5. THE STAKEHOLDERS' MEETING IN BACOOR

5.1 Presentation

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5.2 Open Forum

The floor was immediately open for the open forum portion of the meeting.

Question: Mrs. Rowena Taniegra (Resident of Talaba II, Bacoor) "For the informal settlers, I want to know where will we be relocated?"

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member) "During the survey, you had to indicate what you wanted. It is a choice of being relocated in the same barangay, in the same municipality, in the same province/Cavite or outside of Cavite.

A lot of the answers given in the survey indicated transferring to a relocation site was preferred. However, at this point in time, we still do not have a specific place for a relocation site. Relocation is a sensitive issue. It is an issue that has to be decided upon by the whole family or the consensus of the whole family is needed. The answers we gathered during our survey are still preliminary since we are doing a feasibility study and we needed the data. When the project is in the detailed design stage and the final affected structures and household will be validated, a detailed RAP with a survey will be conducted. Only then will there be concrete answers for the family to decide on as to where the relocation site is. An exact location of the relocation site can be presented. The family can then tell whether the site is far from schools, the market, place of work, etc.

For livelihood, (example) persons in Talaba are used to putting a stick in the ground to propagate oysters. Now, what will happen if we relocate the people to a place with rice fields? Therefore, we have to make careful preparation for alternative income sources to sustain the people. This is how it is. We have to help each other. When placed in a new area, there is only so much that can be done to change the area but as people we have the ability to adopt to change as long as the area presents opportunities for a good life for our children and family. So, we are here to hear your suggestions and opinions prior the actual relocation activity. This is why we have the Relocation Action Plan (RAP) and we gather information on your preferences and conditions. So far, others have signified that they are willing to relocate to a place with water and power supply or a place near a market or near a health clinic, so on so forth. Inasmuch as the government has limited funds, early planning would be beneficial and coordination can be done with other agencies and private institutions.

Question: Mr. Josefino Hernandez (Resident of Talaba III, Bacoor) "For the right-of-way, where will the measurement start from the edge of the road?"

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member)

"This is the alignment. The 30 meters ROW is illustrated on the map (slide presentation and handouts). In your barangay, we measured the ROW to reach the house of your councilor. But this is not an engineering measurement with the use of a "transect" or measuring equipment. But for your information, that is about how wide the 30 meters ROW looks like.

As I mentioned, this is the ROW which is the space for the road. There will be a viaduct that will traverse your area. This is an elevated road so you will be wondering whether houses will be allowed to remain under the viaduct/flyover. For

safety reasons, it is not allowed to avoid accidents in future. Once the road designs are finalized we will be disseminating this information. At this time you will not be able to get the electronic file or detailed aerial photo with the alignment because there is law against the distribution of a topographic map or aerial photo without clearance from the Department of National Defense. This can only be used as a picture illustration. With the electronic file, once you zoom in you can see details of structures deemed strategic for national security.

So, the 30 meters ROW will reach the house of the councilor on one side and the side of St. Dominic Hospital. There will be a flyover there. It will be a flyover to avoid the congestion at the existing intersection."

Question: Mr. Johnny dela Peña (Resident of Talaba III, Bacoor) "What will be followed with the 30 meters ROW? Will there be an additional 5 meters for the service road?"

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member) "No. That portion of the alignment is the viaduct with four lanes. There can be no service road on the viaduct."

Question: Ms. Imelda Gerona (Resident of Talaba VII, Bacoor) "Where does the 30 meters right-of-way start in our area?"

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member) "This starts from the existing road (referring to the Molino Blvd for Talaba VII). You will note that the existing road has power line posts at along the edges."

Question: Ms Eunice Pamulagana (Resident of Talaba VII, Bacoor)

"I would just like to inquire if you have identified a relocation site already? The process seems fast and it may start in 2007. This will enable us to decide on whether to accept living in the site or not."

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member)

"Yes, we are considering a relocation site and it would be easy if the municipalities have a site allocated in their Comprehensive Land Use Plan to be used for government projects to be implemented in the vicinity. Unfortunately, there is none.

