# **ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT**

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The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District (Corps) has conducted an environmental analysis in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended. The final Environmental Assessment (EA) dated XXXXXX, for the Savan Gut, St. Thomas, United States Virgin Islands (USVI) Continuing Authorities Program (CAP) Conversion Feasibility Report addresses reduction of flood damages opportunities and feasibility in the Charlotte Amalie community of St. Thomas, USVI. The final recommendation is contained in the report of the Chief of Engineers, dated XXXXXX.

The final EA, incorporated herein by reference, evaluated various alternatives that would reduce flood risk in the study area. The Recommended Plan is the National Economic Development (NED) Plan and includes:

- Construction of a Gabion Channel (328-feet long)
- Debris barrier located at the downstream end of the gabion channel;
- A series of drop structures;
- Catchment basin approximately 240 feet long;
- Trash barrier (rack) at the velocity check dam located at the downstream end of the drop structures before entering into the box culvert;
- Approximately 2,300 foot covered channel (box culvert) from the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School to St. Thomas Harbor;
- Replacement of three bridges (to maintain traffic flow over proposed box culvert); and
- Mitigation for cultural resources.

In addition to a "no action" plan, the 1982 Recommended Plan, relocation and a variety of design conditions (e.g. 100-year design, 50-year design, 25-year design, 10-year design) were evaluated in the study's original 1982 report (Savan Gut St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands (USVI), Detailed Project Report and Environmental Assessment (DPR/EA)). The originally selected 1982 Recommended Plan is carried forward as the EA's Recommended Plan. Section 2 of the EA describes the alternatives, issues, and basis of choice in more detail.

For all alternatives, the potential effects were evaluated, as appropriate. A summary of the potential effects of the Recommended Plan are listed in Table 1:

	Insignificant effects	Insignificant effects as a result of mitigation	Resource unaffected by action
Aesthetic resources	$\boxtimes$		
Air quality	$\boxtimes$		
Coastal barrier resource systems			$\boxtimes$
Cultural resources		$\boxtimes$	
Fish and wildlife resources	$\boxtimes$		
Hazardous, toxic & radioactive waste			$\boxtimes$
Noise	$\boxtimes$		
Environmental justice	$\boxtimes$		
Essential Fish Habitat (EFH)	$\boxtimes$		
Recreation resources	$\boxtimes$		
Socioeconomic resources	$\boxtimes$		
Threatened and endangered species	$\boxtimes$		
Vegetation	$\boxtimes$		
Water quality	$\boxtimes$		
Wetlands	$\boxtimes$		

Table 1: Summary of Potential Effects of the Recommended Plan

Few changes in the environmental conditions of the project area have occurred. The ongoing erosion and scouring of the gut bed and banks have continued to degrade the streambank vegetation. The Recommended Plan includes debris and vegetation removal during the channelization, clearing, and grubbing activities associated with the construction of the debris basin. While there appear to be degraded wetlands in the project's vicinity near the debris basin, the clearing and re-grading actions to create the basin are not expected to reduce the value or function of the existing degraded wetlands. Project construction will result in removal of debris and refuse from the area, and revegetation is expected to occur promptly within the project footprint. Upon construction completion, areas outside of the construction footprint will be restored. Therefore, consistent with the 1982 Recommended Plan, mitigation is not required as there will be no loss of wetland function.

Public review of the draft EA and FONSI was completed on April 20, 2019. All comments submitted during the public review period were responded to in the final EA and FONSI. A territory and agency review of the final EA was also completed on XXXXXX. Comments from territory and federal agency review did not result in any significant changes to the final EA.

Pursuant to section 7 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers determined that the Recommended Plan would have no effect to listed species under National Marine Fisheries Service's jurisdiction. The Corps determined the Recommended Plan may affect but is not likely to adversely affect the following federally listed species or their designated critical habitat: Virgin Island tree boa (*Epicrates monensis granti*). The USFWS concurred with the Corps' determination on March 7, 2019.

Pursuant to section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, the

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers initiated consultation for the Recommended Plan with the USVI Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO). The Corps and the SHPO executed a Programmatic Agreement (PA) on October 30, 2019. All terms and conditions resulting from the agreement shall be implemented in order to minimize adverse impacts to historic properties.

Pursuant to the Clean Water Act of 1972, as amended, the discharge of dredged or fill material associated with the Recommended Plan has been found to be compliant with section 404(b)(1) Guidelines (40 CFR 230). The Clean Water Act Section 404(b)(1) Guidelines evaluation is found in Appendix D of the EA.

A water quality certification pursuant to section 401 of the Clean Water Act will be obtained from the USVI prior to construction, if required. The Corps will meet USVI water quality standards.

A determination of consistency with the USVI Coastal Zone Management program pursuant to the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 was obtained from the USVI DPNR. The Corps determined that the Recommended Plan is consistent with the USVI's Coastal Zone Management program. In a letter dated December 6, 2019, DPNR concurred with the Corps' determination.

All applicable environmental laws have been considered and coordination with appropriate agencies and officials has been completed.

Technical, environmental, and economic criteria used in the formulation of alternative plans were those specified in the Water Resources Council's 1983 <u>Economic and Environmental</u> <u>Principles and Guidelines for Water and Related Land Resources Implementation Studies.</u> All applicable laws, executive orders, regulations, and local government plans were considered in evaluation of alternatives. Based on this report, the reviews by other Federal, territory and local agencies, Tribes, input of the public, and the review by my staff, it is my determination that the Recommended Plan would not cause significant adverse effects on the quality of the human environment; therefore, preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement is not required.

Date

Andrew D. Kelly, Jr. Colonel, Corps of Engineers District Commander

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## 1 PROJECT PURPOSE AND NEED

#### 1.1 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District (Corps), proposes to construct Phase II of the 1982 Savan Gut Section 205 Flood Risk Reduction project. The original project, which includes Phase I (construction completed in April 1989) and Phase II (construction proposed), consisted of a total of 2,300 feet of covered concrete channel, a velocity check dam, and debris trap as well as replace three bridges with sections of covered channel to reduce flood damages in Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas in the United States Virgin Islands (USVI) (see **Figure 1** for a project vicinity map and **Figures 2** and **3** for project overview maps showing Phase 1 and Phase 2 project locations). Phase I construction was completed in April 1989 and consisted of the construction of approximately 800 feet of the covered channel (box culvert) from St. Thomas Harbor to Wimmelskafts Gade (also known as Back Street). Phase II is the proposed project and details of its components are included in Section 2 of this environmental assessment (EA). The non-Federal sponsor (NFS) is the USVI Department of Public Works.

The study area is within the Central Business District of Charlotte Amalie, the capital and largest city of the USVI. Charlotte Amalie is on the southern shore of the island of St. Thomas. Savan Gut provides the drainage for a watershed area of approximately 260 acres, flowing through densely developed Charlotte Amalie to St. Thomas Harbor in a constructed channel.

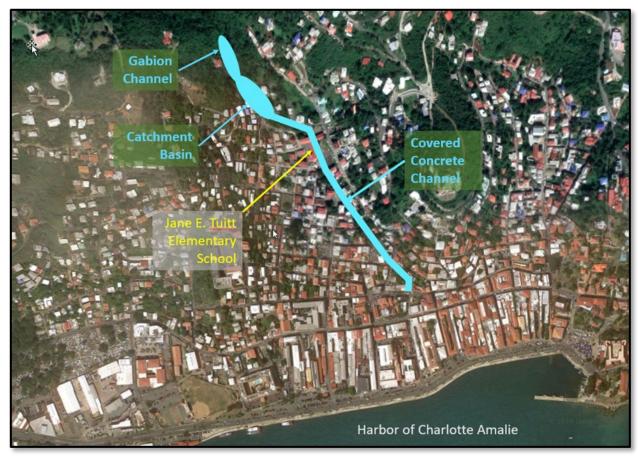
Savan Gut (also known locally as Deyoung Gut) is located in the highly developed urbanized area of Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, USVI. The gut's headwaters begin in the mountainous and heavily vegetated region north of the Charlotte Amalie Harbor. The gut drains directly into the harbor via a natural gut from the vegetated area, to a combination of an intermixed lined and unlined degraded concrete channel from the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School (flowing under the school and the schools' basketball court) to the intersection of Guttets Gade and Norte Gade. The culvert is then inaccessible and flows underneath businesses and roads of downtown Charlotte Amalie until it exits into St. Thomas Harbor.



Figure 1. Project vicinity map.



Figure 2. Savan Gut Phase 1 project location and features. (Construction completed in 1989.) (SOURCE: Corps 2020)



**Figure 3. Savan Gut Phase 2 project location and features.** (SOURCE: Corps 2020)

More detailed information on the project can be found in the documents listed in Section 1.4 of this report.

#### **1.2 PROJECT AUTHORITY**

The Savan Gut Section 205 Project was initially authorized under Continuing Authorities Program (CAP), Section 205 of the Flood Control Act of 1948, Public Law 80-858, as amended. Phase I construction was completed in 1989 under this authority. Phase II of the project was advertised in 1999 with bids exceeding the government estimate and the Corps' statutory limit for cost sharing. The project is now being planned under the authority of Section 209 of the Flood Control Act of 1966, Public Law 89-789, which authorizes studies for flood control in the United States and its territories.

Title IV, Division B of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 (Public Law 115-123) (BBA 2018), authorizes the Government to conduct the study at full federal expense to the extent that appropriations provided under the Investigations heading of the BBA 2018 are available and used for such purpose. The BBA 2018 also allows for the construction of flood and storm damage reduction projects "which are studied using funds provided under the heading "Investigations" if the Secretary determines such projects to be technically feasible, economically justified, and environmentally acceptable."

approval from the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works (ASA-CW), the Corps can proceed to the Preconstruction Engineering Design (PED) phase and construction under BBA 2018. Alternatively, if BBA 2018 funds are unavailable, the project can be considered for specific congressional authorization. A more detailed discussion on the project authority can be found in Appendix D, specifically the 2020 Final Savan Gut, St. Thomas, USVI Continuing Authorities Program (CAP) Conversion Feasibility Report.

#### 1.3 PROJECT NEED OR OPPORTUNITY

The purpose of the project is to reduce flood damages to the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School and Central Business District in downtown Charlotte Amalie. Heavy rainfall in the upland catchment basin of Savan Gut causes rocks and other debris to be washed down the channel toward the sea. Two constrictions reduce flood flows so that the flood waters overflow the channel banks and flood the school as well as the business district. The Savan section of Charlotte Amalie has extremely high runoff rates due to the steep slopes in the upper basin. Flash floods from intense thunderstorms are a common event affecting this area and can occur anytime during the year. Effects from Hurricane Maria, which hit the island in September 2017, prompted the Corps to include the project for consideration for funding under the BBA. (Effects from the storm are discussed more in this EA's section 3.5 Hurricane Maria Storm Effects.)

This Environmental Assessment (EA) evaluates the Recommended Plan, which is described in detail in Section 2.2. This EA also completes the required analysis under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and adopts the 1982 EA by reference where the information is valid and applicable to this evaluation.

#### 1.4 RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS

The Recommended Plan is detailed in the Savan Gut St. Thomas, USVI Detailed Project Report (DPR) and EA, dated March 1982, and the 2020 Final Savan Gut, St. Thomas, USVI CAP Conversion Feasibility Report. These documents are available on the Corps' environmental website, under USVI, at the following link:

http://www.saj.usace.army.mil/About/Divisions-Offices/Planning/Environmental-Branch/Environmental-Documents/

(On that page, click on the "+" next to "U.S. Virgin Islands" and scroll down to the project name.)

#### 1.5 DECISIONS TO BE MADE

This NEPA document analyzes whether the implementation of the project will result in significant effects on the human environment. The need for mitigation measures or best management practices (BMPs) to reduce any potentially adverse effects, particularly in regards to associated activities, will be further defined in the PED phase but impacts to ecological resources are expected to not be more than negligible. The Corps will make the decision to sign the Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) and move forward with the Recommended Plan if no significant impacts on the human environment are identified. If significant impacts are identified, the Corps will choose to implement mitigation

measures to reduce the impacts to a lower-than-significant threshold, proceed with the Notice of Intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement, or not implement the Recommended Plan.

In addition to this NEPA document, a 2020 Final Savan Gut, St. Thomas, USVI CAP Conversion Feasibility Report has also been prepared. This report determines whether the project is still economically justified, technically feasible, and environmentally acceptable. The report does not include new formulation; however, it may include recommendations for additional review that could be needed during the project's PED phase due to regulation changes since the project was authorized. The 2020 Final Savan Gut, St. Thomas, USVI CAP Conversion Feasibility Report is included in Appendix D.

#### 1.6 SCOPING AND ISSUES

Pursuant to NEPA and Corps' regulations, the 1982 draft DPR/EA was circulated for comments in 1982. A public and interagency workshop was held on February 25, 1982. Comments received during the public and agency review period and public workshop were incorporated into the EA prior to the signing of the FONSI. The proposed FONSI, draft EA, and associated appendices was released for a 60-day public and agency review and comment period, which ended on April 20, 2019. A public outreach meeting was held on April 2, 2019 at the Bethania Hall in Frederik Evangelistical Lutheran Church in St. Thomas for the project.

#### 1.6.1 RELEVANT ISSUES

The Corps identified the following considerations as relevant to the Recommended Plan and appropriate for further evaluation: vegetation, wetlands, endangered and threatened species, fish and wildlife resources, essential fish habitat (EFH), coastal barrier resource system (CBRS) units, water quality, hazardous, toxic, and radioactive waste (HTRW), air quality, noise, aesthetic resources, recreation resources, socioeconomic resources, cultural resources, unavoidable adverse environmental effects, and cumulative effects. The Corps analyzed many of these issues in the 1982 EA. The 2020 EA updates that analysis and adopts the 1982 EA by reference where the information is valid and applicable to this evaluation. Please see **Table 1** for additional information.

#### 1.6.2 ISSUES ELIMINATED FROM FURTHER ANALYSIS

No issues were identified for elimination.

#### 1.7 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION AND COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT ACT

The project will meet the USVI water quality standards. Pursuant to Section 401 of the Clean Water Act of 1972, as amended, water quality certification (WQC) will be obtained from the USVI prior to construction, if required. All appropriate conditions imposed by the WQC will be implemented in order to minimize adverse impacts to water quality.

The Corps determined that the Recommended Plan is consistent with the USVI's Coastal Zone Management program. Pursuant to the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, the Corps submitted a Federal Consistency Determination to the USVI Department of Planning and Natural Resources (DPNR) for the USVI's review and concurrence. DPNR

concurred with the Corps' determination in a letter dated December 6, 2019. Pertinent correspondence is found in Appendix A.

#### 1.8 PUBLIC INTEREST FACTORS

While the Corps does not process and issue permits for its own activities, pursuant to 33 C.F.R. 336.1, the Corps authorizes its own discharges of dredged or fill material by applying all applicable substantive legal requirements, including public notice, and opportunity for public hearing. As part of its review, the Corps evaluates the probable impacts, including cumulative impacts, of the proposed activity and its intended use on the public interest. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal must be considered including the cumulative effects thereof. These factors may include:

- General Environmental Concerns;
- Wetlands;
- Fish and Wildlife Values;
- Water Quality;
- Historic Properties;
- Economics;
- Flood Hazards;
- Recreation;
- Energy Needs;
- Mineral Needs;
- Aesthetics;
- Safety;
- Consideration of Property Ownership;
- Needs and Welfare of the People.

The following factors were considered, but were determined to be not applicable to this project:

- Navigation;
- Shore Erosion and Accretion;
- Conservation;
- Flood Plain Values;
- Land Use;
- Water Supply and Conservation;
- Food and Fiber Production;

This document concludes that the project is in the public interest and would not significantly affect the human environment. While there appears to be degraded wetlands in the project's vicinity near the debris basin, the clearing and re-grading actions to create the basin are not expected to reduce the value or function of the existing degraded wetlands. (See Section 4 for detailed discussion on the effects of the Recommended Plan.) Environmental commitments, as discussed in Section 6, will be included in the contract specifications. In addition, the Corps and its contractors commit to avoiding and minimizing for adverse effects during construction activities.

## 2 ALTERNATIVES

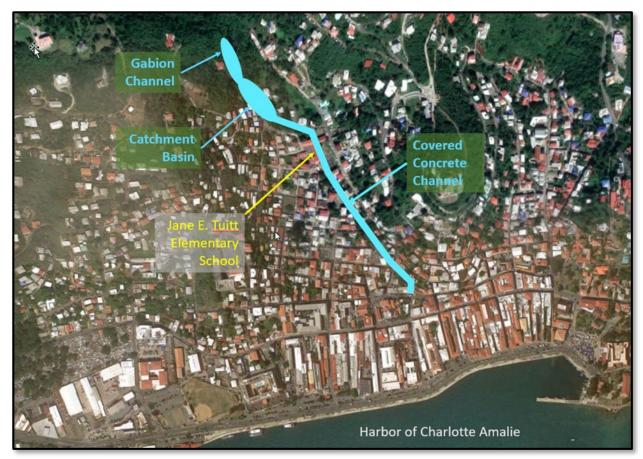
This EA only evaluates the 1982 Recommended Plan to ensure that any new potential environmental consequences on the human environment are fully analyzed and disclosed to the public. Section 4 (Environmental Effects) compares the No Action Alternative, the original 1982 effects analysis of the 1982 Recommended Plan, and the 2020 effects analysis of the 1982 Recommended Plan, and the 2020 effects to the decision maker and the public. The project's Recommended Plan best meets the project objectives and constraints and is environmentally acceptable and economically justified.

#### 2.1 NO ACTION ALTERNATIVE

NEPA regulations refer to the No Action Alternative as the continuation of existing conditions of the affected environment without implementation of, or in the absence of, the Recommended Plan and 40 C.F.R. §6.205 requires an agency to assess the No Action Alternative in an EA. Under this alternative, existing and prospective flooding conditions would continue. Damages to infrastructure experiencing the flooding (e.g. residential houses, commercial businesses, elementary school) would continue in these areas. Flooding, and its associated damages, may result in potential human health and safety issues.

#### 2.2 1982 RECOMMENDED PLAN COVERED CONCRETE CHANNEL, VELOCITY CHECK DAM, AND DEBRIS TRAP FOR STANDARD PROJECT FLOOD

The 1982 Recommended Plan (see **Figure 4**), maximizes the National Economic Development benefits and consists of the phased construction of an approximately 2,300-foot-covered concrete channel extending from St. Thomas Harbor upstream to and around Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School. The benefits for the project assume the originally designed total project would be completed; however, due to program capacity and funding challenges, the project was split into two phases. Phase I construction was completed by the Corps in 1989 and consisted of channelization of approximately 800 feet from Harbor of Charlotte Amalie to just north of Wimmelskafts Gade. Phase II construction includes the remaining channelization work as well as a velocity check dam approximately 150 feet upstream of the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School. A barrier will be included in the check dam to trap debris. The new channel ends at the velocity check dam. Replacement of three highway bridges with sections of covered channel will also be included in the project. A more detailed description of the project can be found in the 1982 DPR/EA as well as the 2020 Final Savan Gut, St. Thomas, USVI CAP Conversion Feasibility Report.



**Figure 4. Recommended Plan location and project features.** (SOURCE: Corps 2020)

#### 2.2.1 2019 EVALUATION OF THE 1982 RECOMMENDED PLAN

In order to meet current Federal, territory, and local laws, regulations, and policy, as well as Corps standards and guidelines, the 1982 Recommended Plan will be reviewed and potentially modified during the PED phase. The project, as it is currently described and designed, is environmentally acceptable; however, if during PED changes to the project result in effects that have not been previously evaluated, then pursuant to NEPA, the Corps will prepare a separate NEPA document to address the changes and evaluate the associated effects. The Corps and its contractors commit to avoiding, minimizing, and mitigating for adverse effects during construction activities.

Few changes in the environmental conditions of the project area have occurred. The ongoing erosion and scouring of the gut bed and banks have continued to degrade the streambank vegetation. The Recommended Plan includes debris and vegetation removal during the channelization, clearing, and grubbing activities associated with the construction of the debris basin. While there appear to be degraded wetlands in the project's vicinity near the debris basin, the clearing and re-grading actions to create the basin are not expected to reduce the value or function of the existing degraded wetlands. Project construction will result in removal of debris and refuse from the area, and revegetation is expected to occur promptly within the project footprint. Upon construction

completion, areas outside of the construction footprint will be restored. Therefore, consistent with the 1982 Recommended Plan, mitigation is not required as there will be no loss of wetland function.

#### 2.3 ALTERNATIVES ELIMINATED FROM FUTURE EVALUATION

In addition to the 1982 Recommended Plan, relocation and a variety of design conditions (e.g. 100-year design, 50-year design, 25-year design, 10-year design) were considered in the 1982 DPR/EA. These alternatives did not best meet the project needs and were eliminated from further evaluation. Additional information on these alternatives can be found in the 1982 DPR/EA.

#### 2.4 RECOMMENDED PLAN AND BASIS FOR CHOICE

**Table 1** in Section 4 lists the factors considered in the alternatives comparison process and provides the analysis of the major features and consequences of each alternative in comparison to one another. The No Action Alternative is not carried forward as it does not meet the mission. In consideration of applicable factors listed in 33 CFR section 320.4, the Corps has determined the 1982 Recommended Plan is not contrary to public interest and is therefore, carried forward as the preferred alternative. However, in order to meet current Federal, territory, and local laws, regulations, and policy, as well as Corps standards and guidelines, the 1982 Recommended Plan will be reviewed and potentially modified during the PED phase.

## **3 EXISTING ENVIRONMENT**

The Existing Environment Section describes the existing environmental resources of the areas that would be affected if any of the alternatives were implemented. This section describes only those environmental resources that are relevant to the decision to be made. It does not describe the entire existing environment, but only those environmental resources that will affect or that will be affected by the alternatives if they were implemented. This section, in conjunction with the description of the "No Action Alternative," forms the baseline conditions for determining the environmental effects of the reasonable alternatives.

No significant changes to the existing conditions have been documented in site visits conducted in 2017, 2018, and 2019. A brief summary of existing conditions is included in this section; however, a full detailed analysis is provided within the 1982 DPR/EA and is hereby incorporated by reference within this EA. (The 1982 DPR/EA is available on the Corps' environmental website, under "U.S. Virgin Islands".)

#### 3.1 NATURAL SETTING (VEGETATION, WETLANDS, ENDANGERED AND THREATENED SPECIES, FISH AND WILDLIFE RESOURCES, AND EFH)

Due to the volcanic origin of the island, topography of Savan Gut varies from steep slopes with dense vegetation to moderate slopes with rock lined channels, especially in areas that have been developed. Wildlife in this area is not very diverse or unusual. Species, such as lizards, frogs, birds, and rats are commonly seen in the area. In a letter dated December 17, 1980, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services (USFWS) determined the project would not adversely affect fish and wildlife resources in the project area. The USFWS 1980 Coordination Act Report (CAR) did not identify any threatened or endangered species; however, the federally listed endangered Virgin Islands tree boa (*Epicrates monensis granti*) may occur in the project area. No effect to EFH is anticipated as the project occurs inland, out of the Essential Fish Habitat under jurisdiction of the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS). Wetlands may be present at or near the northern portion of the project, which contains steep slopes resulting in less development.

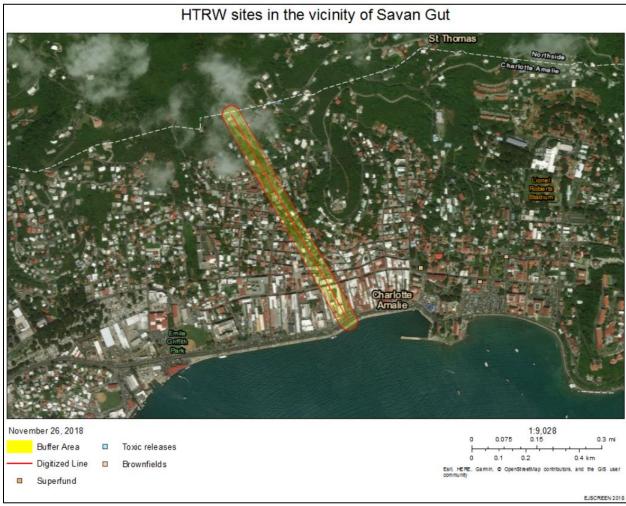
#### 3.2 PHYSICAL SETTING

(CBRS, WATER QUALITY, HTRW, CLIMATE CHANGE, AIR QUALITY, NOISE)

Savan Gut is an intermittent gut and is therefore classified as Class I (IF) Inland surface waters. Per Title 12, Chapter 7, Sub-Chapter 186 of the USVI Water Quality Standards, designated uses of Class I (IF) waters include maintenance and propagation of desirable species of wildlife (including threatened, endangered species listed pursuant to section 4 of the Federal Endangered Species Act and threatened, endangered and indigenous species listed pursuant to Title 12, Chapter 2 of the Virgin Islands Code), and primary contact recreation.

St. Thomas Harbor, where Savan Gut empties is classified by the USVI as Class C Waters. Per Title 12, Chapter 7, Sub-Chapter 186 of the USVI Water Quality Standards,

designated uses of Class C waters include maintenance and propagation of desirable species of aquatic life (including threatened and endangered species listed pursuant to Section 4 of the Federal Endangered Species Act and threatened, endangered and indigenous species listed pursuant Title 12, Chapter 2 of the Virgin Islands Code), primary contact recreation (swimming, water skiing, etc.), industrial water supplies, and shipping and navigation. This Class allows for evident changes in structure of the biotic community and minimal changes in ecosystem function. Evident changes in structure due to loss of some rare native taxa; shifts in relative abundance of taxa (community structure) are allowed but sensitive-ubiquitous taxa remain common and abundant; ecosystem functions are fully maintained through redundant attributes of the system. No CBRS units are located near the project area. The project area is highly developed; therefore, hazardous waste sources such as gas stations, dry cleaners, etc., exist in and around the project area. A review of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (USEPA) EnviroMapper in November 2018 confirmed there are no documented superfund, toxic release, or brownfield sites in the project vicinity (see Figure 5); however, open channel areas are used as refuse dumping and sewage sites by nearby residents.



**Figure 5. USEPA resource mapper HTRW sites.** (SOURCE: USEPA EnviroMapper)

The climate in this region is characteristically tropical. Flash floods from intense thunderstorms are a common event affecting this area and can occur anytime during the year. Climate change was not considered in the 1982 DPR/EA. Analysis of the effects of climate change will occur during the project's PED phase. Charlotte Amalie is located in Air Quality Control Region "U.S. Virgin Islands", which is considered as being in attainment with the National Ambient Air Quality Standards. The project area is located in a highly urbanized environment, where sources of noise include recreational activities at the elementary school (e.g. outdoor sports), vehicles, commercial vessels transiting up and down the coast, and natural sounds from the physical and biological environment.

#### 3.3 SOCIOECONOMIC RESOURCES (ECONOMICS, AESTHETIC RESOURCES, RECREATION RESOURCES, NAVIGATION)

The housing inventory does not appear to have changed much since the 1982 report. A majority of the structures appear to be inhabited and all show considerable signs of age, with many of the buildings constructed in the downtown area over a century old. The Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School appears to have been constructed in the 1930s with a major upgrade and renovation in the 1950s. There are numerous vehicles on every street in the study area. Savan Gut flows through the main tourist area in Charlotte Amalie, which is undergoing a significant revitalization with decorative paver streets and expansion of the main route to a multi-lane highway. Since the previous report was completed, the cruise ship industry has seen dramatic increase in visitation, which has had a substantial economic impact on the infrastructure development in the Charlotte Amelia region.

During a site visit conducted on November 10, 2018, a majority of the storefronts were closed due to the early hours, but the signs on the buildings appeared current and their businesses appear to be open. A majority of the structures on Veterans and Main streets appear to be active businesses. These businesses include multiple upscale/high-end retail clothing and jewelry stores that exist in the first two blocks from the harbor. However, as the majority of the buildings did not contain windows it was impossible to determine content. The further from the harbor the more vacancies appear with several vacant buildings noted on Back Street (Williamsementte). Personal and property safety also appears to be a concern the further removed from Main and Veterans street.

Tourism, trade, and other services are the primary economic activities, accounting for nearly 60% of the USVI's gross domestic product (GDP) and about half of total civilian employment. Close to two million tourists per year visit the islands. The government is the single largest employer. In 2016, government spending (both federal and territorial together) accounted for about 27% of GDP while exports of goods and services, including spending by tourists, accounted for nearly 47%. The agriculture sector is small, with most food being imported. The manufacturing sector consists of rum distilling, electronics, pharmaceuticals, and watch assembly. Rum production is significant. Shipments during a six-month period of fiscal year 2016 totaled 8,136.6 million proof gallons. More detailed information on the socioeconomic conditions is included in section 2 of the 2020 Final

Savan Gut, St. Thomas, USVI CAP Conversion Feasibility Report.

#### 3.4 CULTURAL RESOURCES

Previous consultation with the USVI Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and a current review of the listing of the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) indicates the Savan Gut Phase II Project's area of potential effect (APE) includes the Charlotte Amalie Historic District listed on the NRHP in 1976 (see Figure 6). The historic district then included 574 contributing buildings, three contributing structures, and a contributing object. The Charlotte Amalie Historic District includes buildings, dwellings, and sites that represent the town's early colonization and rich history. Important features in the district include Fort Christian, a National Historic Site constructed circa 1666 and completed in 1680; Skystborg (Blackbeard's Castle), a watchtower overlooking the harbor built by the Danes in 1678; and Emancipation Park, commemorating the emancipation of slaves by Governor Peter von Scholten in 1848. The architecture extant in the Charlotte Amalie Historic District especially in the project area's residential section known as "The Savanne" or "Savan" spans three centuries having great significance in understanding the historical development of the town of Charlotte Amalie. This area west of Denmark Hill was laid out in a grid plan in 1764, and is predominantly single family residential in use with some commercial buildings bordering its eastern boundary. Cottages in the Savanne area are almost exclusively single-storied buildings of frame construction with shingled hip roofs.

Based on the presence of existing cultural resources and standing structures within the Charlotte Amalie Historic District and high probability for additional historic properties to be identified within the project's APE, a cultural resources survey of the proposed Savan Gut alignment was conducted (Righter and Mitchell 1981). As a result of this cultural resources survey, archaeological monitoring during construction and further documentation of extant structures and features to the HABS/HAER standards was recommended to be the most effective method for identifying and evaluating historic properties that would potentially be adversely effected by the proposed Savan Gut Phase II undertaking. Following this survey, and due to monetary constraints, the Corps' Savan Gut Phase II Project into two mitigation planning phases (identified as Phase II and Phase III in the historic preservation mitigation plan). As a result, the Corps' Savan Gut Phase II Project reduced the northern extent of the flood control footprint.

Subsequently, for both of the historic preservation mitigation Phase II and Phase III plans, it was agreed that the Contractor would be required to monitor and control construction vibrations that may affect historic structures. Specifically, the Phase I plan called for the Contractor to dismantle and record to HABS/HAER standards, the two historic ovens, the General Gade bridge arch and wall, and the historical architectural features in the deJongh wall. The historically significant brick from the dismantled historic properties was to be stored on the Department of Public Works property during Phase II of the historic preservation mitigation plan. The ovens were then to be rebuilt and the architectural features of the bridge arch and wall and the deJongh wall were to be incorporated into the flood control project during Phase III of the historic preservation

mitigation plan. In addition, all of the remaining restoration work including the Banaba Well, and placement of the commemorative plaque were to be deferred to Phase III of the historic preservation mitigation plan.

Due to the age of these previous surveys and evaluations, the current Savan Gut Phase II Project requires renewed coordination and consultation with the USVI SHPO as changes in criteria for evaluating historic properties need to meet current standards to fulfill the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (36 CFR Part 800). Additional cultural resources surveys are needed to conduct a phased identification and evaluation of historic properties during the project's PED phase. The Corps executed a Programmatic Agreement with USVI Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) on October 30, 2019. The Programmatic Agreement outlines the process in which the Corps will consult with the agencies to avoid, minimize, and mitigate adverse effects to historic. Dependent on further consultation/reevaluation with these agencies and the results of monitoring and Phase I cultural resources investigations, project design modification may be necessary to avoid or minimize impact to historic properties. Phase II NRHP eligibility testing or mitigation may be required if impacts cannot be avoided.



Figure 6. St. Thomas, USVI National Register of Historic Places: Cultural Resources and Historic District in vicinity of Savan Gut Phase II Project. (SOURCE: National Park Service)

#### 3.5 HURRICANE MARIA STORM EFFECTS

Hurricane Maria resulted in uprooted trees, downed weather stations and cell towers, and damages to private and public infrastructure. Multiple media outlets reported electricity was cut off to 100 percent of the island leaving approximately 100,000 people without power. Heavy rains and flash floods brought on by the storm exacerbated widespread devastation, scouring existing guts and turning streets into rivers full of debris, sediment, and, in some areas, sewage. Various locations throughout the island also experienced mass die off of vegetation due to the sustained high winds and storm surge.

The main damages sustained in the project area are from flooding. Since the area is heavily urbanized, post-storm conditions for vegetation and wildlife are not substantially different than the pre-storm conditions. Site inspections conducted on October 31, 2017 after Hurricane Maria revealed Savan Gut overtopped its banks causing debris and sediment accumulation throughout the gut and surrounding infrastructure (see **Figure 7** through **Figure 10**). Channel wall and soil erosion (one to two feet) was observed downstream of the low-water crossing on Gamble Street. Approximately 15 feet of a collapsed channel wall near the damaged road was also noted. Heavy and sustained

rain over multiple days will cause the Savan Gut to continue to flood in its current condition if protective measures are not in place, causing even more damage to property owners.

Based on site visits to the project area in November 2018, January 2019, and April 2019, most of the study area's residential property appears to have been reoccupied and businesses reopened. Local emergency management (EM) officials confirmed that a portion of the population evacuated and did not return; however, the remaining population continue to suffer hardships from the storm damages. In some cases, residents have opted to reoccupy their homes and attempt to adapt to "the new normal", which could include living with severe structural damages and/or without functional utilities, such as electricity and running water.



Figure 7. Sediment build up in the channel.

(SOURCE: Corps staff, October 2017)



Figure 8. Channel wall damage and erosion. (SOURCE: Corps staff, October 2017)



Figure 9. Debris accumulation in the channel.

(SOURCE: Corps staff, October 2017)



**Figure 10. Collapsed channel wall.** (SOURCE: Corps staff, October 2017)

In coordination with the USVI, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is executing a long term recovery and resilience program in the USVI following the damaging 2017 hurricane season. The 1982 DPR/EA noted the presence of utility lines that occur in or cross the gut that may need to be relocated for this project. The FEMA recovery mission may include upgrades and repairs of some of these utility lines. Full coordination during the PED phase of the project with the USVI Department of Public Works and USVI Waste Management Authority will occur to avoid potential conflicts during construction. The Corps and FEMA have been in coordination throughout the development of this EA and will continue to coordinate through PED and construction. The Corps provided a set of the 1999 construction drawings to FEMA for their planning purposes in April 2019.

After discussing with the NFS, no additional impacts have occurred since Hurricane Maria besides small flood events. These events resulted in temporary impacts from nuisance flooding and all impacts have been resolved or disappeared once flooding receded.

## **4 ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS**

The anticipated changes to the existing environment (including direct and indirect effects) for the No Action Alternative and Recommended Plan are included in **Table 2**. Cumulative effects are also discussed in **Tables 3** and **4** of this section.

In order to meet current Federal, territory, and local laws, regulations, and policy, as well as Corps standards and guidelines, the 1982 Recommended Plan will be reviewed and potentially modified during the PED phase. The project, as it is currently described and designed, is environmentally acceptable; however, if during PED changes to the project result in effects that have not been previously evaluated, then pursuant to NEPA, the Corps will prepare a separate NEPA document to address the changes and evaluate the associated effects. The Corps and its contractors commit to avoiding, minimizing, and mitigating for adverse effects during construction activities.

Environmental Factor / Resource	No Action Alternative	1982 Recommended Plan	2019 Evaluation of the 1982 Recommended Plan
Vegetation	No effect	Construction of the project would lethally affect vegetation through excavation or burial.	Same as 1982 Recommended Plan
Wetlands	No effect	No analysis completed; no mitigation proposed.	Debris and vegetation would be removed during the channelization, clearing, and grubbing activities, and construction of the debris basin. While there appear to be degraded wetlands in the project's vicinity near the debris basin, the clearing and re-grading actions to create the basin are not expected to reduce the value or function of the existing degraded wetlands. Project construction will result in removal of debris and refuse from the area, and revegetation is expected to occur promptly within the project footprint. Upon construction completion, areas outside of the construction footprint will be restored. Therefore, consistent with the 1982 Recommended Plan, mitigation is not required as there will be no loss of wetland function.

Environmental Factor / Resource	No Action Alternative	1982 Recommended Plan	2019 Evaluation of the 1982 Recommended Plan
Threatened and Endangered Species	No effect	No effect on any federally listed endangered or threatened species. The 1980 USFWS CAR did not identify any endangered or threatened species or effects to designated critical habitat.	Construction activities may affect, but are not likely to adversely affect, the Virgin Islands tree boa ( <i>Epicrates monensis granti</i> ). USFWS and Virgin Islands Division of Fish and Wildlife (VIDFW) standard protection measures will be implemented to protect any boas that may occur in the project area. In a letter dated March 7, 2019, USFWS concurred with the Corps' MANLAA determination. Pertinent correspondence is included in Appendix A.
Fish and Wildlife Resources	No effect	In a letter dated December 17, 1980, USFWS concurred with the Corps determination and stated no negative impacts on the fauna are expected.	The project lies within a highly urbanized area. Temporary displacement of wildlife during construction due to noise and/or construction activities may occur; however, these effects are expected to be minor and will cease with the completion of construction.

Environmental Factor / Resource	No Action Alternative	1982 Recommended Plan	2019 Evaluation of the 1982 Recommended Plan
EFH	No effect	No analysis completed	No effect. In an email dated March 29, 2019, NMFS stated "The NMFS anticipates any adverse effects from implementing the Recommended Plan to NOAA-trust resources would be minimal." NMFS did not provide any conservation recommendations. See Appendix A for pertinent correspondence.
CBRS	No effect	No analysis completed	No effect
Water Quality	Erosion and sediment loss upstream of Back Street will continue and turbidity downstream within the bay (Class C waters) will increase, due to lack of sediment containment.	There will be a temporary increase in turbidity levels downstream of the construction areas. These elevated turbidity levels will be temporary and are not expected to be significant. If dewatering is required, BMPs will be implemented to ensure compliance with USVI water quality requirements. No long-term adverse effects to water quality are expected.	There will be a temporary increase in turbidity levels at the construction areas during construction. These elevated turbidity levels will be temporary and are not expected to be significant. Pursuant to Section 401 of the Clean Water Act of 1972, as amended, WQC will be obtained from the USVI prior to construction, if required.
HTRW	No effect	No analysis completed.	No effect
Air Quality	No effect	Minor, temporary degradation of air quality will occur due to emissions during construction operations as well as heavy equipment and truck haul emissions.	Same as 1982 Recommended Plan

Environmental Factor / Resource	No Action Alternative	1982 Recommended Plan	2019 Evaluation of the 1982 Recommended Plan
Noise	No effect	A temporary increase in the noise level in the project area would occur during construction operations; however noise levels would return to normal following completion of the construction.	Same as 1982 Recommended Plan
Aesthetic Resources	No effect	No analysis completed	The project area is highly urbanized. The area south of the Inte Gade bridge possesses very low visual aesthetic quality, whereas the area north of the bridge is too steep for structures and is mainly lush vegetation. Equipment used for construction of the project will be visible and may be considered unsightly by members of the public, resulting in a temporary reduction in the aesthetic value in the construction area.

Environmental Factor / Resource	No Action Alternative	1982 Recommended Plan	2019 Evaluation of the 1982 Recommended Plan
Recreation Resources	No effect	No analysis completed on the project area.	Implementation of the Recommended Plan will affect the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School basketball court. The Corps is committed to working with the NFS and Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School to ensure any loss of recreational features on lands identified as a public facility is offset through the restoration and/or replacement of resources lost. If recreational features are located on privately owned lands, the Corps will work with the NFS for approvals to use the lands during construction. It is the NFS' responsibility to acquire real estate and/or perform any relocations prior to construction completion.

Environmental Factor / Resource	No Action Alternative	1982 Recommended Plan	2019 Evaluation of the 1982 Recommended Plan
Socioeconomic Resources	Taking no action would avoid any possible adverse impacts from proposed remedial plans but would result in continuation of, and potentially expanding, losses to property and threats to health and life from storm-induced flooding.	The selected plan will maintain both the identity of the Central Business District of Charlotte Amalie and the community spirit and close-knit relationships within the Savan area. There should be no significant additional financial burden placed on the residents as a result of these flood damage reduction measures. There should be no significant change in land use activities within the study area, with residents and shop owners being afforded the assurance of lessened flood damages. Along with a reduction of health hazards, the flood control project should lower the risk of displacement as a result of flooding conditions.	Same as 1982 Recommended Plan.

Cultural Resources	No effect on cultural resources	Cultural resources	Based on consultation with USVI
	listed or eligible for listing in the	monitoring/surveys, and	SHPO for the 1982 Recommended
	NRHP.	coordination with the USVI SHPO	Plan, it was proposed that the top
		and Advisory Council on Historic	of the concrete box culvert may
		Preservation is necessary to	serve as part of the cultural
		evaluate cultural resources and	resource mitigation through
		determine effects of the	aesthetic restoration. Seven
		Recommended Plan on historic	areas, previously referred to as a
		properties.	"linear park" or "pocket park",
			were proposed to be constructed along concrete culvert and may
			include features such as
			landscaping, hardscaping,
			vegetation, and lighting. Cultural
			resources monitoring/surveys will
			be required as identified in the
			1982 Recommended Plan. The
			Corps executed a Programmatic
			Agreement with USVI SHPO on
			October 30, 2019. The
			Programmatic Agreement outlines
			the process in which the Corps will
			consult with the agencies to avoid,
			minimize, and mitigate adverse
			effects to historic properties.
			Dependent on further
			consultation/reevaluation of effects
			on cultural resources, project
			design modifications may be
			necessary to avoid or minimize
			impacts to historic properties.
			Phase II NRHP eligibility testing or
			mitigation may be required if
			impacts cannot be avoided.

Environmental Factor / Resource	No Action Alternative	1982 Recommended Plan	2019 Evaluation of the 1982 Recommended Plan
Unavoidable Adverse Environmental Effects	No effect	No analysis completed.	Effects from the construction activities to fish and wildlife, including threatened and endangered species, are expected to be insignificant and temporary as the motile organisms are able to relocate and avoid direct effects. While construction will lethally affect existing vegetation in the footprint, native vegetation will be planted following completion of construction. These effects are expected to be short-term and minor.
			Mineral and energy needs for the project include indirect effects to natural or depletable resources, such as the use of fuel for construction (petroleum depletion), machinery wear and tear (metal ore depletion), and similar effects.

#### 4.1 CUMULATIVE EFFECTS

Cumulative effects are defined in 40 C.F.R. §1508.7 as those effects that result from "...the incremental effect of the action when added to other past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future actions regardless of what agency (federal or nonfederal) or person undertakes such other actions. Cumulative effects can result from individually minor but collectively significant actions taking place over a period of time."

Past, present and reasonably foreseeable actions and plans are summarized below in **Table 2**. Section 1.4 of this EA contains more details on environmental reports completed in/around the project's vicinity. No other Federal projects exist in the project's immediate vicinity; however, channel improvements to Turpentine Run (east of the project area near Nadir) are planned for construction by the Corps. In addition, it is expected that the public and local governments could have permitted activities in or around the project area. Activities completed by the Federal government are evaluated under NEPA directly for each project. Other projects that could result in a cumulative effect, occur in-water, or would affect wetlands are evaluated under a permit issued by the Corps' Regulatory Division and are incorporated by reference.

The implementation of the Savan Gut Phase II project, when considered with past projects in the area and potential future projects, has no significant cumulative impact on the environmental conditions of the project area. A summary of cumulative effects on environmental factors from past, present, and reasonably foreseeable actions and plans is provided in **Table 3**.

Past Actions/Authorized	Current Actions and	Reasonably Foreseeable
Plans	Operating Plans	Future Actions and Plans
- Savan Gut Section 205 Phase I - General urbanization	<ul> <li>Veteran's Drive Improvements Project (includes widening Veteran's Drive from 2 to 4 lanes and waterfront enhancement)</li> <li>FEMA recovery and resiliency efforts (e.g. utility upgrades)</li> </ul>	- Construction of Savan Gut Section 205 Phase II - Maintenance of infrastructure (e.g. debris basin)

Table 2. Past, present, and reasonably foreseeable actions and plans affecting the project area.

Table 3. Summary	of cumulative effects.

Natural Setting		
(Vegetation, Wetlands, Threatened and Endangered,		
Fish and Wildlife, and EFH)		
Past Actions	Construction of residential and commercial/public infrastructure has decreased the amount of habitat available for use by wildlife and	
	threatened and endangered species potentially in the area.	
Present	Present actions focus on improving the already urbanized areas in	
Actions	the Harbor and Central Business District. No effects to the natural	
<b></b>	setting are expected.	
Recommended Plan	Implementation of the Recommended Plan could result in temporary effects to wildlife, and threatened and endangered species during construction due to noise and/or construction activities; however, these impacts are expected to be minor and will cease with the completion of construction. Non-motile species located in the project footprint would be lethally effected due to construction operations. These effects, although lethal, are expected to be minor and temporary as recolonization from adjacent communities will occur almost immediately. Debris and vegetation would be removed during the channelization, clearing, and grubbing activities, and construction of the debris basin. While there appear to be degraded wetlands in the project's vicinity near the debris basin, the clearing and re-grading actions to create the basin are not expected to reduce the value or function of the existing degraded wetlands. Project construction will result in removal of debris and refuse from the area, and revegetation is expected to occur promptly within the project footprint. Upon construction completion, areas outside of the construction footprint will be restored. Therefore, consistent with the 1982 Recommended Plan, mitigation is not required as there will be no	
	loss of wetland function	
Future Actions	Any Federal and/or territory/local projects will be required to follow	
	regulations to maintain and protect threatened and endangered	
	species and their habitats within the area.	
Cumulative	Cumulative effects to the natural setting of this area are not	
Effect	anticipated.	
Physical Setting (CBRS, Water Quality, HTRW, Air Quality, Noise)		
Past Actions	Ongoing erosion of the streambank, including debris, has likely	
	contributed to the reduction of channel flow and degradation of	
	water quality.	
	nator quality.	

Present	Present actions focus on improving the already urbanized areas in
Actions	St. Thomas Harbor and the Central Business District.
	Improvements to utilities in the area would improve water quality by
	reducing or eliminating waste drainage into the gut.
Recommended	Implementation of the Recommended Plan could result in
Plan	temporary minor turbidity impacts. Excavation and/or fill operations
	for project features (e.g. catchment basin, drop structures,
	channels, recreation areas, etc.) could temporarily increase
	turbidity within the gut and in downstream waters within St. Thomas
	Harbor. Construction equipment may release negligible amounts of
	pollutants, including oils and grease. BMPs will be used to limit the
	possibility of adverse effects, and detailed pollution and turbidity
	control plans will be developed during the design phase.
Future Actions	Projects implemented would be required to meet and maintain
	regulated water quality standards within the area.
Cumulative	Ongoing seasonal weather and storm event effects on water quality
Effect	are unlikely to be eliminated; however, implementation of the
	Recommended Plan will reduce risk of flooding. The Corps is
	committed to ensuring that projects will not result in violations of
	water quality standards. Cumulative effects to the physical setting
	of this area are not anticipated.
	Socioeconomic Resources
	Resources, Recreation Resources, Economic Resources)
Past Actions	General urbanization of the region has increased the aesthetic,
	recreation, and economic resources in this area.
Present	Present actions focus on improving the already urbanized areas in
Actions	the Harbor and Central Business District. Improvements to utilities,
	traffic flow, and enhancing the waterfront may make the area more
<u> </u>	desirable to visit.
Recommended	By implementing the Recommended Plan, flood damages in the
Plan	project area will be reduced which will positively affect
Future Actions	socioeconomic resources in this area.
Future Actions	Continued urbanization and projects to increase benefits to the
	economy (e.g. tourism), recreation, and aesthetics are likely in this
Cumulative	region.
Effect	Continuation of benefits to socioeconomic resources may be anticipated when considering the cumulative effects of projects in
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Present	Present actions focus on improving the already urbanized area,
Actions	which is a NRHP listed historic district. Improvements to
	infrastructure and public utilities installations would be coordinated with the USVI SHPO to avoid or mitigate for potential adverse
	effects.
Recommended	The Corps executed a Programmatic Agreement with USVI SHPO
Plan	on October 30, 2019. The Programmatic Agreement outlines the
	process in which the Corps will consult with the agencies to avoid,
	minimize, and mitigate adverse effects to historic properties.
Future Actions	Any federal and/or territory/local projects will be required to follow
	regulations to avoid, minimize, or mitigate impacts to cultural
	resources within the area.
Cumulative	No cumulative effects are anticipated.
Effect	

# 5 PUBLIC AND AGENCY COORDINATION

A Notice of Availability for the proposed FONSI, draft EA, and associated appendices was coordinated with pertinent agencies and interested stakeholders for a 60-day review and comment period, which ended on April 20, 2019. The project is in compliance with the NEPA of 1969, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 4321, *et seq.* Public Law 91-190.

## 5.1 COMMENTS RECEIVED AND CORPS' RESPONSES

A copy of the comments received during the 60-day agency review and public comment period, as well as a summary matrix of the comments and Corps' responses, will be addressed in the final EA and included in Appendix C.

## **6 ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITMENTS AND COMPLIANCE**

The Corps will comply with all terms and conditions of agency consultations and/or permits. The Corps and its contractors also commit to avoiding and minimizing for adverse effects during construction activities by including the commitments in **Table 4** in the contract specifications:

Environmental Commitment	Corps' Commitment
Protection of Fish and Wildlife Resources	Construction activities will be managed to minimize interference with, disturbance of, and damage to fish and wildlife. Prior to the start of construction, the Contractor will submit their Environmental Protection Plan (EPP) that will include protective measures for species that require specific attention.
Endangered and Threatened Species Protection	Adverse effects to endangered and threatened species will be avoided and/or minimized. USFWS and VIDFW standard protection measures will be implemented to protect any Virgin Islands tree boas that may occur in the area. Endangered and threatened species protection criteria will be included in the Contractor's EPP.
Water Quality	Implementation of design and procedural controls will prevent oil, fuel, or other hazardous substances from entering the air or water and reduce turbidity impacts. All fill, wastes, and refuse generated by project construction will be removed and properly disposed. Contractors will implement a spill contingency plan for hazardous, toxic, or petroleum material. All required permits and authorizations will be obtained prior to the start of construction. The Corps commits to meet all applicable water quality standards in order to minimize adverse impacts to water quality. The Corps requires contractors to submit an EPP describing how the contractor will comply with laws, regulations, and permits concerning environmental protection, pollution control, and abatement that are applicable to the Contractor's proposed operations and the requirements imposed by those laws, regulations, and permits. The EPP also includes descriptions of the methods for protection of features (e.g. vegetation, animals, water) to be preserved within authorized work areas and procedures to be implemented that will provide the required environmental protection to comply with applicable laws and regulations.

 Table 4. Corps' environmental commitments.

Environmental Commitment	Corps' Commitment
Cultural Resources	Pursuant to 54 U.S.C. 306108 § 800.14, the Corps is conducting a phased identification and evaluation of historic properties. The Corps executed a Programmatic Agreement with USVI SHPO on October 30, 2019. The Programmatic Agreement outlines the process in which the Corps will consult with the agencies to avoid, minimize, and mitigate adverse effects to historic properties. In addition, an unexpected cultural resources finds clause will be included in the project specifications. In the event of an archaeological resource discovery, work in the area will be suspended at the site until compliance with all Federal and territory regulations is successfully completed and Corps staff members provide further directive.
Protection of Migratory Birds	Standard migratory bird protection protocols will be incorporated into the project plans and specifications. The contractor will be required to abide by those protocols and all monitoring timeframes as specified by all applicable licenses and permits.

This EA has been prepared pursuant to NEPA and its implementing regulations. The status of the proposed project's compliance with environmental acts and E.O. are provided in **Table 5**:

Environmental Act or E.O.	Project Compliance Status
National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. §4321 <i>et seq</i> .)	This EA has been prepared pursuant to NEPA and its implementing regulations. A Notice of Availability for the proposed FONSI, draft EA, and associated appendices was coordinated with pertinent agencies and interested stakeholders for a 60-day review and comment period, which ended on April 20, 2019. In order to meet current Federal, territory, and local laws, regulations, and policy, as well as Corps standards and guidelines, the 1982 Recommended Plan will be reviewed and potentially modified during the PED phase. The project, as it is currently described and designed, is environmentally acceptable; however, if during PED changes to the project result in effects that have not been previously evaluated, then pursuant to NEPA, the Corps will prepare a separate NEPA document to address the changes and evaluate the associated effects. The project complies with this Act.

Environmental Act or E.O.	Project Compliance Status
Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. §1531 <i>et seq</i> .)	The project was coordinated with NMFS and consulted with USFWS through the 1982 EA. During the development of the 2020 EA, the Corps determined that the project would have no effect on listed species under NMFS jurisdiction and the project may affect, but is not likely to adversely affect, (MANLAA) listed species under USFWS jurisdiction. The Corps completed Section 7 consultation with USFWS. In a letter dated March 7, 2019, USFWS concurred with the Corps' MANLAA determination. The Corps coordinated the project with NMFS during the public review of the draft EA. All coordination and consultation with resource agencies is complete. Pertinent correspondence is found in Appendix A. The project complies with this Act.
Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act of 1958 (16 U.S.C. §661 <i>et seq</i> .)	The USFWS prepared a Coordination Act Report (CAR) for the project in 1980. The 1980 CAR did not identify any endangered or threatened species or effects to critical habitat. The project was also coordinated with USFWS through the 1982 EA with a no-effect determination for any federally listed endangered or threatened species. Dated February 19, 2019, a Memorandum for the Record, found in Appendix A (Project Correspondence), was signed by USFWS and the Corps to document an agreement between the agencies to use the NEPA review and endangered species act consultation processes to complete coordination responsibilities under the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act. Funds may be sent to the USFWS during the PED phase to provide support during design refinements. The project complies with this Act
National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 ( <i>Inter Alia</i> )	The Corps has initiated consultation for the Recommended Plan with the USVI SHPO pursuant to Section 106 of the NHPA of 1966, as amended, and consideration given under NEPA. The Corps executed a Programmatic Agreement with USVI SHPO on October 30, 2019. The Programmatic Agreement outlines the process in which the Corps will consult with the agencies to avoid, minimize, and mitigate adverse effects to historic properties.
Clean Water Act of 1972, Section 401 and Section 404(B) (33 U.S.C. §1341 <i>et seq.</i> and 33 U.S.C. §1344(b) <i>et seq.</i> )	The 1982 EA included a Section 404(b)(1) Guidelines Evaluation. The project was determined to be consistent with the program. The project will comply with the Clean Water Act and USVI territory standards in effect for the Clean Water Act.
Clean Air Act of 1972 (42 U.S.C. §7401 <i>et seq</i> .)	No air quality permits are required for this project. Because the project is located within an attainment area, USEPA General Conformity Rule to implement Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act does not apply and a conformity determination is not required.

Environmental Act or E.O.	Project Compliance Status
Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §1451 <i>et seq</i> .)	The Corps determined that the Recommended Plan is consistent with the USVI's Coastal Zone Management program. A Federal Consistency Determination was submitted to DPNR for the USVI's review and concurrence. DPNR concurred with the Corps' determination in a letter dated December 6, 2019. Pertinent correspondence is found in Appendix A. The project complies with the Act.
Farmland Protection Policy Act of 1981 (7 U.S.C. §4201 <i>et seq</i> .)	No prime or unique farmland will be affected by implementation of this project. This Act is not applicable.
Wild and Scenic River Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §1271 <i>et seq.</i> )	This project will not affect any designated wild and scenic river reaches. This Act is not applicable.
Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §1361 <i>et seq</i> .)	No marine mammals will be affected by this project. This Act is not applicable.
Estuary Protection Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1221-26)	No estuaries will be affected by this project. This Act is not applicable.
Federal Water Project Recreation Act (16 U.S.C. §460(L)(12)-460(L)(21) <i>et seq.</i> )	Recreational resources and opportunities are discussed in Section 4 of this report. The project complies with this Act.
Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act of 1976, as amended (16 U.S.C. §1801 <i>et seq</i> .)	The project was coordinated with NMFS through the 1982 EA. The Corps consulted with NMFS during the public review of this NEPA document. The proposed work occurs inland and would not affect EFH under the jurisdiction of NMFS. In an email dated April 10, 2019, NMFS stated "The NMFS anticipates any adverse effects from implementing the Recommended Plan to NOAA-trust resources would be minimal." NMFS did not provide any conservation recommendations. See Appendix A for pertinent correspondence. The project complies with this Act.
Submerged Lands Act of 1953 (43 U.S.C. § 1301 <i>et seq</i> .)	No submerged navigable lands will be affected by implementation of the Recommended Plan. This Act is not applicable.
Coastal Barrier Resources Act and Coastal Barrier Improvement Act of 1990 (16 U.S.C. §3501 <i>et seq.</i> )	No CBRS units are located in or near the project area. This Act is not applicable.
Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899, Section 10 (33 U.S.C. §403 <i>et seq</i> .)	The proposed work will not obstruct navigable waters of the U.S. The project complies with this Act.
Anadromous Fish Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. §§757A-757G)	The project will have no effect on anadromous fish species. The project complies with this Act.

Environmental Act or E.O.	Project Compliance Status
Migratory Bird Treaty Act (16 U.S.C. §§703-712) and Migratory Bird Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. §§715-715D, 715E, 715F-715R)	The project plans and specifications will include migratory bird protection measures for construction activities. If nesting activities occur within the construction area, appropriate buffers will be placed around nests to ensure their protection. The project was coordinated with USFWS and complies with these Acts.
Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act (16 U.S.C. §1431 <i>et seq.</i> AND 33 U.S.C. §1401 <i>et seq.</i> )	Ocean disposal is not a component of this project. This Act is not applicable.
Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §4601 <i>et seq</i> .)	The NFS will be responsible for acquiring any real estate interests for the project. The Corps will work with the NFS to ensure compliance with this Act. The project will comply with this Act.

E.O. 11988, Flood Plain Management	Per guidance provided in E.O. 11988, the following factors were evaluated:
	1. Determine if a proposed action is in the base floodplain (area with a one percent or greater chance of flooding in any given year).
	Yes, the proposed action would occur within the base floodplain.
	2. Conduct early public review, including public notice.
	Public review of the proposed action was conducted during the 1982 DPR/EA as well as during this EA's review
	process. 3. Identify and evaluate practicable alternatives to locating in the base floodplain, including alternative sites outside of the floodplain.
	There is no practicable alternative to locating the project outside of the floodplain due to the nature of the project's objectives, which are discussed in more detail in this EA's section 1.3 and in the project's 2020 Savan Gut, St. Thomas, USVI CAP Conversion Feasibility Report (provided in Appendix D).
	4. Identify impacts of the proposed action.
	Impacts of the proposed action are discussed in Section 4 of this EA.
	5. Minimize threats to life and property and to natural and beneficial floodplain values. Restore and preserve natural and beneficial floodplain values.
	The purpose of the project includes minimizing threats to life and property while restoring and preserving natural and beneficial floodplain values. More details on the project's purpose are included in this EA's section 1.3, and details on the environmental commitments are included in section 6.
	6. Reevaluate alternatives.
	Alternatives were evaluated in the 1982 DPR/EA and are discussed again in this EA's section 2. The Recommended Plan that is selected best meets the study objectives.
	7. Issue findings and a public explanation.
	This EA provides the Recommended Plan and explanation in section 2.
	8. Implement the action.
	The action will be implemented once authorized, appropriations are received, and all appropriate documentation (e.g. agreements, permitting, etc.) is completed.

Environmental Act or E.O.	Project Compliance Status
	The Corps concludes that the proposed project will not result in harm to people, property, and floodplain values, will not induce development in the floodplain, and the project is in the public interest. The project will result in a reduction of flood damages. The project complies with this Order.
E.O. 11990, Protection of Wetlands	Debris and vegetation would be removed during the channelization, clearing, and grubbing activities, and construction of the debris basin. While there appear to be degraded wetlands in the project's vicinity near the debris basin, the clearing and re-grading actions to create the basin are not expected to reduce the value or function of the existing degraded wetlands. Project construction will result in removal of debris and refuse from the area, and revegetation is expected to occur promptly within the project footprint. Upon construction completion, areas outside of the construction footprint will be restored. Therefore, consistent with the 1982 Recommended Plan, mitigation is not required as there will be no loss of wetland function. The Project complies with this Order.
E.O. 12898, Environmental Justice	Detailed analysis of the project's environmental justice status is found in Appendix B (Environmental Justice Analysis). The project will result in temporary impacts related to noise, air quality, water quality, and use of the project staging area during construction of the project. These effects are minor and would cease with construction completion. The project will result in long-term positive effects to the Savan Gut project area that will include the entire length through the downtown and urban areas of Charlotte Amalie. Benefits of the project include the reduction of existing and future flood damages to the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School and the affected central business district of Charlotte Amalie. The project complies with this Order. This project will not cause any disproportionate and adverse effects to minority or low income populations. The project complies with this Order.
E.O. 13045, Protection of Children from Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risks	Flooding and flood damages increase the potential for environmental health or safety risks for children attending the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School. The proposed action will reduce these risks to children. The project complies with this Order.
E.O. 13089, Coral Reef Protection	No corals or hardbottom habitat exists within the project area. The project complies with this Order.
E.O. 13112, Invasive Species	The Recommended Plan will not introduce or promote the introduction of non-species to the region. Planting of native species will result in a decrease of habitat availability for invasive/exotic species. The project complies with this Order.

