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In St. Thomas, A Number Of Upcoming Road Projects

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ST. THOMAS -- Road work will soon commence in Scott Free, Drake's Seat and Crown Bay in St. Thomas, Government House announced Wednesday. Contracts were finalized and signed off on by Governor Kenneth Mapp late last week.

Contractor Custom Builders was selected to replace the bridge and make other improvements to Scott Free Road on St. Thomas. The \$1.26 million project is funded by the Federal Highway Administration (F.H.A.).

Rumina Construction will be responsible for making repairs to Route 40 in the area of Drake's Seat. This \$287,573 project has been on hold since 2014 and funds were identified to complete the work earlier this year.

Sidewalks and drainage will be improved in the Crown Bay area. The project, which costs \$2.8 million and funded by the F.H.A., will alleviate flooding and make Crown Bay safer for pedestrians, including the many cruise ship passengers that disembark there. Contractor Island Roads was selected for the job.

“These projects will address some significant problems on St. Thomas,” Mr. Mapp said. “We look forward to the work getting underway as we have many other roads, including those newly damaged by Hurricanes Irma and Maria, to repair.”

All contracts went through a formal bid process with the Department of Property & Procurement and were reviewed by the Solicitor General at the V.I. Justice Department for legal sufficiency, according to Government House.