This is a regular update on progress with the Millennium Challenge Corporation Vanuatu Project compiled by the Design and Build Contractor – Downer EDI Works Vanuatu Ltd on behalf of the Project Team.

MCA Update #21 Efate Ring Road & Santo East Coast Road

Highlight:

Continuing good weather and good progress with Efate Ring Road pavement.

Efate Work Done Last Week

The clearing crew started work at Ulei progressing towards Tanoliu. The side drain, pavement widening and strengthening crew reached Paonangisu. The pavement overlay crew completed laying subbase and basecourse to Laonkaraei. The drainage team completed four culverts in the Ulei/Tanoliu area. Existing road maintenance work between Epule and Bethyl was also completed.

Efate Work Planned for This Week

The clearing crew will work South of Tanoliu in the direction of the Savannah Store. The side drain, pavement widening and strengthening crew will finish their work in the Paonangisu to Emua Wharf section and then relocate to Ulei and then work South through Tanoliu Village. The pavement overlay crew will continue subbase and basecourse placement from Laonkaraei working past Paonangisu towards Safaki. The drainage crew will continue working through Tanoliu village and continue working South towards the Savannah Store.

Quarries

A blast to provide more loose feed rock is planned for midday on Saturday 23 May at Malarua. This will include a 15 minute closure of the road below the quarry site. We plan to relocate the coral quarry operation from Meten Hill to Tanoliu late in the week.

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Next update will be provided on Thursday 28 May 2009

