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Attention: **Undersecretary Roberto R. Bernardo**
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Dear Secretary Bonoan:

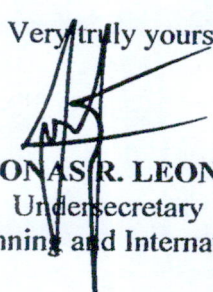
This pertains to the letter requesting guidance on the application of DENR Administrative Order (DAO) No. 2022-01 or the "Guidelines in Granting Government Gratuitous Permits for the Special Use of Forest Lands" on the previously assessed obligatory payment of annual/government share for the infrastructure projects that traverse forest lands implemented by the DPWH.

Accordingly, the DPWH Regional Offices were assessed for obligatory payment of annual government share for its road projects that traverse forest lands under Special Land Use Permit (SLUP) and that your agency (DPWH) has no available funds in the General Appropriations Act (GAA) intended for this purpose.

Anent thereto, kindly be informed that the said policy (DAO 2022-01) does not automatically convert the issued SLUP/FLAg into GSUP. Agencies issued with SLUP/FLAg are required to comply with the terms and conditions of the said permit/agreement prior to the issuance of GSUP, including the settlement of the previously assessed obligatory payment of annual share.

We hope that this response suffices your query on the matter.

Very truly yours,


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