

Introduction to LAGUNA DE BAY AND LLDA **Presented** at the 2nd Thematic Workshop On Water Rights and Allocation 06 June 2006 La Mesa Dam Old Guesthouse, Quezon City, **Philippines**



Laguna de Bay . . .

The largest and most vital inland water body in the Philippines.

18th Member of the World's Living Lakes Network.





The lake is life support system

- to about 13 million people
- 3.5 million of whom live in 29 lakeshore municipalities and cities

QUICK FACTS

* 900 km²
~ 2.5 m
~ 20m (Diablo Pass)
2,250,000,000 m ³
* 2,920 km ²
* 285 km
fish, mollusks, plankton macrophytes

(* At 10.5m Lake Elevation)

Lakeshore cities/municipalities =	29
Non-lakeshore cities/municipalities=	32
Total no. of barangays =	2,656



Only Outlet

Napindan Channel connects the lake to Manila Bay



Sources of surface recharge

21 Major Tributaries

14% Pagsanjan-Lumban River7% Sta. Cruz River79% 19 remaining tributary rivers The Pasig River is an important component of the lake ecosystem. It is the only outlet of the lake but serves also as an inlet whenever the lake level is lower than Manila Bay.



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Multiple Use Resource



It is the major source of freshwater fish in Metro Manila and the surrounding municipalities, and cities.



Dominant use for fishery . . .





EXISTING LAKE USES

Hydro power generation



Transport Route



Flood Water Reservoir



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Recreation and nature appreciation

Pediastrum sp.

ymphaea

Eichhornia crassipes Therapon plumbeus

Provides genetic resources.

Najas graminea

Corbicula manilensis

Pistia stratiotes

It is being eyed as the next major source of potable water for Metro Manila

More than 400,000 people in Metro Manila are already suffering from water shortage

A private water company already draws approx. 300,000 m³ of water per month

Laguna de Bay is a strategic political, economic and ecological resource that has to be managed well as a Living Lake, capable of sustaining life, livelihood and economic progress in the region and its environs.



The Laguna Lake Development Authority



- EO 927 (1983)
- Classified LLDA as Class A Corporation
- Authorized to modify its organization
- Granted water rights over Laguna de Bay and other water bodies within the region
- Granted power to control and abate pollution within the region
- Authorized to collect fees for the use of lake water

LLDA Mandate

" To promote and accelerate the development and balanced growth of the Laguna Lake area within the context of national and regional plans and economic development to carry out the development of the Laguna de Bay Region with due regard and adequate provisions for environmental management and control, preservation of the quality of human life and ecological systems and the prevention of undue ecological disturbances, deterioration and pollution. "

LLDA Key Functions

POLICY AND PLANNING** Develop Lake with due regard to environment and prevention of ecological imbalance Conduct comprehensive survey/studies Prepare comprehensive plan to conserve and utilize resources Exercise water rights within Laguna Lake Prepare a water quality management program Coordinate policies with other government agencies and stockholders **INFRASTRUCTURE AND** control and sewerage or Lake water sources

REGULATORY***

Establish and enforce water quality standards for industrial, agricultural and municipal use Issue and revoke permits for use of

surface waters within the lake region Approve development plans proposed by

LGUs, private persons or enterprises Collect fees for use of Laguna Lake resources for all beneficial purposes Compel compliance

RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT*

Prepares and implement infrastructure projects such as river works, flood Reclaim portions of the Lake Undertake re-adjustments, relocations or resettlement of populations **Finance Infrastructure projects** Collect reasonable fees and toll charges Develop water supply from groundwater Engage in fish production and other aquaculture projects

LLDA's Administrative Jurisdiction

Rizal	=	13 towns and 1 city
Metro Manila	=	2 towns and 7 cities
Cavite	=	3 towns and 1 city
Batangas	=	2 towns and 1 city
Laguna	=	27 towns and 3 cities
Quezon	=	1 town
Laguna de Bay		

Total no. of cities	= 14
Lakeshore municipalities	= 25
Non-lakeshore municipalities	= 22
Total no. of barangays	= 2,656







Philippine Clean Water Act R.A. 9275

 Recognizes the LLDA Mandate
 Laguna de Bay Region as a watershedfocused Water Quality Management Area (WQMA)



Laguna de Bay Region as a Water Quality Management Area

- Under the administration of the LLDA in accordance with its Charter (RA 4850 as amended)
- LLDA Board of Directors as the WQMA Governing Board

LLDA in Perspective

- Covers well defined area: Ecosystem/watershed-based
- Extensive and encompassing legal authority
 - Reviews/approves development plans/projects
 - Issues permits and collects fees on both intake and discharge of water
- Authorized to use its revenues for environmental and water related projects

Organizational Structure



Existing Organizational Structure



Composition of the LLDA Board of Directors Under R.A. 4850 as amended



Representative of the Office of the President



Secretary, DENR



Secretary, DTI Secretary, NEDA



Governor, Province of Laguna



Governor, Province of Rizal



🐋 Chairman, MMDA

Presidents, Leagues of Mayors of Rizal and Laguna

Private Investors' Representative



General Manager, LLDA, ex-Officio member

Personnel Complement as of March 2006



Total Number of Personnel - 310

Challenges and Opportunities

Laguna de Bay as the next major source of potable water for Metro Manila

•400 MLD for MWSS Bulk Water Supply Project is only 3% of total annual water inflow to the lake (15,163 MLD) and 1/3 of water flowing out towards Pasig River (12,840 MLD) which is just unutilized

•400MLD abstraction is insignificant considering lake water volume is approx. 2 billion cubic meters Unprecedented economic growth over last 30 years brought rapidly expanding industrialization and urbanization in the region





The Laguna de Bay region has about 10,000 small, medium, and large business establishments.



Excessive discharge of pollutants from industries ...

... from communities



Threats to Irributaries

....which could lead to economic lo

Waste Sink

Sewerage canals in 61 cities and towns within Laguna de Bay Region empty into 21 tributary rivers which all drain into the lake. Manila Bay also channels polluted waters into the lake daily via the Pasig River due to tidal flows.



Organic Waste Profile in the Lake (As of 2004)



Fishpen controversy

 Problem: Fierce competition for the lake fishery resources





OVERFISHING



Declining fish production

Salinity Intrusion





BIOLOGICAL POLLUTION

Proliferation of nonnative species, most recent of which is the janitor fish



Conflicts existing among users/uses or the zoning priorities and jurisdictions. Encroachment in the lake is prevalent causing intrusions of pollutants into the lake water.



LLDA's IWRM Approach

- Watershed-based: 24 micro-watersheds serve as the basic units for planning & implementing environmental improvement programs
- Integrated and participative in approach
- Transcends political, economic and social interests
- Supported by scientifically-based natural resources and environmental management programs built upon LLDA's extensive water quality monitoring data

What is LLDA doing?







Flagship Programs



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