Mirasol, Jr. | DENR MIMAROPA | Engr. Haydee Baggay |
| 6. EnP. Peter Daniel G. Fragnal | DHSUD MIMAROPA | |
| 7. Dir. Cheryl C. Ortega | DICT MIMAROPA | Engr. Norly A. Tabo |
| 8. Dir. Karl Caesar R. Rimando | DILG MIMAROPA | Ms. Cheryl Martinez |
| 9. Engr. Gerald A. Pacanan | DPWH MIMAROPA | Ms. Hannah Mae H. Garcia |
| 10. Dr. Ma. Josefina P. Abilay | DOST MIMAROPA | Ms. Zaldie Gawad |
| 11. Dir. Rodolfo J. Mariposque | DTI MIMAROPA | Mr. Joel Guevarra |

Guests

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| 12. Ms. Marione D. Comboy | DHSUD MIMAROPA |
| 13. Ms. Nicole Matib | DICT MIMAROPA |
| 14. Ms. Joanna Mae Tiuzen | PPDO Occidental Mindoro |
| 15. Mr. John Paul Aristotle C. Ramos | PPDO Occidental Mindoro |
| 16. EnP. Lydia Muñeca S. Melgar | PPDO Oriental Mindoro |
| 17. EnP. Marian Cunanan | PPDO Marinduque |
| 18. Ms. Evelyn Magayam | PPDO Romblon |
| 19. Engr. Rafael R. Balcueba Jr. | PPDO Palawan |
| 20. Ms. Kaye Magbanua | PPDO Palawan |
| 21. Ms. Kathleen Aisa E. Escosura | PPDO Palawan |
| 22. EnP. Joselito R. Bautista | CPDO Calapan |

Secretariat

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| 23. ARD Apollo Edwin S. Pagano | NEDA MIMAROPA |
| 24. Bernardino A. Atienza, Jr. | NEDA MIMAROPA |
| 25. Beltsezara A. Garcia | NEDA MIMAROPA |
| 26. Joel M. Paule | NEDA MIMAROPA |
| 27. Amalia F. Santiago | NEDA MIMAROPA |
| 28. Francis Bayani M. De Guzman | NEDA MIMAROPA |

29. Loreto H. Castillo, Jr. NEDA MIMAROPA
30. Mel Anthony I. Atienza NEDA MIMAROPA
31. Angelus G. Genterola NEDA MIMAROPA
32. Chieko Elemento NEDA MIMAROPA

I. PRELIMINARIES

The meeting started at 02:00 in the afternoon with an invocation.

II. BUSINESS PROPER

A. Declaration of Quorum

EnP. Sheryll B. Sarabia of NEDA MIMAROPA called the roll and declared a quorum. Of the 12 members, two were present and eight were represented, registering 83.33 percent attendance.

B. Opening Remarks

RLUC Chairperson and NEDA MIMAROPA Regional Director Agustin C. Mendoza welcomed and acknowledged the presence of representatives from regional line agencies and provincial and city planning development offices.

He congratulated everyone for their significant contribution towards the economic recovery of the MIMAROPA region, as reported in the recent State of the Region Address (SORA).

He expressed that the region's pronounced progress must be coupled with efforts on the ground – particularly in land use and development, which calls for effective and efficient use of land as a scarce resource.

He also provided an overview of the matters that will transpire during the meeting, such as the: i) proposed creation of the MIMAROPA Regional Geographic Information Network (RGIN), which will serve as a centralized database for geographic data concerns of the region; ii) the proposed conduct of Geographic Information System (GIS) Training Phase I; iii) updating of Regional Physical Framework Plan (RPFP) ; iv) updates on Executive Order No. 75, s. 2019 implementation in Busuanga Pasture Reserve in Palawan; and v) highlights of the SORA as delivered by Governor Jose R. Riano during the 3rd quarter RDC full council meeting, focusing on matters that involve land use.

Dir. Mendoza encouraged everyone to actively participate in the meeting and appealed for continued support in the development initiatives of NEDA and other undertakings of the Regional Land Use Committee.

101 C. Proposed Agenda

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103 On motion duly seconded, the proposed agenda was approved
104 as presented.

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106 D. Approval of the Minutes of the 2023 2nd Quarter RLUC Meeting

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108 On motion duly seconded, the minutes of the previous meeting
109 was approved.

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111 E. Secretary's Report

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113 EnP. Sarabia informed the members of the status of agreements
114 forged during the previous meeting.

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116 On the creation of MIMAROPA Regional Physical Framework Plan
117 (RPFP) 2021-2050 Planning Committees, RLUC MIMAROPA passed
118 a resolution approving the proposed creation of MIMAROPA RPFP
119 2021-2050 Planning Committees.

