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Governor Bryan Closing Government Offices at 3 p.m. Today Because of Forecast for Prolonged Heavy Rain

U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS — Governor Albert Bryan Jr. has ordered all Government of the Virgin Islands offices Territory-wide to close at 3 p.m. and is sending all non-essential employees home on Wednesday, October 26, as the USVI currently is under a flash flood warning and heavy rain is expected to continue into the early evening across both districts.

The National Weather Service in San Juan has extended its forecast for heavy showers across the Territory until about 7 p.m. tonight, October 26. While rain is expected to continue through Friday, October 28, a determination on the status of GVI operations will be made Thursday morning, October 27.

Schools are closing on October 26 at the normal time of 3:30 p.m., and a determination about classes for October 27 will be made later this evening.

The V.I. Territorial Emergency Management Agency is advising motorists to stay off the roads throughout the evening on Wednesday, October 26, until road conditions can be assessed following the current forecasted rain event.

The Department of Public Works also is advising motorists to use extreme caution while driving and to avoid areas of standing water, particularly around construction areas and road repair sites.

For accurate and updated information regarding the current flash flood warning and prolonged rain, go to the Government of the Virgin Islands Joint Information Center at vi.gov/jic/.

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