



with the Bridge Management System (BMS). Replacement shall be resorted to if the estimated cost of retrofitting/strengthening of the structure is 60% or more of the estimated cost of a new bridge.

10. Bridges that are proposed for new construction based on network development needs and for replacement based on BMS must be supported by appropriate studies (e.g., hydraulic and hydrologic analysis and structural investigation).

In terms of responsibilities and accountabilities, the planning, design and implementation of locally-funded road (including its drainage facilities) and bridge projects, in accordance with applicable policies and procedures, are hereby assigned as follows:

**Regional Offices:**

- a. Projects along Primary Roads regardless of cost
- b. Projects along Secondary and Tertiary Roads costing P50.0 Million and above

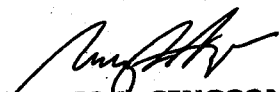
**District Engineering Offices:**

- a. Projects along Secondary and Tertiary Roads costing below P50.0 Million

The responsibilities and accountabilities in the maintenance of all national roads and bridges shall remain with the District Engineering Offices.

For foreign-assisted projects, the Unified Project Management Office shall coordinate with the Planning Service and the Regional Offices concerned.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

  
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