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121 On 03 August 2023, the Development Administration Committee
122 (DAC), during its 3rd quarter meeting in Quezon City, reviewed the
123 proposal and recommended RDC approval.

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125 On 01 September 2023, the RDC, during its 83rd full council
126 meeting held in Manila, approved the creation of MIMAROPA RPFP
127 2021-2050 Planning Committees.

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129 On the final review of Romblon Disaster Risk Reduction/Climate
130 Change Adaptation (DRR/CCA) Enhanced Provincial Development
131 and Physical Framework Plan (PDPFP) 2020-2030, PPDO Romblon
132 submitted the electronic and hard copies of the following on 30 May
133 2023: a) Text/Write-up of Romblon DRR/CCA Enhanced PDPFP
134 2020-2030; b) Settlement Framework Map; c) Production Lands
135 Framework Map; d) Protection Lands Framework Map; e) Overall
136 Physical Framework Map; and, f) Infrastructure Map.

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138 The RLUC Secretariat transmitted RLUC Resolution No. 01, s. 2022
139 favorably endorsing Romblon DRR/CCA-Enhanced PDPFP 2020-
140 2030 to the province of Romblon on June 7, 2023.

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142 On the conduct of a workshop on the operationalization of the
143 DHSUD-NEDA-DILG JMC on Interim Guidelines on the Formulation
144 of the PDPFP, it was reported that NEDA is currently conducting a
145 scoping study that will review and assess the overall effectiveness
146 of existing PDPFP guidelines in guiding provincial planning and its
147 relevance to new development policies.

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149 Lastly, on the update on the implementation of Executive Order No.
150 75, s. 2019, DAR MIMAROPA will provide updates on the land

151 issues/concerns on the Yolanda Project in Yulo King Ranch in Busuanga
152 during the meeting.

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154 F. Matters for Approval/Review/Endorsement

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156 • Creation of MIMAROPA Regional Geographic Information
157 Network (RGIN)

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159 EnP. Mendoza presented the proposed creation of MIMAROPA RGIN.

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161 The Geographic Information System (GIS) as defined by
162 Environmental System Research Institute (ESRI) is an organized
163 collection of hardware, software, geographic data, and personnel
164 designed to efficiently capture, store, update, manipulate, analyze
165 and display all forms of geographically referenced information.

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167 GIS is recognized as an important tool in development planning.
168 It is useful in the preparation of regional physical framework
169 plans, regional development plans, and regional development
170 investment programs.

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172 Geographic information and data are generated by various
173 agencies: Department of Environment and Natural Resources
174 (DENR) for land cover and natural resources data; DENR-
175 National Mapping and Resource Information Authority (NAMRIA)
176 for land cover data; DENR-Mines and Geosciences Bureau
177 (MGB) for geohazard assessment; Philippine Institute of
178 Volcanology and Seismology (PHILVOCS) for geotectonic
179 hazards; Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) for
180 road and other infrastructure data, and; Bureau of Soils and
181 Water Management (BSWM) for soil classification and land
182 suitability, among others.

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184 The Committee recognizes the need to integrate these
185 geospatial data by creating a MIMAROPA RGIN that will serve
186 as centralized database for geographic data concerns of
187 the region.

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189 The proposed MIMAROPA RGIN will be the support mechanism
190 of the Regional Development Council MIMAROPA for effective
191 physical planning, decision, and policy making, investment
192 programming, monitoring and evaluation of socioeconomic
193 development programs, activities, and projects in the region.

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195 On motion, duly seconded, the creation of the MIMAROPA RGIN
196 was approved.

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199 • Conduct of GIS Training Phase I
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EnP. Sarabia presented the proposed conduct of GIS Training Phase I.

RLUC MIMAROPA recognizes the need to integrate various geospatial data by creating a MIMAROPA RGIN that will serve as centralized database for geographic data concerns of the region.

A series of trainings and activities shall be conducted for MIMAROPA RGIN members to better understand and appreciate the processing, utilization, analysis, and sharing of spatial information and knowledge.

The RLUC will conduct GIS Training Phase I – the first activity of the MIMAROPA RGIN – to capacitate its members on the dynamics of spatial information through digitized geographic data.

The GIS Training Phase I is a five-day in-person activity that will be participated in by representatives from RLUC member agencies, local government units, and state universities and colleges.

EnP. Cunanan of PPDO Romblon inquired if those who are not proficient in GIS mapping could also participate in the training.

