

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2 Series of 2022

AMENDMENT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 92 SERIES OF 2020 BY DESIGNATING A NEW FOCAL PERSON FOR AGRICULTURAL AND BIOSYSTEM ENGINEERING (ABE) OFFICE OF THE PROVINCE OF OCCIDENTAL MINDORO AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the Provincial Government issued Executive Order No. 92 series of 2020 entitled "An Order Establishing the Agricultural and Biosystem Engineering (ABE) Office of the Province of Occidental Mindoro under the Provincial Governor's Office, Defining its Duties and Functions and For Other Purposes";

WHEREAS, pursuant to Executive Order No. 92 series of 2020, a focal person for Agricultural and Biosystem Engineering (ABE) Office was also designated;

WHEREAS, there is an imperative need to issue this order to designate a new focal person for Agricultural and Biosystem Engineering (ABE) Office of the Province of Occidental Mindoro;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDUARDO B. GADIANO, Governor of Occidental Mindoro, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

Section 1. ESTABLISHMENT. The Agricultural and Biosystem Engineering Office of the Province of Occidental Mindoro under the Provincial Governor's Office is hereby established. It shall be responsible for engineering plans, designs, and specifications; program and project management; and standards regulation, and enforcement.

Section 2. FOCAL PERSON OF ABE OFFICE. For the above purpose, the Focal Person of the Agricultural and Biosystem Engineering (ABE) Office is hereby designated, to wit:

Focal Person

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Section 3. POWERS, FUNCTIONS, AND RESPONSIBILITIES. The ABE Office shall perform the following functions:

- a. Provide agricultural and biosystems engineering services which include engineering survey, preparation and evaluation of plans, designs, technical specifications, feasibility studies and cost estimates/program of work of irrigation, soil and water conservation and management, small water impounding, small farm reservoir, farm machinery, slaughterhouses, auction markets, poultry dressing plants, post-harvest facilities, auction markets, farm-to-market roads and other agricultural, fisheries and biosystems infrastructure projects of the LGUs;
- Administer, supervise, and coordinate the construction, operation, maintenance, improvement and management of irrigation, soil and water conservation and management, small water impounding, small farm reservoir, farm machinery, slaughterhouses, auction markets, poultry dressing plants, and other agricultural fisheries and biosystems projects of the province;
- Undertake the registration of agricultural and fishery machinery and facilities, enforcement of the PAES/PABES and other agricultural, fishery and biosystems



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engineering regulatory activities in coordination and collaboration with RFO-RAED, concerned national government agencies and other offices of the province. In line with this, the ABE unit shall:

- c.1 Provide assistance to BAFE through the RFO-RAED on the validation and surveillance of applications relative to the issuance of Permit to Operate to small and medium sized agricultural and fishery machinery and equipment manufacturer, fabricators, assemblers, and importers;
- c.2 Monitor the compliance on the provision of after-sales service and warranty of concerned agricultural and fisheries machinery assemblers, manuacturers, importers, suppliers, distributors and dealers in their respective locality in collaboration with BAFE;
- c.3 Maintain and regularly update the data bank on irrigation, post-harvest, agricultural machinery and agricultural, fishery and biosystems infrastructure projects at all local levels;
- c.4 Conduct inspection, performance, testing and evaluation of agricultural, fisheries and biosystems machineries and equipment procured by the LGUs in coordination and collaboration with the RFO-RAED and AMTEC;
- c.5 Provide assistance to the Municipal Building Officials in the evaluation and processing of application permits and certificate of occupancy and structures to ensure the enforcement of PAES/PABES and RA No. 10915; and
- c.6 Coordinate with BFAR on the registration of fish hatcheries, fish breeding facilities
- d. Coordinate with the concerned national government agencies with regard to the implementation of national government programs and projects on irrigation, farm mechanization, post-harvest facilities, farm-to-market roads and agricultural, fisheries and biosystems infrastructure;
- e. Be in the frontline of the delivery of basic agricultural and biosystems engineering services;
- f. Provide training and extension activities to farmers and fisher folk particularly in the installation, operation and maintenance of their irrigation, post-harvest facilities, agricultural, fishery and biosystems machinery projects in coordination with the agriculture and fisheries extension workers. In line with this, the ABE units shall coordinate and collaborate with State and Local Colleges and Universities, TESDA, and other concerned government agencies for the competency assessment and certification of agricultural and biosystems engineering technicians and operators including the establishment and operation of accredited technical-vocational education training (TVET) and assessment centers, learning sites/farm schools, farm tourism sites for agricultural and biosystems engineering at the provincial level;
- g. Undertake and/or coordinate the pilot testing and commercialization of matured agricultural, fisheries and biosystems engineering technologies;
- h. Provide assistance in the organization and operation of the Agricultural and Fishery Mechanization Committee (AFMeC) of the Provincial AFCs and serve as Vice Chairperson and Secretariat of the said Committee, as well as in providing technical assistance and support to the local chapters of the PSABE and ABEs in the local implementation of agricultural and fisheries mechanization and infrastructure projects;
- Responsible in the planning, design and management of the communal irrigation system devolved or to be devolved to the LGUs pursuant to Section 33 of RA No. 8435 (AFMA);



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- j. Formulate Provincial Agricultural and Fisheries Mechanization Plans for approval by the Sanggunian pursuant to Section 33 of RA No. 10601;
- k. Formulate Provincial Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering Master Plan/Program for approval by the Sanggunian pursuant to Joint DA-DILG MC No. 11, series of 2004 in relation to RA No. 10915. The master plan/program which supports and complements to the comprehensive Land use Plans, Local Development Plans, Local Food Security and Agri-Fisheries Modernization Plans shall have the following subcomponents: 1) agricultural, fishery and biosystems mechanization; 2) soil and water conservation and irrigation; 3) farm-to-market road or farm access road development; 4) post-harvest, agro-processing and agro-industrial development; 5) agricultural and biological waste utilization and management; and 6) farm electrification and bioenergy development.
- I. Exercise such other powers and perform such other duties and functions as may be prescribed by law or ordinance.

This also includes functions and responsibilities on agricultural and biosystems engineering under RA No. 10915, such as, but not limited to animal/livestock production engineering, aquaculture engineering, agricultural and biological waste management, and farm electrification and bio-energy development as part of the agricultural and fisheries modernization, environmental protection and food security program of the provincial LGU.

Section 4. TRANSITION. In the initial stage of the establishment of Agricultural and Biosystem Engineering (ABE) Office, the Provincial Engineer's Office shall provide technical support to ABE Office in the performance of its duties and functions until such time that its personnel is already capable and equipped with the necessary technical knowledge and expertise.

Section 5. FUNDING. The funding necessary for the implementation of this Executive Order shall be included in the annual budget appropriations of the Provincial Governor's Office.

Section 6. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid for any reason, the parts not affected thereby shall remain valid and in full force and effect.

Section 7. REPEALING CLAUSE. All Executive Orders, Rules and Regulations issued by this province which are inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed, superseded or modified accordingly.

Section 8. EFFECTIVITY. This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE at the Provincial Capitol, Mamburao, Occidental Mindoro this 16

day of

EDUARDO B. GADIANO Governor