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FIRE AT THE ANGUILLA LANDFILL ON ST. CROIX

Commissioner Dawn L. Henry, Esq., of the Department of Planning and Natural Resources (DPNR) announces that a fire according to the Virgin Islands Waste Management Authority (VIWMA) ignited on Sunday, October 14, 2018 at approximately 3:00 am at the Anguilla Landfill. The fire reportedly originated in the mulch section at the entrance to the Anguilla Landfill.

Therefore, the community downwind, presently to the west of the landfill, is advised to take precautionary measures especially the elderly, children, those persons with respiratory ailments, allergies and compromised immune systems.

Since the fire initially erupted, the Waste Management Authority and the Virgin Islands Fire Service are in the process of containing and controlling the fire.

The Division of Environmental Protection, Air Quality Management Program will continue to monitor the situation and will advise the public of any changes.

For additional information, contact the Air Quality Management Program at 773-1082.