

Special Feature

Editor's Note: The Governor's Council of Economic Advisers' Public Private Partnership initiative has drawn widespread support from the community. Various activities have been conducted and projects have been launched to rally behind the destination enhancement campaign. This section will provide insights on how PPP supporters are committed to the program.



E-Land readying to reopen improved Pau Pau Beach restroom



The Pau Pau Beach Park's restroom will soon be ready for public use, with the E-Land Group making a substantial progress in its rehabilitation work at the facility.

Lindsay Ahn, manager of Corporate Social Responsibility of E-Land/Micronesian Resort, Inc., said they cleaned the restroom area to begin the ground work, while old and worn-out facilities like the urinal, sink, and pipes were replaced. The whole facility was repainted, while a fence and gate were installed, along with new doors for each restroom stall.

The public restroom, which has been deteriorating and out of order for many years, was identified as a priority project under E-Land's site upgrade plan for the Pau Pau Beach Park. E-Land, which operates Kensington Hotel, Coral Ocean Golf Resort, and Pacific Islands Club



Saipan, adopted the park in 2016 and reaffirmed its commitment to the site this year by joining the Public Private Partnership initiative of the Governor's Council of Economic Advisers, which aims to foster a collaboration between the government and the private sector on a destination enhancement campaign in the CNMI.

As part of its commitment, E-Land did a facility assessment at the Pau

Pau Beach Park last August. The following month, they coordinated with the Parks and Recreation Division and the Commonwealth Utilities Corp. to map out the scope of the rehabilitation work at the restroom.

Then in October, the restroom went through a facelift with the facility's various features replaced and secured. E-Land will do a few more final touches to the restroom rehabilitation



project before reopening the facility later this month, according to Ahn.

"We will be conducting regular monitoring and maintenance work after we reopen the public restroom, while cleanup drives at the Pau Pau Beach Park will be held often," Ahn said.

Last month, more than 20 Kensington Hotel Saipan employees volunteered to pick up trash along the

shores of the Pau Pau Beach Park and its surrounding areas.

"Every volunteer was happy to put in the work and contribute to a good cause—helping keep our beaches, park, and community safe and clean," Ahn said.

E-Land is working on installing more recycling bins at the Pau Pau Beach Park to accommodate more trash, especially on weekends when people gather at the As Matuis site. The company will also install signage to deter littering and encourage the responsible use of the public facilities.

"We will keep our eyes and ears open to what our community needs and strive to incorporate these ideas into a development plan for the enhancement of CNMI parks and tourist sites," said Brian Shin, chief executive officer of E-Land/Micronesian Resort, Inc. (PR)

