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SUBJECT : Clarification of Responsibilities  
of the Geographic Information  
System (GIS) Steering  
Committee

To ensure that the use of the Geographic Information System (GIS) is optimized in the performance of the tasks and activities of the Department, a GIS Steering Committee was created under Special Order No. 138 series of 2007 to do the following:

1. Recommend to the Executive Committee program initiatives for funding;
2. Establish guidelines and policies for Department-wide GIS operations and management;
3. Conduct assessment of needs, identification of scope, setting of standards, and determination of appropriate implementation mechanism;
4. Coordinate additional support to address implementation issues; and,
5. Advocate the use of GIS in all areas and levels of the Department.

In view of this, all GIS-related activities, such as, but not limited to:

1. acquisition of additional licenses and consultancy services, regardless of its mode, i.e., purchase or donation;
2. development and implementation of GIS application systems;
3. entering into memorandum of agreement or understanding for sharing of spatial data;
4. recommendation of representative/s for inter and intra-agency committees; and,
5. conduct of trainings and seminars,

shall be coursed to the GIS Steering Committee for review and recommendation for approval. Moreover, the GIS Steering Committee is hereby authorized to formulate and amend, whenever necessary, the policies on GIS-related activities.

This Order shall take effect immediately and supersedes all previous issuances inconsistent herewith.

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