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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 016 – 2025

AN ORDER REORGANIZING THE MANILA BAY TASK FORCE (MBTF) IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SANTA MARIA, BULACAN

WHEREAS, section 16, Article II of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that "the State protects and advances the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature.";

WHEREAS, section 445 (b) (iii), Chapter 3, Title III of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, mandates local chief executives to "issue such executive orders for the faithful and appropriate enforcement and execution of laws and ordinances.";

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court, in its decision in the case of Metropolitan Manila Development Authority, et al, vs. Concerned Residents of Manila (G.R. No. 171947-48), dated December 18, 2008, orders the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), together with twelve (12) other National Government Agencies (NGAs)/offices, in a continuing mandamus, to clean up, preserve, and rehabilitate Manila Bay, and further mandates the coordinative and collective efforts of Local Government Units (LGUs) and their respective instrumentalities, NGAs and the private sector.;

WHEREAS, the DILG, through the Manila Bay Clean-up, Rehabilitation, and Preservation Program (MBCRPP) Implementing Rules and Regulations, series of 2015, directs LGUs to create a Manila Bay Task Force (MBTF) or Monitoring Team responsible for the overall planning and implementation of programs relative to the rehabilitation of the Bay and in complying with the protocols and policies issued by the concerned agencies in relation to the Program;

WHEREAS, the DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2022 – 090, issued on June 28, 2022, states the rationalization of establishing a Manila Bay Task Force (MBTF) in local government units within the Manila Bay Watershed Area;

WHEREAS, the establishment of an LGU MBTF is instrumental to the sustainability of plans, programs, and activities as well as compliance with pertinent laws and policies relative to the rehabilitation of Manila Bay. Its creation also ensures a holistic approach to the implementation of the MBCRPP that focuses on the cross-cutting impacts of Manila Bay on the environmental, economic, and socio-cultural sectors of an LGU and the whole Manila Bay region;

WHEREAS, periodic monitoring and inspection of commercial, industrial, and institutional establishments ensure environmental compliance;

WHEREAS, to monitor the clean-up, rehabilitation, and preservation of Manila Bay, periodic accomplishments of related documents should be submitted to DILG as the lead office for monitoring the activities related to such;

WHEREAS, the recent appointment of the new Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Officer, Mario N. Alfaro, the designation of the Public Information Officer, Hans Reginal J. Alejandro, and the assumption of office by the new DepEd District Supervisor, Marilou V. Cruz, necessitate an adjustment to Executive Order No. 014-2024 to ensure alignment with the current leadership, specifically with regard to the Manila Bay Task Force;

NOW THEREFORE, I, BARTOLOME R. RAMOS, Mayor of the Municipality of Santa Maria, Bulacan, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the reorganization of the Manila Bay Task Force (MBTF) of the Municipality of Santa Maria, Bulacan.

SECTION I. COMPOSITION. The composition of the Manila Bay Task Force (MBTF) shall be the following:

CHAIRPERSON	:	**BARTOLOME R. RAMOS** Municipal Mayor
VICE-CHAIRPERSON	:	**FROILAN C. CAGUIAT** SB Chairman, Committee on Environmental Protection and Natural Resources
SECRETARIAT	:	**MARIO. N. ALFARO** Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Officer
MEMBERS	:	**ELMER B. CLEMENTE** Municipal Administrator
	:	**JAYFIE P. NASARRO** Municipal Local Government Operations Officer
	:	**LORENA F. GONZALES** Municipal Budget Officer
	:	**RODELIO A. BERNARDO** Municipal Planning & Development Coordinator
	:	**ARNEL M. GARCIA** Municipal Agriculturist

: **HANS REGINALD J. ALEJANDRO**
Designated Public Information Officer

: **CARMELITA G. GUEVARRA**
Municipal Engineer

: **MA. CONSUELO G. FELICIANO**
Municipal Health Officer

: **JONATHAN RICHEL C. HALILI**
Local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Officer III

