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## **MISSION**

Butuan City Water District, a service-oriented entity, endeavors to preserve the environment, deliver quality service and satisfy its customers. WATER DISTRIC

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## **VISION**

A leader in the water and sanitation industry advancing integrated water resource management.

# **CORE VALUES**

- C Commitment
- L Leadership
- I Integrity
  E Excellence
- N Novelty (Innovation)
- T Teamwork
- S Safety

# Butuan City Water District 2020 Annual Report

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### PERFORMANCE

# HIGHLIGHTS

The data and information used in this annual journal are actually the performance of each unit/department covering a calendar year of operation. Basically, Butuan City Water District is a water utility covering its franchise service area. Just like any typical water utility its operation involves but not limited to water sourcing, transmission and distribution and most importantly the water treatment and inherently the water quality monitoring to ensure water fits for human consumption. In order to continue providing services, BCWD maintains its water facilities, appurtenances and services as part of the whole water supply operation.

The whole operation would somehow be unsuccessful without the stint of each support unit/department to the requirements needed in the operation and so this report would account their contributory performance. This would also account for the major on-going developmental projects status of BCWD and the expected impact to the whole system. On top of everything, performance indicators would tell tales about how BCWD fared in 2020 in terms of performance.

# **UTILITY PROFILE**

BUTUAN CI	TY WATER DISTRICT
Address	Jose Rosales Avenue, Butuan City 8600
Classification	Category "A"- Very Large
Water Sources	Surface and Ground Water
Water Treatment Method	Chlorination
Pumping Stations	5
Tanks & Reservoir	6
Total Service Connections:	53,275
Residential	49,666
Commercial	3,043
Government	469
Bulk	97
Service Area:	86 Barangays
Served Barangays	56 Barangays
Unserve Barangays	30 Barangays
Population Serve	268,080
Personnel	217
Permanent	159
Job Order	58
Service Connection per Employee	335

### **Tariff and Fees**

		SERVICE		COMMO	DITYCI	HARGE	
CLASSIFICATION	SIZE	MIN. CHARGE 0-10 cu.m.	11-20 cu.m.	21-30 cu.m.	31-40 cu.m.	41-50 cu.m.	Over 50 cu.m.
Residential	1/2"	208.65	38.35	41.75	49.00	57.55	67.55
	3/4"	333.80	38.35	41.75	49.00	57.55	67.55
Government	1"	667.65	38.35	41.75	49.00	57.55	67.55
Government	1-1/2"	1,669.20	38.35	41.75	49.00	57.55	67.55
	2"	4,173.00	38.35	41.75	49.00	57.55	
	1/2"	365.10	67.10	73.05	85.75		
Commercial 1	3/4"	584.15	67.10	73.05	85.75		
	1"	1,168.35	67.10	73.05	85.75		
	1-1/2"	2,921.10	67.10	73.05	85.75		
	2"	7,302.75	67.10	73.05	85.75		
Commercial 2	1/2"	417.30	76.70	83.45	98.00	115.10	135.10
	3/4"	667.60	76.70	83.45	98.00	115.10	135.10
la di catala	1"	1,335.30	76.70	83.45	98.00	115.10	135.10
Industrial	1-1/2"	3,338.40	76.70	83.45	98.00	115.10	135.10
	2"	8,346.00	76.70	83.45	98.00	115.10	135.10
	1/2"	625.95	115.05	125.20	147.00	172.65	202.65
	3/4"	1,001.40	115.05	125.20	147.00	172.65	202.65
Bulk/ Wholesale	1"	2,002.95	115.05	125.20	147.00	172.65	202.65
	1-1/2"	5,007.60	115.05	125.20	147.00	172.65	202.65
	2"	12,519.00	115.05	125.20	147.00	172.65	202.65

# **WATER SOURCES**

# SURFACE WATER (Taguibo River) through PPP Bulk Water



### **GROUND WATER**



Pump Station No.01



Pump Station No.03





Pump Station No.14

Pump Station No.15



Pump Station No.15

# STORAGE FACILITIES TANKS AND RESERVOIRS



Resettlement Elevated Reservoir



Bliss Elevated Reservoir







Emily Ground Reservoir and Booster Station

# **ACTIVE SERVICE CONNECTIONS**

### **BILLED CONNECTION PER BARANGAY BY CLASSIFICATION**

December 2020

No.	Barangay		CLASSIFICATION -										
RUR	AL Barangay	Residential	Government	Commercial 1	Commercial 2	Bulksale	Connections						
1	AGUSAN PEQUEÑO	889	6	0	0	0	895						
2	AMBAGO	2,975	20	20	25	4	3,044						
3	AMPAYON	2,027	31	61	74	3	2,196						
4	ANTICALA	20	3	0	0	0	23						
5	ANTONGALON	226	3	1	1	1	232						
6	BAAN KM.3	2,899	16	51	50	7	3,023						
7	BABAG	223	1	0	0	0	224						
8	BANCASI	498	12	0	5	2	517						
9	BANZA	535	4	1	1	0	541						
10	BASAG	193	0	0	0	0	193						
11	BIT-OS	151	1	1	0	0	153						
12	BOBON	27	0	0	0	0	27						
13	BONBON	424	2	0	4	1	431						
14	CABCABON	229	3	0	0	1	233						
15	CAMAYAHAN	2	0	0	0	0	2						
16	DOONGAN	3,085	20	34	25	1	3,165						
17	DUMALAGAN	144	4	0	1	0	149						
18	LEMON	211	3	0	0	0	214						
19	LIBERTAD	5,695	46	116	171	19	6,047						
20	LUMBOCAN	700	4	0	0	0	704						
21	MAHAY	438	2	1	0	1	442						
22	MASAO	296	3	1	2	0	302						
23	MAUG	296	2	0	1	0	299						
24	PAGATPATAN	873	7	1	0	0	881						
25	PANGABUGAN	440	1	0	1	0	442						
26	PIANING	189	0	0	0	0	189						
27	PIGDAULAN	199	3	0	1	1	204						
28	PINAMANCULAN	337	5	0	0	0	342						
29	SAN VICENTE	3,439	11	30	30	8	3,518						
30	TAGUIBO	980	11	0	10	0	1,001						
31	TALIGAMAN	276	3	0	1	1	281						
32	TINIWISAN	577	8	1	7	0	593						
33	VILLA KANANGA	4,007	9	30	88	11	4,145						
SUB	TOTAL	33,500	244	349	498	61	34,652						

No.	Barangay		CLA	SSIFICATI	ON		Total Billed
URB	AN Barangay	Residential	Government	Commercial 1	Commercial 2	Bulksale	Connections
1	AGAO	115	1	7	5	0	128
2	BAAN RIVERSIDE	947	4	3	0	0	954
3	BADING	1,023	2	4	3	0	1,032
4	BAYANIHAN	1,163	14	43	117	0	1,337
5	BUHANGIN	699	3	0	3	0	705
6	DAGOHOY	398	22	57	87	2	566
7	DATU SILONGAN	147	1	56	37	0	241
8	DIEGO SILANG	234	30	40	50	1	355
9	GOLDEN RIBBON	787	1	11	18	2	819
10	HOLY REDEEMER	1,221	5	52	66	8	1,352
11	HUMABON	45	4	42	43	0	134
12	IMADEJAS	484	71	34	96	1	686
13	J.P. RIZAL	1,128	6	31	42	7	1,214
14	LAPU-LAPU	243	1	34	37	0	315
15	LEON KILAT	46	6	73	52	0	177
16	LIMAHA	1,523	10	147	139	6	1,825
17	MAHOGANY	1,024	5	2	4	0	1,035
18	MAON	879	5	0	1	1	886
19	NEW SOCIETY VILLAGE	195	3	26	24	0	248
20	OBRERO	1,178	9	18	17	1	1,223
21	ONG YIU	713	3	15	10	0	741
22	PORT POYOHON	718	2	46	68	4	838
23	RAJAH SOLIMAN	98	2	14	12	0	126
24	SAN IGNACIO	348	2	64	37	3	454
25	SIKATUNA	6	2	65	36	0	109
26	TANDANG SORA	784	9	102	104	0	999
27	URDUJA	20	2	50	52	0	124
SUB	TOTAL	16,166	225	1,036	1,160	36	18,623
60	GRAND TOTAL	49,666	469	1,385	1,658	97	53,275

### **POPULATION SERVE**

With a total population of 372,910 in the 2020 census, Butuan has an average density of 460 persons per km2, higher than the regional average density of 130 persons per km2. It has 86 urban and rural barangays of which 56 barangays are connected to the water district pipelines about 53,275 households with water service connections or 266,375 based on the average size of Filipino family with 5 members – roughly 71% of the total population.

