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NCI-SRD RESOLUTION NO. 7 Series of 2022

**DIRECTING THE REGIONAL CONVERGENCE INITIATIVE TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP
(RCI TWG) MIMAROPA TO PROCEED WITH THE PREPARATION AND FORMULATION OF
THE MAG-ASAWANG TUBIG RIVER BASIN CONVERGENCE AREA DEVELOPMENT PLAN
(CADP)**

WHEREAS, Joint Administrative Order (JAO) No. 01, series of 2020 (Revised JAO No. 01 Series of 2015: Strengthening the Implementation Framework for the DA-DAR-DENR-DILG NCI-SRD) identifies the NCI-SRD as a government strategy that can contribute to inclusive growth and poverty reduction in the countryside, through complementation of efforts of the rural development agencies;


WHEREAS, the DA-DAR-DENR-DILG JAO No.1, series of 2020 further states that the Regional Convergence Initiative Technical Working Group (RCI TWG) shall act as the regional arm of the National Technical Working (NTWG) in supervising the implementation of the programs, activities, and projects (P/A/Ps) under the approved Convergence Area Development Plan (CADP) and the NCI-SRD;

WHEREAS, the NCI-SRD Joint Resolution No. 03, series of 2018 was issued on 12 January 2018, adopting the "One Convergence Area per Region" Policy;

WHEREAS, the NCI-SRD Manual of Operations, approved under NCI-SRD Joint Resolution No. 07, series of 2018, underscored the importance of the CADP as a comprehensive plan which addresses the management of the watershed and the ecosystem in a holistic and sustainable manner through the complementation of efforts and resources from the NCI-SRD member agencies, the Local Government Units (LGUS), and all relevant stakeholders involved;

WHEREAS, the wide expanse of the Mag-asawang Tubig River Basin in the MIMAROPA Region has long been credited as a strategic area with high potential for economic development as it consists of eighteen (18) delineated cross-section lines providing irrigation water to low-lying areas;

WHEREAS, the National Technical Working Group (NTWG), composed of the Chairpersons of the CWGs, convened in a regular meeting held on 17 August 2022 and agreed to endorse the Mag-asawang Tubig River Basin as a new convergence area of the RCI TWG MIMAROPA to the National Steering Committee (NSC), after its final technical review of the convergence area briefer;


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WHEREAS, the NCI-SRD NSC, composed of the Secretaries of DA, DAR, DENR, and DILG and represented by their permanent alternate Undersecretaries and representatives, convened in a regular meeting on 14 September 2022 and approved the Mag-asawang Tubig River Basin as a new convergence area;


NOW, THEREFORE, for and in view of the foregoing, we, the NSC hereby RESOLVES to direct the RCI TWG MIMAROPA to proceed with the preparation and formulation of the Mag-asawang Tubig River Basin CADP.


Done in Quezon City, Philippines this 2nd day of December 2022.

APPROVED AND SIGNED BY THE NSC OR THEIR PERMANENT ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVES:


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