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WAPA to Host Public Information Session on Queen Street Underground Electrical Project

ST. CROIX, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS (May 9, 2026) – The Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority (“WAPA” or the “Authority”) is inviting Downtown Christiansted residents, businesses, and stakeholders to attend a Public Information Session regarding the upcoming Queen Street (Feeder 1A) Underground Electrical Project, with construction anticipated to begin in late-May 2026.

The information session will provide the community with an opportunity to learn more about the project timeline, anticipated traffic impacts, construction phasing, and the long-term benefits of the infrastructure upgrade. Representatives from WAPA and project contractor Haugland Virgin Islands will be available to answer questions from attendees.

The session will be held:

Date: Thursday, May 14, 2026

Time: 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Location: Levels (54B Company Street, Christiansted)

The Queen Street (Feeder 1A) Underground Electrical Project funded by FEMA is part of WAPA’s continued efforts to modernize the electrical distribution system by transitioning critical infrastructure from overhead to underground service. The project is designed to improve electrical reliability, reduce vulnerability to storm-related outages, and strengthen overall system resilience in Christiansted Town.

WAPA encourages the Downtown Christiansted community to attend the session to learn more about the project and its anticipated impacts.

The Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority Communication’s department is committed to reaching, informing, and connecting with the youngest members of the community to the eldest, through meaningful, transparent and effective communication.

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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.