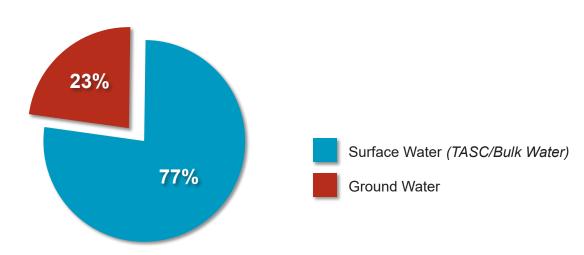
#### PRESENTLY SERVED & PROPOSED SERVICE BARANGAYS Proposed Tapping Point: Baan Km.3 Hydraulic Area No.1 (48 Barangays) STO.NENO 44 Present Service Barangays 4 Proposed Service Barangays ANTECALA LOS ANGELES BAOBAOAN SUMILIHON CABCABON PAGATPATAN TAGUTBO / PLANING PENAMANCULAN BABAG BANCASI LIBERTAD BUGSUKAN ANTONGALON LEMON N MAHAY BASAG DE ORO BONBON. KENAMLUTAN PIGDAULAN CAMAYAHAN Hydraulic Area No.2 BIT-OS (17 Barangays) AUPAGAN SALVACION 12 Present Service Barangays 5 Proposed Service Barangays DON AMPARO FRANCISCO NONG-NONG HYDRAULIC AREA #2 BILAY BITAN-AGAN Present Service Areas: Proposed Service Areas: MAIBU DULAG 1. Kinamlutan 1. Bancasi 2. Bit-os 2. Tagabaca Aupagan Camayahan SUMILI 3. Bonbon 4. Dumalagan MJ. 5. Lemon MAGUENDA 6. Libertad SANTOS MANILA DE BUGABOS 7. Mahay 8. Pangabugan 9. Pinamanculan 11. Villa Kananga 12. Pigdaulan MATEO FLORIDA TUNGAO MANDAMO DANKTAS LEGEND: Section B (Mahay - Bonbon) UNSERVED BARANGAYS (21 Barangays) 7.0 km. Section A (Baan Km.3 - Mahay) Section C (Bonbon - Bancasi Rotunda) As of May 2018



### WATER PRODUCTION

The total volume of water supplied in the system for CY 2020 is 17,575,232 m3. This consists of 13,508,066 m3 surface water (*TASC/Bulk Water*) and 4,067,166 m3 groundwater (*Pumping Facilities*).

# 2020 Percentage of Share of Ground Water and Surface Water Source



A total of 17,575,232 cubic meters was produced from the combined water sources of BCWD. The production from the surface water through the Bulk Water is 13,508,066 cubic meters and the production from the groundwater source through the pumping facilities is 4,067,232 cubic meters

### **GROUND WATER**

There are four (4) active Pumping Stations / deep wells (PS/DW) all located at the eastern side of the Agusan River. The bulk water serving as the major supply source with the deep wells/pumping stations as back up contingently operating on peak hours and when the pressure of the bulk water is way below the ideal eventually pumping stations are engage to beef up pipeline pressure.

The water derived from the operation of the Pumping Stations is directly feed into the transmission/distribution lines after determination that it passes the turbidity requirement of maximum of 5 NTU.

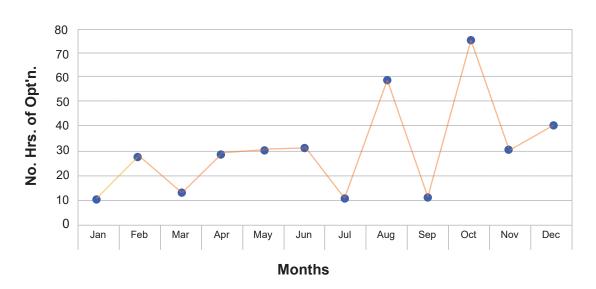
The Total production capacity for the four (4) PSDW is 466 m3/hr. In 2020, the total volume contributed by these four (4) Pumping Station/deep well is 4,067,166 m3 representing 23 % of the total production of 17,575,232 m³.

For CY 2018, the system registered a normal operation of only 8,730 hours or 99.66% of the total hours for the year of 8,730 hours. For the remaining 30 hours or almost 0.34% of the time, the system experienced low pressure at Pump Station No. 1 resulting to no water condition at the end points of the catered service area. The 30 hours translated to an average of almost 1 day in a month of low water to no water condition.

Table 1 showed the hours of operation for the four (4) PS/DW

Every Pumping Station has a standby generator set to ensure continuous water supply during power failure. The combine generator set hours of operation is 144.

### **Total Pumping Hours of Operation**



### Water Quality

BCWD regularly conducts monitoring activities of the water from source to distribution lines to water meter clusters to ensure that the water produced and distributed to concessionaires are compliant with the standards set by the Philippine National Standard for Drinking Water (PNSDW). Moniwtoring activities included chlorine residual testing and collection of samples including analysis for physical and chemical parameters including laboratory bacteriological examination.

### I. Flushing and Valve Exercise

BCWD follows a regular flushing schedule covering the entire water supply system to maintain water quality at par with National Standard. In time, solids, like sand and other foreign materials accumulate in the system which eventually affects water quality. During flushing activity, pipeline in a particular service area is isolated to build up strong water pressure which forces solids and other similar foreign materials out to the hydrants and blow-offs leaving a fresh, good-tasting and high quality potable water in the pipelines after each flushing. Part of the flushing program involves testing the large main-line valves and fire hydrants to ensure that they are functioning properly. As of December 2020, BCWD maintains approximately 157 hydrants and 406 blow offs all with gate valves.

To minimize its impact to water service interruption, flushing activities are scheduled during night time (8:00pm to 4:00am) and is conducted by two (2) flushing personnel.

### II. Physical and Chemical Analysis

Water has physical and chemical properties and in order to fit human consumption these properties should be contained and controlled in certain level called parameters. Physical properties may include the odor, temperature, color, turbidity and total suspended solids while the chemical properties include pH (water acidity), salinity, total dissolved solids, total hardness and specific minerals. BCWD analyzes and monitors the physical and chemical properties of its water supply all throughout the entire system.

Butuan City Water District (*BCWD*) water supply mainly comes from the Taguibo River. Being a surfacewater, it is considered vulnerable to contamination from agricultural, mining, water run-off, industrial, and domestic waste water discharges.

The Philippine National Standards for Drinking Water sets the Minimum Frequency of Sampling for Drinking-Water Supply Systems for Physical and Chemical Analysis

Source and mode of Supply	Minimum Frequency
a. Level I b. Level II c. Level III d. Emergency Supplies of Drinking Water	Once a year
e. Water Refiling Stations f. Water Vending Machines	Twice a year

The BCWD belongs to Level III water supply system which required a minimum of once a year sampling frequency for each water source. However, as an assurance for the quality of the water sources being tapped, the BCWD Laboratory closely monitored the water sources monthly for the (1) Taguibo river, before it enters the Taguibo Aquatic Sources Corporation's treatment facility; (2) Raw water- the water it transmitted after the TASC treatment facility before it enters the BCWD Filtration Plant; (3) the Product water, as a result after passing and treated with gas chlorination process.

For the five deep well sources which serve as a back-up water supply source, namely pump station Nos. 1, 14, 15 and 17 and the support facilities such as the concrete and steel tanks/reservoirs, a monthly physical and chemical tests were conducted as to parameters that the BCWD Laboratory can perform. The analysis for heavy metals was done once a year thru other accredited laboratory capable to conduct the said analyses. All the tests were conducted in compliance with the PNSDW requirement.

The BCWD Water Testing Laboratory is a duly DOH Accredited Laboratory for Physical, Chemical and Bacteriological Analysis, thus it extends its laboratory services to neighboring Water Districts, LGUs, Refilling Stations, Mining companies and other private entities who voluntarily avail of the services for costs

Below is the tabulated monthly collection and analysis of water samples for Physical and Chemical Analysis

Number of samples taken and analyzed for Physical and Chemical Analysis for the whole year.

No. of samples	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Collected Monthly	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	7	7	7	7	92
Analyzed Monthly	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	7	7	7	7	92
Send-out for annual monitoring for heavy metals											8		8
Analyzed Outside / Client samples	28	36	12	0	4	6	6	14	18	31	32	20	207

The DOH Administrative Order 2007-2012 requires that for drinking water, priority parameters which includes heavy metals such as: cadmium, lead and arsenic should be determined. For CY 2018, considering that the BCWD Laboratory is not yet capable of handling the test required due to lack of equipment, water samples were send out to other DOH accredited laboratory for testing. For the year 2020, a total of 275 samples from outside sources for physical and chemical analysis were received and analysed.

### III. Bacteriological Analysis

Water borne bacteria is the most menacing concern of any water supply system since it can cause an epidemic in just a short period of time the moment a person drink a contaminated glass of water. Hence, BCWD see to it always that its water supply is bacteria-free.

In accordance with the PNSDW 2007, Table 1: Minimum Frequency of Sampling for Drinking-Water Supply Systems for Microbiological Examination, for a level III water supply system serving more than a 100,000 population, the minimum sampling points for Bacteriological Analysis is calculated as twenty samples plus one sample per 10,000 of the population. To get the total population served by the utility, number of service connections is multiplied with the number of persons per connection.

Table 5. Minimum Frequency of Sampling for Drinking - Water Supply Systems for Microbiological Examination

Population Served	Minimum Frequency of Sampling for Total Coliform and Thermotolerant coliform/E.coli	Minimum Frequency of Sampling for Heterotropic Plate Count (HPC)	Point of Compliance
Less than 5,000	2 samples monthly	2 samples monthly	Consumers' tap
5,000-100,000	1 sample per 5,000 population + 2 additional samples monthly	1 sample per 5,000 population + 2 additional samples monthly	Consumers' tap
More than 100,000	1 sample per 10,000 population, plus 12 additional samples monthly	Required, at least 40% of the sampling points	Consumers' tap

By the end of December 2020, there were a total of 56,616 service connections. This number multiplied with the average number of individuals per service connection which is five (5) will result to 268,080 served population. Following Table 1 of the PNSDW 2017, a total of 39 minimum samples is required for bacteriological analysis every month.

Instead of the required 39 sampling points, BCWD had established up to 54 sampling points for Bacteriological Analysis.

Table 6. Number of samples taken and analyzed for Bacteriological Analysis for the whole year.

No. of samples	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Collected Monthly	54	54	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	608
Analyzed Monthly	54	54	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	608
Resample	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Analyzed Outside / Client samples													

For the month of October and November, resampling after a conduct of flushing was also made in areas where results were found unsatisfactory until confirmation that the water running through the pipes is free from non-conforming matter

### 1.1 Frequency of Sampling and Re-sampling

The minimum number of samples to be collected and examined periodically must be based on the mode of source of water supply and the number of population served as required under the PNSDW 2007. However, frequency of sampling should also take into account the past record yielding unsatisfactory results. Resampling after a conduct of flushing was also made in areas where results were found unsatisfactory until confirmation that the water running through the pipes is free from non-conforming matter.

