

LARC Stream

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LARC's water reservoir rises up at Los Baños

Laguna Water District Aquatech Resources Corp. recently completed the construction of a reservoir located at Barangay Bayog, Los Baños, Laguna. The blessing of the Bayog reservoir was held on December 18, 2018 officiated by Father Larry R. Abayon

Another reservoir located at Brgy. Maahas, Los Baños is due for completion by end of the year. The two reservoirs, which have a combined storage capacity of more than 750,000 liters of water, aim to enhance water reliability and boost distribution efficiency in Los Baños and parts of Bay.

The new reservoirs will enable LARC to increase the water availability during peak demand. These new facilities can increase water pressure that will allow LARC to bring potable water to areas which previously had limited supply availability.

More than 3567 households at Bayog, Maahas, and parts of San Antonio and Mayondon in Los Baños will benefit from the improved water pressure. Concessionaires from Sto. Domingo and parts of Calo in Bay will also experience the improved water supply and pressure. The reservoirs can also support LARC's new water service connections in the area.

The two new reservoirs will add to LARC's five existing reservoirs located in strategic locations throughout its concession area.



LARC's recently completed water reservoir is located at Kanluran, Bayog, Los Baños, Laguna.

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Straight from GM



Accomplishing Far Greater Things

As another quarter comes to an end, I am pleased to report several achievements we have accomplished during the past few months.

The construction of a new reservoir in Baranggay Bayog, Los Banos, Laguna was completed that will enable LARC to increase water supply and availability during peak demand. In line with this, we have acquired our new service area in Banca Banca, Nagcarlan in which we are compelled to provide an accessible and clean water for the community people. Newly constructed and existing LARC's reservoirs can support this water service connection in the area wherein it will allow LARC to bring potable water to our concessionaires.

Furthermore, as we continue with our commitment to our concessionaires, we have conducted various Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) activities; the Alalay sa Baranggay Wellness Day at our service areas in Nagcarlan, Calauan and San Felix, Sto. Tomas, Wash area donation in Masaya Elementary School as well as Laguna Lake Clean-Up : – all of which we, at LARC, believe that would aid in the betterment of the society we each live in.

With all these said, I would like to thank our concessionaires with all their unwavering support and understanding to LARC. At the same time, I would like to also express my gratitude to the LARC employees who have poured all their hard work and dedication in order to reach the said achievements.

Together, I believe that we can accomplish far greater things that would help us attain our mission of providing affordable clean water.

Wellness Day at Limao, Calauan at San Feliz, Sto. Tomas



Matiyagang naghintay ang mga residente ng Brgy. San Felix ng Sto. Tomas, Batangas para sa libreng medical check-up noong Oktubre 26, 2018. Ang aktibidad ay parte ng isinagawang Alalay sa Barangay ng

Muling nagsagawa ang Laguna Water District Aquatech Resources Corporation (LARC), kasama ang Laguna Water District (LWD) katuwang ang lokal na pamahalaan ng mga barangay ng libreng

hygiene kits upang matutunan ng mga bata ang pangunahing paraan para maiwasan ang sakit.

Ito ay matagumpay na idinaos ng LARC sa pamamagitan ng supporta ng mga opisyal at punong baranggay na si Kapitan Romeo J. Alvarez ng Brgy. Limao, Calauan, gayundin sa mga opisyal at punnong baranggay na si Kapitan Gerry Punzalan ng Brgy. San Felix, Sto. Tomas.



Maayos na ipinapaliwanag ng kinatawan ng LWD (kaliwa) sa isang residente (kanan) ang paggamit ng libreng gamot na ibinibigay sa mga benepisaryo ng Alalay sa Barangay na ginanap sa Limao, Calauan noong Oktubre 5, 2018.

Mingat na binubunutan ng ngipin ng dentistang kasama ng LARC ang isang residente ng Brgy. Limao. Ang libreng bunot ay parte pa rin ng Alalay sa Barangay ng LARC sa nasabing lugar noong Oktubre 5, 2018.