Environmental Act or E.O.	Project Compliance Status
E.O. 13186, Responsibilities of Federal Agencies to Protect Migratory Birds	This E.O. requires, among other things, a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Corps and USFWS concerning migratory birds. Neither the Department of Defense MOU nor the Corps' Draft MOU clearly address migratory birds on lands not owned or controlled by the Corps. For many Corps' civil works projects, the real estate interests are provided by the non-Federal Sponsor. Control and ownership of the Project lands remain with a non- Federal interest. Measures to avoid the destruction of migratory birds and their eggs or hatchlings are described in Section 4 of this EA and are incorporated by reference. The Corps will include standard migratory bird protection requirements in the Project plans and specifications and will require the contractor to abide by those requirements. The Project complies with this Order.

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# 8 ACRONYM LIST

APE	Area of Potential Effect
BBA	Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018
BCOES	Biddability, Constructability, Operability, Environmental and Sustainability
BMPs	Best Management Practices
C.F.R.	Code of Federal Regulations
CAP	Continuing Authorities Program
CBRS	Coastal Barrier Resource System
CEQ	Council on Environmental Quality
Corps	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
DPR	Detailed Project Report
E.O.	Executive Order
EA	Environmental Assessment
EFH	Essential Fish Habitat
EJ	Environmental Justice
EPP	Environmental Protection Plan
FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Agency
FONSI	Finding of No Significant Impact
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
HABS/HAER	Historic American Buildings Survey/Historic American Engineering Record
HTRW	Hazardous, Toxic, and Radioactive Waste
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act
NFS	Non-Federal Sponsor
NMFS	National Marine Fisheries Service
NRHP	National Register of Historic Places
NWI	National Wetlands Inventory
PED	Preconstruction Engineering and Design
U.S.	United States
U.S.C.	United States Code
USEPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
USFWS	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
USVI	U.S. Virgin Islands

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# **APPENDIX A**

**Project Correspondence** 

Environmental Assessment Savan Gut, St. Thomas, United States Virgin Islands (USVI) Continuing Authorities Program (CAP) Conversion Feasibility Report



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From:	Pace Wilber - NOAA Federal
To:	Donofrio, Kristen L CIV USARMY CESAJ (USA)
Cc:	Ashley Ruffo - NOAA Affiliate; Jose Rivera
Subject:	[Non-DoD Source] NMFS no objection for Savan Gut Phase II
Date:	Friday, March 29, 2019 2:25:31 PM

Hello Kristen.

NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) reviewed the Draft EA for Savan Gut Phase II, St Thomas USVI, Study, Section 205 Flood Risk Reduction CAP Conversion. Based on the information in the Draft EA, implementing the Recommended Plan would not occur within essential fish habitat (EFH) designated by the Caribbean Fishery Management Council or the NMFS. The NMFS anticipates any adverse effects from implementing the Recommended Plan to NOAA-trust resources would be minimal. Consequently, the NMFS offers no EFH conservation recommendations pursuant to the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act and no recommendations under the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act. Please let me know if additional information is needed from the NMFS or if the District's plans change and the District concludes those changes may affect EFH.

Pace

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF DETERMINATION**

December 10, 2019

Mr. Jason J. Spinning Acting Chief, Environmental Branch US Army Corps of Engineers Jacksonville District P.O. Box 4970 Jacksonville, FL 32232-0019

#### SUBJECT: FEDERAL CONSISTENCY DETERMINATION CZT-3-19(FC) SAVAN GUT FLOOD RISK REDUCTION PROJECT PRINDSESSE GADE TO JANE E. TUITT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ST. THOMAS, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS

Dear Mr. Spinning:

This is in response to your letter received February 19, 2019, requesting authorization for implementation of the Savan Gut Phase II St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands Study Section 205 Flood Risk Reduction Continuing Authorities Program (CAP) Conversion. As stated, the purpose of this project is to reduce flood damage to Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School and the Central Business District of Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands.

It has been determined that the proposed project is consistent with the Virgin Islands Coastal Zone Management Program (VICZMP), specifically the goals set forth in the VI Code, Title 12, Chapter 21, Sections 903(b)(1), 903(b)(2), 903(b)(3), 903(b)(4), 903(b)(5), 903(b)(7), 903(b)(8), 903(b)(9), 903(b)(11) and Amenity Policies 906(a)(5), 906(a)(9), 906(a)(10), 9069b)(1), 906(b)(3), 906(b)(4), 906(b)(5), 906(b)(9), 906(b)(10), 906(c)(1) and 906(c)(2) Based on this determination, your request is hereby approved with the following conditions:

1) Work is limited to the construction of a channel from Prindsesse Gade to the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School, a velocity check dam approximately 150 feet upstream of the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School, barrier to trap debris at the

check dam and the replacement of three highway bridges with sections of covered channel;

- The Division of Coastal Zone Management is also aware of the programmatic agreement between ACOE and VISHPO and concurs that all work must be conducted in accordance with the stipulations of that agreement;
- Best Management Practices i.e. silt fencing, berms, etc. must be utilized to prevent construction debris from negatively affecting the surrounding environment;
- 4) The Division of Coastal Zone Management must be notified at least 72 hours prior to commencement of work;
- 5) All other required permits must be obtained prior to commencement of work (to include building permits; and
- 6) No other work authorized.

Please direct questions or concerns to Marlon Hibbert, Director of CZM, at (340) 774-3320, or by email at marlon.hibbert@dpnr.vi.gov.

Sincerely,

ean-Pierre L. Oriol Commissioner

cc: Marlon Hibbert, CZM Director



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Planning and Policy Division Environmental Branch

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Honorable Jean-Pierre Oriol Commissioner, Department of Planning and Natural Resources Cyril E. King Airport Terminal Bldg., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor St. Thomas, VI 00802

Dear Mr. Oriol:

Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. §4321 et seq.), Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §1451 et seq.), and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Regulation (33 CFR 230.11), this letter constitutes the Notice of Availability of the Proposed Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), draft Environmental Assessment (EA), and Federal Consistency Determination (FCD) for the Savan Gut Phase II St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands Study Section 205 Flood Risk Reduction Continuing Authorities Program (CAP) Conversion. Enclosed with this letter is the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District (Corps) FCD for the project. The purpose of the project is to reduce flood damages to the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School and Central Business District in downtown Charlotte Amalie. The proposed 1982 Recommended Plan consists of the phased construction of a 2,300-foot-covered concrete channel extending from St. Thomas Harbor upstream to and around Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School. Phase I construction was completed by the Corps in 1989 and consisted of channelization of approximately 655 feet from St. Thomas Harbor to Prindsesse Gade. Phase II construction includes the remaining channelization work as well as a velocity check dam approximately 150 feet upstream of the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School. A barrier will be included in the check dam to trap debris. Replacement of three highway bridges with sections of covered channel will also be included in the project.

Additional information, including a copy of the draft EA and associated appendices, is available for review on the Corps' environmental planning website, under U.S. Virgin Islands. For your convenience, the website link is: http://www.saj.usace.army.mil/About/Divisions-Offices/Planning/Environmental-Branch/Environmental-Documents/

The Corps has determined that the proposed federal action is consistent with the findings, goals, and policies of the U.S. Virgin Islands Coastal Zone Management Program. The Corps respectfully requests a letter of concurrence with our FCD within 60 days of the date of this letter.

If you have any questions, or need additional information, please contact Kristen Donofrio by email Kristen.L.Donofrio@usace.army.mil or telephone 904-232-2918. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Jason J. Spinning Acting Chief, Environmental Branch

Enclosure

### U.S. Virgin Islands Coastal Zone Management Program Federal Consistency Determination

## SAVAN GUT PHASE II ST. THOMAS, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS STUDY SECTION 205 FLOOD RISK REDUCTION CONTINUING AUTHORITIES PROGRAM (CAP) CONVERSION FEBRUARY 2019

In accordance with Section 307 of the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) of 1972 and the U.S. Virgin Islands (USVI) CZMA of 1978, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District, (Corps) has determined that the proposed federal action is consistent with the findings, goals, and policies of the USVI Coastal Zone Management Program (CZMP).

#### **Project Location**

The project is located within the Central Business District of Charlotte Amalie, the capital and largest city of the USVI. Charlotte Amalie is on the southern shore of the island of St. Thomas. Savan Gut provides the drainage for a watershed area of approximately 260 acres, flowing through densely developed Charlotte Amalie to St. Thomas Harbor in a constructed channel (*see* **Figure 1** and **Figure 2**).

Savan Gut (also known locally as Deyoung Gut) is located in the highly developed urbanized area of Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, USVI. The gut's headwaters begin in the mountainous and heavily vegetated region north of the Charlotte Amalie Harbor. The gut drains directly into the harbor via a natural channel from the vegetated area, to a combination of an intermixed lined and unlined degraded concrete channel from the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School (flowing under the school and the schools' basketball court) to the intersection of Guttets Gade and Norte Gade. The culvert is then inaccessible and flows underneath businesses and roads of downtown Charlotte Amalie until it exits into St. Thomas Harbor.

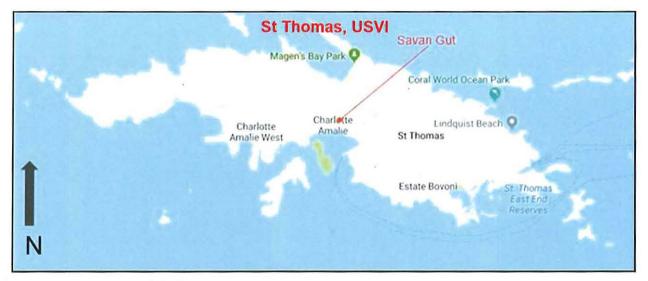


Figure 1. Project vicinity map.



Figure 2. Savan Gut Section 205 project location (zoomed in).

#### **Recommended Plan**

The 1982 Recommended Plan (*see* **Figure 3**), maximizes the National Economic Development benefits and consists of the phased construction of a 2,300-foot-covered concrete channel extending from St. Thomas Harbor upstream to and around Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School. The benefits for the project assume the originally designed total project would be completed; however, due to program capacity and funding challenges, the project was split into two phases. Phase I construction was completed by the Corps in 1989 and consisted of channelization of approximately 655 feet from St. Thomas Harbor to Prindsesse Gade. Phase II construction includes the remaining channelization work as well as a velocity check dam approximately 150 feet upstream of the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School. A barrier will be included in the check dam to trap debris. The new channel ends at the velocity check dam. Replacement of three highway bridges with sections of covered channel will also be included in the project.

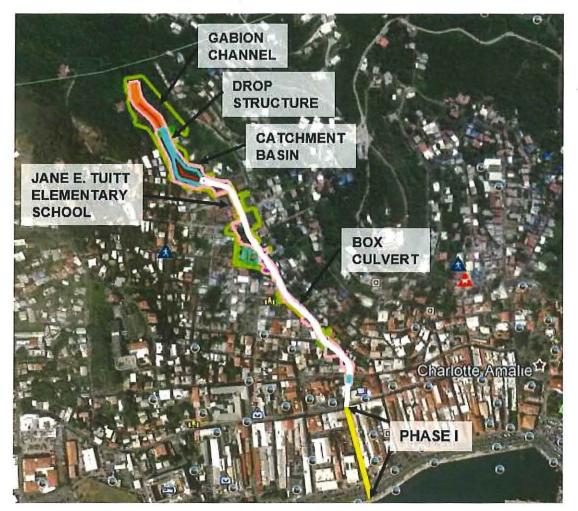


Figure 3. Savan Gut Section 205 project features.

Additional information, including a copy of the draft Environmental Assessment (EA) and associated appendices, is available for review on the Corps' environmental planning website, under "U.S. Virgin Islands". For your convenience, the website link is: <a href="http://www.saj.usace.army.mil/About/Divisions-Offices/Planning/Environmental-Branch/Environmental-Documents/">http://www.saj.usace.army.mil/About/Divisions-Offices/Planning/Environmental-Branch/Environmental-Documents/</a>

### Consistency with Findings, Goals, and Policies of the USVI CZMP:

903(b) Findings and Goals.

(1) Protect, maintain, preserve and, where feasible, enhance and restore, the overall quality of the environment in the coastal zone, the natural and manmade resources therein, and the scenic and historic resources of the coastal zone for the benefit of residents of and visitors of the Virgin Islands; RESPONSE: The Recommended Plan is designed to preserve and protect natural and man-made resources to the maximum extent practicable.

(2) Promote economic development and growth in the coastal zone and consider the need for development of greater than territorial concern by managing: (1) the impacts of human activity and (2) the use and enhance the long-term productivity of the coastal environment.

RESPONSE: The Recommended Plan is designed to protect existing residential and commercial development.

(3) Assure priority for coastal-dependent development over other development in the coastal zone by reserving areas suitable for commercial uses including hotels and related facilities, industrial uses including port and marine facilities, and recreation uses.

RESPONSE: The Recommended Plan will have no effect on development or commercial uses of land as described by this goal. Implementation of the Recommended Plan will affect the Jane E. Tuitt basketball court. The Corps is committed to working with the non-federal sponsor and Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School to ensure any loss of recreational areas is offset through the restoration or replacement of resources lost. The top of the concrete box culvert will serve as a linear park for the project. Seven pocket parks, which include landscaping, hardscaping, vegetation, and lighting, will be constructed along the linear park.

(4) Assure the orderly, balanced utilization and conservation of the resources of the coastal zone, taking into account the social and economic needs of the residents of the Virgin Islands.

RESPONSE: The Recommended Plan is designed to preserve and protect natural and man-made resources to the maximum extent practicable and takes into account the social and economic needs of the residents of the USVI.

- (5) Preserve, protect, and maintain the trustlands and other submerged and filled lands of the Virgin Islands so as to promote the general welfare of the people of the Virgin Islands.
- (6) RESPONSE: The Recommended Plan is designed to protect existing residential and commercial development which will promote the general welfare of the people of the USVI.

(7) Preserve what has been a tradition and protect what has become a right of the public by insuring that the public, individually and collectively, has and shall continue to have the right to use and enjoy the shorelines and to maximize public access to and along the shorelines consistent with constitutionally protected rights of private property owners;

RESPONSE: The Recommended Plan will not affect access or use of shorelines.

(8) Promote and provide affordable and diverse public recreational opportunities in the coastal zone for all residents of the Virgin Islands through acquisition, development, and restoration of areas consistent with sound resource conservation principles;

RESPONSE: Implementation of the Recommended Plan will affect the Jane E. Tuitt basketball court. The Corps is committed to working with the nonfederal sponsor and Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School to ensure any loss of recreational areas is offset through the restoration or replacement of resources lost. The top of the concrete box culvert will serve as a linear park for the project. Seven pocket parks, which include landscaping, hardscaping, vegetation, and lighting, will be constructed along the linear park.

(9) Conserve ecologically significant resource areas for their contribution to marine productivity and value as wildlife habitats, and preserve the function and integrity of reefs, marine meadows, salt ponds, mangroves, and other significant natural areas;

RESPONSE: The Recommended Plan may affect wetlands, and mitigation may be necessary. The project design minimizes the destruction, loss, and/or degradation of wetlands and preserves and enhances the natural and beneficial values of wetlands. If impacts to wetlands require mitigation, a plan will be developed, proposed, and refined during the project's Preconstruction Engineering and Design (PED) phase. The Corps and its contractors commit to avoiding, minimizing, and mitigating for adverse effects during construction activities.

(10) Maintain or increase coastal water quality through control of erosion, sedimentation, run-off, siltation, and sewage discharge;

RESPONSE: The purpose of the project is to reduce flood damages to the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School and Central Business District in downtown Charlotte Amalie. Channelization and use of the debris basin may result in

decreased erosion and improved water quality. Utilities located in the project footprint may be replaced or relocated.

(11) Consolidate the existing regulatory controls applicable to uses of land and water in the coastal zone into a single unified process consistent with the provisions of this Chapter, and coordinate therewith the various regulatory requirements of the United States government.

RESPONSE: Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. §4321 *et seq.*) (NEPA), the Recommended Plan will be coordinated with Federal and local government agencies as well as other interested parties and the public during the planning process.

(12) Promote public participation in decision affecting coastal planning conservation and development.

RESPONSE: Pursuant to NEPA, the Recommended Plan will be coordinated with Federal and local government agencies as well as other interested parties and the public during the planning process.

## <u>906(a) Specific Policies Applicable to the First Tier of the Coastal Zone: Development</u> Policies

(1) To guide new development to the maximum extent feasible into locations with, contiguous with, or in close proximity to existing developed sites and into areas with adequate public services; and to well-planned, self-sufficient, development in other suitable areas where it will have no significant adverse effect, individually or cumulatively, on coastal zone resources;

RESPONSE: The Recommended Plan will be located upland, in an existing, highly developed/urbanized area.

(2) To give highest priority to water dependent uses, particularly in those areas suitable for commercial uses including resort hotels and related facilities, industrial uses including port and marine facilities, and recreation; to give secondary priority to these uses that are water-related or have special siting needs; and to discourage uses which are neither water dependent, waterrelated nor have special siting needs in areas suitable for the highest and secondary priority uses;

RESPONSE: The Recommended Plan does not include construction or development as described by this policy.

(3) To assure that new or expanded public capital improvement projects will be designed to accommodate those needs generated by development or uses permitted consistent with the Coastal Land and Water Use Plan and provisions of this Chapter;

RESPONSE: The Recommended Plan does not include construction or development as described by this policy.

(4) To assure that all new subdivisions, in addition to the other requirements contained in this Chapter and in the Virgin Islands Zoning and Subdivision Law, are physically suitable for the proposed sites and are designed and improved so as to avoid causing environmental damage or problems of public health;

RESPONSE: The Recommended Plan does not include construction or development as described by this policy.

(5) To encourage waterfront redevelopment and renewal in developed harbors in order to preserve and improve physical and visual access to the waterfront from residential neighborhoods and commercial downtown areas;

RESPONSE: Implementation of the Recommended Plan will reduce flood damages to the surrounding areas which may aid in the preservation of and improve physical access to the waterfront from the project's surrounding residential neighborhoods and commercial downtown areas.

(6) To assure that development will be sited and designed to protect views to and along the sea and scenic coastal areas, to minimize the alteration of natural land forms, and to be visually compatible with the character of surrounding areas;

RESPONSE: The Recommended Plan does not include construction or development as described by this policy.

(7) To encourage fishing and carefully monitor mariculture and, to the maximum extent feasible, to protect local fishing activities from encroachment by non-related development;

RESPONSE: The Recommended Plan will have no effect on fishing and/or mariculture.

(8) To assure that dredging filling of submerged lands is clearly in the public interest and to ensure that such proposals are consistent with specific marine

environment policies contained in this Chapter. To these ends, the diking, filling or dredging of coastal waters, salt ponds, lagoons, marshes, or estuaries may be permitted in accordance with other applicable provisions of this Chapter only where there are no feasible, less environmentally-damaging alternatives and where feasible, mitigation measures have been provided to minimize adverse environmental effects, and in any event shall be limited to the following: (i) maintenance dredging required for existing navigational channels, vessel berthing and mooring areas; (ii) incidental public service purposes, including but not limited to the burying of cables and pipes, the inspection of piers, and the maintenance of existing intake and outfall lines; (iii) new or expanded port, oil, gas and water transportation, and coastal dependent industrial uses, including commercial fishing facilities, cruise ship facilities, and boating facilities and marinas; (iv) except as restricted by federal law, mineral extraction, including sand, provided that such extraction shall be prohibited in significant natural areas; and (v) restoration purposes;

RESPONSE: Dredging is not a component of the Recommended Plan.

(9) To the extent feasible, discourage further growth and development in floodprone areas and assure that development in these areas is so designed as to minimize risks to life and property;

RESPONSE: The purpose of the project is to reduce flood damages to the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School and Central Business District in downtown Charlotte Amalie; however, the Recommended Plan does not include construction or development as described by this policy.

(10) To comply with all other applicable laws, rules, regulations, standards and criteria of public agencies.

RESPONSE: Pursuant to NEPA, the Recommended Plan will be coordinated with Federal and local government agencies as well as other interested parties and the public during the planning process.

# <u>906(b)</u> Specific Policies Applicable to the First Tier of the Coastal Zone: Environmental Policies

 To conserve significant natural areas for their contributions to marine productivity and value as habitats for endangered species and other wildlife;

RESPONSE: The Recommended Plan may affect wetlands, and mitigation may be necessary. The project design minimizes the destruction, loss, and/or degradation of wetlands and preserves and enhances the natural and beneficial values of wetlands. If impacts to wetlands require mitigation, a plan will be developed, proposed, and refined during the project's PED phase. The Corps and its contractors commit to avoiding, minimizing, and mitigating for adverse effects during construction activities. Pursuant to NEPA, the Recommended Plan will be coordinated with Federal and local government agencies as well as other interested parties and the public during the planning process. Pursuant to the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. §1531 *et seq.*) (ESA), the project was coordinated with National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) through the 1982 EA and will be coordinated again during the public review of the 2019 NEPA document.

(2) To protect complexes of marine resource systems of unique productivity, including reefs, marine meadows, salt ponds, mangroves and other natural systems, and assure that activities in or adjacent to such complexes are designed and carried out so as to minimize adverse effects on marine productivity, habitat value, storm buffering capabilities, and water quality of the entire complex;

RESPONSE: The Recommended Plan will be located upland, in an existing, highly developed/urbanized area. Implementation of the Recommended Plan will not affect marine resources.

(3) To consider use impacts on marine life and adjacent and related coastal environment;

RESPONSE: The Recommended Plan will be located upland, in an existing, highly developed/urbanized area and will not affect marine resources. Pursuant to the NEPA, an EA has been prepared to assess the effects of the Recommended Plan on existing resources. The Recommended Plan will be coordinated with Federal and local government agencies as well as other interested parties and the public during the planning process.

(4) To assure that siting criteria, performance standards, and activity regulations are stringently enforced and upgraded to reflect advances in related technology and knowledge of adverse effects on marine productivity and public health;

RESPONSE: The Recommended Plan will be located upland, in an existing, highly developed/urbanized area and will not affect marine resources. Pursuant to the NEPA, an EA has been prepared to assess the effects of the Recommended Plan on existing resources. The Recommended Plan will be coordinated with Federal and local government agencies as well as other interested parties and the public during the planning process. All applicable authorizations will be obtained prior to the start of construction.

(5) To assure that existing water quality standards for all point source discharge activities are stringently enforced and that the standards are continually upgraded to achieve the highest possible conformance with federallypromulgated water quality criteria;

RESPONSE: Pursuant to Section 401 of the Clean Water Act of 1972, as amended, water quality certification (WQC) will be obtained from the USVI prior to construction, if required. If a WQC certification is required, conditions imposed by the WQC will be implemented in order to minimize adverse impacts to water quality.

(6) To preserve and protect the environments of offshore islands and cays;

RESPONSE: The Recommended Plan will be located upland, in an existing, highly developed/urbanized area and will not affect offshore islands and cays.

(7) To accommodate offshore sand and gravel mining needs in areas and in ways that will not adversely affect marine resources and navigation. To this end, sand, rock, mineral, marine growth and coral (including black coral), natural materials, or other natural products of the sea, excepting fish and wildlife, shall not be taken from the shorelines without first obtaining a coastal zone permit, and no permit shall be granted unless it is established that such materials or products are not otherwise obtainable at reasonable cost, and that the removal of such materials or products will not significantly alter the physical characteristics of the area or adjacent areas on an immediate or long term basis; or unless the Commission has determined that a surplus of such materials or products exists at specifically designated locations;

RESPONSE: Offshore sand and gravel mining is not a component of the Recommended Plan.

(8) To assure that dredging and disposal of dredged material will cause minimal adverse affects to marine and wildlife habitats and water circulation;

RESPONSE: Dredging is not a component of the Recommended Plan.

(9) To assure that development in areas adjacent to environmentally-sensitive habitat areas, especially those of endangered species, significant natural areas, and parks and recreations areas, is sited and designed to prevent impacts which would significantly degrade such areas; RESPONSE: Pursuant to the ESA, the project was coordinated with NMFS and USFWS through the 1982 EA and will be coordinated again during the public review of the 2019 NEPA document. Implementation of the Recommended Plan will affect the Jane E. Tuitt basketball court. The Corps is committed to working with the non-federal sponsor and Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School to ensure any loss of recreational areas is offset through the restoration or replacement of resources lost. The top of the concrete box culvert will serve as a linear park for the project. Seven pocket parks, which include landscaping, hardscaping, vegetation, and lighting, will be constructed along the linear park.

(10) To assure all of the foregoing, development must be designed so that adverse impacts on marine productivity, habitat value, storm buffering capabilities and water quality are minimized to the greatest feasible extent by careful integration of construction with the site. Significant erosion, sediment transport, land settlement or environmental degradation of the site shall be identified in the environmental assessment report prepared for or used in the review of the development, or described in any other study, report, test results or comparable documents.

RESPONSE: Pursuant to the NEPA, an EA has been prepared to assess the effects of the Recommended Plan on existing resources. The Recommended Plan will be coordinated with Federal and local government agencies as well as other interested parties and the public during the planning process.

#### <u>906(c)</u> Specific Policies Applicable to the First Tier of the Coastal Zone: Amenity Policies

(1) To protect and, where feasible or appropriate, enhance and increase public coastal recreational uses, areas and facilities;

RESPONSE: Implementation of the Recommended Plan will affect the Jane E. Tuitt basketball court. The Corps is committed to working with the nonfederal sponsor and Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School to ensure any loss of recreational areas is offset through the restoration or replacement of resources lost. The top of the concrete box culvert will serve as a linear park for the project. Seven pocket parks, which include landscaping, hardscaping, vegetation, and lighting, will be constructed along the linear park.

(2) To protect and enhance the characteristics of those coastal areas which are most valued by the public as amenities and which are scarce, or which would be significantly altered in character by development, or which would cause significant environmental degradation if developed; RESPONSE: The Recommended Plan is designed to preserve and protect natural and man-made resources to the maximum extent practicable.

(3) To preserve agricultural land uses in the coastal zone by encouraging either maintenance of such present agricultural use or use as open space areas;

RESPONSE: The Recommended Plan will not affect agricultural lands.

(4) To incorporate visual concern into the early stages of the planning and design of facilities proposed by siting in the coastal zone and, to the extent feasible, maintain or expand visual access to the coastline and coastal waters;

RESPONSE: The Recommended Plan will have no effect on visual aesthetics or visual access to the coastline and coastal waters.

(5) To foster, protect, improve, and ensure optimum access to, and recreational opportunities at, the shoreline for all the people consistent with public rights, constitutionally-protected rights of private property owners, and the need to protect natural resources from overuse;

RESPONSE: The Recommended Plan will have no effect on access or recreational opportunities at the shoreline.

(6) To ensure that development will not interfere with the public's right of access to the sea where acquired through customary use, legislative authorization or dedication including without limitation the use of beaches to the landward extent of the shoreline;

RESPONSE: The Recommended Plan will have no effect on the public's access to the sea or use of beaches to the landward extent of the shoreline.

(7) To require, in the discretion of the appropriate Committee of the Commission, that public access from the nearest public roadway to the shoreline be dedicated in land subdivisions or in new development projects requiring a major coastal zone permit. Factors to be considered in requiring such dedication of public access include (i) whether it is consistent with public safety or protection of fragile coastal zone resources; (ii) whether adequate public access exists nearby; (iii) whether existing or proposed uses or development would be adversely affected; (iv) consideration of the type of shoreline and its appropriate potential recreational, educational, and scientific uses; and (v) the likelihood of trespass on private property resulting from such access and availability of reasonable means for avoiding such trespass.

Dedicated accessways shall not be required to be open to public use until a public agency or private association agrees to accept responsibility for providing off-street parking areas and for maintenance and liability of the accessway, shoreline and beach areas. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed as restricting existing public access nor shall it excuse the performance of duties and responsibilities of public agencies as provided by law to acquire or provide public access to the shoreline. This provision shall not be construed as requiring free use of private facilities on land adjoining any beach or shoreline but only as requiring access to the beach or shoreline to the general public as a condition precedent to the grant of a coastal zone permit.

RESPONSE: The Recommended Plan will be located upland, in an existing, highly developed/urbanized area, will have no effect on the public's access to the coast, and does not require or include construction or development as described by this policy.



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FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

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In Reply Refer To: FWS/R4/CESFO/72-FC-124

Mr. Jason J. Spinning Acting Chief, Environmental Branch US Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District 701 San Marco Blvd Jacksonville, Florida 32207-1895

Re: Savan Gut Phase II, St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands

Dear Mr. Spinning:

This is a reply to your February 19, 2019, letter requesting comments to the proposed Phase II of the Savan Gut flood control project in St. Thomas, USVI. Our comments are provided as technical in accordance with the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act (48 Stat. 401, as amended; 16 U.S.C. 661 et seq.) and the Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq. as amended).

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The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) is proposing to continue the channel work at Savan Gut from the existing channelization to above the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School. Savan Gut runs through downtown Charlotte Amalie. The purpose of this project is to reduce flood damage to the school and the downtown commercial district. Streams in the USVI are for the most part intermittent, but can be subject to flash flooding during heavy rain events. Phase II will consist of extending the flood control channel, the construction of a check dam, a drop structure and an upper gabion channel.

Only the area of the proposed gabion channel and drop structure remains forested, the rest of the work will be within the urban area of the town. The Corps has identified the federally listed Virgin Island boa (*Epicrates monensis granti*) as possibly occurring within the project area. The Corps is proposing to use the Service's Conservation Measures for the VI boa to minimize the effects of the construction. Please be aware that these conservation measures require close coordination with the VI Division of Fish and Wildlife, which includes preconstruction meetings, hand clearing of vegetation, and a 10-14 day waiting period after hand clearing prior to the use of heavy equipment.

The Corps has determined that the proposed Phase II work, using the VI boa conservation measures, may affect but is not likely to adversely affect the VI boa. Based on the nature

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of the project and the location, we concur with the Corps determination that the project is not likely to adversely affect the VI boa. Therefore, no further consultation is required. Nevertheless, if the project is modified or if information on impacts to listed species becomes available this office should be contacted concerning the need for the initiation of consultation under section 7 of the Act.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this action. If you have any questions regarding our comments, please feel free to contact Felix Lopez of my staff at 787 851-7297 x 210.

Sincerely yours, Edwin E. Muniz Field Supervisor

fhl cc: COE, San Juan DPNR, DFW, St. Thomas EPA, San Juan



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**Background.** The Savan Gut Phase II St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands Study Section 205 Flood Risk Reduction Continuing Authorities Program (CAP) Conversion was initially authorized under CAP, Section 205 of the Flood Control Act of 1948 Public Law 80-858, as amended. Phase I construction was completed in 1989. Phase II of the project was advertised in 1999 with bids exceeding the government estimate and the capacity of the statutory CAP budget limits. The project is now being planned under the Authority of Section 209 of the Flood Control Act of 1966, Public Law 89-789, authorizing studies for flood control in the United States and its territories. Division B, Subdivision 1, Title IV of the Bipartisan Budget Act (BBA) of 2018 (Public Law 115-123), authorizes the Government to conduct the study at full federal expense to the extent that appropriations provided under the Investigations heading of the 2018 BBA are available and used for such purpose.

**Recommended Plan.** The proposed 1982 Recommended Plan maximizes the National Economic Development benefits and consists of the phased construction of a 2,300-foot-covered concrete channel extending from St. Thomas Harbor upstream to and around Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School. The benefits for the project assume the originally designed total project would be completed; however, due to program capacity and funding challenges, the project was split into two phases. Phase I construction was completed by the Corps in 1989 and consisted of channelization of approximately 655 feet from St. Thomas Harbor to Prindsesse Gade. Phase II construction includes the remaining channelization work as well as a velocity check dam approximately 150 feet upstream of the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School. A barrier will be included in the check dam to trap debris. The new channel ends at the velocity check dam. Replacement of three highway bridges with sections of covered channel will also be included in the project.

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**Coordination.** The Fish and Wildlife Coordination (FWCA; 16 U.S.C. 661 et seq., March 10, 1934, as amended 1946, 1958, 1978, and 1995) requires Federal agencies to consult with USFWS regarding project related effects to fish and wildlife resources and proposed measures to avoid, minimize, and/or mitigate unavoidable effects. Additional coordination authorities exist through the review process of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA; 42 U.S.C. 4321-4347, January 1, 1970, as amended 1975 and 1982) and the consultations required under the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA; 7 U.S.C. 136, 16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq. December 28, 1973).

The USFWS prepared a Coordination Act Report (CAR) for the project in 1980. The 1980 CAR did not identify any endangered or threatened species or effects to critical habitat. The project was also coordinated with USFWS through the 1982 EA with a no-effect determination for any federally listed endangered or threatened species.

USFWS continues to coordinate and consult with the Corps through NEPA and the ESA in which impacts to fish and wildlife resources are adequately addressed via these two authorities. Funds may be sent to the USFWS during the Preconstruction Engineering and Design (PED) phase to provide support during design refinements. USFWS will include comments relevant to FWCA in the USFWS response to the Corps' ESA coordination letter.

**Agreement.** The undersigned, the Corps and USFWS, agree to utilize the Savan Gut Phase II St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands Study Section 205 Flood Risk Reduction CAP Conversion NEPA review and ESA consultation processes to complete coordination responsibilities under the FWCA. This agreement will avoid duplicate analysis and documentation as authorized under 40 CFR section 1500.4 (k), 1502.25, 1506.4, and is consistent with Presidential Executive Order for Improving Regulation and Regulatory Review, released January 18, 2011.

Edwin Muñiz Field Supervisor Caribbean Ecological Services Field Office

Jason J. Spinning

Acting Chief, Environmental Branch



#### DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT 701 SAN MARCO BLVD JACKSONVILLE, FL 32207-8915

Planning and Policy Division Environmental Branch FEB 1 9 2019

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#### Dear Mr. Muñiz:

Pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) of 1973 (87 Stat. 884, as amended; 16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.), the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District (Corps), respectfully requests a letter of concurrence from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) for the Savan Gut Phase II St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands Study Section 205 Flood Risk Reduction Continuing Authorities Program (CAP) Conversion. The purpose of the project is to reduce flood damages to the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School and Central Business District in downtown Charlotte Amalie. The proposed 1982 Recommended Plan consists of the phased construction of a 2,300-footcovered concrete channel extending from St. Thomas Harbor upstream to and around Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School. Phase I construction was completed by the Corps in 1989 and consisted of channelization of approximately 655 feet from St. Thomas Harbor to Prindsesse Gade. Phase II construction includes the remaining channelization work as well as a velocity check dam approximately 150 feet upstream of the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School. A barrier will be included in the check dam to trap debris. Replacement of three highway bridges with sections of covered channel will also be included in the project.

The Corps has determined that the proposed project may affect, but is not likely to adversely affect (MANLAA) the Virgin Island tree boa (*Epicrates monensis granti*). Included with this letter is additional information describing the project background, project location and proposed action, potential effects to boas, and efforts to eliminate/avoid impacts. Additionally, a copy of the draft Environmental Assessment and associated appendices, is available for review on the Corps' environmental planning website, under U.S. Virgin Islands. For your convenience, the website link is: http://www.saj.usace.army.mil/About/Divisions-Offices/Planning/Environmental-Branch/Environmental-Documents/

The Corps respectfully requests that the USFWS provide a letter of concurrence to the Corps' MANLAA effect determination within 30 days of the receipt of this letter. If you have any questions, or need additional information, please contact Kristen Donofrio by email Kristen.L.Donofrio@usace.army.mil or telephone 904-232-2918. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely, Jason J Spinning Acting Chief, Environmental Branch

Enclosure

# Savan Gut Phase II St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands Study Section 205 Flood Risk Reduction Continuing Authorities Program (CAP) Conversion

In order to comply with Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) of 1973 (87 Stat. 884, as amended; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District (Corps), respectfully requests a letter of concurrence within 30 days of the date of this letter from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) on the Savan Gut Phase II St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands Study Section 205 Flood Risk Reduction Continuing Authorities Program (CAP) Conversion. The Corps has determined that the proposed project may affect, but is not likely to adversely affect the Virgin Islands tree boa (*Epicrates monensis granti*).

Pursuant to our request, the Corps is providing the following information:

- Project Background;
- Project Location;
- Recommended Plan;
- Listed Species Under USFWS Jurisdiction;
- Potential Effects to Listed Species and Efforts to Eliminate/Avoid Impacts; and
- Corps' Effect Determination.

#### Project Background

The Savan Gut Phase II St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands Study Section 205 Flood Risk Reduction Continuing Authorities Program (CAP) Conversion was initially authorized under CAP, Section 205 of the Flood Control Act of 1948 Public Law 80-858, as amended. Phase I construction was completed in 1989. Phase II of the project was advertised in 1999 with bids exceeding the government estimate and the capacity of the statutory CAP budget limits. The project is now being planned under the Authority of Section 209 of the Flood Control Act of 1966, Public Law 89-789, authorizing studies for flood control in the United States and its territories. Division B, Subdivision 1, Title IV of the Bipartisan Budget Act (BBA) of 2018 (Public Law 115-123), authorizes the Government to conduct the study at full federal expense to the extent that appropriations provided under the Investigations heading of the 2018 BBA are available and used for such purpose.

The purpose of the project is to reduce flood damage to the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School and Central Business District in downtown Charlotte Amalie. Heavy rainfall in the upland catchment basin of Savan Gut causes rocks and other debris to be washed down the channel toward the sea. Two constrictions reduce flows so that the flood waters overflow the channel banks and flood the school as well as the business district. The Savan section of Charlotte Amalie has extremely high runoff rates due to the steep slopes in the upper basin. Flash floods from intense thunderstorms are a common event affecting this area and can occur anytime during the year. Effects from Hurricane Maria, which hit the island in September 2017, prompted the Corps to include the project for consideration for funding under the BBA.

#### **Project Location**

The project is located within the Central Business District of Charlotte Amalie, the capital and largest city of the USVI. Charlotte Amalie is on the southern shore of the island of St. Thomas. Savan Gut provides the drainage for a watershed area of approximately 260 acres, flowing through densely developed Charlotte Amalie to St. Thomas Harbor in a constructed channel (*see* **Figure 1** and **Figure 2**).

Savan Gut (also known locally as Deyoung Gut) is located in the highly developed urbanized area of Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, USVI. The gut's headwaters begin in the mountainous and heavily vegetated region north of the Charlotte Amalie Harbor. The gut drains directly into the harbor via a natural channel from the vegetated area, to a combination of an intermixed lined and unlined degraded concrete channel from the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School (flowing under the school and the schools' basketball court) to the intersection of Guttets Gade and Norte Gade. The culvert is then inaccessible and flows underneath businesses and roads of downtown Charlotte Amalie until it exits into St. Thomas Harbor.

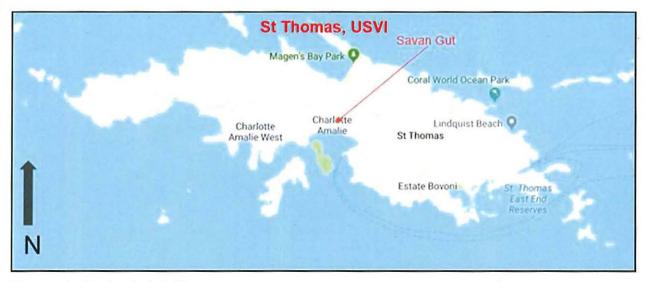


Figure 1. Project vicinity map.



Figure 2. Savan Gut Section 205 project location (zoomed in).

#### **Recommended Plan**

The 1982 Recommended Plan (*see* **Figure 3**), maximizes the National Economic Development benefits and consists of the phased construction of a 2,300-foot-covered concrete channel extending from St. Thomas Harbor upstream to and around Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School. The benefits for the project assume the originally designed total project would be completed; however, due to program capacity and funding challenges, the project was split into two phases. Phase I construction was completed by the Corps in 1989 and consisted of channelization of approximately 655 feet from St. Thomas Harbor to Prindsesse Gade. Phase II construction includes the remaining channelization work as well as a velocity check dam approximately 150 feet upstream of the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School. A barrier will be included in the check dam to trap debris. The new channel ends at the velocity check dam. Replacement of three highway bridges with sections of covered channel will also be included in the project.

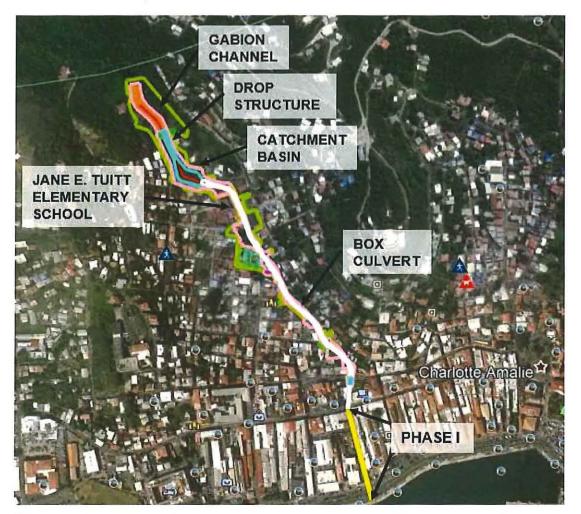


Figure 3. Savan Gut Section 205 project features.

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#### Listed Species under USFWS Jurisdiction

Listed species which may occur in the vicinity of the proposed work and are under the jurisdiction of the USFWS include the Virgin Islands tree boa (*Epicrates monensis granti*), which is endangered. The Corps has determined the project may affect, but is not likely to adversely affect the boa.

# Corps' Analysis and Effect Determinations on Listed Species under USFWS Jurisdiction:

#### Virgin Islands tree boa (Epicrates monensis granti)

The Virgin Islands tree boa was listed as endangered in 1970 (35 FR 13519). The boas can reach a maximum length of approximately 4 feet and is easily distinguishable from other snakes in its range. An ontogenetic color change occurs between juveniles to adults. Adults are plumbeous brown with darker brown blotches partially edged with black. The dorsal surface has a general blue-purple iridescence. The ventral surface is greyish-brown speckled with darker spots. Juveniles are dorsal color is light grey punctuated with black blotches (USFWS 1986). This boa is semi-arboreal and has an extremely disjunct distribution, likely due to increased predation from the introduction of exotic mammals (e.g. Indian mongoose) as well as habitat destruction from increased development (Department of Planning and Natural Resources 2005). These boas are nocturnal and their diet consists of birds, small mammals, and lizards. The Virgin Islands tree boa is non-venomous and generally harmless unless provoked. No DCH has been identified for this species.

#### Corps' Effect Determination: MANLAA

Components of construction activities for the Recommended Plan may occur within areas where the Virgin Islands tree boa could be present; however, by utilizing the USFWS Standard Protection Measures for the Virgin Islands tree boa, potential effects to this species can be minimized. Therefore, the Corps has determined that the proposed project may affect, but is not likely to adversely affect Virgin Islands tree boas.

#### References:

Department of Planning and Natural Resources. 2005. "Comprehensive Wildlife Conservation Strategy for the U.S. Virgin Islands."

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#### CONSERVATION MEASURES FOR THE VIRGIN ISLAND BOA - USFWS

The endangered Virgin Island boa (*Epicrates monensis grantii*), commonly known as VI boa or "Culebrón de la Sabana" by Spanish speakers, is a small, nocturnal, arboreal non-venomous snake native of PR and USVI. The juvenile are a light grey with black blotches, and change to adult coloration as they mature. The body in adults is a light brown, with chestnut blotches edged in black.

They may grow to become 41 inches in length. VI boas are found on the east end of St. Thomas, northeast of Puerto Rico, Culebra Island and on a few offshore cays. They generally live in xeric (dry) habitat, which is characterized by poor rocky soils, in scrub woodland or subtropical dry forest with high density of interdigitating branches and vines connecting adjacent tree canopies. The VI boa can be found crawling in vegetation at night. They can be found also on disturbed vegetation, and may use lower vegetation and artificial structures to travel from one patch to another. In daytime they are usually found under rocks or logs. The VI boa is protected as endangered species pursuant to the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended, throughout its range since 1979.



The following conservation measures should be developed and implemented to minimize any possible adverse effects to the species. Although surveys did to detect this species was not found, we recommend the following precautions to prevent impact to any boa which may have been missed or not been present during the survey.

#### Conservation Measures for Puerto Rico

- 1. All personnel will be instructed in identifying this harmless snake and photographs of the VI Boa are to be prominently displayed at the site.
- 2. Prior to any use of machinery on the site, the vegetation should be cleared by hand to the maximum extent possible, cutting vegetation about one meter above the ground.
- 3. Debris should be piled to the side and left undisturbed to avoid killing snakes hiding in crevices.
- 4. A biologist should be on site during the initial vegetation removal or debris removal, to ensure safe removal of any snakes in underground burrows, tree trunks, etc.
- 5. If boas are found within the working area, activities should stop at the area where the boas are found until the boas move out of the area on their own. Construction and activities at other work sites, where no boas have been found may continue. If relocation of the species is necessary, any relocated boas should be transferred by authorized personnel or PR DNER staff to appropriate habitat close to the project site. Any findings should be reported to the Service and to the DNER.

We recommend that the above mentioned conservation measures should be incorporate into the project plans. If you have any question regarding the comments above, please contact Marelisa Rivera, marelisa rivera@fws.gov, 787 851-7297 x 206.

Conservation Measures for the USVI

- 1. Contact VI Division of Fish and Wildlife (DFW) (340)775-6762, for consultation.
- 2. DFW will come out for an onsite discussion. They need a copy of your building plans or at least a narrative of your intended project. DFW will coordinate via email so that all developers, owners, contractors, and other agencies, can follow along and provide input.
- 3. DFW will conduct a short VI Tree-Boa training session for all individuals conducting hand clearing. This will involve discussions on what to do if a boa is encountered as well as boa identification. This can be done any time prior to hand clearing but is often preformed the first day on site.

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- 5. Only hand clearing is to be performed. This usually allows the use of chainsaws cutting vegetation down to less than 36 inches off the ground.
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- 7. The Division of Fish and Wildlife (DFW) or an on-site agent should be notified of any snakes observed or captured. If a snake is in imminent danger, the snake can be moved to undisturbed habitat outside the construction area that has been pre-approved by DFW. If no undisturbed habitat exists near the site, the landowner or agent shall identify a suitable release site in collaboration with DFW prior to any vegetation clearance. A permit from DFW under section 2(b) of the Cooperative Agreement will be required for all personnel involved in any snake handling or relocation activities.
- 8. Another site visit will be performed by DFW to confirm that hand clearing has been completed to our standards. The waiting period clock starts after inspection.
- 9. The site is to be left undisturbed for the required 10-14 days prior to the use of heavy machinery. However manual work may continue to be performed during this time and any vegetation may be moved by hand.
- 10. Use of heavy equipment is only permitted to start after the agreed upon date.



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SUBJECT: Coordination Act Report for the Savan Gut Phase II St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands Study Section 205 Flood Risk Reduction CAP Conversion.

**Coordination.** The Fish and Wildlife Coordination (FWCA; 16 U.S.C. 661 et seq., March 10, 1934, as amended 1946, 1958, 1978, and 1995) requires Federal agencies to consult with USFWS regarding project related effects to fish and wildlife resources and proposed measures to avoid, minimize, and/or mitigate unavoidable effects. Additional coordination authorities exist through the review process of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA; 42 U.S.C. 4321-4347, January 1, 1970, as amended 1975 and 1982) and the consultations required under the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA; 7 U.S.C. 136, 16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq. December 28, 1973).

The USFWS prepared a Coordination Act Report (CAR) for the project in 1980. The 1980 CAR did not identify any endangered or threatened species or effects to critical habitat. The project was also coordinated with USFWS through the 1982 EA with a no-effect determination for any federally listed endangered or threatened species.

USFWS continues to coordinate and consult with the Corps through NEPA and the ESA in which impacts to fish and wildlife resources are adequately addressed via these two authorities. Funds may be sent to the USFWS during the Preconstruction Engineering and Design (PED) phase to provide support during design refinements. USFWS will include comments relevant to FWCA in the USFWS response to the Corps' ESA coordination letter.

**Agreement.** The undersigned, the Corps and USFWS, agree to utilize the Savan Gut Phase II St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands Study Section 205 Flood Risk Reduction CAP Conversion NEPA review and ESA consultation processes to complete coordination responsibilities under the FWCA. This agreement will avoid duplicate analysis and documentation as authorized under 40 CFR section 1500.4 (k), 1502.25, 1506.4, and is consistent with Presidential Executive Order for Improving Regulation and Regulatory Review, released January 18, 2011.

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Jason J. Spinning

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Planning and Policy Division Environmental Branch FEB 1 9 2019

To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Regulation (33 CFR 230.11), this letter constitutes the Notice of Availability of the proposed Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) and draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Savan Gut Phase II St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands Study Section 205 Flood Risk Reduction Continuing Authorities Program (CAP) Conversion. The purpose of the project is to reduce flood damages to the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School and Central Business District in downtown Charlotte Amalie. The proposed 1982 Recommended Plan consists of the phased construction of a 2,300-foot-covered concrete channel extending from St. Thomas Harbor upstream to and around Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School. Phase I construction was completed by the Corps in 1989 and consisted of channelization of approximately 655 feet from St. Thomas Harbor to Prindsesse Gade. Phase II construction includes the remaining channelization work as well as a velocity check dam approximately 150 feet upstream of the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School. A barrier will be included in the check dam to trap debris. Replacement of three highway bridges with sections of covered channel will also be included in the project.

The proposed FONSI, draft EA, and associated appendices are available for your review on the Jacksonville District's Environmental planning website, under U.S. Virgin Islands:

http://www.saj.usace.army.mil/About/Divisions-Offices/Planning/Environmental-Branch/Environmental-Documents/

Questions or comments can be submitted to Kristen Donofrio at the letterhead address, or via email to Kristen.L.Donofrio@usace.army.mil within 60 days from the date of this Notice of Availability. Ms. Donofrio may also be reached by telephone at 904-232-2918.

Sincerely, Jason J. Spinning Acting Chief, Environmental Branch

# **APPENDIX B**

**Environmental Justice Analysis** 

Environmental Assessment Savan Gut, St. Thomas, United States Virgin Islands (USVI) Continuing Authorities Program (CAP) Conversion Feasibility Report



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## ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT SAVAN GUT, ST. THOMAS, UNITED STATES VIRGIN ISLANDS (USVI) CONTINUING AUTHORITIES PROGRAM (CAP) CONVERSION FEASIBILITY REPORT

# ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ANALYSIS FEBRUARY 2019

On February 11, 1994, the President of the U.S. issued Executive Order (E.O.) 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations. This E.O. mandates that each Federal agency make environmental justice (EJ) part of the agency mission and to address, as appropriate, disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects of the programs and policies on minority and low-income populations. Significance thresholds that may be used to evaluate the effects of a proposed action related to EJ are not specifically outlined. However, Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) guidance requires an evaluation of a proposed action's effect on the human environment and the Corps must comply with Executive Order 12898. The Corps has determined that a proposed action or its alternatives would result in significant effects related to EJ if the proposed action or an alternative would disproportionately adversely affect an EJ community through its effects on:

- Environmental conditions such as quality of air, water, and other environmental media; degradation of aesthetics, loss of open space, and nuisance concerns such as odor, noise, and dust;
- Human health such as exposure of EJ populations to pathogens;
- Public welfare in terms of social conditions such as reduced access to certain amenities like hospitals, safe drinking water, public transportation, etc.; and
- Public welfare in terms of economic conditions such as changes in employment, income, and the cost of housing, etc.

The Corps conducted an evaluation of EJ impacts using a two-step process: as a first step, the study area was evaluated to determine whether it contains a concentration of minority and/or low-income populations. The second step includes evaluation to determine whether the proposed action would result in a disproportionately, high adverse effect on these populations.

As defined in Executive Order 12898 and the CEQ guidance, a minority population occurs where one or both of the following conditions are met within a given geographic area:

- The American Indian, Alaskan Native, Asian, Pacific Islander, Black, or Hispanic population of the affected area exceeds 50 percent; or
- The minority population percentage of the affected area is meaningfully greater

than the minority population percentage in the general population or other appropriate unit of geographic analysis.

An affected geographic area is considered to consist of a low-income population (i.e. below the poverty level for purposes of this analysis) where the percentage of low-income persons:

- is at least 50 percent of the total population; or
- is meaningfully greater than the low-income population percentage in the general population or other appropriate unit of geographic analysis.

<u>Step 1: Study Area's Minority and Low-Income Population Average Percentages</u> Based on information provided by the USVI Bureau of Economic Research during the December 7, 2018 phone call, the average minority population is approximately 99% of the total population and approximately 83% of the individuals in the project area are considered below the poverty level. Therefore, the study area which comprises the Savan Gut constitutes an EJ community because the population percentages exceed 50 percent, indicating that the study area does contain a high concentration of minority and low-income population.

### Step 2: Recommended Plan's Effect on EJ Community

The project will result in temporary impacts related to noise, air quality, water quality, and use of the project staging area during construction of the project. These temporary effects would cease with construction completion and are expected to quickly return to pre-construction levels.

The project will result in long-term positive effects to the project area. Benefits of the project include the reduction of existing and future flood damages to the nearby school and neighborhoods. In summary, this project will not cause any disproportionate and long-term adverse effects to minority or low income populations. The project is expected to result in reduced flooding to the EJ communities, which would be a long-term benefit.

Public and Agency Project Comments and Corps' Responses

Environmental Assessment Savan Gut, St. Thomas, United States Virgin Islands (USVI) Continuing Authorities Program (CAP) Conversion Feasibility Report



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**Table 1.** Summary of Corps' responses to comments received during the agency and public review and comment period for the draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Savan Gut project in St. Thomas, United States Virgin Islands (USVI).

Comment Number	Commenter	Summary of Comment	Corps' Response
1	Olivia Diana	There is a lack of sediment controls proposed even though temporary sediment increases will occur. Although sediment amount will be low there can be an effect of sedimentation on the harbor. There can also be accidents that will cause large amounts of sediment to go into the harbor. To prevent large impact of these accidents having a sediment barrier in place before the accident occurs will minimize impacts.	Thank you for your comments. Current conditions are causing both erosion and sediment build up in various sections of the channel. This project's velocity check dam will help contain sediments from reaching the bay. Additionally, Best Management Practices (BMPs) (e.g. silt fences) will be implemented for erosion control and to contain sediments during construction. Following construction, any disturbed sediment will be re-vegetated to natural conditions. The Corps commits to meet all applicable water quality standards in order to minimize adverse impacts to water quality. Implementation of design and procedural controls will prevent oil, fuel, or other hazardous substances from entering the air or water and reduce turbidity impacts. The Corps will coordinate water quality monitoring requirements with the USVI DPNR and will implement monitoring as prescribed by the project's permits (e.g. turbidity monitoring during discharge events). The Corps will obtain all required permits and authorizations prior to the start of construction.
2	Olivia Diana	There will also be a considerable impact in traffic as Charlotte Amalie is a high traffic area. Having an effect plan for traffic will reduce these impacts.	The Corps requires Contractors to submit a traffic control plar to address potential effects, changes, closures, etc. during the construction of the project.
3	Piotr Gajewski, St. Thomas resident	I strongly support this project to reduce flood damages to the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School and Central Business District in downtown Charlotte Amalie.	Thank you for your comments and support of the project.

Comment Number	Commenter	Summary of Comment	Corps' Response
4	Piotr Gajewski, St. Thomas resident	This area lacks the infrastructure to support the transportation needs of the community. This project is an opportunity to enhance the walkability of the community. What considerations are being made with regard to pedestrian, recreational, transit enhancements, and ADA accessibility as part of this project?	Thank you for providing the information from the United States Virgin Islands (USVI) Walkability Institute. The project includes offsetting impacts to existing recreation and cultural resources. This recommendation was provided to the Corps' team for consideration during the Preconstruction Engineering Design (PED) phase when the project's design will be reviewed and refined.
5	Naomi Huntley, Masters Student at the University of the Virgin Islands (UVI)	The report states that if a mitigation plan is needed, it will be developed later. It would be more effective to have a mitigation plan in place before something happens, and to change the plan as needed.	Thank you for your comments. While portions of the Recommended Plan may affect wetlands, the project design avoids and minimizes destruction, loss, and/or degradation of wetlands. In addition, the design preserves and enhances the natural and beneficial values of wetlands. The Corps has estimated up to one acre of the project footprint may affect wetlands but does not feel mitigation is required as wetlands have been avoided to the extent practicable and the final design will minimize any additional impact. Further BMPs during construction will be employed and the recommended project will not have more than negligible impacts on ecological resources. Native vegetation is expected to recolonize the project area quickly due to a year round growing season.
6	Naomi Huntley, Masters Student at the UVI	Has any recent monitoring been done at the wetland area? Will monitoring occur during and after construction?	The Corps has not conducted recent monitoring at the wetland area; however, Corps' staff have completed periodic site visits to the project area since October 2017 through as recent as September 2019. The Corps will coordinate water quality monitoring requirements with the USVI DPNR and will implement monitoring as prescribed by the project's permits (e.g. turbidity monitoring during discharge events).

Comment Number	Commenter	Summary of Comment	Corps' Response
7	Naomi Huntley, Masters Student at the UVI	Has any monitoring been done to determine if there are pollutants, such as heavy metals, that will be disturbed during construction that could end up in the wetland area? If there are pollutants, how can these be dealt with to minimize their spread to surrounding habitats?	A review of potential HTRW sources was conducted during the development of the 2020 Savan Gut EA (see Section 3.2). However, the Corps may conduct an additional HTRW assessment in accordance to the Engineering Regulation (ER) 1165-2-132 during the project's PED phase.
8	Naomi Huntley, Masters Student at the UVI	How will vegetation be replanted? (ie. Will current vegetation be transplanted, or new seeds planted?) Are there examples of the method used being successful? Will there be monitoring of the replanted vegetation to determine if replantation was successful?	At this time, it is not expected that vegetation will be replanted. Native vegetation is expected to recolonize the project area quickly due to a year round growing season.
9	Naomi Huntley, Masters Student at the UVI	Will fish and wildlife populations be monitored to determine if they return to normal and how long it takes for that to occur? If the fish and wildlife populations do not naturally rebound, what is the mitigation plan to help deal with this?	Fish and wildlife populations will not be monitored. Effects to fish and wildlife are discussed in Section 4 of the final EA.

Comment Number	Commenter	Summary of Comment	Corps' Response
10	Naomi Huntley, Masters Student at the UVI	Will water quality be monitored before, during, and after the project? How will the design and procedural controls (mentioned in table 4) prevent oil and fuel from entering the air and water? How will turbidity impacts be reduced? What specifically is the spill contingency plan that will be implemented in the event of a spill?	The Corps will coordinate water quality monitoring requirements with the USVI DPNR and will implement monitoring as prescribed by the project's permits (e.g. turbidity monitoring during discharge events). The Corps will obtain all required permits and authorizations prior to the start of construction. The Corps requires contractors to submit an Environmental Protection Plan (EPP) describing how the contractor will comply with laws, regulations, and permits concerning environmental protection, pollution control, and abatement that are applicable to the Contractor's proposed operations and the requirements imposed by those laws, regulations, and permits. The EPP includes descriptions of the protective measures for species that require specific attention, methods for protection of features (e.g. vegetation, animals, water) to be preserved within authorized work areas, and procedures to be implemented that will provide the required environmental protection to comply with applicable laws and regulations.
11	Amanda Long, Masters Student at UVI	The EA does not mention any monitoring.	Thank you for your comments. The Corps will coordinate water quality monitoring requirements with the USVI DPNR and will implement monitoring as prescribed by the project's permits (e.g. turbidity monitoring during discharge events)
12	Amanda Long, Masters Student at the UVI	Digging up sediment along a gut could potentially bring harmful metals or toxins into any water flowing into the gut.	A review of potential HTRW sources was conducted during the development of the 2020 Savan Gut EA (see Section 3.2). However, the Corps may conduct an additional HTRW assessment in accordance to the Engineering Regulation (ER) 1165-2-132 during the project's PED phase.
13	Amanda Long, Masters Student at the UVI	For the proposed parks, will native vegetation be used? Will the landscaping in the proposed parks be environmentally friendly, especially for native wildlife potentially disturbed during this project?	Native vegetation will be replanted and environmentally friendly features will be considered. Landscaping details will be finalized in PED once the locations of the proposed parks have been determined.

