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VITEMA Says It's Monitoring Weather System And Floods Impacting USVI

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The Virgin Islands Territorial Emergency Management Agency (VITEMA) said on Thursday that it's closely monitoring the tropical weather system currently impacting the U.S. Virgin Islands. The rain has caused flooding territory-wide.

"My staff and I are continuing to work closely with our partners at the National Weather Service located in San Juan, PR to ensure we receive real-time updates on the progress of the weather; which is expected to continue to impact the territory into the weekend," said VITEMA Director Mona Barnes. "The Mapp-Potter administration is evaluating the effects of this torrential rain and flooding. We will continue to take the proper steps to ensure the required assistance and support is provided to the people of the Virgin

Islands.”

VITEMA said its staff will continue to monitor all phone lines and media platforms for reports of flooding and other emergencies affecting U.S. Virgin Islands residents.

Today, the agency facilitated a telephone conference with territorial Emergency Response Agencies to provide updates and receive assessments on their preparedness, according to the release. Participants included Directors and Commissioners from the Department of Public Works, Department of Human Services, Department of Property & Procurement, Department of Human Services, Department of Health, Virgin Islands National Guard, St. Croix Administrator, St. John Administrator, Department of Education, Virgin Islands Police Department, Virgin Islands Fire Services, and the Bureau of Information Technology

VITEMA said as it continues to track the progression of the system and provide real-time updates on its impact, it's advising residents of the US. Virgin Islands to: