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Subject: FHWA Project#: NP VIIS 100(3), Lameshur Road Rehabilitation
Virgin Islands National Park
Coastal Zone Management Act Federal Consistency Determination

Dear Mr. Oriol:

The Eastern Federal Lands Highway Division of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), in cooperation with the National Park Service (NPS), is proposing to repair and rehabilitate Lameshur Road in Virgin Islands National Park (VIIS) located on the island of St. John, U.S. Virgin Islands. Lameshur Road provides access to the Lameshur Bay area, including NPS buildings, housing, and public recreation areas. After multiple active hurricane seasons, the road has washed out in places, leaving the roadway unlevel and untraversable by most vehicles without four-wheel drive capability. The proposed project will rehabilitate approximately 1 mile of the roadway ensuring park visitors can continue to access recreational areas within the Lameshur Bay area. The proposed project is located outside the tier 1 coastal zone, entirely within VIIS.

FHWA, in coordination with the NPS, has determined that the proposed project is consistent with the enforceable policies of the U.S. Virgin Islands federally approved Coastal Zone Management Program. FHWA respectfully requests your review of the project and your concurrence with this determination. Enclosed you will find FHWA's Coastal Zone Consistency Determination, a copy of the both the NPS and FHWA signed Categorical Exclusions (CE) with Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and State Historic Preservation Office consultation/documentation, site photos, and a digital copy of the project plans. Three (3) hard copies of the plans will be mailed to your office.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Ms. Kim Campo-Allen, Environmental Protection Specialist, at Kim.Campo-Allen@dot.gov or (703) 404-6374.

Sincerely yours,

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Environmental Team Leader

Enclosures:

1. VIIS 100(3) Coastal Zone Consistency Determination
2. FHWA and NPS Categorical Exclusion Documentation
3. Figure 1. Tier 1 Coastal Zone Map
4. Photo Sheet, Site Photos
5. FHWA Engineering Plan Set