

Republic of the Philippines Province of Bohol MUNICIPALITY OF LOON OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 35 Series of 2023

RECONSTITUTING THE LOCAL DRINKING WATER QUALITY MONITORING COMMITTEE AND TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP

WHEREAS, ensuring the quality and safety of all water sources is a major concern especially that Bohol is a prime tourist destination; and that the quality of water sources in all municipalities of the Province should be regularly monitored and analyzed to ensure public health and general welfare;

WHEREAS, access to safe potable drinking water is one of the benchmarks of an improved quality of life;

Whereas, the Sanitation Code of the Philippines (PD No. 856) prescribes the standards and procedures in ensuring water quality; that there is a need to oversee the operation of water systems and quality of water produced thereof and distributed therefrom; and that is it important to monitor the implementation of PD No. 856 and the Philippine Clean Water Act (RA No. 9275);

WHEREAS, the Local Drinking Water Quality Monitoring Committee that was last reconstituted by virtue of Executive Order No. 11 issued on May 16, 2017 needs to be reconstituted;

Now therefore, premises considered and by virtue of the authority vested upon me under the Local Government Code and other existing laws, I, Elvi Peter L. Relampagos, mayor of the Municipality of Loon, Bohol, do hereby declare and order the following:

Section 1. Reconstitution of the Local Drinking Water Quality Monitoring Committee. - The Local Drinking Water Quality Monitoring Committee is hereby reconstituted, as follows:

Chairperson:

Mayor Elvi Peter L. Relampagos

Co-Chairpersons:

Dr. Maria Victoria D. Lamparas, *Municipal Health Officer (RHU 1)*Dr. Shannen Jaye O. Langcamon, RMT, *MGADH 1, MHO (RHU 2)*

Members:

Councilor Marie Hazel R. Saavedra, Chairperson, SB Committee on Health & Sanitation

Engr. Noel S. Castrojo, Municipal Engineer Roy S. Roferos, Municipal ISWM Action Officer

Engr. Alan L. Relator, Municipal Planning & Development Coordinator

Jannes D. Cantones, LicAgr, Municipal Agriculturist
Joseph Irwin A. Requina, O/C, Loon Waterworks System
Maricel P. Marimon, Representative, Bottled Water Distributors
Rey Palban, Representative, Faith-based Organizations

Section 2. Functions of the Committee. - The Local Drinking Water Quality Monitoring Committee shall:

- Endorse annual work and financial plan on water quality surveillance to the Sangguniang Bayan;
- 2b. Formulate local policies concerning the implementation of a water quality monitoring program:
- Initiate regular or immediate survey of water supply sources;
- 2d. Initiate regular collection and analysis of water samples as prescribed within this Executive Order:
- Review and approve the recommendation of the TWG based on the evaluation of laboratory results;

2f. Approve measures to address water quality issues;

Review and approve the location of water sampling points;

Approve the annual water quality monitoring plan of the Loon Waterworks
 System and other water systems and water service providers in the municipality;

 Analyze quarterly Water Quality Monitoring Reports to determine trends in the quality of the drinking water supply for appropriate action;

 Issue pronouncements on the quality of drinking water in Loon and release corresponding advisories if necessary;

Conduct water quality audit whenever necessary; and

Conduct meetings every quarter or as the need arises.

Section 3. Specific Roles and Responsibilities of the Members of the Committee. - Each member of the Committee shall perform the following roles and responsibilities:

3a. Chairperson

- 3a1. Preside in every meeting of the Committee;
- 3a2. Sign approved policies and resolutions of the Committee:
- 3a3. Sign approved annual work and financial plan; and
- 3a4. Delegate other related functions.

3b. Co-Chairpersons

- 3b1. Lead in the implementation of the drinking water quality monitoring program;
- 3b2. Implement a drinking water quality program for all barangays;
- 3b3. Ensure intersectoral linkages;
- 3b4. Convene Committee meetings;
- 3b5. Sign communications and reports for the Committee;
- 3b6. Act as the Committee chairperson in the absence of the mayor;
- 3b7. Designate the Committee secretary; and
- 3b8. Perform other related tasks.

3c. Chairperson, SB Committee on Health and Sanitation

- Introduce appropriate legislation concerning drinking water quality surveillance;
- Provide information as regards existing resolutions that may affect water quality monitoring; and
- 3c3. Endorse the work and financial plan prepared by the Committee for corresponding Budget Appropriation by the Sangguniang Bayan.

3d. Municipal Engineer

- Report on relevant civil works that may affect the quality of water sources;
 and
- 3d2. Provide technical and logistical assistance to the Committee.

3e. Representative, Environment (Municipal ISWM Action Officer)

- Provide information regarding incidence or occurrence of water contaminants arising from domestic, industrial, commercial or institutional facilities; and
- Provide technical and logistical assistance to the Committee.

3f. Municipal Planning and Development Coordinator

- Integrate the Committee's work and financial plan to the overall Municipal Development Plan;
- 3f2. Report on the short- and long-term development plans of the LGU that will affect water quality; and
- 3f3. Provide technical and logistical assistance to the Committee.

