



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 081
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REORGANIZATION AND REACTIVATION OF THE LOS BAÑOS DRINKING WATER QUALITY MONITORING COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act 7160 otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991 provides that local government units shall exercise the powers for its efficient and effective governance and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare;

WHEREAS, Presidential Decree 856 also known as the Philippine Code on Sanitation of 1975 provided that the health of the people, being of paramount importance, all efforts of public services should be directed towards the protection and promotion of health and that the advance in the field of sanitation in recent years, there arises the need for updating and codifying our scattered sanitary laws to ensure that they are in keeping with modern standards of sanitation and provide a handy reference for their enforcement;

WHEREAS, thereto Municipal Ordinance No. 2008-803 dated September 29, 2008 entitled: "An Ordinance of the Municipality of Los Baños, Laguna Requiring All Water Refilling Stations, the Local Water District and Institutions/Agencies with their Own Water Supply System to Secure Certificate of Water Potability Every Month from the Municipal Health Office and Imposing Thereupon Sanctions/Penalties in its Violators" was enacted and implemented;

NOW THEREFORE, I, ANTONIO L. KALAW, Municipal Mayor of the Municipality of Los Baños, Province of Laguna, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby reorganize and reactivate the Los Baños Drinking Water Quality Monitoring Committee (LBDWQMC), to wit:

Section 1. COMPOSITION AND FUNCTIONS

A. The shall be composed of the following:

Chairperson	Hon. Antonio L. Kalaw	Municipal Mayor
Members	Hon. Mark Lester B. Dizon Atty. Katrina D. Galang-Bacani Engr. Ricky R. Estopace Dr. Alvin A. Isidoro Ms. Lizette C. Cardenas Mr. Wilson Gascon Engr. Virginia Fabros Mr. Joey Mangunay Dr. Emelita P. Bagsit	Municipal Councilor/ Chair, SB Committee on Health Municipal Administrator Municipal Engineer Municipal Health Officer Focal Person, MENRO Water Safety Coordinator Provincial Sanitary Engineer DOH Representative DOST IV-A Regional Director or duly authorized representative

Members	Mr. Eriberto B. Sanos	DENR PENRO or duly authorized representative
	Mr. Jesus Miguel V. Bunyi	Laguna Water District General Manager or duly authorized representative
	Mr. Emil Q. Puerto	Laguna Water District Aquatech Resources Corporation General Manager or duly authorized representative
	-----	Makiling Medical Society
	Mr. Mario Dela Rosa	Los Banos Water Refilling Station Association

The LBDWQMC shall oversee the operation of all the water systems and the quality of water produced and distributed in the municipality and to monitor the implementation of the provisions of the law.

Specifically, the LBDWQMC shall be responsible for the following:

- a) Regular collection and analysis of water samples;
- b) Evaluating laboratory results as to their compliance to standards;
- c) Conducting regular or immediate sanitary survey during the existence of a potential cause of contamination;
- d) Instituting remedial measures to correct deficiencies of water systems;
- e) Informing the public of the latest quality of the drinking water in the locality;
- f) Performing other functions related to water quality assurance;

In addition, the committee shall be responsible for:

- g) Developing and implementing the Local Drinking Water Quality Surveillance Program;
- h) Determining the monitoring frequency of mandatory parameters and also if there are additional mandatory parameters for monitoring based on the local setting and on the Philippine National Standards for Drinking Water;
- i) Reviewing and recommending the approval of locations of sampling points in accordance with national policies;
- j) Analyzing quarterly drinking water quality surveillance reports to determine trends in the quality of the drinking-water supply services for appropriate action;
- k) Conducting water quality audit whenever necessary;
- l) Formulating local policies concerning the implementation of drinking-water quality surveillance and addressing water quality issues;
- m) Creating a Technical Working Group (TWG) that shall advise or provide support to the LBDWQMC on technical, operational, capacity building, administrative, and other needs of the Committee;
- n) Recommending to the LCE the designation/appointment of members to the TWG;
- o) Reviewing and endorsing the recommendations of the TWG based on analyses and on evidence/facts presented;
- p) Formulating the LBDWQMC annual work and financial plan on drinking water quality surveillance in accordance with standards and criteria set by the DOH, and endorsing the same to the LCE for approval;
- q) Providing appropriate training activities and events related to the implementation of drinking-water quality surveillance, remedial strategies, data gathering, evaluation, and those related to strengthening of Drinking Water Quality Standards (DWQS) technical skills when necessary;

- r) Review the WSP of drinking-water suppliers under their jurisdiction and indorse the recommendation to the DOH Regional Office for the approval;
- s) Approving the annual drinking water quality surveillance plan of drinking water service providers;
- t) Providing, when requested, advice and information on matters related to DWQS to the Sangguniang Bayan, and;
- u) Conducting quarterly regular meetings or when need arises.

Section 2. MEETINGS. The meetings of the LBDWQMC shall be held once in every quarter or as often as necessary.

Section 3. SECRETARIAT. The secretariat of the LBDWQMC shall be the Municipal Health Office. The secretariat shall be responsible for providing technical support, documentation of proceedings, preparation of reports and such other assistance as may be required in the discharge of its functions.

Section 4. EFFECTIVITY. This order shall take effect immediately.

Done this 11th day of March, 2022 at Los Baños, Laguna

HON. ANTONIO L. KALAW
Municipal Mayor