

Update on Epinup Community Mangrove Conservation Project

PHASE II

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Water Catchment Project:

The Epinup Community has purchased materials such as paints and paint brushes for the design of the water tanks. An artist to draw up the design is yet to be identified. The tanks have not been painted yet because of the bad weather during this rainy and windy season. Additional to painting the tanks, materials for piping water from the tanks into the family home will be purchased soon.

Mangrove Boundary Sign Project:

The first 2 plywoods have been purchased for the signs. An artist is yet to be identified.

Environmental Awareness Project:

2 COM-FSM, Chuuk campus students from Epinup by the names of Radly Flaisek and Jason Moses are involved in the environmental awareness project. They are work-study students at Math and Science Department with Mr. Kind Kanto who is the chairman for the department. Mr. Kind Kanto has assigned these students to work closely with the Epinup Mangrove and Marine Protected Area Project. During the weekends, these students give talks on the environment and conservation during youth activities and other community meetings.

Upcoming Projects:

- Establish an Environmental Club at the Annex School
- Hire and Train 4 conservation officers
- Continue community environmental awareness