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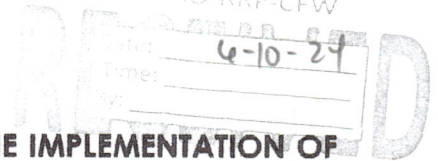
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DSWD CARAGA
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**SUBJECT: LETTER OF JUSTIFICATION TO DECLINE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF
PROJECT LAWA IN BARANGAY NUEVO CAMPO, SAN BENITO,
SIARGAO ISLAND, SURIGAO DEL NORTE**

Dear Madam Saumat:

Greetings of peace and solidarity from the people of the Municipality of San Benito!

Municipality of San Benito, Siargao Island, Province of Surigao del Norte is a 6th Class Municipality that has six (6) component barangays. In unison with the noble intent and aspiration of our local government leaders by providing the needs in Barangay Nuevo Campo.

Barangay Nuevo Campo is a rural community in the Municipality of San Benito, known for its deep-rooted agricultural traditions. The area is primarily composed of farmlands that have been cultivated for generations, forming the backbone of the local economy and lifestyle.

Despite their dedication and efforts, the farmers face significant challenges due to the unique characteristics of the soil. The soil in Barangay Nuevo Campo is notably hard and sticky.

Anent thereto, on behalf of the Local Government Unit of San Benito, this Local Chief Executive writing this Letter of Justification to formally decline the implementation of Project LAWA in Barangay Nuevo Campo. After a thorough assessment and consultation with the local farmers and agricultural experts, it has been determined that the soil in Barangay Nuevo Campo is extremely hard and sticky, posing significant challenges for any farming-related activities. The soil's composition and condition make it impractical and unfeasible to proceed with the project as planned.





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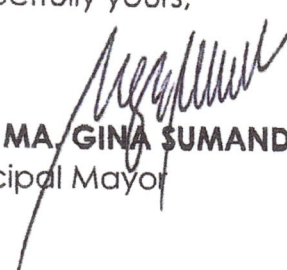
The primary objective of Project Lawa is to enhance agricultural productivity and sustainability, which cannot be achieved under the current soil conditions in Barangay Nuevo Campo. Implementing the project in an area where the soil is not conducive to make a lawa that would only fail to meet the project's goals but could also lead to resource wastage and further complications for the local farmers.

We believe it is in the best interest of both the provincial administration and the municipality of San Benito to focus on projects that align more closely with our current capabilities and community needs.

We appreciate the opportunity to collaborate on Project LAWA and look forward to exploring future initiatives that align better with our municipality's goals and resources.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

Respectfully yours,


HON. MA. GINA SUMANDO-MENIL, LCB
Municipal Mayor





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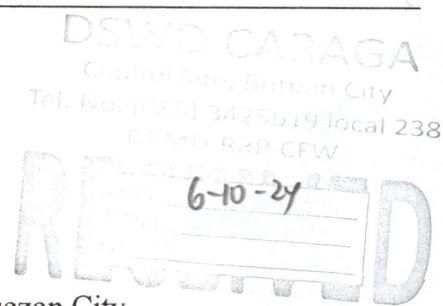
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Dear Sir:

Cordial greetings!

First and foremost, the Provincial Government of Surigao del Norte would like to extend its gratitude to the DSWD for the allocation of Php 11,211,000 labor wage for 1,515 beneficiaries from the five recipient-municipalities of Surigao del Norte identified by your good department for the implementation of the Risk Resiliency Program's Project LAWA and Project BINHI.

Just recently, one of the five MLGU-beneficiaries of RRP in Surigao del Norte, the municipality of San Benito, waived for the implementation of the project this year. Attached herein is the letter of the municipality. In this regard, the Provincial Government would like to reallocate the beneficiaries of the municipality to other qualified MLGU. To aid us in the revision and finalization of our target LGU beneficiaries and projects, we would like to request for a copy of the database reference of the DSWD for the complete list of the 21 LGUs of the province, showing the ranks of the LGUs relative to the effects of El Niño and the National Household Targeting System for Poverty Reduction (NHTS-PR) Listahanan 3 database. The database was the basis of the DSWD for the identification of the top 5 LGU beneficiaries of the provinces who are implementing the RRP for CY 2024. We are hoping to receive the complete ranked list on or before June 3, 2024 to help us with the finalization of our engagement documents.

Your continuing support and assistance to the province of Surigao del Norte is highly appreciated. Thank you very much.

Very respectfully yours,

ROBERT LYNDON S. BARBERS

Provincial Governor

