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St. Croix's Queen Mary Highway Bridge Reopens After Extended Closure

The temporary bridge near the V.I. Superior Court and University of the Virgin Islands is now open to traffic

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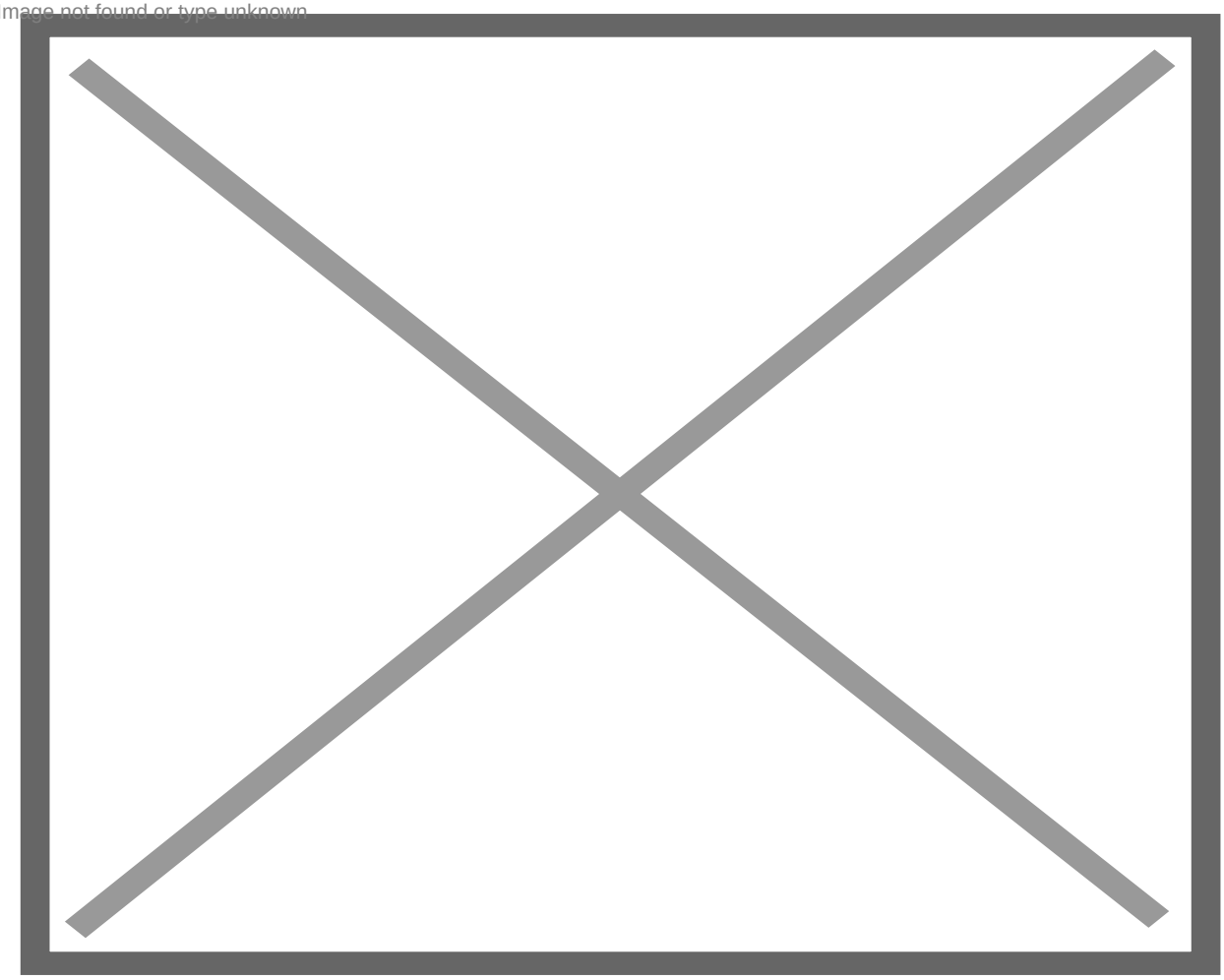

The bridge connects the intersection of Casper Holstein Drive, Queen Mary Highway, and East Airport Road to Route 707 just west of the V.I. Superior Court. By. V.I. CONSORTIUM

The temporary bridge on St. Croix's Queen Mary Highway, near the V.I. Superior Court and the University of the Virgin Islands, reopened to traffic on Wednesday after an extended closure for repairs.

The bridge connects the intersection of Casper Holstein Drive, Queen Mary Highway, and East Airport Road to Route 707 just west of the V.I. Superior Court.

The Bryan administration held a ribbon-cutting event for the bridge, constructed by Custom Builders, two weeks ago and issued a press release on Tuesday. The project involved building and paving the bridge approaches, as well as striping and installing guardrails along the roadway. Government House stated that the completion marks "a significant milestone in the Bryan-Roach Administration's ongoing efforts to address aged infrastructure throughout the territory."

Derek Gabriel, Dept. of Public Works Commissioner, stated, "The completion of this bridge, the first of three under active construction, marks a significant milestone in our recovery, especially regarding our transportation infrastructure. I am happy we are getting this major thoroughfare reopened for the people of St. Croix. Residents across the territory can expect us to keep this momentum going."

Governor Bryan said, "We are moving along our recovery projects and key capital infrastructure projects despite the challenges posed by supply chain lags and workforce shortages. Completing the temporary bridge on Queen Mary Highway is a testament to our commitment to improving our territory's infrastructure."

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