### IV. Chlorination

Microorganisms can be found in raw water from rivers, lakes and groundwater. While not all microorganisms are harmful to human health, there are some that may cause diseases in humans. These are called pathogens. Pathogens present in water can be transmitted through a drinking water distribution system, causing waterborne disease in those who consume it.

In order to combat waterborne diseases, different disinfection methods are used to inactivate pathogens. Along with other water treatment processes such as coagulation, sedimentation, and filtration, chlorination creates water that is safe for public consumption.

Chlorination is one of many methods that can be used to disinfect water. This method was first used over a century ago, and is still used today. It is a chemical disinfection method that uses various types of chlorine or chlorine-containing substances for the oxidation and disinfection potable water source.

BCWD has been using chlorine in water treatment, disinfection of new pipelines, tanks and reservoirs in which controlled amount of chlorine had been put in the system. BCWD's major water treatment is chlorination using Gas Chlorine injected into the water supply system through chlorinators while Liquid Chlorine is used to treat potable water stored in reservoirs and tanks; Granulated Chlorine is mostly used in disinfecting new lines before being integrated into the system, as shown in the table below:

For the year 2019, BCWD consumed a total of 35,520.70 kg of chlorine gas, 481 kg of powder chlorine and 7,275 liters of hypo chlorine used for treating the water prior to distribution to ensure that the water supplied to the concessionaires is safe for drinking:

### 1. CHLORINE CONSUMPTION

Amount of chlorine gas (in kgs.) used for the whole year from the BCWD water sources.

Gas Chlorine	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Filtration Plant	1266.7	1066.7	1266.7	1456.7	1710	1100	2083	1632	2000	2000	2000	3000	20,581.8
PS# 1	853	691.3	762.7	728	768	748	816	748	816	816	680	1224	9,651
PS# 14	214.6	150.3	383.1	277.6	272	220	272	340	272	272	204	340	3,217.6
PS# 15	247.8	151.9	212.4	199	204	171.2	136	0	136	136	136	340	2,070.3
Total	2582.1	2060.2	2624.9	2661.3	2954	2239.2	3307	2720	3224	3224	3020	4904	35,520.7

# Amount of powdered chlorine (in kgs.) used for the whole year for the reservoirs and distribution lines.

Powder Chlorine	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Emily, kg	3	17					8.5	18	14.5	6	2		69
Emenvil, kg			45		15		5	12	9.5	8	4		98.5
Km. 6, kg	6	2	10	40	10		39	17	37	13	4		178
Bit-os										13	19	25	57
Distibution lines								17	17	14	11	19.5	78.5
Sub-Total	9	19	55	40	25	0	52.5	64	78	54	40	44.5	481

### Amount of Hypo chlorine (in liters) used for daily chlorination for the reservoirs

Hypo chlorine	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Emily	150	125	400	130	210	260	310	200	200	40	160	70	2,255
Emenvil	50	160	220	20	20	340	280	200	200	30	320	70	1,910
Km. 6	245	295	417	353	320	340	230	200		10	330	370	3,110
Sub-total	445	580	1037	503	550	940	820	600	400	80	810	510	7,275

### 2. ANNUAL DISINFECTION OF RESERVOIRS AND PUMP STATIONS

Amount of powdered chlorine used for every disinfection activity conducted in 2019

Facilities	Date	Powder Chlorine Used, kg.
Emily	Feb. 18, 2020	16
Emenvil	March 11, 2020	37
Km. 6	April 26, 2020	35
Pinamanculan	May 28, 2020	26
Bit-os	June 23, 2020	34
Pump Station 1	June 19, 2020	2
Pump Station 14	Sept. 2, 2020	2
Pump Station 15	August 11, 2020	2
Pump Station 3	July 17, 2020	2
Pump Station 17	May 13 & Sept. 21, 2020	4
Sub-Total		160

### 2. Chlorine Residual Monitoring

The presence of chlorine from the source up to the end points of the supply lines must be traced to ensure pathogens and other micro-organism could thrive in drinking water so much that BCWD regularly checks the trace of chlorine all throughout the water supply system.

Based on **Table 7** below, regular monitoring of chlorine residual was conducted at various points in the water system to ensure that the water running is within the approved level of 0.3 *(minimum)* to 1.5 *(maximum)* mg/L. For samples where free chlorine fell out of the range, the bacteriological results were checked and found to be still compliant with PNSDW. Adjustments of chlorine dosing at pump station1 and at distribution lines of tanks were regularly made in order to limit the non-compliant reading of chlorine residual.

No. of samples	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Analyzed	642	695	695	645	697	668	669	682	642	687	663	669	8,054
Within 0.3-1.5 ppm	642	695	695	645	691	661	661	674	633	676	654	661	7,988
Failed/ <0.3ppm	0	0	0	0	6	7	8	8	9	11	9	8	66

Having a good water quality is easy as you seemed to figure out but yet it entails a lot of homework to do to be at par with international standards. Once you attained it the next similar move is to maintain which calls for a cycle of activity programs and procedures and these are exactly what BCWD is doing in keeping a good water quality.

### WATER SALES

### **Water Billings**

Rates and fees associated with water sales typically represent the majority of a utility's revenue. Water utilities need revenues to meet their mission of providing safe, reliable, and high-quality water. Revenues also ensure that a water utility can cover its expenses, which can include debt service, capital improvements, personnel costs, energy, chemicals, and operations and maintenance.

BCWD generates revenues from water sales and other service charges to cover costs of water production; hence, it depends solely on the revenues generated from the sale of its services as a water utility. In the average monthly active connections of 52,973 the average billed connections is 99.50% or 52,710 with an average monthly billings of ₱32,525,832.49. The revenues from water sales hit ₱381,436,383.98 mark, this is 0.07% lower than last year and surcharges on total billings peg at ₱8,873,605.95 which is 4.96% lower than 2019 - this was the effect of moratorium on surcharge from March to June 2020 and around October to November 2020.

#### WATER SALES

DATE	CURRENT	PENALTY	TOTAL	% of billing subject to penalty
January	35,322,852.93	871,214.98	36,194,067.91	41.11%
February	30,177,667.31	834,175.75	31,011,843.06	46.07%
March	34,246,592.36	437,335.07	34,683,927.43	21.28%
April	33,399,096.57	(1,066.82)	33,398,029.75	-0.05%
May	29,932,200.03	(618.24)	29,931,581.79	-0.03%
June	32,565,460.60	686,812.02	33,252,272.62	35.15%
July	30,533,893.34	1,175,156.95	31,709,050.29	64.14%
August	32,208,158.17	1,023,284.26	33,231,442.43	52.95%
September	29,665,797.91	1,127,273.99	30,793,071.90	63.33%
October	31,065,597.46	981,608.97	32,047,206.43	52.66%
November	32,241,329.14	790,605.03	33,031,934.17	40.87%
December			31,025,562.15	52.52%
TOTAL	381,436,383.98	8,873,605.95	390,309,989.93	38.77%

### **SURCHARGE**

DATE	2018	2019	2020
January	670,871.42	905,053.36	871,214.98
February	661,866.86	664,968.82	834,175.75
March	633,323.82	766,026.21	437,335.07
April	685,003.81	721,964.62	(1,066.82)
May	820,636.14	765,276.10	(618.24)
June	729,432.23	768,820.21	686,812.02
July	713,065.91	847,404.92	1,175,156.95
August	821,930.22	833,426.92	1,023,284.26
September	752,285.31	667,620.89	1,127,273.99
October	729,586.14	888,554.68	981,608.97
November	648,730.81	731,378.20	790,605.03
December	728,211.00	776,446.31	947,823.99
TOTAL	8,594,943.67	9,336,941.24	8,873,605.95

BCWD imposes surcharge of 6% of the current bill after due date which is 2.32% of the total billings, the table shows.

The water revenue is directly affected by average monthly consumption (AMC) per connection. In 2020 the MMC was 15.55 cubic meters which is 0.34 cubic meters lower compared to 2019. This may have been caused by intermittent low water pressure, service interruptions due to leak repair in various parts of the water system and other contributing factors.

Although the residential consumption increased due to community quarantine status – where people are in their homes; on the other hand, government and commercial consumption decreased because of the 3-day work week operation scheme and the increase in the number of request-closure of several business establishment caused by scare of COVID-19 pandemic which resulted to the over-all lower average monthly consumption per connection

### **Senior Citizens Discount**

BCWD grants discounts to seniors paying their water accounts on time pursuant to **EXPANDED SENIOR CITIZENS ACT OF 2010** (*RA 9994*). As of December 2020, there are 946 number of elderly concessionaires availing of the five per cent 5% senior citizen discount (SCD) given to accounts with senior citizen users whose monthly consumption does not exceed thirty cubic meters. In 2020, an average of Php19,485.39 per month was recorded as SC discount – posted a 13% decrease compared to SCD applicants last year.

### **COLLECTIONS**

We made sure that water billings are converted into cash by implementing the tight collection strategies through service closure. Water connections are disconnected 3 days after receipt of "Red Bill" hence, were able to collect the amount of P 379,742,959.95 at the rate of 97.29% of total billings. The months of March, April and May showed the lowest collection performance due to the moratorium imposed by government to ease financial burden on consumers brought about by COVID-19 pandemic.