So, now we are tasked with looking for one. Without a relocation site we cannot move people. What I mean is that without a relocation site, there will be not forced eviction. This is expressed in the Resettlement Action Plan (RAP).

Once we have a relocation site, we will immediately inform you so that will have the information plus you will have time to decide whether you like the site or not. So, we will go step by step here. We can not construct the road while there are people living in the area."

Question: Mr. Johnny dela Peña (Resident of Talaba III, Bacoor)

"We are referred as informal settlers. So, how about our structures? Land ownership where are we staying is still in court until now.

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member)

"Let us tackle the issues raised one by one. First was the structure or house. We are entering into a loan for the project. Once the loan has been approved, we will

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still not be able to use it until the right-of-way is cleared. In order for us to clear the righ-of-way, we will have to pay you all first. So, the process will undergo another survey where we will be asking you again the same questions.

For the second issue on the uncertainty of land ownership, the DPWH will not be able to take care of that. It is not our concern since it is a private matter or arrangement between you and another private entity.

The DPWH will only coordinate/consult with the municipal government as to land ownership and characteristics. So, in the case of a standing court hearing, we will probably let the court case be resolved or have a decision. Now, it will prompt everybody, every agency concerned to take notice. We can not just compensate anyone. So, I suggest the court case be settled first. I am sorry but the DPWH can not meddle or intervene in that matter. The court battle is only between specific or cited parties (e.g., Juan de la Cruz versus People of the Philippines or Pedro versus Juan de la Cruz) that does not involve the Department of Public Works and Highways."

Question: Mr. Johnny dela Peña (Resident of Talaba III, Bacoor) "What is the relation of this project with the one of PEA?"

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member) "That is out of our scope for this discussion. I respect your need to have an opinion on that project but let us reserve our discussion on the project of DPWH.

If you need any clarification on any part of our discussion, please ask me now rather than asking other persons later. You may not be the right answers. Take this opportunity as the representatives of the study team are here.

Question: Councilor Gan (Resident of Talaba III, Bacoor)

" In Talaba III, you mentioned there will be a viaduct from the coastal area. Will residents be allowed to stay underneath or at the sides of the viaduct?

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member) "No one will be allowed to stay beneath the viaduct. But at the sides, it may be permitted as long as it is outside the 30 meters right-of-way.

Question: Councilor Gan (Resident of Talaba III, Bacoor) "Is the 30 meters final?"

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member) "The 30 meters is the final width as of the alignment of this study. Now when it is the detailed engineering stage which will come years later, we can not predict some other structures. And the LRT will be extended until Bacoor.

Question: Councilor Gan (Resident of Talaba III, Bacoor) "Will that push through?"

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member)

"That is the general plan. I am not an authority to say anything about the LRT. Now going back to the question of the ROW. Our alignment is final here but there may be other developments in the future that may hamper this plan. So, it may be revised slightly since there is no more space in that area. But 30 meters is 30 meters.

Is there any more questions? If you do have any other queries later, please pass these on to your MPDC, Mr. Jess Francisco, or to any of this staff. They will forward these to us and we will answer them the best we can. So, at this point I would like to thank you all for coming over for this meeting and for sharing your opinions with us. You have made our presentation lively. Thank you and God bless us all.

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6.2 Open Forum

The discussion during the open forum centered on the following issues:

- Coordination with the affected parties on the alignment. The study team has mentioned only Ayala Land and Greenfields have been identified so far. Meetings were also held with the UST administrator. However, the barangay captain of Sto. Domingo mentioned that the Quiros group are likely to be affected and that discussions with them should be held.
- 2) The requested resolution from the city has undergone a first hearing with the Sangguniang Bayan. This was sponsored by Councilor Ronald de Guzman based on the resolutions of the affected barangays (i.e., Don Jose, Sto. Domingo and Malitlit). However, with the recent knowledge of the Quiros group, Councilor Ronald de Guzman requested for a letter from Ayala Land to verify meetings with the study team.
- 3) The city planning and development coordinator requested to be involved in the planning of the expressway. The study team informed the participants that for all stakeholders' meetings held, city officials and private sector representatives were invited but only the municipal engineer was noted to have attended some. It was announced that an eighth stakeholders' meeting will be held in September and they were encouraged to attend.

