



# Weekly Wrap-Up Newsletter

The weekly wrap-up newsletter is a platform to link and update staff and project stakeholders on the happenings in all Project Implementation Units (PIUs) and Project Management Unit (PMU) on the progress of projects CAUSE implemented in various communities of Honiara, Guadalcanal (areas outside of town boundary), Auki, Gizo, Noro and Munda.

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A pre-bidding meeting was held recently for the upcoming road projects in Honiara. During the meeting component 2 Project Manager Samuel Belamide go through with the contractors steps to apply for the projects. Mr. Belamide explained the application process and the requirements.

The roads are : restoration and maintenance of unsealed feeder road ) Lio creek, Abira heights, Mbaranamba, LDA, Mahu2, Tanahoru, Marara, Tasahe, Vura, Agape, Komibito, Gilbert Camp, Wind valley, lower geology, Mount Horeb, Naha 4 and April Ridge. The application closes Tuesday next week there after will call for opening of bids. Awarding of wining contractors will be announced in Mid March and actual work is requires to start immediately.

## Vura Clinic



The work on public space improvement at Vura clinic is progressing well. Final completion is expected to be at the end of this month.

## Kukum Market



Concrete slabbing of Kukum market open space is going on very well. Full completion of the concrete slabbing is expected in the coming months.



## West Kola new Jacob's ladder



Work is currently going on, on the construction of new Jacobs ladder at West Kolaridge. The new ladder will definitely help the community living further down the valley.

## Kobito 2 Retaining Wall & Footbridge



The Kobito 2 retaining wall and footbridge work is going on very well at moment. Currently the workers are concentrating on aligning and constructing the retaining wall.

## Munda market ablation block



Aligning of roofing structure on the Munda market ablation block is progressing well. Roofing is expected to be installed over the coming days. Meanwhile UN Women market for change project that funded the project will be in Munda next week to conduct trainings for vendors who will be using the facilities.

## New training room for Noro



Noro PIU is currently renovating a conference space at the Noro community centre. The renovated space will then be use for training of ISDT participants.

## News / Announcements

1. Prime Minister Manasseh Sogavare has announced last week that there is now a new positive COVID-19 case recorded. The latest case is a student that returned from the Philippines on the 21st of January 2021.
2. Tackling the COVID-19 pandemic and economic recovery are the priority areas for the national government's budget for 2021. Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Finance and Treasury, McKinnie Dentana told the public through the oversight's radio talkback show recently.
3. Officers of the Biosecurity Solomon Islands (BSI) within the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock (MAL) are currently investigating an alleged Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle (*Oryctes Rhinoceros*) attack on Noni plant at Baunasaitonga Noni Farm in East Guadalcanal.