### **BILLINGS AND COLLECTIONS**

JANUARY-DECEMBER 2020

DATE	BILLINGS	COLLECTIONS	PERCENT
January	36,194,067.91	37,872,346.60	104.64%
February	31,011,843.06	33,170,743.80	106.96%
March	34,683,927.43	23,284,272.90	67.13%
April	33,398,029.75	9,073,690.31	27.17%
May	29,931,581.79	22,194,571.29	74.15%
June	33,252,272.62	42,846,561.45	128.85%
July	31,709,050.29	36,796,754.59	116.04%
August	33,231,442.43	32,535,602.88	97.91%
September	30,793,071.90	32,118,082.78	104.30%
October	32,047,206.43	35,116,779.84	109.58%
November	33,031,934.17	40,350,721.15	122.16%
December	31025562.15	34,382,832.36	110.82%
TOTAL	390,309,989.93	379,742,959.95	97.29%
Average per mo.	32,525,832.49	31,645,246.66	97.29%

Noticeably, collections included billings in arrears which explained customers paid more than their current bill – which made cash collection literally over current billings.

### **CUSTOMERS IN ARREARS**

# BILLED CONNECTIONS AND CUSTOMER-IN-ARREARS (ACTIVE) YEAR 2020

DATE	BILLED CONNECTIONS	CUSTOMER-IN- ARREARS	%
January	51,536	12,882	25.00%
February	51,815	14,490	27.96%
March	51,974	22,057	42.44%
April	52,260	55,071	105.38%
May	52,396	79,033	150.84%
June	52,602	65,483	124.49%
July	52,858	56,842	107.54%
August	53,245	54,836	102.99%
September	53,487	54,266	101.46%
October	53,579	50,207	93.71%
November	53,489	36,822	68.84%
December	53,275	34,405	64.58%
MONTHLY AVERAGE	52,710	44,700	84.80%

An average of 84.80% or 44,800 billed connections are customers in arrears. Among the 44,700, 0.32% or 142 are customers availing on instalment to settle their leakage billings and old inactive accounts in the amount of ₱1,965972.06. Out of the 142 concessionaires, 12 were able to settle their accounts in full and the rest still continuing to settle their respective accounts.

### RED BILL AND SERVICE CLOSURE

When customer received "red bill" it suggests that he/she defaulted paying last month's water bill. The red bill now indicates the current bill plus the arrears – upon receipt, the customer is given **3 days to settle the water accounts** in full otherwise, the subject water connection shall be disconnected on the fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) day. This is one collection strategy adapted by BCWD to control defaults in water bill payment.

### **BCWD ACCREDITED PAYMENT CENTERS**

Customers need not go to BCWD office to pay their water bills, for ease and convenience BCWD has accredited the following collection agents to accept payments of you water bills.

### **Accredited BCWD Collecting Centers are the following:**

- 1. Berry Happy Mart (Pizarro St., Brgy. J.P. Rizal);
- 2. **C5 Hardware** (S1 Cassion Building, near Rosewood Plains Subdivision, Villa Kananga);
- 3. Clarhez Ticketing Services (National Highway, Brgy. Libertad, Butuan City);
- 4. JPL Bayad Center (Brgy. Ampayon, Butuan City near Public Market);
- 5. TAM Payment and Remittance Center (Unit 1 Wing-on Corporate Building, Brgy. Holy Redeemer).
- 6. Veterans Bank

BCWD is considering to embarking on electronic remittance/payment platform system like **GCash**, **PayMaya** and the likes to keep abreast with latest technology and trends.

### **METER ACCURACY**

Water meter is the interface between the water utility and its customers, the meter records water usage or consumption of a customer. The water utility records customer's usage as water sales or revenue, it comes back to the customer in a form of a water bill which the latter pays the monetary value of the utility services he receives by way of having access to potable water. On this account, water meter accuracy plays a major important role because inaccurate meter is an operation hazard resulting to losses. Inaccurate water meter has been a contributory to apparent water losses and ultimately to non-revenue water being the hot issue of all water utilities in the country today.

BCWD initiated advocacy on water meter accuracy when it launched its own Water Meter Maintenance Program (WMMP) many years back. The objective of the program is to ensure that water meters in service for a long period shall be pulled out and replaced. The program uses color coding to establish a reckoning date when meters are installed. It is estimated that, under normal condition, water meter life span for accuracy is good only for five (5) years. Since BCWD has more than 50,000 service connections, it means a massive replacement until the entire system will be covered.

In 2020, BCWD recalled 5,153 water meters in the continuing implementation of the program; for the 1<sup>st</sup> semester 2,705 and for 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester 2,448 water meters replaced. This is a regular activity conducted by PAMD by replacing the water meters aged five (*5*) years - for the years' target are those service connections installed in the year 2015. The target for the year is **5,869 service connections**.

MONTH	RECALLED / REPLACED METERS
January	742
February	448
March	258
April	314
May	204
June	739
July	915
August	601
September	201
October	399
November	42
December	290
TOTAL	5,153

### **METER CALIBRATION**

Water meter calibration may be requested by the customer if he wanted to check the accuracy of his meter – He may visit BCWD office to file his request and he will be informed of the calibration results accordingly.

All water meters have passed calibration parameters before installation to ensure accurate water consumption billing – under and over registration of actual water usage is a serious water meter accuracy issue which need to be addressed.

# **MAINTENANCE**

### PIPELINES MAINTENANCE

BCWD water supply system has gone a long way more than four (4) decades of continues service. Being so, its pipe lines system caught by wear and tear, from time to time, burst out to leakages which need immediate repairs. Leakages in the transmission and distribution lines cause low water pressure and increased real water losses and ultimately the non-revenue water.

BCWD technical men are always in action to repair these leakages including those busted pipelines caused by road construction/excavation and similar infrastructure projects of the city. Leakage repair can be simple and complex depending on the size of pipe and depth of excavation. Simple leak repair requires excavation with a depth of less than 0.6 meter while complex repair necessitate an excavation of 0.6 meter and above and the size of pipes range from 2"Ø up to 12"Ø in diameter. There were 197 complex cases of leak repairs while 90 cases were simple. Among the leakages, the leaking transmission and distribution mains are the most intensive and most challenging because high water pressure.

### **GATE VALVES, BLOW-OFFS & HYDRANTS**

Gate valves are used in controlling pressure and isolation of pipeline under repair and maintenance. There are 107 gate valves identified all throughout the water system maintained all year round. Activities include installation of valve box cover, cementing of concrete pad, replacement of defective and/or leaking gate valves and riser elevation.

A blow-off is usually installed at end points of the system to make flushing and other maintenance activities easier while a (*fire*) hydrant is primarily use as access point to water in case of fire or it can also be used in flushing activities to flash-out solids and other materials that have entered into the pipelines. Since 2015, BCWD initiated an inventory and tagging of all existing hydrants for maintenance and monitoring. As of December 2020, there were 406 Blow-offs maintained and 157 Fire Hydrants maintained. These tagged Blow-offs and Fire Hydrants are painted and properly tagged/labelled with numbers and are maintained all year round. Sometimes a hydrant or blow-off need to be relocated for convenience during the conduct of flushing activities.



### WATER METER MAINTENANCE

Equally critical is the maintenance of water meters; water sales begin at water meters which record and measure water consumption of customers. If water meters falter giving inaccurate under readings of water consumption proximately causing serious operation issues like undervalued water sales. In service water meters, if not well maintained, can cause apparent water losses which end up in non-revenue water.

There are many factors affecting water meter efficiency such as water quality. BCWD water meter technicians perform meter check-up, testing and calibration in the field upon the request of customers. The table below shows the number of water meters tested and calibrated all year round.



# WATER METER SHOP – CALIBRATION OF WATER METERS & REPAIR OF WATER METER INSERT

WATER METER SHOP						
A.	Total (2019)	Total (2020)				
New Water Meter Assembly	0	0				
Withdrawn / Retrieved	2,726	2,424				
New Inserts	6,240	10,105				
Repaired Inserts	1,458	23				
TOTAL	10,424	12,552				
B. Field Testing Calibration	860	668				

### MAINTENANCE OF SERVICE CONNECTION

Customers come to BCWD office to make request for maintenance of their water connections. The most interactive window of BCWD service is the maintenance of individual water connection whereby concessionaires react to the quality of service they received.

### Maintenance & Service Requests

Maintenance and service requests are service connection maintenance routines initiated either by BCWD or requested by the customers. The front-liners at the Commercial Department received these requests from customers and from meter readers and service investigators of BCWD. These are being processed into job orders and forwarded to Pipelines and appurtenances and Maintenance Department (PAMD) for immediate and appropriate action. The Maintenance and Service Request Orders are sub-divided into five (5) major categories, namely: Reconnection (Reopening of disconnected service connections & Reopening/Install Water Meter), Withdrawal of Water Meters (includes Request Closure Withdraw and Withdraw Water Meter Orders), Change Meters (Stolen/Damaged Meters and/or regular maintenance), Transfer Water Meters (includes rehabilitation of clusters) and Leakages or other maintenance repairs.

The PAMD execute these maintenance orders the earliest possible time according to the timeline indicated in the citizens charter.

Nature of Orders	Balance		Variance (Balance		
Nature of Orders	2019 (a)	RO (b)	TRO (a+b) = (A)	TAO (B)	Forwarded to 2019) (A-B)
RIM	0	2,568	2,568	2,568	0
REO	0	5,052	5,052	5,052	0
RCW	0	977	977	977	0
WWM/Disco	38	2,502	2,540	2,475	38
CHM	0	697	697	697	0
TWM/Rehab Orders	0	1,551	1,551	1,551	0
Leakages & Other Repairs for Maintenance	0	4,406	4,406	4,406	0
Total	38	17,754	17,792	17,726	66

### Legend:

**RIM** - reopen install meter

**REO** - reopen (padlock)

RCW - request closure

withdraw meter

CHM - change meter

TWM- transfer water meter

### • SERVICE CLOSURE

Service disconnection is a policy control measure put in place by BCWD requiring customer to pay their water bill when it becomes due. Generally, a customer would be disconnected from the water service line three (3) days after receipt of "**red bill**" – consequently, on the 4<sup>th</sup> day, his water connection is locked using a customize locking instrument called "**barrel lock**"; he is given another three (3) days to settle his water account after which withdrawal of water meter follows. There are also some causes for service closure like overdue promissory notes and those under special closure orders.