7. THE STAKEHOLDERS' MEETING IN DASMARINAS

7.1 Presentation

The barangay chairperson of San Agustin II of Dasmarinas, *Kapitan* Hembrador, gave a brief note of appreciation for the participation of the affected households in the meeting. He then introduced the study team and gave way for Mr. Alvin Madrid to make a presentation.

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7.2 Open Forum

Question: Mr. Francis Jardiniano (Resident of San Agustin II, Dasmarinas) "You mentioned that the households will be compensated. But how will those renting a commercial space fronting the road be compensated? What is the settlement for such?"

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member) "For the businesses, there a procedure followed which usually entails looking at their average income."

Question: Mr. Francis Jardiniano (Resident of San Agustin II, Dasmarinas) "Okey. For those having a monthly income, now if they will be made to leave the place they will have no source of income. How will the computation for compensation be made?"

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member)

"There is a procedure followed for businesses although it is now outlined here in my presentation but it is being improved on in the Resettlement Action Plan. The same sentiment was brought up during our surveys in Bacoor. The same questions were raised on the matter. In other projects, there is a compensation package prepared based on a five or three year income average of the establishment. I am just not sure if a one-year income equivalent will be given.

Question: Ms. Sonia Manresa (Resident of San Agustin II, Dasmarinas)

"The computation is for one year? I mean the average computation is one year for the commercial but more of the affected are residential structures. So, the building will be based on the current market value of materials and labor when it comes to payment? "

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member)

"Yes. And that is separate from the compensation of the business. Although not mentioned here, the commercial establishments or structures will be paid. Every structure rented will also be paid. Compensation for businesses will be compensated and this will clarified in the Resettlement Action Plan. We can send you more explanation on the compensation for businesses if you are interested. Please leave your contact numbers and address, if so."

Question: Ms. Sonia Manresa (Resident of San Agustin II, Dasmarinas)

"For our case, our commercial structure is along the road and our residential structure is behind. Will the payment of the commercial land be different with the residential land or will it be based on the land title? Bought are under just one title.

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member)

"This will depend on the present land use classification of the municipality. If the strip along Aguinaldo Highway is declared as a commercial area and the location of the house is declared as residential area then there will be two values. But if it is declared as residential area then it will be valued as such.

Question: Ms. Sonia Manresa (Resident of San Agustin II, Dasmarinas) "Does that mean we have to confirm with the municipality early as to whether it is declared as residential or commercial?"

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member) "That is a right suggestion because we depend on the Land Use Plan of the local government unit. We closely coordinate with the municipality and we use the municipal plans as our basis."

Question: Mr. Francis Jardiniano (Resident of San Agustin II, Dasmarinas) "Sir. You mentioned about a portion of the land being affected. For example, if only 15% of the lot, at the corner, is traversed by the alignment, is that the only portion that will be paid and the rest will not be paid for?"

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member) "Yes, sir."

Question: Mr. Francis Jardiniano (Resident of San Agustin II, Dasmarinas) "So, what will happen to the declaration of the Land Title since the measurement or land area has been decreased? There will be a discrepancy at the Registry of Deeds. Will there be any changes?

Your plans are quite broad. Our concern as residents of this place is how much of our land will be affected? Is it 5%? We are at the crossing. "

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member)

"You are suggesting that we give you the exact measurement affected in a particular lot. We are now at the feasibility study stage and those information will only be available when we conduct the parcellary survey and get the exact measurement and characteristics of the properties. This is usually during the detailed engineering stage of the project. There will also be some research regarding data with the Registry of Deeds as to ownership of particular lots. It will only be then the we will get to know how many square meters of the lots will be

acquired. It is true that we do not have these information on hand right now and we can not talk to all land owners. Hence, it is premature to discuss anything with the land owners as they will surely ask for the valuation and the measurements and other details that we still do not have. We also have no assured date of implementation. So, all the information or details of the land and structures will be ready after the parcellary survey.