: **SANDRA E. FABI**
Municipal Social Welfare and Development Officer

: **MYRNA V. LOPEZ**
Licensing Officer III

: **MA. NERISSA C. DEL ROSARIO**
Tourism Operations Officer II

: **LEOVIGILDO A. RAMOS**
President, Liga ng mga Barangay

: **MARILOU V. CRUZ**
District Supervisor
DepEd-East District

: **24 Punong Barangay/s**

Representative from Concessionaire/ Service Provider:

Santa Maria Water District

San Gabriel Rural Waterworks and Dev't Cooperative

Mahabang Parang Waterworks Cooperative

Representative from NGO's / PO's:

Catmon Multipurpose Cooperative

Sto. Niño de Parada Multipurpose Cooperative

SECTION II. DUTIES and FUNCTIONS. The following shall be the duties and functions of the Manila Bay Task Force (MBTF):

1. PLANNING AND POLICY DEVELOPMENT

a. The MBTF shall be the body primarily responsible for the development and recommendation of local policies for endorsement to the Sanggunian, pertinent national laws supporting the rehabilitation of Manila Bay including but not limited to the following:

- Presidential Decree (P.D.) No. 856 (Code on Sanitation of the Philippines, as amended)
- P.D. No. 198 (Provincial Water Utilities Act, as amended)
- R.A. No. 9275 (Clean Water Act of 2004)
- R.A. No. 9003 (Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000)
- R.A. No. 7279 (Urban Development and Housing Act of 1992)
- R.A. No. 8550 (Philippine Fisheries Code of 1998, as amended by R.A. No. 10654)

b. The MBTF shall ensure LGU compliance with the development of local plans that will facilitate the implementation of programs, projects and activities (PPAs) that contribute to the objectives of MBCRPP as the fulfillment of the LGUs roles, and responsibilities under the Program.

c. The MBTF shall also ensure the LGUs compliance with the organization of pertinent local committees and boards for the implementation of PPAs under the above-mentioned priority areas.

2. IMPLEMENTATION AND ENFORCEMENT

The Implementation and Enforcement Team of the Manila Bay Task Force shall comprise the following members:

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

: **MARIO. N. ALFARO**
Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Officer

: **MYRNA V. LOPEZ**
Licensing Officer III

: **MA. CONSUELO G. FELICIANO**
Municipal Health Officer

LIQUID WASTE MANAGEMENT

: **MARIO. N. ALFARO**
Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Officer

: **CARMELITA G. GUEVARRA**
Municipal Engineer

: **MA. CONSUELO G. FELICIANO**
Municipal Health Officer

: **MYRNA V. LOPEZ**
Licensing Officer III

INFORMAL SETTLER MANAGEMENT

: **SANDRA E. FABI**
Municipal Social Welfare and Development Officer

: **CARMELITA G. GUEVARRA**
Municipal Engineer

: **RODELIO A. BERNARDO**
Municipal Planning & Development Coordinator

a. Pursuant to P.D. No. 198, as amended, P.D. No. 856, as amended, and R.A. No. 9275, the MBTF shall assist pertinent local bodies and offices in ensuring that existing sewage lines of all structures, including Commercial Establishments (CEs), Industrial Factories (IFs), and Private Homes (PHs), are connected to available sewerage systems or Sewerage Treatment Plants (STPs), or have septic tanks compliant with national standards, and impose fines, penalties, and other administrative sanctions to compel compliance thereof.

b. The MBTF shall assist the Solid Waste Management Board (SWMB) in ensuring the LGUs compliance with the provisions of R.A. No. 9003 focusing on, but not limited to the establishment of functional Materials Recovery Facilities and/or Systems (MRFs/MRS): closure and rehabilitation of Open Dumpsites; establishment/ use of a Sanitary Landfill (SLF): and effective implementation of the LGUs 10-year Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP).

c. The MBTF shall assist pertinent local bodies and offices in ensuring the effective management of ISFs along waterways through inventory and identification of these ISFs, identification of suitable relocation sites, and implementation of corresponding Socialized Housing Projects (SHPs).

d. The MBTF shall ensure that the LGU facilitates comprehensive and strategic Information, Education and Communication (IEC) campaign as well as engage in partnerships with NGAs Non-Government Organizations (NGOs), Civil Society Organizations (CSOs), and the private sector to establish support and buy-in on the Manila Bay Clean-up, Rehabilitation, and Preservation efforts.

