

Discussion Material 2- Proposal

1	Issue 1	Coverage of water rights in Laguna de Bay Region is limited to fishery/aquaculture. It is crucial that the existing water resources be allocated economically and efficiently considering that the population and economic pressure in the Laguna de Bay and its watershed continue to increase resulting to decrease in the quantity of water resources and conflicts among various lake users.
2	Proposal: How to realize the above proposal (procedures and processess)	<p>Formulate and implement Raw Water Pricing Policy with its corresponding Implementing Rules and Regulations</p> <p>I. Legal Aspect: Drafting and passing of a policy on raw water pricing</p> <p>1.1. Policy development</p> <p>1.2. LLDA Board's approval and passing of a resolution to adopt the new program</p> <p>1.3. LLDA General Manager to issue Memorandum Circular in support to the Board's Resolution.</p> <p>II. Institutional Aspect- LLDA Reorganization</p> <p>2.1. Conduct of institutional assessment. Determine LLDA's strengths and weaknesses as well as opportunities that lie ahead.</p> <p>2.2. Revamping of the organizational structure and operational processes to make it responsive to its renewed vision of transforming itself into an integrated watershed management agency</p> <p>2.3. Formalization of the internal arrangements by seeking the approval of the Department of Budget and Management for the reorganization structure and staffing for the re-engineered LLDA and possible amendments to LLDA charter to enable the participation of private sector and civil society representatives in the LLDA Board of Directors</p> <p>III. Technical Aspect:</p> <p>3.1. Conduct inventory of all surface water users. There is a need to determine the existing and potential users of the lake surface water as one of the basis in determining the current and future demand of the lake water</p> <p>3.2. Assess existing raw water pricing policy and adopt scheme applicable to the LDB Region</p> <p>3.3. Assess social acceptability and affordability. Public consultation is imperative in this phase.</p> <p>3.4. Conduct intensive IEC campaign</p> <p>3.5. Testing in one sector</p>
3	Evaluation 1 from the viewpoint of effectiveness (Expected Impact/Outcome)	<p>There is a high possibility that the project could be implemented effectively because the LLDA has the mandate to implement such project by virtue of RA 4850 and PD 813. The full implementation of the project would help the LLDA as well as the stakeholders in achieving the vision of an economically efficient, socially equitable and environmentally sustainable development, distribution and use of the Laguna de Bay water resources . Specifically, the expected impacts are the following:</p> <p>1. Efficient utilization of water. A reduction of the wasteful usage of water by consumers is expected because of the price connected to the use of water.</p> <p>2. Efficient intersectoral allocation of raw water</p> <p>3. Improvement of the water quality. The revenue to be generated by the Authority shall be allocated in various environmental and water resources conservation projects</p>