We are particularly focused right now on the condition of the households that would be affected. However, we will note your point and suggestion about the land. What we see now is the immediate welfare of the families/households that will be affected. This meeting will give them the information so that they will start considering the situation.

We have contacted some obvious subdivision and land developers that will be affected since they have some improvements and fences in place. These are the Ayala, Greenfields, and Stateland. Coordination and discussion were conducted on the alignment within their land so that it could be integrated in their planned development as a main road.

If in the event your land is being developed and it will be affected by the alignment then we will have to coordinate with you about your development plans. This is what we did with Ayala. They gave us their future plan on their roads within their property. Then we integrated our alignment into their plan.

Regarding the agricultural lands without much infrastructure development, time will come when we also have to coordinate and discuss things with the owner of the land. In the event that the owner can not be contacted or is out of the country, we will have to establish some network on how to reach them. For your information, a resident of the Doctors Village or the Teodoro family, we chanced upon the owners son while he was on vacation here in the Philippines. We sent them information about the project and a map of the alignment. We also sent them the questionnaire. I am glad to say that Mr. Teodoro called us up and asked for more information. He was surprised that the project is still a long way off.

So, as to your particular question, we will give you the information just as soon as we finish the parcellary survey."

Question: Mr. Mar Jardiniano (Resident of San Agustin II, Dasmarinas)

I am Mar Jardiniano, brother of Francis and we live at the crossing. In reality we are greatly affected by your project since we will be traversed by a fly over. Those traversed by the highway by a few meters is in a better position since their property value will increase two or three fold. Our commercial place will be below the fly over and we all know businesses below a fly over do not prosper. Only a portion of our property will be affected so how will the government compensate us?"

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member) "If your property is below the fly over, it will acquired/bought by the government."

Comment: Mr. Mar Jardiniano (Resident of San Agustin II, Dasmarinas)

"My suggestion is that the entire lot be bought up and not the directly affected portion only because the remaining portion of the lot will decrease in value. The prevailing rate in the area now is P2,700 per square meter and would probably increase to P5,000 after the implementation of your project. But with the fly over affecting our property, evaluation of the remaining portion of our lot will decrease to probably P 1,000 per square meter."

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member)

"If you think that the value of the remainder of your lot will decrease after the construction of the fly over, then what you can do is negotiate for the purchase of the entire lot. You have two points to your suggestion. First is to provide a service road to maintain the land value of commercial land under the fly over. The second suggestion is that the government buys up the entire land because your speculation is that the project will diminish the price of your land."

Comment: Mr. Mar Jardiniano (Resident of San Agustin II, Dasmarinas) "Correct."

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member)

"You let us document all these suggestions in our report and let us see what we can do. I can not put an official conclusion to your suggestion but I can gather opinions for consideration.

We will put emphasis on your suggestion and this will be considered for all other areas of the proposed roads with the same condition/situation. Our solution will cover all of you."

Comment: Mr. Mar Jardiniano (Resident of San Agustin II, Dasmarinas) "My suggestion can be given another option. It is either we are allowed to sell the entire lot even if only partially affected.

There are business establishments that would be affected such as a gasoline station, a restaurant, and others that are expected not to do well after the fly over will be constructed. Even empty lots will experience a decrease in land price."

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member)

"OK. Your suggestions and opinions are noted. Although please consider that we are working for efficient transport movement to ease traffic. You are speaking in behalf of the businessmen. We will take the businessmen's opinion into consideration. We can meet halfway."

Question: Mr. Francis Jardiniano (Resident of San Agustin II, Dasmarinas) "One more thing. You mentioned about not affecting businesses that is the reason why the project is avoiding the school of a doctor (along the alignment)?"

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member) "Yes, there is a provision that states we have to avoid infrastructures that are public service institutions."

Comment: Mr. Francis Jardiniano (Resident of San Agustin II, Dasmarinas) "Before the time that the flyover will be constructed, we will be putting up a school in our place."