Comment Number	Commenter	Summary of Comment	Corps' Response
14	Amanda Long, Masters Student at the UVI	If there are wetlands in the impacted area, in what ways does the project design help minimize disturbance to the wetlands?	The project design minimizes destruction, loss, and/or degradation of wetlands. In addition, the design preserves and enhances the natural and beneficial values of wetlands. Native vegetation is expected to recolonize the project area quickly due to a year round growing season.
15	Sonora Meiling, Masters Student at the UVI	It is unlikely that there is a wetland at such high of an elevation surrounded by steep slopes.	Thank you for your comments. While portions of the Recommended Plan may affect wetlands, the project design avoids and minimizes destruction, loss, and/or degradation of wetlands. In addition, the design preserves and enhances the natural and beneficial values of wetlands.
16	Sonora Meiling, Masters Student at the UVI	Is there a reason that the environmental surveys aren't being reconducted, but the cultural surveys are?	The Corps intends to conduct an updated H&H model, using the latest available data, during the project's PED phase to refine project design. In order to meet current Federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and policy, as well as Corps standards and guidelines, the Recommended Plan will be reviewed and refined during the PED phase.
17	Sonora Meiling, Masters Student at the UVI	I don't see how increasing channelization will "enhance the natural and beneficial values of wetlands."	The project design preserves and enhances the natural and beneficial values of wetlands. Native vegetation is expected to recolonize the project area quickly due to a year round growing season
18	Sonora Meiling, Masters Student at the UVI	Is there a reason the installation of sediment barriers wasn't highlighted?	The Corps requires Contractors to submit an EPP describing the BMPs (e.g. sediment barriers) that will be implemented for erosion control and to contain sediments during construction. The Corps does not typically dictate the methods to be used, which allows for traditional BMPs as well as innovative solutions to be submitted in the Contractor's EPP, which is reviewed and approved by the Corps.
19	Sonora Meiling, Masters Student at the UVI	Page 21 mentions that there will be no changes in land use, but controversially also describes the building of new and wider channels.	The existing channel, which contains both the natural gut and concrete portions, is located in a highly urbanized area and would not result in a land use change. For a majority of the project, the proposed channel will be located in the same footprint as the existing channel but will be expanded to handle more flow capacity. A deviation from the existing footprint will occur around the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School to reduce life safety risks at the school.

Comment Number	Commenter	Summary of Comment	Corps' Response
20	Sonora Meiling, Masters Student at the UVI	Water quality should be managed throughout the construction and implementation of this plan to ensure adequate water quality.	The Corps will coordinate water quality monitoring requirements with the USVI DPNR and will implement monitoring as prescribed by the project's permits (e.g. turbidity monitoring during discharge events). BMPs (e.g. sediment barriers) that will be implemented for erosion control and to contain sediments during construction. Following construction, any disturbed sediment will be re-vegetated to natural conditions.
21	Sonora Meiling, Masters Student at the UVI	This section mentions "lethally" removing plants during construction, I fail to understand how this isn't an environmental impact as suggested by the beginning of this document ("no environmental impact").	Vegetation will be removed as required for the construction. Following construction, any disturbed sediment will be re- vegetated to natural conditions.
22	Sonora Meiling, Masters Student at the UVI	Where will hazardous materials be properly disposed? Off island? I fail to see how this project has no environmental impact.	A review of potential HTRW sources was conducted during the development of the 2020 Savan Gut EA (see Section 3.2). However, the Corps may conduct an additional HTRW assessment in accordance to the Engineering Regulation (ER) 1165-2-132 during the project's PED phase.
23	Sonora Meiling, Masters Student at the UVI	How will this construction not affect the tree boa, if present, if the vegetation is going to be "lethally" removed due to construction?	Effects to listed species have been coordinated with USFWS and are described in section 4 of the EA. Coordination documents can be found in Appendix A of the EA.
24	Mele, Dan	The report mentions there are multiple hazardous waste sources (gas stations, dry cleaners, etc.) within the project site, but doesn't mention any ways to control for the release of contaminants from these sites. It only mentions that they are present.	Thank you for your comments. Control for the release of contaminants from the existing hazardous waste sources (e.g. gas stations, dry cleaners, etc.) is beyond the scope of this project. In addition to the review of potential HTRW sources that was conducted during the development of the EA (see Section 3.2), the Corps may also conduct an additional HTRW assessment in accordance with the guidelines provided in ER 1165-2-132 during the project's PED phase.
25	Mele, Dan	How will climate change be including in the project plan?	Sea level rise due to climate change is discussed in the 2020 Savan Gut, St. Thomas, USVI CAP Conversion Feasibility Report, which is included in the EA's Appendix E.

Comment Number	Commenter	Summary of Comment	Corps' Response
26	Mele, Dan	What will happen to Virgin Island tree boas if they are found in the project zone?	The Corps will implement the USFWS' Virgin Island tree boa standard protection measures, which are included in Appendix A of the final EA, to protect any individuals that may occur in the area.
27	Renata Platenberg, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Natural Resource Management at the UVI	While a debris trap might be helpful in reducing the movement of trash and debris, considerations should be made toward improving connectivity for wildlife while reducing contaminant input and flow.	Thank you for your comments. This recommendation was provided to the Corps team for consideration during the PED phase when the project's design is reviewed and refined.
28	Renata Platenberg, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Natural Resource Management at the UVI	There are considerable historic resources within the Savan area that are likely to be affected by this project.	The Corps executed a Programmatic Agreement (PA) with USVI State Historic Preservation Officer on October 30, 2019. The PA outlines the process in which the Corps will consult with historic agencies to avoid, minimize, and mitigate adverse effects to historic properties and resources.
29	Renata Platenberg, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Natural Resource Management at the UVI	Many of the local residents are non- English speakers. Stakeholder involvement that utilizes local community leaders is critical to the success of this project.	A public outreach meeting was held on April 2, 2019 at the Bethania Hall in Frederik Evangelistical Lutheran Church in St. Thomas for the project. The Corps intends to conduct additional public meetings to present and discuss the project's status and design as well as provide the opportunity for public participation. These meetings will be held during the project's PED phase.
30	Robles, Carlos	Infrastructure be incorporated into both projects that would allow for the active general public (walkers, hikers, joggers, trail bikers etc. have access to and through these projects for recreational and educational projects. The Savan Gut Project should include hiking trails for ecological education exploration and other environmental eco-related opportunities.	Thank you for your comments. This project's recreation features are discussed in section 4 of the EA. The project includes offsetting impacts to existing recreation and cultural resources. This recommendation was provided to the Corps' team for consideration during the PED phase when the project's design will be reviewed and refined.

Comment Number	Commenter	Summary of Comment	Corps' Response
31	Robles, Carlos	Two additional projects that are worthy of consideration Magen's Bay Watershed which is on the north side and Route 318 the Estate Bordeaux Road.	Thank you for your comments. A recommendation should be submitted to your local constituent.
32	Ross, Desiree	Walkability should be included in the project.	Thank you for your comments. This project's recreation features are discussed in section 4 of the EA. The project includes offsetting impacts to existing recreation and cultural resources. This recommendation was provided to the Corps' team for consideration during the PED phase when the project's design will be reviewed and refined.
33	Winkfield, Alma	We are requesting inclusion of pedestrian needs, on behalf of the people who live near or in major gut project areas slated for construction. Are there any plans to include multi- use pathways, bike trails/lanes, approved sidewalks and/or transit needs such as bus access to the above-mentioned projects? It is our suggestion that if these needs have not been included, that they be evaluated and implemented into the proposed plans	Thank you for your comments. This project's recreation features are discussed in section 4 of the EA. The project includes offsetting impacts to existing recreation and cultural resources. This recommendation was provided to the Corps' team for consideration during the PED phase when the project's design will be reviewed and refined.

From:	<u>Olivia Diana</u>
To:	Donofrio, Kristen L CIV USARMY CESAJ (USA)
Subject:	[Non-DoD Source] Comments on the Turpentine Run and Savan Gut Phase II
Date:	Saturday, April 20, 2019 11:37:57 PM
Attachments:	Comments to ACoE .docx

Good Evening,

Attached are my comments for the Turpentine Run and Savan Gut Phase II projects. Thank you, Olivia Diana

## Comments for the Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for Turpentine Run and Savan Gut Phase II Section 205 Continuing Authorities Program (CAP) Conversion project in Charlotte Amalie, St Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands.

A report to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

By: Olivia Diana

#### Turpentine Run Project:

I am concerned with the heavy metal contamination that is potentially flowing into the mangroves from turpentine run. The thesis titled An investigation into the temporal and spatial trends of contaminants in Mangrove Lagoon, St. Thomas East End Reserves (STEER), U.S. Virgin Islands by P. Owen Clower showed that the contamination of the mangrove and lagoon had several potential sources including Turpentine Run and the horse track among other areas associated with gut. Any changes in the flow of Turpentine Run could affect the contamination into the mangroves.

There is also a lack of sediment proposed even though temporary sediment increases will occur. The use of a sediment barrier will be needed to have less effect on the mangrove lagoons. Even a temporary increase no matter how short will have negative effects on the wildlife. This needs to be taken into account better for this project. I find it quite hard to believe that the project will have low enough effects on wildlife that includes the removal of some vegetation and the added sedimentation of the watershed to warrant a FONSI.

#### Savan Gut Phase II:

There is a similar issue with sediments entering the gut thus entering the harbor. Though sediment will be low there can be an effect of sedimentation on the harbor. Also as seen in the water main break during an island wide power outage this April, there can be accidents that will cause large amounts of sediment into the harbor. This incident occurred while no construction or disturbance was happening at the water main. This type of accident is more likely to occur when there is construction. To prevent large impact of these accident having a sediment barrier in place before the accident occurs will minimize impact. It's hard to say that there will be little effect when there has been major accidents in the area without the projects in place.

There will also be a considerable impact in traffic as Charlotte Amalie is a high traffic area. This needs to be accounted for to minimize effect on locals and tourists as this could cause large back ups and detours affecting traffic patterns. Having an effect plan for traffic will reduce these impacts.

From:	<u>Piotr Gajewski</u>
То:	Donofrio, Kristen L CIV USARMY CESAJ (USA)
Subject:	[Non-DoD Source] Savan Gut Phase II
Date:	Saturday, April 20, 2019 3:59:30 PM
Attachments:	Benefits of Incorporating Walkability into the Project ACorps Eng.docx

Good afternoon Ms. Donofrio,

As a concerned resident of St Thomas and a member of the USVI Walkability Institute I submit the following comments and concerns regarding the Savan Gut Phase II project:

\* I strongly support this project to reduce flood damages to the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School and Central Business District in downtown Charlotte Amalie.

Being located in a historic district with narrow streets, this area lacks the infrastructure to support the transportation needs of the community. The Savan neighborhood is primarily composed of low income residents that rely on active transportation. This project is an opportunity to enhance the walkability of the community.

\* Please let me know what considerations are being made with regard to pedestrian, recreational, transit enhancements, and ADA accessibility as part of this project.

As part of my comment, I am including this attached message from the USVI Walkability Institute on the benefits of walkability enhancements.

Thank you,

Piotr Gajewski

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# Benefits of Incorporating Walkability into the Project

As a participant with the USVI Walkability Institute, I wanted to share with you key points as to why walkability should be included in the two projects by the Army Corps of Engineers; the Turpentine Run and the Savan Gut projects.

Incorporating walkable and biking pathways into the territory's infrastructure projects will help to encourage physical activity and this is turn will help to keep our population more healthy. This will ultimately lead to a better management of the individuals chronic disease and lead to a reduction in the prevalence of chronic diseases such as heart disease.

Per the article at the local *St. Croix Source's* website <u>https://stcroixsource.com/2019/04/15/health-system-staggering-swaying-yet-still-standing/</u>

- 30% of USVI residents are without insurance coverage
- 22% of USVI residents live below the poverty level
- Median Household income in the US Virgin Islands is \$37, 254.00
- 61% of children age 10-19 years residing in the US Virgin Islands are uninsured
- 55% of children under the age of 9 are under Medicaid
- Prior to the 2017 hurricanes, the USVI population was known to have high incidences of cardiovascular diseases, hypertension, diabetes, cancer and an underlying condition of obesity

It is documented that poverty and poor health are intricately linked. Incorporating walkability into a community will assist to decrease the number of individuals unable to seek professional medical services by increasing physical activity. Walking is an excellent way to become physically active and improve one's health.

Walkability may reduce those numbers above by

- Improving the quality of life
- Incorporate a Healthy Design Principle
- Create an easy access to critical goods and services during natural disasters
- Decrease the number of motor vehicular, bike and pedestrian accidents
- Reduce dependency on motor vehicles
- Prevent school violence (Crime Prevention through Environmental Design) <u>https://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/youthviolence/cpted.html</u>
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The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has provided information on walkable communities at the following link: <u>https://www.cdc.gov/features/walk-friendly-communities/index.html</u>

As mentioned earlier, to learn more about the activities at the USVI Walkability Institute, please reference the following link: <u>https://islandcustom2014.wixsite.com/2017usviwiworkshop/post-workshop</u>

Good evening Ms. Donofrio,

I looked over the EA drafts for the Turpentine Run and Savan Gut projects and I have some comments to submits about them.

For both projects, the EAs say that there will be no long term effects to the water clarity due to this project. However, it does not mention any monitoring that will take place to ensure that this is true. Additionally, digging up sediment along a gut could potentially bring harmful metals or toxins into any water flowing through the gut. For the Turpentine Run project this could mean potentially introducing more toxic metals or materials to Mangrove Lagoon which we already know to be polluted, especially by the racetrack.

Additionally, for the proposed parks to be constructed around Savan Gut will native vegetation be used (pg. 20)? Will the landscaping in these parks be environmentally friendly, especially for native wildlife potentially disturbed during this project? Furthermore, wetlands are mentioned as a potentially impacted environment (pg. 17); however, I am not aware of any wetlands in that area. If there are wetlands in the impacted area, in what ways does this project design help minimize disturbance to the wetlands.

Thank you for the consideration of my comments,

Amanda Long Masters Student Research Assistant Nemeth Lab University of the Virgin Islands

From:	<u>Meiling, Sonora S</u>
То:	Donofrio, Kristen L CIV USARMY CESAJ (USA)
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Good afternoon Kristen,

Attached are my comments for the Savan gut and Turpentine Run environmental analyses.

Thanks, Sonora Meiling

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University of the Virgin Islands Marine and Environmental Science Master's Student Brandt Lab RA To whom it may concern,

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District (Corps) had proposed construction of a covered channel, velocity check dam with floating debris barrier, and replacement of three highway bridges on St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands. This project aims to reduce flooding and thus health and economic losses in the Charlotte Amalie Area. Following are my comments and questions on the current proposed plan.

- Pg. 8: This page mentions possible effects of construction on wetlands, however, I am not aware of any wetlands on the "northern portion of the project, which contains steep slopes." Due to wetlands' requirement of sustained water, I find it unlikely that there is a wetland at such high of an elevation surrounded by steep slopes.
- Pg. 11: Is there a reason that the environmental surveys aren't being reconducted, but the cultural surveys are? I feel confident that the environmental extent and impact from humans has changed since the first survey in 1981.
- Pg. 17: The runoff from the channel will end up in the St. Thomas harbor, not a wetland. I don't see how increasing channelization will "enhance the natural and beneficial values of wetlands."
- Pg. 18: There is recognition for increased sedimentation during construction that will lead to decreased water quality in the harbor (due to high turbidity), however, there is no mention of a proposed action to mitigate this concern. Is there a reason the installation of sediment barriers wasn't highlighted?
- Pg. 21: This page mentions that there will be no changes in land use, but controversially also describes the building of new and wider channels.
- Pg. 23: There are IUCN threatened species of coral in the St. Thomas harbor that may be affected by increased sedimentation and nutrient/chemical/metal runoff that need further consideration. Establishing sediment barriers as previous suggested may mitigate this problem, however, water quality should be managed throughout the construction and implementation of this plan to ensure adequate water quality.
- Pg. 25: This section mentions "lethally" removing plants during construction, I fail to understand how this isn't an environmental impact as suggested by the beginning of this document ("no environmental impact").
- Pg. 29: This section discusses the proper disposal of hazardous waste. Where will hazardous materials be properly disposed? Off island? Currently, our dump is at capacity and we don't have a place on island for proper hazardous waste disposal. The Bovoni landfill is notoriously known for improper disposal of hazardous waste that has now leached into the lower mangrove lagoon and heavily contaminated the waters and inhabiting organisms. Again, I fail to see how this project has no environmental impact.
- Pg. 30: How will this construction not affect the tree boa, if present, if the vegetation is going to be "lethally" removed due to construction?

I appreciate the addressal of this concerns in advance and look forward to the revised plan.

From:	Dan Mele
To:	Donofrio, Kristen L CIV USARMY CESAJ (USA)
Subject:	[Non-DoD Source] Turpentine Run / Savan Gut Phase
Date:	Friday, April 19, 2019 11:45:09 AM

Good afternoon Ms. Donofrio,

I am a graduate student at the University of the Virgin Islands, and wanted to submit a few comments and questions regarding the Turpentine Run and Savan Gut Phase projects.

In relation to Turpentine Run, I have read through the draft EA and was wondering specifically which wetlands could possibly be impacted by this project. I noticed several times where the EA mentions wetlands, but doesn't specify which wetlands it's talking about. Another concern of mine is the displacement of wildlife during the construction phase. The EA mentions that wildlife will be temporarily displaced but will return after the construction. Is there any evidence to back this up as St. Thomas is already heavily developed with fragmented forests, so I'm wondering where this wildlife will be able to seal refuge and what will be left for them to return to post construction. Also what exact precautions will be carried out to protect the VI Tree Boa. The EA doesn't specify this.

In relation to the Savan Gut Phase II project, I again have read through the draft EA and have some concerns and questions. The report mentions there are multiple hazardous waste sources (gas stations, dry cleaners, etc.) within the project site, but doesn't mention any ways to control for the release of contaminants from these sites. It only mentions that they are present. The report also states that climate change was not taken into account in the 1982 report. With the intensity of rain storms being greater now, how will climate change be including in the project plan? Similar to Turpentine Run, it seems there isn't a good plan to deal with the VI Tree Boa if found. What will happen to them if they are found in the project zone? I worry that displacing them and moving them to other parts of the island will cause stress and ultimately the continued demise of this unique species.

Thank you for taking the time to read my questions and concerns. Looking forward to hearing back.

best regards,

Dan Mele

From:	Renata Platenberg
To:	Donofrio, Kristen L CIV USARMY CESAJ (USA)
Subject:	[Non-DoD Source] Turpentine Run & Savan Gut project comments
Date:	Saturday, April 20, 2019 6:48:41 PM
Attachments:	savan <u>gut comments.pdf</u>
	turpentine run comments.pdf

Good day Kristen,

Please find attached my comments on the two proposed projects for St. Thomas. Please let me know if you have any questions or if you require further information from me. I hope that you have received some useful feedback.

cheers,

Renata

Renata Platenberg, PhD Assistant Professor of Natural Resource Management College of Science and Mathematics University of the Virgin Islands



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20 April 2019

Re. Comments on Draft EA for **Savan Gut**, St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands Flood Risk Reduction CAP Conversion

To Whom it May Concern,

I wish to submit the following comments for consideration in the evaluation of the above referenced proposal.

There is an undisputed need for flood abatement in the Savan area and other locations within the Charlotte Amalie district, and this project is long overdue. However, the following considerations should be made prior to project approval.

The project area is at the base of a gut (natural stormwater drainage), characterized by gallery moist forest habitat. These rare freshwater systems provide valuable habitat for diadromous species, including freshwater fish (e.g., mountain mullet *Agonostomus monticola*), shrimp (e.g., *Macrobrachium* spp. and *Atya* spp.), and other organisms. American eels (*Anguilla rostrata*), a species of concern, can also be found in these freshwater systems. The channelization of the gut through the urban environment likely disrupted connectivity between the natural gut and the marine environment, thus preventing these species from migrating between the two habitats while allowing pollutants (trash, debris, contaminants, sediment, etc.) to flow unimpeded into the harbor. While a debris trap might be helpful in reducing the movement of trash and debris, considerations should be made toward improving connectivity for wildlife while reducing contaminant input and flow. There are likely to be engineering fixes for this situation that were not available in the 1980s when this project was initially proposed.

Additionally, there are considerable historic resources within the Savan area that are likely to be affected by this project. There is strong community pride among the long-term residents, with several community groups having pledged support for the preservation of the resources and for Savan/deJongh Gut. Many of the local residents are non-English speakers. Stakeholder involvement that utilizes local community leaders is critical to the success of this project. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this important project. Please let me know if I can provide further information on any of the concerns I identified.

Sincerely,

Revata Platenberg, Ph.D. Assistant Professor of Natural Resource Management University of the Virgin Islands <u>Renata.platenberg@live.uvi.edu</u>

From:	Carlos Robles
То:	Donofrio, Kristen L CIV USARMY CESAJ (USA)
Subject:	[Non-DoD Source] Commentary On the Turpentine Run protect
Date:	Monday, April 22, 2019 8:25:32 PM
Attachments:	CR Comments on Turpentine Run and Savan gut Projectspdf

Hello Ms. Donofrio:

Please accept my apologizes for the late submission of my comments on the Turpentine Run and Savan Gut Project. With the 20th being on a weekend, i thought that that was an error only to be told by someone that it not unusual.Please consider reading it ven if it is not included din the official record.

Regards

Carlos Robles

Carlos Robles P.O. Box 374 EGS St. Thomas, VI 00804 340-776-2885 (h) 340-626-9245 (m) <u>c losrobles@yahoo.com</u>

Kristen Donofrio U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Planning Division – Environmental Branch, Jacksonville District, 701 San Marco Blvd., Jacksonville, FL 32207,

Dear Ms. Donofrio

This correspondence serves to provide USACE with my commentary on the development of the Turpentine Run Flood Mitigation Project and Phase II of the Savan Gut Project.

I appreciate the fact that these two projects are finally becoming a reality and nearing completion. My wish for both projects is that some type of Infrastructure be incorporated into both projects that would allow for the active general public (walkers, hikers, joggers, trail bikers etc. have access to and through these projects for recreational and educational projects.

Regarding the Turpentine Run Project, if the rendering is any indication of the final outlay of the hardscape/ infrastructure, the inclusion of bike lanes, walking and jogging lanes (to rubberized jogging lane) would encourage the already growing trend of active lifestyle changes being made by Virgin Islanders.

The Savan Gut Project should include hiking trails for ecological educational exploration and other environmental eco-related opportunities. Local biological science teachers at all levels would benefit immensely from a chance to connect theory with local and culturally relevant practical examples and practical applications.

There are 2 additional projects that are worthy of consideration. The Magen's Bay Watershed which is on the north side and Route 318 the Estate Bordeaux Road at the western end of St. Thomas.

As former Commissioner of Agriculture, Territorial/State Forester and avid outdoors man, I am cognizant of the need for these quality of life enhancements to our existing and future infrastructure. Thank you for the opportunity to give my input on these two projects.

Sincerely, nlikal



April 10, 2019

Ms. Kristen Donofrio

Kristen.L.Donofrio@usace.army.mil

Dear Ms. Kristen Donofrio;

The VI Trail Alliance is working to improve walkability and pedestrian support infrastructure for the Territory. We are advocating for improving walking, biking and active lifestyles for all residents and visitors.

We are requesting inclusion of pedestrian needs, on behalf of the people who live near or in major gut project areas slated for construction in the Savan Gut and Turpentine Run locations. We acknowledge that there is little space available on St. Thomas that can advance pedestrian infrastructure, so this makes inclusion of pedestrian needs a critical issue for access, health and opportunity.

Are there any plans to include multi-use pathways, bike trails/lanes, approved sidewalks and/or transit needs such as bus access to the above-mentioned projects?

Guts in the territory make excellent recreational trail options due to the inability to build 30 ft on either side of a gut. This makes them true greenspaces. Pathways or trails can also facilitate access to guts for maintenance and inspection purposes.

The Virgin Islands Trail Alliance is also a member of the Walkability Institute of the VI and are aware of the decreased health condition of our residents that can be resulting in part from the inability to have safe, supported infrastructure on which to enjoy healthy lifestyles.

The best and most cost-effective time to plan, design and build pedestrian supported infrastructure is during major road or gut projects.

It is our suggestion that if these needs have not been included, that they be evaluated and implemented into the proposed plans for both Savan Gut and Turpentine Run.

We look forward to hearing from you. Thank you for your work on this project.

Sincerely,

Alma Winkfield

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# **Other Reports and Related Documents**

Environmental Assessment Savan Gut, St. Thomas, United States Virgin Islands (USVI) Continuing Authorities Program (CAP) Conversion Feasibility Report



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The following items may be viewed and/or downloaded from the Jacksonville District's Environmental planning website, under "U.S. Virgin Islands", which can be accessed by visiting the link:

http://www.saj.usace.army.mil/About/Divisions-Offices/Planning/Environmental-Branch/Environmental-Documents/

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps). 2020. Final Savan Gut, St. Thomas, United States Virgin Islands (USVI) Continuing Authorities Program (CAP) Conversion Feasibility Report. Jacksonville, Florida.

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps). 1982. Savan Gut St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands, Detailed Project Report and Environmental Assessment. Jacksonville, Florida.

# Clean Water Act 404(b)(1) Guidelines Evaluation

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# Environmental Assessment Savan Gut, St. Thomas, United States Virgin Islands (USVI) Continuing Authorities Program (CAP) Conversion Feasibility Report

# FINAL EVALUATION OF 404(b)(1) GUIDELINES JANUARY 2020

# 1. Technical Evaluation Factors

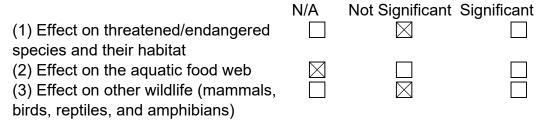
a. Physical and Chemical Characteristics of the Aquatic Ecosystem (40 CFR §§ 230.20-230.25)(Subpart C)

N/A	Not Significant	Significant
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		N/A Not Significant

The purpose of the project is to reduce flood damages in the Charlotte Amalie community in St. Thomas, USVI. The Recommended Plan consists of the following:

- Construction of a Gabion Channel (328-feet long)
- Debris barrier located at the downstream end of the gabion channel;
- A series of drop structures;
- Catchment basin approximately 240 feet long;
- Trash barrier (rack) at the velocity check dam located at the downstream end of the drop structures before entering into the box culvert;
- Approximately 2,300 foot covered channel (box culvert) from the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School to St. Thomas Harbor;
- Replacement of three bridges (to maintain traffic flow over proposed box culvert); and
- Mitigation for cultural resources and potential effects to wetlands.

 b. Biological Characteristics of the Aquatic Ecosystem (40 CFR §§ 230.30-230.32) (Subpart D)



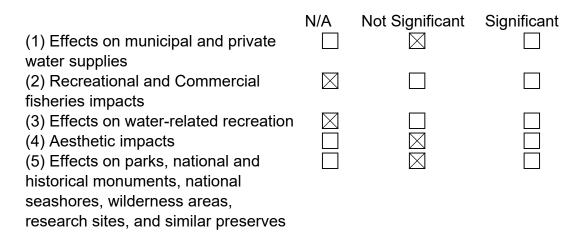
The Corps has concluded that the project may affect, but is not likely to adversely affect, the Virgin Island tree boa (*Epicrates monensis granti*). No U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) designated critical habitat (DCH) is located within the project footprint. Temporary displacement of wildlife during construction due to noise and/or construction activities may occur; however, these effects are expected to be minor and will cease with the completion of construction.

c. Special Aquatic Site (40 CFR §§ 230.40-230.45) (Subpart E)

		N/A	Not Significant	Significant
(1) S	anctuaries and refuges	$\boxtimes$		
(2) V	/etlands		$\boxtimes$	
(3) N	lud flats	$\boxtimes$		
(4) V	egetated shallows	$\boxtimes$		
(5) C	oral reefs	$\bowtie$		
(6) R	tiffle and pool complexes	$\boxtimes$		

The project's 2020 Environmental Assessment (EA) evaluates potential effects to wetlands. Debris and vegetation would be removed during the channelization, clearing, and grubbing activities and construction of the debris basin. While portions of the Recommended Plan may affect wetlands, the project design minimizes destruction, loss, and/or degradation of wetlands. In addition, the design preserves and enhances the natural and beneficial values of wetlands. The Corps has estimated up to one acre of the project footprint may affect wetlands but does not feel mitigation is required as wetlands have been avoided to the extent practicable and the final design will minimize any additional impact. Further BMPs during construction will be employed and the recommended project will not have more than negligible impacts on ecological resources.

d. Human Use Characteristics (40 CFR §§ 230.50-230.54) (Subpart F)



The 1982 DPR/EA notes the presence of utility lines that occur in or cross the gut that may need to be relocated for this project. The FEMA recovery mission may include upgrades and repairs of some of these utility lines. Full coordination during the PED phase of the project with the USVI Department of Public Works and USVI Waste Management Authority will occur to avoid potential conflicts during construction. The Corps and FEMA have been in coordination throughout the development of the EA and will continue to coordinate through PED and construction. The Corps provided a set of the 1999 construction drawings to FEMA for their planning purposes in April 2019.

Based on consultation with USVI State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) for the 1982 Recommended Plan, it was proposed that the top of the concrete box culvert may serve as part of the cultural resource mitigation through aesthetic restoration. Seven areas, previously referred to as a "linear park" or "pocket park", were proposed to be constructed along the concrete culvert and may include features such as landscaping, hardscaping, vegetation, and lighting. Cultural resources monitoring/surveys will be required as identified in the 1982 Recommended Plan. The Corps executed a Programmatic Agreement with USVI SHPO. The Programmatic Agreement outlines the process in which the Corps will consult with the agencies to avoid, minimize, and mitigate adverse effects to historic properties. Dependent on further consultation/reevaluation of effects on cultural resources, project design modifications may be necessary to avoid or minimize impacts to historic properties.

# 2. Evaluation of Dredged or Fill Material (40 CFR § 230.60) (Subpart G)

- a. The following information has been considered in evaluating the biological availability of possible contaminants in dredged or fill material. (**Check only those appropriate**)
  - (1) Physical characteristics
  - (2) Hydrography in relation to known or anticipated sources of contaminants
  - (3) Results from previous testing of the material in the vicinity of the project
  - (4) Known, significant, sources of persistent pesticides from land runoff or percolation
  - (5) Spill records for petroleum products or designated (Section 311 of CWA) hazardous substances
  - (6) Other public records of significant introduction of contaminants from industries, municipalities or other sources
  - (7) Known existence of substantial material deposits of substances which could be released in harmful quantities to the aquatic environment by man-induced discharge
  - $\boxtimes$  (8) Other sources (specify)

Dredging is not a component of this project. Any required fill material, if needed, would come from excavation occurring at the project area or from a permitted and approved commercial borrow site. The project footprint has no known hazardous, toxic, and radioactive waste (HTRW) problems (e.g., super fund, territory records, etc.). A review of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (USEPA) EnviroMapper in November 2018 confirmed there are no documented superfund, toxic release, or brownfield sites in the project vicinity; however, open channel areas are used as refuse dumping and sewage sites by nearby residents.

b. An evaluation of the appropriate information in 2a above indicated that there is reason to believe the proposed dredged or fill material is <u>not</u> a carrier of contaminants, of that levels of contaminants are substantively similar at extraction and disposal sites and <u>not</u> likely to exceed constraints. The material meets the testing exclusion criteria.

YES 🖂

NO 🗌

# 3. Disposal Site Delineation (40 CFR § 230.11(f))

- a. If applicable, the following factors, as appropriate, have been considered in evaluating the disposal site.
  - (1) Depth of water at disposal site
  - (2) Current velocity, direction, and variability at disposal site
  - (3) Degree of turbulence
  - (4) Water volume stratification
  - (5) Discharge vessel speed and direction

- (6) Rate of discharge
- (7) Dredged material characteristics (constituents, amount, and type of material, settling velocities)
- (8) Number of discharges per unit of time
- (9) Other factors affecting rates and patterns of mixing (specify)

Disposal sites are not a component of the project; therefore, this section is not applicable to this project.

b. An evaluation of the appropriate factors in 4a above indicates that the disposal site and/or size of mixing zone are acceptable.

YES 🗌	NO 🗌
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# 4. Actions to Minimize Adverse Effects (40 CFR §§ 230.70-230.77)(Subpart H)

All appropriate and practicable steps have been taken, through application of recommendation of Section 230.70-230.77 to ensure minimal adverse effects of the proposed discharge or fill.

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# 5. Factual Determination (40 CFR § 230.11)

A review of appropriate information as identified in items 2-5 above indicates that there is minimal potential for short or long-term environmental effects of the proposed discharge or fill as related to:

- $\boxtimes$  a. Physical substrate at the disposal or fill site (review sections 2a, 3, 4, & 5)
- $\boxtimes$  b. Water circulation, fluctuation & salinity (review sections 2a 3, 4, & 5)
- C. Suspended particulates/turbidity (review sections 2a, 3, 4, & 5)
- $\boxtimes$  d. Contaminant availability (review sections 2a, 3, & 4)
- $\boxtimes$  e. Aquatic ecosystem structure and function (review sections 2b, c; 3, & 5)
- $\boxtimes$  f. Disposal or fill site (review sections 2, 4, & 5)
- $\boxtimes$  g. Cumulative impact on the aquatic ecosystem
- $\boxtimes$  h. Secondary impacts on the aquatic ecosystem

### 6. Review of Compliance (40 CFR § 230.10(a)-(d) (Subpart B)

A review of the permit application indicates that:

a. The discharge or fill represents the least environmentally damaging practicable alternative and if in a special aquatic site, the activity associated with the discharge or fill must have direct access or proximity to, or be located in the

aquatic ecosystem to fulfill its basic purpose (if no, see section 2 and
information gathered for EA alternative);

YES 🛛 🛛 NO 🗌

- b. The activity does not appear to 1) violate applicable state water quality standards or effluent standards prohibited under Section 307 of the CWA; 2) jeopardize the existence of Federally designated marine sanctuary (if no, see section 2b and check responses from resource and water quality certifying agencies;
- c. The activity will not cause or contribute to significant degradation of waters of the U.S. including adverse effects on human health, life stages of organisms dependent on the aquatic ecosystem, ecosystem diversity, productivity and stability, and recreational, aesthetic, and economic values (if no, see section 2);
- d. Appropriate and practicable steps have been taken to minimize potential adverse impacts of the discharge or fill on the aquatic ecosystem (if no, see section 5);

YES 🔀	NO 🗌
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### 7. Findings

- ☑ a. The proposed location of fill or disposal site for discharge of dredged material complies with the Section 404 (b)(1) guidelines
- b. The proposed location of fill or disposal site for discharge of dredged material complies with the Section 404(b)(1) guidelines with the inclusion of the following conditions:

c. The proposed location of fill or disposal site for discharge of dredged material does not comply with the Section 404(b)(1) guidelines for the following reason(s):

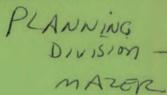
- (1) There is a less damaging practicable alternative
- (2) The proposed discharge or fill will result in significant degradation of the aquatic ecosystem
- (3) The proposed discharge or fill does not include all practicable and appropriate measures to minimize potential harm to the aquatic ecosystem

SAVAN GUT

HYDRAULICS SECTION

ST. THOMAS, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS

# **ETAILED PROJECT REPORT**





US Army Corps of Engineers Jacksonville District IMPROVEMENTS TO REDUCE Flood Damages March 1982

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS P. O. BOX 4970 JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA 32232

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31 March 1982

SUBJECT: Detailed Project Report on Savan Gut, St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands

Commander, South Atlantic Division ATTN: SADPD-P

1. Inclosed for your review are 10 copies of the subject report which has been prepared under the authority of Section 205 of the Flood Control Act of 1948, as amended.

2. The report has been recently revised where deemed necessary or appropriate in accordance with comments of local agencies subsequent to the 25 February 1982 public workshop conducted in Charlotte Amalie, U.S. Virgin Islands, and incorporation of SAD comments on the draft report. The selected plan varies from the initial plan previously presented to SAD with the inclusion of a velocity check dam upstream of Jane E. Tuitt school, complete diversion of the SPF around the school, and elimination of the supercritical junction, stilling basin and lift station. The revised design with reduced hydraulic complexity precludes the need for a previously considered model study.

3. The report has been fully coordinated with Federal agencies and appropriate agencies of the U.S. Virgin Islands. Water Quality Certification is being obtained and will be forwarded when available. A letter of intent is provided in the Coordination Appendix. This study now has a B/C ratio of 11.4 to 1.

4. It is requested that this project be given a high priority. Funding in the amount of \$125,000 for plans and specifications is requested as soon as possible in order to complete plans and specifications by 1 July 1982. It is presently scheduled to advertise by 1 August 1982 and award a contract for construction by 1 September 1982. If funds are available in FY 82, a contract can be awarded with initial funds of \$50,000, followed with funding of \$2,000,000 in FY 83 and \$1,564,000 in FY 84.

ALFRED B. DEVEREAUX, JR. Colonel, Corps of Engineers Commanding

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## DETAILED PROJECT REPORT SAVAN GUT AT CHARLOTTE AMALIE, ST. THOMAS, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS P. O. BOX 4970 JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA 32232

March 1982

#### DETAILED PROJECT REPORT

### SAVAN GUT AT CHARLOTTE AMALIE, ST. THOMAS, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS

#### THE STUDY AND REPORT

#### A. INTRODUCTION

1. <u>Purpose and Authority</u>. Section 205 of the 1948 Flood Control Act, as amended, provides authority to the Chief of Engineers to construct small flood control projects that have not already been specifically authorized by Congress. Each project selected must be complete-within-itself and be economically justified and environmentally sound. In addition, each project is limited to a Federal cost of not more than \$4 million. This Federal cost limitation includes all project-related costs for investigations, inspections, engineering, preparation of plans and specifications, supervision and administration, and construction.

A project planned and constructed under Section 205 is designed to provide the same complete project and same adequate degree of protection as would be provided under specific congressional authorization. Flood control projects under Section 205 are not limited to any particular type of improvement and a project may include features for other purposes, such as water supply, when local interests indicate the need as well as the willingness and ability to contribute the project cost representing the cost assigned to that purpose.

Due to frequent damages experienced by flood conditions of Savan Gut in Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, the government of the U.S. Virgin Islands requested a study under authority contained in Section 205 of the Flood Control Act of 1948 as amended. The purpose of this study is to determine the need for and to address the feasibility of improvements to reduce flood damages in Charlotte Amalie caused by excessive runoff along the drainage course (or "gut") in the "Savan" part of town.

This study focuses on the flood damages impacting residential land use, a public school, and the central business district (CBD) of Charlotte Amalie. Other water resource related problems were also investigated in connection with the development of alternatives which address the flood protection needs. All reasonable alternative plans were considered in detail to determine their feasibility in meeting the overall study objectives. The selection of the recommended plan was made after careful consideration was given to the costs and benefits (both economic and social) and to the environmental impacts associated with the alternative measures. 2. Local cooperation. Formal assurances of local cooperation similar to those required for regularly authorized projects must be furnished by a local sponsoring agency. The local sponsor must be fully authorized under Commonwealth laws to give such assurances and be financially capable of fulfilling all measures of local cooperation. As a project is dependent upon local cooperation and participation, the basic importance of the existence of a legally authorized and financially capable local sponsoring agency cannot be overemphasized. The sponsoring agency must agree to:

a. Provide without cost to the United States all lands, easements, rights-of-way, including suitable borrow and disposal areas as determined by the Chief of Engineers necessary for the construction of the Project.

b. Accomplish without cost to the United States all alterations and relocations of buildings, transportation facilities, storm drains, utilities, and other structures and improvements made necessary by the construction.

c. Hold and save the United States free from damages due to the construction works except damages due to the fault or negligence of the United States or its contractors.

d. Provide a cash contribution, prior to initiation of construction, equal to the cost of all outside project scope work, presently estimated at \$344,000.

e. Assume all project costs in excess of the Government limitation of \$4,000,000.

A letter of intent is inclosed to the letter dated 12 March 1982 from the Department of Public Works (see appendix D).

A draft 221 Agreement is provided as appendix G.

3. <u>Study Participants and Coordination</u>. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District, had the primary responsibility for conducting and coordinating the study and for the preparation of the final report. The government of the Virgin Islands of the United States was represented by the Office of Planning and Development within the Department of Public Works which cooperated throughout the planning process.

Coordination with various Federal, territorial, and local agencies as well as interested groups and individuals was maintained during the study. Comments received are presented in appendix D.

4. <u>The Report</u>. The results of this study are presented in two parts, the main report and seven appendices. The main report is a nontechnical document which presents a broad view of the overall study. The main report also contains the conclusions, recommendations, and an Environmental Assessment of the study's selected plan.

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The appendices present supporting data and details of various aspects of the study including hydrology-hydraulics, detailed design, geotechnical, coordination, environmental assessment, Section 404, and concrete materials investigation.

5. <u>Prior Studies and Reports</u>. The Jacksonville District prepared a Flood Plain Information Report on the tidal areas of St. Thomas, St. Croix, and St. John, U.S. Virgin Islands in June 1975. An urban renewal plan was prepared on the Savan Area of St. Thomas by Robert de Jongh and associates in November 1976 for the Virgin Islands Urban Renewal Board. In April 1977 the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers issued a Reconnaissance Report on Savan Gut which recommended that a detailed study be made under Section 205 of the 1948 Flood Control Act. This study is a result of that report. A study entitled "Draft Report of a Phase Ia Cultural Resources Survey of the Savan Gut Flood Control Project Area, Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands" was completed in April 1981 by WAPORA, Inc.

### B. RESOURCES AND ECONOMY OF THE STUDY AREA

The natural and human resources, and the economy of the study area comprise a profile of existing conditions which provide a background for the formulation of a plan to meet the needs of the study area.

6. <u>Natural Resources</u>. The U.S. Virgin Islands which lie some 1,075 miles from Miami, Florida, and 60 miles east of Puerto Rico consists of some 50 islands and cays of volcanic origin. St. Thomas, 28 square miles in area, is the capital of the U.S. Virgin Islands, and as such is the center for government and commerce. St. Thomas is the busiest and most intensely developed of the three major islands (see plate 1).

7. Topography. The volcanic origin of the island formed rugged mountains that rise sharply from the sea to heights of up to 1,500 feet. The topography of Savan Gut varies from steep mountains with dense vegetation to moderate slopes with rock-lined channels and urban development. Elevations vary from the upper watershed near Signal Hill, which is above 1,480 feet above sea level, to sea level at St. Thomas Harbor. Slopes of the natural stream bottom of Savan Gut averages about 1,100 feet per mile over the length of the watershed.

8. Flora and Fauna. There is an abundant variety of tropical flora ranging from the well-known hibiscus, oleander, flamboyant, and wild orchid, to the less common African tulip tree. Exotic fruits include sugar apple, avocado, and papaya. Land animals consist primarily of reptiles and amphibians although the mongoose and white-tail deer are known to exist on the island. Over 200 species of birds are known in the U.S. Virgin Islands although most are migratory or seasonal inhabitants.

9. Climate. The climate of the U.S. Virgin Islands is tropical with a mean annual temperature of 79°F. Temperatures range between 70° and 90° as

proximity to the sea moderates temperatures during summer months. Humidity ranges from 65 to 81 percent; prevailing winds are from the east. Rainfall is seasonal with almost 50 percent of the rainfall occurring during the period May to December.

10. <u>Human and Cultural Resources</u>. The U.S. Virgin Islands have more than tripled in population in the past two decades, with substantial growth expected for the next two decades. Population growth is expected mainly from the influx of immigrants from nearby islands and to a lesser extent from the continental U.S.

The population of St. Thomas has shown a rapid growth over the past 20 years from 16,200 in 1960 to an estimated 56,560 in 1978. Projections for St. Thomas indicate population growth to 84,000 in 2035, a 49 percent increase.

A portion of the study area is included within the Charlotte Amalie Historic District. The District is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Additional properties within or adjacent to the study area are considered eligible for designation.

11. <u>Development and the Economy</u>. Tourism remains the most significant economic activity in the U.S. Virgin Islands, accounting for some 40 percent of all employment on the islands. The unincorporated U.S. Territory is the number one cruise ship and tourist destination in the Carribbean, hosting over 1.5 million tourists annually.

In St. Thomas, land use reflects the nature of the island's diverse development as a center city, suburbia, and tourist resort, all in one. Almost half of the entire island (47.5 percent) is developed in some form of land use. The remainder, 52.5 percent, under tremendous pressure for development, is in the category woodlands or open space land. The main barrier against development of the woodland is the severity of the slopes. These areas are very mountainous and in most cases construction is very costly.

On St. Thomas, 31 percent or 5,540 acres are in low and high density residential use. Residential stock in St. Thomas consists of 13,717 dwelling units. A variety of residential types exist, including single family homes, apartment buildings, condominiums and hotels. Very high density housing, including many public low and moderate income housing projects, is located in low lying, flood prone areas such as Savan Gut.

Agricultural use on St. Thomas represents only 8.1 percent or 1,489 acres of St. Thomas's land. Of this total 1,412 acres are used for grazing and pasture land. One of the major deterrents to the development of agriculture on St. Thomas in addition to small supply of suitable land, has been the rapid pace of development which has brought about the demand to develop once agricultural land for residential as well as commercial use. Although St. Thomas is the commercial center of the U.S. Virgin Islands, commercial land use for both retail, wholesale and resort use occupy only 461 acres or 2.6 percent of the land area. The largest portion of this land use is located within the urban center of Charlotte Amalie where numerous stores and restaurants are found. Industrial and manufacturing activities are almost nonexistent on St. Thomas. Due to the nature of the island's commerce, which is basically tourism, and the island's environmental sensitivity industrial activity is not expected to grow in the future.

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2<sup>00011</sup> 1 12. <u>Recreation</u>. St. Thomas is endowed with numerous beaches, both developed and undeveloped, parks and recreation areas. There are 348 acres of beaches, parks and recreation. These represent 1.9 percent of all land uses. Of this number beaches make up 2/3 of the acreage. St. Thomas beaches are sandy and unpolluted. The island's coast is excellent for snorkeling and deep sea fishing.

13. Public Facilities. The government of the Virgin Islands is also competing for the use of St. Thomas's lands. Provision of adequate public facilities and utilities necessitates acquisition of very large tracts of land. In St. Thomas, there is high demand for public facilities such as schools, medical facilities, public housing, etc. One factor preventing development of public facilities is the scarcity of publicly owned lands. In most cases, expensive land acquisition or negotiation with private land owners have acted as barriers to the development of adequate public facilities.

#### C. PROBLEMS AND NEEDS

The problem discussed in this report is concerned primarily with the flood damages that occur along Savan Gut in Charlotte Amalie. Those damages are discussed in subsequent pages along with a description of improvements desired by the local sponsor.

14. Flood Control. An investigation by USGS in 1977 showed that at least five severe floods have occurred in the Charlotte Amalie area since 1867 when a tidal wave reportedly caused a major disaster along the south coast of St. Thomas. These floods occurred in October 1916, May 1960, March 1969, October 1970, and November 1974. The flood of November 12, 1974 was one of the largest recorded flood events in the area and had a recurrence interval of about 60 years. Little historical information is available regarding dollar damages, type of structure affected or number of structures affected by floods on St. Thomas. However, an investigation by the USGS reported the 1960 flood caused \$700,000 in damages to public property with no estimate for damage to private property, although many homes and businesses in the Charlotte Amalie area were flooded with considerable losses resulting. A delineation of this flood event within the study area is shown on plate 1.

According to the USGS report, intense rainfall (over 6 inches) in 3 to 4 hours resulted in extremely heavy runoff and severe flooding in the 1974

event. Property damage as estimated by the government of the U.S. Virgin Islands was in excess of \$3 million. The island of St. Thomas was declared a major disaster area. The island was again declared a disaster area in September 1979 as a result of damage inflicted by Hurricane David and Tropical Storm Frederic. These storms caused winds of up to 70 mph through the Virgin Islands and had rainfall of  $\pm 20$  inches within 24 hours. Damage again was excessive.

The Savan section of Charlotte Amalie, which lies in the 100-year flood plain, has a recurring flood problem. Runoff rates are extremely high due to flash flooding, with flood durations measured in hours rather than days.

The 260-acre Savan Gut watershed is located on the southern shore of central St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands, and encompasses a portion of the town of Charlotte Amalie. From its source in the high mountains of central St. Thomas, the poorly defined watercourse travels in a southeasterly direction for approximately 0.7 mile. A more defined channel continues in the southeasterly direction for 0.4 mile. The stream then enters an underground box culvert and flows south for approximately 0.2 miles, where the outflow discharges into St. Thomas Harbor.

Flooding problems occur primarily at the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School and within the central business district (CBD) of Charlotte Amalie. The school, built in 1959, is located astride the gut about 1,800 feet upstream from the mouth, at elevation 40 feet, mean sea level.

Flow passes underneath the school through a 4-foot by 8-foot box culvert before exiting to a stone-paved open channel. Retarding effects of the restriction allow debris to settle and partially block the culvert. Consequently the school, built about 1959, and several adjacent houses were severely flooded in 1970 and 1974.

Located in the flood plain are 91 residential structures with an approximate value of \$4,200,000. These residential structures consist of single family homes, and multi-family units. There are also 288 commercial and public structures valued at approximately \$63,200,000 located in the flood plain. The commercial and public structures consist of all nonresidential structures.

Savan Gut is fully culverted through the CBD to the harbor to form a paved cross street (Guttets Gade). Heavy or protracted rainfall which exceeds the flow capacity of the closed conduit under Guttets Gade results in frequent flooding that has required major repairs as well as clean up of mud and debris.

Tidal flooding is also a problem in Charlotte Amalie. Information on these floods is presented in a Flood Plain Information Report entitled Tidal Areas, St. Thomas, St. Croix, and St. John, U.S. Virgin Islands dated June 1975. A technical discussion of the hydrologic and hydraulic investigations conducted for this report are included in appendix A.

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15. <u>Recreation Needs</u>. Additional community outdoor recreational facilities is an objective expressed by the local sponsor. A potential recreational site is that area east of the Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School and within the boundary of the study area.

The Virgin Islands Urban Renewal Board, through an ongoing renewal program, is to acquire and clear lands in this area with the transfer of this land to the Virgin Islands Department of Conservation and Cultural Affairs for the design and construction of the recreation facility. The provision of any flood damage prevention measure at the school by the Corps of Engineers will be accomplished in conjunction with the proposed recreation facility.

16. <u>Social and Economic Concerns</u>. Social and economic concerns within the residential area of Savan Gut are acute. Population density is approximately 97 people per residential acre in this the oldest neighborhood on St. Thomas. The Savan area has existed more than 200 years. A large number of the residential structures in the Savan area are in deteriorated condition with overcrowding and poor dwelling unit quality a common occurrence.

There remains however, a strong sense of community cohesion which has been retained by both current and former residents. It is expected that this strong sense of association and feeling of kinship would be severely disrupted in the event residents were relocated as a result of a Federal project.

In the Charlotte Amalie business district, which is listed in the National Register of Historic Places, the closing of shops, restaurants, and other establishments during periods of flooding has substantially reduced business income. In recent years there has been an increased level of tourism from Puerto Rico and the many cruise ships calling in the islands. This growth in tourism has led to a substantial increase in retail trade, construction, and employment on the island.

#### D. STUDY OBJECTIVES

In order to address the water resource and related problems, needs, and concerns of the Savan Gut and Charlotte Amalie study area, the following planning objectives have been formulated:

a. Provide flood damage reduction measures to lessen danger to life and property, along 2,300 feet of Savan Gut, between Jane E. Tuitt School and St. Thomas Harbor for the period of analysis;

b. Maintain and preserve the social unity of the Savan area;

c. Minimize adverse impacts on historical and cultural resources of Charlotte Amalie;

d. Improve existing recreational facilities and provide additional recreational opportunities to meet projected demands;

e. Preserve and enhance the natural environment within the study area.

### E. PLAN FORMULATION

The formulation of a plan to solve the flooding and related problems and needs of Savan Gut and Charlotte Amalie involves consideration of all possible alternative measures, including both structural and nonstructural solutions or combinations thereof. Each alternative was evaluated on the basis of its technical and economic feasibility as well as its social and environmental effects.

Structural alternatives which are designed to reduce or eliminate flood stages include such measures as flow diversion and several types of channel improvements or modifications. Nonstructural measures are those which reduce the susceptibility of flood damage and consists of actions including flood proofing, zoning, early warning, relocation, and evacuation.

17. Formulation and Evaluation Criteria. Overall criteria for this process is provided by the Principles and Standards for Planning Water and Related Land Resources. These principles and standards are supplemented by certain established technical, economic, environmental and social criteria including the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. Alternative plans for this study were developed consistent with the two primary national objectives of National Economic Development (NED) and Environmental Quality (EQ). Throughout the planning process the impacts of the considered actions were measured in terms of contributions to four accounts: NED, EQ, Regional Economic Development (RED), and Other Social Effects (OSE).

18. Alternative Plans Considered. A broad range of flood control alternatives were formulated and evaluated to address the problem on Savan Gut. Consideration was given to "no action" as an alternative course of action.

It appears that the most practical solution for minimizing flood damages along Savan Gut is a combination of structural and nonstructural measures. Nonstructural measures such as zoning of the flood plain and building code regualtions would prohibit further construction or rebuilding which would be exposed to flood damage. Because the floodway is essentially obstructed by the number and configuration of existing homes, bridges, and buildings within the CBD, some structural measures must be undertaken.

The individual measures were investigated in various combinations to form six viable plans that would meet the specific criteria established for this study. Viable alternatives to reduce the susceptibility of flood damage along the gut appear to be limited primarily because of the steep terrain encountered and the density of development within the area. A discussion of these alternatives follows. a. <u>Diversion</u>. Diversion of flood flows is a viable alternative at the Jane E. Tuitt School. This measure calls for the construction of an enclosed concrete chute some 410 feet in length. An alinement along the eastern side of the school would require the relocation of two structures. Diversion of flood water within the high damage areas of the CBD of Charlotte Amalie does not appear feasible because of the absence of alternative flowage routes.

b. Levees were considered in the early stages of plan formulation but further studies indicated that this alternative was not technically or socially feasible. Existing land use practices precludes this alternative as the walls of several residential and business structures actually abut the present Savan Gut Channel. Levee construction would require purchase of easement land adjacent to the gut. The costs of rights-of-way and relocation of structures would result in extremely high costs and would not be economically justified.

c. <u>Relocation</u> of existing residential and business structures and the Jane E. Tuitt School out of the flood prone areas was not regarded as a feasible alternative. Lack of suitable relocation areas and the high costs involved in relocation precluded use of this alternative. Social impact associated with relocation was also a factor. Reluctance of the majority of residents to leave the Savan area because of the close community ties negated this alternative measure.

d. Flood forecasting, warning, and evacuation are nonstructural meawhich would reduce flood losses. Use of these measures within the study area would reduce the extent of flood damage within Savan Gut. The susceptibility of flooding will likely continue however. The short response time associated with the small watershed and steep terrain makes a warning system difficult. Damage reduced with this alternative is particularly difficult to measure because of the many variables involved including the types of actions taken and the impacts associated with those actions.

e. Zoning and building codes, if adopted and enforced, could prove effective in reducing the flood damage potential of any new construction in the study area. Those measures provide no protection for existing land use activities, however, and their applicability to the existing flood problems in Savan Gut are considered negligible. Such regulations and restrictions are encouraged in future developmental activities.

f. <u>Flood proofing</u> of existing structures by elevating out of the base flood level or water proofing was addressed as a possible alternative. However, residential structures generally consist of low cost frame housing which is difficult to flood proof and would be more expensive than could be economically justified.

The structural alternative of channel conveyance improvement was addressed which resulted in an increased flood flow capacity. Modifications associated with this alternative included: cleaning, deepening, and channel realinement. The channel modification alternative is the most feasible structural measure to address flood conditions in Savan Gut.

19. Development of Detailed Plans. As a result of reconnaissance studies and preliminary estimates, potential solutions to the flood problems which were clearly impractical or unfeasible were eliminated early in the course of study in order to concentrate on feasible alternative measures.

It was determined that channel modifications, including deepening of the existing channel and the construction of a short diversion channel, offer the most practical method of reducing flood damages along Savan Gut in Charlotte Amalie.

In the early stages of this study the original plan was based on providing minimal facilities for 10-year protection. However, more detailed studies indicated that more remote frequency flood protection would be justified, up to and including Standard Project Flood (SPF) protection.

In order to formulate the most feasible channelization alternative, five channel designs were prepared and analyzed. All 5 plans are similar in that they begin upstream of the Jane E. Tuitt School, flow through the CBD of Charlotte Amalie and empty into a stilling basin adjacent to St. Thomas Harbor.

The major features within each of the five channel design frequencies include a new 750-foot-long box culvert to replace the existing culvert through the CBD, a covered diversion chute around Jane E. Tuitt School and a stilling basin adjacent to St. Thomas Harbor. Table 2 provides a preliminary summary of costs for the preliminary detailed plans considered for this alternative. These costs are based on 1981 prices.

### TABLE 1

#### COMPARISON OF COSTS FOR PLANS CONSIDERED (in 1981 dollars)

 Design Condition
 Total Initial Cost

 SPF Design
 \$ 4,899,000

 100-year Design
 4,757,000

 50-year Design
 4,651,000

 25-year Design
 4,547,000

 10-year Design
 4,398,000

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## COMPARISON OF ALTERNATIVE PLANS

		Relocation	SPF Design Channel Modification	No Action
A.	Significant Impacts			······································
1. 2.	Community Growth Community Cohesion	Affords growth in new area Destroys community cohesion	None Maintains cohesion of	None
	-		study area	No change
3. 4.	Loss of Homes Transportation	Total removal of homes Requires new road network	Some structures lost Short term impact during construction of project	None
5.	Recreation	Requires new facilities	None	None
6.	Health	Improved conditions	Modifies somewhat existing conditions along Savan Gut	Health hazards of existing situation remain
7.	Cultural Resources	Preserves resources	May have adverse impact requiring mitigation	Continued damage from flooding; resources remain intact
8.	Study Objectives			
1.	Flood Control	Affords residential protection but none for CBD	Provides SPF protection for residential & commercial structures	No flood control benefits
2.	Recreation	Requires new facilities	Benefits only in conjunction with plans of others	None
	Community Cohesion	Addressed above	Addressed above	No change
4.	Cultural Resources	No effect	May have adverse impact requiring mitigation	Continued damage from flooding; resources remain intact
5.	Environmental Quality	May create new areas of wildlife habitat in former residential area although debris in channel remains without clearing.	Removes debris from existing channel bottom; may be short term impacts with air quality and noise pollution, and transporting of excavated materials.	No change from debris laden channel. Existing habitat remain intact.

	Relocation	SPF Design Channel Modification	No Action
C. System of Accounts			
1. NED	Relocation barely feasible for residences, and is not feasible for commercial structures which are the principal damaged areas	\$4.8 million in annual benefits in annual costs	No flood control benefits, damages and loss of business in CBD of Charlotte Amalie continues
<ol> <li>Environmental Quality threat to endangered</li> </ol>			
species destroys cultural	None	None May have adverse impact	None Continued damage from
resources	None	requiring mitigation	flooding; resources remain intact
disrupts riparian habitat	None	May have short term impact on habitat. That portion lost is of marginal value	None
Fish and Wildlife	May benefit existing wildlife	May have short term adverse impact on wildlife such as birds and other small animals until habitat is reestablished	None
<ol> <li>Regional Economic Development</li> </ol>	Temporary employment of local personnel during construction of residential structures; provides no benefit to CBD.	Temporary employment of local personnel during construction is anticipated; provides bene- ficial impact of flood protection within CBD.	Continued disruption in CBD caused by flooding
4. Other Social Effects	Destroys social fabric within residential areas; improved health conditions possible with relocation out of existing flood prone residential area.	Reduced threat to life and property with flood protection; maintains community cohesion; likely improvement of health conditions within former flood prone areas.	Flooding continues threat to life, property.

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The Savan Gut project would include a rapid flow channel for its entire length through the downtown and urban areas of Charlotte Amalie. Floods exceeding the level of protection that would be provided by this channel would be considered a catastrophe. Consequently, in accordance with ER 1105-2-111, the SPF level of protection should be provided by the project.

The flood proofing or relocation of existing structures, while maximizing the environmental quality (EQ) within the study area, would not be a feasible alternative to address existing flood damages being experienced. A summary comparison of these alternative plans is provided in table 2.

#### F. THE SELECTED PLAN

The preceding section summarized plan formulation and identified the plans which appeared to offer the greatest potential for resolving the problems and needs of the study area. The area protected is an urban area where damages from large floods would result in a catastrophe. The selected plan incorporates a rapid flow channel. SPF level of protection is the goal for projects formulated in this category. There is no rationale for not achieving the SPF protection goal; therefore, for this analysis the development of an NED evaluation was not considered appropriate. The following pages present a description of the selected plan, including its accomplishments and effects as well as its significant impacts. The selected plan is a refinement and improvement over the plan shown in paragraph 19. The selected plan varies from the plan in paragraph 19 by the inclusion of a velocity check dam upstream of Jane E. Tuitt School, complete SPF diversion around the school and deletion of the stilling basin and lift station near the harbor.