On the other hand, service closure by withdrawal of water meter may also be done upon the request of a customer for reasons other than non-payment of water bill. When a customer happened to be not using the service connection anymore or that he/she may not be around for a longer time in which case he/she can request for service disconnection — water meter withdrawal upon his/her request. The rationale behind this, the subject customer will not be billed because the service connection is inactive unlike the other way around if the same customer wishes to retain the water meter in the same condition, he/she would surely be billed monthly even if there is no water consumption or zero bill ... still minimum bill applies.

In the 1st quarter of 2020 COVID-19 virus has become pandemic spread havoc in the city and its nearby provinces. Its impact in the economy has been serious sending business establishments to slowdown and even worst stopped operation. Many workers have been laid-off from their respective jobs while more others reduce working time. BCWD was not spared, it absorbed the hardest blow; it did not stopped operation so much that it continue to provide water at homes where people forced to stay because of home quarantine orders from the Local Government Unit (*LGU*) in an effort to control the spread of contamination. In effect,

water consumption rises as reflected in the water bill – unfortunately, water payment cannot be enforced because of moratorium giving consumers option to pay or deferred bills payment without having their water service disconnected. Corollary, collection abruptly dropped while the cost of operation remains the same.

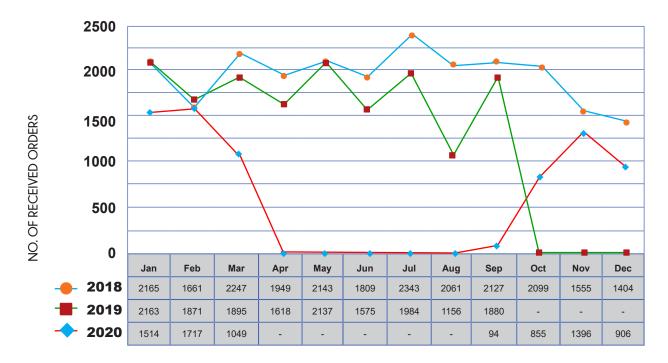
The moratorium on water bills payment has also suspended the disconnection of defaulting customers half way in March through September 2020. Disconnection is in random for accounts with special orders and overdue promissory notes.

This event brought a massive hard blow on the collection efficiency. As a result, for the year 2020, PAMD has only received a total of 7,533 disconnection orders. Out of which, 7,011 orders or 93.07% are disconnected (*in actual*) while the remaining 6.93% or 652 orders are deferred/hold for disconnection - accounts that are remarked for installation and/or replacement of damaged angle valves and those that are complex.

The actual disconnected service connections for 2020 (7011) is the lowest in the last three (3) years; in 2018 (23,879) by 240.59% or 16,868 service connections and in 2019 (19,995) by 185.19% or 12,984 service connections.

### DISCONNECTION ORDERS

2018 and 2020



### RECONNECTION OF SERVICE CONNECTION

The first question a customer would ask after paying for his/her disconnected water connection, "when will my service connection be reconnected?" It is natural for a customer to have his water line back immediately after settlement, this is why BCWD has always prioritized reconnection more than among the maintenance orders because the customers expected that their respective disconnected service lines be reconnected as soon as they got home. BCWD has already anticipated customers' behavior and response in this setting, members of the reconnection team in the field received reconnection orders through mobile phone call/text or by radio to act on each every reconnection order fast.

As with service closure, reconnection team has to restore what has been done in the disconnection after the customer complied with the requirement. The reconnection team may just unlock the service line or re-install the water meter, as the case maybe. The team is aware of the critical time element involve in this activity because delay always brings those customers back in the office in fighting mode.

On the other hand, received orders in 2020 (5,127) is lower than 2019 (5,426) by 5.51% or 299 orders. However, received orders in 2020 is higher than 2018 (4,300) by 16.13% or 827 orders.

The total accomplishment for RIM for the year 2020 is 5,130, which comprises 4,901 as actual installed meters which represents 95.54% of the total accomplishment. Only 4.46% or 229 orders; cancelled orders either by encoding error or returned orders.

However, total acted orders in 2020 (5,130) is lesser than 2019 (5,431) by 5.54% or 301 orders. Yet, total acted orders for 2020 is higher compared to 2018 (4,294) by 19.47% or 836 orders.

### WITHDRAWAL OF WATER METERS

There are two conditions which may result to withdrawal of water meter, either the customer has requested so or that the subject connection has been previously disconnected for non- payment of water bill, three (3) days thereafter, if still no settlement is received, water meter will be withdrawn.

All received 698 RCW orders are all acted accordingly within the year, But for the last two (2) years, the total received/acted orders in 2020 (698) is lower compared to 2019 (732) by 4.87% or 34 orders. Yet, much lower than 2018 by 35.67% or 249 orders. This trend means that more customers are now paying their water bills on time to avoid inconvenience of having their respective water service closed.

For CY 2020, the actual accomplishment for withdrawal of water meters (RCW and WWM) is 5,189. This exceeds the target of 3,960 by 23.68% or 1,229 orders, as disconnection team members assist in the withdrawal of water meters whenever there are fewer orders for disconnection. 1,770 orders are considered part of the total accomplishment of the team. As of end of CY 2020, only 45 or 0.65% remained un-acted.

These un-acted orders (backlog) are prioritized for withdrawal in January 2020, see table below.

Noture of Orders	PO.		AO		Variance (Based on
Nature of Orders	RO	C1	C2+H+R	TAO	Monthly Monitoring)
RCW	698	684	14	698	0
WWM	6,208	4,505	1,756	6,261	45
Total	6,906	5,189	1,770	6,959	45

### • CHANGE METER

There are enumerable conditions for a service connections owner to have their water meters changed. The water meter is a measuring instrument which most likely to be overtaken by wear and tear due to daily use. It may malfunction at any given time because of dirt or foreign tiny particles that may have enter into the water meter mechanism causing the same to falter and give incorrect water usage measurement reading.

Moreover, water meter is sensitive and fragile; hence, it can easily be broken or damaged. Since water meter is made of brass material, it is a hot item in the eyes of the thieves and scrap boys, many customers lost their water meters to thieves that were sold in the scrap iron and junk shops.

All those mentioned conditions require change of water meters at no cost to the customer except for damaged unit. The water meter installed in a service connection is a property of BCWD and under the contract of service the customer is oblige to protect and keep it safe, eventually, when it is broken or damaged the customer will pay for it.

There are 1,008 change meter orders; comprises 87.70% or 884 actual number of changed meters and 12.30% or 124 orders - orders that are cancelled, hold and or returned orders. But, all received orders for the year are all acted accordingly.

### TRANSFER WATER METER/REHABILITATION OF CLUSTERS

These are among the regular maintenance activities of BCWD – transfer of water meter to ideal location and rehabilitation of water meter cluster. Service connections affected by road construction and widening or similar developmental makeover need to be transferred to new ideal location. There are also meter clusters which have been poorly constructed before or may have been downed for other reasons that needed to be rehabilitated. Technically, water meters in up-side-down position such as in downed clusters cannot functions properly and tending to give inaccurate water usage readings.

A total of 358 transferred water meters (based on the actual remarks of the orders for maintenance) and completed the Department's target to rehabilitate 1,000 clusters in an identified area. Rehabilitation of clusters includes elevation/standardization of clusters (4 units of water meter in a single cluster) and transfer of cluster to its proper location.

# **PERSONNEL & STAFFING**

### STAFF PROFILE

The total work force of the District as of December 31, 2020 consisted of 217 employees. Out of this, 159 (73%) were employees with Permanent status and 58 (27%) with Contract of Service status.

Out of the 229 existing positions of BCWD, 159 have been filled up and distributed to the different offices/departments: the Office of the Board of Directors, Office of the General Manager and Management Services Department – 20 positions; Administrative Services Department – 36 positions; Finance Department – 17 positions; Commercial Services Department – 25 positions; Engineering Department – 14 positions; Pipeline and Appurtenances Maintenance Department – 28 positions; and Production & Distribution Department – 19 positions.

In the distribution of personnel, which includes the reassigned personnel from one office/department to another office/department, Administrative Services Department has the highest personnel count – 44 (20%), followed by the Pipeline & Appurtenances Maintenance Department – 41 (19%), Commercial Services Department – 33 (15%), Production & Distribution Department – 32 (15%), OBD/OGM/MSD - 26 (12%), the Finance Department – 21 (10%) and Engineering Department – 20 (09%).