Comment: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member) "But with the knowledge of a road planned for the area, you should not put your school there. This road will enter the planning instrument of the municipality.

This alignment is final as per this study. Come detailed engineering like in six years from now, some alignments may move. It is possible that segment by segment will be refined to avoid accident prone areas. But we hope that these will be minimal."

Question: Mr. Danilo Hembrador (Barangay Leader of San Agustin II, Dasmarinas) "What will happen to the persons that will be affected by the alignment?"

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member)

"That is precisely what we are addressing in our Resettlement Action Plan. We are coordinating with the government agencies for a relocation site. We will be discussing payment schemes and packages. The affected persons will just have to move in. In any case, the affected persons can take the materials they can salvage from their affected houses.

The exact location of the relocation site is still not available at this time. "

Comment: Mr. Danilo Hembrador (Barangay Leader of San Agustin II, Dasmarinas) "Hopefully, the relocation site will be in San Agustin II otherwise a lot of families will be lost to us."

Comment: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member) "During our survey of your constituents, it was reveraled that they prefer to be relocated in the same barangay. Others signify to be relocated within the same municipality. We will coordinate with the municipality. We will find out from the municipal engineer of Dasmarinas if there is a possibility of allocating a resettlement site in their plan such as the Comprehensive Land Use Plan. In any case, we informed the LGU about their responsibility since it is their responsibility to provide for a relocation site for their constituents."

The final number of the project affected persons will be known during the detailed engineering after the parcellary survey."

Question: Ms. Sonia Manresa (Resident of San Agustin II, Dasmarinas) "Do you have an estimated time when the stickers (cut off for tagging) will be placed on the houses? After a year or within the year?"

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member) "The acquisition of the ROW, based on the given schedule, is 2013."

Question: Ms. Sonia Manresa (Resident of San Agustin II, Dasmarinas) Does that mean that in 2013, stickers will be affixed on the houses?"

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member) "Most probably it will or maybe a year early."

Question: Ms. Crizelda Bautista (Resident of San Agustin II, Dasmarinas) "Excuse me, sir. Would it be possible for us not to pay for the land in the relocation site? We are currently not paying for any land since we are staying in te excess land (sides of the river)."

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member)

"Let me explain that there is no relocation site that is for free. Whether it is a house or a house and lot package, you will have to pay but this will be based on your capacity to pay. I mentioned only the materials salvaged from your affected houses can be used or brought in by you in the relocation site."

Comment: Mr. Mar Jardiniano (Resident of San Agustin II, Dasmarinas)

"As a follow up suggestion, from your explanation the project will ease traffic. That is no problem to us but you should understand that for the benefit of many a few of us will be making the sacrifice. So, you should not put us at a disadvantage with the compensation to be given. We are taxpayers and whatever construction to be done will be financed by us in the form of tax. We all have the same rights. I would just like to request that when you evaluate the places to be traversed by the project, you should not favor certain neighboring land area just because it is owned by a senator and because we are regular citizens, you will let the alignment traverse our land. We know that our neighboring area is St. Agustin Grove. Who does it belong to? You can shift the alignment a few meters toward the gate of St. Agustin Grove so that our three-storey building will not be affected. Moving it slightly will avoid many houses. That is our suggestion. We hope that when you select a place that will be affected, all should be treated equal. Avoid affecting many as against just one rich one. I hope that is recorded."

Question: Ms. Sonia Manresa (Resident of San Agustin II, Dasmarinas) "Is it possible for those affected to opt for compensation instead of a relocation?"

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member) "In the survey, it was asked if you would like a relocation. If not, another option given was compensation and you will take care of finding your own place or return to your province. It is a free option."

Question: Ms. Virginia Iso-Capuno (Resident of San Agustin II, Dasmarinas) "We live in the interior land, which we inherited from our parents. We are three families. I would like to ask how big is the land the government will provide us?

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member)

"Based on our survey, we gathered the average size of the family and other information. Such information will be considered in the planning of the relocation site. At this point, we can not answer your question as to size of the lot since we do not know the location.".