3. MONITORING AND EVALUATION

a. The MBTF shall ensure regular monitoring of accomplishments relative to the implementation of the MBRPP Program within their locality.

b. The MBTF in close coordination with the respective MBCRPP-Program Management Teams (PMTs) of their regions shall ensure that all reportorial requirements under the MBCRPP are submitted in a timely and accurate manner.

c. The MBTF shall regularly evaluate the implementation of its PPAs and produce accomplishment reports and catch-up plans for areas of the MBCRPP that the LGU needs to direct its focus on.

d. To ensure the sustainability of the rehabilitation efforts, the MBTF shall ensure that the results of the LGU Compliance Assessment through the Regional Interagency Committee (RIAC) and the National Interagency Committee (NIAC), are aptly evaluated and utilized for effective planning and development of necessary interventions and remedial actions.

e. The MBTF shall ensure the accurate and timely submission of the LGUs Manila Bayanihan - Data Capture Forms (MB-DCFs) quarterly pursuant to MC No. 2022-019.

4. The MBTF shall be responsible for safekeeping copies of all related MBCRPP reports, and documents of the LGU and shall at all times, ensure the proper turnover of the same to their successors in the event of replacements in representatives, and/or re-organization of the Task Force.

5. The MBTF shall serve as the coordinating body responsible for all concerns related to the rehabilitation of Manila Bay. It shall not in any way, diminish, limit, or restrain the mandate if any local department or office but instead

work to harmonize all efforts relative to the fulfillment of the MBCRPP goals.

6. The MBTF shall perform such other functions which may hereafter be assigned by law or executive issuance.

SECTION III. DESIGNATING THE FOCAL PERSONS. The Focal Persons for the MBTF Monitoring and Evaluation shall be the following:

Solid Waste Management	:	**FAULINE CAE L. FAUSTO** MENRO Representative
Liquid Waste Management		
Commercial Establishments & Industrial Factories	:	**MARIA FILIPINA V. NIETO** Administrative Assistant II
	:	**RICHARD T. CLEMETE** License Inspector I
Septic Tank & Desludging	:	**LORINA A. GALANG** Sanitary Inspector II
	:	**MARICEL F. DE OCAMPO** Sanitary Inspector I
Private Homes	:	**BAMBI E. RAMOS** MEO Representative
Informal Settlers Families	:	**HARLENE T. SAN VICTORES** MSWDO Representative

SECTION IV. FUNCTION OF THE FOCAL PERSONS. The Focal Persons shall ensure the submission of all concerned offices/departments and meticulously review the accuracy and totality of the consolidated data prior to the approval and submission of the final report.

SECTION V. SECRETARIAT: The Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office (MENRO) is designated as the Secretariat. Its role is to assist the Manila Bay Task Force (MBTF) in fulfilling their roles and responsibilities. This assistance includes providing administrative and logistical services, as well as preparing meeting agendas and documentation.

SECTION VI. MEETINGS: The Manila Bay Task Force (MBTF) shall convene at least quarterly to discuss the initiatives and efforts of the LGU related to the implementation of their mandates under environmental laws that support the rehabilitation of Manila Bay. During meetings, the MBTF shall ensure that a quorum

is met. Additionally, they shall ensure that proceedings and agreements are well documented for the reference of the DILG Local Government Operation Officers and compliance with the documentary requirements of the MBCRPP LGU Compliance Assessment.

SECTION VII. SEPARABILITY. If any part, section, or provision of this Executive Order is held invalid or unconstitutional, other provisions not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION VIII. EFFECTIVITY. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE this 22nd day of April 2025 here at the Municipal Hall of Santa Maria, Bulacan.

BARTOLOME R. RAMOS
Municipal Mayor