



**THE VIRGIN ISLANDS WATER & POWER AUTHORITY
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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Department of Planning and Natural Resources announces that pursuant to Virgin Islands Rules and Regulations, Title 12, Chapter 21, Section 904-9, an application for Federal Consistency Determination, CZM0009-23, has been submitted by the Virgin Islands Water & Power Authority (VIWAPA) proposing the burial of utility lines in Estate Hannah's Rest, Frederiksted, St. Croix. The proposed federally funded underground project will install underground ducts with manholes, pad-mount transformers, and other underground devices to replace existing overhead distribution lines.

All persons interested are invited to be present and heard at the scheduled Public Meeting on the proposed project which begins on Thursday, May 18, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. In an effort to help to reduce the global spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19), this meeting will be held via the video conferencing platform Zoom.

Properly signed statements concerning the proposed project, addressed to the undersigned, will become part of the hearing record. Written statements must be submitted by May 25, 2023, via email to czm@dpnr.vi.gov.

The Environmental Assessment Report is available for public review on the DPNR-CZM Website at <https://dpnr.vi.gov/coastal-zone-management/what-we-do/federal-consistency/> Further, plans for the proposed project are on file for review by appointment only at the Department of Planning and Natural Resources, Division of Coastal Zone Management, located on the second floor at 45 Mars Hill, Frederiksted, St. Croix between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Tuesdays and Fridays, except holidays.

The following information should be used to participate in the meeting:

URL: <https://zoom.us/join>

Meeting ID: 899 1067 0882

Password: 981778