



NOTICE TO ALL BUSINESS AND COMMERCIAL ESTABLISHMENTS

This is with reference to the implementation of the **Philippine Clean Water Act of 2004** and **Municipal Ordinance 2021-2114** otherwise known as “**Amending Ordinance No. 2019-1919 Establishing a Proper Sewage Treatment and Septage Management System in the Municipality of Los Baños, Laguna and Prescribing Penalties for Violations Thereof**”. In this regard, please be reminded of the following provisions:

Section 6: Proper Sewage Disposal System Requirements:

- a. For Existing Structures
 - i. Residential, commercial, industrial, institutional and government structures with inaccessible and/or non-complaint septic tank shall opt for:
 - a) Remodeling or restructuring to make the septic tank accessible and compliant with national standards, within one (1) year upon the effectivity of this Ordinance;
 - b) Connection to existing sewer lines of the septage service provider, as applicable;
 - c) Construction of communal or shared septic tank.
 - ii. Commercial, Industrial, Institutional, and Government buildings which are required to have a wastewater treatment facility should comply within one (1) year within the effectivity of the ordinance; and
 - iii. No business owner shall be issued a renewed business permit unless the necessary clearances and permit have been obtained such as discharge permits and environment sanitation clearances as may be prescribed by existing laws or as may be required by DENR, LLDA and/or DOH and its instrumentalities.

Section 8: Mandatory Desludging of Septic Tanks – All owners and users of septic tanks shall be required to desludge every five (5) years. Likewise, actual desludging must only be done by duly accredited DOH and/or DENR desludging service provider.

Section 15: Penalties: For Business owners, the penalties are as follows:

First Offense	-	PhP 1,500.00 and issuance of a Notice of Violation
Second Offense	-	PhP 2,500.00 and the issuance of a Cease and Desist Order
Third Offense	-	Revocation of Business Permit

The complete copy of the Municipal Ordinance may be requested from the Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office (MENRO) thru menro@losbanos.gov.ph. Please be guided accordingly. Thank you.

Respectfully,

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