

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

No.\_\_36

Series of 2020

SUBJECT

AMENDMENTS TO DA ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 28, SERIES OF 2009, RE: ADOPTION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE PHILIPPINE AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING STANDARDS (PAES) ON FARM-TO-MARKET ROADS, "PAES VOLUME VI".

In line with the continuing development and updating of the Philippine Agricultural Engineering Standards by the Department of Agriculture (DA), the Bureau of Agricultural and Fisheries Standards (BAFS) in collaboration with the Technical Working Group (TWG) for Farm-to-Market Roads as per approved DA Special Order (SO) No. 954 Series of 2016, developed the Philippine National Standards (PNS)/Philippine Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering Standards (PABES) for Agriculture Infrastructures – Farm-to-Market Roads – Concrete Roads. This standards replaces the provisions for concrete roads specified by PAES 421:2009 Agricultural Structures – Farm-to-Market Roads which was adopted through DA Administrative Order No. 28, series of 2009, attached as Annex "A".

Moreover, Section 24, Article VI of the R.A. 10601 (supra), the Agricultural and Fisheries Mechanization Law mandates the Bureau of Agricultural and Fisheries Engineering (BAFE) to coordinate and monitor the enforcement of standards and other regulatory policies on agricultural and fishery engineering.

In view of this, the following amendatory provisions of DA Administrative Order (AO) No. 28, series of 2009 are hereby issued:

- The standards for the design and construction requirements for concrete farm-to-market roads adopted under Section 1 (5) of DA AO No. 28, series of 2009 is hereby replaced with the standards on Agricultural Infrastructures-Farm-to-Market Roads-Concrete Roads, PNS/BAFS PABES 289:2019, attached as Annex "A".
- Section 2(c) of DA AO No. 28, series of 2009 is hereby amended to read as:

"Section 2- Enforcement- XXX c) The Bureau of Agricultural and Fisheries Engineering (BAFE) shall coordinate and monitor the compliance and enforcement of PAES Volumes I, II, III, IV, V and VI by all concerned DA Services, Bureaus, Attached Agencies and Corporations and DA Regional Field Offices as well as other concerned national government agencies."

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The Philippine Agricultural Engineering Standards (PAES) Volumes I, II, III, IV, V and VI are hereby renamed to Philippine Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering Standards (PAEBS) Volumes I, II, III, IV, V and VI pursuant to Section 36 of RA No. 10915 (Philippine Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering Act of 2016)

This order shall take effect immediately.

Done this 6 th day of November 2020.

Secretary

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