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Road Closures Underway for Composite Pole Installations on St. Thomas



Image: Detour Map

U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS (May 6, 2025) – The Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority (“WAPA” or the “Authority”) advises the public that road closures are currently in effect to accommodate the installation of composite poles on the island’s overhead electrical infrastructure. The work is being conducted by Haugland VI on behalf of the Authority.

This project involves planting new composite poles, tree trimming, and the installation of anchors. Please note, this work is strictly limited to WAPA's overhead electrical infrastructure and will have **no impact to roadways, government buildings, private properties, or other public infrastructure** beyond the temporary road closures required for the safety of the crews and the community.

Road Closure Details:

- **Dates:** Now through **May 10, 2025**
- **Times:** 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. daily
- **Location:** Pilgrim Terrace Bypass
- **Affected Areas:** Route 35, Catherineberg Road, Manassah Hill Road

A **Traffic Management Plan** has been implemented for this project. All appropriate traffic control devices, detour signage, and trained personnel are on-site to safely guide traffic through and around the work areas.

WAPA thanks the community for its patience and cooperation as we continue to strengthen and modernize the electrical infrastructure throughout the territory.

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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.