DEPARTMENT	NO. OF PERSONNEL	PERCENTAGE (%)
ADMIN	44	20%
PAMD	41	19%
COMMERCIAL	33	15%
PRODUCTION	32	15%
OBD/OGM/MSD	26	12%
FINANCE	21	10%
ENGINEERING	20	09%
GRAND TOTAL	217	100%

### STAFFING/NUMBER OF PERSONNEL

As of December 31, 2020

LEVEL / CLASSIFICATION OF	OI	BD/O MSI		-	Adm	in	I	Finan	ce	Со	mme	rcial	Eng	gine	ering		PAM	ID	Pro	oduc	ction	Gr	and T	otal
POSITIONS	М	F	Total	М	F	Total	М	F	Total	М	F	Total	М	F	Total	М	F	Total	М	F	Total	М	F	Total
A. PLANTILLA																								
Existing			32			45			23			35			21			39			34			229
Filled	9	11	20	30	6	36	3	14	17	16	9	25	12	2	14	21	7	28	16	3	19	107	52	159
Unfilled			12			9			6			10			7			11			15			70
B. ELIGIBILITY																								
Career Executive	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Professional	8	9	17	12	6	18	3	11	14	13	8	21	3	2	5	4	7	11	4	3	7	47	46	93
Non-Prof / Technical	0	2	2	13	0	13	0	3	3	2	1	3	5	0	5	4	0	4	6	0	6	21	6	36
No Eligibility	1	0	1	5	0	5	0	0	0	1	0	1	4	0	4	13	0	13	6	0	6	39	0	30
C. POSITIONS																								
By Level																								
First Level	5	7	12	23	3	26	3	7	10	14	7	21	10	0	10	18	3	21	13	1	14	86	28	114
Second Level	4	4	8	7	3	10	0	7	7	2	2	4	2	2	4	3	4	7	3	2	5	21	24	45
Third Level	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BY STATUS																								
Permanent	9	11	20	30	6	36	3	14	17	16	9	25	12	2	14	21	7	28	16	3	19	107	52	159
Temporary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sub-Total 1	9	11	20	30	6	36	3	14	17	16	9	25	12	2	14	21	7	28	16	3	19	107	52	159
D. CONTRAC-TUAL (CON)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
E. CONTRACT OF SERVICE	2	4	6	6	2	8	2	2	4	5	3	8	5	1	6	12	1	13	12	1	13	44	14	58
Sub-Total 2 (D+E)	2	4	6	6	2	8	2	2	4	5	3	8	5	1	6	12	1	13	12	1	13	44	14	58
GRAND TOTAL (Sub-Totals 1& 2)	11	15	26	36	8	44	5	16	21	21	12	33	17	3	20	33	8	41	28	4	32	151	66	217

BCWD was once operating as a semi-private entity under partial control of the local government of Butuan with governing board members are all appointed by the city mayor. Civil Service eligibility was not required before; hence, 20% of the employees have no eligibility. By the time all water districts in the country were put under the control of national government, by virtue of a supreme court ruling, those employees retained their positions in status quo. As such they cannot be promoted to higher positions until they become civil service eligible.

Eligibility	Number	Percentage (%)
Career Executive	0	0%
Career Service Professional	93	58%
Non-professional/technical	36	23%
No eligibility	30	19%
Total	159	100%

### I. PERSONNEL RECRUITMENT

STATUS	ITEMS PROCESSED	2019	2020	VARIANCE
Permanent	Appointments	1	31	30
Temporary	Appointments	0	0	0
Contract of Service	Contracts	15	14	(1)

In 2020, the hiring of personnel with permanent appointment increased by thirty (30) while hiring of personnel with Contract of Service status decreased by one (1), as compared with 2019.

### II. RENEWAL OF EMPLOYMENT

STATUS	ITEMS PROCESSED	2019	2020	VARIANCE
Contract of Service	Contracts	59	58	(1)

The number of Contract of Service personnel increased by one (1) in 2020 compared to 2019.

### **III. PERSONNEL MOVEMENTS**

STATUS	NO. OF APP	Variance	
STATUS	2019	2020	variance
Promotion – Permanent	1	16	15
Promotion – Temporary (in nature)	0	0	-
Permanent - Transfer	0	2	2
Temporary Status to Permanent	0	0	-
Contractual to Permanent	0	0	-
Contract of Service to Permanent	0	12	12
Contract of Service to Contractual	0	0	-
Project-Based to Permanent	0	1	1
Project-Based to Temporary	0	0	-

The table shows that in 2020, sixteen (16) employees were promoted to permanent; one (1) employee transferred from another agency; one (1) employee transferred from one department to another; twelve (12) contract of service personnel had their status changed to permanent; and one (1) project-based personnel had his status changed to permanent.

### IV. SEPARATION FROM THE SERVICE

DESCRIPTION	NUMBER OF	Variance	
DESCRIPTION	2019	2020	variance
Death	0	0	0
Dropped from the Rolls	0	0	0
End of Contract	1	4	3
Termination of Temporary Appointment	0	0	0
Retirement	2	7	5
Resignation (Permanent)	5	2	(3)
Resignation (Contract of Service & Project-Based)	8	4	(4)
Transfer to Another Agency	1	1	0

The table above shows that in 2020, the HR Division was able to process seven (7) retirement, two (2) resignations of permanent employee, four (4) resignations of contract of service, one (1) transfer to another agency and four (4) end of contract.

REASONS FOR LEAVING	2020	PERCENTAGE
Higher pay	1	10%
Improved work life balance	0	-
Career Change	1	10%
Agency instability	0	-
Family and/or personal reasons	1	10%
Conflict with other employees	0	-
Conflict with supervisor / manager	0	-
Better career opportunity	4	40%
Closer to home	1	10%
Better Benefits	1	10%
Other	1	10%
Total	10	100%

The table above shows that out of six (6) personnel who resigned, majority of them are looking for a better career opportunity outside BCWD.

### **PRODUCTIVITY INDEX**

BCWD Staff Productivity Index per Active Water Service Connections with the standard ratio of 1 employee per 120 connections (1:120) as determined by the Local Water Utilities Administration and the Department of Budget and Management.

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### **Staff Productivity Index**

Based on Active Water Service Connections

(from 1995 to December 31, 2020)

Year	No. of Active Connections	Existing No. of Personnel	Staff Productivity Index (1 staff per 120 connections)	Variance
1995	13,296	116	111	(5)
1996	14,205	112	118	6
1997	14,903	137	124	(13)
1998	15,779	117	131	14
1999	17,376	121	145	24
2000	19,020	121	159	38
2001	20,331	130	169	39
2002	21,156	133	176	43
2003	23,163	132	193	61
2004	25,139	137	209	72
2005	27,560	141	230	89
2006	28,892	131	241	110
2007	30,273	131	252	121
2008	31,972	140	266	126
2009	32,255	150	269	119
2010	33,456	154	279	125
2011	34,285	168	286	118
2012	35,726	167	298	131
2013	37,703	176	314	138
2014	39,435	179	329	150
2015	40,770	194	340	146
2016	43,524	196	363	167
2017	45,851	203	382	179
2018	48,815	208	407	199
2019	51,908	214	433	219
2020	53,616	217	447	230

Based on the Staff Productivity Index per Active Water Service Connections with the standard ratio of 1 employee per 120 connections (1:120) as determined by the Local Water Utilities Administration and the Department of Budget and Management, it shows that the District is still understaffed. As of December 31, 2020 with 217 personnel, the number of service connections per employee ratio is 1:447, thus with a variance of 230 lacking personnel as indicated in the table above.

# **PROCUREMENT SERVICES**

Procurement is one of the support services critical to BCWD operation. When procurement system could not make deliveries on time it can have a "domino" effect in the operation. For instance, if deliveries of supplies, materials and equipment are delayed a particular work or project consequently cannot go on and that completion is eventually delayed. Unfortunately, a delayed project costs as much implied losses and other setbacks which are detrimental to operation, hence, it is of prime importance to have a proactive procurement system.

BCWD has no control over the circumstances surrounding each procurement activity, if a supplier defaulted, remedial and counter measure are laid to safeguard the interest of the water district, penalties are imposed and even blacklisting of suppliers when necessary.

BCWD adheres to the guidelines of procurement in the government as a Government Owned & Controlled Corporation (GOCC) outlined in R.A. 9184 implementing rules and regulation. The said procurement Act so provides that all procurement should be within the approved budget of the procuring entity and must be in the Annual Procurement Plan (APP). The guidelines imposed competitive bidding as the general method of procurement; however, there are exemptions, as indicated in Article IV-Section 10 and Article XVI of the said Act. One of the alternative methods of procurement used by the water district is "Shopping" which requires the submission of at least there (3) quotations for readily available off-the-shelf goods or ordinary/regular equipment.

### SHOPPING & SMALL VALUE PROCUREMENT

For small value procurement, twenty-six (26) working-processing days are required, from receipt of approved purchase/job request from different departments up to issuance of approved purchase/job order excluding delivery time.

Items Processed			2019	2020	Variance
Purchase Requests			1325	1124	(201)
Job Requests			366	344	(22)
Abstracts of Price Quotations			464	428	(36)
Request for Price Quotations			1392	1371	(21)
Purchase Orders			928	735	(193)
Job Orders			254	298	44
Budget Utilization Requests			664	492	(172)
Certificate of Acceptance			832	516	(316)
Billing Statements (for BUR)			664	492	(172)
Suppliers (Local)			165	101	(64)
Suppliers (Out of Town)			130	38	(92)
BAC Resolutions Submitted			7	10	3
Contracts Prepared	2019	2020			
*Regular Procurement	8	9	14	16	2
*Bidding	6	7			

### **Public Bidding**

Public Bidding is the general mode of procurement mandated in all government-owned and controlled corporations (GOCCs) where BCWD belongs to. For 2020, the following projects were procured through public bidding.

