

D. SOCIAL ASSESSMENT

6.1 Local Community Participation

Barangay Development Plan is one of the essential tools in identifying the priority project to be implemented. Local community participation will be given preferential attention as proponent of the project and in identifying prioritized projects. The Barangay Development Council will now then endorse the priority project for funding and for implementation.

6.2 Road Right of Way (RROW)

Documents for clearances of the Road Right of Way will be complied immediately before the project started as stipulated in pre-construction phase and environmental management plan. The existing road traversed a vast agricultural land with minimal land development and no existing structures are in place. The 1.00 km length of the road is owned by private individuals and the remaining 1.48 km was already delineated by the DAR as farm road. Land owners affected by the road are willing to donate the affected area of their land without compensation.

6.3 Project Affected Persons (PAP)

One of the activities to be done before the project start is the social preparation to ensure the continuous implementation of the project. Consultation to the project affected people, mostly farmers is necessary for them to understand the importance of the project, their role as individual and their contribution for the realization of the project and the positive impact to the community as a whole.

6.4 IP Concerns

Barangay Batucan and Del Monte did not belong to any ancestral domain. Most of the residents are migrants from other places when the barangay was identified as resettlement area by the Department of Agrarian Reform.

6.5 Project Social Impact

The community especially the farmers has a positive response of this project. They have been waiting long enough to make this project come into realization. It will give benefit to the farmers and will surely increase their income because the condition of the road will be better which will lessen their time of travel and expenses in transporting their farm products. Basic social services will also be easily provided to the community if the road will be completed.

E. ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

7.1 Environmental Impact Analysis

The project has less critical environmental impact considering that the location of the project is an agricultural area and has a moderate slope and flat terrain. The only consideration to be taken will be during the construction phase where contractor is required to put up their bunk houses. It must be noted that they should established proper waste disposal system and sprinkling of the road during dry season. They will also put up proper signage for protection and safety of the pedestrians and commuters.

7.2 Status of Environmental Clearances and Permits

For environmental clearances and permits, documents will be process before the start of the project as stipulated in the environmental management plan to ensure proper and legal implementation of the projects. The LGU will do the processing and submit the documents to the concerned agencies for approval.