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SPECIAL ORDER

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SUBJECT : CREATION AND COMPOSITION OF THE PROJECT PREPARATION TEAM FOR THE PROPOSED DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FARM BRIDGES DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

In the interest of service and in view of expediting the preparation and finalization of the Feasibility Study relative to the proposed Farm Bridges Development Project, a Project Preparation Team is hereby created with the following composition:

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The Project Preparation Team shall be responsible for the following:

- Prepare and finalize feasibility study of the Project;
- Integrate proposed sites in the ABEMIS and GEOAGRI systems to ensure connectivity and linkages with existing DPWH road networks and proposed/ completed FMRs and to avoid duplication with other bridge projects;
- Ensure that project documents are compliant with the requirements of the DA -Wide Project Clearinghouse System and NEDA - Investment Coordination Committee;
- Coordinate with and request assistance, if needed, from other relevant offices; and
- Prepare timeline of activities from preparation until finalization and approval of the Project feasibility study.

The secretariat shall likewise be responsible for the following:

- Assist in the initial drafting and subsequent improvement of the proposed program;
- Facilitate meetings, consultations, site visits, and other activities required by the Project Preparation Team;
- Ensure the availability of funds in support to the development of the program; and
- Provide other necessary services to the Project Preparation Team.

All expenses to be incurred in the conduct of related activities for the Project shall be chargeable against their respective offices, subject to the existing government accounting and auditing rules, and regulations.

This Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in force until revoked in writing. All orders, memoranda, and issuances inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

Done this 1st day of April 2024.

FRANCISCO P. TIU LAUREL JR.

Secretary



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