Ang LARC ay nakakatanggap ng mga tanong mula sa mga residente ng Tadiac, Lalakay, Bambang, Baybayin at ibang bahagi ng Timugan tungkol sa pagbabago ng temperatura ng suplay ng tubig sa kanilang lugar.

Upang malinawan, basahin sa ibaba ang sagot sa mga ito:

Kadalasang Tanong

- 1. Ano ang temperatura ng tubig sa mga water sources ng LARC sa Los Baños?**
Ang mga deepwells sa Lalakay at Villegas ay nagbibigay ng maligamgam na tubig. Samantalang ang Dampalit Dam naman ay nagbibigay ng malamig na suplay ng tubig.
- 2. Bakit biglang nagbabago ang temperatura ng tubig sa aming lugar?**
Tuwing maulan o matapos ang malakas na buhos ng ulan, mapapansin ang paghina ng suplay at bahagyang pag-init ng tubig. Ito ay dulot ng pagsasara ng suplay ng tubig mula sa Dampalit Dam tuwing tumataas ang turbidity o lumalabo ang tubig mula rito. Sa mga panahong hindi maulan, patuloy ang operasyon ng Dampalit Dam kung kaya't ang suplay ng tubig ay nagiging malakas at ang temperatura ay malamig sa mga lugar na sinusuplayan nito.
- 3. Mayroon bang sinusunod na standard para sa temperatura ng tubig na isinusuplay ng LARC?**
Base sa Philippine National Standards for Drinking Water 2017 o sa reference nito na Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater, walang nakatalagang pamantayan para sa temperatura ng tubig.
- 4. Maari bang mabago ng LARC ang temperatura ng tubig na isinusuplay sa mga konsesyunaryo?**
Ang temperatura ng tubig na isinusuplay ng LARC ay nakabatay sa temperatura ng tubig mula sa pinagkukunang source at sa lagay ng panahon kung kaya't ito ay hindi maaaring mabago.

Pasasalamat mula sa Dayap, iginawad sa LARC

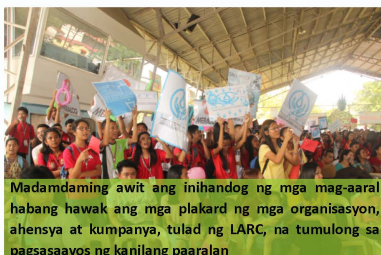
Noong Oktubre 3, 2018, kasama ang Laguna Water District Aquatech Resources Corporation (LARC) sa mga naanyayahan ng Dayap National Integrated High School sa Calauan para dumalo sa kanilang ginanap na programang Rally of Thanks.



Malugod na tinanggap ng mga kinatawan ng LARC na sina (mula kaliwa) Phoebe Sumiran, Sheila Segui at Bernard Alvarez ang sertipiko ng pasasalamat mula kay G. Reynaldo Villaluz, Punong-guro ng Dayap National Integrated High School (kanan).

Ito ay isang selebrasyon upang makapagpaabot ng kanilang pasasalamat sa mga grupo, ahensya at organisasyon na tumulong upang mapabuti ang gusali ng kanilang paaralan.

Mula nang itayo ang paaralan tatlong taon na ang nakakaraan, umiigib ng tubig and mga guro at mga mag-aaral mula sa poso para gamitin sa eskwelahan. Tumulong ang LARC sa paglalatatag ng linya ng tubig para magkaroon ng mas maayos na suplay ng tubig sa lugar.



Madamdaming awit ang inihandog ng mga mag-aaral habang hawak ang mga plakard ng mga organisasyon, ahensya at kumpanya, tulad ng LARC, na tumulong sa pagsasaayos ng kanilang paaralan

Ang selebrasyon ng pasasalamat ay dinaluhan ng mga guro at estudyante na pinangunahan ng kanilang punong-guro na si G. Reynaldo D. Villaluz.

