

Republic of the Philippines Regional Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council MIMAROPA

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 3RD QUARTER RDRRMC FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 22, 2023 IN QUEZON CITY

RDRRMC MIMAROPA Resolution No. 02, s. 2023

ENDORSING THE PROPOSED REHABILITATION / IMPROVEMENT OF WATER SYSTEM PROJECT OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF PUERTO GALERA TO THE NATIONAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT COUNCIL AND TO THE REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL MIMAROPA

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Puerto Galera, located in the Northwestern part of the Province of Oriental Mindoro, is composed of 10,918 households, with a total population of 45,732 (based on the 2023 Projected Population of the Municipal Development and Planning Office);

WHEREAS, per DOST-PAGASA EI Niño Southern Oscillation (ENSO) Alert System Status, El Niño is currently present in the tropical Pacific and will persist until the first quarter of 2024, showing signs of strengthening in the coming months;

WHEREAS, El Niño increases the likelihood of below-normal rainfall conditions, which could bring negative impacts, such as dry spell and drought;

WHEREAS, MIMAROPA Region is likely to experience below normal rainfall condition starting October of 2023;

WHEREAS, Section 5.1.7 of NDRRMC Memorandum Circular No. 110, s. 2021, dated 23 September 2021, states that the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Fund (NDRRMF) shall be used for projects which employs DRRM measures such as "Build Back Better" and shall contribute to building resilience of vulnerable communities, and for priority prevention, mitigation and preparedness projects which are directly linked to the achievement of the NDRRM Plan outcomes as identified by the NDRRMC;

WHEREAS, the said Municipality is currently suffering from insufficient water supply, which is expected to be exacerbated by the El Niño Southern Oscillation on the 4th Quarter of 2023 which will bring adverse impacts to the residents, and the tourism industry;

WHEREAS, based on the study conducted by the Local Government Unit of Puerto Galera, although there is sufficient water supply from January to February of 2023, there is a significant increase in the demand and decrease in water supply during the months of

March to May 2023, considering the number of local and projected tourist population, there will be a monthly shortage of 55,036.85 m³ in the Municipality;

WHEREAS, currently, there are 4,900 (63.92%) water supply connections, with an additional 2,766 (36.08%) connections required, to address the water supply demand in the said Municipality;

WHEREAS, the Local Government of Puerto Galera has taken several initiatives, including the installation of additional water lines, and water rationing in the Barangays, in coordination with the BFP, even with the abovementioned initiatives, there is still a need to identify and install additional water systems, to address the current water crisis;

WHEREAS, the Local Government of Puerto Galera has requested funding support from the Regional DRRM Council of MIMAROPA for the Rehabilitation/Improvement of Water System to address the water crisis in the Municipality, amounting to One Hundred and Fifty Million Pesos (P150,000,000.00):

NOW THEREFORE, ON A MOTION DULY SECONDED, be it

RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the Council endorses the proposed rehabilitation/improvement of water system project of the Municipality of Puerto Galera to the NDRRMC and the RDC MIMAROPA;

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

SIGNED, this 22nd day of September 2023, during the RDRRMC MIMAROPA 3rd Quarter Meeting held at Madison 101 Hotel, Aurora Boulevard, Quezon City.

APPROVED:

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