EnP. Mendoza expressed that planning applications of GIS would be beneficial for planners and managers as well, especially in providing direction to the technical staff who will perform GIS mapping. There will be two slots for each RLUC member: one slot for the manager/planner; and, another one for the designated GIS specialist staff.

On motion duly seconded, the conduct of the GIS Training Phase I in Manila was approved.

G. Matters for Information

- Updating of MIMAROPA Regional Physical Framework Plan

EnP. Sarabia presented updates on the updating of MIMAROPA Regional Physical Framework Plan (RPFP).

Letter of Instruction (LOI) 1350, s. 1983 providing for the national framework for national physical planning seeks to synchronize and coordinate efforts toward the optimum utilization to the country's land and other related resources and provides for the formulation of a National Physical Framework Plan (NPFP) and a RPFP for each region in the country.

The RPFPs offer a strategic and long-term perspective on the development of the region within the next three decades and contain policies to guide decisions on the best use of land and

natural resources for the people, serving as a blueprint to guide public and private investment decisions on the physical development of the region.

The MIMAROPA RPFP 2004-2030, crafted in 2003, is due for updating. The updating of the RPFP shall align the region's physical framework with the NPFP, Luzon Spatial Development Framework, and Visayas Spatial Development Framework.

The MIMAROPA RPFP 2021-2050 shall integrate the MIMAROPA Regional Spatial Strategy contained in the MIMAROPA Regional Development Plan 2023-2028 to guide the provinces in the formulation of their respective provincial spatial strategies, physical frameworks, and other local development plans.

The RLUC MIMAROPA, during its second quarter meeting on 17 May 2023, passed Resolution No. 01, s. 2023 creating the MIMAROPA RPFP 2021-2050 planning committees. The Development Administration Committee, during its 3rd quarter meeting held on 03 August 2023 in Manila recommended RDC approval of the creation of MIMAROPA RPFP 2021-2050 Planning Committees. It was subsequently approved by RDC MIMAROPA on 01 September during its 3rd quarter meeting.

- Status of EO 75 implementation in the Yolanda Housing Project situated within the Yulo King Ranch in Busuanga

ARD Lopez of DAR MIMAROPA presented the status of EO 75, s. 2019 implementation in the Yolanda Housing Project situated within the Yulo King Ranch in Busuanga.

On 15 February 2019, then President Rodrigo Roa Duterte issued Executive Order No. 75 directing all departments, bureaus, offices, and instrumentalities of the government to identify lands owned by the government devoted to or suitable for agriculture for distribution to qualified beneficiaries.

Section 2 of the EO 75, s. 2019 provided instructions to Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR), in coordination with Department of Environment and Natural Resources, to cause the preparation of inventory of government-owned lands devoted to or suitable for agriculture and no longer actually, directly and exclusively used or necessary for the purpose for which they have been reserved or acquired.

Section 4 of the EO mandated DAR to acquire the identified lands of concerned agencies for eventual distribution to qualified beneficiaries for cultivation or agricultural use.

ARD Lopez reported that some 2,687.39 has. of the Yulo King Ranch (now Busuanga Pasture Reserve) were already distributed to a total of 1000 agrarian reform beneficiaries (ARBs).

EnP. Mendoza clarified if the lots distributed are suitable for farming, particularly for rice production.

ARD Lopez answered that the slope of the areas distributed are relatively flat and are therefore suitable for farming. However, crop suitability analysis must first be performed to determine if the said areas will be suitable for rice production. She added that they are currently requesting for the assistance of the Department of Agriculture in matters involving soil testing and other similar undertakings.

EnP. Mendoza further asked if the distribution of lots is coupled with other farm support services, such as farm-to-market roads and irrigation projects, among others.

ARD Lopez responded that vigorous efforts are being studied by the concerned sector of the DAR Central Office to ensure the effective implementation of programs related to agrarian reform.

EnP. Mendoza expressed that provision of various farm support services to the ARBs would help boost the capability of farmers to produce food and contribute to the food security efforts of the region.

- State of the Region Address – emphasis on Land Use

EnP. Mendoza presented the highlights of the SORA as delivered by Governor Jose R. Riano during the 3rd quarter RDC full council meeting, focusing on matters that involve land use.

He highlighted the five-tiered hierarchy/network of settlements contained in the MIMAROPA Regional Spatial Development Framework RSDF, which paved the way for the identification of six regional centers in the region that will help decongest the Metro Region.

EnP. Mendoza also emphasized that MIMAROPA, as one of the two regions in the country that share no physical boundaries with other regions, calls for efficient land use and spatial planning. He explained how various planning tools are instrumental in the development of the region. Such planning tools include, but are not limited to, the MIMAROPA RSDF, which adopted the three core strategies of the National Spatial Strategy, namely: concentration; connectivity; and, vulnerability reduction. The disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation principles

349 were also integrated in the RSDF as part of the vulnerability
350 reduction strategy.