20. Plan Description. The selected plan for the reduction of flood damages within Savan Gut and the CBD of Charlotte Amalie is a structural measure, the main features of which are as follows:

a. Construction of a 2,300-foot-long covered concrete channel extending from St. Thomas Harbor, upstream to and around Jane E. Tuitt School, terminating at a velocity check dam about 150 feet upstream of the school.

b. Replacement of three highway bridges with sections of covered channel.

c. Construction of a velocity check dam upstream of Jane E. Tuitt School.

d. Construction of a barrier in the velocity check dam area to trap floating debris.

21. Plan Accomplishments. The major benefits that will result from the proposed plan is the elimination of existing and future flood damages to the Jane E. Tuitt School and the affected central business district of Charlotte

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Amalie. Average annual benefits of \$5,252,000 are estimated for the reduction of flood damages to existing structures. No monetary benefits are claimed for reduction of damages to new future development.

The implementation and enforcement of local controls to restrict further development within flood prone areas, and the use of incentives and other measures to lessen flood damages on existing structures, is encouraged.

22. <u>Design and Construction</u>. The selected channel conveyance improvement plan for Savan Gut and the CBD of Charlotte Amalie will pass the SPF event with little or no damage to existing commercial, residential, and public facilities. Major features of the proposed plan are shown on plate 1. Construction of a debris barrier upstream of the Jane E. Tuitt School would lessen any potential damage to the proposed concrete channel. This barrier would control floating debris from possibly blocking canal culverts and thus restricting design flow capacities.

The channel alinement as proposed does not conform exactly to the existing gut alinement. Criteria used in the design for the flood control channel prescribe certain limitations which necessitate a deviation from the existing channel alinement. Using these design criteria, the proposed alinement would require the removal or relocation of eight structures as shown in appendix B, plates B-3 through B-5. The relocation aspect is of major concern because these structures are located within the limits of the Charlotte Amalie Historic District as listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The local Archeological and Historic Preservation Officer would be involved in the determination of relocation or removal.

During construction only the areas required for construction and disposal of excavated materials shall be cleared. All efforts shall be made to disturb as little natural cover as possible. Excess excavated material will be removed from the construction site and placed in an upland disposal site yet to be determined.

A cultural resources survey completed in August 1981 revealed seven cultural resource sites in the project area none being significant enough to warrent an alinement change. A qualified archeologist may be assigned to the site during construction to monitor the excavation. Construction may be temporarily halted should a significant find be determined. If there is no alternative to disruption of the site, then the project must be designed to mitigate any adverse impact the project has on the resource.

23. Environmental Effects. The selected plan which calls for a modification of the existing channel and associated new works, is not expected to adversely affect the study area environment. The project area is a narrow strip which is impinged upon on both sides by residential and commercial development and provides only marginal habitat for birds and other small animals accustomed to an urban environment. There are no fish in Savan Gut as the Gut carries water only during periods of heavy rainfall. The complete Environmental Assessment is provided in chapter H.

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The proposed plan calls for the construction of a new cutoff wall 5 feet seaward of the existing bulkhead extending 55 feet east and west of Guttet's Gade to elevation -25.0 feet. A Section 404(b) evaluation, as part of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act of 1972, is presented in appendix E.

24. Social Effects. The selected plan will maintain both the identity of the CBD of Charlotte Amalie and the community spirit and close-knit relationships within the Savan area. There should be no significant additional financial burden placed on the residents as a result of these flood damage reduction measures. There should be no significant change in land use activities within the study area, with residents and shop owners being afforded the assurance of lessened flood damage. Along with a reduction of health hazards, the flood control project should lower the risk of displacement as a result of flooding conditions.

25. Other Effects. The flood control plan as proposed can be made compatible with plans of both the Virgin Islands Urban Renewal Board and the Public Works Departments. The Urban Renewal Board is to relocate several residences and proposes street modifications within the study area. The Public Works Department has proposed a project along Veterans Drive at the harbor to include street widening and complementary parks, open space, shopping and parking facilities.

26. Economics of Selected Plan. The tangible economic justification of the selected plan can be determined by comparing average annual costs (including interests, amortization, operation, and maintenance) with an equivalent average annual benefit which would be realized for the plan over a 50-year period of analysis. The average annual benefits should equal or exceed the annual cost if the Federal Government is to contribute toward the project. The depth-damage relationships used in this study were determined by analyzing the damages from flooding to similarly constructed structures and activities on the mainland. The relationships are considered representative of the losses to be expected from this type flooding to the structures and contents of the buildings and enterprises located in the flood plain. All costs and benefits presented in this section are based on 1981 prices and the prevailing Federal interest rate of 7 5/8 percent was used to determine annual benefits and costs. The beneficial impacts of the proposed project upon the study area include inundation reduction benefits. The area impacted by the flooding is the central business district of Charlotte Amalie which is the commercial center of the island of St. Thomas. This area consists of residential and commercial structures. Potential damage to development includes damage to the physical structure and personal property or contents. Five frequency floods were examined under without project conditions. These floods include the 10-, 25-, 50-, 100-year and Standard Project Flood (SPF).

The Savan Gut study area was outlined on a topographic map at a scale of 1:1200. The existing development in the study area was surveyed to determine structure type, value, size location, and commercial content value. Content values for residential structures were determined to be a percent of structure value (40 percent for single family and 30 percent for apartments). All lateral drainage will be accommodated with the selected plan of improvement. However, there may be isolated cases of ponded water, but the overall effect is insignificant.

The study area was divided into 44 blocks and 379 structures were identified. These structures were then located on an aerial photo having a scale of 1:1200. The flood lines for five without project flood frequencies were then overlayed over the aerial photographs which identified the development within the study area.

Ground elevations and all flood frequency elevations were interpolated for each structure. Flood depths were calculated for each structure, for all flood frequencies. The structures were separated into 41 commercial and two residential damage relationship classifications. Damages were estimated by applying depth damage relationships to each structures' content and physical value for all flood frequencies. Damages were aggregated into commercial and residential classifications for each flood frequency. The flooding tabulation summarizes existing damages for five storm events without protective works.

### TABLE 3

#### DAMAGES AND STRUCTURES AFFECTED BY FLOODING (In October 1981 dollars)

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Storm Event	Residential	Commercial	Total	Affected
10 year	\$ 152,718	\$10,530,469	\$10,683,187	281
25 year	212,987	11,601,581	11,814,567	299
50 year	305,057	12,735,339	13,040,396	306
100 year	353,017	14,197,018	14,590,035	319
SPF	507,794	15,966,732	16,474,526	338

Flood damages for all flood frequencies analyzed are converted to an average annual value. Average annual damages is a statistical expected value and is calculated by summing the results of the dollar damage of any given magnitude flood multiplied by the probability of its occurrence measured as being equaled or exceeded in a given year. Average annual flood damages to existing development without project conditions is estimated to be \$5,252,000. Since all damage is prevented with the selected plan of improvement, the average annual equivalent inundation reduction benefit is estimated to be \$5,252,000. The study area has limited land available for new development; therefore, future development in the study area is expected to be similar to existing development. The total initial costs and average annual costs for the selected plan are shown on tables 4 and 5. Using October 1981 costs and 7 5/8 percent interest rate.

#### TABLE 4

#### SUMMARY OF SELECTED PLAN INITIAL COSTS (2) TOTAL INITIAL COSTS (Date of estimate October 1981)

Item	<u>Federal Cost</u>	Non-Federal Cost	Total
Concrete Channel Improvements Outside Project Scope Work Relocation and Alteration Lands and Damages	\$4,000,000 (1) - - -	\$ 371,000 477,000 712,000 700,000	\$4,371,000 477,000 712,000 700,000
TOTAL	\$4,000,000	\$2,260,000	\$6,260,000

NOTE: 1. Federal participation limited to \$4,000,000 in Section 205 projects. 2. For more details on initial cost see tables B-1, B-2, and B-3.

#### TABLE 5

SUMMARY OF SELECTED PLAN ANNUAL COSTS (Date of estimate October 1981)

Item	Federal Cost	Non-Federal Cost	Total
Interest and Amortization Operation and Maintenance	\$313,000	\$139,500 8,500	\$452,500 8,500
TOTAL	\$313,000	\$148,000	\$461,000

NOTE: For more details on annual costs see table B-3.

27. <u>Benefits</u>. Average annual benefits and costs are shown in the tabulation below for the selected flood damage reduction plan.

#### TABLE 6

#### SUMMARY OF ANNUAL BENEFITS (In October 1981 dollars)

Residential Commercial and Public	\$ 47,000 <u>5,205,000</u>
Total Annual Benefits	\$5,252,000
Benefit/Cost Ratio of Existing Developme	nt: \$5,252,000/\$461,000 = 11.4

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28. Economic Feasibility. The magnitude of the benefit/cost ratio is such that the economic feasibility of a Federally sponsored project is clearly indicated.

#### G. COST SHARING AND PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

29. <u>General</u>. Sharing of costs between Federal and non-Federal interests for the Savan Gut project is based on the standard requirements established as Federal policy for "local protection" works. Under this policy, non-Federal interests are required to furnish all lands, easements, and rightsof-way required for project construction and proper project maintenance. Non-Federal interests are also required to bear the costs of modifications to all utilities and highway crossings required for project construction. In addition, the local sponsor must operate and maintain the project after construction in accordance with Federal requirements. The Federal government is responsible for all flood control construction costs including costs incurred in preparing the DPR and reconnaissance report. Appendix G is a draft of the local assurances required for this project.

Under the continuing authority of Section 205, under which this project is proposed, Federal costs are limited to \$4 million. Costs in excess of the \$4 million limit, established by law, is the responsibility of the local sponsor.

30. Federal Costs. The total initial cost of the project is estimated to be \$6,260,000 (see table 4). The Federal share of this cost would be \$4 million under authority of section 205 of the Flood Control Act of 1948 as amended.

31. <u>Non-Federal Costs</u>. Non-Federal interests must bear all costs in excess of the Federal limitation contained in the statutes. These local costs are estimated to be \$2,260,000.

#### H. ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

#### 32. Need for the Proposed Action

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a. <u>Authority</u>. This assessment is made pursuant to Section 205 of the Flood Control Act of 1948, as amended.

b. Location. Savan Gut is a natural drainage channel, draining from north to south, in the city of Charlotte Amalie, situated on the south shore of St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands. Savan Gut drains an area of approximately 262 acres of surface runoff in northern Charlotte Amalie, which falls in elevation about 1,400 feet to sea level in a horizontal distance of 1 mile.

c. <u>Problem to be addressed</u>. Heavy rainfall in the upland catchment basin of Savan Gut causes rocks and other debris to be washed down the channel toward the sea. Two constrictions reduce flood flows so that flood waters overflow the channel banks and flood a school (Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School) and the business district south of Back Street, in downtown Charlotte Amalie. The school, located about 1,800 feet upstream from the mouth at elevation 40 feet, m.s.l., has a tributary area of nearly 175 acres. Problem flooding occurs mainly at the school and in the business section below the school due to constrictions as a result of narrow culverts at both locations.

At the school, flow passes underneath the building for 220 feet through a 4-foot by 8-foot stone masonry box culvert, thence 70 feet through a 7 1/2-foot by 8-foot box culvert under a basketball court before exiting to a stone-paved channel. Savan Gut is a covered culvert from Back Street to the harbor, forming a paved cross street (Guttets Gade). The culvert narrows from about 4-feet-high by 14-feet-wide at the entrance to only 2 1/2feet-high by 6-feet-wide for the last few hundred feet. The open channel is in generally poor repair; there are two bridges across the channel with additional obstructions such as sidewalks and sewer and utility lines through the flow area.

Heavy rainfall results in frequent flooding that has required major repairs as well as cleanup of debris from the business district in 1953, 1960, 1970, and 1974. The plan of action as proposed includes:

a. Construction of a 2,300-foot-long covered concrete channel extending from St. Thomas Harbor, upstream to and around Jane E. Tuitt School, terminating at a velocity check dam about 150 feet upstream of the school.

b. Replacement of three highway bridges with sections of covered channel.

c. Construction of a velocity check dam upstream of Jane E. Tuitt School.

d. Construction of a barrier in the velocity check dam area to trap floating debris.

33. Environmental Impacts. The upper one-half of the basin consists of densely vegetated (shrubs, trees, and vines), steeply sloping mountain sides with some residental development. The open channel is vegetated by a weedyruderal herbaceous flora; open areas also serve as a refuse dumping and sewage site for nearby residents. No important vegetation communities are present in the project area which would be affected by the plan. Due to intense development having occurred in the project area, little natural habitat remains below the school for use by the natural fauna; no negative impacts on the fauna are expected from the proposed action (USF&WS letter, 17 December 1980). No species on the list of threatened or endangered spe-cies as republished in the "Federal Register" of 20 May 1980 are expected to occur in the project area. The National Register of Historic Places includes two areas in Charlotte Amalie. The Charlotte Amalie Historic District encompasses the project area together with most of the downtown business district below Back Street. The office of the Hamburg-American Shipping Line is located within this vicinity. A cultural resources survey of the project area was conducted and the report is available for review at the District office. No structures listed, or proposed for listing, on the National Register of Historic Places were located. As most of the project area containing possible significant resources is under pavement or debris a subsurface survey was not feasible. An archeologist will be assigned to the project to observe actual construction activities as they progress and to temporarily stop these activities should any cultural resources be located for evaluation and proper disposition as required by NHPA.

34. Alternatives to the Proposed Action. Several structural and nonstructural alternatives to the proposed action were formulated. Projected costs of relocation are very high on the islands. In addition, the highly developed nature of the project area limits the number of feasible alternative plans. The "no-action plan" would allow continued flooding and property damage to occur as a result of heavy rainfall, plus the possible loss of human life under extreme circumstances. The Corps of Engineers has determined that the proposed plan is the most suitable plan for accomplishing the flood relief objective.

35. Agencies and Groups Consulted in Preparation of this Assessment.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service - Jacksonville, Florida

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service - Mayaguez, Puerto Rico

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service - Atlanta, Georgia

Division of Archeological and Historical Preservation, Office of Archeological Services, Virgin Islands Planning Office - Charlotte Amalie, U.S. Virgin Islands Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service, Interagency Archeological Services, U.S. Department of the Interior - Atlanta, Georgia

National Marine Fisheries Service, N.O.A.A., U.S. Department of Commerce - St. Petersburg, Florida

Department of Conservation and Cultural Affairs, State Historic Preservation Officer - St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands

#### 36. Environmental Compliance and Regulations Pertaining to the Project.

Archeological Recovery Act of 1974. National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 as amended. Executive Order 11593 - Protection & Enhancement of the Cultural Environment - 13 May 1971.

A preliminary cultural resources survey was undertaken to locate historic and cultural resources in the project area. Seven resources, neither listed nor considered eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, were identified as to be destroyed by the project. These will be documented to standards of the Historic American Building Survey. Depending upon any further findings and with concurrence of the State Historic Preservation Office, an archeologist may be assigned to the project during construction to monitor any cultural resources found and to temporarily stop the project subject to possible excavation of the site.

Clean Air Act, as amended.

In compliance.

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Clean Water Act of 1977.	In compliance.
Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended.	Local sponsor to obtain permit.
Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended.	In compliance.
Estuary Protection Act.	Not applicable to this project.
Federal Water Project Recreation Act.	Not applicable to this project.
Fish & Wildlife Coordination Act.	In compliance.
Land & Water Conservation Fund Act.	Not applicable to this project.
Marine Protection Research & Sanctuaries Act of 1972, as amended.	Not applicable to this project.
National Environmental Policy Act.	In compliance.
Wild & Scenic Rivers Act.	Not applicable to this project.
Executive Order 11988. Flood Plain Management, 24 May 1977	Not applicable to this project.
Executive Order 11990. Protection of Wetlands, 24 May 1977	Not applicable to this project.
Executive Order 12114. Environmental Effects Abroad of Major Federal Actions, 4 January 1979.	Not applicable to this project.
Executive Memorandum Analysis of Impacts on Prime and Unique Farmlands.	Not applicable to this project.

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#### SAVAN GUT FLOOD CONTROL PROJECT CHARLOTTE AMALIE, ST. THOMAS, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS

PRELIMINARY FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

I have reviewed the planning document and the Environmental Assessment of the considered action. Based on information analyzed in the Environmental Assessment (EA), reflecting pertinent data obtained from cooperating Federal agencies having jurisdiction by law and/or special expertise, and from the interested public, I conclude that the considered action will have no significant impact on the quality of the human environment. Reasons for this conclusion are, in summary:

a. The proposed work will be performed so as to minimize disturbance to any valuable animals or plants. The Gut is a disturbed, partially channelized, irregularly-flowing stream; thus no species of significant biological value are expected.

b. Construction will occur primarily in uplands except for minor excavation near the seawall at St. Thomas Harbor. No long-term water quality impacts are expected as a result of the excavation.

c. The proposed construction will require demolition of seven existing structures. All known and unknown cultural resources will be protected according to professional standards and with the concurrence of the State Historic Preservation Officer.

d. Construction of the flood control project will assist in reducing flooding potential and resulting losses due to flooding in the Savan Gut area of Charlotte Amalie.

In consideration of the information summarized, I find that the considered action does not require an Environmental Impact Statement.

ALFRED B. DEVEREAUX, JR. Colonel, Corps of Engineers District Engineer

#### I. CONCLUSIONS

37. A flood problem was found to exist along the drainage course (or "gut") in the Savan area within Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands. The flood problem begins at Jane E. Tuitt elementary school located about 1,800 feet upstream of St. Thomas Harbor. The school was built in 1959 astride the gut with a box culvert under the school being the only means of safely passing flood flows. Consequently, the school and several adjacent houses were seriously flooded in 1970 and 1974. The flood problem also exists to houses bordering the gut from the school downstream to the business district. The business area is heavily developed for tourist trade with shops and restaurants, but also includes homes, churches, banks, other businesses, and public utilities. Floods have caused severe financial losses and created sociological problems for the inhabitants and businesses employed within the affected area. It is concluded that the most practicable plan for reducing flood losses and other related impacts along the gut would be through channel diversion around the school and conveyance improvements from the school to St. Thomas Harbor. Nonstructural measures were studied but were found to be impractical for alleviating existing damages.

The estimated total initial cost of the channel improvements is \$6,260,000 with total annual cost of \$461,000. Annual benefits are estimated to be \$5,252,000 yielding a benefit-to-cost ratio of 11.4.

#### J. RECOMMENDATIONS

38. It is recommended that the selected plan for the flood reduction in Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands be approved under authority of Section 205 of the 1948 Flood Control Act, as amended, and as described in this report. Construction of the project is recommended provided local interests agree to the following:

a. Provide without cost to the United States all lands, easements, rights-of-way, including suitable borrow and disposal areas as determined by the Chief of Engineers necessary for the construction of the Project.

b. Accomplish without cost to the United States all alterations and relocations of buildings, transportation facilities, storm drains, utilities, and other structures and improvements made necessary by the construction.

c. Hold and save the United States free from damages due to the construction works except damages due to the fault or negligence of the United States or its contractors;

d. Provide a cash contribution, prior to initiation of construction, equal to the cost of all outside project scope work, presently estimated at \$477,000.

e. Assume all project costs in excess of the Government limitation of \$4,000,000.

ALFRED B. DEVEREAUX, JR. Colonel, Corps of Engineers District Engineer

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# SECTION 205 DETAILED PROJECT REPORT

SAVAN GUT AT CHARLOTTE AMALIE

ST. THOMAS, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS

# APPENDIX A

# HYDROLOGY-HYDRAULICS

### SECTION 205 DETAILED PROJECT REPORT SAVAN GUT AT CHARLOTTE AMALIE ST. THOMAS, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS

# APPENDIX A

## HYDROLOGY-HYDRAULICS

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1. <u>Watershed Description</u>. The Savan Gut watershed drains 0.41 square miles and is located on the southern shore of central St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands and encompasses a portion of the town of Charlotte Amalie. From its source in the high mountains of central St. Thomas, the poorly defined watercourse travels in a southeasterly direction for approximately 0.7 mile. A more defined channel continues in the southeasterly direction for 0.4 mile. The stream then enters an underground box culvert and flows south for approximately 0.2 mile, where the outflow discharges into St. Thomas Harbor. A watershed map is presented on Plate A-1.

2. Precipitation and Storm Characteristics. A National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) gaging station is located in Charlotte Amalie at latitude 18°21' north and longitude 64°56' west with an elevation of 15 feet m.s.l. Daily rainfall amounts are available from this nonrecording gage since 1926. The mean annual rainfall for the area averages about 43 inches with the maximum rainfall expectancy occurring from May The mountainous nature of the basin and steep slopes of through December. the watercourse result in flash flood situations with high runoff velocities. A majority of the rainfall in this area is caused by orographic cooling of moisture laden air, resulting in usually brief rainfall. However, large amounts of rainfall can occur during these brief rainfall periods. Hurricanes and tropical storms are another source of intense rainfall during the May through November hurricane season. Representative of this tropical depression-type storm was the rainfall occurring during the 7-day period of October 4-9, 1980 which recorded a peak 24-hour total rainfall of 6.7 inches and was preceded and followed by several days of rainfall which averaged over 1 inch per day.

3. Unit Hydrograph Analysis. There are no records of stream gage data, sediment data, or historical flood flow estimates for Savan Gut. To determine flow rates for project analysis and design, it was necessary to use synthetic methods. Synthetic unit hydrographs were computed at several locations along the Savan Gut watercourse using the "Unit Graph and Hydrograph Computation" portion of HEC-1DB in conjunction with the Soil Conservation Service (SCS) runoff curve numbers. A weighted curve number of CN-79 was selected as best describing the combination of wooded areas. hard surfaced roads, and high density urban development present within the drainage areas. The watershed is very sensitive to high antecedent moisture conditions which are prevalent during hurricane conditions. Therefore, a high moisture condition of AMC III = 91 was used to compute design discharges. Weighted CN techniques were applied in determining curve numbers. The respective curve numbers were: 78.8, 79.3, and 80.0 for each of the watersheds, which, when converted to AMC III, produced the During the hydrologic analysis two alternative methods were used CN = 91.to determine the sensitivity of the SCS method. Snyder unit hydrographs

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were computed using coefficients (640 cp = 600, Ct = 0.6) that were developed in Puerto Rico. The Rational method was also applied using coefficients between .7 and .8. The discharges for the Standard Project Flood are presented below.

#### TABLE A-1

STANDARD	PROJECT I		CHARGES	
	DA mi <sup>2</sup>	<u>SCS</u>	Snyder	Rational
Antoni St. Jane E. Tuitt School Business District	.24 .27 .41	1570 1647 2076	1120 1192 1593	1078 1272 1824

The reasons for the differences in the computed discharges are primarily due to the ability of the SCS method to account for high antecedent moisture and dramatic slope of the watershed. Lack of gage data and historical records prompted acceptance of the data derived from the SCS method, since it was felt that this method best described the watershed characteristics.

Since a measured flood of record was not available to verify the unit hydrograph, the comparison of methods outlined above was used to test sensitivity of the chosen method. Routing techniques were not used in the analysis. Each subbasin was computed separately and included all contributing areas above the point of concern. Watershed characteristics are presented below.

#### TABLE A-2

#### WATERSHED CHARACTERISTICS

Drainage Area	Lagtime	Basin Slope	Watercourse Length
Sq. Miles (acres)	Hours (Minutes)		Miles
.24 (154)	0.12 (7.2)	36%	0.83
.27 (173)	0.14 (8.4)	29%	0.94
.41 (262)	0.22 (13.2)	21%	1.33

The hydrologic impact of future land use changes was not calculated. A large portion of the watershed is very steep and developed to a high degree. Using a curve number of 91 produced conservative discharge estimates indicative of a highly developed area.

Basin lag, the time from the center of incremental rainfall to the time of peak, was also computed and varied from 7 to 13 minutes. Due to the quick response time, unit rainfall durations and unit hydrograph increments were computed in 5-minute intervals.

Flood discharges were calculated at three locations along the watercourse; Antoni Street bridge with a 0.24 square mile drainage area, a basin slope of 36 percent and stream length of 0.83 mile; Jane E. Tuitt School with 0.27 square mile drainage area, basin slope of 29 percent and stream length of 0.94 miles; and St. Thomas Harbor, at the stream mouth, with 0.41 square mile drainage area, 21 percent basin slope and stream length of 1.33 miles. Table A-3 presents the synthetic unit hydrographs for each location.

Time	Antoni	Jane E. Tuitt	St. Thomas
in	Street	School	Harbor
Minutes	<u>(csf)</u>	(csf)	(csf)
5	361	291	161
10	720	715	546
15	451	576	755
20	186	266	666
25	81	129	432
30	35	61	246
35	15	28	150
40	7.	14	89
45	3	7	53
50	0	3	31
	1,859	2,090	19
			11
			7
			4
			2
			3,172

#### TABLE A-3

#### SYNTHETIC UNIT HYDROGRAPHS

4. <u>Rainfall</u>. Over 50 years of rainfall records are available at Charlotte Amalie. However, rainfall is collected only once in 24 hours, which is not adequate to define rainfall critical to this small watershed. Basin average 1- to 24-hour point rainfalls for 2- to 100-year return frequencies were estimated from isohyetal maps in Weather Bureau Technical Paper No. 42, "Generalized Estimates of Probable Maximum Precipitation and Rainfall Frequency Data for Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands." The published 1-hour point rainfall depths were determined to be of excessive duration to define flood peaks within the Savan Gut basin. A methodology to develop shorter duration rainfalls is presented in the following paragraph. 5. <u>Rainfall Distribution</u>. The 1-hour storm rainfall distributed in 5-minute increments was computed by plotting the TP-42 point rainfall amounts on log-log paper and extrapolating the 5- to 55-minute point rainfall values. A linear distribution was found to exist on log-log paper and the various return frequencies had similar distributions. For this reason, the 10-year rainfall distribution was applied to the 1-hour point rainfall for the 2- to 100-year return periods. The 5-minute rainfall increments were then critically arranged to conform to the Standard Project Storm (SPS) distribution of maximum 1-hour rainfall as presented in HEC-1 DB (and NWS HYDRO-35). Rainfall losses were computed internally by HEC-1 DB by the SCS equations:

> Initial loss = .2S Incremental loss = P -  $\frac{(P-.2S)^2}{(P+.8S)}$  CN = SCS curve number P = incremental rainfall S =  $\frac{1,000}{CN}$  - 10

The same methodology was used to compute rainfall losses for all designs.

6. <u>Probable Maximum and Standard Project Rainfall</u>. Theoretically, the probable maximum precipitation (PMP) is an estimate of the greatest rainfall that might reasonably be expected under the most severe conditions. Estimates of the PMP for the Savan Gut study were developed from TP-42 similar to the 2- to 100-year frequencies. The 5- to 55-minute rainfall amounts were extrapolated from TP-42 data on log-log graph paper and critically arranged according to the SPS distribution.

The Standard Project Flood is defined as the most severe combination of meteorological and hydrological conditions considered reasonably characteristic for the area, excluding extremely rare combinations. The rainfall for this storm was developed by plotting one-half the PMP 1-hour rainfall and extrapolating to 5- to 55-minute rainfalls as done previously. The SPF peak discharges produced by this method varied between 62 to 73 percent of the probable maximum peak discharges and were 24 to 28 percent greater than the 100-year discharges. Plate A-2 presents the SPF discharge hydrographs at the three locations. Table A-4 lists the peak rainfall and discharge rates for various return periods.

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Return Period		2	5	10	25	50	100	SPF	PMF
		<u> </u>						JFT	F P4F
One-Hour									
Rainfall	(inches)	1.9	2.3	2.6	3.0	3.3	3.6	5.0	10.0
Antoni									
Street	(cfs)	517	684	819	991	1,129	1,268	1,570	2,537
Jane E.									
	ool(cfs)	534	704	843	1,019	1,161	1,303	1 647	2 729
Tuitt Scho	Dol (cfs)	350	350		-	33.7	350	1,647	2,729
Business	Δ	198	227	249 249	277	299	322	429	8:-1
District	(cfs)	732		.092	1,296	1,460	1,625	2,076	3,590

#### PEAK RAINFALL AND DISCHARGES

#### B. HYDRAULICS

7. Existing Profiles. Water surface profiles for existing conditions were computed using the Hydrologic Engineering Center's HEC-2 Computer Program "Water Surface Profiles." Cross sectional data for the analysis was completed in December 1978 using a 50-foot section interval.

a. <u>Starting conditions</u>. Because of the steep slope of the existing channel, critical depth was used as the starting elevation for supercritical flow analysis. A terminal condition of 0.8 feet m.s.l would be a control point at the entrance into St. Thomas Harbor.

b. <u>Manning's Roughness Coefficient "n"</u>. The initial values used for Mannings "n" were based on field observations and correlation with past experiences in similar stone-paved open channels. The initially selected values were then adjusted until water surface profiles matched the November 1974 flood profile defined on USGS flood atlases. The USGS estimated the recurrence interval of the November 1974 flood to be once in 60 years. This model then was used to predict floods of greater recurrence intervals. The final value of channel "n" was 0.02 and overbank "n" was .035.

c. <u>Velocities</u>. Velocity damage was noted on the stone paved vertical face of the open channel because changes in alinement were extremely abrupt. No radii of curvature were noted at any bends.

d. Side slopes. All existing side slopes are vertical.

e. Freeboard. The existing height of channel walls is about 3 to 4 feet. The reach of the gut between bridges #2 and #3 has wall heights less than 1 foot.

f. <u>Flood areas</u>. Existing water surface profile data has been incorporated in the Flooded Area Map shown as Plate A-3

8. Hydraulic Design Criteria.

a. <u>General</u>. Hydraulic design criterial and procedures used herein are in accordance with standard engineering practice and applicable provisions of the Corps' Engineering Manuals and the Waterways Experiment Station "Hydraulic Design Criteria" relative to design and construction of Civil Works Projects. Engineering criteria adopted to meet special local conditions are in accordance with that previously approved for similar projects.

b. <u>Starting conditions</u>. Because of the steep slope of the terrain in the project area, a canal design was considered which would incorporate both slope control and velocity control. The canal system was designed to flow supercirtically from the upstream end of the project to St. Thomas Harbor.

#### c. Water surface elevations.

(1) The National Ocean Survey lists mean higher high water (MHHW) as 0.46 feet m.s.l, mean lower low water as -0.46 feet m.s.l., and mean water level (MWL) as 0.00 feet m.s.l.

(2) Design water surface. A review of the published tidal records (1975-1978) indicates that the highest recorded tide elevation in St. Thomas Harbor was 1.1 feet, m.s.l. The design harbor water surface elevation was assumed to be midway between MMHW (el. 0.46 feet, m.s.l.) and the highest recorded tide (1.1 feet, m.s.l.), or 0.8 feet m.s.l., consistent with a proposed project to widen Veterans Drive 35 feet seawall. To achieve this, a slightly higher water surface of 0.84 feet, m.s.l., was assumed for this design at the existing bulkhead. The starting water surface at the crest of the check dam was assumed to be critical depth. This is a supercritical flow design from the upstream end of the project to the harbor. Water surface Profiles were computed using the computer program (HEC-2 Water Surface Profiles) developed by the Hydrologic Engineering Center, Corps of Engineers, 609 Second Street, Davis, California.

(3) Channel characteristics. The steep slopes of streambed and congested residential and commercial areas having restricted right-of-way dictated the use of a covered rectangular concrete open channel. Supercritical flow was maintained at depths less than 90 percent critical depth. A Mannings "n" value of 0.013 was used for the design channel. All flow would be in the channel prisms, therefore no overbank conditions are considered.

(4) <u>Channel wall height</u>. Top of the concrete wall will be at least 1 foot above the design water surface. This freeboard is deemed adequate because the channel dimensions are small. In the covered open channel the bottom of the cover will be at least 1 foot above the SPF water surface profile.

#### 9. Hydraulic Design.

a. <u>Channel Design</u>. The channel design is based on conveying the Standard Project Flood within the banks of a new concrete rectangular open channel. The recommended plan provides for 2,300 feet of concrete channel. The existing channel would not be incorporated into the new design since it was found to be unstable. The hydraulic profile is shown on plate A-4. A summary of hydraulic design data for the channel improvement is shown in table A-5.

The alinement of the new channel varies from that used for the existing channel by the incorporation of minimal radius criteria prescribed in Engineer Manual 1110-2-1601, "Hydraulic Design of Flood Control Channels." The same manual and hydraulic design criteria charts developed by the Waterway Experiment Station also recommends that spiral curves be used for superelevated sections where the flow is rapid and surface distrubances

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SUMMARY OF	HYDRAULIC	DESIGN	DATA	FOR	CHANNELS

			Water 5		Minimu	m Wall	Bott				
Station	Location	Flow (c.f.s.)	Eleva West		Eleva West		Eleva West		Battom Width	Average Vel ft/s	Side Siope
 0+00	Harbor Bulkhead	2,076	0.84	0,84	1.84						
0+40		2,076	0,90	0.90	1,90	1.84 1.90	-4.42 -4.24	-4.42 -4.24	16.20 16.20	24.37 24.92	iont
)+85	Centerline Sewer	2,076	0,98	0.98	2.00	2,00	-4.03	-4.03	16,20	25.56	
+15	Transition Width	2,076	1.09	1.09	2.09	2.09	-3.89	-3.89	16.20	25.97	
+50		2,076 2,076	1.19 2.06	1,19 2,06	2.19 3.06	2,19 3,06	-3,82 -2,28	-3.82 -2.28	16.00	25,88	
+00	Change Bottom Slope	2,076	2,89	2.89	3.89	3,89	-2.16	-2,16	16.00 14.00	29.85 29,35	
+00	Change Bottom Slope	2,076	3,82	3.82	4.82	4.82	-1.07	-1.07	14.00	30.30	
+34,38 +50	Curve 1 TS	2,076	3,92	3.92	4,92	4.92	-0.86	-0.86	14.00	30,97	
+59.38	St Transition Curve 1 SC	2,076 2,076	4.32 4.68	3.64 3.60	5.32 5.68	4.64	43	-1.11	14.00	31.26	
+00	Change Bottom Slope	2,076	5,46	4.38	6.46	4.60 5.38	17	-1.25	13,69 12,33	51.26 31.27	
+10	St Transition	2,076	5,79	4.71	6.79	5,71	.24	- 84	12.00	31.13	
+70,21	Curve 1 CS	2,076	6.81	5.73	7.81	6.73	1.27	. 19	12.00	31,22	
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·61.50 ·70.07	D/S Edge Gamle Gade Curve 2 ST	1,935	14.75	15,16	15.75	16,16	9.24	9.64	12.00	29.31	
72.5	U/S Edge Bridge	1,935	15,15	15,15	16,15	16,15	9.64	9.64	12.00	29.25	
	Gamle Gade	1,935	15,21	15.21	16.21	16,21	9.70	9,70	12.00	29,33	
80	Change Bottom Slope	1,935	15.39	15, 39	16,39	16.39	9.86	9.86	12,00	29.17	
90	Curve Lat Trans	1,913	15.74	15.74	16,74	16.74	10.28	10,28	12.08	28,97	
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20	Curve Lat Trans	1,913	16.37 16.60	16.37 16.60	17.37	17.37 17.60	11,13 11,56	11.13	12.72	28.65	
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	Transition	1,913	16,76	16,76	17.76	17,76	11,98	11,98	14,00	28, 56	
50	Slope Change	1,834	18.26	18,26	19.26	19,26	13.77	13,77	14.00	29, 19	
87.78	Curve 3 TS Curve 3 SC	1,834	18,94	18.94	19.94	19,94	14,49	14,49	14.00	29.15	
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73.22	Curve 3 ST	1,725	22.03	22.03	23.03	23.03	17,84	17.84	14.00	29.43	
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27.41	SC Curve #6	1,647	35,01	34.08	36.01	35,08	29,23	28.31	10,00	28,54	
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\* All elevations in feet m.s.l.

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\* All elevations rafer to National Geodetic Vartical Datum (NGVD), formarly sea level datum of 1929 unlass otherwise indicated. need to be minimized. Accordingly, extrance and exist spirals where used along with central circular curves. Superelevation was provided for all curves with the transition to superelevation accomplished in the spiral sections. The channel wall heights were set 1-foot above the superelevation requirements.

This design is in compliance with ER 1165-2-118 "Federal Participation in Covered Flood Control Channels." Three-foot gratings will be provided across the fill width of the channel at location corresponding to 2 foot rise in design water surface elevation. The gratings provide for pressure release, air venting, inspection, and maintenance as well as serving to minimize any reduction in discharge if the channel entrance becomes submerged.

Velocity Check Dam. This feature was designed to insure that super b. critical flow in the in the gut would go through a hydraulic jump prior to entering the super critical concrete channel. The check dam basin was designed to have sheet pile walls extending 3 feet above the SPF water surface elevation. This design considers passing all SPF flow around Jane E. Tuitt School. The exit chute from the check dam was designed in accordance with ETL 1110-2-158 "Design Guidance-Converging Spillway Chutes." Because of the conveyance the chute spillway was designed with 2 feet of freeboard rather than the 1 foot used elsewhere in the project. The reach of covered channel immediately downstream of the chute spillway was designed to have a flatter slope in order to increase the depth, and thus, mean minimum radius criteria around the school. A 36-inch corrugated metal pipe culvert would extend from the check dam flow to the entrance of the existing culvert under the school, then tie into the channel at a downstream inlet. This would serve to drain flood waters from the check dam area as flood waters recede. The bottom of the sheet piling would be protected from scour with a concrete slab. The resulting velocities in the check dam basin would reach a minimum of 1.6 feet per second, thus, in survey that abrasive rocks and boulders would not enter and scour concrete channel. No storm attenuation was accounted for at the velocity check dam.

c. Debris Barrier. A debris barrier is provided upstream of the velocity check dam crest to trap floating debris and washed down the stream. Drainage areas contributing debris are approximately .27 square mile.

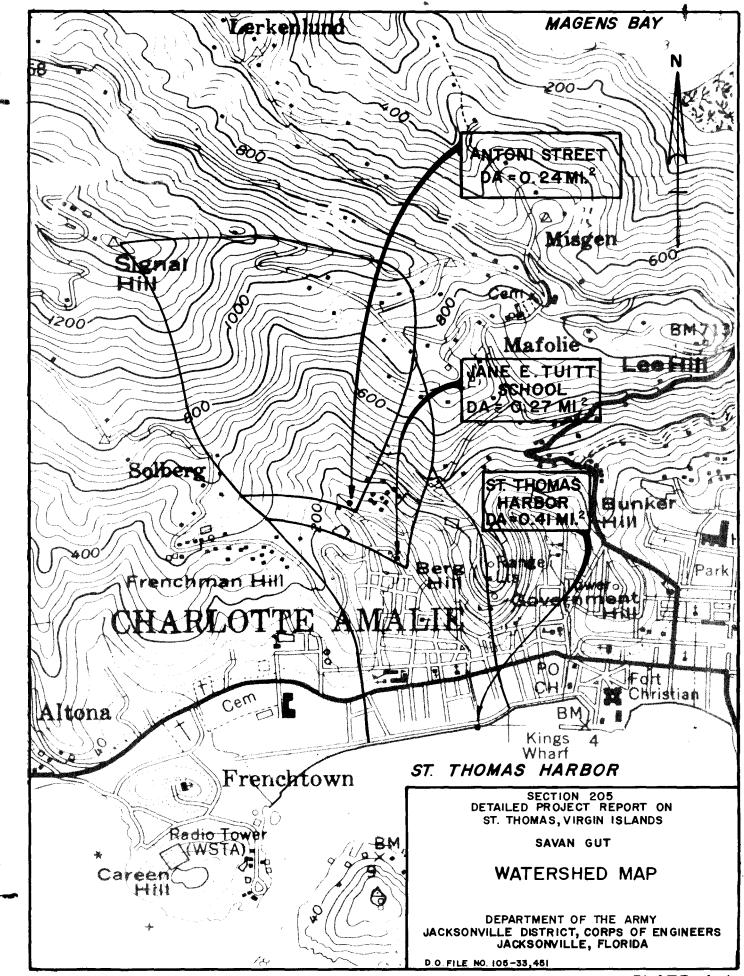
d. <u>Channel Crossings</u>. All crossings over the covered concrete channels will be designed for highway loading. Channel widths are not excessive so that complete spanning is feasible.

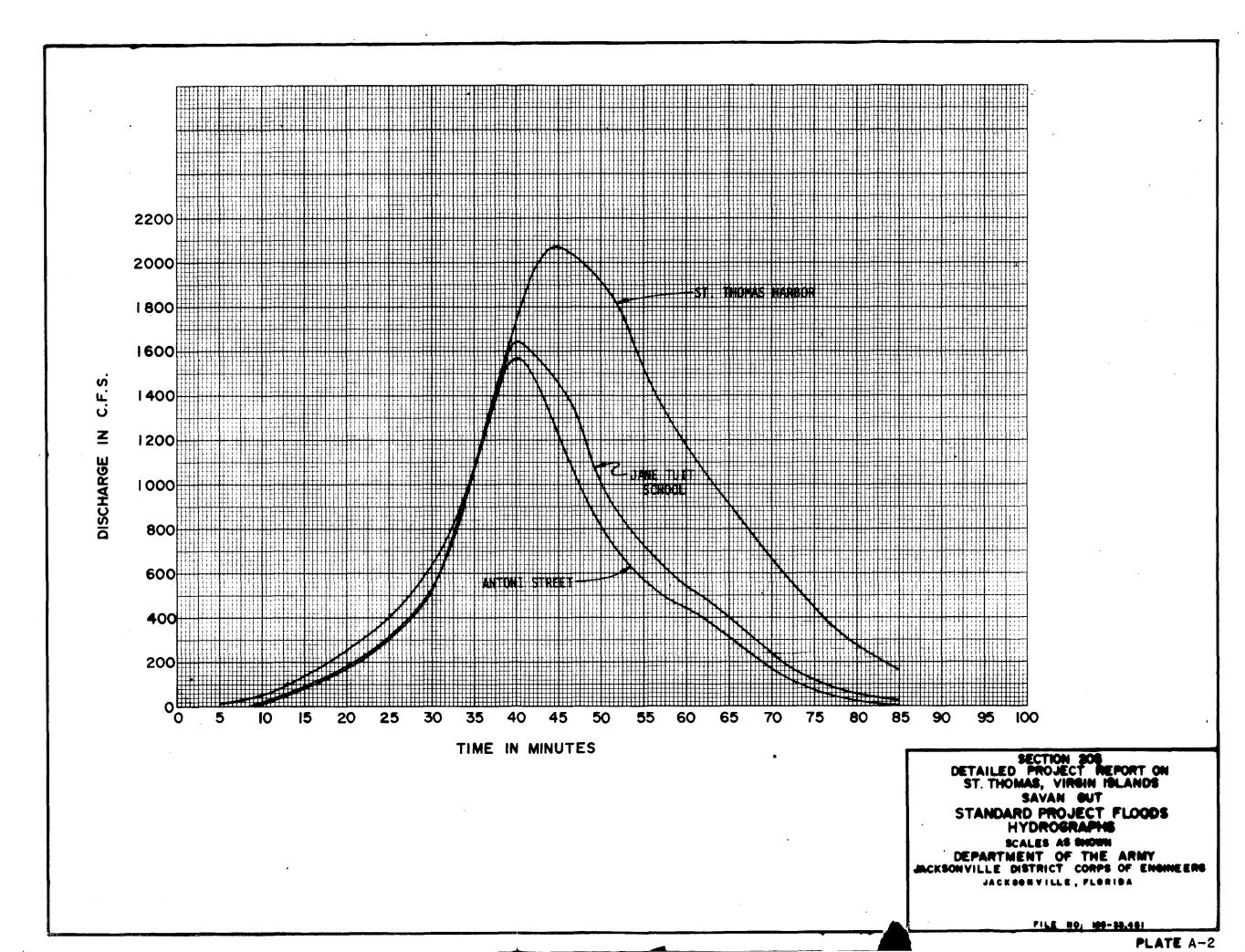
e. <u>Design Complications in the Tourist Area</u>. At the request of local agencies, a channel design was developed to pass above an existing sewer line crossing the project alinement at about Sta. 0+85. In order to accomplish this objective, the downstream 400 feet of the channel was designed to have a flatter slope and increased width. Even so, a practical design could not be developed without considering a monolithic incorporation of an equivalent section of sewer line passing under the floor slab and the channel.

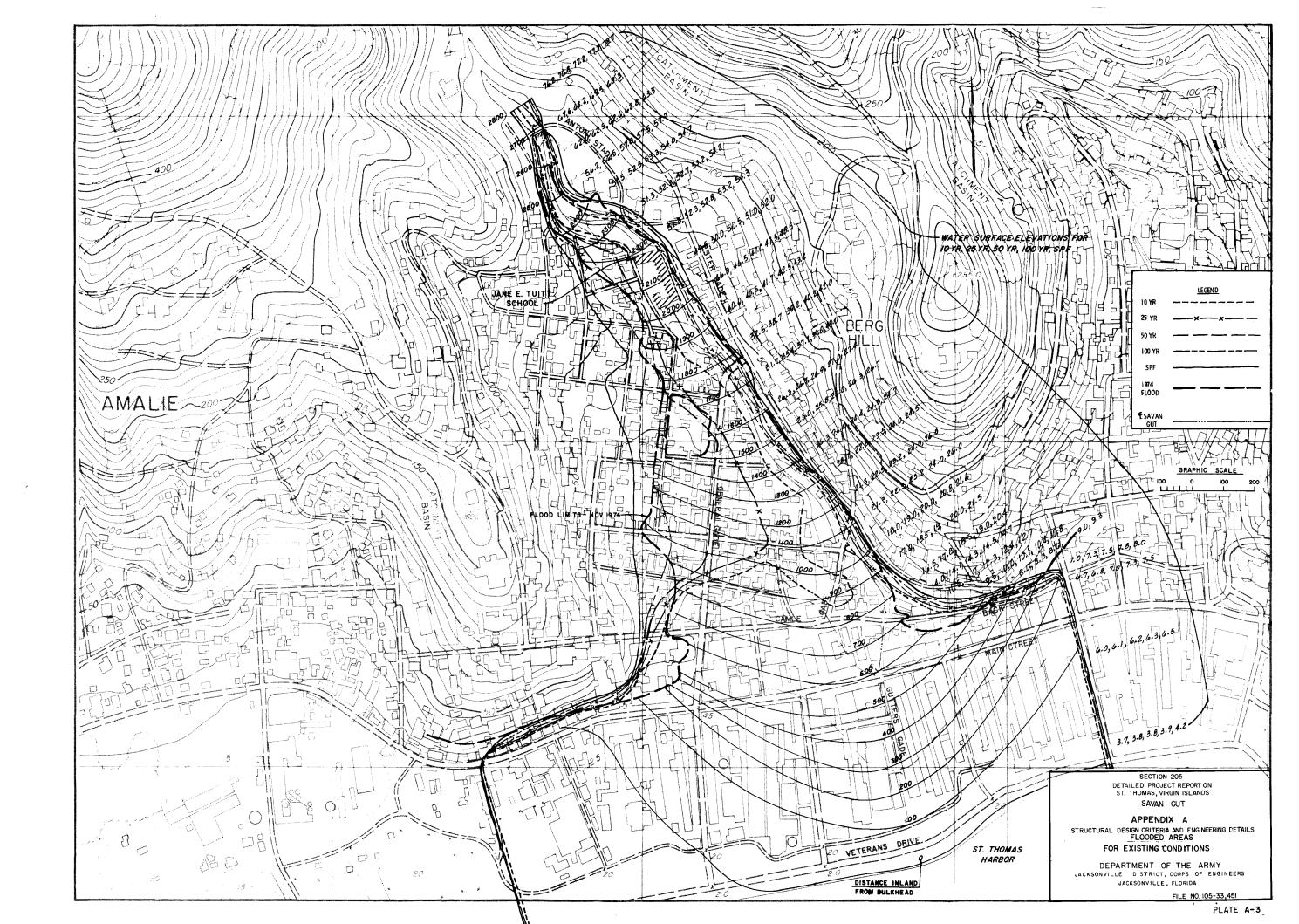
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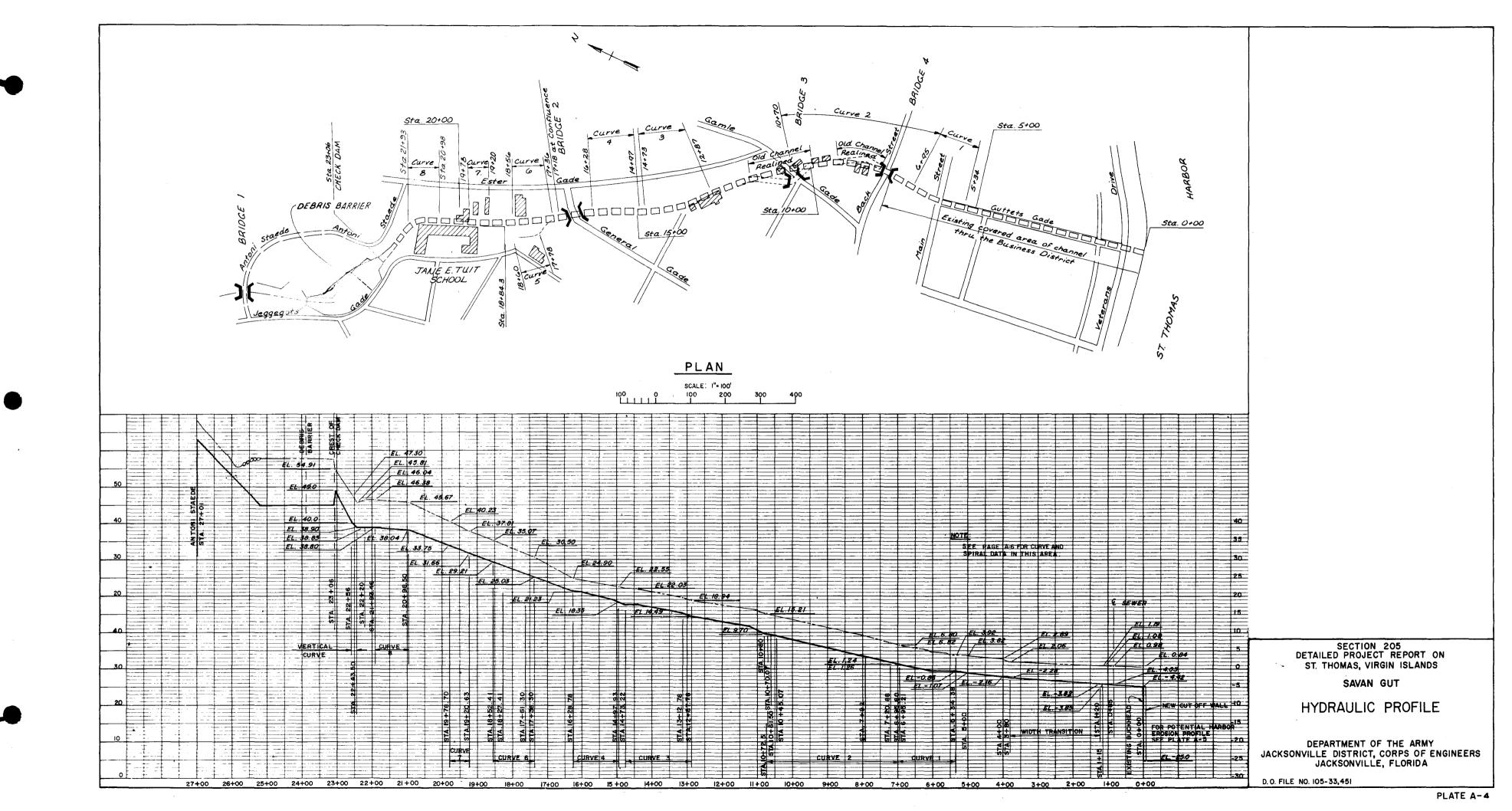
f. Potential Erosion Below Covered Channel Exit Portal. The maximum potential erosion caused by the super critical flow issuing from the channel exit portal is shown on plate A-5. The depth, length and width of scour were determined in accordance with Technical Report No. H-74-9 (Oct 79) based on (1) Cohesionless soil, (2) Rectangular outlet, (3) 85 minute time duration of flow, and (4) 2076 CFS discharge. As recommended, a 110-foot-long sheet pile cutoff wall as provided 5 feet seaward of the existing bulkhead and extending from elevation -4.4 elevation to -25 feet m.s.l. Maximum depth of scour was computed to be elevation -21.6 feet m.s.l. The cutoff will extend slightly deeper to insure embedment in substantially firm material. Tremie concrete along the top 2 feet of the cutoff will provide a seal between the cutoff wall and the existing bulkhead.

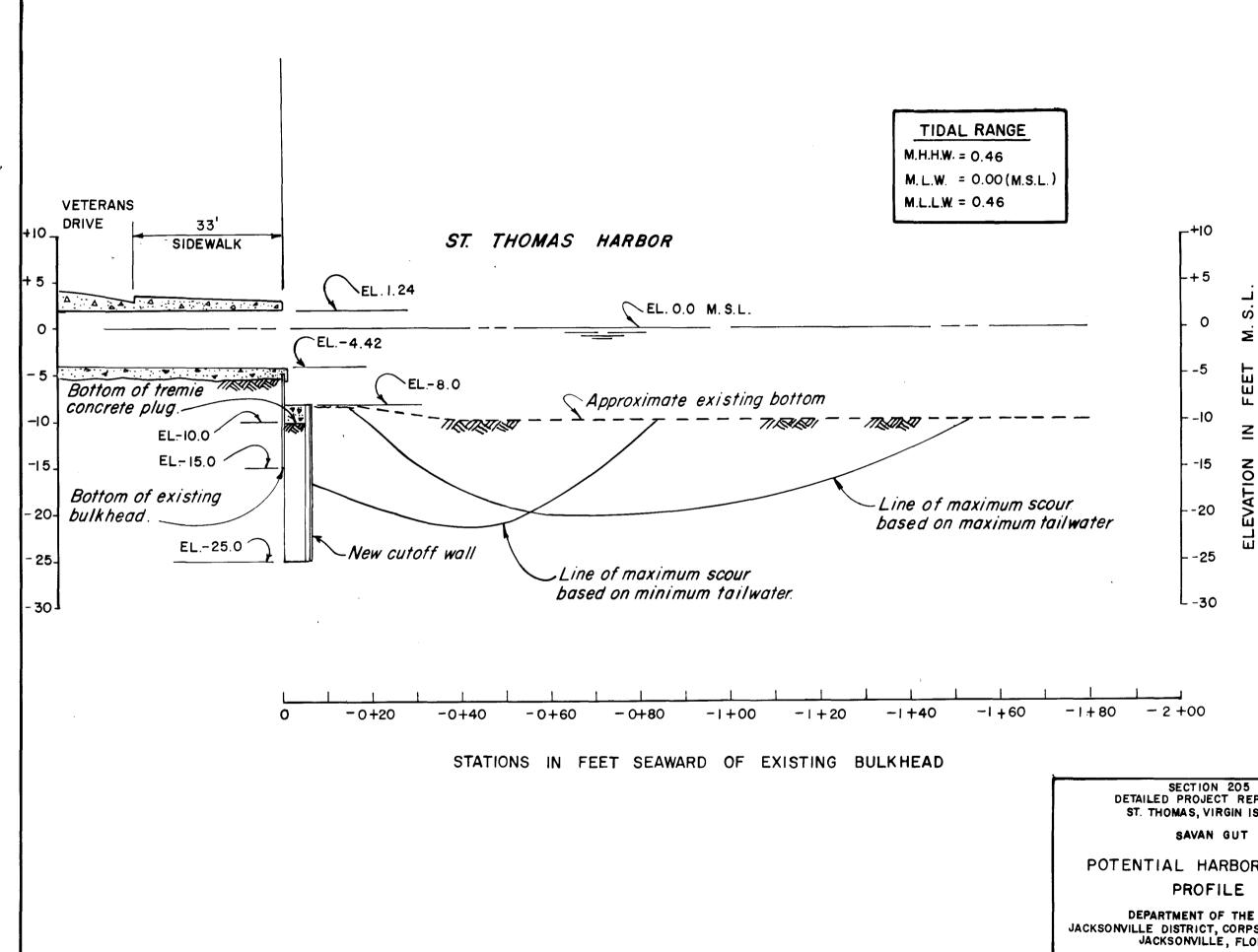
g. <u>Side Drainage</u>. Details of side drainage will be developed when additional local surveys are available. Channel capacity was designed conservatively where inflow data was limited.



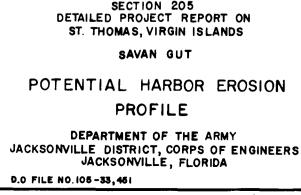












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#### APPENDIX B

#### A. DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS

1. General. Proposed construction consists primarily of improving and increasing the conveyance capacity of the existing Savan Gut. Improvements proposed consist of construction of a reinforced concrete box culvert starting at the seawall bordering St. Thomas Harbor (Station 0+00) and extending northward to Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School (Station 23+06). An existing concrete box culvert under the school would remain part of the conveyance system and would tie-in with the new box culvert just upstream and downstream of the school. These connections would be made with 36-inch diameter corrugated metal pipe and would provide for passage of low flows through the existing box culvert under the school. A velocity check dam and basin would be constructed immediately upstream of the proposed box culvert. Just upstream of the entrance to the proposed box culvert a debris barrier would be constructed, as shown on plate B-5A, to prevent debris from entering the proposed culverts. At the discharge end of the proposed box culvert a retaining wall would be constructed along the base of the existing seawall to prevent undermining during flood discharges.

Velocity check dam and basin. The weir of the velocity check dam would 2. be at elevation 49.0 with the approach apron at elevation 45.0 as shown on plate B-5. The check dam serves as the entrance to the proposed box culvert and would be of reinforced concrete construction. Bottom elevation of the basin upstream of the velocity check dam would be at elevation 45.0. Flows would be directed into the basin through an approach channel which slopes 1V:10H from existing ground elevation 65.0 immediately downstream of Antoni Straede bridge to the proposed basin. Due to the existing streets and residential housing immediately adjacent to the proposed basin, vertical steel sheet pile retaining walls are proposed around the basin to reduce limits of required excavation. Piling would be capped with a steel channel section. Chain link fence would be installed along the entire limits of the retaining walls as a safety measure due to the close proximity of Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School. Where the retaining walls parallel existing streets, guard rails would be installed along the pavement edge. A general plan of the velocity check dam and basin is shown on plate B-5A.

3. <u>Concrete box culvert</u>. The box culvert would be of reinforced concrete construction. For plan and centerline profile, refer to plates B-2 through B-5A. Because of right-of-way restrictions the alinement of the box culvert would include seven curves of various radii. Each curve would incorporate entrance and exit spirals and banked bottoms. For curve data and culvert alinement, refer to plate B-1. Hydraulic design data, which includes culvert invert elevations, banked bottom requirements, width and minimum height of culvert and other pertinent data, are shown in table A-5 of appendix A. The box culvert would be designed for highway loading through the central business district (Sta. 0+00 - Sta. 7+84) as part of project construction. In addition, at the request of the local sponsor, the reach of box culvert between Bridge No. 4 (Sta. 7+84) and Jane E. Tuitt School (Sta. 18+50) would also be designed for highway loading as part of outside project scope work (see paragraph 5).

4. <u>Approach channel slope protection</u>. It is proposed that a gabion mattress be used as bank protection for the approach channel to the velocity check basin. For limits of required gabion protection, see plate B-5A. For gabion design requirements, refer to paragraph 9.d. of appendix C.

5. <u>Outside project scope work</u>. For a reach of approximately 1,100 feet, between the school and the business district, an open concrete channel would have provided an adequate design to meet project requirements for conveyance of flood flows along this portion of the proposed system. However, at the request of the local sponsor, a covered box culvert designed for highway loading is proposed for this reach. The local sponsor has agreed to pay all additional costs for construction of a box culvert, in lieu of an open channel, along this reach. Reasons expressed by the local sponsor for their preference for a box culvert included the following.

a. Due to past experience related to the existing open channel along the reach, there has been a continuing problem of area residents using the channel as a disposal area for garbage and other debris. In addition to creating a very unsightly appearance, objectionable odors from the garbage and refuse are also a continuing complaint.

b. The Virgin Islands Urban Renewal Board is currently planning new street construction over the previously proposed open channel. Construction of a box culvert designed for highway loading along this section would reduce substantially the cost of future street construction.

c. Even though the previously proposed open channel would have had chain link fence installed along each side of the channel as a safety measure, a covered box culvert was considered safer and would have a less adverse effect on the general appearance of the historic area.

### **B. STRUCTURAL DESIGN CRITERIA**

### 6. General Design Criteria.

a. <u>Scope</u>. This section covers the design criteria and stability analyses of the concrete structures of this report. In general, the design of each important feature is described in the following text or on the plates. The work proposed consists of approximately 2,300 feet of box culvert with an approach channel with steel sheet pile walls.

b. General. The structural design is based on standard practice as set forth by the Engineering and Design Manuals (EM 1110 series), Corps of Engineers, U.S. Army, and Building Code requirements for Reinforced Concrete

(A.C.I. Code), subject to modifications indicated by engineering judgement and experience.

### c. Working stressses.

(1) General. The allowable working stresses are in accordance with EM 1110-1-2101, "Working Stresses for Structural Design," and applicable codes and standards of other agencies.

(2) <u>Concrete</u>. Working stresses for concrete are in accordance with above references using a minimum specified compressive strength (f'c) of 4,000 p.s.i., and modular ratio (n) of 8.

