

## **Project Update: May 2012**

Since November 2011 NRDF and its partners have started to implement the forest conservation activities within five areas in Western and Choiseul provinces. Already some clear achievements have been reached. The following activities have been carried out:

1. Two awareness building tours by NRDF and Public Solicitors Office to all communities to inform on the new protected area Act.
2. Mapping of all conservation areas.
3. Two management plans in final draft.
5. Five local rangers engaged to work in the five forest conservation areas.
6. Conservation activities linked with eco-tourism and REDD+ activities.
7. Radio sessions broadcasted on the SI radio explaining forest conservation programme.

Still to come:

1. Writing of three other management plans.
2. Carrying out four biodiversity assessments and publish reports.
3. Two workshops on forest conservation in Choiseul and Western Provinces.
4. Final reporting and final forest conservation publication.