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352 III. ADJOURNMENT

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354 The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 PM.

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361 SHERYLL B. SARABIA
362 RLUC Secretary

AGUSTIN C. MENDOZA
RLUC Chairperson

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MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Agenda Item/Issue	Agreement	Status
Resolution Passed		
Creation of MIMAROPA Regional Geographic Information Network (RGIN)	The Committee passed a resolution creating the MIMAROPA RGIN.	Copies of the resolution were provided to all RLUC members.
Conduct of Geographic Information System (GIS) Training Phase I	<p>The Committee passed a resolution approving the conduct of GIS Training Phase I.</p> <p>The training will be participated in by RLUC member agencies, local government units, and state universities and colleges.</p> <p>Training fees will be collected to cover hotel accommodation and meals of the participants during the entire duration of the training.</p>	<p>Copies of the resolution were provided to all RLUC members.</p> <p>GIS Training Phase I will be conducted in the first quarter of 2024.</p>

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BRIEF FROM THE RLUC SECRETARIAT

Subject: MIMAROPA Regional Spatial Development Framework

1. On 25 July 2022, the President directed NEDA to officially commence activities leading to the formulation of the PDP 2023-2028 during his first State of the Nation Address.
2. Consistent with the PDP 2023-2028, the MIMAROPA RDP 2023-2028 focuses on the President's 8-point socioeconomic agenda, which seeks to reinvigorate job creation and accelerate poverty reduction while addressing issues brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic.
3. The National Physical Framework Plan (NPFP) takes primacy over all other types of plans being made for the country, including the Philippine Medium-Term Development Plan. At the core strategy of the NPFP, is the National Spatial Strategy (NSS) which seeks to encourage urban growth in selected centers and corridors in various regions of the country by providing the analytical parameters for the planned allocation, use, and management of the country's land use and other physical resources.
4. The Luzon Spatial Development Framework 2015-2045 provides for a five-tiered hierarchy of settlements with Metro Manila as the prime metropolitan center. It follows the NSS' core elements of concentration, connectivity, and vulnerability reduction.
5. The RDC MIMAROPA, during a Special RDC Full Council Meeting on 10 February 2023, passed RDC Resolution No. 08-010, s. 2023, approving and adopting the MIMAROPA RDP 2023-2028, which included the MIMAROPA overall strategy framework, regional spatial strategy (RSS), and regional spatial development framework (RSDF).
6. The MIMAROPA Regional Spatial Development Framework (RSDF) adopted the core strategies of the NSS. It is a tool that provides the direction of land use and other developmental efforts in the region. Further, disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation (DRR/CCA) principles were integrated in the RSDF as part of the region's vulnerability reduction strategy.
7. The MIMAROPA RSDF will form part of the MIMAROPA Regional Physical Framework Plan (RPFP) 2021-2050.
8. The MIMAROPA Regional Spatial Development Framework will be presented for approval during the meeting.
9. Action requested: For approval.

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BRIEF FROM THE RLUC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Salient Features of the Updated Palawan Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation (DRR/CCA) Enhanced Provincial Development and Physical Framework Plan 2024-2030

1. The Regional Land Use Committee (RLUC) promotes the integration of land use and physical planning policies, plans, programs, and disaster risk management into regional socioeconomic plans and programs.
2. The RLUC is mandated to review the Provincial Development Physical Framework Plans (PDPFPs) and Comprehensive Land Use Plans (CLUPs) of highly urbanized cities to ensure consistency with national and regional policies and plans.
3. The PDPFP serves as a link between national and local development plans. It contains the long-term vision of the province and identifies the development goals, strategies, objectives/targets, and corresponding PPAs which serve as inputs to provincial investment programming and subsequent budgeting and plan implementation.
4. Administrative Order No. 01, s. 2010 was issued to integrate DRR/CCA in the PDPFPs. It aimed to address emerging concerns on managing disaster risks and climate change effects at the local level by incorporating disaster mitigation strategies and measures in local development plans.
5. On 12 October 2016, the Housing and Land Use Regulatory Board (HLURB) approved the Palawan DRR/CCA Enhanced PDPFP 2014-2023 through HLURB Resolution No. 939.
6. Palawan DRR/CCA Enhanced PDPFP 2014-2023 is due for updating. The formulation of the updated Palawan PDPFP will take into consideration the new MIMAROPA Regional Development Plan 2023-2028, 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the current administration's 8-Point Socioeconomic Agenda.
7. PPDO Palawan will present salient features of the updated Palawan DRR/CCA Enhanced PDPFP during the meeting.
8. Action Requested: For review.