Comment: Ms. Virginia Iso-Capuno (Resident of San Agustin II, Dasmarinas) "Thank you."

Question: Ms. Olayra Marfil (Resident of San Agustin II, Dasmarinas) "There was someone who went to our place. All of us from our barangay are here. Will those directly affected by the alignment and those that are not be made to move out? Will everyone be made to move?"

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member) "No, our only concern are those on the right-of-way. Others outside of that can remain.

Is there anymore questions? There is none. So, thank very much for attending this meeting and making it fruitful. God bless you all. Thank you very much."

8. THE STAKEHOLDERS' MEETING IN SILANG

8.1 Presentation

The municipal planning and development coordinating staff of Silang gave a brief introduction of the project and the study team. She then introduced Mr. Alvin Madrid as the presenter for the afternoon.

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The Next Steps identified the following activities that the project will pursue. These are the complementation of the EIS, further deliberation and improvement of RAP, a final stakeholders' meeting in September, completion of the remaining tasks of

the FS (basic design, construction plan, traffic management plan, etc.); and further consultation and coordination work regarding proposed implementation arrangement.

8.2 Open Forum

The open forum immediately followed the presentation.

Question: Mr. E. Maglabe (Resident of Sabutan, Silang)

"I was just wondering if those invited here are the affected families? I doubt that that those in Sabutan that received the letter are really affected. Some here with houses seem to be far from the alignment. It looks that no one will be affected. So, why were they sent the invitation letter?

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member)

"OK. This is the list of those surveyed which was done last quarter of last year. So, we want to make sure if those surveyed will be affected. We want to show the alignment and find out from them. We now have the aerial photo of the place and our engineers slighly modified some segments of the alignment. With the aerial photos, it is much clearer now. The areas traversed are open areas. So, it is our belief that it is better to invite those listed and clarify the extent of the affected.

Now, we are still not final. The final list will come during the detailed engineering stage. That will be when we can positively identify the structures that will be affected through a tagging procedure. A sticker will be applied to the houses/structures. It is in the detailed engineering stage that the engineering team and the RAP or Resettlement Action Plan team will be working together in positively identifying affected structures. Another interview will then take place.

Just for our study or this study, we already gathered information on the potentially affected parties. Their views and opinions are recorded for consideration in planning.

Question: Mr. Jose Sandejas (Barangay Leader of Sabutan, Silang)

"I am Jose Sandejas, Barangay Caption of Barangay Sabutan. The tagging you mentioned, more or less what is the time table for that? At the same time, maybe you can provide us with an aerial photo so we can more or less visualize the affected areas. Because the aerial photo shows the exact locations. We can then inform our constituents of each affected barangay."

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member)

"OK. You have two questions. First is the schedule of the tagging. Tagging will come during or a bit earlier during the detailed engineering stage. Meaning if construction starts in 2013, then tagging will be sometime 2011 or 2012.

For your second question is the availing of an aerial photo. That is difficult. These aerial photos need clearance from the Department of National Defense. But what we can do is leave a copy of our presentation with the LGU. With will be with the municipality at the MDPC office. So, please coordinate with them. We apologize but there are some security issues with these photos and we don't want to spread them around. So if it is alright, a copy of the presentation will be left with Ms. Jennifer. The site will be limited to affected barangays and the Municipality of Silang. The same was the request of other municipalities as well."

Question: Mr. Carlito Tibayan (Councilor, Sangguniang Bayan of Silang)

"I would just like to ask about the alignment traversing the Aguinaldo Highway Interchange. Will it traverse the by-pass? This is because there will be a subdivision area that will be affected. We have just released a resolution for their development plan. I was the one who gave the resolution but the title and papers state Barangay Sabutan."

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member)

"Is that subdivisin being developed now? At the time of this aerial photographs, you can see and confirm the area. There is the interchange and the alignment of the CALA Expressway. A fly-over would be some 150 to 200 meters from the junction of Aguinaldo Highway and the municipal road.

Any shift will entail affected many persons in this area."

