



THE VIRGIN ISLANDS WATER & POWER AUTHORITY CORPORATE COMMUNICATIONS NEWS RELEASE

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Figure 1: Red and orange outline highlights closed area. Yellow lines provide available detour route for motorists.

St. Croix – Potable Water Interruption on Wednesday; Road Construction Beginning Tomorrow through Wednesday

U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS – The Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority (“WAPA” or “Authority”) would like to advise the public of road construction on St. Croix beginning tomorrow, August 29, 2023, from approximately 9 AM – 3 PM affecting Hannah’s Rest Road and Centerline Road (detailed traffic detour map included.) The road construction is part of the excavation process and exploratory dig being conducted to facilitate a waterline tie-in for the Campo Rico Waterline Rehabilitation Project.

Following excavation, there will be a potable water service interruption on Wednesday, August 30, 2023, beginning at 3 PM for an approximate 10-hour duration to allow for completion of the connection from the old system to the new rehabilitated system. This temporary water interruption will impact the following areas:

- Mars Hill
- Claude O. Markoe Elementary School
- Walter I.M. Hodge Pavilion Housing Community
- Department of Planning and Natural Resource Office
- Target Gas Station
- Hannah's Rest
- White Lady
- White Bay
- Stoney Ground
- Two Brothers
- Smithfield

The Campo Rico Waterline Rehabilitation Project will benefit St. Croix's Campo Rico community by improving water quality, reducing system wide water loss, and improving infrastructure and system reliability.

The Authority thanks the community for its understanding and patience, as progress towards water infrastructure upgrades continues.

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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.

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