3g. Municipal Agriculturist

- Report on agricultural wastes, fertilizers and pesticides that may affect the quality of water sources; and
- 3g2. Provide technical and logistical assistance to the Committee.
- 3h OIC, Loon Waterworks System
 - 3i1. Provide updates on the implementation of the water quality monitoring plan; and
 - 3i2. Provide technical and logistical assistance to the Committee.
- 3j. Representative, Bottled Water Distributors
 - 3j1. Provide updates on the water quality monitoring plan of his business establishment and its implementation; and
 - 3j2. Provide technical and logistical assistance to the Committee.
- 3k. Representative, Faith-based Organizations (NGO)
 - 3k1. Provide technical and logistical assistance to the Committee; and
 - 3k2. Conduct information dissemination on drinking water quality.

Section 4. Reconstitution of the Technical Working Group of the Committee. - The TWG of the Local Drinking Water Quality Monitoring Committee shall be composed of the following:

Dr. Maria Victoria D. Lamparas, Municipal Health Officer

Dr. Shannen Jaye O. Langcamon, RMT, MGADH 1, MHO (RHU 2)

Mr. Carlos L. Requillo, Sanitation Inspector 1 (RHU 1)

Mr. Reynaldo L. Libranza, Sanitation Inspector 1 (RHU 2)

Engr. Noel S. Castrojo, Municipal Engineer

Engr. Alan L. Relator, Municipal Planning & Development Coordinator

Mr. Joseph Irwin A. Requina, O/C, Loon Waterworks System

Section 5. Functions of the Technical Working Group. - The TWG shall:

- 5.a. Conduct inventory of water supply facilities;
- 5.b. Prepare annual work and financial plan for drinking water quality monitoring;
- Review and recommend the approval of the annual water quality monitoring plan of the Loon Waterworks System, community-based water systems, and private water service providers;
- 5.d. Conduct sanitation surveys as required per water system;
- 5.e. Collect water samples for water analysis;
- 5.f. Inform water providers on the results of regular water quality monitoring;
- 5.g. Evaluate laboratory water analysis results as to compliance with the Philippine National Standards for Drinking Water (PNSDW);
- 5.h. Recommend appropriate measures and advisories issued by the Committee;
- 5.i. Serve as the Committee's secretariat;
- 5.j. Prepare reports required by the Committee;
- 5.k. Conduct meetings every month or as the need arises; and
- 5.I. Perform such other functions as may be delegated by the Committee.

Section 6. Specific Roles and Responsibilities of the Members of the Technical Working Group. – Each member of the TWG shall be responsible for the following specific roles and responsibilities:

- 6a. Municipal Health Officer (RHU 1) and MGADH 1 (RHU 2)
 - 6a1. Serve as Team Leaders of the TWG;
 - 6a2. Convene meetings;
 - 6a3. Delegate administrative and technical functions;
 - 6a4. Designate the secretary of the Committee.

- 6a5. Report incidence of water-borne diseases in her catchment area; and
- 6a6. Perform other related functions.

6b. Sanitation Inspectors

- 6b1. Initiate monitoring activities like sampling, survey and others to ensure drinking water quality;
- 6b2. Keep reports and records of the TWG and the Committee; and
- 6b3. Perform other functions as may be assigned by the TWG Team Leader.

6c. Municipal Engineer

- 6c1. Assist in the conduct of sanitation surveys:
- Assist in the review and evaluation of sanitation surveys and water quality monitoring plans;
- 6c3. Perform other functions as may be assigned by the TWG Team Leader.

6d. Municipal Planning and Development Coordinator

- 6d1. Assist in the conduct of sanitation surveys;
- 6d2. Assist in the review and evaluation of sanitation surveys and water quality monitoring plans;
- 6d3. Perform other functions as may be assigned by the TWG Team Leader.

6e. OIC, Loon Waterworks System

- 6e1. Assist in the conduct of sanitation surveys;
- Assist in the review and evaluation of sanitation surveys and water quality monitoring plans;
- 6e3. Facilitate or institute corrective measures and reports the same; and
- 6e4. Perform other functions as may be assigned by the TWG Team Leader.

Section 7. Local Water Quality Monitoring Plan. - The Committee shall develop and implement a Local Drinking Water Quality Monitoring Plan which includes the parameters, sampling sites, sampling frequency, and action plans for corrective and preventive actions consistent with the Philippine National Standards for Drinking Water (PNSDW).

Section 8. Budgetary Allocation for the Implementation of the Plan. - The Sangguniang Bayan shall ensure the allocation of a regular annual budget for the effective and efficient implementation of the Local Drinking Water Quality Monitoring Plan.

Section 9. Effectivity. - This Order shall take effect immediately.

Done this 15th day of December 2023 in the Municipality of Loon, Bohol.

LVI PETER/L. RELAMPAGOS

Mayor