Comment: Mr. Jose Sandejas (Barangay Leader of Sabutan, Silang) "We can not shift it here. It is a five-hectare property, It is a problem. You should coordinate with Barangay Biga 1."

Comment: Mr. Carlito Tibayan (Councilor, Sangguniang Bayan of Silang) "I just want to clarify. Based on the documents of the subdivision developer, it is complete."

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member)

"So, the position of this project is to coordinate first with the land developer of that particular area. Maybe we need to see the extent of their development plan we can incorporate it in this project and adjust the alignment. So, that will be one of the next steps for Silang.

Question: Mr. Carlito Tibayan (Councilor, Sangguniang Bayan of Silang) "When and how will you identify all the affected families?"

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Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member) "If it is the land owners, that will be by 2013. That is because the parcellary survey entails a huge cost. It will be for the entire CALA Expressway."

Question: Mr. Carlito Tibayan (Councilor, Sangguniang Bayan of Silang) "For the engineering, can we get the results of the survey of the property?"

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member) "If we can verity the development that mentioned earlier in Biga or Sabutan, with a copy of their papers we can probably overlay it on the maps of the municipality.

Question: Mr. Carlito Tibayan (Councilor, Sangguniang Bayan of Silang) "Within our property in Tibig, the survey engineers asked our permission and we gave it to them. But I was wondering how come in Biga there was no such survey. How did they do the testing?

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member)

"That was a private firm that conducted it. There is the geo-technical survey. They dig holes in the ground to check the composition of the ground. The topographic survey investigate the elevation of the land. So, for example land is red, 10 meters below sea level and this will be show the contour on the map.

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Question: Mr. Jose Sandejas (Barangay Leader of Sabutan, Silang)

"The affected households should be here so that the explanation can be comprehensive. I let them receive the invitation letters and all were given. But this address is quite far from the alignment."

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member)

"The household survey took place last year. But in recent months, there were some adjustments in the alignment because of the issue in Greenfield and Ayala. So the listed households were the first done in December 2005 and during that time it was assumed that they were in the right-of-way since we were using a topo map from NAMRIA with small scale. So we had to invite them to the meeting to verify. But now we have this aerial photo done this February and March of 2006. The alignment is clearer.

The list of affected households includes the affected for all the alternative alignments or options for the alignment. There is one option for the widening of Aguinaldo Highway affecting so many households and business establishments. That part of the CALA Expressway is the connection to the North-South Road.

Since that option is costly, the other option is explored. The expressway starts from San Francisco in General Trias and traverses open spaces in Silang and connects to the North-South option west of Aguinaldo Highway.

During our interview survey, a lot of people did not approve of the widening of the Aguinaldo Highway. And based on our study on the economic side, cost of the ROW in the widening is more than the cost of the development. It is cheaper for the government to build a new road."

Comment: Mr. Carlito Tibayan (Councilor, Sangguniang Bayan of Silang) "We are at the side of West Grove in Tibig. That is the reason why I asked about the topo survey."

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member) "The purpose for the topo survey is to look at the land in case there is strong rains, we can see how the water will run. Then, it will give the engineering team an idea how to cut an area or to check a depressed area."

Question: Mr. Carlito Tibayan (Councilor, Sangguniang Bayan of Silang) "I am also asking because the land of my brother may be adversely affected."

Answer: Mr. Alvin Madrid (DPWH PMO FS Counterpart Team Member)

"Once the aerial photo is complete, we can adjust the alignment. The one shown here with the alignment drawn was taken from an internet (website). With the aerial photo, we can update this alignment and provide the municipality with a copy.

This feasibility study, one requirement is to put this in the mid-pipeline program of DPWH. Then it will go to NEDA. When there is a decision, a foreign lending institution will be approached. That is why the anticipated construction is still far away. There will still be a lot of negotiation to take place.

So, at that note, thank you very much for attending this meeting and for giving your time for discussions on the project. We hope that we have shed some light on your queries. And we would like to extend our gratitude to your constituents and your officers in coordinating with us. We will continue to keep coordinating with your MPDC, with your barangay officials and affected families regarding this project. Thank you very much.

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