



Republic of the Philippines

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS

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OFFICE of the SECRETARY

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DEPARTMENT ORDER ) SUBJECT: GUIDELINES FOR THE WELLS AND  
 ) SPRING PROGRAM FOR 1978  
NO. 11 )

In line with the government's desire to provide safe and wholesome water to the greatest number of people throughout the country and due to the limited resources available to prosecute the project extensively, the following guidelines for the wells and spring program for 1978 are hereby promulgated for immediate adoption;

A. In areas where there are existing public sources of groundwater:

1. Rehabilitation of non-operating wells and springs must be preferred to new construction.
2. Improvement of operational wells, from hand pumping to the use of electrically-driven pumps, particularly where there are National Electrification Administration facilities, to increase their yield, must be encouraged, through the involvement of the barangay, school organizations or other appropriate organizations in securing, through cooperative efforts, the required electrically-driven pumps.
3. Expansion of the water supply system by providing storage and distribution facilities must be encouraged through cooperative efforts of the community.
4. For items 2 and 3, the District Engineers must assist the village organization in setting up the water supply system, by providing technical assistance for the determination of the pump to be installed and for the engineering design of the distribution system. Priority attention must be directed to wells located within school and health unit campuses/yards where electricity is available and where the village or school organization is willing to provide through cooperative effort the equipment and materials necessary plus operation and maintenance. In this connection, the District Engineer must closely coordinate with the NEA

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Cooperatives in his area (thru the TANGLAW Project Coordinator of the cooperative) in matters pertaining to school/community participation.

B. In areas where there are no public sources of water:

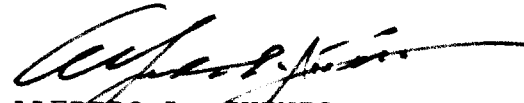
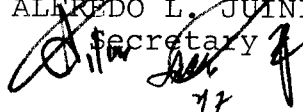
1. Priority in new construction of wells and unit of spring must be given to areas afflicted by water-borne diseases.
2. Second priority should be given to rural communities or villages where the population is less than 5,000 but greater than 500.
3. Third priority should be given to areas where the population is greater than 5,000 but less than 20,000 and where the community concern is willing to share in the construction of the water supply facilities.
4. Next priority are areas identified as government relocation or resettlement areas that are about to be or are being occupied.
5. The work must be limited only to the construction of new wells and the development of springs. Provision of electric pumps, storage tanks and distribution systems must be left to the cooperative efforts of the village organizations. The District Engineer must, however, provide the necessary technical assistance for planning and engineering design.

- C. In all cases of items A and B, the District Engineer of his duly designated representative must closely coordinate with the Department of Health, public health officer or his representative in the same area for the proper surveillance of the quality of the water.
- D. Each District Engineer must submit to the Secretary of Public Works, Transportation and Communications, thru their respective Regional Directors and the Director of Public Works, a list of projects for 1978 involving new construction, rehabilitation and improvement of wells and springs for their areas of responsibility, not later than the 30th of March 1978 stating among other things, the location, population to be served, number existing wells and springs, yield in gallons per minute, and estimated cost of the project.
- E. Each District Engineer must submit monthly progress reports to the Regional Director who in turn will submit the summary report of the region to the Secretary of

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Public Works, Transportation and Communications, thru  
the Director of the Bureau of Public Works.

This Order supercedes D. O. No. 6 dated 3 February 1977.

  
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Secretary  
  
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