	PARTICULARS	AWARDED TO	ABC	CONTRACT PRICE	MODE OF PROCUREMENT	ISSUANCE OF NOA	CONTRACT SIGNING	REMARKS
1	Package 1-2020: Supply and Delivery of Gas Chlorine Sodium Hypochlorite and Calcium Hypochlorite	Mabuhay Vinyl Corporation	3,698,000	3,698,000	Public Bidding	February 24, 2020	March 13, 2020	Awarded
2	Package 2-2020: Procurement of Fuel for the year 2020	Caraga Fuel Distributor, Inc.	2,981,558	2,554,466	Public Bidding	March 16, 2020	May 11, 2020	Awarded
3	Package 3-2020: Procurement of Vehicle Rental Services with Tracker (Global Positioning System) for the year 2020	Visa Transport Vehicle	4,297,680	4,297,044	Public Bidding	August 10, 2020	August 19, 2020	Awarded
4	Package 04-2020: Supply, Delivery and Commissioning of One (1) unit Engine-Driven Welding Machine/ Generator - (Re- Bidding)		1,800,000		Public Bidding			Failure of Bidding
5	Package 5-2020: Supply, Delivery, Testing and Commissioning of One (1) unit Global Navigation Satellite Systems Real- Time Kinematic (GNSSRTK) including 1 Base + 1 Rover + Controller + 1 External Radio (Re-bidding)	Geotech Mercantile Corporation	1,400,000	1,279,500	Public Bidding	December 11, 2020	December 29, 2020	Awarded
6	Package 6-2020: Supply and Delivery of Various Brass Fittings	VC Garcia Industrial Corp.	5,758,357	5,664,590	Public Bidding	November 3, 2020	November 13, 2020	Awarded
7	Package 7-2020: Supply and Delivery of Black High-Density Polyethylene (HDPE) Pipes	Jhaycor Industries, Inc.	1,193,300	1,140,068	Public Bidding	October 29, 2020	November 18, 2020	Awarded
8	Package 8-2020: Supply and Delivery of Various Plastic Fittings	FANM Enterprises	1,658,970	1,575,618	Public Bidding	November 10, 2020	December 3, 2020	(1)

#### LOGISTICS SUPPORT

Pro-active support services are also critical to logistics system affecting the whole operation. BCWD ensures that safety and security controls are in place for which 22 security personnel are outsourced to secure various major structures and facilities of the water district. A well maintained and clean office building gives comfort and conducing working environment so do with the well-kept and maintained transport vehicles ferrying all operation and maintenance teams to their respective field assignments safely. This is how general services support activities interrelate towards an effective logistics system.

The succeeding table show-cased the general services activities in 2020 which contribute to good logistics performance of BCWD.

PARTICULARS / ACTIVITY	Remarks / Unit/ No.
Outsourced Services:	13,296
Security Personnel (guards)	14,205
Drivers – rented light vehicles with GPS	14,903
Comfac Corporation (preventive maintenance – uninterrupted power supply for computers)	15,779
E&E Appliance (preventive maintenance air-conditioning system	17,376
Building & appurtenances improvement:	19,020
Supply & Rental of Equipment for Transport of Backfilling materials from BCWD ADMIN Building to Pump Station 1 (14 truckloads)	20,331
Relocation of 2 outdoor Aircon units from rooftop to canopy	21,156
Ceiling works, masonry works, concrete works and relocation of main doors of electrical room and NRW Bodega.	23,163
Demolition of skylight at roof deck & Re-concreting of roof deck slab	25,139
Conduct of disinfection of BCWD ADMIN Building and its premises	27,560
Relocation of 2 units Aircon and installation of additional seventy feet tubing	28,892
ADMIN Building and Ground floor renovation and construction of three (3) storey building extension	30,273
Transport Equipment Repairs:	31,972
Mini Dump truck - replace of cowl and general body repair – including painting & electrical	32,255
Canter - Replace, align, welding of front flooring, stepboard, wheelbox & door port hinges.	33,456
Toyota Hi-Ace Van – repair replacement of various parts	34,285

#### PRE-AUDIT OF TRANSACTION DOCUMENTS

Pre-audit was conducted daily on transaction documents before these are paid for and recorded. Transactions with lacking documents are returned to forwarding unit until the noted deficiencies are complied with.

As a declared policy that all resources of the government are managed, expended and utilized in accordance with laws and regulations, IAD conducted inspection on supplies/materials/equipment (S/M/E) for items amounting to ₱50,000.00 below upon receipt of Inspection Requests from the Property and Materials Management Division (PMMD) and Letter Requests from the departments.

Monthly surprise cash count/examination has been performed to the Accountable Officers including Revolving Fund Custodians of Petty Cash Fund and Working Fund to check if the cash in their custody actually existed, items presented were viable and cash balances surrendered were correctly recorded.

#### INTERNAL QUALITY AUDIT

BCWD is an ISO certified passing the standard requirements of ISO 9001:2015 Quality Management System. For 2020, it maintained its certification after meeting all the standard requirements by passing through the certifying body's external audit.

## FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE HIGHLIGHTS

Profit and non-profit oriented organizations used accounting tools to measure the result of their respective operations. How much they earn or loss and grow are seen in their financial performances which are communicated through the financial statements.

BCWD operates as a Government-Owned and Controlled Corporation (GOCC), however, receiving no subsidies from the national government or from any foundation and non-government organizations. It is self-liquidating and as such it depends solely from the surplus generated from its operation.

#### **RESULT OF OPERATION**

## BUTUAN CITY WATER DISTRICT DETAILED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (ALL FUNDS)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

	2020	2019
INCOME		
Service and Business Income		
Business Income		
Total Business Income	398,474,050.14	394,561,341.90
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Other Non-operating Income		
Miscellaneous Income		
Total Miscellaneous Income	10,752,570.71	7,413,761.37
Total Other Non-operating Income	10,752,570.71	7,413,761.37
Total Income	409,226,620.85	401,975,103.27
EXPENSES		
Personnel Services		
Salaries and Wages		
Salaries and Wages- Regular	48,393,108.18	44,087,957.40
Total Salaries and Wages	48,393,108.18	44,087,957.40
Other Compensation		
Total Other Compensation	23,015,413.06	25,551,998.35
Personnel Benefit Contributions		
Total Personnel Benefit Contributions	6,681,948.09	6,236,065.13
Other Personnel Benefits		
Other Personnel Benefits	4,561,261.06	3,666,329.80
Total Personnel Services	82,651,730.39	79,542,350.68
Total Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses	233,979,812.76	225,305,128.09
Financial Expenses		
Total Financial Expenses	28,978,048.15	30,967,796.86
Non-Cash Expenses		
Total Non-Cash Expenses	60,793,408.77	61,509,963.70
Total Expenses	406,403,000.07	397,325,239.33
Profit/ (Loss) Before Tax	2,823,620.78	4,649,863.94
Income Tax Expense/ (Benefit)	-	-
Profit/ (Loss) After Tax	2,823,620.78	4,649,863.94
Net Assistance/ Subsidy/ (Financial Assistance/ Subsidy/ Contribution)	-	-
Net Income/ (Loss)	2,823,620.78	4,649,863.94
Other Comprehensive/ (Loss) for the Period	-	-
Comprehensive Income/ (Loss)	2,823,620.78	4,649,863.94

## BUTUAN CITY WATER DISTRICT DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2020

	2020	2019
Current Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	89,621,176.85	87,464,676.73
Cash on Hand	1,806,496.76	66,257,294.90
Cash in Bank- Local Currency	87,814,680.09	21,207,381.83
Receivables	60,920,899.57	44,037,582.66
Inventories	29,450,919.21	38,069,883.17
Other Current Assets	3,715,018.13	2,757,817.43
Total Current Assets	183,708,013.76	172,329,959.99
Noncurrent Assets		
Investments	66,580,522.22	88,412,925.58
Receivables	11,860,989.35	14,217,588.84
Property, Plant and Equipment	891,269,698.65	935,118,146.72
Buildings and Other Structures	72,711,456.84	72,695,762.44
Machinery and Equipment	63,505,305.50	77,677,935.56
Transportation Equipment	5,315,516.07	6,832,508.72
Furniture, Fixtures and Books	106,735.10	148,523.58
Construction in Progress	44,318,750.12	42,192,546.43
Intangible Assets	46,948.80	94,718.64
Other Noncurrent Assets	18,149,952.13	18,134,319.01
Total Noncurrent Assets	987,908,111.15	1,055,977,698.79
Total Assets	1171616124.91	1228307658.78
LIABILITIES	117 10 10 12 4.3 1	1220007000.70
Current Liabilities		
Financial Liabilities	105,557,118.01	85,390,247.50
Payables	22,814,568.41	35,141,862.20
Loans Payable	81,706,634.12	49,292,633.00
Other Financial Liabilities	1,035,915.48	955,752.30
Inter-agency Payables	58,843,727.25	3,768,511.87
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Trust Liabilities	31,369,410.01	66,132,616.34
Deferred Credits/ Unearned Income	640,273.12	453,904.43
Provisions	6,690,728.21	6,197,693.74
Other Payables	2,545,795.39	1,386,118.06
Total Current Liabilities	205,647,051.99	163,329,091.94
Noncurrent Liabilities	200,011,001.00	100,020,001.01
Financial Liabilities	440,088,099.71	504,610,758.95
Loans Payable	440,088,099.71	504,610,758.95
Trust Liabilities	471,438.28	25,657,668.37
Deferred Credits/ Unearned Income	3,427,525.97	3,908,162.57
Total Noncurrent Liabilities		534,176,589.89
	443,987,063.96	
Total Liabilities	649,634,115.95	697,505,681.83
EQUITY	17.011.000 ==	47.044.000 ==
Government Equity	17,914,209.59	17,914,209.59
Retained Earnings/ (Deficit)	504,067,799.37	512,887,767.36
Retained Earnings/ (Deficit)	504,067,799.37	512,887,767.36
Total Equity	521,982,008.96	530,801,976.95
Total Equity	521,982,008.96	530,801,976.95
Total Liabilities and Equity	1,171,616,124.91	1,228,307,658.78

The Covid-19 pandemic has really affected the operation of BCWD as evident in reduced earnings and downtrend in Equity figures in comparison with last year.

# **COMMUNITY RELATIONS**& EXTERNAL AFFAIRS DIVISION

The community of stakeholders of water service utility are the most important element of its operation because they are the reasons why water districts existed. The success of every advocacy depends upon on the awareness and acceptance of the community where water districts operate. Getting them aware and well informed or even involved about everything which relates to the advocacies, programs and activities of the water district is half way to success and how to reach them out is another half way.