(3) <u>Reinforcing steel</u>. Working stresses for reinforcing steel are in accordance with above references for billet-steel of intermediate grade.

(4) <u>Structural steel</u>. Working stresses are in accordance with above references based on appropriate stresses.

d. Unit weights and soil properties. Unless shown otherwise on the stability plates, the unit values of the soil and rock to be used in the design of the structures are listed below.

### GRANULAR MATERIAL (STA. 0+00 to STA. 10+00)

Wt. of moist earth = 110 #/CF Wt. of submerged earth = 62.5 #/CF Angle of internal friction of backfill = 30° Active lateral pressure (moist earth) = 37 #/SF/F Active lateral pressure (submerged earth) = 21 #/SF/F At rest lateral pressure (moist earth) = 53 #/SF/F At rest lateral pressure (submerged earth) = 30 #/SF/F Passive lateral pressure (submerged earth) = 188 #/SF/F

CLAY MATERIAL (STA. 10+00 to STA. 19+00 and STA. 19+00 to STA. 26+00)

Wt. of moist clay = 105 #/CF
Wt. of saturated clay = 115 #/CF
Lateral pressure (moist) = .6 x 105 = 63 #/SF/F
Lateral pressure (saturated) = .6 x 52.5 + 62.5 = 94 #/SF/F

CLAYEY GRAVEL (STA. 19+00 to STA. 22+00)

Wt. of moist material = 115 #/CF Wt. of submerged material = 62.5 #/CF Angle of internal friction = 35° Active lateral pressure (moist) = 31.1 #/SF/FT Active lateral pressure (submerged) = 17 #/SF/FT At-Rest lateral pressure (moist) = 49.5 #/SF/FT At-Rest lateral pressure (submerged) = 26.9 #/SF/FT Passive lateral pressure (moist) = 424.4 #/SF/FT Passive lateral pressure (submerged) = 230.6 #/SF/FT Cracked by blasting, assume  $p = 35^{\circ}$ Wt. of moist cracked rock = 110 #/CF Lateral active pr. (moist) = 110 x .271 = 30 #/SF/F

Natural Rock (Uncracked by blasting)

Assume 2.0 ft. below channel cracked Assume next 5.0' resistance = 4 K/SF Assume below 7.0' resistance = 8 K/SF

### 7. Box Culvert.

a. <u>General</u>. The box culvert is a continuous structure with various widths and heights. A portion of the culvert will support road traffic and a portion will not. A portion has no backfill over the culvert with the majority having from 2 to 6 feet of fill. The wall components are designed for at-rest lateral pressures and using the loading conditions producing the largest moments and shears. The stability and design analysis results for typical sections of the culvert are shown on plates B-14 and B-15. The continuous culvert is separated by contraction joints. The location of these joints is based on providing monoliths of reasonable lengths to prevent cracking and at changes in size or at changes in scope of the culvert. Typical sections of the steel sheet pile walls are also shown on the design analysis plates.

b. Uplift. The majority of the box culvert portion of the project is above the water table. No uplift is assumed for the box culvert monoliths when ground water is well below the base elevation. The portion of the culvert near the harbor (discharge end) is below the water table. Uplift at this area is assumed at or near the ground line; however, this uplift is offset by water at or near this level within the culvert for all conditions except construction conditions.

c. <u>Base pressures</u>. The base pressures for the entire culvert length are low for the soils at this structure.

d. <u>Truck loading and construction loading</u>. The culvert is designed for A.A.S.H.T.O. truck loading at all areas which trucks could have access.

8. Steel Sheet Pile Walls.

a. General. All steel sheet piles on this job shall be PZ-27.

b. <u>Retaining walls in harbor</u>. These walls are low walls to protect the existing seawall from the scour from the discharge. The cantilever in the clay below the silt.

c. <u>Training walls at approach basin</u>. A special design is used for these walls due to the hard rock which must be penetrated. To prevent a requirement of continuous drilling or punching to provide bottom support for this wall, king piles placed in drilled holes will provide bottom support for 10 to 25 feet of wall. Steel sheet piles driven to a small penetration provides the surface area to retain the embankment. A concrete slab placed on the channel bottom prevents loss on loose or broken rock at the wall. The slab also is tied to the king piles and provides the bottom support for the sheet piling. A wale is used near the top to provide top support for the sheet piling and is tied to king piles. The top of the king piles is supported by 45° anchors which are grouted into drilled holes into firm rock. These anchors will be load tested to verify capacity.

d. <u>Cofferdams</u>. In the downstream area, sheet piles are used to construct the concrete monoliths in the dry. Struts are used above the roof of the structure to support the piling. The stability analysis results for this wall are shown on plate B-14. In the area by the church, the sheet pile walls are designed to support the clayey gravel with the use of struts between walls. Driving shoes may be required due to the presence of rock fragments and boulders in this area. The strut may be removed once the box culvert has been placed and backfill placed behind the walls and compacted. The concrete retaining wall above the box culvert can then be completed with the remaining exposed sheet pile walls in a cantilevered condition. The stability analysis results for the highest wall are shown on plate B-15. Most of the culvert will require sheet piling to allow excavation for concrete placement in the relatively close space between buildings.

### C. DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

9. Access roads. Numerous existing streets would provide construction access along the alinement of proposed construction. Primary access points would be from Vester Gade at north limit of work (see plate B-5), Rosen Gade and Brodranes Gade between Jane E. Tuitt School and business district (see plate B-4), and from various streets within the business district. Rosen Gade and Brodranes Gade dead-end at junction with proposed construction alinement and would provide excellent points of access. Existing streets would also provide suitable access for future maintenance of the culvert system.

10. <u>Traffic control during construction</u>. The most congested intersection along the proposed construction alinement is at Veteran's Drive and Guttet's Gade. Veteran's Drive is a major four-lane road running east and west along St. Thomas Harbor. In order to keep disruption of traffic to a minimum, construction in this area would be accomplished in two stages, as shown on plate B-11. This would provide for two-way traffic along Veteran's Drive around ongoing construction at all times. At other streets crossing

construction alinement, traffic would be rerouted to adjacent streets during construction of the box culvert through the intersection. Construction of the box culvert through Main Street and Back Street would be accomplished during the summer months (120 days) to reduce impact on traffic congestion. Only one street would be closed to traffic during any one period.

11. Dewatering. Construction of all proposed work would be accomplished in the dry with the exception of placement of tremie concrete plug and steel sheet pile retaining wall at end of proposed culvert. Dewatering would be required from Station 0+00 to Station 9+50+. Cofferdam would be constructed of steel sheet piling with lateral bracing provided at the top. For design details of steel sheet pile cofferdam, see plate B-14. Cofferdam plan for construction at Veteran's Drive is shown on plate B-11. Dewatering would be accomplished by methods described in paragraph 9.f of appendix C.

### 12. Construction procedure.

a. Construction methods. Excavation could be accomplished by dragline or backhoe. Excavation throughout the proposed construction alinement would generally require installation of steel sheet pile retaining walls or timber shoring due to the limited right-of-way available. Since installation of steel sheet piling would be required in heavily built-up areas, installation of piles would be restricted to daylight hours to reduce impact of noise. level on the public. Where right-of-way permits, contractor would be allowed to reduce height of required piling or shoring by excavating construction slopes (one vertical on two horizontal), as shown on plates B-7, B-8, and B-10. Materials from required excavation, which are suitable for use as fill and backfill, could be placed within designated areas along the construction alinement until needed. Primary storage areas would be Work Area "A" shown on plate B-3 and Work Area "B" shown on plate B-5. Unsuitable and excess materials would be placed in disposal area discussed in paragraph 20. Placement of concrete materials could generally be accomplished by conventional methods. However, due to restricted access at some points along the construction alinement, pumping of concrete materials would be permitted.

b. <u>Construction sequence</u>. For discussion of construction sequence, proposed construction is divided into four reaches as indicated below:

Reach A - Sta. 0+00 - Sta. 9+00 Reach B - Sta. 9+00 - Sta. 17+65 Reach C - Sta. 17+65 - Sta. 23+06 Reach D - Sta. 17+65 - To school

As much latitude as possible would be given the contractor regarding phasing of construction operations due to the complexity of work and the need to complete construction within a reasonable period of time. The contractor would be permitted to have construction in progress simultaneously in Reaches A, B, and C. Construction of Reach D would follow construction of

October 16, 1986

Environmental Resources Branch Planning Division

Ns. Claudette C. Lewis, Assistant Director Division for Archaeology & Historic Preservation Virgin Islands Planning Office Post Office Box 2606 Charlotte Amalie. St. Thomas, VI. 00801

Dear Ms. Lewis:

Enclosed is a copy of the <u>Detailed Project Report</u> for the Savan Gut flood control project, as requested at our September 12th meeting with your office.

At that same meeting, Dr. Rona Mazer gave you a "Memorandum of Agreement" (MOA) regarding cultural resources for your review and the State Historic Preservation Officer's signature. A copy of that MOA was also sent to the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation. Please contact Dr. Mazer (904/791-1686) with your comments or any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

A. J. Salem Chief, Planning Division

Enclosure

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Reach C (see paragraph 12.b(4)(a). The contractor would be required to submit a plan of construction phasing for approval and to conform to the conditions and restrictions indicated below.

(1) Reach A.

(a) Provide for channel bypass flow around or through construction areas at all times (see paragraph 13).

(b) Maintain existing utility services (sanitary sewage and water supply) with a minimum of interruptions during construction operations (see paragraph 26.d).

(c) Construction at Veteran's Drive would be accomplished in two stages as shown on plate B-11. Due to the highly congested traffic in this area, construction of Stages I and II would be limited to a period of 5 months.

(d) Two-way traffic would be maintained along Veteran's Drive around on-going construction at all times (see plate B-11).

(e) While Guttet's Gade could be closed to thru-traffic during construction of Reach A, only one street crossing Guttet's Gade could be closed to traffic during any one period. This does not include Veteran's Drive as discussed above. Construction of the box culvert through Main Street and Back Street would be accomplished during the summer months (120 days) to reduce impact on traffic congestion.

(f) Construction of sections of the box culvert through the business district would be limited to a combined total of 300 feet at any one time. Maximum length of sections under construction would be limited to 100 feet. During the "wet season" (August through November), placement of concrete would be limited to only one construction area along Reach A at any one time. Upon completion of backfill placement along the completed culvert walls to a point midway up the sides of the walls, concrete placement could proceed at the next work area. During December through July, there would be no restrictions on concrete placement.

(2) Reach B.

(a) Provide for channel bypass flow through construction areas at all times (refer to paragraph 13).

(b) Maintain existing utility services (sanitary sewage and water supply) with a minimum of interruptions during construction operations (see paragraph 25.d).

(c) Only one of the two existing streets crossing proposed construction alinement could be closed to traffic during any one period.

(d) There would be no restriction on limits of proposed box culvert under construction at any one time. However, during the "wet season" (August through November), placement of concrete would be limited to only one section, not to exceed 100 feet, at any one time. Upon completion of backfill placement along the completed culvert walls to a point midway up the sides of the walls, concrete placement could proceed for the next section of concrete. During December through July, there would be no restrictions on concrete placement.

(3) Reach C.

(a) No provision for channel bypass flow would be needed for this reach. Construction of this portion of the proposed box culvert is outside the existing Savan Gut Channel.

(b) Maintain existing utility services (sanitary sewage and water supply) with a minimum of interruptions during construction operations (see paragraph 26.d).

(c) There would be no restrictions on limits of proposed box culvert under construction at any one time or placement of concrete along this reach.

### (4) Reach D - (Construct 36" dia. CMP low flow culvert).

(a) Construction of Reach C would be required prior to commencing construction of Reach D. Bypass flow would then be diverted around Reach D through Reach C.

(b) Maintain existing utility services (sanitary sewage and water supply) with a minimum of interruptions during construction operations (see paragraph 25.d).

(c) There would be no restrictions on limits of proposed 36-inch diameter culvert under construction at any one time.

13. <u>Channel bypass requirements</u>. The largest portion of proposed construction lies within the existing Savan Gut Channel and along the alinement of an existing covered gutter through the business district. While generally this reach is completely dry, provision would have to be made to bypass flows around or through construction areas during periods of heavy rainfall and flash floods. Construction of a separate bypass channel adjacent to proposed construction is not economically feasible due to the numerous residential and commercial buildings existing adjacent the proposed alinement. Flow through the existing conveyance system is restricted by a 6-foot by 2- foot by 6 inch-culvert section which controls flow at the outlet section near the harbor. It is proposed to provide bypass capacity equivalent to the capacity of the existing conveyance system by installing three 36-inch-diameter corrugated metal pipes through the construction area or

around the construction area, as shown on plate B-11. For those construction areas, which require bypass pipes through the construction area, the contractor would be allowed to remove sections of the bypass pipes during dry periods or periods of low flow in order to provide access for construction operations. During flood flows and periods when no construction activities are in progress, all bypass pipes would be in place. In the event the capacity of the existing channel and bypass system is exceeded, some damage to work in progress would occur. Additional estimated costs for cleanup, repairs, or replacement of damaged form work, erosion, and repairs to damaged construction are included in "Dewatering and temporary construction" costs. To reduce potential for excessive damages during a severe flood, certain restrictions would be placed on construction activities during the "wet season" (August through November). For discussion of these restrictions and location of the reaches referenced below, refer to paragraph 12.b. Bypass pipes would only be required through work areas in Reaches A and B of proposed construction. No provision for bypass flow would be needed for Reach C since construction would be outside the existing Savan Gut Channel. Reach C would be completed prior to construction of Reach D and would be used to bypass flows around Reach D construction.

14. <u>Restoration of natural values</u>. All disturbed areas would be restored as nearly as possible to their original state and seeded, as necessary, to secure grass establishment. Damaged areas of existing pavement adjacent to construction would be repaired or replaced, as necessary.

Interference with local activities. Construction of the improvements 15. proposed herein is expected to cause some interference with movement of pedestrian and vehicular traffic through and around proposed construction. While the construction contractor would be required to maintain pedestrian access to and from affected buildings during construction, Guttet's Gade, which runs through the Central Business District, would be closed to thrutraffic during construction of that section of the proposed box culvert. For more detailed discussion of construction phasing which would be required to reduce interference with local activities, refer to paragraph 12.b. In regard to relocation of utilities, some interruptions in service would occur. While the contractor would be required to maintain flow in sanitary sewer lines and water supply lines through or around construction areas, some interruptions in service would occur for brief periods while transfering service from existing lines to temporary bypass lines (refer to paragraph 25.d).

16. Protection of existing buildings. Most of the existing structures along the proposed construction alinement are small buildings consisting primarily of one- and two-story structures. Many are of timber frame construction. Where the depth of excavation requires placement of steel sheet piling for dewatering and protection of adjacent buildings, such as through the Central Business District, the steel sheet pile system is based on a non-yielding design to prevent any lateral movement or settlement of the existing buildings. In regard to determining type of foundation system and limits for major buildings adjacent to new work, the local sponsor has been requested to furnish this information. However, due to the age of the structures, only limited details can be expected. Coordinates (x and y) are being obtained for all building corners which are in very close proximity to proposed construction.

### D. CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS

17. <u>Concrete</u>. A Concrete Materials Investigation Report was prepared in accordance with Appendix A of EM 1110-2-2000, "Standard Practice for Concrete," and is presented as appendix F. Approximately 3,700 cubic yards of concrete would be required for project construction.

18. <u>Stone protection</u>. All gabion stone would be local stone which can be obtained from nearby guarries.

19. <u>Fill and backfill</u>. Suitable materials from required excavation would be used for fill and backfill. All fill and backfill material would consist of selected material free from peat, and with no rock particles larger than 3 inches graded uniformly down to fines.

20. <u>Disposal area</u>. Excess material and material unsuitable for fill and backfill would be hauled to inland disposal area yet to be determined.

### E. REAL ESTATE REQUIREMENTS

21. <u>Real estate requirements</u>. The project sponsor is required to assume the cost of all lands, easements, including disposal areas and rights-of-way required for the construction and operation of the project. With exception of the disposal area, approximate land requirements are shown on plates B-2 through B-5A.

### F. RELOCATIONS

22. <u>General</u>. The project sponsor is required to assume the costs for all relocations and alterations. Costs relating to Public Law 91-646 requirements are also borne by the local sponsor. Relocation of some families would be required due to construction of this project. All residents involved would be compensated under Public Law 91-646. Facilities to be relocated or altered include streets, highway bridges, homes, buildings, electric transmission lines, utilities, and local drainage structures. While generally it is standard practice for the local sponsor to relocate all affected facilities in advance of construction activities, this is not practical or economically feasible for the proposed project. With exception

of relocation or temporary relocation of electric transmission lines and relocation of homes, all other relocation and alteration items would be accomplished under the project construction contract. All costs related to these items would still be paid by the local sponsor. For affected utilities, which cannot be relocated by the local sponsor in advance of construction activities, some interruption in utility services would occur. To keep these interruptions to a minimum, close coordination and cooperation would be necessary between the Corps of Engineers, Virgin Islands Department of Public Works, and the construction contractor.

23. <u>Streets</u>. The primary street requiring replacement due to proposed construction is Guttet's Gade which runs through the business district along the proposed alinement. There are two other streets crossing the proposed alinement north of the business district which would also be affected. Guttet's Gade is 784 feet long and is constructed of rigid concrete pavement. However, it is proposed to replace all pavement with a bituminous concrete pavement for reasons indicated below. For typical pavement section and pavement design, see plate B-13.

a. The existing streets intersecting or crossing Guttet's Gade, including 4-lane Veteran's Drive, are constructed of asphaltic pavement. The proposed pavement design would provide for smoother transitions between existing and new construction and would blend more easily with intersecting streets.

b. The bituminous concrete pavement would provide less costly access to the numerous buried utilities beneath the streets during future maintenance and replacement operations.

c. For the proposed construction, cost of bituminous concrete pavement should be competitive with rigid concrete pavement.

24. <u>Bridges</u>. There are four existing bridges within the study area, as shown on plate B-1. Following discussion presents scope of proposed relocations or alterations for each bridge.

a. <u>Bridge No. 1</u>. This bridge is outside the limits of proposed improvements. No replacement or alteration is proposed.

b. <u>Bridge No. 2</u>. Proposed construction would require removal of this bridge. The proposed box culvert would be designed for highway loading at this former bridge crossing which would eliminate the need for a separate bridge structure. The additional costs of this covered box culvert compared to an open concrete channel through this crossing would be included under relocations cost. Other features required to provide a suitable crossing for vehicular traffic include construction of concrete retaining walls adjacent to the roadway, placement of earth fill between the walls, and construction of bituminous concrete pavement along the disturbed area. For details, see section P-P on plate B-8.

c. <u>Bridge No. 3</u>. This bridge is outside the limits of proposed construction and would not require replacement or alteration. Due to hydraulic restrictions the proposed alinement was unable to conform to the sharp bends of the existing paved channel at this location. Relocations cost would be limited to reconstruction of that section of street which crosses the proposed box culvert and the additional costs of providing a box culvert designed for highway loading compared to an open concrete channel through this crossing. The existing paved channel under Bridge No. 3, and other areas where its removal would not be required by proposed construction, would be backfilled to top of existing ground. This would prevent formation of undrained areas which would be undesirable esthetically and a possible hazard to health.

d. <u>Bridge No. 4</u>. This bridge would be replaced by proposed construction. The proposed box culvert would be designed for highway loading at this crossing and for the entire reach through the business district. Relocations cost would be limited to reconstructon of the street which crosses the proposed box culvert. For details, see section G-G on plate B-7.

### 25. Utilities.

a. <u>General</u>. Proposed relocation of major utilities are shown on plates B-2 through B-5 and on plate B-12. The proposed relocation plan and details are based on a 1978 topographic survey made by the Corps, utility layout drawings furnished by the local sponsor, and site investigations made by Corps personnel. Sufficient information pertaining to relocation of existing utilities has been obtained on which to base a reasonably accurate cost estimate. However, more detailed information will be needed for preparation of contract plans. This additional information has been requested and the local sponsor has assured the Corps it will be provided prior to preparation of contract plans.

b. <u>Relocation of sanitary sewer line along proposed alinement</u>. It is proposed to provide a sanitary sewer line along each side of the box culvert, as shown on plates B-2 through B-5, in order to make connection with residential and other building laterals along the alinement. The existing design consists of only one sanitary sewer line along the alinement. This provides a suitable design for present conditions since the existing concrete channel is very shallow and permits laterals to run under the channel to intercept the sewer line on the other side. The depth of the proposed box culvert precludes running laterals under the culvert.

c. <u>Relocation of utilities - Veteran's Drive and Guttet's Gade</u>. Proposed construction through this area would require relocation and alteration of primary sanitary sewer and water supply lines running along Veteran's Drive, as shown on plate B-12. This includes existing 15-inch and 30-inch gravity sewer lines, a 10-inch water supply line, and a 24-inch water supply line. The existing 10-inch water supply line and the 30-inch sanitary sewer line would be relocated under the proposed box culvert. The

existing 24-inch water supply line, which presently is not in use, would be reinstalled above the proposed box culvert through the rebuilt planter box. There would be only minor change in the alinement and grade for this pipe. For relocation plan, see plate B-12.

d. Maintenance of service during construction. The construction contractor would be required to maintain existing utility services (sanitary sewage and water suppply) with a minimum of interruptions during construction operations. Interrruptions would be limited primarily to brief periods during transfer of service from existing lines to temporary bypass lines. Service would be maintained during relocation of water supply lines by installing temporary supply lines over the areas under construction. No additional pumping would be required for these installations. Service would be maintained during relocation of sanitary sewer lines by installing temporary sewer lines over the areas under construction. Installation of temporary package lift stations would be required to maintain flow through the temporary sewer lines. To maintain service to buildings and homes immediately adjacent to areas under construction, a temporary gravity line would be installed along both sides of the construction area. These lines would intercept individual laterals and discharge collected flow into sewer line downstream of work area. These temporary lines would be located just deep enough to provide gravity flow along the collection area.

26. Local drainage structures. Guttet's Gade is a paved street running along the proposed channel alinement through the business district. This street has numerous drop inlets which collect local drainage. These drop inlets currently discharge collected flow directly into a covered gutter which runs along Guttet's Gade. The covered gutter conveys all collected flow directly to St. Thomas Harbor. Proposed construction would replace the covered gutter with a much larger box culvert beneath Guttet's Gade. The existing street and drop inlets would be replaced with new construction. Drop inlets would be connected to the proposed box culvert and local drainage would be conveyed directly to St. Thomas Harbor. Upstream of the business district local drainage currently is collected in concrete gutters and storm drains along the existing streets which parallel the proposed alinement. The collected flow is then discharged into an existing open concrete channel, running along the proposed alinement, at various points along the channel. Primary points where collected flow enters the existing open channel are at Bridges Nos. 2, 3, and 4. All existing gutters and storm drains, currently discharging into the open channel, would be connected to the proposed box culvert. While all major drainage is collected and discharged into the existing open channel, as described above, some local drainage enters the open channel between collection points from areas immediately adjacent to the channel. Construction of the proposed box culvert would require that provision be made to intercept this additional flow and discharge it into the box culvert. This would be accomplished by construction of small V-ditches along the proposed alinement and installing inlet drains to the box culvert where required. In a few restricted areas adjacent to buildings, a small concrete flume may be required.

### G. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

27. <u>Operation and maintenance</u>. The local sponsor would be responsible for the maintenance of the improvements proposed in this report upon completion of the construction contract. The contractor would be responsible for all maintenance during the construction contract.

### H. CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE

28. <u>Construction schedule</u>. It is planned to award two construction contracts to accomplish the construction of the improvements proposed in this report. The first contract is scheduled to be advertised in the 4th Quarter of FY-82 pending approval of this report and appropriation of funds. Contract price for the first contract would be between \$2 million and \$2.5 million and the estimated construction time would be 14 months. Limits of construction would be from Sta. 0+00 to Sta.  $9+00^+$ . The remaining work would be advertised in FY-83 with an estimated construction time of 12 months.

### I. QUANTITIES AND COST ESTIMATES

29. Cost estimates presented. Contract price estimates for the improvements proposed herein showing quantities and unit price costs are presented in table B-1. Also included in table B-1 are contract price estimates for ouside project scope work and relocation and alteration items which would be part of the contruction contract. Summary of total initial costs are presented in tale B-2 and summary of Federal and non-Federal costs are presented in table B-3.

30. Concrete channel improvements. Estimates of cost presented in table B-1 for concrete channel improvements are based on project design requirements and do not include the additional costs of construction requested by the local sponsor. This additional construction is considered to be outside project scope and the estimated cost for this work is presented as a separate item in table B-1.

31. Outside project scope work. The additional improvements requested by the local sponsor consists primarily of providing a covered box culvert in lieu of the previousy proposed open concrete channel between Jane E. Tuitt School and the business district. The local sponsor has agreed to pay all additional costs related to covering the open concrete channel. A savings of approximately \$40,000 would be realized in project costs due to covering the open channel. Extensive fencing along the previously proposed open channel would no longer be required. For further discussion pertaining to outside project scope work, refer to paragraph 5.

# TABLE B-1

# SAVAN GUT PROJECT

# CONTRACT PRICE Quantities and Cost Estimates (Date of Estimate: Oct 1981)

		Unit		
Item	Unit	Price	Quantity	Total
Concrete Channel Improvements				
Mobilization and demobili-				
zation of equipment	Job	L.S.	1	\$180,000
Dewatering and temporary				
construction	Job	L.S.	1	925,000
Remove existing concrete				
structures (excludes				
relocation items)	Job	L.S.	1	55,000
Excavation, rock	C.Y.	9.00	4,600	41,400
Excavation, unclassified	С.Ү.	5.50	18,800	103,400
Fill and backfill	С.Ү.	8.75	9,200	80,500
Gabions (20" thick)	С.Ү.	70.00	410	28,700
Concrete (standard				
construction)	С.Ү.	305.00	1,800	549,000
Concrete (spiral				
construction)	С.Ү.	360.00	1,200	432,000
Cement	CWT	5.30	15,800	83,700
Reinforcing steel	Lbs.	0.53	418,400	221,800
Steel sheet piling				
(permanent)	S.F.	21.00	19,900	417,900
Steel king piles	L.F.	35.00	912	31,900
Pre-drill for king piles	L.F.	30.00	308	9,200
Rock anchors	L.F.	50.00	450	22,500
Steel grating	S.F.	24.00	690	16,600
Miscellaneous structural				
steel	Lbs.	1.30	44,800	58,200
Guardrail	L.F.	21.00	200	4,200
Fencing	L.F.	20.00	600	12,000
36-inch dia. CMP	L.F.	45.00	300	13,500
Debris barrier	Job	L.S.	1	12,000
Grassing/sodding	Job	L.S.	1	6,500
Subtotal				\$3,305,000
Contingencies (15%+)				496,000
Contract price				\$3,801,000

# TABLE B-1 (Continued)

Subtotal contract price (cont	\$3,801,000			
Outside Project Scope Work (se	ee para. 31	)		
Fill and backfill Concrete Cement Reinforcing steel Local drainage structures Grassing/sodding Subtotal Contingencies (15%+) Contract price	C.Y. C.Y. CWT Lbs. Job Job	8.75 360.00 5.30 0.53 L.S. L.S.	1,510 700 3,700 119,600 1 1	$ \begin{array}{r} 13,200\\252,000\\19,600\\63,400\\10,000\\2,800\\\hline $361,000\\54,000\\\hline $415,000\\\end{array} $
Relocations and Alterations				
Bridges Streets	Job Job	L.S. L.S.	1 1	66,000 52,000
Utilities Sanitary sewer lines Sanitary sewer manholes Water supply lines Maintain service during	Job Job Job	L.S. L.S. L.S.	1 1 1	67,000 45,000 28,000
construction Miscellaneous (unknown utilities, etc.)	Job Job	L.S.	1	128,000 100,000
Local drainage structures Subtotal Contingencies (15% <u>+</u> ) Contract price	Jop	L.S.	1	26,000 \$ 512,000 77,000 \$ 589,000
TOTAL CONTRACT PRICE				\$4,805,000

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# SAVAN GUT PROJECT

# SUMMARY OF TOTAL INITIAL COSTS (Date of Estimate: Oct 1981)

Item	Amount	Total
Concrete Channel Improvements		
Contract price Supervision and administration (7% <u>+</u> ) Construction costs Engineering and design (8% <u>+</u> ) Initial costs	\$3,801,000 266,000 \$4,067,000 304,000	\$4,371,000
Outside Project Scope Work		
Contract price Supervision and administration (7% <u>+</u> ) Construction costs Engineering and design (8% <u>+</u> ) Initial costs	\$ 415,000 29,000 \$ 440,000 33,000	\$ 477,000
Relocations and Alterations		
Contract price (included in construction contract) Relocate electric transmission lines (by locals) Contract price Supervision and administration (7 <u>%+</u> ) Construction costs Engineering and design (8 <u>%+</u> ) Inital costs	\$ 589,000 <u>30,000</u> \$ 619,000 <u>43,000</u> \$ 662,000 <u>50,000</u>	\$ 712,000
Lands and Damages		
Right-of-way Disposal area Acquisition costs (5%+) Private dwellings (8) P. L. 91-646 Contingencies (15%+) Initial costs	\$ 199,000 37,000 12,000 256,000 105,000 91,000	\$ 700,000
TOTAL INITIAL COSTS		\$6,260,000

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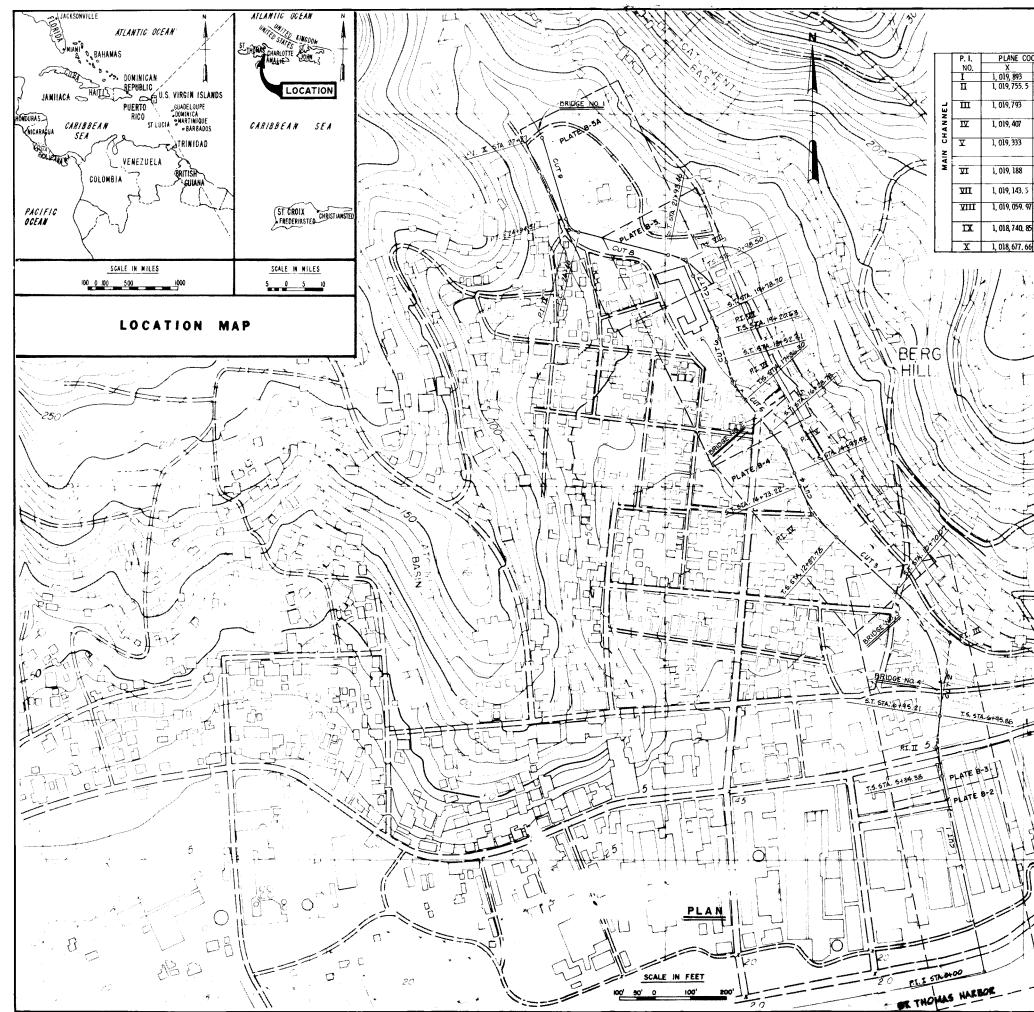
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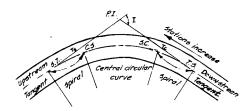
# SAVAN GUT PROJECT

# SUMMARY OF FEDERAL AND NON-FEDERAL COSTS (Date of Estimate: Oct 1981)

Item	Amount	Total
FEDERAL COSTS		<u></u>
Initial		
Concrete Channel Improvements	\$4,000,000	(1)
(1) Maximum Federal share under authority of Section 205 of the Flood Control Act of 1948, as amended. Total Initial Federal Costs		\$4,000,000
Annual		
Federal investment subject to interest and amortization Interest at 7 5/8% Amortization at 7 5/8% for 50 years Annual Federal Costs	\$ 305,000 8,000	(\$4,000,000) \$ 313,000
NON-FEDERAL COSTS		
Initial		
Total initial costs less Federal share (\$6,260,000 - \$4,000,000) Total Initial Non-Federal Costs	\$2,260,000	\$2,260,000
Annual		
Non-Federal investment subject to interest and amortization (project costs only) Interest at 7 5/8% Amortization at 7 5/8% for 50 years Operation and maintenance	\$ 136,000 3,500 8,500	(\$1,783,000)
Annual Non-Federal Costs		\$ 148,000
Grand Total-Initial Federal and Non-Federal Costs Grand Total-Annual Federal and Non-Federal Costs		\$6,260,000 \$ 461,000



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Y	CUI	FIG	1	RADIUS	Ls	Ts	TS/ST	SC/CS
186,702	1	0+00						
187, 302	1	6+15.55	20°28' 56''	380'	25.0'	81.7	TS= 5+34.38	SC= 5+59, 38
	2	6+14.04			25.0'	81, 7'	ST= 6+95.21	CS= 6+70.21
187, 584	2	8+98.52	-56° 12' 01"	356'	25.0'	202.64	TS= 6+95.88	SC= 7+20.88
	3	8+67.43			25.0	202.64	ST=10+70.07	CS=10+45.07
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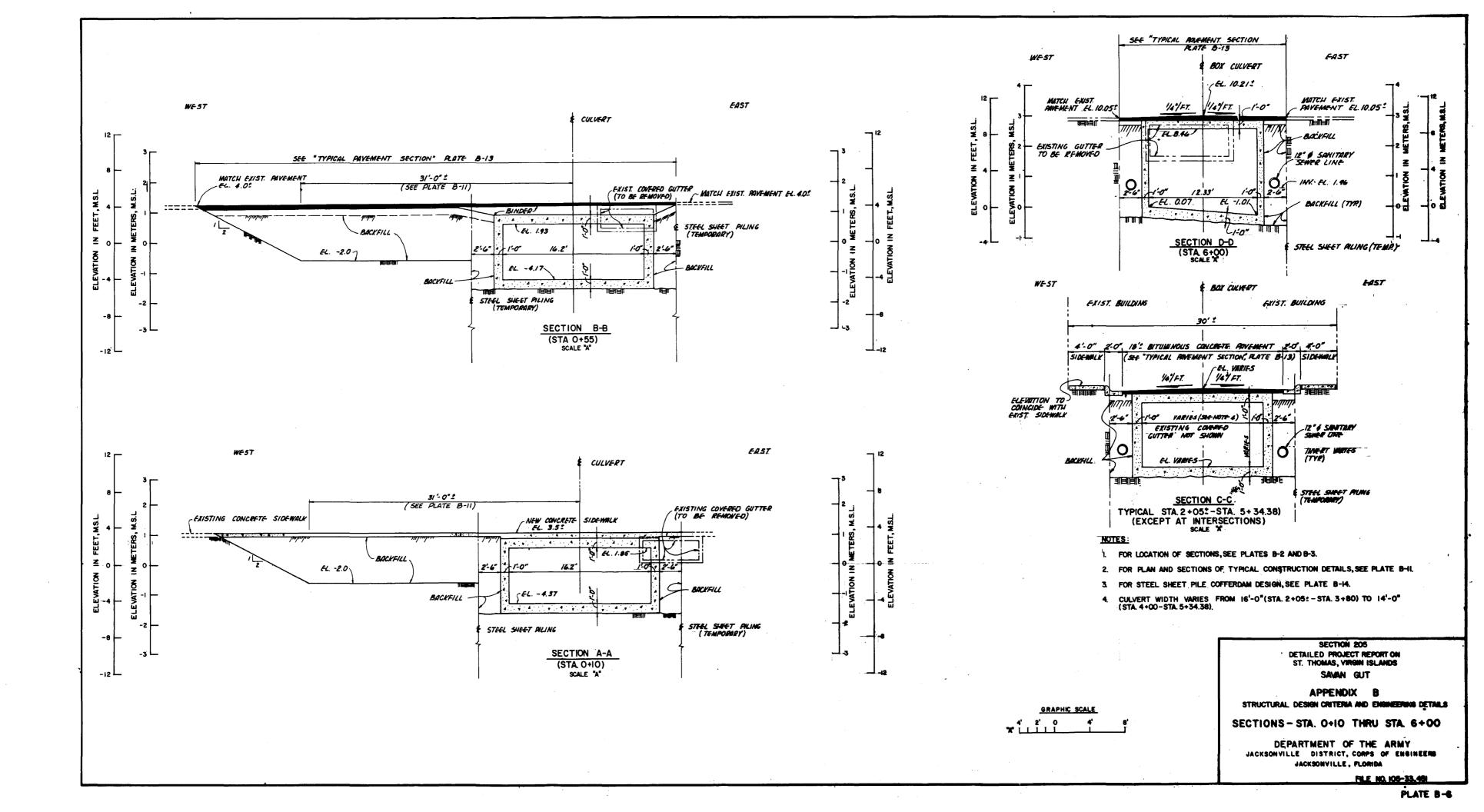
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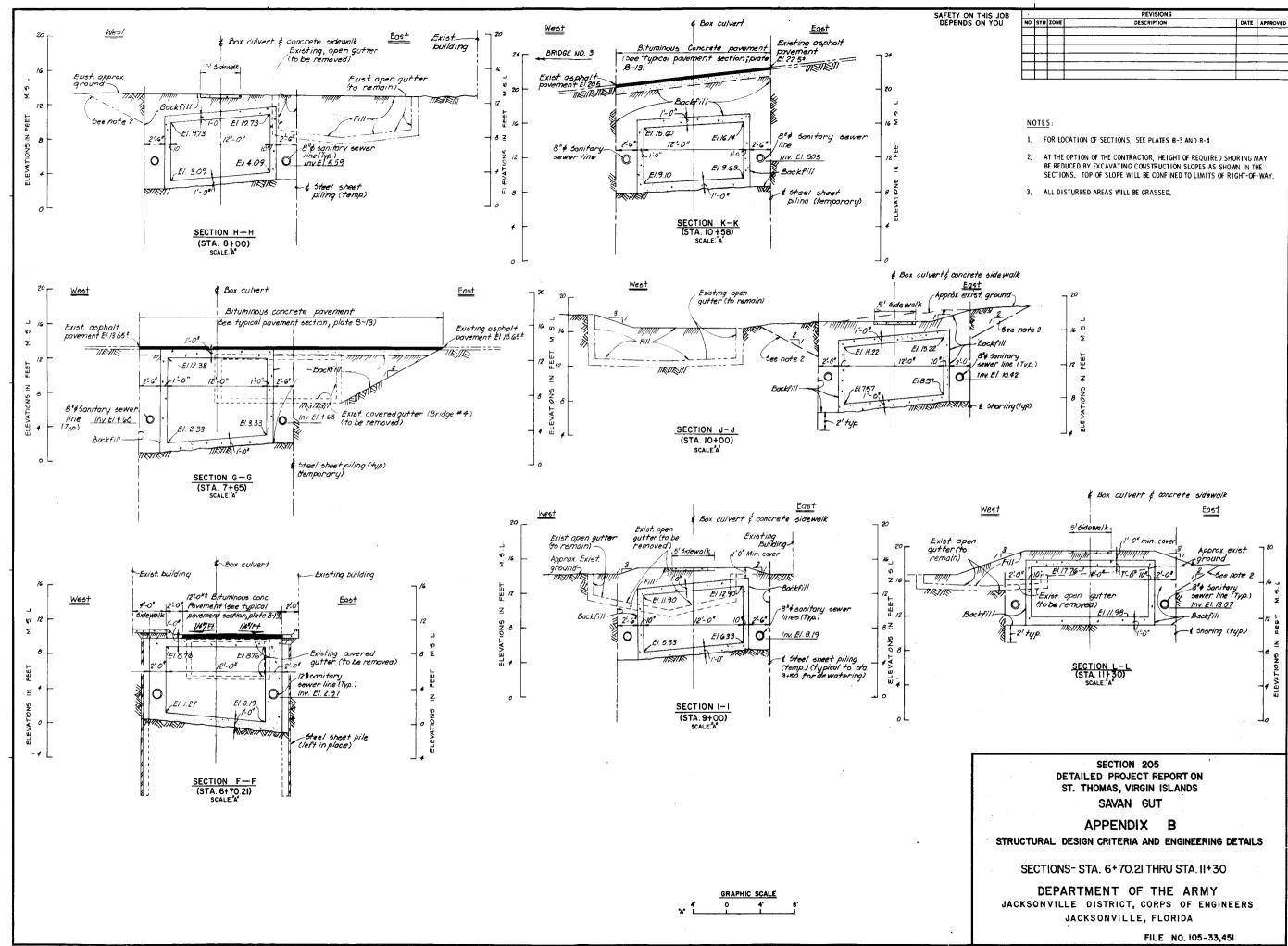
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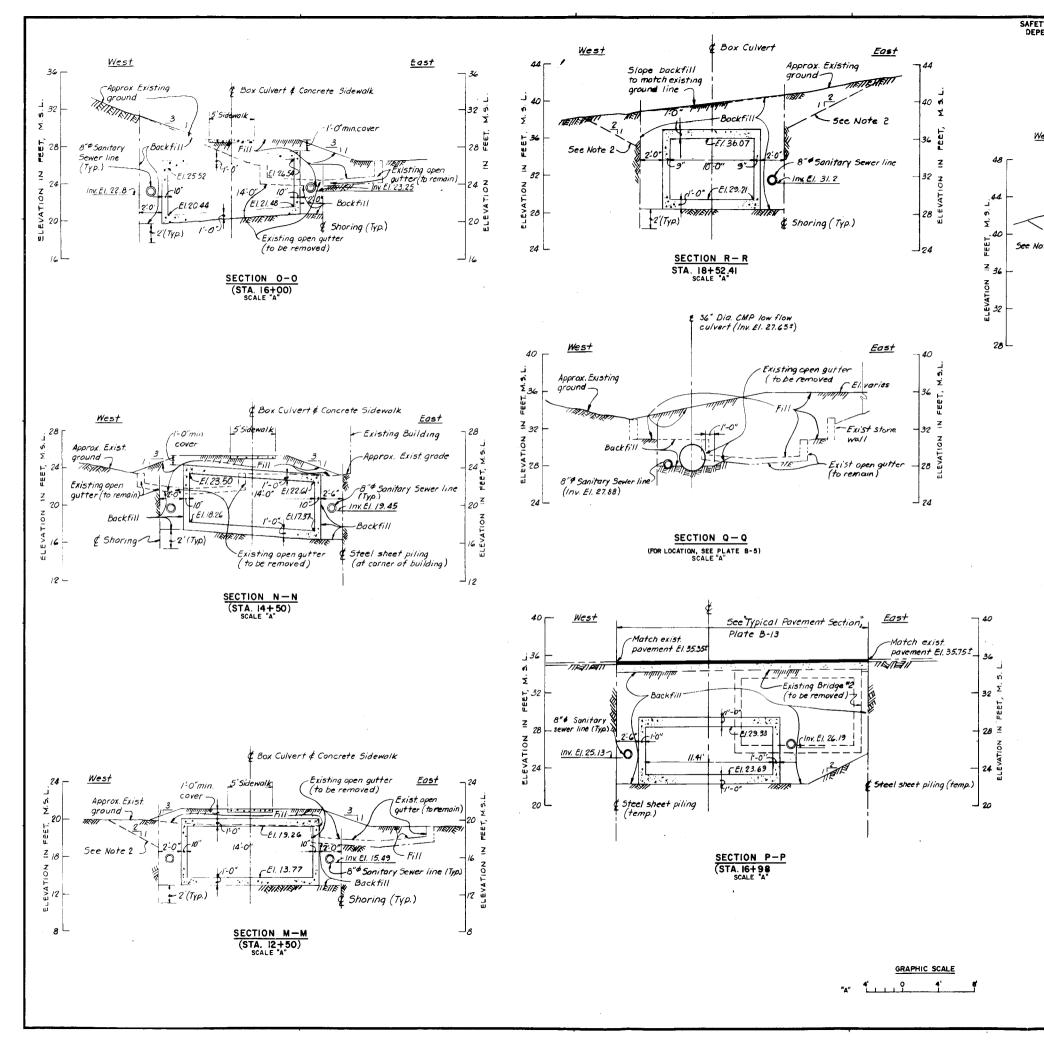
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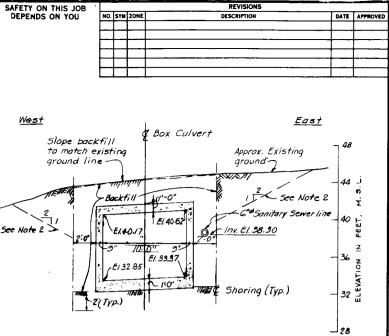




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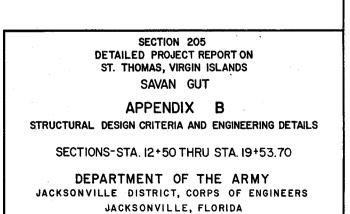




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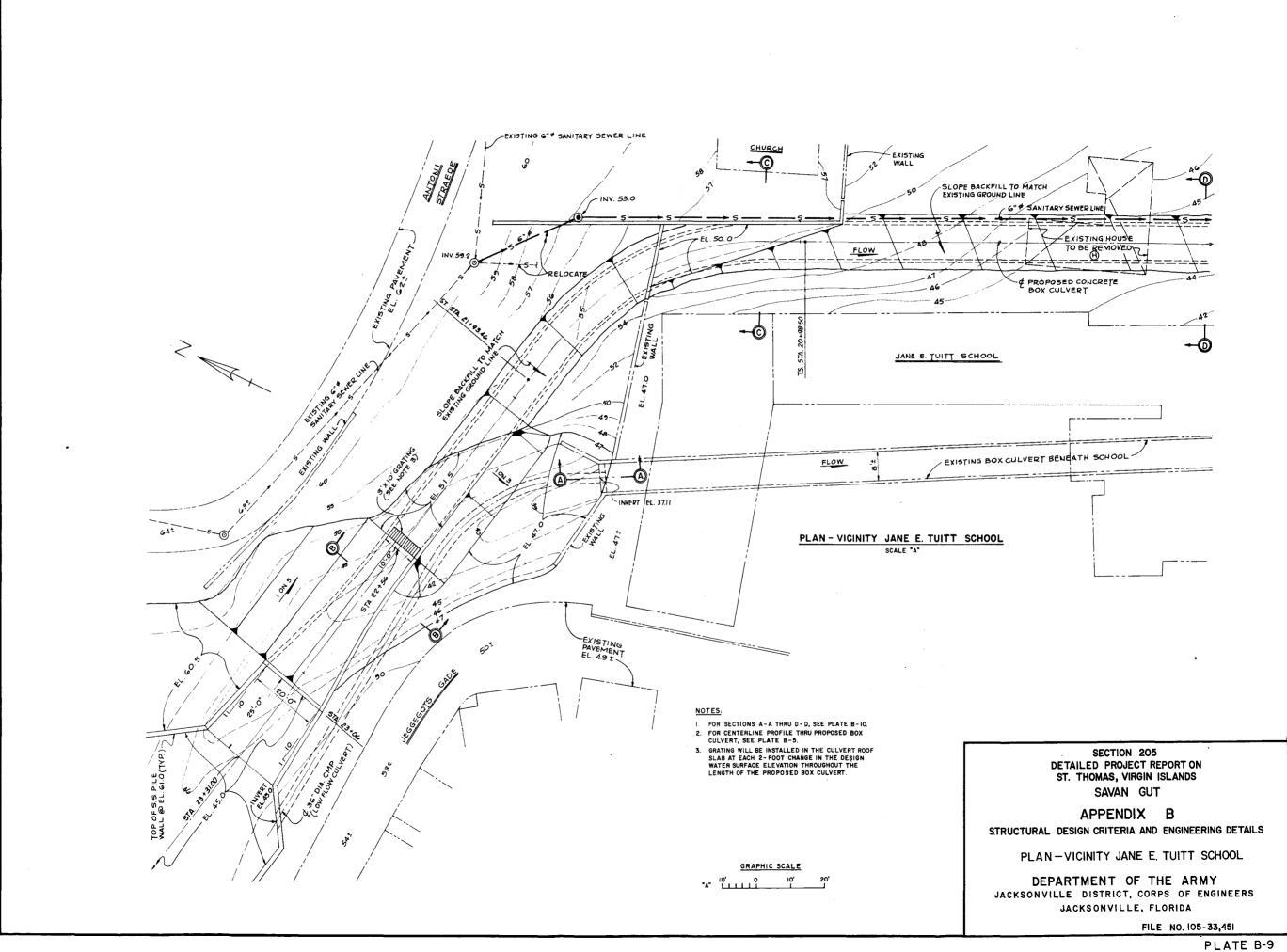
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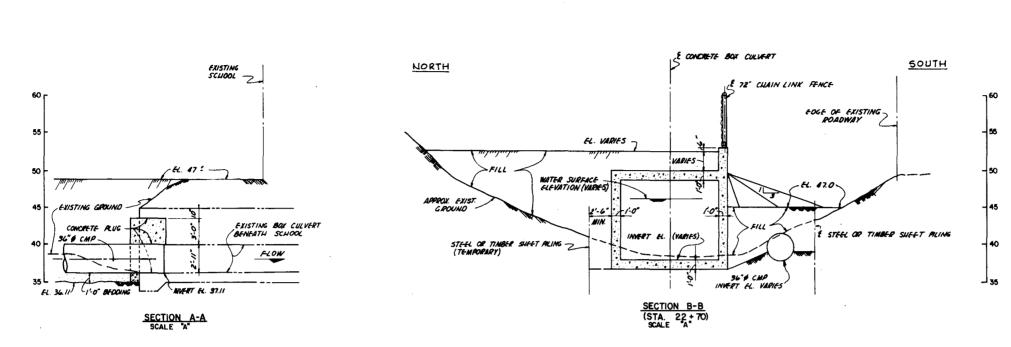
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- 3. ALL DISTURBED AREAS WILL BE GRASSED,

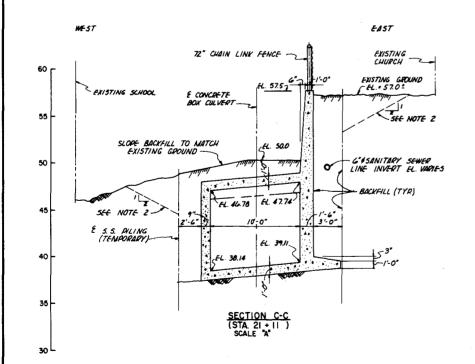


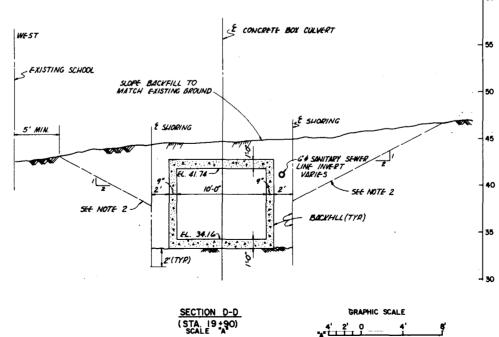
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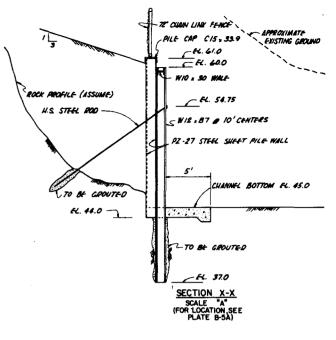






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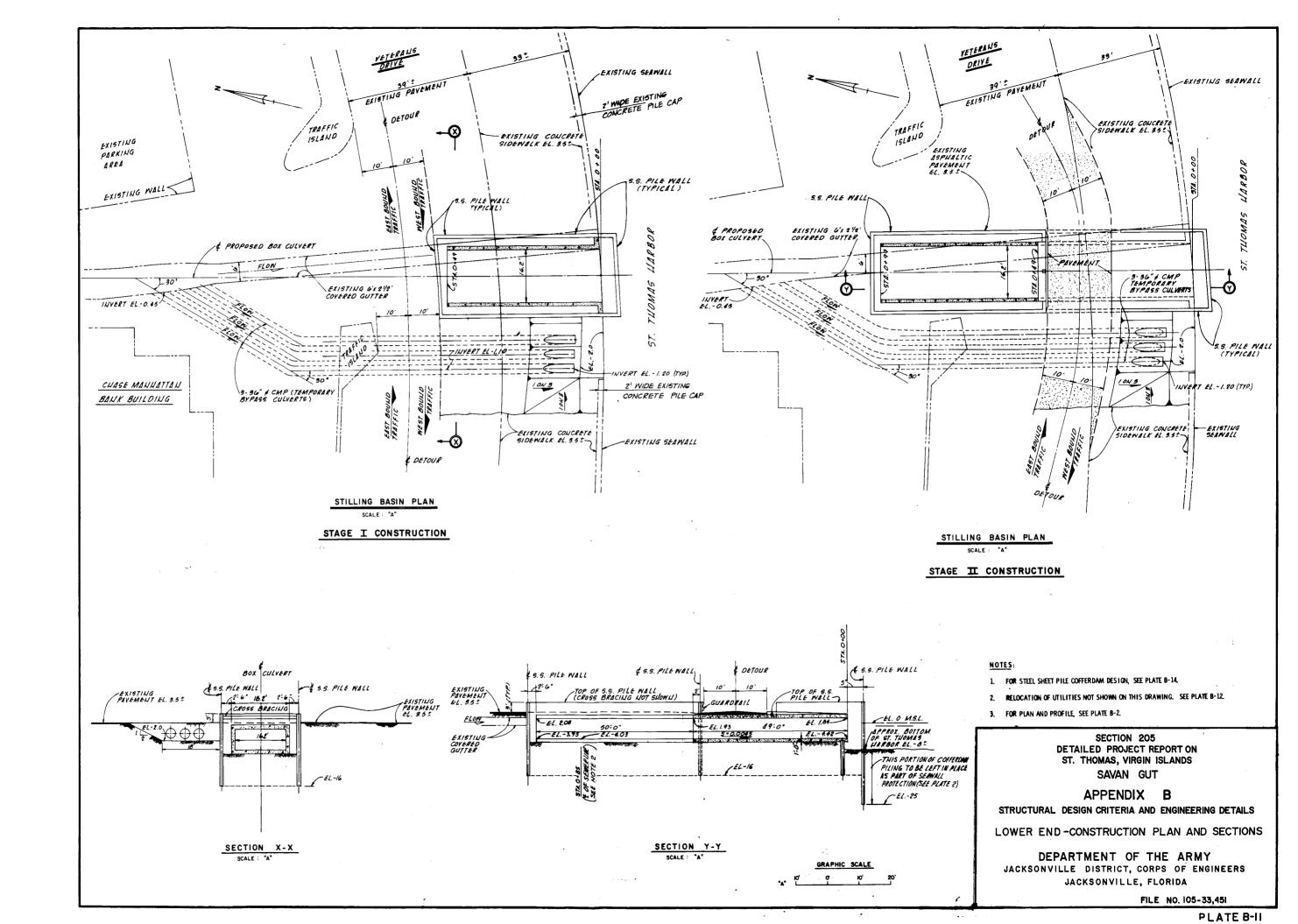
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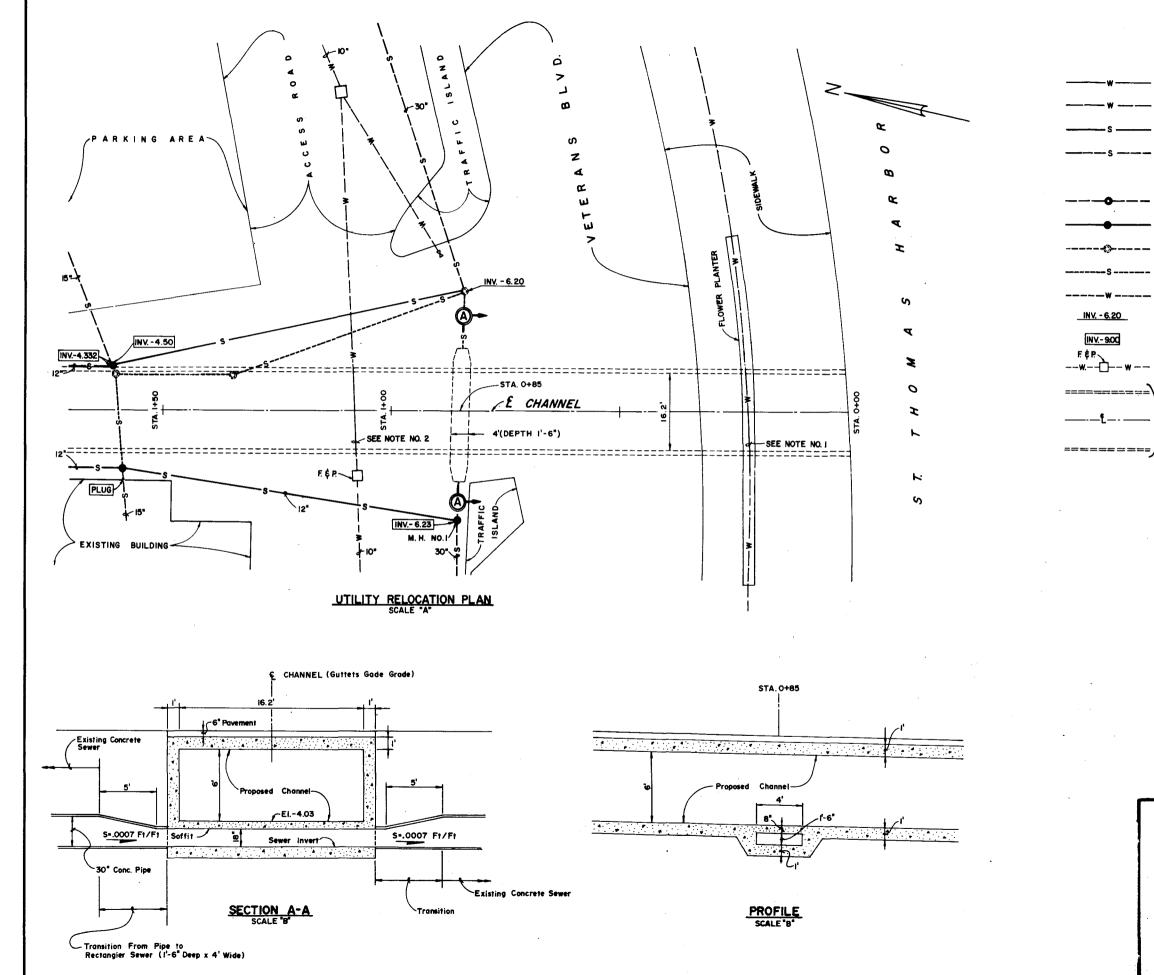
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PLATE B-10





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----- RELOCATED WATER LINE

EXISTING WATER LINE

PROPOSED SEWER LINE

EXISTING SEWER LINE

----- EXISTING MANHOLE

------ PROPOSED MANHOLE

---- EXISTING MANHOLE. TO BE REMOVED

----- EXISTING SEWER TO BE REMOVED OR ABANDONED

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INVERT ELEVATIONS OF PROPOSED SANITARY SEWER LINE

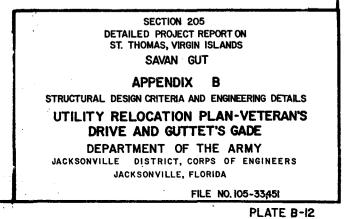
PROPOSED CONCRETE CHANNEL

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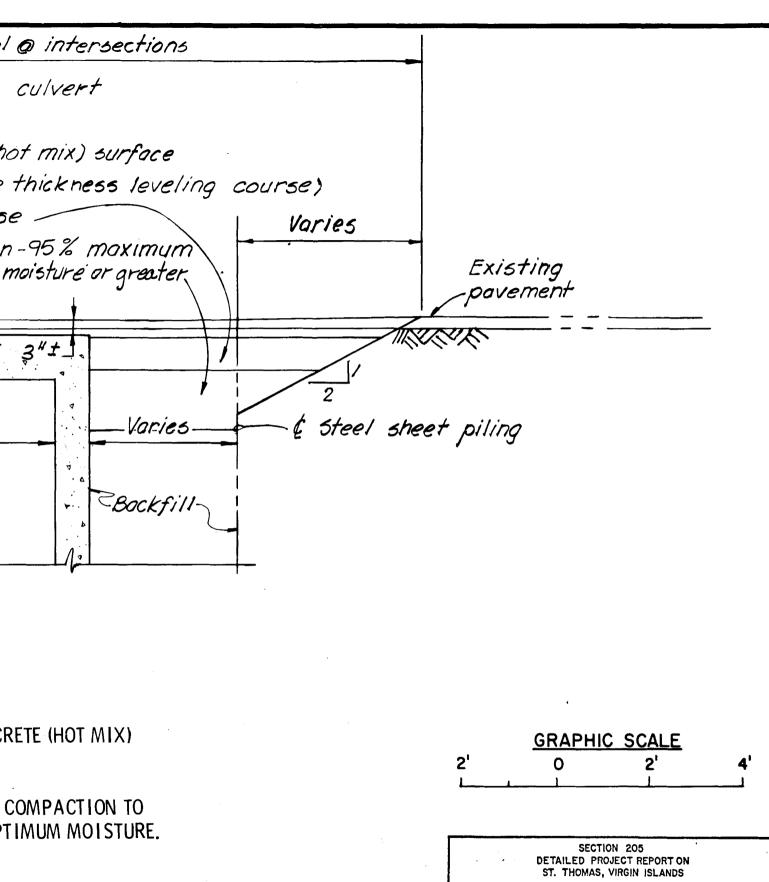
- 1. 24" WATER LINE NOT IN USE. RELOCATED WATER LINE WILL BE INSTALLED IN THE REBUILT PLANTER BOX.
- 2. RELOCATE IO" WATER LINE UNDER NEW CONCRETE CHANNEL

### GRAPHIC SCALES

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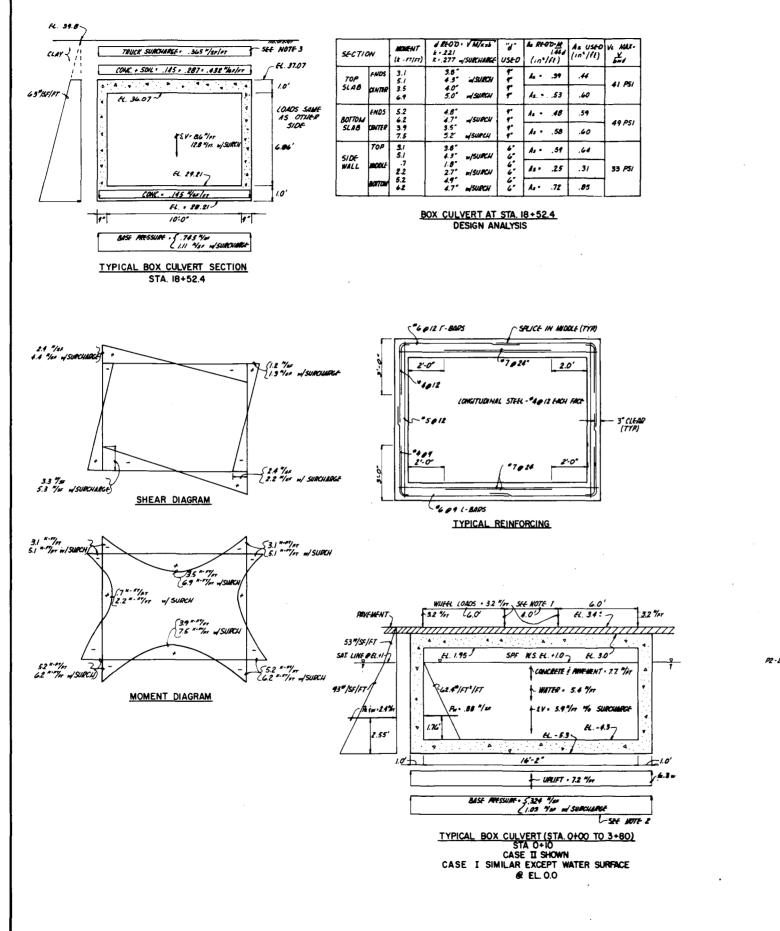
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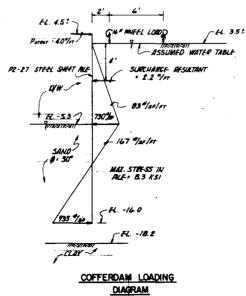
TYPICAL PAVEMENT SECTION

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PLATE B-13





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### NOTES

A. BOX QULVERT - STA. 18+52.4

- Loading cases shown are normal loading case without flow and normal loading case with surcharge. The loading case with water flow is similar with a small increase in base pressure and slight decrease in wall indexity and shears.
- 2. NO UPLIFT IN THIS AREA DUE TO LOW WATER TABLE.
- SURCHARGE LOAD IS BASED ON 2 HS-20-441 TRUCKS ON THE ROAD WAY. THE WHEEL LOADS ARE UNIFORMLY DISTRIBUTED OVER AN AREA ACCORDING TO AASHTO SPEC 1.3.3. THIS IS TYPICAL OF BOX CULVERT SECTIONS WHEN DEPTH OF FILL IS 2 FEET OR GREATER.
- 1. FOR SURCHARGE LOADS, THE WORKING STRESS IN THE CONCRETE AND REINFORCEMENT IS INCREASED BY ONE-THIRD DUE TO THE INFREQUENCY OF THIS OCCURANCE. IMPACT IS NOT CONSIDERED DUE TO THE SLOW MOVEMENT OF VEHICLES IN THIS AREA. THIS MAKES THE NORMAL CONDITIONS GOVERN THE DESIGN AMALYSIS.
- 5. ANALYSIS OF CONCRETE BOX CULVERT ASSUMED SLAB MOMENT OF INERTIA AS ± IG AND FULL IG FOR VERTICAL SECTIONS.

