
US Virgin Islands Comprehensive Land & Water Use Plan (CLWUP)

Working Group Meeting St. Croix

June 26, 2023

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01 Welcome

Greetings from the USVI
Department of Planning and
Natural Resources (DPNR).



02 Introductions

Did you miss the first meeting? Say hi!

- Your name
- Where you live
- One reason you're interested in serving on the Working Group

03 Goodbye CLWUP?



**New 'shorthand' for
Comprehensive Land and Water Use Plan**

'Comp Plan'

Simple and to the point.

Sadly, "VIP" is already used for a lot of other purposes

04 Formative Issues, Policy Directions & Working Strategies



What we heard from the Formative Issues public survey

- About 30 responses
- Good, substantive comments
- Vast majority supported Formative Issues as-is or with modifications - <2% of responses were not in support
- Most common request for amendment . . .

Make water uses more prominent!

What we heard from the Working Groups

- Focus on people, culture, heritage
- Emphasis on government transparency and accountability as well as capacity
- More opportunities for local decision-making (particularly heard in St. John)
- Specific environmental concerns – emphasis on regeneration, sustainability – both for conservation and development
- More emphasis on water uses



How We Make Change

Guidelines for government decision making and implementation . . .

Set Goals

Collect Data

Be Accountable

Act Equitably

Mind the Future

Embrace Change





What are “Working Strategies”?

- *Examples* of the types of strategies that will support each of the Policy Directions
- These come from: Existing Plans, Unadopted Draft Plans and Legislation, Ideas from the Working Groups and the Public

Don't see an idea you've already shared? Don't worry! These are just a few examples.

Policy Directions

Let's Discuss!

Are we on the right track?

Is anything missing?

What do you care most about?

*Everyone is welcome to provide additional written feedback by **July 5***



05 Town Hall Meetings & Open Houses



Suggestions?

Town Hall Meeting and Virtual Open House

Thursday, July 20 from 5:30-7:30PM

UVI Great Hall

- Drop-in open house at 4:30 pm
- Presentation
- 10 “stations” – one for each Formative Issue

Poster with policies and working strategies

Staff to answer questions, lead informal conversations

- Feedback: Worksheet or online survey
- Virtual Open House at www.PlanUSVI.com

July 18 – Aug 6

06 Other Outreach



How else can we use our time?

HW team is available on STX Thursday afternoon and Friday until 2pm

**Opportunities to engage with youth?
Seniors?**

Other groups or individuals to meet with?

How can we help YOU engage with other people or groups in the community?

- What resources do you need?
- "Meeting-in-a-Box" concept

07 Marketing & Communications

Review of Media and Communications Strategy

What else can we do to spread the word?

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Russia probe: Donald Jr. releases emails — Page 11

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Connecting the community

VI Next Generation lauds public computing centers and staff

TOM EADER
Bureau Chief

ST. CROIX — Officials from the Virgin Islands Next Generation Network learned just how residents are taking advantage of public computer sites during a recent tour and thanked site managers who keep them running.

According to a statement from vINGN, a group of officials toured the territory's 33 Public Computing Centers, established via a grant, in late June.

vINGN used the grant to work with local vendors and suppliers to purchase and install nearly 400 computers and servers, productivity and security software, printers, switches, routers and other equipment at the centers territory-wide. Selected centers also received assistive hardware and software, as well as large-screen monitors for disabled users.

"Every week, I receive reports from every department, including the Public Computing Centers, and it is clear to me that

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