Following the Land Information Working Group (LIWG)Spark, we have selected some of the highlights from the Land and Natural Resources update for the period October 1st to 31st, 2019.

- Over the past year, Laos had a growth of 360,000 hectares. [http://bit.ly/2qgLWZO]
- The Land Information Working Group (LIWG) is working on developing and implementing strategies to enhance land use efficiency and productivity. [http://bit.ly/32SKLhN]
- The Land Information Working Group (LIWG) is providing detailed statistics on land use and management. [https://laooledaily.com.la/2019/10/25/63527/]
- The Land Information Working Group (LIWG) is working closely with various stakeholders to ensure effective land use and management. [http://bit.ly/2K2378H]
- The Land Information Working Group (LIWG) is committed to promoting sustainable land use and management. [http://bit.ly/2pDVwWK]
English News

- **EU allocates aid for Lao flood victims, by ANN:** [http://bit.ly/33e0tL](http://bit.ly/33e0tL) & read more [here](http://bit.ly/33e0tL)
- **New Mekong dam in Laos opens to protests, dried-out downstream, by Reuters:** [https://reut.rs/2JHlY8L](https://reut.rs/2JHlY8L)
- **Laos had 13,148 factories in 2016, while information on investment in environmental protection is inadequate, by ANN:** [http://bit.ly/2qohz3x](http://bit.ly/2qohz3x)
- **Smart city project tops agenda at monthly govt’ meeting, by ANN:** [http://bit.ly/2JNj1mY](http://bit.ly/2JNj1mY)
• A series of journeys by the photographer of Bangkok Tribune to reflect the Mekong’s Way on Southeast Asia’s lifeline, by BBK Tribune: http://bit.ly/2Cdhy56
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• 4 ปีสิ้นสุดใช้ทำใจละลาย ลาว-จีน จับมือร่วมมั่นคงชาปะ ถ้านุ่มละลายได้ไม่ชัดเจน, ฮ่องเต้ สะท้านโลก-ทวีป: https://youtu.be/PawiZISWdGc