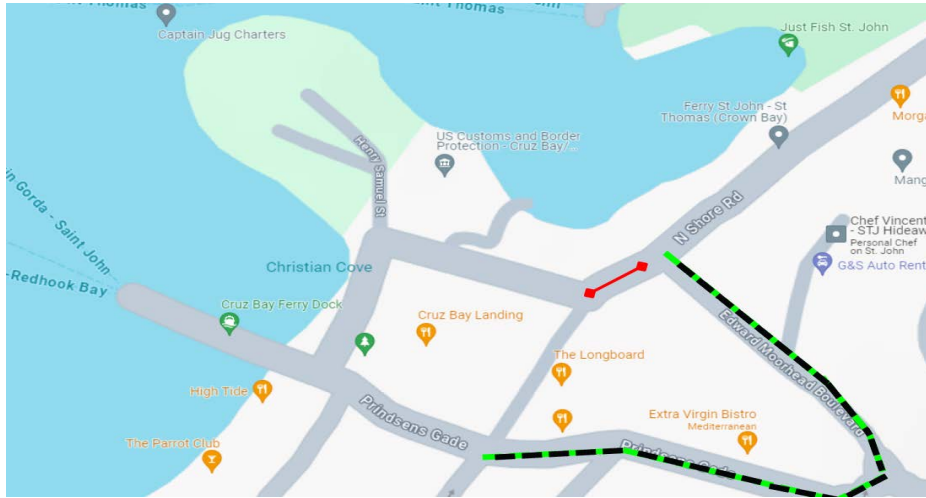




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Authority Announces Continuing Road Closure On Vester Gade Intersection On St. John

ST. JOHN, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS – The Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority (“WAPA” or “Authority”) would like to inform customers and residents on St. John about ongoing water system repairs on Vester Gade.

Today Friday, May 31st, 2024: The Westbound Lane on Vester Gade near Uncle Joe's Barbecue was reopened after a successful excavation for repairs at 3:00 PM.

Tomorrow Saturday, June 1st, 2024: The Vester Gade lane closure will resume from at 10:00 AM to approximately 4:00 PM, so The Authority's Water System Maintenance Crew can complete repairs on the damaged pipe. Due to the repairs, there will be a water service interruption on Vester Gade, affecting areas from the Vester Gade and Prindsens Gade intersection down to Mongoose Junction during the duration of the repairs. The lane closure and water interruption are necessary to ensure efficient completion of repairs and the crew's safety.

Monday June 3, 2024: The Vester Gade lane closure will resume from 10:00 AM to approximately 4 PM . The Authority's Water System Maintenance will complete excavation efforts and repair the road. There will be no water interruption.

A map outlining the lane closure and the detour route is available.

Thank You for Your Patience. WAPA appreciates the understanding and cooperation of the St. John community as they work to address this leak.

About WAPA: The Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority is an autonomous agency of the Virgin Islands Government which produces and distributes electricity and drinking water to residential and commercial customers in the territory. WAPA was created by the Fifth Legislature of the Virgin Islands in 1964 through Act No. 1248. Today, WAPA generates electrical power at production plants on St. Thomas and St. Croix and distributes electrical service through smart grids to customers on St. Thomas, St. Croix, St. John, Hassel Island, and Water Island. Potable water is distributed to almost 13,000 customers through water lines and standpipes. WAPA also has the responsibility of installing and maintaining streetlights.