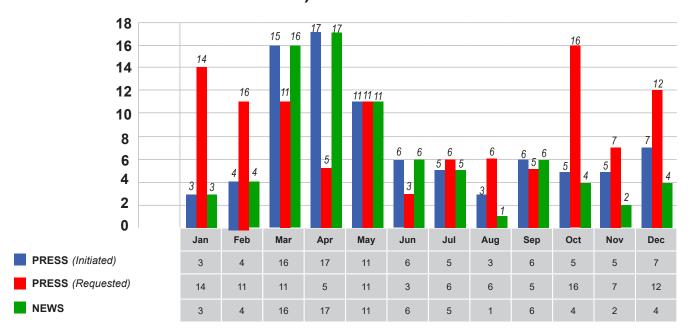
#### INFORMATION DRIVE

BCWD gets through the broadcast and television media to reach out the community to disseminate press and news releases pertaining to water service interruptions, activities and programs of the water district. A total of 195 and 22 press and news releases, respectively, graphically presented below.

Hot issues relating to BCWD operation that the media wanted to bring to its listeners on air get through live interviews with BCWD's spoke person and with the General Manager (GM) himself. a total of 32 hook-in-live and recorded interviews – 7 for TV, 22 for Broadcast and 3 for print media.

#### **Press and News Releases**

January - December 2017



#### **Press Releases**

- 216 stories / announcements (104 initiated press releases and 112 requested press releases) were released compared to last year's 202.

#### **News Releases**

- 79 news/feature stories were released as of end of December compared to last year's 52.

## NEWSLETTERS, BROCHURES, LEAFLETS & OTHER INFORMATIVE MATERIALS

BCWD launched its very own corporate journal dubbed "Breakwater" many years back. The publication is on quarterly basis which captures the highlights of BCWD performance, programs and pertinent issues for the quarter. Adopt-a-Forest is brochure in support of the National Greening Program with the ultimate objective of developing the Taguibo Watershed Forest Reserve, an advocacy of the water district. Some other leaflets are designed to make the stakeholders aware about their local water utility, water conservation tips, news bits and other subjects of interest relating to BCWD

#### **Production of Informative Print Materials**

DESCRIPTION	NO. OF COPIES
Breakwater	1,000
Breakwater News bit (vol 6 – No.1-9)	9,000
Adopt-a-Forest	600
Community Water Conservation	1,000
BCWD in 60 seconds	1,500
From Source to Taps	1,500
Water Saving Tips	11,500
BCWD Best Practice During Covid-19 (Adapting Covid-19)	500
BCWD SM Bill Payment	2,000
BCWD Partners with ECPay Bills Payment	2,000
BCWD advisory on Covid-19 (Avoid Congestion)	1,000
Covid-19 Advisory	1,000
BCWD Advisory (collecting centers)	1,000
Covid-19 – Office Closure	1,000
BCWD Advisory on Covid-19 (extends payment period)	1,000
BCWD Advisory Covid -19 (Pasabot)	1,000
Customer Survey Form	1,000
BCWD New Collection Schedule	2,000
BCWD Advisory on Covid-19 (for building owners)	2,000
BCWD Advisory on Covid-19 (on the safe use of alcohol)	1,000
BCWD Advisory for Veterans' Bank	1,000
Declaration Form – Covid-19	2,000

**INSTITUTIONAL ACTIVITIES** – One way of bringing the water district closer to the communities is done by getting them involved with the activities designed to give them awareness of the importance of water through the conduct of local contests theming with the current issues and water saving drive.

#### **LOCAL CONTESTS**

#### \* 16TH PHOTO CONTEST

- The 16<sup>th</sup> Photo Contest on-location shooting was conducted last March 11, 2020 at Sitio Tagkiling, Brgy. Anticala. This year's Photo Contest was open to three levels namely, elementary, jr. high school and sr. high school. A total of thirteen (13) elementary pupils wherein seven (7) are female and six (6) are male; fourteen (14) jr. high school with ten (10) female and four (4) male; and thirteen (13) sr. high school students with six (6) female and seven (7) male, participated in the said contest.



#### \* 31<sup>ST</sup> ON-THE-SPOT POSTER MAKING CONTEST

- The 31<sup>st</sup> On-the-Spot Poster Making Contest was held last March 12, 2020 at the BCWD Training Hall with the theme: "Preserve, Conserve... Deserve Ko ang Fight for Water" for the Elementary and "ACT 4 H2O ... Activate the Cause and Time 4 Water." for the Junior High School level. Contest started at 9:00 am for the elementary level and 2:00 pm for the junior high school level. A total of 21 elementary pupils wherein ten (10) were female and eleven (11) were male; and 20 junior high school students with seven (7) female and thirteen (13) male, participated in the said contest.



#### \* 1<sup>ST</sup> QUARTER WATER QUIZ SHOW

The 1st set of Quarterly Water Quiz Show was conducted last January 29, 2020, 9:00 a.m. for the elementary level and 2:00 p.m. for the junior high school level at the BCWD Training Hall. A total of 24 elementary and 21 junior high school students participated in the said contest. Among the 20 elementary pupils, 16 were female and 8 were male. For the junior high school level, 10 were female and 11 were male.



#### WATER EDUCATION AND ADVOCACY

#### **BISITA ESKWELA**

The Bisita Eskwela for CY 2020 was conducted in a different format starting the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter due to the restructions brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic. The implementation of the 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> quarter Bisita Eskwela were limited to distribution of materials for information dissemination and to assist the schools in production of modules for online and modular classes and only by request from schools.



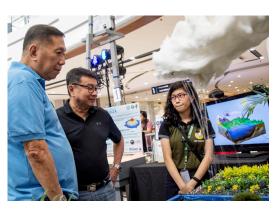
#### WATER DISTRICT WEEK

Butuan City Water District (BCWD) in cooperation with the Philippine Association of Water Districts (PAWD) observed the celebration of Water District Week. For 2020, BCWD conducted once again the Community Water Conservation Festival January 27 and 31, 2020. The celebration started with the conduct of the Watershed Symposium last January 21-22, 2020 also in consonance with the celebration of the LGU Butuan's Watershed Consciousness Week.



#### A. FESTIVAL BOOTH EXHIBIT

The BCWD conducted the Booth Exhibit in the morning of January 31, 2020 at the Robinson's Mall Butuan Atrium. The Booth Exhibit is a contest for the Sr. High School and tertiary level. Each College or University is given an area where they can create a booth depicting the theme or topic provided to them. A total of 3 colleges and/or universities participated in the said activity.



#### A. FESTIVAL VARIETY SHOW

To cap off the weeklong celebration, BCWD conducted the Festival Variety Show in the afternoon of January 31, 2020 at the Robinson's Mall Butuan Atrium. The Variety Show is intended for Jr. and Senior High School Students in Butuan City.







#### A. FILM SHOWING

The Film Showing showcased the Water District through the documentary depicting the Butuan City Water District and the Taguibo River Watershed Forest Reserve. Said activity was conducted at 1:30PM at the Robinson's Mall Butuan – New Atrium with a total of 107 participants, 32 of which were male and 75 were female.

As part of the District's water advocacy to our youth, an invitation was sent to two elementary schools, two secondary level schools to view the said documentary.

After the viewing, a short question and answer portion was conducted to gauge whether the students have learned something from the movie.



#### WATERSHED CONCERNS

#### WATERSHED COMMUNITY SYMPOSIUM

#### 1<sup>ST</sup> WATERSHED COMMUNITY SYMPOSIUM

As part of the celebration of the Water District Week every last full week of January and the City Ordained Watershed Consciousness Week every 3rd week of January, the Butuan City Water District (*BCWD*) kicked off its quarterly Watershed Community Symposium last January 21 and 22, 2020. A total of 181 participated in the said activity. Of the 181, 102 were female and 79 were male.



#### For this quarter, the following attended as speakers of the symposium:

- Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) Caraga:
  - Jonathan Budlat (Forestry Laws);
  - Assisted by Juliebee Cabarles;
- Environmental Management Bureau (EMB) Caraga:
  - Cymagine Donna A. Dela Rosa (WQMA);
  - Ailyn dela Peña (Water Quality);

#### - City ENRO:

 Ms. Bernardita Tecson (Solid Waste and Other SP Ordinances related to environmental concerns);

#### - DENR CENRO - Nasipit:

- Rosemarie Alas Adobas (Importance of Tree);
- Margie P. Guliman (Importance of Watershed);

#### Topics discussed during the said symposium were the following:

#### For Sitio Dugyaman, Brgy. Anticala:

- Solid Waste Management
- SP Ordinances related to Environmental Concerns
- WQMA
- Water Quality
- Importance of Trees
- Forest Protection Laws

#### For Barangay Paining:

- Solid Waste Management
- SP Ordinances Related to Environmental Concerns
- Importance of Watershed
- Forest Protection Laws









### EPILOGUE

BCWD's performance has been affected by the economic downturn caused by COVID-19 pandemic. However, there is one factor that slowed down its efficiency and performance and that is the perennial problem on non-revenue water. The pipeline network is almost half a century old and evidently overtaken by wear and tear due the passage of time. Its pipeline system need to be rehabilitated if the district has to extend its operation for another decade – no amount of strategy and control can replace rehabilitation since the water pipelines are bleeding daily underneath. The DMAs are ineffective given the scenario of dilapidated system.

Even if with the initiative of water rates adjustments can only alleviate BCWD's financial health momentarily – the revenue stream would soon be overtaken with the profound effect of inefficiency of wasted water known as non-revenue water. The management has taken up measures like appropriating funds for the control and eventually reduce NRW to an acceptable level. Since rehabilitation of the entire pipelines system is very costly BCWD might be mulling an options either through capital financing or seek a joint venture partner under the auspices of Public-Private Partnership (PPP).