B. BOX CULVERT STA. 0+10

- 1. EACH 16K WHEEL LOAD IS SPREAD OVER A 5' LENGTH OF BOX CULVERT.
- RECTANGULAR BASE PRESSURE IS SHOWN FOR THIS PLATE. FOR FINAL DESIGN, A TRAPEZODIAL BASE PRESSURE WILL ALSO BE INVESTIGATED.

### LOADING CONDITIONS

CASE I STRUCTURE COMPLETE. NO WATER FLOW. SECTIONS OF BOX CULVERT IN DOMITION AREA SUBJECT TO TIGAL FLOW

CASE II STANDARD PROJECT FLOOD. WATER IN CULVERT TO ELEVATION PROVIDED BY HYDRAULICS.

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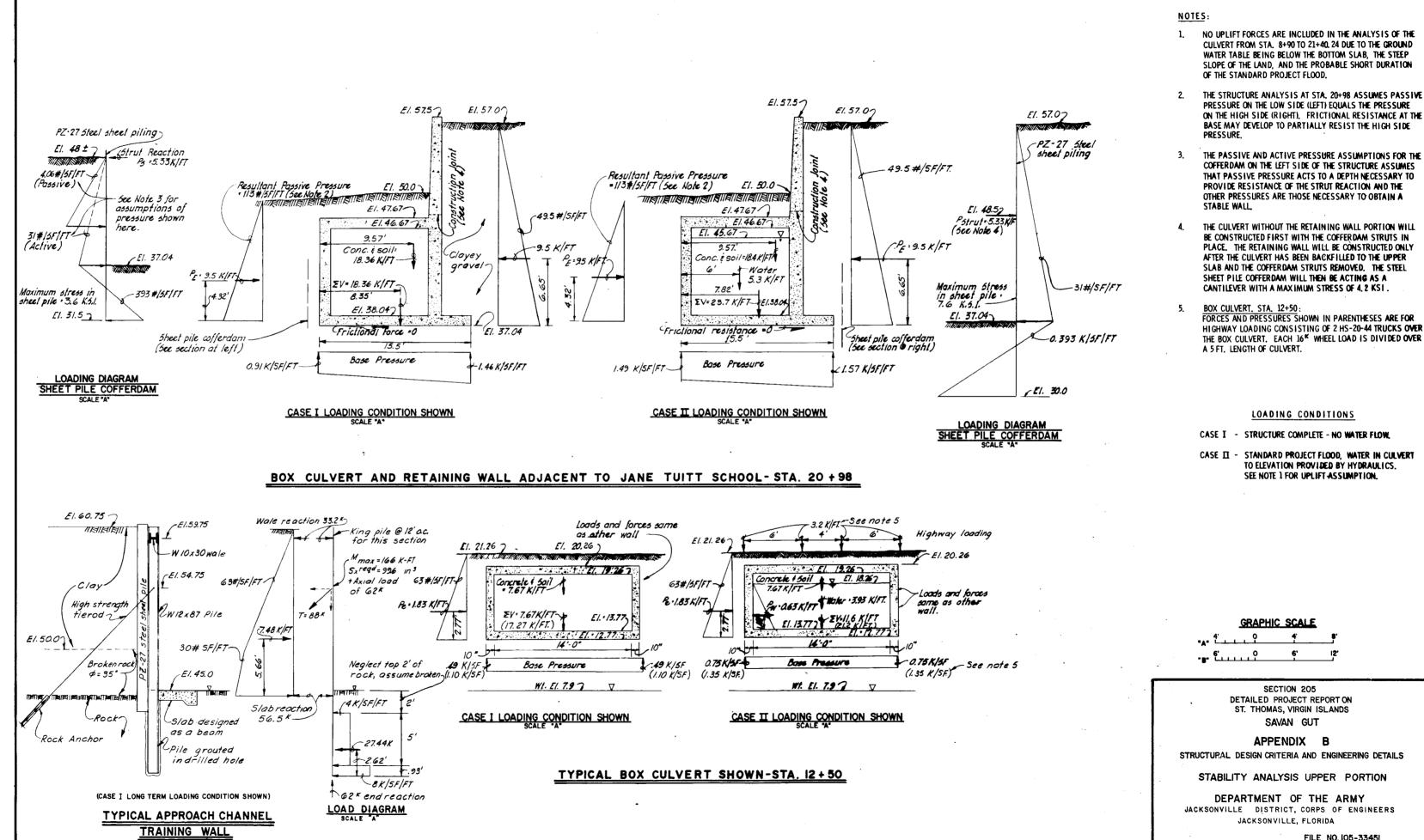
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### DESIGN ANALYSIS - MIDDLE AND DOWNSTREAM AREAS

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- CULVERT FROM STA. 8+90 TO 21+40. 24 DUE TO THE GROUND WATER TABLE BEING BELOW THE BOTTOM SLAB. THE STEEP SLOPE OF THE LAND, AND THE PROBABLE SHORT DURATION
- THE STRUCTURE ANALYSIS AT STA. 20+98 ASSUMES PASSIVE PRESSURE ON THE LOW SIDE (LEFT) EQUALS THE PRESSURE ON THE HIGH SIDE (RIGHT). FRICTIONAL RESISTANCE AT THE BASE MAY DEVELOP TO PARTIALLY RESIST THE HIGH SIDE
- THE PASSIVE AND ACTIVE PRESSURE ASSUMPTIONS FOR THE COFFERDAM ON THE LEFT SIDE OF THE STRUCTURE ASSUMES THAT PASSIVE PRESSURE ACTS TO A DEPTH NECESSARY TO PROVIDE RESISTANCE OF THE STRUT REACTION AND THE OTHER PRESSURES ARE THOSE NECESSARY TO OBTAIN A
- THE CULVERT WITHOUT THE RETAINING WALL PORTION WILL BE CONSTRUCTED FIRST WITH THE COFFERDAM STRUTS IN PLACE. THE RETAINING WALL WILL BE CONSTRUCTED ONLY AFTER THE CULVERT HAS BEEN BACKFILLED TO THE UPPER

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# GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING DATA

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### APENDIX C

### GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING DATA

1. <u>Introduction</u>. The Savan Gut area includes a natural channel and culvert, covering roughly 3/4 of a mile, which draws from north to south, crossing the city of Charlotte Amalie just west of Berg Hill and discharging into St. Thomas Harbor. The Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School and the business district south of Back Street are highly susceptible to flooding from this channel.

2. <u>Purpose and Scope</u>. This appendix presents in detail the results of all the geotechnical investigations performed at Savan Gut in St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands. The purpose of the appendix is to define the geologic features and the engineering characteristics of the surface and subsurface materials.

3. Location & Physiography. St. Thomas, one of the three U.S. Virgin Islands, lies approximately 40 miles due east of Puerto Rico and is part of the curving Greater Antilles Chain of major subtropical islands that separates the Caribbean Sea and the Atlantic Ocean. St. Thomas, which is only 13 miles long and 3 miles wide, lies 18-20 degrees north latitude and 60 degrees west longitude.

The Savan Gut project site is located on the south side of the island starting on the St. Thomas Harbor water front at Guttets Gade (street) in downtown Charlotte Amalie and extending approximately 3/4 of a mile. The extreme upper channel is flanked on both sides by steep mountain slopes rising to elevation +800 on the east and elevation +1,400 on the west. The lower channel and culvert are characterized by more gentle slopes. The channel flow is normally intermittent, but it is subject to flash floods during storms and hurricanes.

4. <u>Geologic History</u>. The geologic history of the St. Thomas and St. John area was compiled from <u>Virgin Islands National Park</u> - The Story Behind The Scenery, by Alan H. Robinson.

The first events in the development of St. Thomas and St. John took place as a series of volcanic flows erupted slowly onto a deep ocean floor and solidified. These layers, subsequently uplifted and still recognizable as separate flows, are collectively known as the Water Island Formation. Beneath this volcanic material lies a soft, sticky clay similar to sediments found elsewhere only on the deep ocean floor. Following a period of generalized uplifting of the whole area there was a time of explosive shallow water and subaerial (above-water) volcanism. The resulting material, the Louisenhoj Formation, contains extensive explosive volcanic products such as andesite and tuff (solidified ash), and even cobbles and fragments of the older Water Island rock.

The thickness and appearance of the Louisenhoj Formation in St. John and St. Thomas indicate that the volcanic center was under what is presently known as Pillsbury Sound, the shallow channel now separating the two sister islands. Over the many thousands of years during which subaerial volcanic activity occurred, the material on the slopes of the resulting cone was extensively weathered and was eventually redeposited as relatively finegrained rock in the shallow surrounding seas.

The close of the fiery second phase of the island's development was followed by a period of relative serenity during which organically derived sediments (from corals and the skeletons of planktonic creatures) slowly accumulated on the slopes of the emerging island. The first layer over the older volcanics is a dark-colored limestone known as the Outer Brass Formation. This thin-bedded limestone was deposited over many thousands of years by a continuous rain of the skeletons of planktonic algae to the ocean floor in shallow seas. Only a few hundred feet thick, the Outer Brass Formation has been tilted considerably.

The Outer Brass Formation is overlain by a much more substantial formation of relatively impure sediments (wackes) composed of debris of the Louisenhoj and Outer Brass Formations. This formation, known as Tutu, was probably laid down underwater during periods of active earthquakes and tremors, for it appears to have resulted from submarine landslides and watery flows of suspended sediment.

The volcanism, uplift, and subsequent sedimentary deposition which formed the fundamental rock types of the islands were essentially complete by the end of the Cretaceous Period, some 60 million years ago. There is no evidence that the islands were ever completely submerged again, but occasional changes in sea level did take place, especially during the worldwide fluctuations associated with recent ice ages.

Debris which eroded from the upland and coasts during low sea level is responsible for the extensive insular shelf surrounding Puerto Rico and the northern Virgin Islands. At one time the whole of the Puerto Rican plateau, which includes St. Thomas and St. John, may have been exposed as one continuous land ridge.

### 5. Investigations Performed.

a. <u>Core Borings</u>. Twenty-one (21) core borings totaling 605.7 feet were drilled along the Savan Gut channel and culvert to provide subsurface geologic and engineering data for design. The unconsolidated materials and softer rock were sampled using a 1 3/8-inch I.D. x 2-inch 0.D. split spoon with a

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140-pound hammer falling 30 inches. Hard rock was sampled using 4 x 5 1/2-inch diamond bits and 2 1/8 x 3-inch "NX" diamond bits. All materials recovered from core borings were placed in core boxes, sealed, and stored at the Corps of Engineers' San Juan Area Office. Any removal or testing of soil samples will have to comply with the United States Department of Agriculture Regulations. Seals can be broken only by a U.S.D.A. inspector. Core boring locations are shown on plates C-5 thru C-9. Photographs of the cores were taken and are included with the core logs shown on plates C-19 thru C-76.

Twenty (20) additional borings, using a "Milwaukee Electric" drill, were obtained within the culvert from Station 17+73 to Station 28+78 to determine the thickness of the culvert floor and the presence of any cavities or voids. Four (4) of the borings were angle holes intersecting the contact between the floor and the culvert wall. These borings are designated as DH-1 through DH-22 in the drawings. Locations of the DH borings are plotted on plates C-5 thru C-9 and included on cross sections shown on plates C-14 thru C-18.

b. <u>Probings</u>. Nine (9) wash probings were taken at the proposed outlet structure location in St. Thomas Harbor to determine the top of the clay and the thickness of the sand layer. These are designated as P-1 through P-9. Location and results of the probings are shown on plate C-9.

c. <u>Mapping</u>. Detailed mapping was performed every 50 feet between Stations 17+73 and 28+78. Particular attention was given to the type of construction material; thickness of walls; presence of voids, cavities, washouts and cracks; and general condition of the culvert. Cross sections are shown on plates C-14 thru C-18.

d. <u>Laboratory Testing, Soil</u>. Laboratory tests (visual classification, moisture content, and Atterberg limits) were performed on representative samples of the clay overburden. Laboratory test results are shown on plate C-77.

6. <u>Site Geology</u>. The Savan Gut is primarily founded on a clayey overburden that overlies either a tuff or tuffaceous breccia bedrock.

a. Overburden. The clayey residual overburden varies from 1.0 to 30.0 feet in thickness in the upper channel. However, the thickness of the clay formation along the shore line is not known as borings were terminated at a depth of 35 feet. The overburden consists of a lean clay (CL), a fat clay (CH), or a clayey gravel (GC). All these layers contain many hard rock fragments (tuff or tuffaceaous breccia) ranging in size from pebbles to boulders, randomly scattered throughout the formation. Additional tuff and tuffaceous breccia boulders are concentrated in a layer at the contact between overburden and bedrock.

The area between Stations 25+50 and 37+10 has a sand and silt layer overlying the clay. This sand and silt zone ranges in depth from 3.0 feet thick inland to 24.0 feet thick along the shore line.

b. Bedrock. The bedrock along the Savan Gut center line is predominantly tuff and/or tuffaceous breccia. These rocks of volcanic origin were largely deposited in a marine environment. These pyroclastic rocks are hard to very hard, siliceous, crystalline (interlocking grains), and fine to coarse grained with abundant pebble sized inclusions. The bedrock is generally massive and solid, with scattered joints and fractures. Some highly broken zones are common with shallow weathering and staining along joints and fractures.

7. <u>Culvert Condition</u>. The present strip of land between the Chase Manhattan Bank and the existing bulkhead along St. Thomas Harbor (Station 35+75 to Station 37+10) is comprised of fill. The original shore line was located near Station 35+75. The reach between Station 29+23 and Station 37+10 of Savan Gut is a box culvert constructed under Guttets Gade, while the reach between Station 17+73 and Station 29+23 is open. The open portion of the culvert runs through a densely populated area with many drains and raw sewage lines emptying into it.

The culvert was originally constructed with stone, but many areas along the culvert have been repaired with concrete or concrete block. The width of the stone walls varies from 1.0 to 2.0 feet in thickness. The stone floor varies from 0.4 to 0.7 feet in thickness. Nearly the entire length of the culvert between Station 17+73 and Station 28+78 has one or more concrete filled trenches which probably cover water and/or sewer lines, as shown on plates C-14 thru C-18. The actual existence, number, and location of all these lines is not known due to inadequate records.

The culvert contains numerous potholes and washouts. Pothole locations are shown on plates C-5 thru C-9. At two locations (Stations 18+51 to 18+87 and Stations 22+05 to 22+34) large sections of concrete, up to 35 feet long, have been eroded.

The northern portion of the Savan Gut, from Station 15+00 to Station 0+00, is a natural channel. The channel is very thickly vegetated and contains many boulders up to 3 feet in diameter.

### 8. Foundation Conditions.

a. Outlet Structure Site. Probings, described in paragraph 5b, were washed through sand and silt layers to the top of the stiff clay. These probings indicate 3 to 5 feet of sand overlying a silt which varies considerable in thickness. The area along the structure center line appears to have a layer of trash and debris overlying the clay, which has probably accumulated over the years during intermittent flooding of Savan Gut.

b. <u>Boulders</u>. Numerous large boulders up to 5 feet in diameter were encountered during the subsurface investigations. They are, in all probability, embedded throughout the clay and sand beds. The presence of these hard tuffaceous breccia boulders will most likely create some problems in pile driving and channel excavation.

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c. <u>Ground Water</u>. The water table in the lower channel gradually increases from elevation +0.4 feet MSL along the bay to elevation +5.0 feet MSL near Station 26+00. The sandy and silty material in this area is supersaturated. Ground water was not observed in the core borings along the upper channel between 0+00 and 26+00, except in CB-SG-2 (elevation +65.7 feet MSL) and CB-SG-16 (elevation +15.0 feet MSL).

d. <u>Cavities and Voids</u>. Borings DH-1 through DH-22 indicate that neither <u>cavities</u> or voids were found beneath the culvert at these locations. However, this does not preclude the existence of small, isolated zones of erosion below sections of the culvert not investigated.

## 9. Soils Engineering Analyses and Considerations.

Excavation. Types of materials to be excavated are shown on geologic a. section A-A (plates C-5 thru C-9). According to the proposed channel bottom grade, these materials vary from a stiff to hard, fat clay approximately at Stations 20+00 to 26+50, to a firm silty sand at Stations 26+00 to 32+00. A layer of fat clay and a layer of silty gravel appear to be at Stations 30+50 and 32+50 respectively. From Stations 33+00 to 37+00, the overburden at channel grade is essentially fill material made up of sand and silt with some clay, and shell and rock fragments. This fill is mostly firm and dense, and becomes looser in density at the seawall discharge. Materials around Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School consist mostly of clayey gravel with scattered cobblestones throughout the strata. Although the materials encountered are stiff and hard, or firm, excavation could be accomplished by conventional methods. However, large boulders, as mentioned in paragraph 8b, were encountered in the clay and silty sand beds at different locations. The presence of these boulders can create some problems in the excavation. A velocity check dam and basin with an approach channel is proposed for the reach immediately upstream of Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School. Bottom elevation of the basin will be +45.0 feet m.s.l. The approach channel slopes 1V:10H downstream from existing ground elevation +65.0 feet m.s.l., immediately south of Antoni Straede bridge, to proposed Subsurface information along this reach is very limited. basin. Two core borings were drilled on the Antoni Straede bridge, and two other borings were drilled on the southern end of the basin. The geologic profile of this area, shown on plate C-6, indicates residual clayey materials overlying a very hard tuffaceous breccia. Based on estimates, it appears that a sufficient amount of rock will be encountered in the excavation of both approach channel and basin. Depending on the amount of joints and factures, and the actual weathering of the tuffaceous breccia, blasting might be necessary to carry on the excavation. Additional core borings will be needed to define clearly the materials to be excavated along this area, and choose the most convenient excavation methods.

b. Structural Foundations. Most of the channel is to be built as a concrete box culvert. The foundation for this structure consists predominantly of fat clay, silty sand, and mixed fill materials. Foundation materials along the reach around Jane E. Tuitt Elementary School connecting

with the upstream velocity check dam and basin are composed of gravel-sandclay mixtures interbedded with cobbles, and underlain by very hard tuffaceous breccia. According to Standard Penetration Tests performed during drilling, all these materials have adequate bearing capacity. A layer of organic silt (elev. -12 to -18 feet m.s.l.) underlies the foundation materials under the proposed culvert at the seawall. No settlement is expected on this layer due to the weight of the structure.

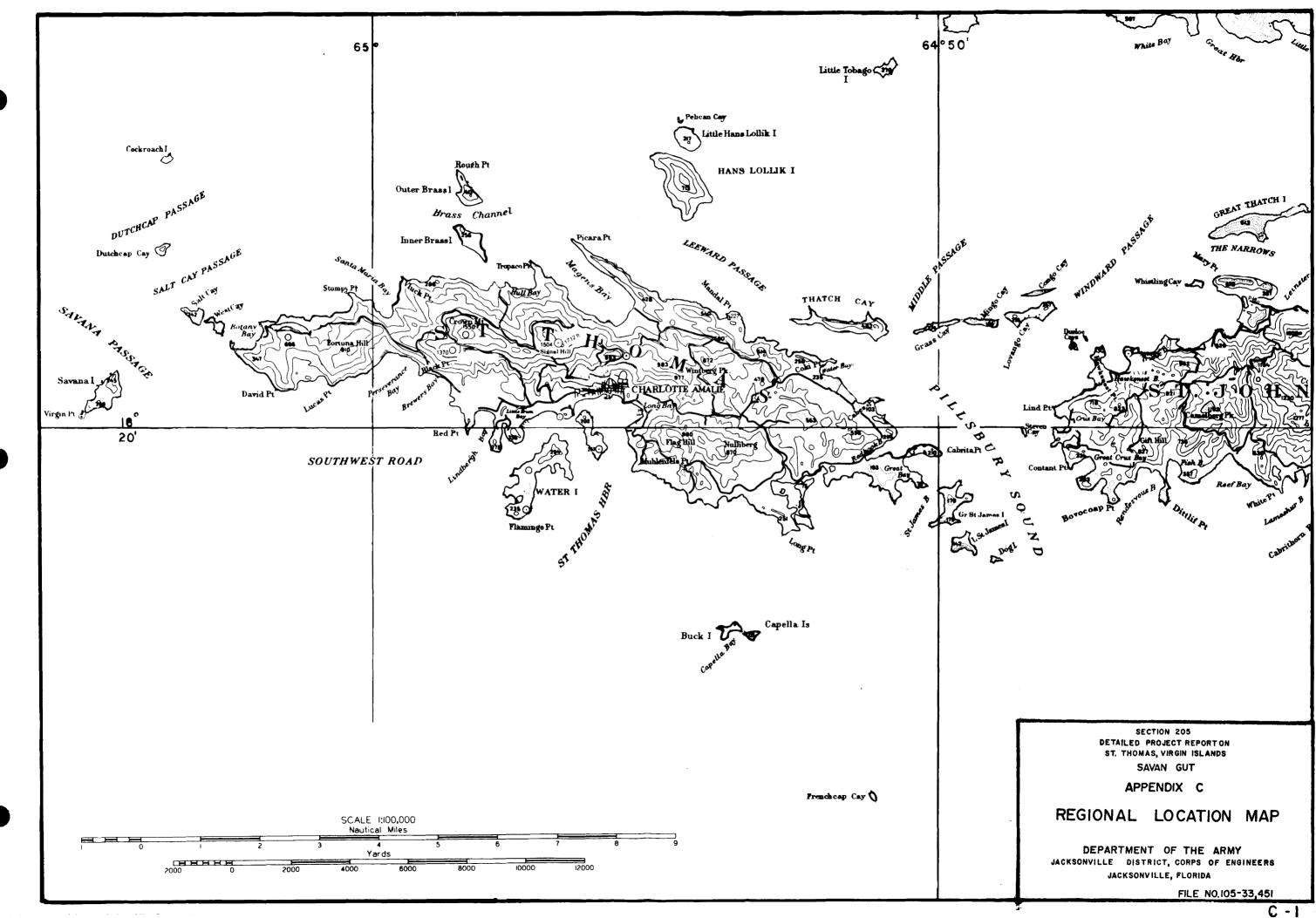
c. <u>Side Slopes</u>. For the construction of the box culvert from Tuitt School to Back Street, side slopes above the shored and braced vertical cut would be 1 vertical on 2 horizontal. The trench vertical wall for this reach is anticipated to be within 2 to 3 feet from the ground surface. Sections of the culvert where backfill above the structure is necessary, side slopes would be 1 vertical on 3 horizontal. The cut at the approach channel upstream of the velocity check dam and basin should be stable with 1 vertical on 3 horizontal side slopes. Due to the water velocity at this reach, side slopes will need protection against erosion.

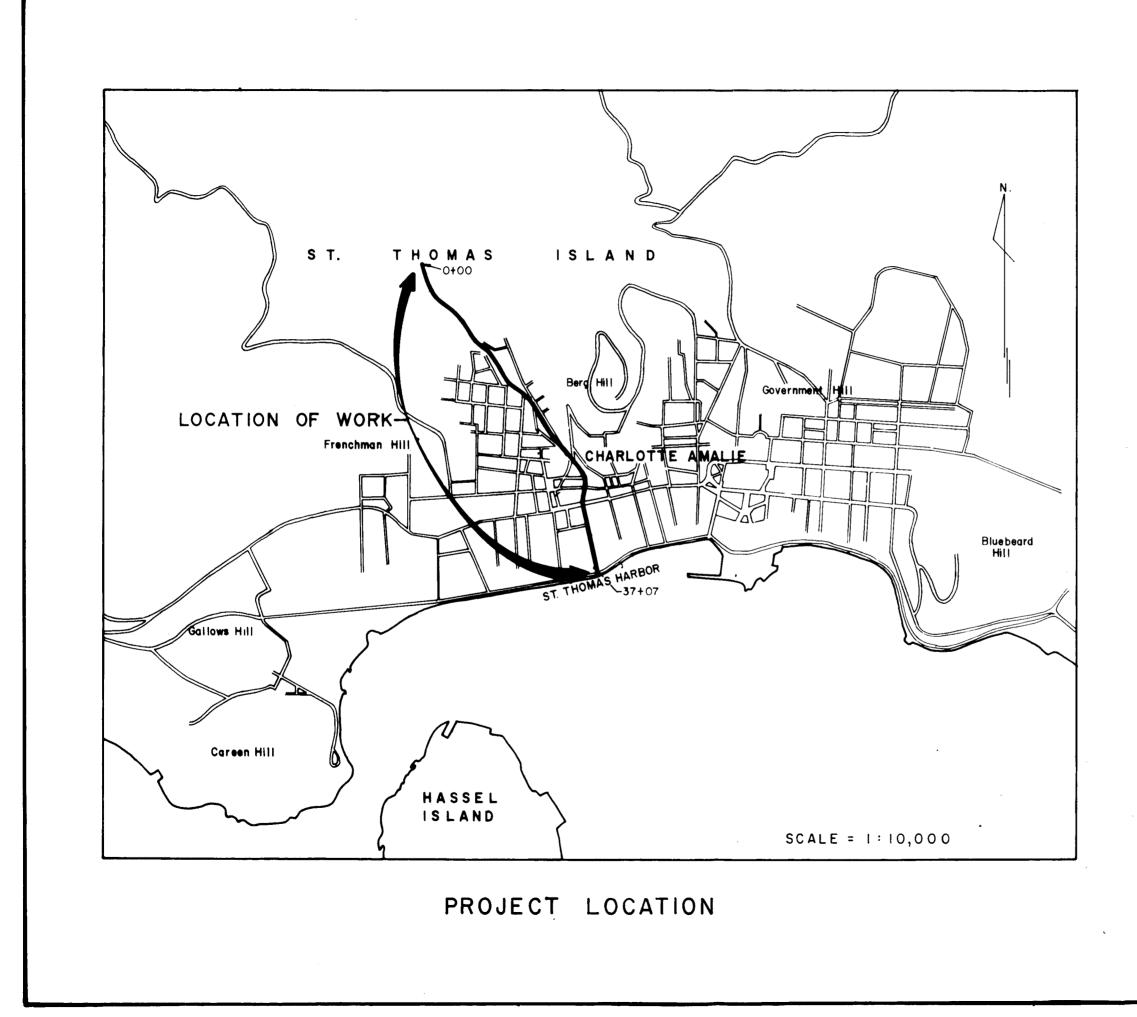
Channel Lining. Side slope protection is to be provided at the d. approach channel upstream of the velocity check dam and basin. According to hydraulic data, the maximum velocity and depth of water expected at this reach are approximately 17.85 feet per second and 3.5 feet, respectively. A riprap-type revetment was first considered; however, stone sizes would be too large for this relatively small channel. It is proposed that a gabion mattress be used as bank protection for the approach channel. Based on the above-mentioned velocity, the mattress thickness would be approximately 20 inches. This thickness could be reduced if a filter layer or cloth is placed under the mattress. At its upper end, the mattress is to be extended 24 inches above maximum water level. The toe of the bank should be protected against scour by continuing the mattress over the channel bed to form an apron. The size of stone filling should be in the range of 6-9 inches. Stone conforming with design requirements should be available on the island. However, it should be tested prior to construction to guarantee that it meets Corps of Engineers standards. Protection of the channel bottom would not be necessary if rock is encountered in the excavation as assumed. Additional subsurface investigations mentioned in paragraph 9a should provide information for final design.

e. <u>Steel Sheet Piling</u>. Sheet piles would be embedded in very stiff to hard, fat clay along the business district from Stations 27+50 to 37+00. At the Tuitt School surroundings, sheet piles would be embedded in hard, clayey gravels, and tuffaceous breccia. Since boulders are encountered at different depths all along the channel alinement and hard rock is expected especially at the velocity check dam and basin, punching and drilling may be necessary for convenient and economical pile installation. Piles shall be driven by approved methods in such a manner as not to subject the piles to serious injury and to insure proper interlocking throughout the length of the piles.

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Dewatering. Dewatering will be required for construction of the f. box culvert through the business district from Stations 27+50 to 37+00. Foundation grade varies from elevation +5.6 feet m.s.l. at Station 27+50 to elevation -5.42 feet m.s.l. at Station 37+00. According to geologic data, ground water varies from elevation +4.6 to +0.4 feet m.s.l. at this reach. Dewatering would be performed by the open sump method. Two ditches of approximately 2 feet deep, filled with selected material on both sides of the excavation bottom, should provide good drainage. Water would be collected at the end of each excavated section and removed by lift pumps. Ditches would be constructed after sheet piling installation. Silty and sandy materials occur within ground water level in some reaches. Although sheet piling will provide protection for these materials, care shall be taken to hold surface and subsurface erosion to a minimum during construction. Ground water table shall be maintained at least 1 foot below excavation grade until foundation work has been completed and the first lift of concrete in the structure has been in place at least 24 hours. Water stages and ground water elevations are subject to fluctuations and to the effect of hurricanes.





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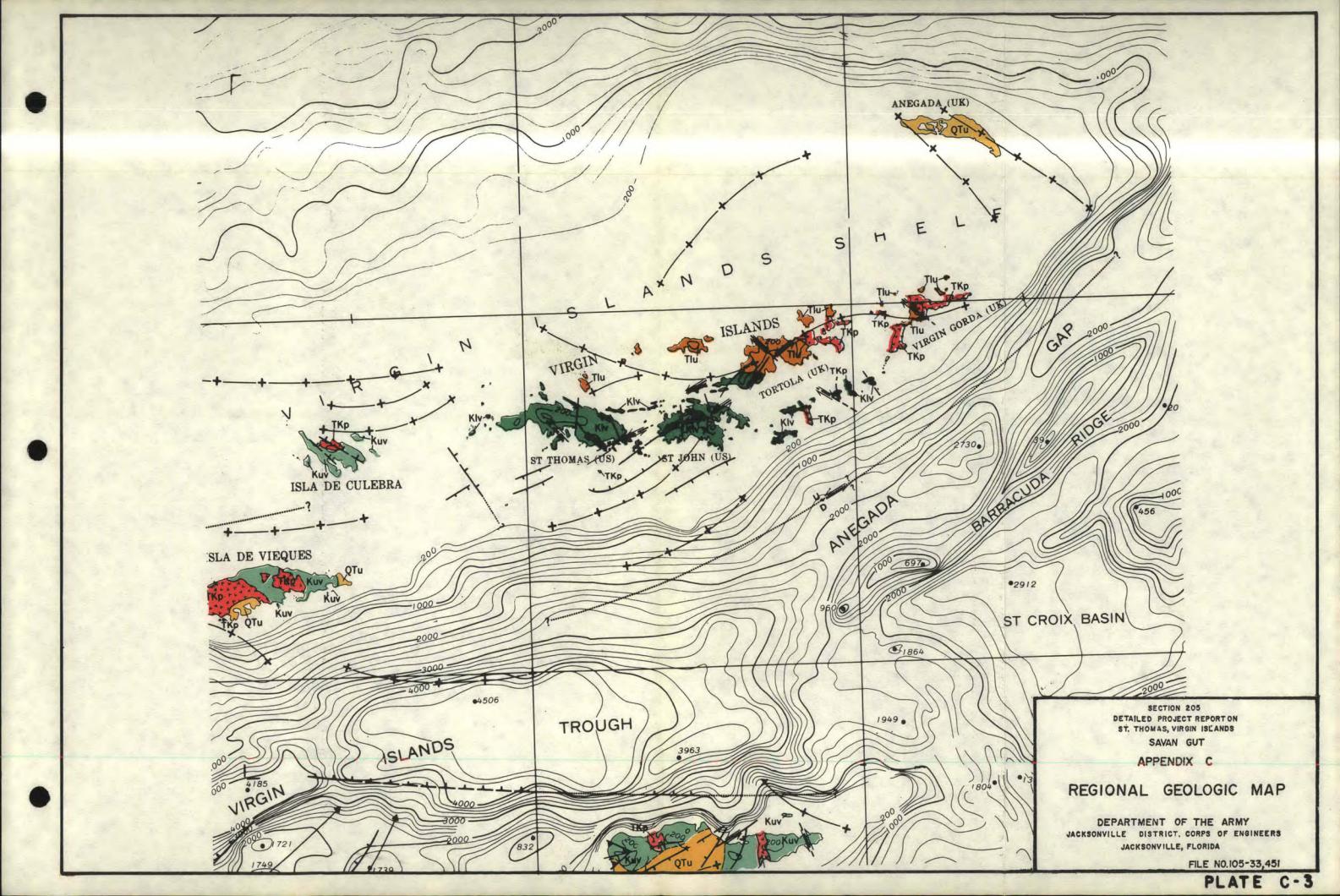
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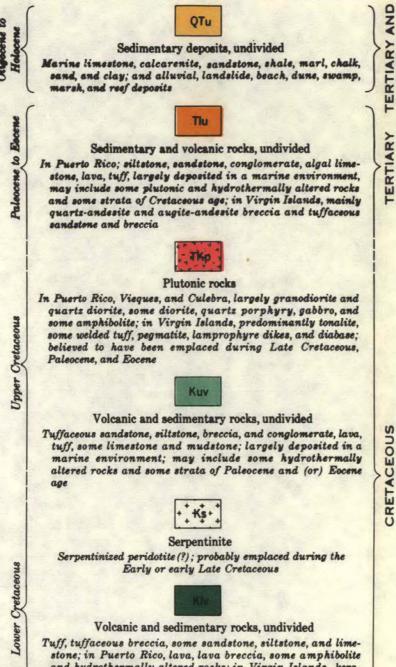
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APPENDIX C

PROJECT LOCATION MAP



# EXPLANATION



and hydrothermally altered rocks; in Virgin Islands, keratophyre and spilite flows, volcanic wackes, augite-andesite breccia, radiolarite, and some conglomerate; largely deposited in a marine environment; may include some strata of Late Cretaceous age

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Minor fault in sedimentary cover Not believed to involve basement. Solid in submarine areas based on seismic data. Dashed where extrapolated; dotted where speculated; queried where doubtful or inferred. Ticks indicate downthrown side

Fault zone

Zone of numerous down-to-basin faults along insular margin of Muertos Trough; fault pattern uncertain

Axial trace of fold

Dashed where extrapolated; direction of plunge indicated where known; arrows denote dip of sedimentary horizons away from crest

Monoclinal flexure Inferred trend of monocline involving sub-bottom horizons of

Venezuelan basin along south margin of Muertos Trough

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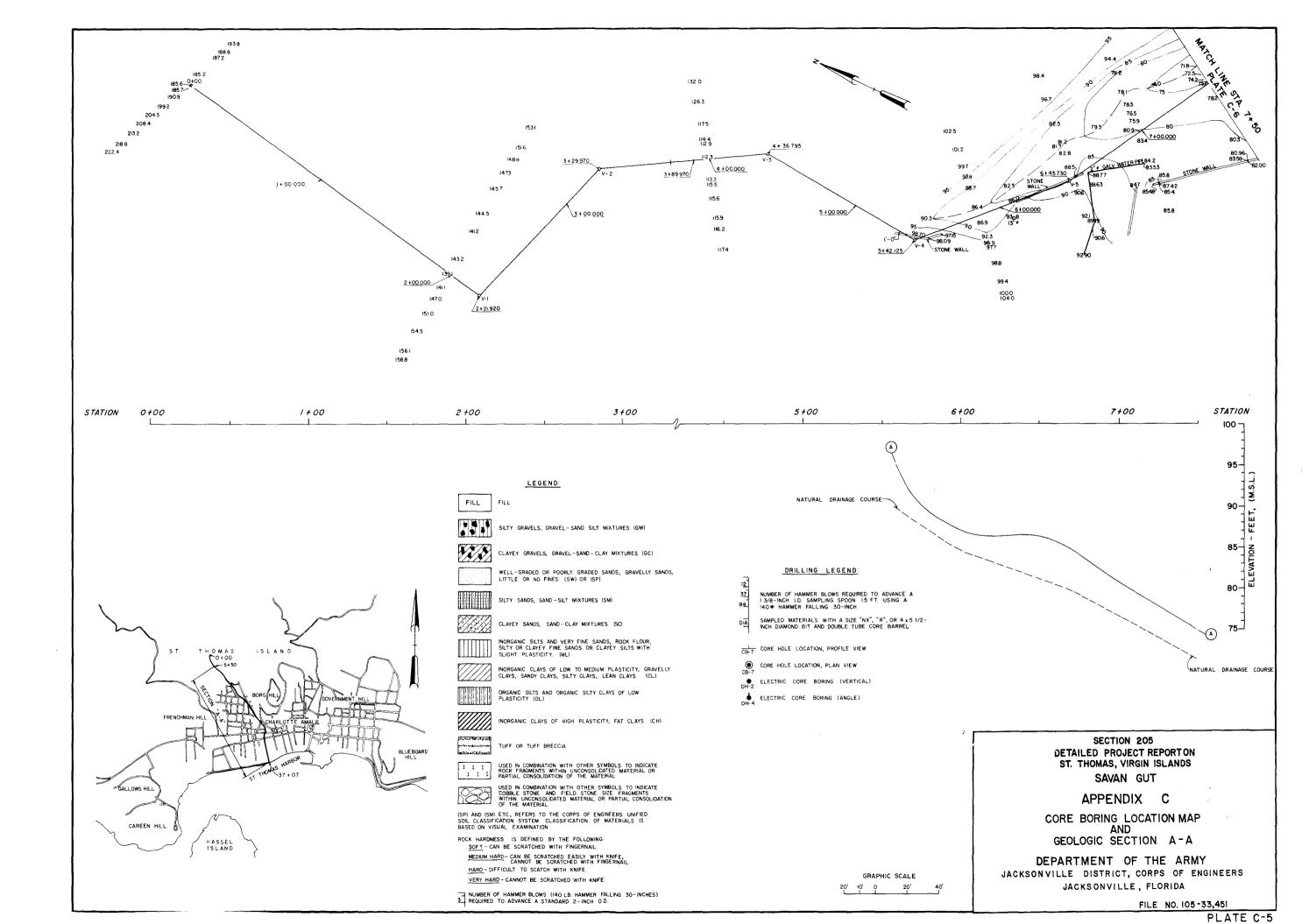
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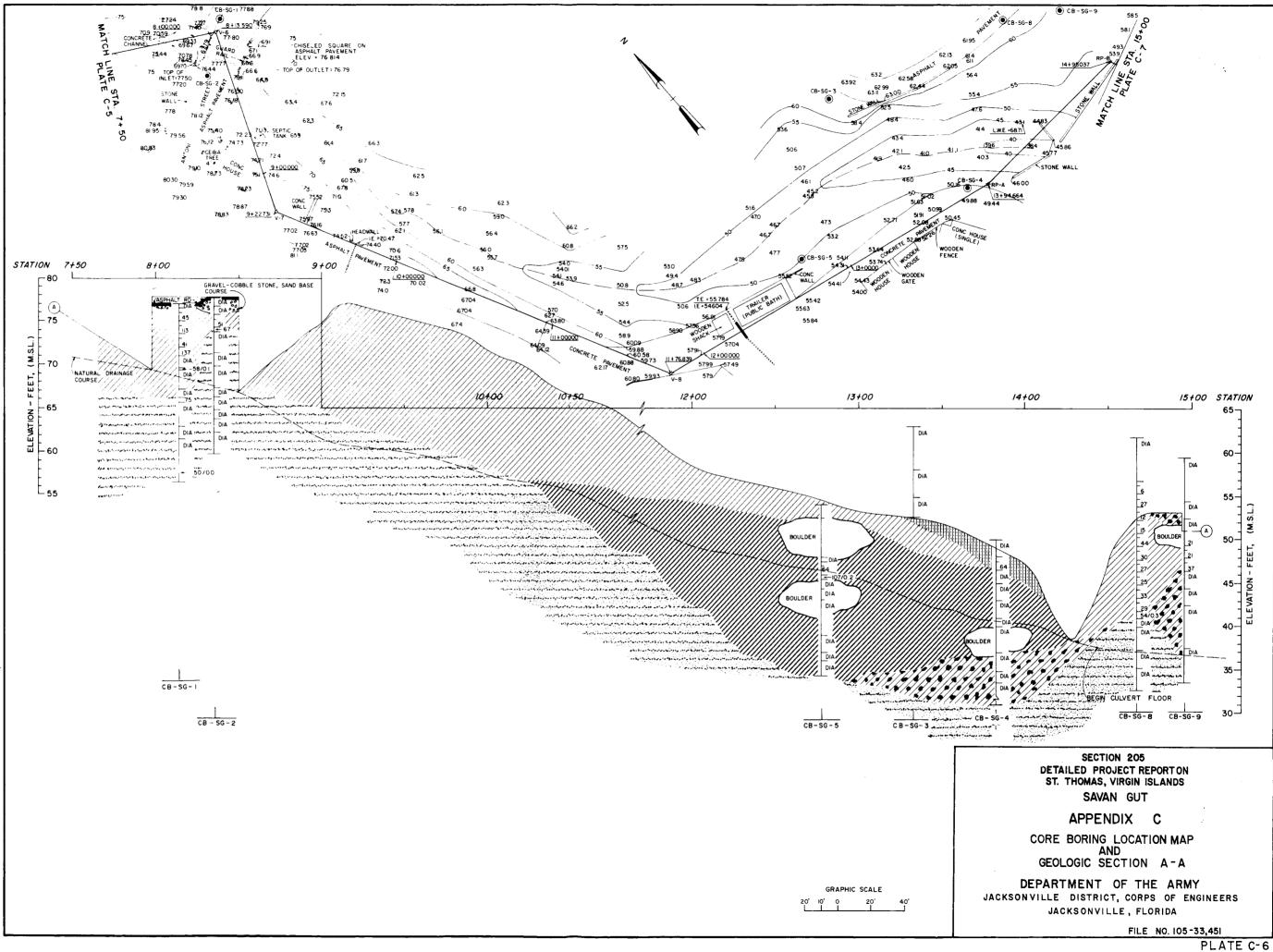
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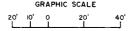
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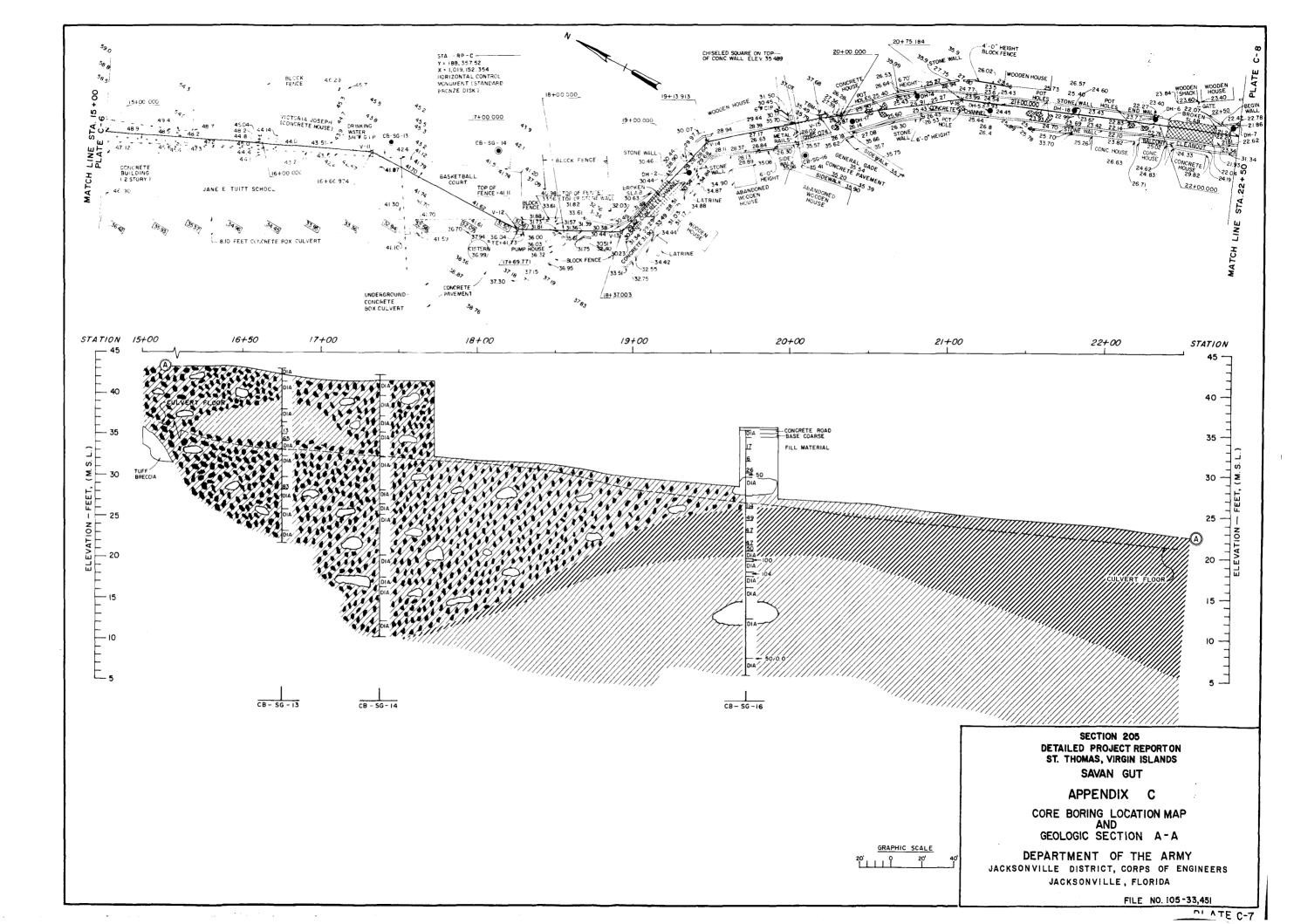
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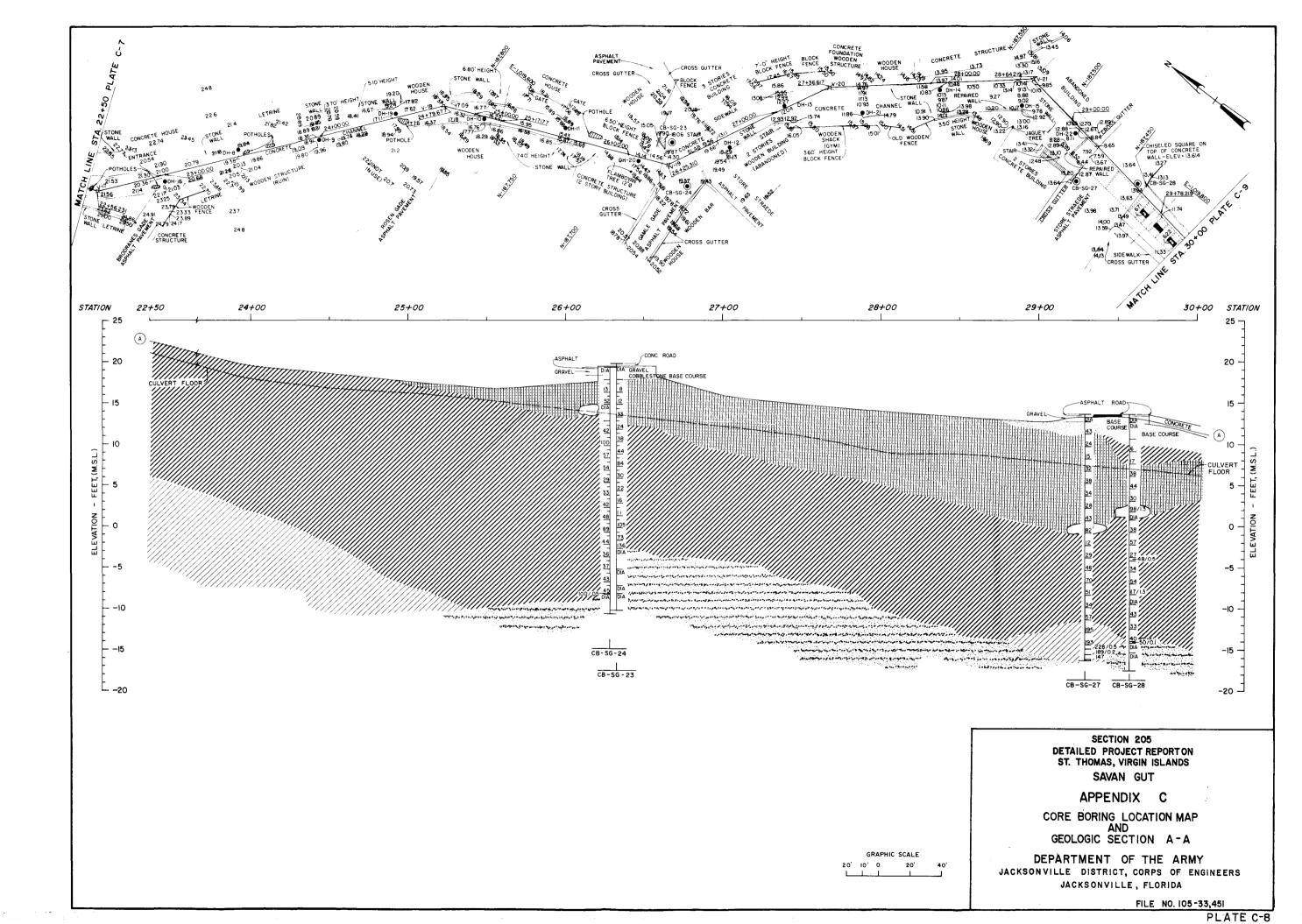
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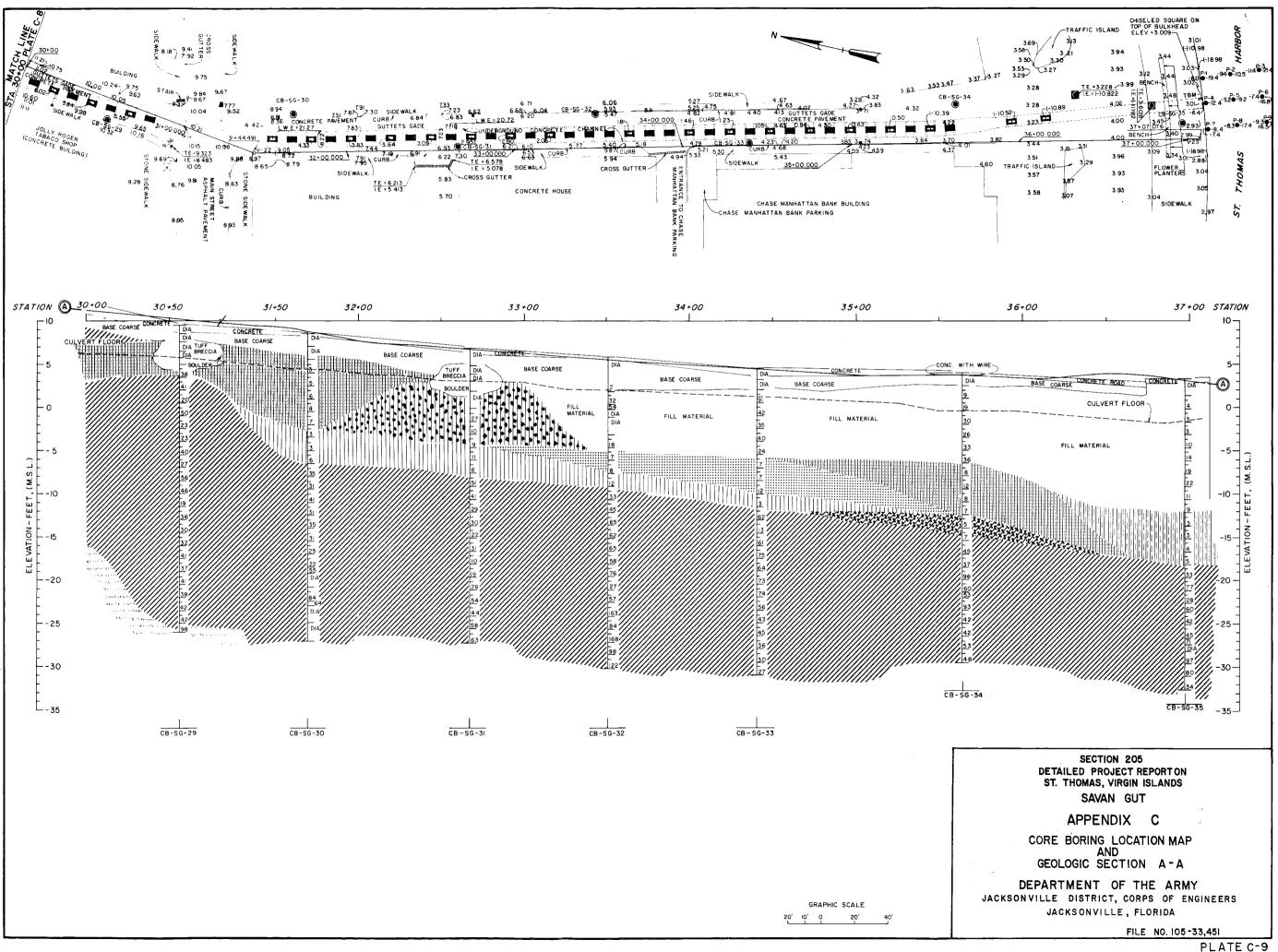


