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1. Situational Report re Critical Supply of Drinking Water in Albuera, Leyte (Region VIII)

A. Situation Overview:

- On 06 November 2015, the Municipality of Albuera in the Province of Leyte experienced water supply disruption after Albuera Municipal Waterworks Supply System (AMWSS) shut down the water supply after murky water from Sibugay River was collected.
- The collecting weir and filtration system of AMWSS collected mud and dirt which prompted them to shut down the water supply on 07 November 2015
- On 09 November 2015, the Local Chief Executive (LCE) of Albuera mobilized AMWSS field personnel to conduct rapid assessment and ocular survey. The AMWSS field personnel installed a barrier to control the mud flow along the water intake weir, however, the flow of muddy water persisted. On the same date, water rationing was conducted in the municipality in coordination with BFP-Albuera and Ormoc City fire trucks
- After the investigation of the AMWSS personnel, it was confirmed that the source of the murky water was the excavated mud from the Albuera-Burauen Road Project which was carried by rain into the tributaries of Sibugay River
- The LCE of Albuera convened all department heads regarding the water crisis situation and identification of a new water source on 12 November 2015
- On 16 November 2015, the Municipality of Albuera, Leyte was declared under State of Calamity by virtue of Resolution No. 2015-171 due to the critical level of safe drinking water
- The RDRRMC Composite Team composed of DILG, DSWD, DOH, and PDRRMO Leyte conducted ocular and site inspection relative to the declaration of State of Calamity on 24 November 2015.

B. Effects:

 A total of 10,095 families were affected in Barangays Antipolo, Balugo, Banolho, Cambalading, Damulaan, Dona Maria, Mahayag, Mahayahay, Poblacion, Salvacion, San Pedro, Seguinon, Sherwood, Tabgas, Talisayan, and Tinag-an due to the incident.

C. Actions Taken:

- LGU-Albuera repaired and rehabilitated the public water service area in Dr. Geronimo B. Zaldevar Memorial School of Fisheries (DGBZMSF) and Albuera North Central School
- OCD VIII continuously monitors the situation and closely coordinates with the LGU of Albuera for updates