LARC nakisaya sa Syensaya

Lumahok ang Laguna Water District Aquatech Resources Corporation (LARC) sa tulong ng Laguna Water District (LWD) sa ginanap na Wonderama Exhibit ng Los Banos Science Community Foundation Inc. (LBSCFI). Ito ay ginanap noong Syensaya Festival na nagsimula noong Nobyembre 7 hanggang Nobyembre 9, 2018 sa Baker Hall, Unibersidad ng Pilipinas sa Los Banos. Ang tema ng exhibit para sa taong ito ay "Syensya para sa tao: pagbabago para sa pangkalahatang kaunlaran."



Masigasig na lumahok ang mga bumisitang mag-aaral sa palaro ng LARC sa Wonderama exhibit.

From the President's Desk



A Continuing Commitment To Excellence

As we end another year, let me take this opportunity to focus on our accomplishments as we continue to meet our service obligations for our customers and stakeholders.

For this year, LARC constructed 2 new reservoirs located at Barangay Bayog and Barangay Maahas, Los Banos. The two reservoirs will enable us to boost distribution efficiency for our concessionaire in Los Banos and parts of Bay by increasing the water pressure to 20-30 psi.

As part of our commitment to provide safe and reliable water service, we started replacing ageing water meters throughout the service area. This was done to boost the reliability of water meter reading process and ensure that our concessionaires receive accurate billing. The replacement of water meters was conducted free of charge to the concessionaires.

We expanded our water service coverage by installing distribution lines in parts of Calauan and Nagcarlan. The expansion projects will resolve water issues and improve water supply in the areas. Around 64 households are expected to benefit from the said projects.

As part of our mandate to promote environmental protection, we continue to implement our Dalayday program – a campaign towards responsible water resource management. Under the Dalayday program, we conducted a Tree planting activity together with Makiling Center for Mountain Ecosystem (MCME) and clean up drives of Laguna Lake tributaries. We also promoted environmental protection through several online contests conducted during Earth Day, World Water Day, and LARC's 3rd Anniversary.

We also continue to support local communities through our various outreach activities. As part of LARC's Alalay sa Barangay program, we conducted several Wellness Day activities in various barangays and joined DepEds' Brigada Eskwela to give additional support to various schools in our service area.

This year, we launched its newly designed website at larc.com.ph. LARC wants to keep its employees and customers informed in the best way and a website is a great medium to showcase their commitment in creating the best experience for their website visitors as possible.

We are determined to improve our service and continue to provide reliable water supply to our concessionaires. We plan to implement more service efficiency programs; hence concessionaires can expect a more sustainable operation for next year and the years to come.

We, at **LARC Stream** appreciate your comments and feedbacks.

Please let us know what you think about this issue, e-mail us at larc.crea@larc.com.ph.



LARC celebrates 3rd year in service

LARC is beyond grateful to have conducted the following activities to strengthen the company's ties with the community, promote the brand and further boost the LARC spirit as we celebrate the company's 3rd Anniversary.

An exhibit was launched at the lobby of the LARC Main Office that featured the company's projects and developments as a way to apprise our concessionaires of our achievements for the year. These achievements include corporate social responsibility initiatives and other projects to improve the efficiency and the reliability of the water supply system.



The top 12 posters created by the students from various elementary schools show the contestants' take on the importance of water security for the next generation.



First place winner, Ma. Jelyn Pasion (center) of San Benito Elementary School-Victoria receives her award together with her coach, Mr. Romolo Gutierrez (2nd to the left).

Also, LARC's 3rd Poster Making Contest with the theme "Water Security for future generation" was successfully conducted wherein Grades 3-5 students of Los Baños, Bay, Calauan, Victoria (San Benito and Masapang) and Nagcarlan (Wakat, Manaol, Maravilla, and Buenavista) joined and won the prizes. An Online Trivia Game is also part of the LARC's 3rd anniversary activities which was opened to all LARC's Facebook Fans/Followers, winners from the game did their part in encouraging everyone to comment and share posts related to the game and help promote the brand by answering questions about LARC.