

## The Impacts of Agricultural Carbon Footprint in Salikneta, San Jose Del Monte, Bulacan

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Abstract: The subsistence of a human-induced or anthropogenic greenhouse gases (GHGs) specifically carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) in the atmosphere can be ascribed to the processes associated predominantly with an ultimate and imperative factor: the livestock. In 2010, De La Salle Araneta University released a total 65,000 kg equivalent of CO<sub>2</sub> into the atmosphere, a concentration that is nominal relative to the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in the countrywide setting. This equivalent emission serves as the baseline scenario for the University. CO<sub>2</sub> accounting and modeling were performed using the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) and Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) frameworks. The results were further validated using internationally-accepted schemes. Mitigating measures and adaptation capacities on how to address the environmental enigma were determined and recommended in order to offset the so-called ecological footprint. An estimated fifty percent (50%) of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent reduction would be reached in 2015 if these assuaging systems emerge

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