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Subject: Status of Comprehensive Land Use Plan Preparation in MIMAROPA

1. Section 20 of the Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, mandates the local government units (LGUs) to prepare a comprehensive land use plan (CLUP) enacted through a zoning ordinance.
2. The CLUP rationalizes the allocation and management of land and other natural resources in an area. It determines the directions for sustainable land use to achieve the physical development goals and objectives of a city/municipality.
3. DHSUD MIMAROPA and DILG MIMAROPA, during the first quarter meeting held on 16 May 2023, reported the status of CLUP preparation of the five provinces in the region. A total of 43 cities/municipalities have updated CLUPs, while 30 municipalities have no updated CLUPs.
4. Palawan and Romblon recorded the highest number of cities/municipalities with updated CLUPs with 12 and 10 cities/municipalities, respectively. This was followed Occidental Mindoro and Oriental Mindoro with nine municipalities, and Marinduque with three municipalities.
5. The DHSUD and DILG MIMAROPA will present the status of CLUP preparation/updating during the meeting.
6. Action requested: For information.

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BRIEF FROM THE RLUC SECRETARIAT

Subject: Status of Local Shelter Plan Preparation in MIMAROPA

1. Section 17 of the LGC of 1991 mandates each local government unit (LGU) to exercise powers and discharge functions and responsibilities as are necessary, appropriate, or incidental to efficient and effective provision of basic services and facilities such as low-cost housing and other mass dwelling.
2. On 24 March 1992, then President Corazon C. Aquino signed Republic Act No. 7279 or the Urban Development and Housing Act of 1992 to provide for a comprehensive and continuing urban development and housing program, establish mechanism for its implementation and other purposes. Section 40 of the said Act provides for the role of government housing agencies in the formulation of standards and guidelines as well as providing technical support in the preparation of town and land use plans.
3. The formulation of a local shelter plan (LSP) provides LGUs an enabling mechanism to effectively implement their mandate on shelter provision. Further, said plan provides LGUs with: a) a grounded perspective of the shelter situation through a purposive analysis of shelter issues and concerns; b) a determination of housing needs; c) an inventory of resources useful for shelter; and, d) strategies to address housing and urban development concerns based on an assessment of the capacity of the LGU and existing local dynamics.
4. The passage of the Climate Change Act of 2009 and Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Act of 2010 bolsters the shelter planning mandate of LGUs.
5. DHSUD MIMAROPA, during the first quarter RLUC meeting held on 16 May 2023, reported the status of LSPs preparation of the five provinces in the region. A total of 43 cities/municipalities have updated CLUPs, while 30 municipalities have no updated CLUPs.
6. DHSUD MIMAROPA will provide an update on the status of Local Shelter Plan preparation in MIMAROPA.
7. Action requested: For information.

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**Subject: Status of Land Use Development and Infrastructure Plan
Preparation of State Universities and Colleges in MIMAROPA**

1. On 22 August 2019, then President Rodrigo R. Duterte signed Republic Act No. 11396, an act requiring state universities and colleges (SUCs) to prepare and implement a land use development and infrastructure plan (LUDIP) that shall include the construction of dormitories for students and housing sites for employees.
2. The LUDIP shall serve as the SUC's master plan that contains the land use allocation and utilization within the campus geographic boundary, to meet the required academic and non-academic support services and facilities.
3. The plan shall contain three components: a) campus land use plan; b) campus master development plan and investment program; and, c) site development plan.
4. To ensure the harmonization and integration of LUDIP with the existing physical and development plans in the region, the status of LUDIP preparation of the six SUCs in MIMAROPA was presented during the quarterly RLUC meetings. Comments and recommendations of the Committee were incorporated during the LUDIP preparation.
5. Section 7.2 of the IRR of RA 11396 provides that the SUC shall submit LUDIP to the Commission on Higher Education (CHED), within two years after the approval of the Act for evaluation and subsequently recommend approval of the LUDIP to the SUC Board of Regents/Governing Boards in accordance with specific procedures.
6. CHED MIMAROA, during the first quarter RLUC meeting held on 16 March 2023, presented the following: a) findings and evaluation of its technical working group on the LUDIP of Mindoro State University and Occidental Mindoro State College; and b) evaluation and monitoring schedule for CY 2023.
7. CHED MIMAROPA will present an update on the status of LUDIP preparation of SUCs in MIMAROPA.
8. Action requested: For information.