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WAPA Announces Crown Bay Road Traffic Impacts for Feeder 9A Underground Electrical Project



Image: Crown Bay Road work area for the Feeder 9A Underground Electrical Project.

ST. THOMAS, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS (October 9, 2026) — The Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority (“WAPA” or “the Authority”) advises the public of temporary traffic impacts along Crown Bay Road as construction continues on the Feeder 9A Underground Electrical Project.

Beginning Saturday, October 10, through Saturday, October 24, 2026, WAPA’s contractor, Haugland Virgin Islands (HVI), will perform underground electrical construction along Crown Bay Road, starting near the Virgin Islands Port Authority entrance and extending slightly beyond the Crowley Shipping entrance. Construction activities will include trenching, conduit and duct-bank installation, concrete placement, backfilling, compaction, and roadway restoration.

During construction, portions of Crown Bay Road within the active work zone will be reduced to one lane. Access to businesses and properties along the construction route, including driveways and entranceways, will be maintained through alternating one-lane traffic to allow vehicles to enter and exit.

Motorists should expect temporary traffic restrictions and minor delays. Flaggers and traffic-control devices will be used as needed to direct traffic safely through the work zone.

WAPA encourages motorists to reduce speed, exercise caution, follow posted signage and flagger instructions, and allow additional travel time when traveling through the construction area.

The Feeder 9A Underground Electrical Project is part of WAPA's ongoing efforts to modernize the territory's electrical infrastructure and improve the reliability and resiliency of the electrical distribution system. The \$12.8 million project is funded through the FEMA 406 Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

WAPA appreciates the public's cooperation and understanding as crews continue this important infrastructure improvement project.

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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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