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## MEMORANDUM

TO : **The Regional Executive Director**  
DENR – Cordillera Administrative Region

**The Regional Directors**  
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MGB – Cordillera Administrative Region

FROM : **The Assistant Secretary**  
Field Operations- Mindanao and Legislative Affairs

SUBJECT : **REQUEST FOR COMMENT ON KENNON ROAD  
FULL REHABILITATION AND MAINTENANCE**

DATE : 16 November 2021

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This pertains to the letter dated 11 November 2021, received by this Office on 16 November 2021, from Deputy Executive Secretary **RYAN ALVIN R. ACOSTA**, Office of the President, requesting for DENR's comments and recommendations on **House Bill Nos. 6491**, entitled "*An Act Mandating the Full Rehabilitation and Maintenance of Kennon Road under the Department of Public Works and Highways*".

Kindly submit presentation, comments and/or position paper in hard and soft at the Legislative Liaison Office at telephone number 8920-1761 and e-mail address [denrlegislative@yahoo.com](mailto:denrlegislative@yahoo.com), on or before **18 November 2021**, for consolidation.

For information and compliance.

  
JOANA LAGUNDA, DM, DPA, MNSA

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**VERY URGENT**

Comments/Recommendation on NOV 19 2021

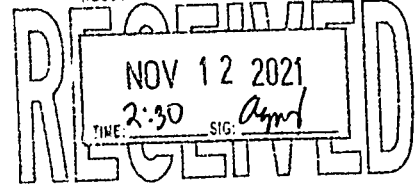
**Office of the President  
of the Philippines  
Malacañang**

11 November 2021

**GEN. ROY A. CIMATU (Ret.)**  
Secretary  
Department of Environment and Natural Resources  
Visayas Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City

Attention: **ASEC. JOAN A. LAGUNDA, PhD.**  
Legislative Affairs and Strategic Partnerships

DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES  
RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION



Sir:

We respectfully request your comments and recommendation on the attached enrolled bill **House Bill No. 6491**, entitled:

**“AN ACT MANDATING THE FULL REHABILITATION AND MAINTENANCE OF KENNON ROAD UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS,”**

presented by Congress on 10 November 2021 for the President's approval.

Kindly include in your recommendation, for approval or otherwise, the justification and/or legal basis for such recommendation. The subject bill will **lapse into law on 11 December 2021** if not vetoed or acted upon by the President, pursuant to Art. VI, Sec. 27 (1) of the Constitution.

We will appreciate if you could submit your comments and recommendation on the said bill on or before **19 November 2021**, either to our office at Room 357, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Mabini Hall or thru our Telefax Nos. 8-733-39-20/8-736-14-43. Please acknowledge receipt of this letter by email or phone at [op\\_legis@yahoo.com](mailto:op_legis@yahoo.com) or 8-736-10-14, and designate the responsible/handling officer with whom we can follow-up to facilitate coordination.

Thank you and best regards.

Very truly yours,

**RYAN ALVIN R. ACOSTA**  
Deputy Executive Secretary for Legal Affairs

  
for **ATTY. EULOGIO A.M. SABBAN**  
Director IV

Republic of the Philippines  
Congress of the Philippines  
Metro Manila  
Eighteenth Congress  
Third Regular Session

Begun and held in Metro Manila, on Monday, the twenty-sixth day of July, two thousand twenty-one.

[ REPUBLIC ACT NO.                    ]

AN ACT MANDATING THE FULL REHABILITATION AND MAINTENANCE OF KENNON ROAD UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:*

SECTION 1. The Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) shall undertake the full rehabilitation of the 33.534-kilometer Kennon Road stretching from the Municipality of Rosario, Province of La Union to Baguio City. Thereafter, the DPWH shall be responsible for the maintenance of Kennon Road and shall ensure that it remains safe and optimally serviceable.

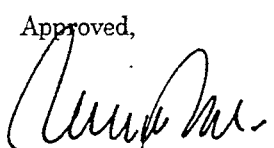
SEC. 2. The DPWH, in coordination with the Cordillera Regional Office of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, shall evaluate and assess the current condition of Kennon Road to identify the necessary engineering works to be


undertaken for the rehabilitation of the said road. Relative thereto, a feasibility study shall be conducted by the DPWH to primarily plan the extent and duration of the rehabilitation of Kennon Road into an "all weather" road.

SEC. 3. The amount necessary to cover the rehabilitation and maintenance of Kennon Road shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.


SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

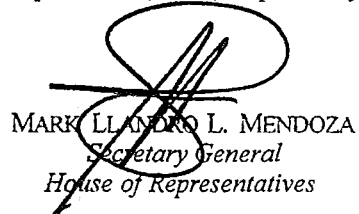
Approved,

  
VICENTE C. SOTTO III  
*President of the Senate*

  
LORD ALLAN J. VELASCO  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives*

This Act which originated in the House of Representatives was passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate of the Philippines on May 20, 2020 and September 6, 2021, respectively.

  
MYRA MARIE D. VILLARICA  
*Secretary of the Senate*

  
MARK LLANERO L. MENDOZA  
*Secretary General House of Representatives*

Approved:

RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE  
*President of the Philippines*