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USVI Remains Under Hurricane Watch, Tropical Storm Warning

U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS — During a live update at 9 a.m. Sunday morning from Government House on St. Croix, VITEMA Director Daryl Jaschen advised residents that the U.S. Virgin Islands remains under a Hurricane Watch and a Tropical Storm Warning as Tropical Storm Fiona continues passing south of St. Croix and strengthens into a hurricane as it approaches Puerto Rico.

While the center of the storm system has passed west of St. Croix, the immediate threats it presents are heavy rain, flooding, mudslides and high surf and treacherous marine conditions.

St. Croix is currently under a flash-flood warning until at least 12:30 p.m. on Sunday, September 18, 2022.

Fiona is expected to dump 4-6 inches of rain throughout the Territory, with up to 10 inches possible on St. Croix.

Hazardous road conditions exist because of water on the roads throughout the Territory, and Governor Albert Bryan Jr. advised residents to stay home throughout Sunday as Fiona continues moving away from the USVI.

Windy conditions are affecting the Territory, particularly on St. Croix, with winds expected to gradually diminish throughout the morning.

A Hurricane Warning means that hurricane conditions are expected somewhere within the warning area, in this case within the next 24 hours.

A Hurricane Watch means that hurricane conditions are possible within the watch area.

A Tropical Storm Warning means that tropical storm conditions are expected somewhere within the warning area within 36 hours.

For accurate and updated information regarding Tropical Storm Fiona, go to the Government of the Virgin Islands Joint Information Center at vi.gov/jic/.

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