

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Metro Manila

EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS
Third Regular Session

House Bill No. 10039



Introduced by REPRESENTATIVE JOEY SARTE SALCEDA

AN ACT
CONVERTING THE PROVINCIAL ROADS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF
DARAGA, PROVINCE OF ALBAY, PARTICULARLY
DAANG MAHARLIKA JUNCTION - ILAWOD - BAGUMBAYAN - KIWALO -
GABAWAN - TABON-TABON ROAD INTO A NATIONAL ROAD

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to convert the provincial roads connecting the Barangays of Ilawod, Bagumbayan, Kiwalo, Gabawan and Tabon-Tabon in the Municipality of Daraga, in the Province of Albay, into a National Road.


The road directly links the more densely populated urban center of Daraga with less populated sections, opening these areas up for further development.


The road also feeds into a network that includes Barangay Anislag, the most populous barangay of the Municipality of Daraga, and eventually leads to the population clusters around the Bicol International Airport. For this reason, its proper maintenance as a national road is critical to ensuring that the free flow of goods and of people in the area is unimpeded.

The road is also part of the Guinobatan-Camalig-Daraga-Legazpi (GUICADALE) Economic Township Program, initially a State-led humanitarian intervention to move people from harm's way in risk areas to safer and higher grounds free from lahar.

GUICADALE is now an economic development platform to transform previously underdeveloped 64,000 hectares of these jurisdictions into a sprawling business boom center. As such, these roads are also crucial to fulfilling the countryside development objectives embodied in Executive Order No. 70, which espouses an all-of-government, development-centric approach to countering local armed insurgency.

In view of the foregoing, the approval of this bill is urgently sought.


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

SECTION 1. The road connecting Daang Maharlika Junction to the Barangays of Ilawod, Bagumbayan, Kiwalo, Gabawan and Tabon-Tabon in the Municipality of Daraga, in the Province of Albay, is hereby converted into a national road.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of Public Works and Highways shall include in the Department's program the improvement, repair and maintenance of the said road, the funding of which shall be included on the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,