

**[HLURB MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 10, S.
1999, March 15, 1999]**

(1) RESOLUTION NO. R-629, SERIES OF 1998, AMENDING SECTIONS I.A, II.D, III.B, III.E.1, III.G.2.2 OF VOLUME V - LAND USE, GUIDELINES FOR THE FORMULATION/REVISION OF COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLANS, TO INCORPORATE RELATED PROVISIONS OF RA 8435, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES MODERNIZATION ACT OF 1997, AND (2) RESOLUTION NO. R-630, SERIES OF 1998, AMENDING SECTIONS II.A.1, A.3.1.E AND F; III FIGURE 1 AND ANNEX "A" OF VOLUME III - ECONOMIC SECTOR (SUBSECTOR ON AGRICULTURE), GUIDELINES FOR THE FORMULATION/REVISION OF COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLANS, TO INCORPORATE RELATED PROVISIONS OF RA 8435, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES MODERNIZATION ACT OF 1997

We furnish you herewith a copy of the above resolutions approved by the Board of Commissioners in its 268th Regular Meeting on 09 December 1998, both amending certain provisions of the Guidelines for the Formulation/Revision of Comprehensive Land Use Plans, pursuant to the mandate of Republic Act No. 8435, the Agriculture and Fisheries Modernization Act, for the Board to issue guidelines providing for the incorporation by local government units of Strategic Agriculture and Fisheries Development Zones (SAFDZs) in the preparation and updating of comprehensive development plans.

The Regional Field Offices, Field Operations Support Group and Executive Services Group are hereby enjoined to ensure the dissemination of the above guidelines to the local government units concerned.

For your guidance, information and compliance.

Adopted: 15 March 1999

(SGD.) ROMULO Q.M. FABUL
Commissioner and Chief Executive Officer

Attachments:

(1) Board Resolution No. R-629, Series Of 1998

Amending Sections I.A, II.D, III.B, III.E.1, III.G.2.2 Of Volume V - Land Use, Guidelines For The Formulation Of Comprehensive Land Use Plan, To Incorporate

Related Provisions Of Ra 8435, Otherwise Known As The Agriculture And Fisheries
Modernization Act Of 1997

WHEREAS, Volume V of the Guidelines for the Formulation/Revision of Comprehensive Land Use Plan does not incorporate the relevant provisions of land use planning of RA 8435;

WHEREAS, RA 8435 mandates HLURB, in coordination with the Department of Agriculture through the Bureau of Soils and Water Management (BSWM) to undertake the mapping of the Network of Protected Areas for Agricultural and Agro-Industrial Development (NPAAAD) for all cities and municipalities at an appropriate scale;

WHEREAS, RA 8435 further mandates HLURB to issue guidelines to LGUs regarding the incorporation of the Strategic Agriculture and Fisheries Development Zones (SAFDZ) in the enactment and updating of LGU land use plans and ordinances;

WHEREFORE, be it RESOLVED, as it is hereby RESOLVED, that the pertinent portions of the guidelines be amended as follows:

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OTHER LEGAL BASES FOR LAND USE PLANNING

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REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8435, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE AGRICULTURE
AND FISHERIES ACT OF 1997

...THE GOALS OF THE NATIONAL ECONOMY ARE A MORE EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION OF OPPORTUNITIES, INCOME AND WEALTH; A SUSTAINED INCREASE IN THE AMOUNT OF GOODS AND SERVICES PRODUCED BY THE NATION FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PEOPLE; AND AN EXPANDING PRODUCTIVITY AS THE KEY TO RAISING THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR ALL, ESPECIALLY THE UNDERPRIVILEGED”

THE STATE SHALL PROMOTE INDUSTRIALIZATION AND FULL EMPLOYMENT BASED ON SOUND AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT AND AGRARIAN REFORM, THROUGH INDUSTRIES THAT MAKE FULL AND EFFICIENT USE OF HUMAN AND NATURAL RESOURCES, AND WHICH ARE COMPETITIVE IN BOTH DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN MARKETS...”