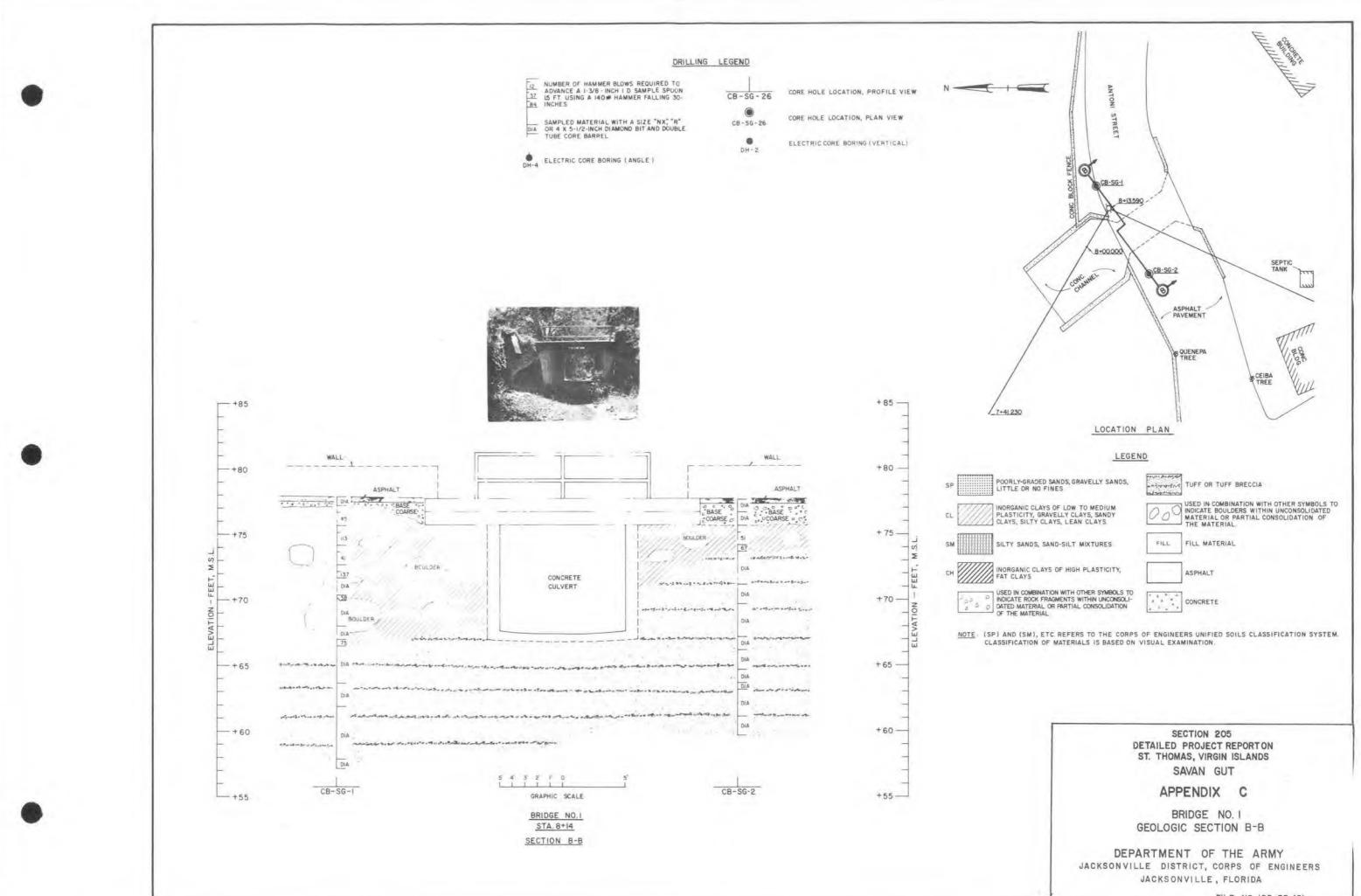






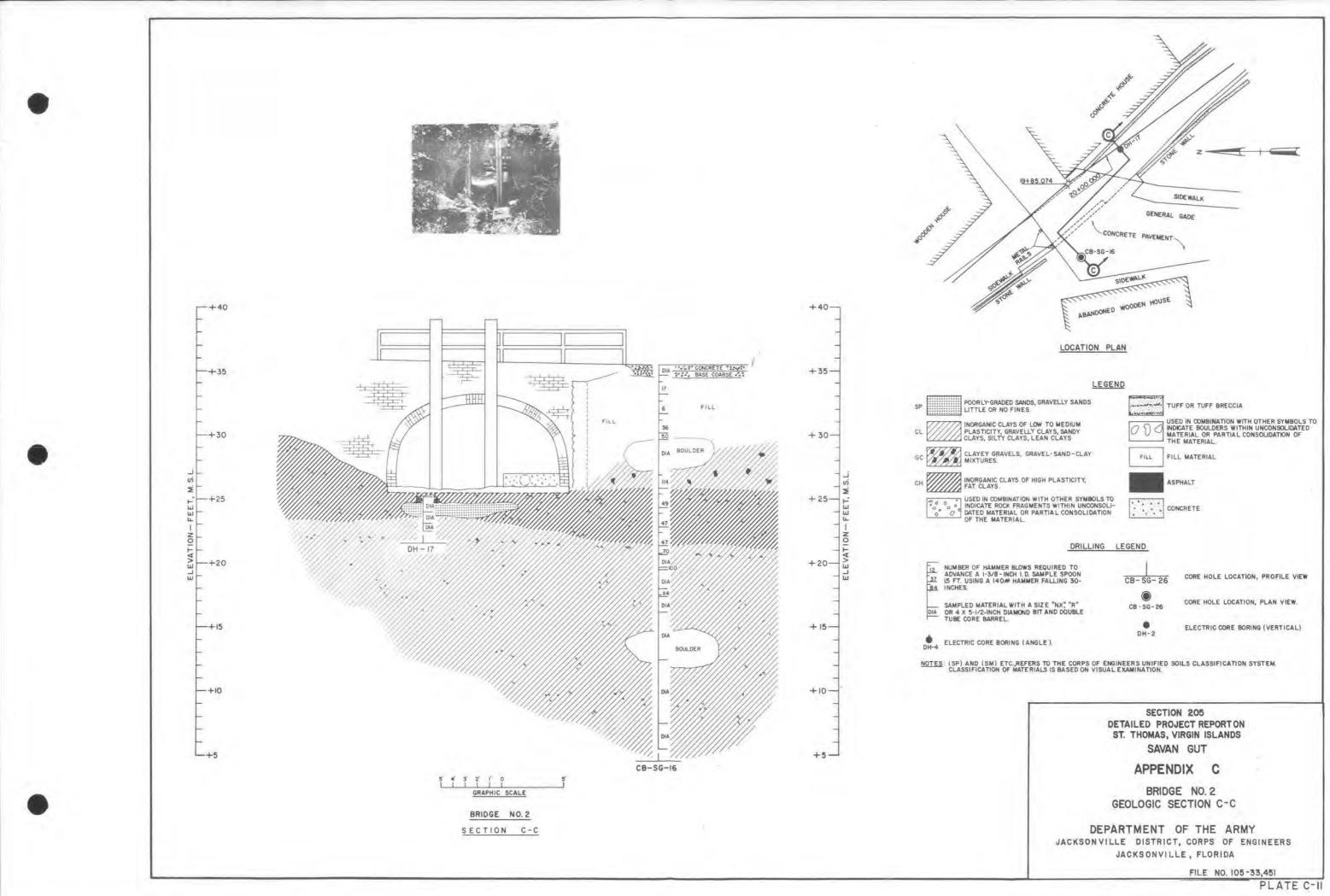


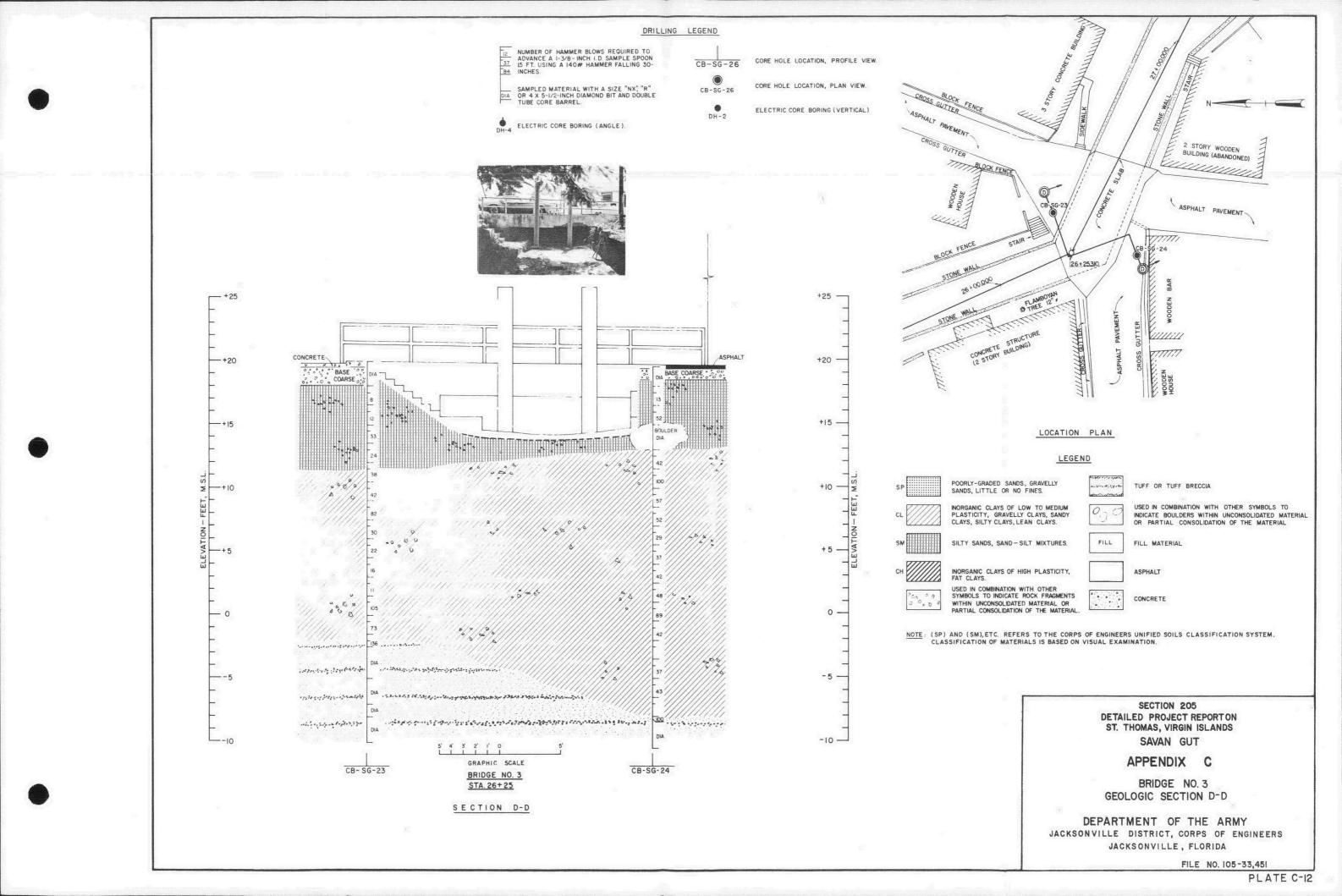


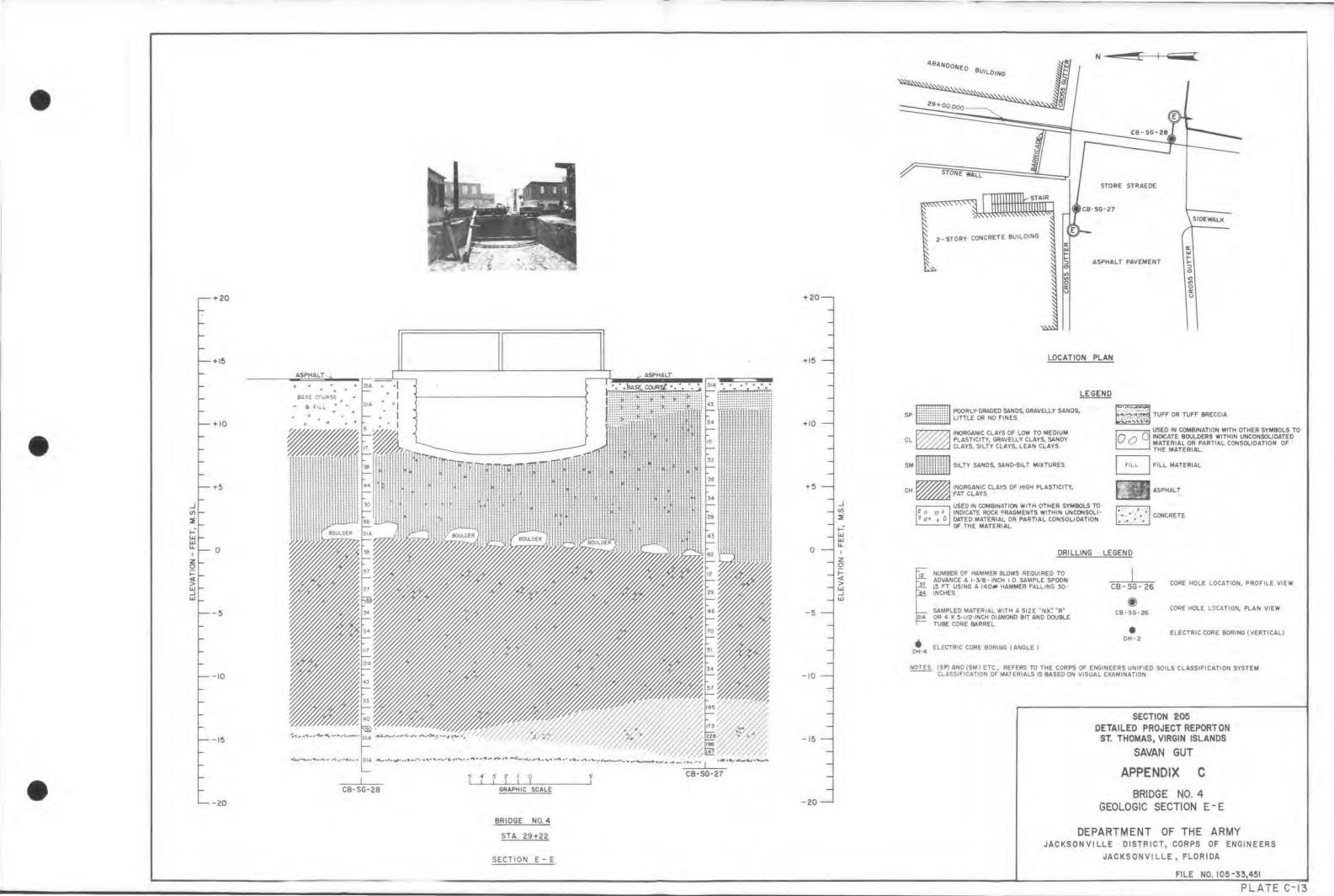


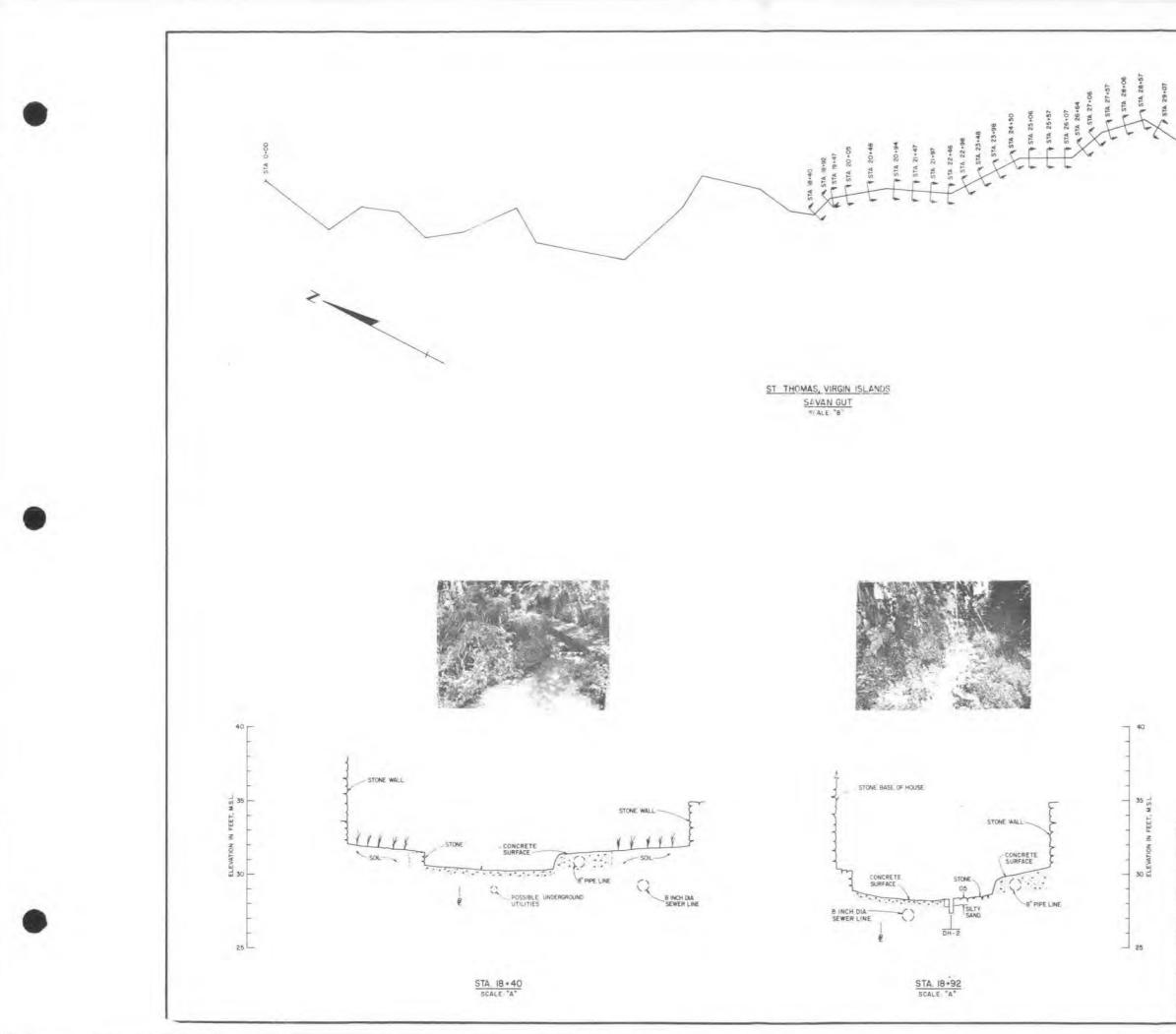
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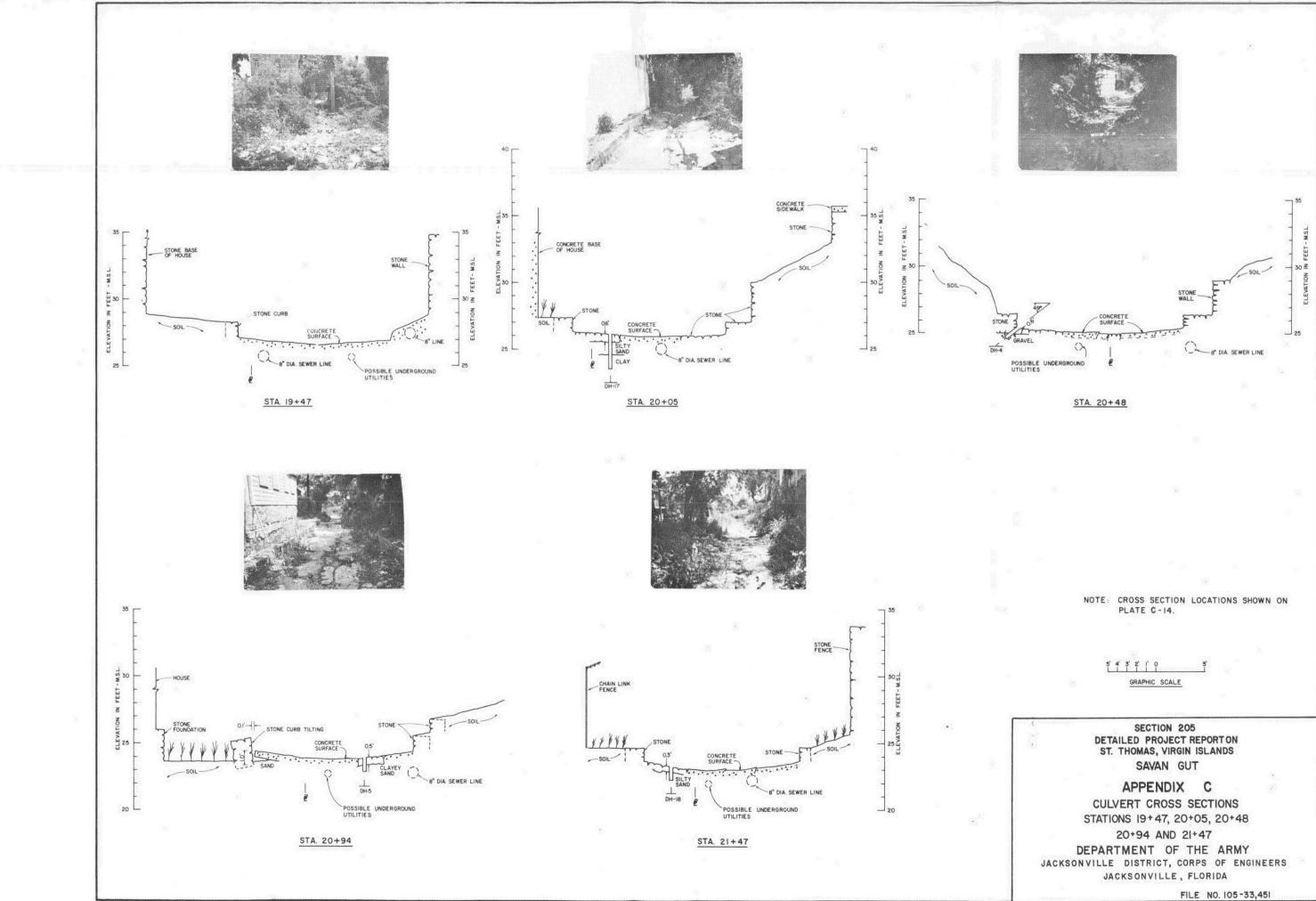
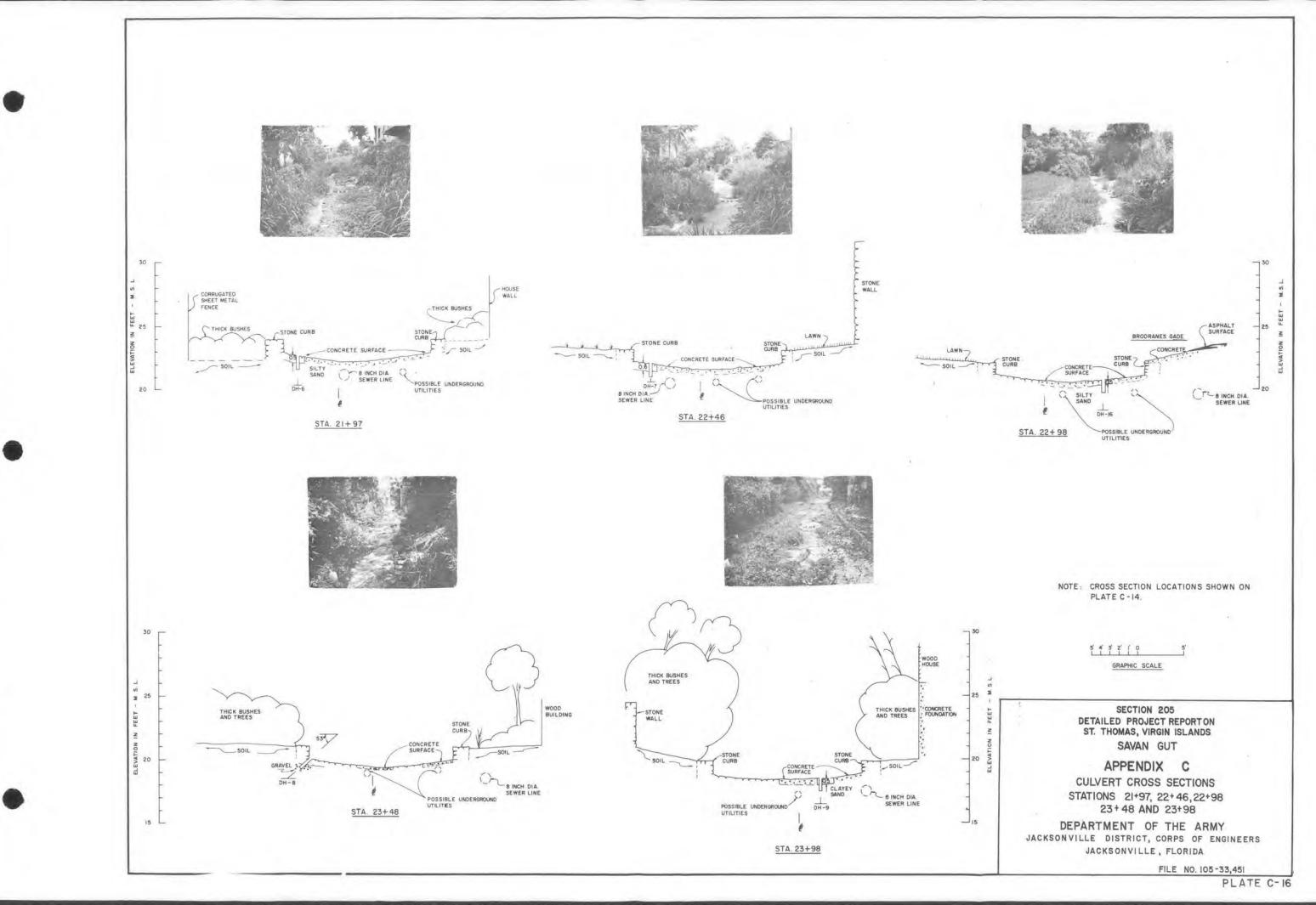
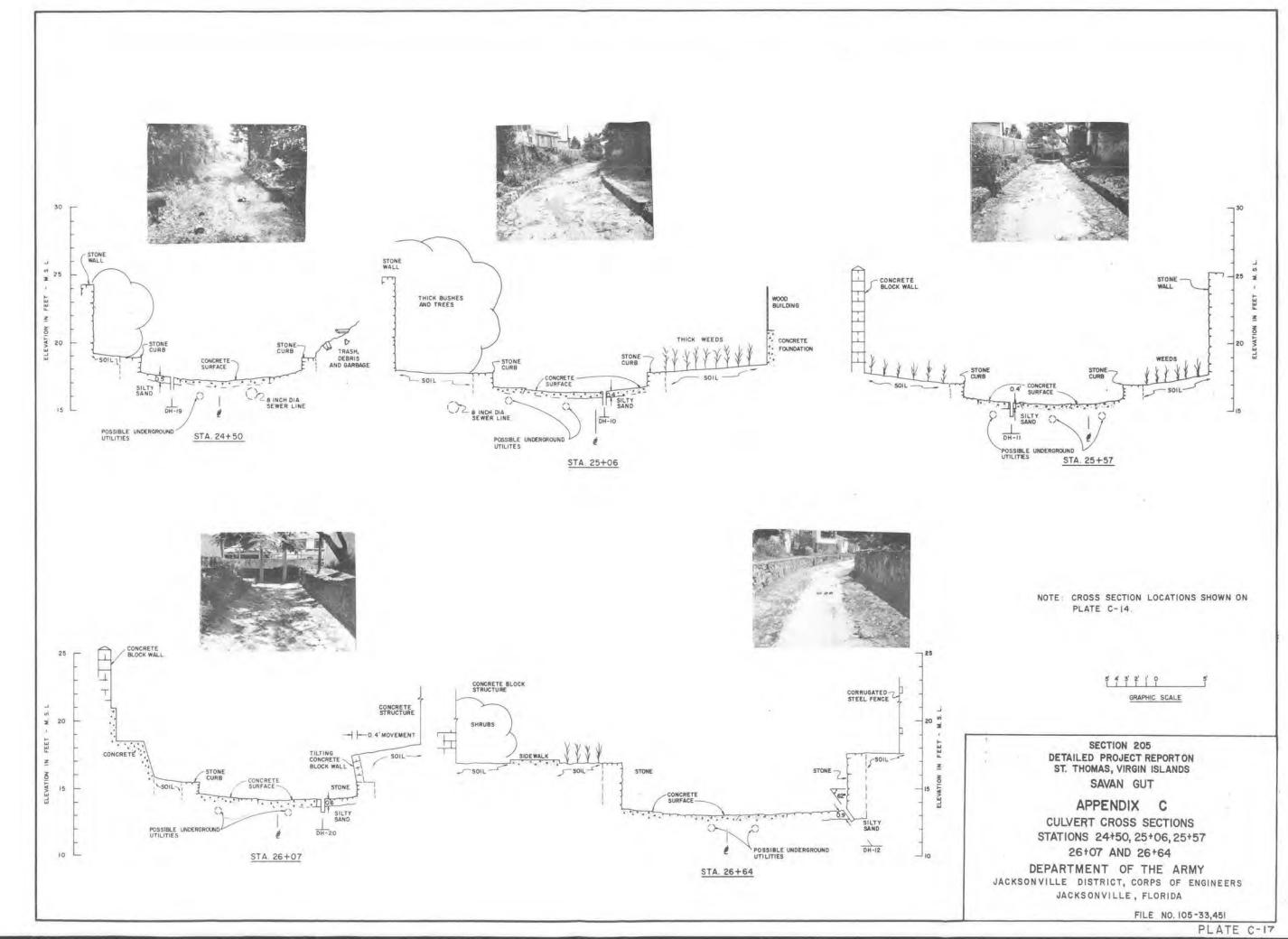
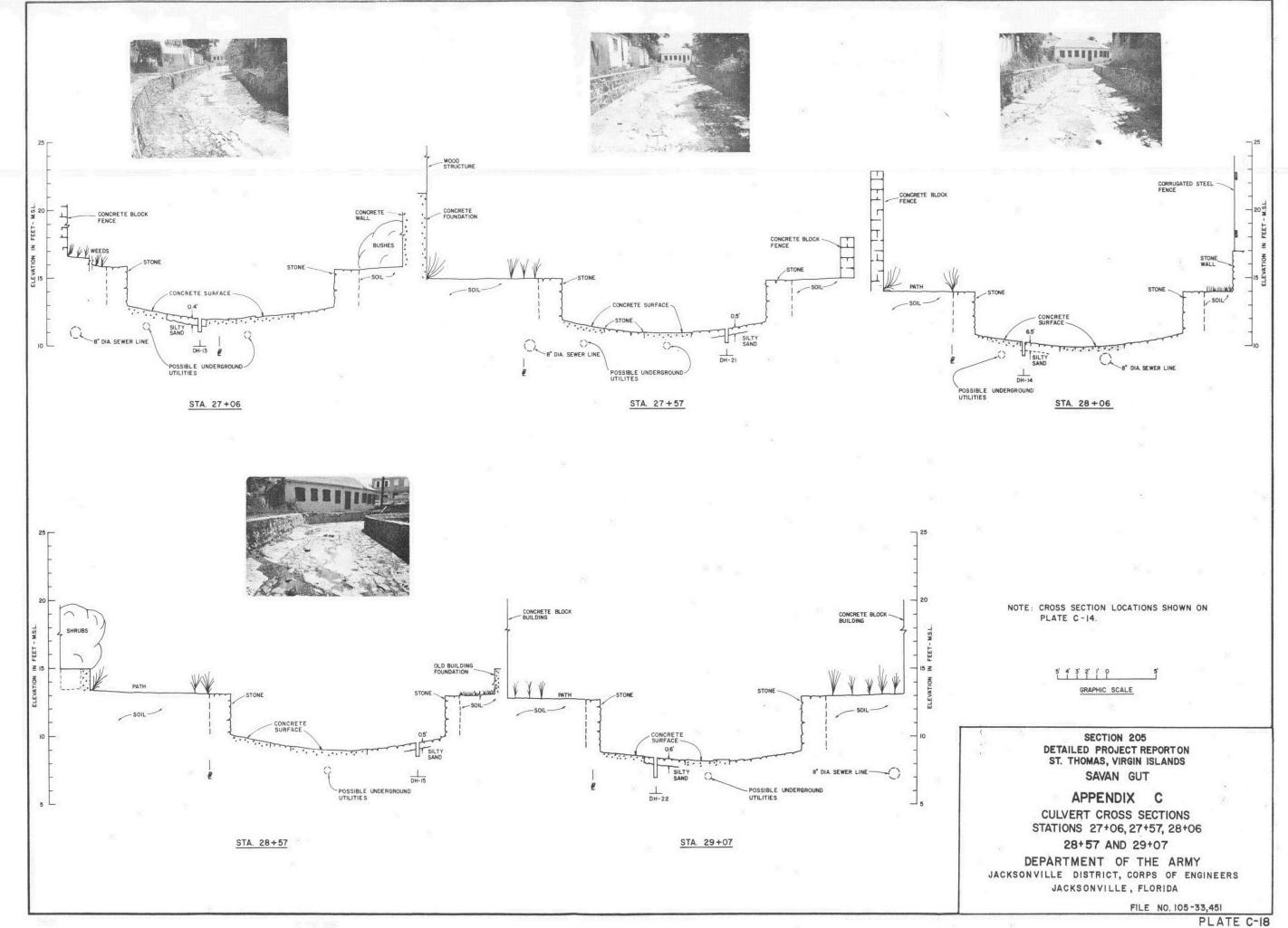


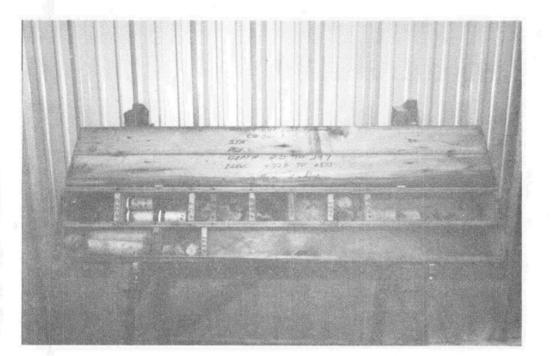
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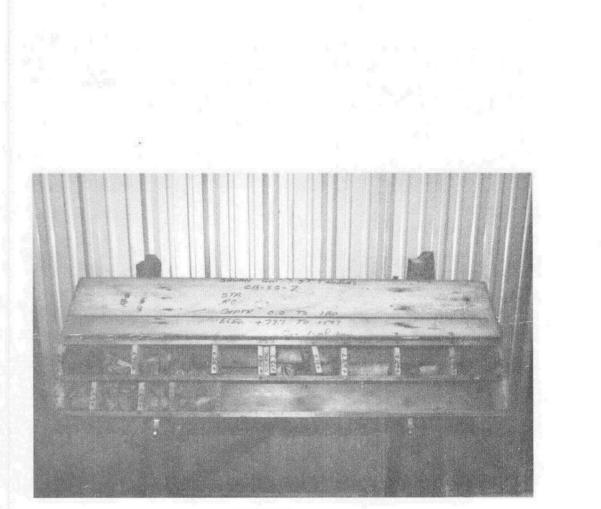


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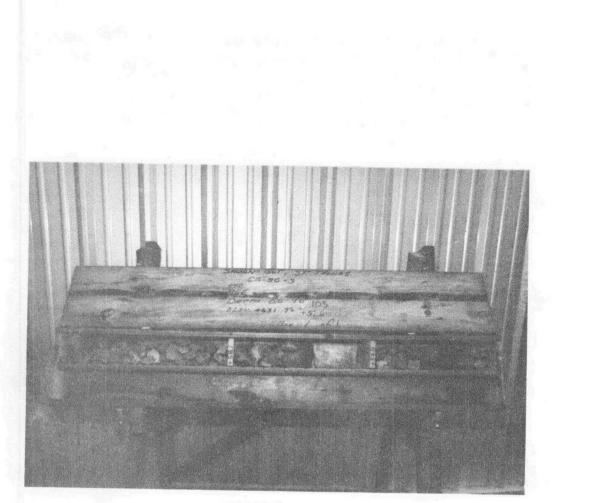
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	ING LO	~ I	vision Atlantic		onvill		rict	SHEET		
SAVAN G				10. SIZE AND TYPE OF BIT SEE REMARKS 11. DATUM FOR ELEVATION SHOWN (TBM or MSL)						
X=1,01	3 <b>,</b> 915	γ <b>=18</b> 8,	693 (Scaled)		MSL	R'S DESI	SNATION OF DRILL			
DRILLING	AGENCY			<u> </u>	Sprague	& Hen	wood			
Corps I HOLE NO.	OT Eng (As shown mbee)	n on drewk	ne title	BUR	AL NO. OF	OVER-	DISTURBED	UNDISTU		
NAME OF	DRILLER		<u>i CB-SG-3</u>		AL NUMBE					
J. Det	IOFF N OF HOL	. E		16. DAT		-	ATED IC	MPLETED		
VERTI-		NCLINED	DEG. FROM VERT.		ATION TO			<u>-10-80</u>		
THICKNES				18. тот	AL CORE P	RECOVER	Y FOR BORING		15 %	
TOTAL DE			+63.1		OGIST:					
LEVATION	DEPTH	LEGEND	CLASSIFICATION OF MATERIA	LS	% CORE RECOV- ERY	BOX OR SAMPLE NO.	REMA (Drilling time, wat- weathering, etc.,	RKS In Iose, dept il significai	h of	
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							BIT OR BAR	EL		
162 7							+63.1			
+63.1		13	CLAYEY SAND with mi <b>xtu</b>	rre of			DT 42 m	in		
			gravel, cobble stone a	nd	38		6" casi	ng .		
		$\mathbb{K}$	field stone size rock ments, well consolidat				HP 100	hai		
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		$\mathcal{A}$					+54.8			
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		$\Delta \Sigma$			35		4x5-1/2 HP 100		u j	
+52.6	10.5 -	$\mathcal{D}$					+52.6			
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			NOTE: 1. 6" casing set to +!	58.1.						
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CB-SG-3 Box 1, from elevation +63.1 to +52.6

Hole No. CB-SG-4 SHEET

							Hale No.	CB-SG			
DRILL	ING LO		vision outh Atlantic	INSTALL	ATION	ville D		SHEET			
PROJECT				Jacksonville District of 2 SHEETS 10. SIZE AND TYPE OF BIT SFE REMARKS 11. DATUM FOR ELEVATION SHOWN (TBM or MSL)							
Savan G			as, V.I.	11. DATUM FOR ELEVATION SHOWN (TBM or MSL)							
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Orps of		eers				Henwoo		UNDIST			
HOLE NO.			ng title	13. TOTA	DEN SAMP	OVER-	N	0.0.0			
NAME OF			CB-SG-4	-		R CORE B					
J. Det				15. ELEN	ATION G	TOUND WA		Ved			
DIRECTIO			DEG. FROM VERT.	16. DATE	HOLE			-5-80	0		
				17. ELEV	ATION TO	P OF HOL	.≝ +50.0				
DEPTH DR							FOR BORING		67 1		
TOTAL DE			23.1'	1	LOGIST	<del>смереая</del> : Т.	Novak				
	DEPTH		CLASSIFICATION OF MATERIA (Description)	LS	% CORE RECOV- ERY	BOX OR	REMAN	KS			
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							BIT OR BARR	EL			
							BL	OWS PE	R		
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+49.5	0.5				60		4x5-1/2		nd		
	1	200	GRAVEL-Cobble Stone - Base Coarse		-		HP 100		-		
+48.0	2.0-	0.0	Suge Oddige				+48.0				
		I	SAND, silty, with rock	frag-	27	1	Solit Spoon		14		
		I I	ments, brown (SM)				Split Spoon 1-3/8x2		30		
+46.5	3.5	* <u>1</u> . I					+46.5		34		
+45.9	4.1-	• 8 • 8 • 5 \$,	CLAY, fat, medium stif high plasticity, conta	f, ins			DT 28 m				
	1		many hard rock fragmen	ts.	40		4x5-1/2 +45.0 <sup>HP</sup> 100	unanio osi	na		
+45.0	5.0-		Reddish-brown (CH)			ļ	+45.0 <sup>m</sup> 188				
+44.1	5.8	••••		1	40		4x5-1/2		nd		
		1/1		· ·			HP 100				
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+42.6	7.4 -	1-1	Many very hard, tuffac	eous		I	DT 47 m	in			
	- '. • <u></u>	1/1	boulders scattered thr		20		4x5-1/2		nd		
		$\sqrt{y}$	clay.				HP 100	psi			
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RILLING	LOG	Cont S	heet) ELEVATION TOP OF HOLE				Hole	No. C	B-SG-4	····	
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			CLASSIFICATION OF			BOX OR	(D#	REMA	RKS		1
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		5	cobble stone and	field stone				4x5-1/		ond	F
	-		size rock fragmen	ts. Red-				HP 100	psı		F
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		RA			L		+30.5				Ŧ
		$\sim$		•				DT 59		لاسم	F
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		<b>.</b>	TUFFACEOUS BRECCIA	n, ridru, hrown	1						F
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26.9	23.1 _					ļ	+26.9	4x5-1/		ona 	F
								Hammer			F
			NOTE:	40.0			drop	used o	n 2.0'	split	٤F
			1. Set 6" casing		1		Spool	useu u n 1-3/8 .D.	5° 1.D.	X	F
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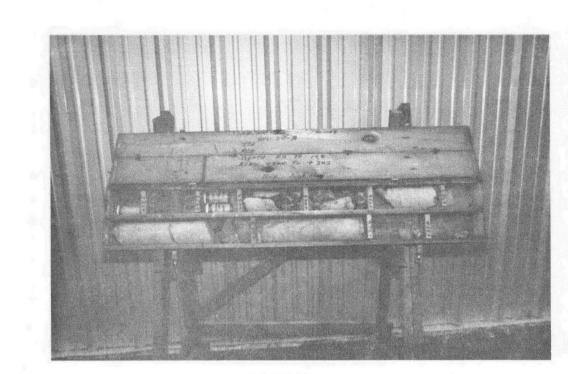
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DRILL	ING LO	~ I	outh Atlantic	Jacks	onville	))icto	rict	SHEET	1 HEETS
PROJECT	+ C+		as, Virgin Islands	10. SIZE	AND TYPE	OF BIT	See remarks		
LOCATION	(Coordina	tes or Sta	tion)	MSL	IN FOR EL	EVATION	SHOWN (TBM or MSL	.)	
X=1,018	AGENCY		) Y=188,636	_			GNATION OF DRILL		
Corps o			na tille	13. TOT	L NO. OF	OVER-	DISTURBED	UNDISTU	RBED
and file nur	nber)		CB-SG-5	·	L NUMBE				<u> </u>
J. Detl	off			15. ELEV	ATION GP				
DIRECTIO			DEG. FROM VERT.	16. DATE	HOLE	1	атер I с 28-80	OMPLETED 8-28-8	
THICKNES	S OF OVE	RBURDE	N	J	ATION TO				
DEPTH DR	ILLED IN			19. SISH	1. TKW9 FX 92.5	MARKAN			54 •
TOTAL DE			19.8 ft. CLASSIFICATION OF MATERIA		CORE :	-	lovak	RKS	
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							BIT OR E	BARREL	
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		4/1	CLAY, lean, with rock fragments, well consol	i	47	1	SPLIT	SPOON	23
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		•• 8 •• 9	TUFFACEOUS BRECCIA, ve	ry			DIAMOND 4 x		
		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	hard, light gray		82			hr. 43 00 psi	min
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		£\.)	CLAY, fat, medium stif		0		DIAMOND 4x5		· . /
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			reddish-brown (CH)	, i			+46.0		49
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			TUFFACEOUS BRECCIA, ve hard, stained along th		80		DIAMOND 4x5 +44.3 HP	-1/2 DT: 100 psi	36min
		0 00 00	many joints and fractu	res,			DIAMOND 4x5		28min
		•••••	some clay seams, light gray		. 08			100 psi	
		••••••	- BOULDERS -		100		DIAMOND 4x5		3min
								100 psi	
					60		DIAMONI DT 42 r	) 4x5-1/ nin	2
	=						HP 100		
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+38.8	15.2	$\mathbf{X}$		ŀ			+38.8		
	Ξ				70		DIAMONI DT 46 m	) 4x5-1/ nin	2
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-36.7	17.3	$\overline{\mathcal{N}}$			70		+36.8 NX DIAM	IOND	· · · · ·
		<b>.</b>			10		+35.8 DT 18m		00psi
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	=				19		HP 100		
34.2	19.8	<u>, e. e. e</u>					+34.2	· · · · ·	
Ì	4		NOTES:				140# hammer drop used on		
			1. Set 6-inch casing	to +46	.9		spoon. (1-3	/8" I.D	
	1		2. Grouted hole with	cement	upon	omplot	X 2" O.D.)		
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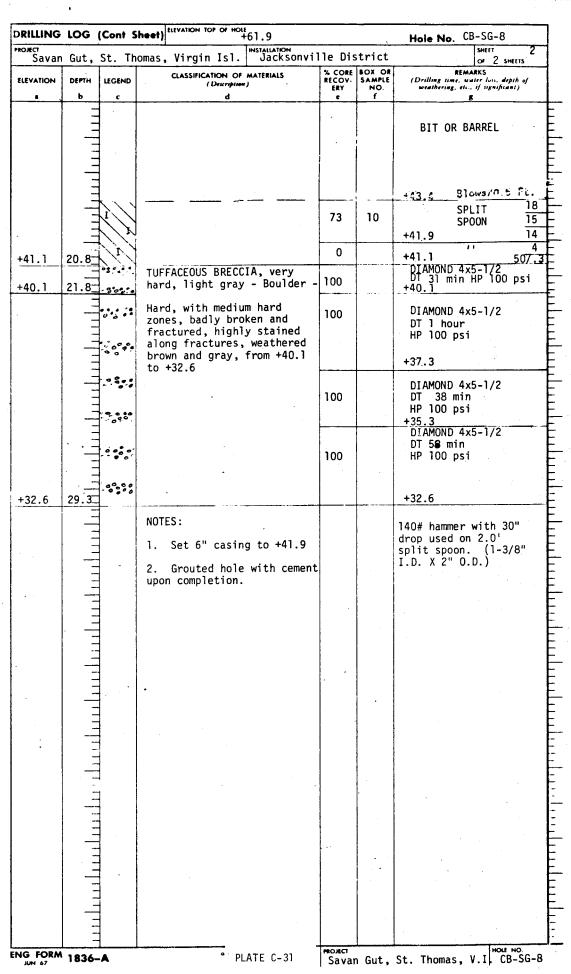
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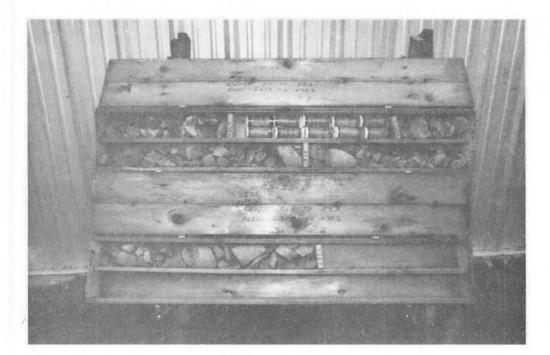


CB-SG-5 Box 1, from elevation +54.0 to +34.2

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PROJECT Savan (	Gut, St.	Thom	as, Virgin Islands	10. SIZE AND TYPE OF BIT SEE REMARKS 11. DATUM FOR ELEVATION SHOWN (TBM or MSL)							
OCATION	(Coordinate),024 (	a an Ctat	11	MSL 12. MAN	JFACTURE	R'S DESI	SNATION OF DRILL		· · · · · · · · ·		
DRILLING	AGENCY of Engir			Spr	ague &	Henwoo	d	UNDISTU			
HOLE NO.	(As shown of nbez)	n drewin	CB-SG-8	- 13. TOT	AL NO. OF	OVER-	N				
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	OF HOLE			15. ELE		-	RTED C	OMPLETER	,		
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	S OF OVERE						Y FOR BORING	6	5 1		
	PTH OF HO		29.3	19. \$05 M	KTRUMHEXOR9	CONSPERSION	oonx lovak				
EVATION	DEPTH LE	·····	CLASSIFICATION OF MATER (Description)	IALS	% CORE RECOV- ERY	BOX OR SAMPLE NO.	REMA (Drilling time, wa weathering, etc.	RKS ter loss, dej	xh of unt)		
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+56.9	5.0	$\langle \rangle$					+56.9				
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	Æ		many small rock lens		07		+55.4		3		
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		$\sim$			87	2	+53.9		13 14		
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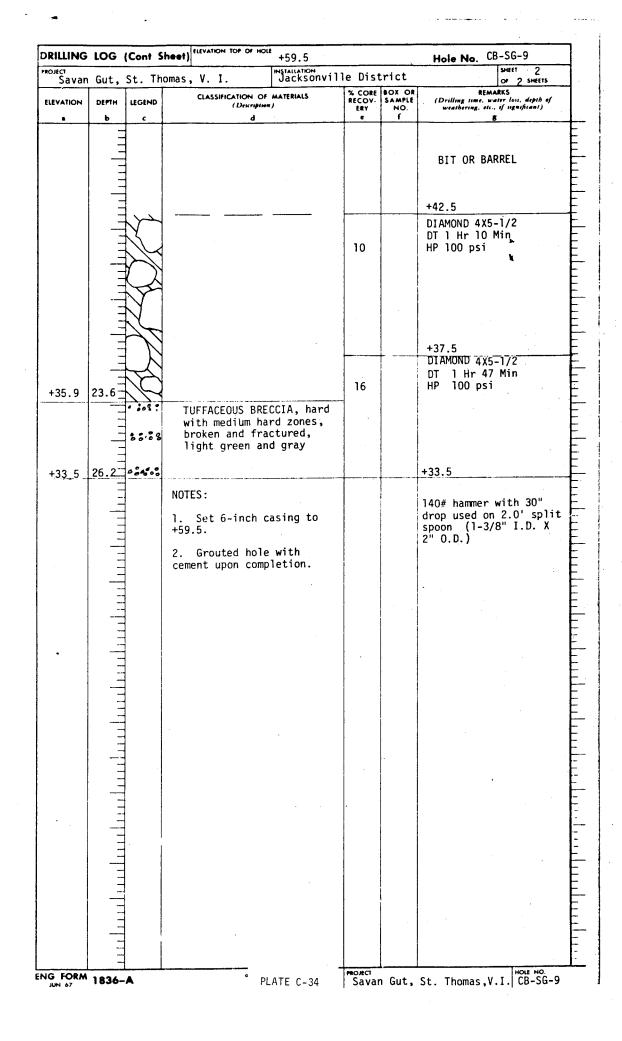


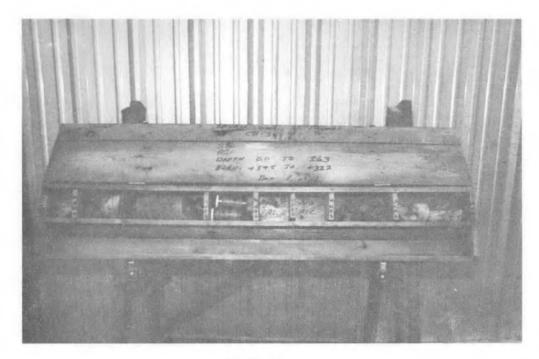


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			St. Thomas, Virgin Islands	10. SIZE	AND TYPE	OF BIT	See remarks SHOWN (TBM or MSL	5		
		scaled	$(1)^{(1)}Y = 188,639$		FACTURE		NATION OF DRILL			
Corps of	f Engi	neers		Sprague & Henwood						
HOLE NO. and file nut	(As show mbee)	n on drew	CB-SG-9	BURDEN SAMPLES TAKEN						
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DIRECTIO			DEG. FROM VERT.	IS. DATE HOLE STARTED  COMPLETED						
THICKNES							ε +59.5			
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		$\mathcal{X}$	SAND-CLAY mixture,	. <b>-</b> "	6		DT 1 Hr HP		i	
		$\lambda$	reddish brown (GC)							
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53.0	6.7	AX.	]		25		HP 100 psi			
		· · · · · · · ·	TUFFACEOUS BRECCIA, hard, light gray,				+52.5 DIAMOND 4X5	-1/2		
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49.5	10.6-						+49.5			
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•	·	X	rock fragments, redc brown (CL)				+48.0		13	
		Nr /			47	2	SPLIT SPOON		20	
46.5	13.0-	X	4				+46.5		17	
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			SAND-CLAY mixture, w many cobble stone an	d	_		JE JE 1011		ונק .	
	-	Y	field stone size fra reddish brown (GC)	gments			+44.5			
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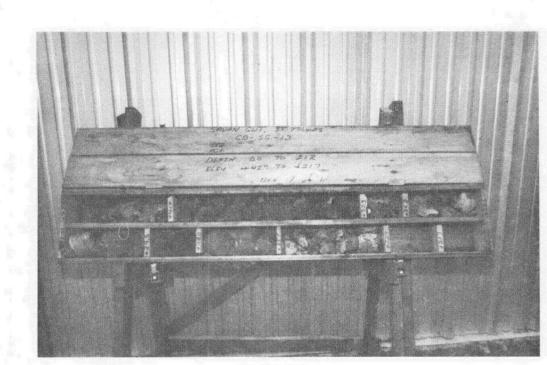


CB-SG-9 Box 1, from elevation +59.5 to +33.2

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PROJECT				10. SIZE	AND TYP	OF BIT	See remark		-			
Savan G	Sut, St	t. Thom	nas, Virgin Islands		IN FOR EL	EVATION	SHOWN (TBM or MSL)		-			
X=1,019	132	Scal		MSL 12. MANUFACTURER'S DESIGNATION OF DRILL								
Corps o	AGENCY	ineers		Sprague & Henwood								
HOLE NO.	(As show	n on drawl		13. TOTAL NO. OF OVER- BURDEN SAMPLES TAKEN								
NAME OF			CB-SG-13	14. TOTAL NUMBER CORE BOXES								
J. Detl	off		·	15. ELEVATION GROUND WATER NOT ODSERVED								
DIRECTIO			DEG. FROM VERT.	16. DATE	E HOLE			25 Sep 80				
				17. ELEV	ATION TO							
DEPTH DR							Y FOR BORING	51	1			
TOTAL DE					LOGIST		xome Novak					
		LEGEND	CLASSIFICATION OF MATERIA		CORE RECOV-		REMAR	KS depth of	_			
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	-						BIT OR E	ARREL				
+42.9	0.6						+42.9 Blow	s/0.5 Ft.				
	_	22	CLAYEY GRAVEL, gravel-		80			) 4X5-1/2				
Ì		NYN	clay mixture, clay is					min Doci				
		$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle$	high plasticity, mediu stiff, reddish brown (	GC)			+41.4 HP 100	) psi				
	_	$\searrow$				ļ	DIAMONE	4X5-1/2				
		$(\forall \lambda)$					DT 21	min				
		$\mathcal{H}$					HP 100	) psi ing to +37.	c			
		$\mathcal{S}$	•		66		0 Casi	ng to +57.	. 3			
+37.4	4.5	$\mathbf{x}$				ŀ						
		$\mathcal{F}$	CLAY, lean, low to med			ļ	+37.9					
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		N	stone size rock fragme	nts,	62			min ) psi				
		KA	reddish brown (GC)				+32.1	251				
	-	N I										
		$\Sigma$					DT 56	) 4X5-1/2 min				
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		1254			32		DIAMONI DT 47		÷			
-	-	NI			52	Į		) psi				
		K	CLAY, light gray in co	lor								
	-	$\sqrt{7}$	from +25.5 to +21.7				+25.5					
		$\langle \rangle \rangle$						14X5-1/2				
		Ω I			38	1		min ) psi				
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	-	$\langle \rangle \rangle$				1						
		b				L	+22.9					
]		M			0			) 4X5-1/2				
+21.7	21.2	$\mathbb{R}^{1}$			U		+21.7 HP 100	psi				
			NOTES:				140# hammer v	vith 30"				
			1. Set 6" casing to			}	drop used on	2.0' split	t			
				comon			spoon. (1-3/ 2" 0.D.)	8" I.U. X				
			2. Grouted hole with upon completion	cement	ľ		2 0.0.1					
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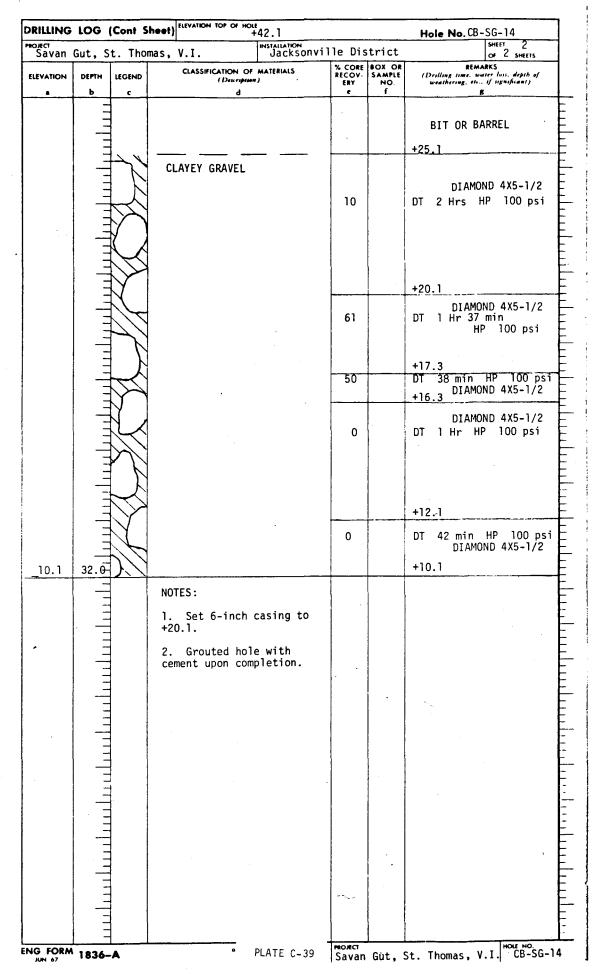
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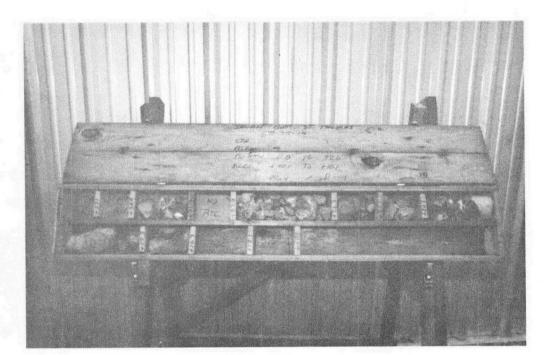
CB-SG-13 Box 1, from elevation +42.9 to +21.7

PROJECT	LING LO	~ 1 3	South Atlantic	Jack	sonvill	e Dist	rict I.	OF 2 SHEETS
Savar C	ut \$+		us, Virgin Islands	10. SIZE	AND TYPE	OF BIT	See remarks	
LOCATIO	LConde		Y=188,367	MSL				
DRILLING	AGENCY			1	uFACTURE		GNATION OF DRILL	
Corps O	<u>f Engi</u>	neers	4 1110		AL NO. OF			UNDISTURBED
end Ille nu			CB-SG-14		AL NUMBE			
J. Detl	off			15. ELE	VATION GP			
DIRECTIO		E	DEG. FROM VERT.	16. DAT	E HOLE			-03-80
THICKNES							LE +42.1	
DEPTH D			<u> </u>	19. 3/6A	ATORE OF		Y FOR BORING	15
TOTAL D	EPTH OF	HOLE	32.0 ft.	GEOL	OGIST:	1. NC	ovak	
LEVATION	l	LEGEND	CLASSIFICATION OF MATERIA (Description)	LS	A CORE RECOV- ERY	BOX OR SAMPLE NO. f		5 Iose, depth el eignificant)
0		<u>د</u>	d				9	
	=				l		BIT OR BAR	REL
					1			
+42.1	0.0				[		+42.1	
	=		CLAYEY GRAVEL, GRAV	EL-			DIAMOND	AVE 1/2
	=		SAND-CLAY mixture, is fat, high plasti	clay	0		DIAMOND DT 37 min H	
		$\mathcal{A}$	medium stiff					•
	=	DR.	reddish brown (GC)				+39.6	
		$\mathbb{X}$	contains cobble sto	ne and			DIAMOND	AY5_1/2
	_	63	field stone size ro fragments from "37.	l to	0		DT 42 min H	
		2	+10.1					
+37.1	5.0	$\mathbb{R}$	•				+37.1	
		Z					DIAMOND	4X5-1/2
	=	$\square$			0		DT 52 min H	IP 100 psi
	=	X					+34.9	
	-	p~						· · · · ·
		K I	-		20		DIAMOND DT ו Hr 21 mi	4X5-1/2 n
		$\searrow$					HP 100	
		N X						
							+31.9	
		N					DIAMOND	AVE 1/2
		$\mathbb{N}$			0		DT 2 Hrs HF	4X5-1/2 > 100 psi
		$ \bowtie$						
		N						
		$\mathbb{M}$						
		K A					+27.9	
•		$\Delta \mathcal{N}$			69		DIAMOND DT 47 min HF	4X5-1/2 2 100 psi
	-	$  \langle \rangle$			09		+26.3	
		し と ゴ			42		DT 51 min H	HP 100 ps D 4X5-1/2
•		$\mathbb{N}$					+25.1	
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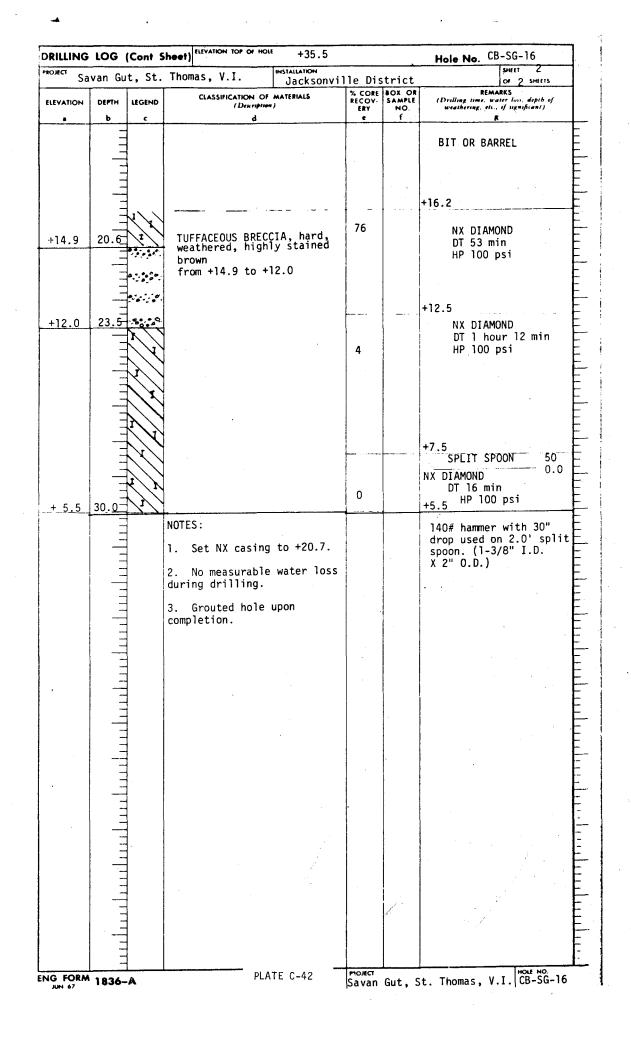
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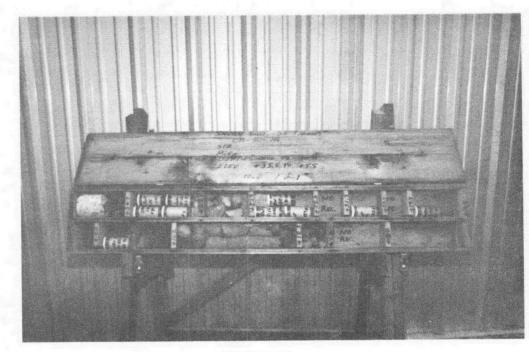
CB-SG-14 Box 1, from elevation +42.1 to +10.1

