

**Attachment 6. GROUP 1 OUTPUT: SUPPORT SYSTEMS AND NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT**

1. Question: How to promote effective convergence especially among the 3 major Rural Development Agencies and the LGUs particularly on support systems and *natural resources* systems management ?
2. Major areas of convergence:
  - a. Watershed management
  - b. Upland areas
  - c. Lowland areas
  - d. Coastal Areas
3. Answer : Focus first on watershed management as a demonstration/pilot area for effectively operationalizing convergence. Watershed covers uplands, lowlands and coastal areas.
4. Activity for the next 10 months : Systems Analysis Study that will
  - a. examine and evaluate the decision making processes for watershed management and the underlying institutional arrangements
  - b. determine the baseline information needs that will support convergent/harmonized watershed management including watershed characterization (gap analysis)
  - c. propose alternative institutional arrangements that will support convergent/harmonized watershed management
  - d. develop a watershed prioritization criteria
5. Focals/drivers for the Systems Analysis Study
  - a. Lead – DENR; Dir Argete will facilitate the discussions in the Department to determine the lead person; will prepare TOR and manage study
  - b. Other participants – DA (Usec Serrano to facilitate the discussions in the Department to determine the lead person); DAR (?); LGUs (represented by leagues)
6. Possible Funding – GTZ Water Resource Management Study, JICA (?), AusAid (?)