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Table 3
Land Use Accounting
Municipality of _____
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Area - Has. Percentage (%)

I. Total Area of City/Municipality

Subtract (-)

1. Protection Areas

a. NIPAS

b. Non-NIPAS

2. Other Reservations

a. Military and Civil Reservations

b. Mineral/Geothermal Reserves

c. Water Courses & Surface Water

3. Environmentally Critical Areas

a. Water Related Hazards

b. Volcanic Related Hazards

c. Erosion Hazards

4. Protected Production Hazards

a. Highly-Restricted Agricultural

Lands - NPAAAD

Gross Potential Supply for

Urban Lands

Subtract (-)

II. Existing Built-Up

III. Production Forests

IV. Others

NET BUILDABLE AREA

(TOTAL LAND SUPPLY FOR URBAN USE)

III.B. Determination of Land Supply for Urban Expansion

Land Use is the land area available within the city/municipality for urban expansion. Basically, this is what is left after deducting the areas considered for protection/preservation and conservation such as the

Network of Protected AREAS FOR Agricultural AND AGRO-INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (NPAAAD), National Integrated Protected Areas Systems (NIPAS), existing built-up areas, etc.

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b.2 NPAAAD

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E.1.1 Agricultural

If the chosen development option is to remain an agricultural area and to maintain its agriculture character as a result of the SWOT analysis conducted in the agriculture sector, then the prime agricultural lands or areas covered by the Network of Protected AREAS FOR Agricultural AND AGRO-INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (NPAAAD) shall be maintained and preserved...

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G.2.2 SOIL SUITABILITY

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THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NUMBER 6 SERIES OF 1998 PROVIDES THE IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS OF RA 8435, "AN ACT PRESCRIBING URGENT RELATED MEASURES TO MODERNIZE THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES SECTORS OF THE COUNTRY IN ORDER TO ENHANCE THEIR PROFITABILITY AND PREPARE SAID SECTORS FOR THE CHALLENGES OF GLOBALIZATION THROUGH AN ADEQUATE, FOCUSED AND RATIONAL DELIVERY OF NECESSARY SUPPORT SERVICES, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES", OTHERWISE KNOWN AS AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES MODERNIZATION ACT OF 1997", PROVIDES THAT THE BUREAU OF SOILS AND WATER MANAGEMENT (BSWM), IN COORDINATION WITH THE NAMRIA, SHALL UNDERTAKE THE MAPPING OF THE NPAAAD AND SAFDZ. THESE MAPS SHALL ALSO BE DIGITIZED AND INCORPORATED INTO THE NATIONAL INFORMATION NETWORK (NIN) MANDATED UNDER SECTION 41. THE BSWM SHALL PUBLISH AND MAKE THE MAPS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC ON OR BEFORE 30 DECEMBER 1998.

The Network of Protected AREAS FOR Agricultural AND AGRO-INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (NPAAAD) INCLUDES ALL AREAS COVERED UNDER THE NETWORK OF PROTECTED AREAS FOR AGRICULTURAL AND AGRO-INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AS DEFINED IN RA 8435.

THE NPAAAD ENSURES THE SUSTAINED PRODUCTION OF THE COUNTRY'S BASIC AGRICULTURAL AND FISHERIES COMMODITIES THROUGH THE STEWARDSHIP AND UTILIZATION OF THE MOST PRODUCTIVE AGRICULTURAL AND FISHERY LAND AND RESOURCES FOR

OPTIMAL PRODUCTION, PROCESSING AND MARKETING. THE NPAAAD INCLUDES:

"2.1 ALL IRRIGATED AREAS;

2.2 ALL IRRIGABLE LANDS ALREADY COVERED BY IRRIGATION PROJECTS WITH FIRM FUNDING COMMITMENTS;

2.3 ALL ALLUVIAL PLAINS HIGHLY SUITABLE FOR AGRICULTURE, WHETHER IRRIGATED OR NOT;

2.4 AGRO-INDUSTRIAL CROPLANDS OR LAND PRESENTLY PLANTED TO INDUSTRIAL CROPS THAT SUPPORT THE VIABILITY OF EXISTING AGRICULTURAL INFRASTRUCTURE AND AGRO-BASED ENTERPRISES;

2.5 HIGHLAND OR AREAS LOCATED AT AN ELEVATION OF FIVE HUNDRED (500) METERS OR ABOVE AND HAVE THE POTENTIAL FOR GROWING SEMI-TEMPERATE AND HIGH-VALUE CROPS;

2.6 ALL AGRICULTURAL LANDS THAT ARE ECOLOGICALLY FRAGILE, THE CONVERSION OF WHICH WILL RESULT IN SERIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL DEGRADATION AND MANGROVE AREAS AND FISH SANCTUARIES, AND

2.7 ALL FISHERY AREAS AS DEFINED PURSUANT TO THE FISHERIES CODE OF 1998.

CONVERSION OF THE ABOVECITED AREAS SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RA 8435 AND ITS IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS AND ALL EXISTING LAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, EXECUTIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE ORDERS AND OTHER ISSUANCES GOVERNING LAND USE CONVERSION."

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Approved.

Adopted: 09 Dec. 1998

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