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## Committee on Disaster Recovery, Infrastructure & Planning

Tuesday, June 30, 2026

10:00 AM

Frits E. Lawaetz Legislative Conference Room  
St. Croix, USVI

### AGENDA

#### BLOCK I: 10am

The Committee will receive a comprehensive update from the Virgin Islands Territorial Emergency Management Agency on the construction of the Hermon Hill Wind Retrofit and Safe Room project, including key milestones, project timeline and implementation challenges.

#### **Invited Testifier:**

**Mr. Daryl D. Jaschen**, Director, Virgin Islands Territorial Emergency Management Agency

#### BLOCK II: 1pm

The Committee will receive a comprehensive update on territorial emergency preparedness and hurricane season readiness, including the status of continuity of operations planning; agency responsibilities under the Emergency Support Function (ESF) framework of the Territorial Emergency Operations Plan; the operational readiness of the Emergency Operations Center; and interagency coordination efforts to support disaster preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation activities throughout the Territory.

#### **Invited Testifiers:**

**Mr. Daryl D. Jaschen**, Director, Virgin Islands Territorial Emergency Management Agency

**Honorable Mario Brooks**, Commissioner, Virgin Islands Police Department

**Honorable Derek Gabriel**, Commissioner, Department of Public Works

**Honorable Averil George**, Commissioner, Department of Human Services

**Mr. Antonio Stevens**, Director, Virgin Islands Fire and Emergency Medical Services

**Mr. Karl J. Knight**, CEO/Executive Director, Virgin Islands Water & Power Authority

**Major General Kodjo S. Knox-Limbacker**, The Adjutant General/Commander, Virgin Islands National Guard

**Honorable Justa E. Encarnacion**, Commissioner, Department of Health

**Ms. Darlene A. Baptiste**, Chief Executive Officer, Governor Juan F. Luis Hospital and Medical Center and Schneider Regional Medical Center

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