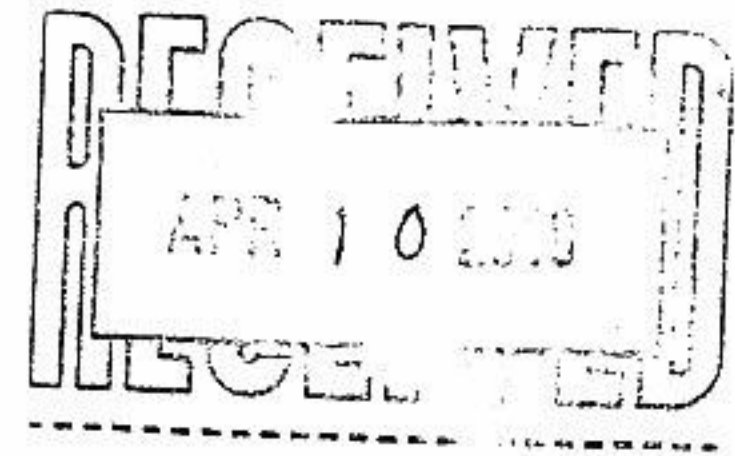




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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 03

Series of 2018

**SUBJECT: REVISED IMPLEMENTING GUIDELINES OF THE PROGRAM FOR UNIFIED LENDING IN AGRICULTURE (PUNLA), AMENDING SECTION 3 AND SECTION 8 OF THE UNNUMBERED ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER DATED MAY 8, 2017**

WHEREAS, there have been requests from Regional Field Units and Local Government Units for the inclusion of the provinces under PLEA Program;

WHEREAS, under the Implementing Guidelines for PUNLA, geographic coverage will be identified by the Program Executive Committee (PEC);

WHEREAS, the PEC was not yet established and so as to hasten the approval of inclusion of provinces, there is a need to amend said provision. Thus,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, EMMANUEL F. PIÑOL, SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, do hereby issue this Administrative Order for the Revised Implementing Guidelines of the Program for Unified Lending in Agriculture (PUNLA), amending Section 3 and Section 8 thereof:

**1. Section 3- GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE**

The target geographic coverage areas are unbanked and under-banked areas and areas identified by the Department of Agriculture (DA) as critical for agriculture and fisheries development that promote specific crops/commodities. Priority geographic areas shall be identified by the Program Executive Committee subject to its review, at least on an annual basis.

***IS HEREBY AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:***

**Section 3- GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE**

The target geographic coverage areas are unbanked and under-banked areas and areas identified by the Department of Agriculture (DA) as critical for agriculture and fisheries development that promote specific crops/commodities. Priority geographic areas shall be identified and approved by the Secretary.

**2. Section 8- MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE**

8.1 Program Executive Committee (PEC)-

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The PEC shall have the following functions:

1. Provide direction and formulate policies on the Program;
2. Approve criteria for and mechanics of endorsement by concerned institutions;
3. Approve the geographic coverage areas, annual work plan and budget of the program;
4. Create technical working groups composed of representatives from concerned agencies for tasks deemed necessary;
5. Act on issues or concerns relative to the program implementation.

**IS HEREBY AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:**

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5. Act on issues or concerns relative to the program implementation.

3. Effectivity. - This Administrative Order shall take effect immediately upon approval hereof.

Done this MAR 19 2018 of February 2018 in Diliman, Quezon City.

  
**EMMANUEL F. PIÑOL**  
Secretary, Department of Agriculture

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
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