PLATE C-40

							Hole No. CB					
	ING LOG	DI	South Atlantic	Jack	Sonvil	le Dis		F 2 SHEETS				
PROJECT Savan G	ut, St.	Thor	nas, Virgin Islands		AND TYPE		See remarks SHOWN (TBM or MSL)					
X=1.019	245 (sca		ettor) Y=188,194		UFACTURE	R'S DESI	GNATION OF DRILL					
Corps o		ers		Sprague & Henwood								
HOLE NO. and file num	f Engine	n draw	CB-SG-16	13. TOTAL NO. OF OVER- BURDEN SAMPLES TAKEN								
J. Detl				14. TOTAL NUMBER CORE BOXES								
DIRECTION	•••			15. ELEVATION GROUND WATER +15.0								
VERTIC			DEG. FROM VERT.	- 15. DATE HOLE 8-18-80 8-19-80								
	S OF OVERE						Y FOR BORING	34				
	PTH OF HO		30.0 ft.		OGIST:							
······································	DEPTH LE		T			BOX OR SAMPLE NO.		see, depth of				
	<b>-</b>	<u> </u>	dd		•	<u> </u>	•					
							BIT OR BAR	REL				
+35.5	0.0				1		+35.5 Blows/0	15 Ft				
+35.1	0.4	10 C			88		DIAMOND 4x5-1/2					
+34.7	0.85	00	GRAVEL and COBBLE STONI	- -			+34.7	6				
			- FILL MATERIAL -		67	1	SPLIT SPC	00N _ 0 9_				
	=		silty sands, gravel,				+33.2	8				
			broken glass and bottle some clay, color gray,		67	2	16 16	- 4				
ſ	=		dark brown to reddish-l		0,		+31.7	$-\frac{3}{3}$				
								3				
	=				60	3	11 11	_10_				
					0	4	+30.2	26				
+29.7	5.8	°°° .	TUFFACEOUS BRECCIA, ha	ard			+29.7 " " NX DIAMON	50				
		0 0 4	boulders in clay, gray	/	17		DT 52 min					
		÷:8,9			17		HP 100 ps	i				
+27.3	8.3 %		·			-	+27.3	-				
	ĘĘ	X	CLAYEY GRAVELS, gravel			-		31				
	, Fa	2	sand, clay mixture (GG	C)	60	5	SPLIT SPO					
+25.8	9.7	5	CLAY, fat, stiff, high	<u></u>			+25.8	<u>62</u> 20				
	=	$\mathcal{N}$	plasticity, contains n		13	6	<b>n</b> n	_]8				
	Æ	X	small hard fragments, reddish brown (CH	)			+24.3	31				
		$\mathbf{N}$	<b>,</b>	·		_	n 1	<u>26</u> 28				
	.E.	X			20	7	+22.8	19				
	Z = N	N					11 H	_10_				
-21.3	14.2	N			0		+21 3	<u>20</u> 27				
<u></u>	T.		CLAY, lean, low plasti	citv	50	8	+21.3	50				
	_= <b>\</b> `	$\langle \rangle$	well consolidated, wit	:h ]	0	-	+20.7 NX DIAMO	0.1				
	Æ	$\langle n \rangle$	rock fragments, brown	(CL)			+19.7 DT 7min H	P 100 psi				
	-+*	$\mathbb{N}$			- 50	ġ.	+19.5 SPLIT SPO	ON 100				
	Ē	$\mathcal{N}$			<sup>·</sup> 13		NX DIAMOND DT 13 min	0.2 HP 100ps				
· ·		$[\mathcal{V}]$			67	10	+18.0	14				
	E E	N			07		+17.4	<u></u>				
	- <u>-</u> X	$\mathbf{N}$			50		NX DIAMOND					
	Ē	×۷					+16.2 DT 19min	HP TUOPSI				
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	H											
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CB-SG-16 Box 1, from elevation +35.5 to +5.5

,			VISION	INSTAL	ATION		······	lole No	CB-SG-2			
PROJECT	ING LO		outh Atlantic		AND TYPE		rict See re	marks	OF 2	SHEETS		
Savan (			nas, Virgin Islands	MSL	UM FOR EL	EVATION	SHOWN (T	BM or MS	L)			
X=1,019	9,628			12. MANUFACTURER'S DESIGNATION OF DRILL Sprague & Henwood								
Corps ( HOLE NO.	of Eng	neers	ng title	13. TOTAL NO. OF OVER- BURDEN SAMPLES TAKEN								
NAME OF	DRILLER		CB-SG-23	14. TOTAL NUMBER CORE BOXES								
B. Ranc		. E		IS. ELEVATION GROUND WATER Not observed								
		NCLINED	DEG. FROM VERT.	17. ELEVATION TOP OF HOLE +19.9								
THICKNES		·····		18. ТОТ	AL CORE P	ECOVER	Y FOR BOR			50 <b>s</b>		
TOTAL DE			30.0 ft.	19. SHANAXIN KAXXIN SHAXXIN GEOLOGIST; T. Novak								
EVATION	DЕРТН Ъ	LEGEND	CLASSIFICATION OF MATERI (Description) d	ALS	% CORE RECOV- ERY	BOX OR SAMPLE NO. f	(Driiting weath	REM time, we sring, etc	ARKS ter loss, de ., if signific 9	pth of and)		
							BIT	OR B	ARREL			
								2				
+19.9	0.0-	<u> </u>	CONCRETE Dood				+19.9		lows/0.	5 Ft.		
+19.4	0.5	200	CONCRETE, Road GRAVEL and COBBLE STO	NE	65		DIAMON		5-1/2 21 min			
+17.9	2.0-	OŠ	- Base coarse-				+17.9	HP	100 psi			
-1/.9	2.0-	τ	SAND, silty, fine to medium grain, with so	<b>.</b>	40	1		SPLIT	SPOON	4		
			coarse sands and grave brown (SM)				+16.4			4		
		I			40	2		'n	н	<u>3</u>		
		п					+14.9			7		
i					47	3			**	<u>11</u> 21		
	=	I					+13.4			<u>12</u> 29		
+12.4	7.5	I L			67	4	. 11 0			17		
		$\mathbf{X}$	CLAY, fat, stiff, hig plasticity, contains i	h many			+11.9			7		
			small hard rock fragm reddish brown (CH)		80	5	+10.4	"		<u>18</u> 20		
					53	6		<del></del> н	u .	_15_		
•		$\sim$			55	0	+ 8.9			<u>16</u> 28		
		$\sim$			47	7	. <u> </u>			<u>14</u> 35		
		Ś			4/	7	+ 7.4 <sup>.</sup>			49		
		$\langle \rangle \rangle$			13	8	<u> </u>		"	10		
		$\mathbb{N}$					+ 5.9			$\frac{17}{13}$		
		$\sim$								5_		
					13	9	+ 4.5			<u>14</u> 8		
		$\sim$					<u> </u>			3		
					20	10	+ 2.9			5		
		N					+ 2.9	#1	"			
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		$\mathbb{N}$		1			+ 1.4			7		
		$\langle \mathcal{N} \rangle$		1	33	12				39		
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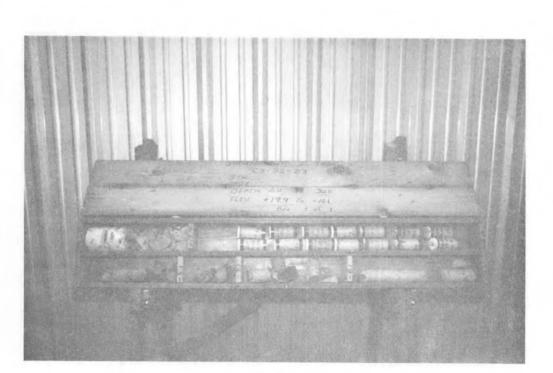
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0.8/7			iheet) [ELEVATION TOP OF HOLE +19.9 ft		·	Hole No. CB-SG-23
Savan (	iut, St	. Thom	as, Virgin Islands Jacksonv			OF 2 SHEETS
	DEPTH	LEGEND	CLASSIFICATION OF MATERIALS ( Description )	% CORE RECOV- ERY	BOX OR SAMPLE NO.	REMARKS (Drilling time, water loss, depth of weathering, etc., if significant)
	Ь	۰	d	e	1	
	-					
	_					BIT OR BARREL
						- 0.1 Blows/0.5 Ft.
	-	う				SPLIT SPOON 19
	=			60	13	31
		N/				- 1.6 42
2.6	22.5-			90	14	- 2.6 116
- 2.0	22.5-					DIAMOND NX
	_	• , • , •	TUFFACEOUS BRECCIA, very	48		DIAMOND NA DT 57 min
			hard, stainéd, gray and light gray			HP 100 psi
				1		
				<u> </u>	<b></b>	- 5.1
	=	· • · · ·				DIAMOND NX
				30		DT 53 min
	-					HP 100 psi - 7.1
	=	- do				DIAMOND NX DT 36 min
				120		- 8.1 HP 100 psi
						DIAMOND NX DT 41 min
	-			80		HP 100 psi
10.1	20 0-					-10.1
-10.1	<u>30.0</u>			<del> </del>	1	
	=		NOTES:			140# hammer with 30"
			1. Set NX casing to -2.1 ft.			drop used on 2.0' split spoon. (1-3/8"
		•	_			split spoon. (1-3/8" I.D. X 2" O.D.)
			<ol> <li>Grouted hole with cement upon completion.</li> </ol>			
			cement upon compretion.			
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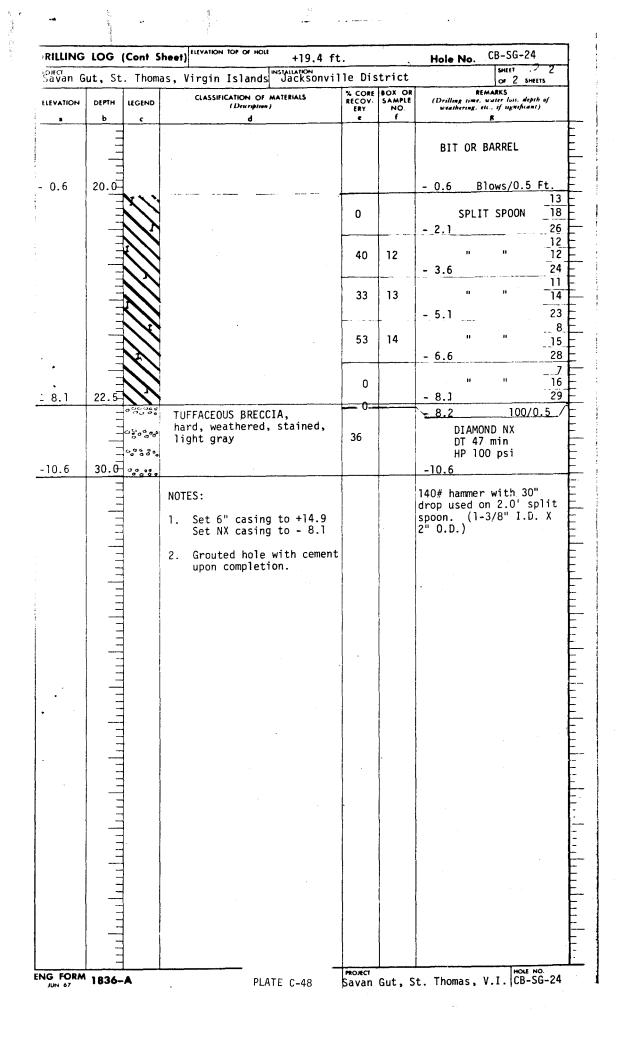


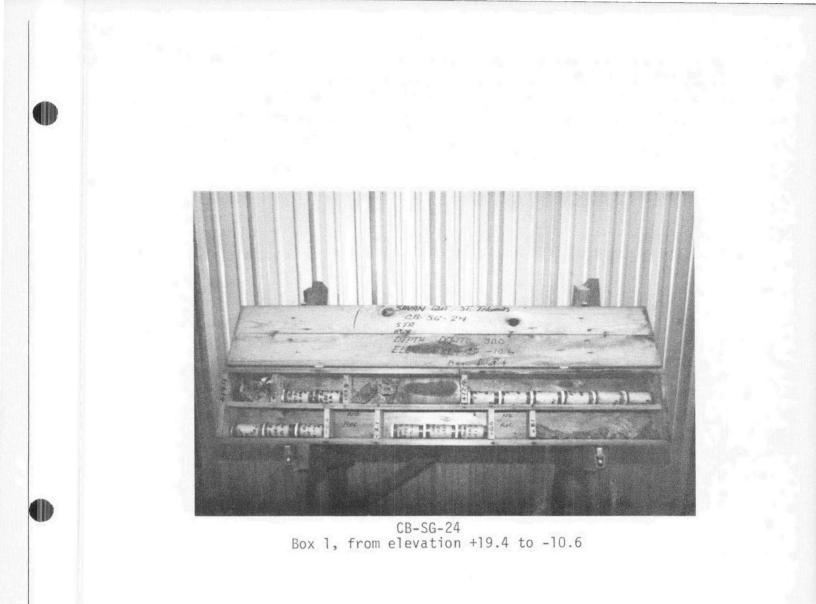


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DRILL PROJECT	ING LOG	South Atlantic	÷	sonvil		The second s		SHEET			
Savan	Gut, St.	Thomas, Virgin Islands	11. DATI	AND TYP	E OF BIT	See remain SHOWN (TBM or MSL)	rks )				
LOCATION	(Coordinates of	Station)	MSL								
		aled) Y=187,658	1			GNATION OF DRILL					
Corps of	of Enginee	rs		QUE &	OVER-	DISTURBED	UNDIS	TURBED			
end file nu	mber)	CB-SG-24					<u> </u>				
NAME OF				AL NUMBE							
C. Maso	NOF HOLE	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	15. ELEVATION GROUND WATER +4.2 ft.								
	CAL DINCLIN	ED DEG. FROM VERT.	16. DAT	E HOLE	1		7-80				
THICKNES	S OF OVERBUR	DEN	17. ELE	ATION TO	OP OF HO	LE +19.4 ft					
	ILLED INTO R		<u> </u>			Y FOR BORING	44				
TOTAL DE	PTH OF HOLE	30.0'		NXXXXXX LOGIST							
EVATION	DEPTH LEGE	CLASSIFICATION OF MATERIA			BOX OR SAMPLE NO.	DEMA	AKS				
a	b c	ND (Description)		ERY	NO.	(Drilling time, wate weathering, etc.,	er loss, d if signif	icant)			
					1						
						BIT OR BAI	RREL				
19.4	0.0-					+19.4 B10	ows/0	5 Ft.			
+19.3	0.00	ASPHALT, ROAD			1	DIAMOND 4 x 5					
-]8.4	0. T 1.0	GRAVEL and COBBLE ST	ONE	40	1	DT 10m		100ps			
		s - Base Coarse)				+17.9					
•	=	SAND, silty, fine to			_	SPLIT	SPOON	_4			
		medium grain, with so	ome	40	1			8			
		coarse sands and gray			ļ	+16.4		5			
		brown (SM)						_2			
				47	2	"	n	_1			
-14.9	4.5					+14.9		51			
		hand light many DO				DIAMOND 4 x 5					
12.7	5.7-	e naro, light graybut	JEDEKS	60		DT 36m	in HP	100ps			
	₹. AF	CLAY, fat, stiff, hig	jh 🛛			10.0					
	/E	plasticity. Contains	S		<u>├</u>	+12.9		15			
	//E	many small hard rock fragments, reddish-br		47	3	SPLIT	SPOON	<u>15</u> 17			
		(CH)	UWN	4/		+11.4	000	<u>17</u> 25			
		N ····			<u> </u>			36			
		N		53	4	16	1f	50			
		N		. 55		+ 9.9		<u>50</u> 50			
		N			t			14			
		N		67	5		н	15			
	I/E	3				+ 8.4		42			
	/E- `	N						13			
		7		53	6	11	U.	16			
۲.	IYE_					+ 6.9		38			
		7			-	It		8			
				47	7			11			
	1/1	slightly sandy from +	5.4		ļ	+ 5.4		18			
	=\/	to +2.4						9			
	_ <b>_</b> ≯/			53	8			14			
	-1/	7				+ 3.9		19			
`				5.2				$\frac{12}{20}$			
				53	9						
	∕ J,F	yellowish in color			<u> </u>	+ 2.4		22			
	-37,	from +2.4 to -2.1		53	10	н		14 17 -			
	//E			55							
		N			ļ	+ 0.9	<u> </u>	<u>31</u> 21			
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			•				Hole I	No. CB-S	G-27	
DDU 1			VISION	INSTALL				SHEE	<del>1</del> 1	
PROJECT	ING LO	• S	outh Atlantic	ļ			e District		SHEETS	
avan Gu	it, St.	Thoma	s, Virgin Islands	10. SIZE	AND TYPE	EVATION	See remark	(S MSL)		
LOCATION	(Coordina	tes or Sta	(ion)	1	MSL					
=1.019	762 (S	caled)	Y=187.469	12. MANU			GNATION OF DRI	LL		
orps of	Engin	eers		13. TOT	Spray	JE & HI	DISTURCED	UNDIS	TURBED	
HOLE NO. and file num	(As shown mbes)	on drawli	CB-SG-27	13. TOTAL NO. OF OVER- BURDEN SAMPLES TAKEN						
NAME OF					ATION GE					
DIRECTION		E		13. ELE			RTED	COMPLET	ED	
VERTIC			DEG. FROM VERT.	16. DATI	HOLE		1-80	8-2-80		
THICKNES	S OF OVE	RBURDEN	······	17. ELE	ATION TO	POFHO	LE +13.6			
DEPTH DR	ILLED IN	TO ROCK					Y FOR BORING		40 •	
TOTAL DE	PTH OF H	IOLE +	13.6		XXXXXX OGIST:					
	DEPTH	LEGEND	CLASSIFICATION OF MATERIA		% CORE RECOV- ERY			EMARKS water loss.	death of	
a	ь	c	(Description) d		ERY	NO. f	(Dritting time, weathering,	etc., if eigni:	licent)	
							BIT OR	BARREL		
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-13.6	0.0-						+13.6	Blows/0	).5 Ft.	
13.4	0.2	20	Asphalt, road		90		DIAMOND 4		100	
12.6	1.9	امب	Gravel and cobble stor	ie /			+12.6 DT 2		100ps1 21	
	Ξ	· · · · ·	- Base Coarse -	finc	53	1	SPLIT	SPOON	25	
.11.1	2.5	C. e	SAND, slightly silty, to medium grain, shell				+11.1		18	
				· 7						
	-	<b>[</b> .] ].]	light gray (SP)		60	2			12	
		T I	SAND, silty, fine to m				+ 9.6		12	
			grain, with some coars sands and gravel, brow						16	
		: []	(SM)		53	3			9	
	Ĩ	11					+ 8.1		6	
	크	] ] . ;					н	11		
+7.1	6.5-	· / /	+7.1 to +5.1		43	4			7	
	ᅻ		very gravelly				+ 6.6		25	
		1.			33	5	14	11	25	
+5.1	8 <del>]</del>	1			55	5			24	
TD.1	0.5	┥┥╃┨					+ 5.1		8	
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							+ 3.6		18	
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	<u> </u>	·					+ 0.6		23	
-0.3	13 9	<b>.</b>			0		14	+1	25	
			-0.3 to -0.9		U				44	
-0.9	14.5-	- de	Boulders				- 0.9		38	
			CL^V, fat, medium stit	ff,	33	. 8	**	и		
	E –	$\mathbf{N}$	hign pla ticity, conta	ains			2 #		5	
	E_	N	many small rock fragme reddish brown (CH)	ents,			- 2.4		15	
	E	$\mathbf{N}$	Least Dromn fony		· 40	9	и	Ħ	12	
. 1		$\mathbf{N}$					- 3.9		17	
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DIECT			iheet) (ELEVATION TOP OF HOLE +13.6		<b>_</b>	Hole No. CB	-30-27 SHEET 2	_
avan G	ut, St	. Thom	as, Virgin Islands Jack		lle Dis		OF 2 SHEETS	_
EVATION	DEPTH	LEGEND	CLASSIFICATION OF MATERIALS (Description)	RECOV	BOX OR SAMPLE NO.	REMA (Drilling time, w. weathering, etc.,	ter luss, depth of	
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	11							į
						BIT OR BA	RREL	
	-					1		
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	-				<u> </u>	<u>- 6.9</u>	1 <u>ows/0.5</u> F 30	
	-	$\sim$	CLAY, fat, medium stiff,	40	12	SPLIT SP		_
			high plasticity, contains			- 8.4	30	
	_		many small rock fragments,		+		18	÷
		$\langle \rangle$	reddish brown (CH)	47	13	<b>61</b>	" 16	
			reduish brown (ch)			- 9.9	18	
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		K//			ļ	-11.4	30	
11.9	25.5	$\overline{N}$		13	14	11	" <u>37</u>	
	-	11	CLAY, lean, dry, low	13	14		· 83	
		$\langle \rangle \rangle$	plasticity, silty, well- packed, with many small hard	L	<b> </b>	-12.9	112	
[	_	$\langle X \rangle$	rock fragments, reddish-brown	47	15	11	" <u>19</u> "55	
			and yellow (CL)	1		-14.4	118	
	-	$\langle \cdot \rangle$	•	100	16		100/0.5 <sup>128</sup>	
	11			100	- 10	-15.0	80	
		$\langle \cdot \rangle$		100	17	-15.7	100/0.2	
16.2	29.8	$\sum$	······································	100	18	-16.2 " "	147	
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			1. Set NX casing to -11.4			spoon. (1-3, 2" 0.D.)	/8" I.D. X	
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PROJECT							0,	2 SHEETS
LOCATION	(Coordina	tes or Sta		MSL	M FOR EL	EVATION	See remarks shown (TBM or MSL)	
=1,019, DRILLING	783 (S	icaled)	Y=187,438				SNATION OF DRILL	
Corps C	of Eng	ineers			QUE &			
NAME OF T	nb ez)		CB-SG-28		AL NUMBE			
C. Masc	n				ATION GF	NOUND WA	TER +4.6	
DIRECTION			DEG. FROM VERT.	16. DATE	HOLE		RTED COMPL	ulv 80
THICKNES	S OF OVE	ROURDEN	4		ATION TO		LE +13.6 Y FOR BORING	44 3
DEPTH DR				19. SXQM	AX ARKKA	XXXXXXXXX	у¢я	<u> </u>
TOTAL DE		LEGEND	31.1 ft. CLASSIFICATION OF MATERIA			BOX OR SAMPLE NO.	ace T. Novak REMARKS	
a	6	c	(Description) d		ERY e	NO.	(Drilling time, water los weathering, etc., it sig	nilicand
							BIT OR BARRE	L
		1						
-13.6	0.0-		Acobalt poad				+13.6 Blows/0	
13.5	0.1	00	Asphalt road Gravel & cobble stone	<u> </u>	70		DIAMOND 4X5-1/2 +12.6 HP 100 p	
		00	- Base coarse -				DIAMOND 4X5-1/2	
		"୍ଦ୍ର			50		HP 100 p	si
		° 0					+10.6	
	. 1	20	•		33	1	SPLIT SPOON	23
+9.6	<u>4.0</u>	Ä	CLAY, fat, soft, high		55		+ 9.1	3
Í		$\mathbf{X}$	plasticity, contains					5
.76		Ś	small rock fragments, reddish brown (CH)		47	2		<u>9</u> 8
+7.6	6.0	<b>1</b>	SAND, silty, fine to				+ 7.6	13
			medium grain with som	e	26	3	- 13 61	18
		II.	coarse sands and grav brown (SM)	er,			+ 6.1	<u>20</u> 15
		<b>T</b>			33	4	<b>u</b> 11	22
							+ 4.6	22
	=				33	5	H 16	<u>9</u> 13
1		I T					+ 3.1	17
12.1					13	6	<b>13</b> 11	11 48
+2.1	11 <del>.5</del>	<b>T</b> .	Tuffaceous breccia-bo	ıldor			+ 1.8	50/0.3
+0.9	12.2	Ń			40		DIAMOND NX DT 7	
	=	$\mathbf{M}$	CLAY, fat, medium sti	FF			<u>+ 0.8 HP 100 p</u>	5
		N	high plasticity, conta	ains	53	7	SPLIT SPOON	<u>19</u>
	-	$\langle \cdot \rangle$	many small rock fragme reddish brown (CH)	ents,			_ 0.7	19 26
					53	. 8	11 13	18
· .		N	slightly sandy				- 2.2	<u>39</u> 12
		V	rom -2.2 to -4.2		80	9	<b>H</b> H	9
	-	$\sim$					- 3.7	18
		$\mathbb{N}$	yellowish in color from -5.4 to -13.9		<u>10.0</u> /		-3.9 " " 48	/0.5/26
ĺ					80	10	- 5.4	<u>15</u> 19
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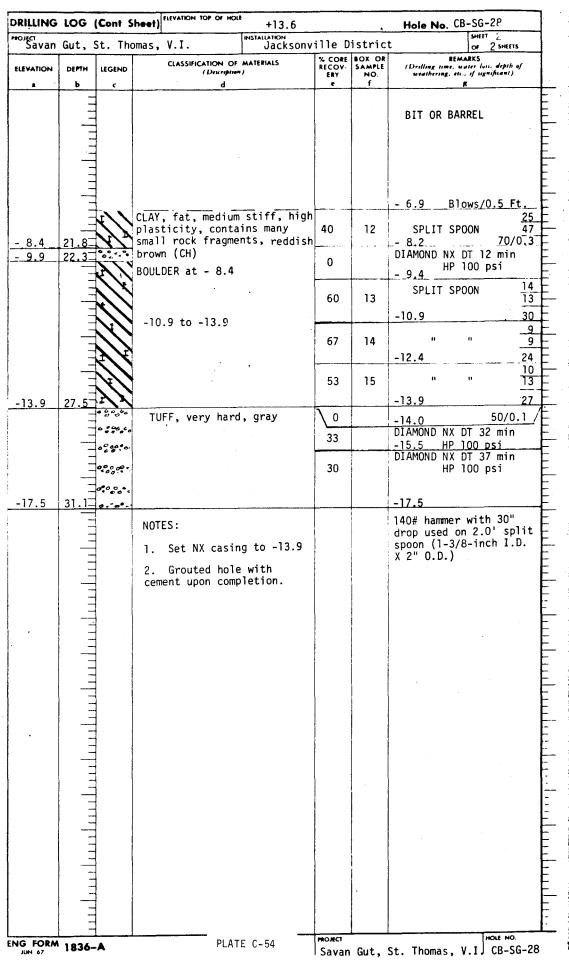
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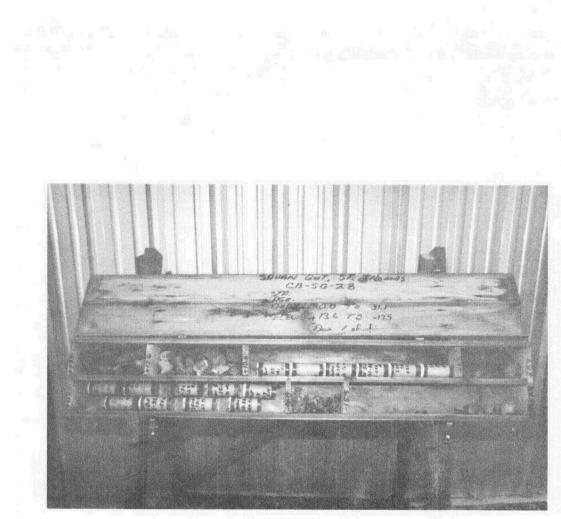
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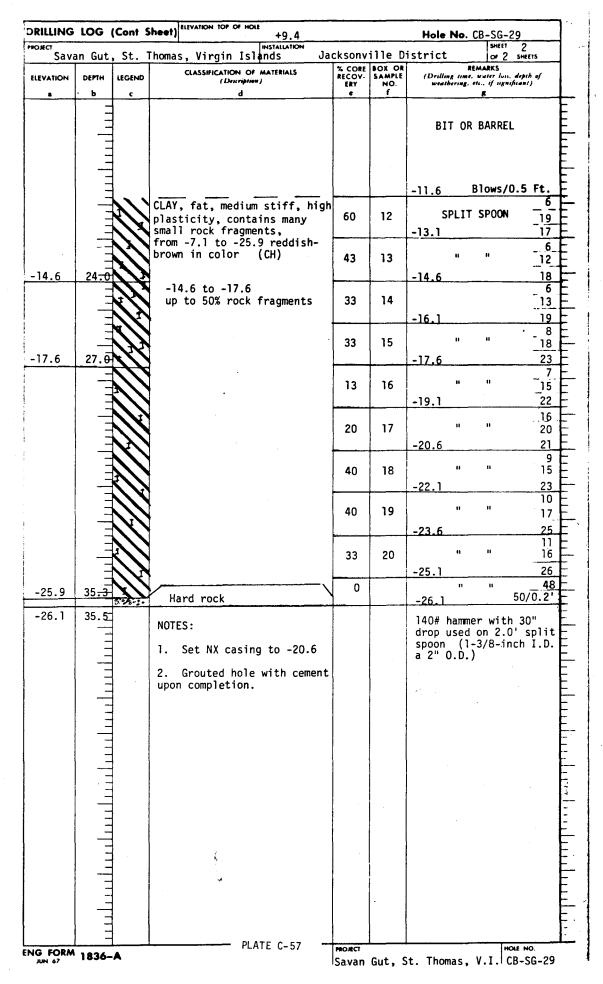
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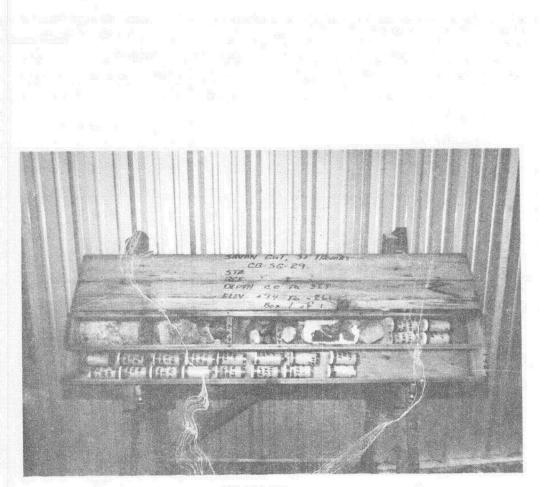


CB-SG-28 Box 1, from elevation +13.6 to -17.5

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•		יוס	VISION	INSTALL	ATION		Hole No. CB-SG-2 SHEET	<u>'9</u>	- 0 1		1
DRILL	ING LO	<u>c</u>	South Atlantic		Jacks		le District or 2 st	EETS			
Savan G			as, Virgin Islands		AND TYPE		See remarks N SHOWN (TBM or MSL)				
Z=1,019	,758 (:	scaled)		12. MAN	MSL	R'S DESI	IGNATION OF DRILL				
DRILLING	AGENCY f Engli	neers		1	Sprag	jue & ⊦	lenwood	AFD			1.4.8
4. HOLE NO. and life nu	(As shown mber)	n on drewin	CB-SG-29		AL NO. OF DEN SAMPI	·					
C. Masor					AL NUMBE						
DIRECTIO	N OF HOL			f	EHOLE	157	ARTED COMPLETED				
		NCLINED			VATION TO		-28-80 7-29-80				
DEPTH DR			······				Y FOR BORING 43	*			
. TOTAL DE			35.5 ft.		KXXRRXX LOGIST:		T. Novak				
ELEVATION	DEPTH	LEGEND	CLASSIFICATION OF MATERIA (Description)	LS	T CORE RECOV- ERY	BOX OR SAMPLE NO.	REMARKS (Drilling time, water loss, depti weathering, etc., if significan	<u>.</u>			
a	ь 	c	ه	<u>,</u>	•	T.	0				
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							BIT OR BARREL	F			
+ 9.4	0.0	1					+ 9.4 Blows/0.5 F	₽ E			
7 3.7	0.0	4.0.0	Concrete, gutter				+ 9.4 Blows/0.5 DIAMOND 4x5-1/2 DT 3				
+ 8.4	1.0	0.00	-		100	<b> </b>	+ 8,4 HP 100 psi	E			
+ 7.4	2 1	29	Gravel and cobble sto - Base Coarse -	ne	80		DIAMOND 4x5-1/2 DT 1 + 7.4 HP 100 psi				
<u>+ /, 4</u>	2.0_		Tuffaceous breccia, h	ard.			DIAMOND 4x5-1/2 DT 2	21min			
	Ξ		light green and white		50		+ 6.4 HP 100 psi	-F			
			- Boulders -		73		DIAMOND 4x5-1/2 DT 4 HP 100 psi	<sup>12m1</sup> nE			
	Ξ	ي مي م					+ 4.9	E			
+ 4.2	5.7	····				L.	SPLIT SPOON	13			
	6.0	1.1.1	SAND, silty, fine to		53	ון	+ 3.4	22			
+ 3.4			<pre>medium grain, with se</pre>				H II -	9 -	-		
	=	$\mathbf{N}$	\ gravel, shelly, brow		47	2		18			
		$\mathcal{N}$	(SM).				+ 1.9	23			
	Ξ	$\langle \rangle$	CLAY, fat, medium st high plasticity, con	tains	47	3	·	9 -			*
		$\mathbf{N}$	many small rock frag	ments,		ļ	+ 0.4				
	7	$\mathbf{N}$	gray (CH)		43	4	u u -	$\frac{8}{21}$			
	Ξ					L	- 1.1	29 -			
	E	$\mathbf{N}$			27	5		$\frac{11}{10}$ E			
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							- 5.6	24 -			
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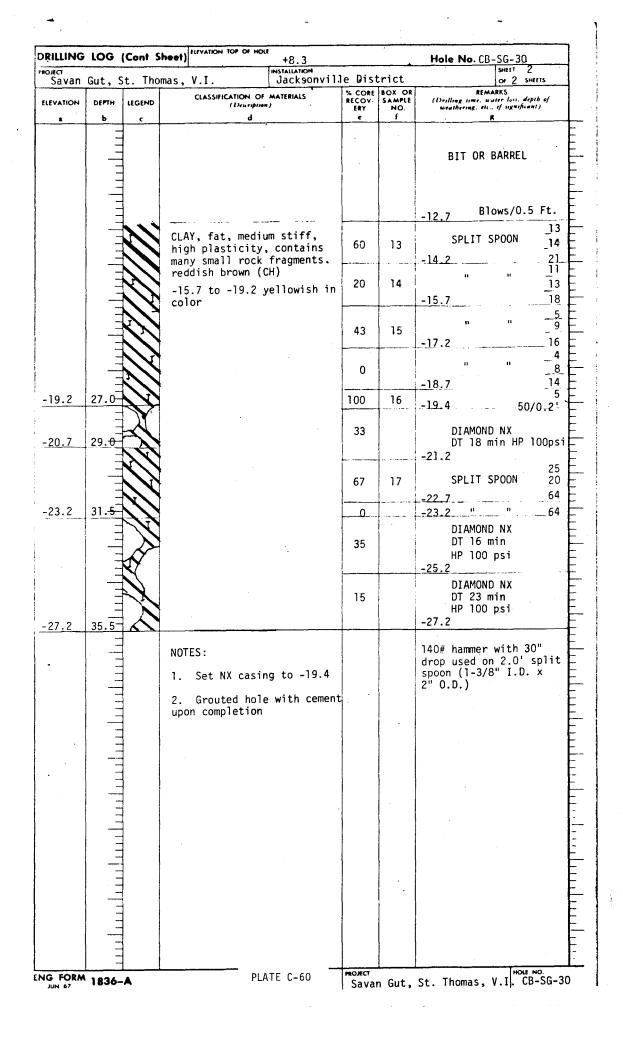


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ROJECT			outh Atlantic	10. SIZE	AND TYPE	OF BIT	See	rema	rks	SHEET		
avan G	Gut, St	. Thom	as, V.I.	11. DATUM FOR ELEVATION SHOWN (TBM or MSL)								
<u>-1,019</u>	<b>783</b> (	Scaled	) Y=187,236	MSL 12. MANUFACTURER'S DESIGNATION OF DRILL								
AILLING	AGENCY	neers		Spraque & Henwood								
OLE NO.	)f Engi (An ahowr mbee)	on drawin	CB-SG-30	13. TOTA	L NO. OF	OVER-LES TAKE	N	BED	UNDI	TURBED		
	DRILLER	·	0-30-30	14. TOTAL NUMBER CORE BOXES								
<u>C. Mas</u>	N OF HOL			15. ELE	ATION GF		TER +2	2.1	COMPLET			
	CAL		DEG. FROM VERT.	16. DATI	E HOLE		-25-80		7-26-8			
	S OF OVE	·		17. ELE	ATION TO	P OF HO	LE +8.3	3				
	ILLED IN				AL CORE F		Y FOR BOR	ING		41		
OTAL DE	EPTH OF I	HOLE	35.5 ft.		LOGIST	: T. I						
EVATION	DEPTH	LEGEND	CLASSIFICATION OF MATERIA (Description)	LS	% CORE RECOV- ERY	BOX OR SAMPLE NO.	(Drilling	REN time, w	ARKS mter loss, c., il signi	depth el (icant)		
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8.3	0.0	0.0 · 0 · 0	Concrete, sidewalk				+ 8.3	AMON	<u>Blows/(</u> D 4x5-1	<u>).5 Ft</u> .		
7.8	0.5	7	·····		96				min HP			
		280	Gravel & cobble stone base coarse		86		+ 6.8					
		्रंग						AMON	D 4x5-1	/2		
5.8	2.5	2	-Fill material-		20		DT	10 1	min HP	100 ps		
	=		SAND, silty, fine to				<u>+ 5</u> .3					
			medium grain, with		47	1	s	PLIT	SPOON	3		
		11.11	some coarse grain sands and gravel, she	11v.								
		1.1.1.1	dark brown (SM)				+ 3.8		·	2		
		. .[4.			47	2		н	п	3		
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2.7	<u>11.0</u>	<u>                                     </u>	······································					н		_12		
	-		SILT, sandy, trace of		33	6				- 2		
	Ξ		plastic fines, black	(ML)			- 3.7			1		
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	Ξ	<u>      </u>			20	8		n	н	2		
6.7	15.0	J L L					- 6.7			4		
	1	$\boldsymbol{\mathcal{N}}$	CLAY, fat, medium sti	ff,						12		
	Ē	N	high plasticity, cont	ains	60	9	0.0			$-\frac{12}{23}$		
		SN	many small rock fragm reddish brown (CH)	ents,			- 8.2	- <i>-</i> ,	• • • • • • • • • • •			
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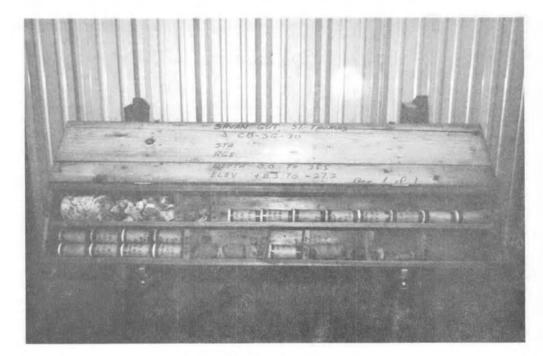
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CB-SG-30 Box 1, from elevation +8.3 to -27.2

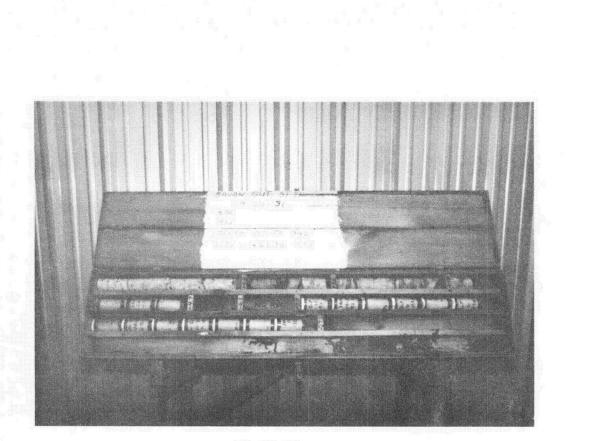
DRILLING LOG South					Hole No. CB-SG-31 INSTALLATION SHEET I Jacksonville District of 2 Sheets						
		t. Tho	mas, Virgin Islands	10 SIZE AND TYPE OF BIT SEE TEMARKS 10. SIZE AND TYPE OF BIT SEE TEMARKS 11. QATUM FOR ELEVATION SHOWN (TBM or MSL)							
OCATION	Courdin	ates or Sta	ation)	- HSK							
Corps	),784 AGENCY Of Eng	ineers	<u>uj 1-107,132</u>	12. MANNFACTURER'S DESIGNATION OF DRILL Sprague & Henwood							
OLE NO.	(As show	n on drewi	ng titlej	13. TOTAL NO. OF OVER- DISTURBED UNDISTURBED BURDEN SAMPLES TAKEN							
AME OF	DRILLER		CB-SG-31	14. TOTAL NUMBER CORE BOXES							
C. Mas	ON	. F		15. ELE	ATION		TJ./	OMPLETED			
			DEG. FROM VERT	16. DATI	E HOLE	÷ _	-23-80	7-24-80			
HICKNES	S OF OVE	RBURDE	N	17. ELEVATION TOP OF HOLE +6.8							
	ILLED IN			19. BUGHAR KURHEX OLA HAGRE & KORK							
	PTH OF		34.0 ft. CLASSIFICATION OF MATER		LOGIST:			RKS			
evation a	DЕРТН Ь	LEGEND c	(Description)		RECOV- ERY	BOX OR SAMPLE NO.	(Dritting time, wei weathoring, etc.	ter loss, depth a	1		
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							BIT OR B	ARREL			
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6.8	0.0						+ 6.8	<u></u>			
	=	0.0.0	Concrete, gutter				DIAMON				
- 1					90		DT 13 r	nin			
5.1		<u>م</u> ، م	Tuffaceous breccia	, hard,			+ 4.8 HP 100	psi			
			colid, light green		100		up -	X DT 18 m 100 psi	in		
		600000	- Boulder -				<del>7_2.0</del>				
	_	088880			65		DIAMOND N	X DT 23 m 100 psi	n i		
		\$88.08						100 031			
		(10 A D					+ 1.8	V DT 31 -			
1.2	5.6	08080			30		DIAMOND N HP	loopsi	i n		
		pb	Silty gravels, gra	avel-							
	-	17	sand-silt mixture saturated, brown				······································	ows/0.5 F			
		122		. ,	43	1	SPLIT SP	-	$\frac{0}{1}$		
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•			plastic fines, fibrous, black (MI	)	_		- 6.2	-	5		
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8.2	15.0								6		
	=	XI	CLAV E.+ modium		43	· 4			6		
	E	$\mathbf{N}$	CLAY, fat, medium stiff, high piast				- 9.2		5 6		
.	4	Ń	contails many small rock fragments,		. 47	5			<u>5</u>		
	Ē	$\mathbb{N}$	reddish brown (CH)	)			-10.7		6		
	Ę	$\sim$			47	6	33 1		2		
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	=						-13.7	1	8		
l	크										
	-		SEDITIONS ARE OB: PLATE C-		PROJECT						

Parter			eet) ELEVATION TOP OF HOLE +6.8 INSTALLATION	Hole No. CB-SG-31 SHEET 2					
bavan Gu	t, St	. <u>Tho</u> mas	, Virgin Islands Jacksonvil			OF 2 SHEETS			
ELEVATION	DEPTH - b		CLASSIFICATION OF MATERIALS (Decription) d	% CORE RECOV- ERY e	BOX OR SAMPLE NO. F	REMARKS (Drilling time, water loss, depth) weathering, etc., if significant) 8			
						BIT OR BARREL			
						-13.7 Blows/0.5 ft			
			CLAY, fat, medium stiff, high plasticity,	47	8	SPLIT SPOON			
			contains many small rock fragments, reddish brown (CH)	33	9	-16.7			
				60	10	-18.2			
				67	11	-19.7			
				53	12	-21.2			
				67	13	- <u>-22.7</u>			
				14	14	-24.2			
				33	15	, " -25.7			
-27.2				67	16	" " -27.2			
	-		NOTES:			140# hammer with 30" drop used on 2.0' sp spoon. (1-3/8" I.D.			
			<ol> <li>Set NX casing to -22.7</li> <li>100% water loss while</li> </ol>			x 2" 0.D.)			
			drilling through boulder (+5.1 to +1.2)						
			<ol> <li>Grouted hole with cement upon completion</li> </ol>						
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CB-SG-31 Box 1, from elevation +6.8 to -27.2

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DRILLING LOG South Atlantic				Jacksonville District OF 2 SHE								
PROJECT Savan (	Sut S	t Tho	mas, Virgin Islands	10. SIZE AND TYPE OF BIT SEE FEMARKS 11. DATUM FOR ELEVATION SHOWN (TBM or MSL)								
LOCATION	(Coordine	tee or Sta	((on)	MSL				»c.)				
X= 1,119	J,822	(scale	d) Y=187,056	12 MANUFACTURER'S DESIGNATION OF DRILL								
Corps (	of Eng	ineers		Sprague & Henwood 13. TOTAL NO. OF OVER. DISTURBED BURDEN SAMPLES TAKEN								
HOLE NO. ( and file num	As shown bed	on drawir	CB-SG-32									
NAME OF D			0000000	- 14. TOTAL NUMBER CORE BOXES ]								
C. Mase		E	······································	+				COMPLETE	D			
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THICKNESS	OF OVE	RBURDEN	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		VATION TO							
DEPTH DRI	LLED IN	TO ROCK		18. TOTAL CORE RECOVERY FOR BORING 46								
TOTAL DE	TH OF	OLE	36.0'	GEOLOGIST: T. NOVAK								
UEVATION	DEPTH b	LEGEND ¢	CLASSIFICATION OF MATERI (Description) d	NLS	% CORE RECOV- ERY	BOX OR SAMPLE NO. f	REM (Drilling time, w weathering, et	ARKS ater loss, d c., il signifi S	opth of cand			
	=						BIT OR B	ARREL				
	=	-										
+ 5.7	0.0	ļ				1	+ 5.7					
+ 5.2	0.5	A.0 A.0	Concrete, gutter				DTAMON		12			
	4	Phi	Gravel and cobble sto	one	40		DT 16	D 4x5-1 min	,			
		50	<b>5:11</b>				HP 100 psi					
	3	ゴイ	- Fill material -									
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	ヨ	3					1					
+ 1.7	4.0	$\sim$					+ 1 7	Blows/0	.5 Ft			
	Г	°c. r				1	SPLIT		25			
		· · · ·	- Fill material -		60	2		51 0011	18			
	, 킜		Mixture of sand, silf	.,			+ 0.2		14			
-0.3	1.0		shell and rock fragme	nts,	80	3	- 0.3 " DIAMOND NX		54 in			
	Ē	57	brown		80			Di 14 m HP 100				
- 1.6	7.3	DO	+1.2 to -0.3				- 1.3 DIAMOND NX					
		3.	black in color -0.3 to -1.6					HP 100				
	Ξ	· · ·	breccia, boulder, hav	·d,								
		.C.I	light green		15		- 3.3					
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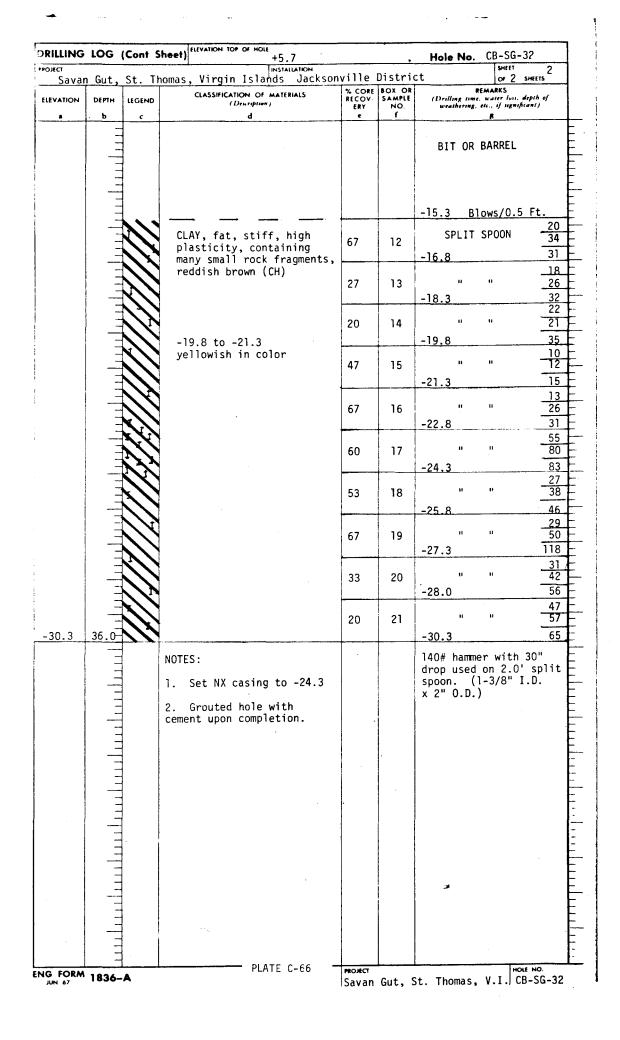
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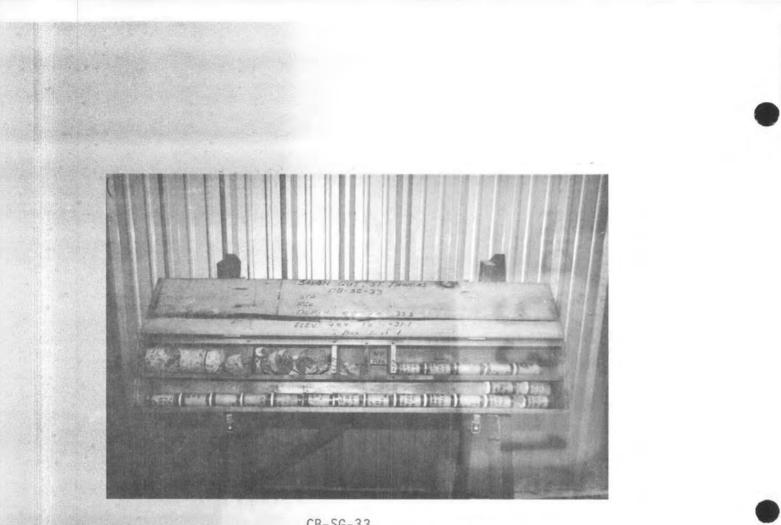
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DEPTH DR	ILLED INTO R	оск		AL CORE P		FOR BORING	52	-		12
TOTAL DE	PTH OF HOLE	35.5 ft.	GE	GEOLOGIST: T. Novak						
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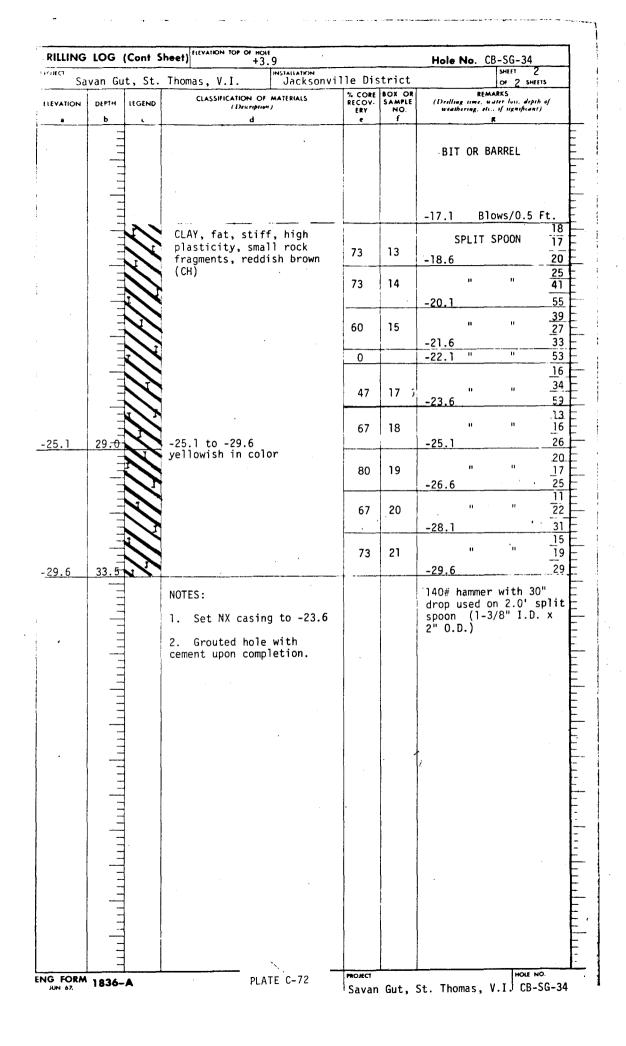
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				Sprague & Henwood 13. Total No. of over- BURDEN SAMPLES TAKEN 						
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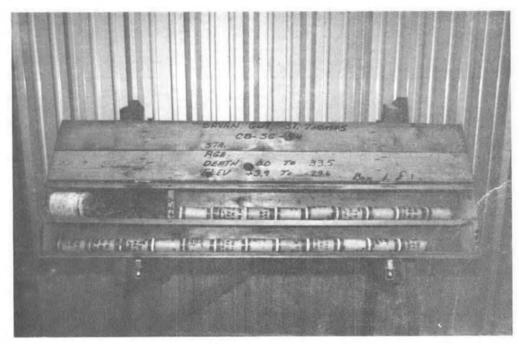
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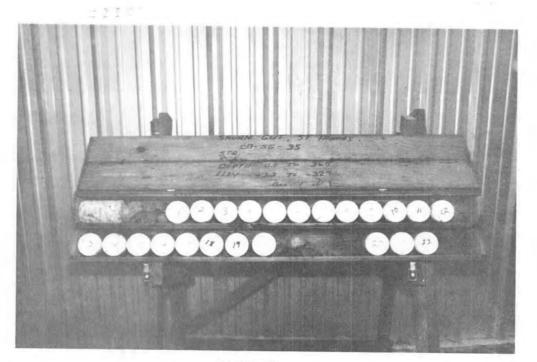
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		<i>N</i>	Contains up to 50 fragments, yellow to -31.2	% rock from -28.2	100	20		100 p.s.i. t Spoon	/ 61 38 59
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31.2	34.5						-31.2	11	35 _26
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Department of the Army, SO. Atlantic Division Laboratory, Corps of Engineers, 611 SO. Cobb Dr., Marietta, Ga. 30060 VISUAL CLASSIFICATION AND FIELD MOISTURE CONTENT OF SOIL SAMPLES District Requisition No.Ref Regn GM 81-16 Project Jacksonville Savan Gut, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands 08-123-ENG-036-81 Date Received Work Order No. 10 November 1980 2550 Date Reported Location 17 December 1980 Description Jar Samples of Pisturbed Soil % Hole Lab No. Visual Classification and/or Remarks No. Elev. Moisture LL PL PI +56.97 73/ 21.4 9364 CB-SG-8 +46.9Reddish tan sandy lean clay (CL) 41 18 23 +46.979365 CB-SG-8 +41.113.0 33 16 17 Tan and brown sandy lean clay (CL) w/trace of gravel +37.4/Tan and brown sandy lean clay (CL) 9366 CB-SG-13 +34.2 17.7 31 16 15 1.5/CB-SG-18 2.6 FT. 16.4 34 18 16 Tan lean clay (CL) 9367 0.6/ CB-SG-22 9368 1.0 FT. 26.7 Tan clayey sand (SC) 30 20 10 -3.67 CB-SG-33 -10.1 43.4 9369 Gray silty sand (SM) with some shell fragments NP NP NE -18.2/ CB-SG-35 - 27.2 9370 Brown lean clay (CL) 18.7 46 18 28 Tested by ES; SL Checked by HDS Sheet 1 of <u>1</u> SAD Form 2012

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# SECTION 205 DETAILED PROJECT REPORT

SAVAN GUT AT CHARLOTTE AMALIE

ST. THOMAS, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS

APPENDIX D

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### UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION II 26 FEDERAL PLAZA NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10278

MAR 18 1982

Mr. A. J. Salem Planning Division Jacksonville District U.S. Army Corps of Engineers P.O. Box 4970 Jacksonville, Florida 32232

Dear Mr. Salem:

As requested in your letter of February 12, 1982, we have reviewed your draft Detailed Project Report on flood damage reduction measures for the Savan Gut, St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands. Based upon the information provided in your report, we foresee no major environmental problems resulting from the proposed project. No wetlands, coral formations or seagrass beds will be impacted and any water quality disturbances appear to be minor and temporary. The project appears to be in compliance with the requirements of the section 404(b)(1) guidelines and, accordingly, we have no objection to its implementation.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely yours,

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Anne Norton Miller, Chief Environmental Impacts Branch

IN REPLY ADDRESS COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS

REFER.



GOVERNMENT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS OF THE UNITED STATES CHARLOTTE AMALIE, ST. THOMAS, V. I. 00801

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

March 12, 1982

Mr. A. J. Salem, P.E. Chief, Project Planning Branch Engineering Division Corps of Engineers Jacksonville District P. O. Box 3970 Jacksonville, FL 32201

Dear Mr. Salem:

Please find enclosed the Letter of Intent between the Government of the Virgin Islands and the Corps of Engineers for flood control improvements to Savan Gut, Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands.

I hope the language changes to the agreement meet with your approval so that we can proceed with the project schedule as identified at our February 25, 1982 meeting.

Should you have any problems, please contact my office at once.

Sincerel

Arnold M. Golden Commissioner

**Enclosure** 

### LETTER OF INTENT

The Government of the Virgin Islands hereby submits a Letter of Intent to enter into an agreement with the Corps of Engineers to implement the Savan Gut Flood Control Project located in the Savan district and the central business district in St. Thomas, Virgin Islands.

The Government of the Virgin Islands acting through its Department of Public Works has legal authority, and intends to seek legislative approval and funding to provide the following items of local cooperation:

a. Provide without cost to the United States all lands, easements and rights-of-way including suitable borrow and disposal areas as determined by the Chief of Engineers, necessary for the construction of the project;

b. Provide without cost to the United States all alterations and relocations of buildings, transportation facilities, storm drains, utilities and other structures and improvements made necessary by the construction;

c. Hold and save the United States free from damages due to the construction works and subsequent maintenance of the project, except damages due to the fault or negligence of the United States or its contractors;

d. Maintain and operate the project after completion without cost to the United States in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Army;

e. Provide a cash contribution, prior to initiation of construction, equal to the cost of all outside project scope work, presently estimated at \$314,000;

f. Assume all project costs in excess of the Government limitation of \$4,000,000, presently estimated at \$2,600,000;

g. Prevent future encroachment which might interfere with proper functioning of the project for flood control;

h. Fulfill the requirements of non-Federal cooperation as specified in the terms and conditions of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (Public Law 91-646), approved 2 January 1971;

i. Publicize floodplain information in the areas concerned and provide this information to zoning and other regulatory agencies for their guidance and leadership in preventing unwise future development in the floodplain and in adopting such regulations as may be necessary to insure compatibility between future development and protection levels provided by the project.

It is hereby understood that this Letter of Intent is not a legally binding instrument between the parties and is subject to the approval of the Governor and the signing of a mutually agreeable contract by the parties.

The above items of local cooperation were approved by Arnold M. Golden, Commissioner of Public Works, Government of the Virgin Islands, on March 12, 1982.

Arnold M. Golden

IN REPLY ADDRESS

Refer .....

# GOVERNMENT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS OF THE UNITED STATES

CHARLOTTE AMALIE. ST. THOMAS, V. I. P. O. BOX 476 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

March 9, 1982

Mr. A. J. Salem Acting Chief Planning Div. Corps of Engineers P. O. Box 4970 Jacksonville, Fla. 32282

Dear Mr. Salem:

This is in response to your memorandum soliciting comments on the Detailed Project Report (DPR) for the proposed flood control work in Savan Gut, St. Thomas.

We reviewed the DPR and found that it clearly outlines the scope and procedures for the project. In addition, members of my staff attended the inter-agency meeting on February 25, 1982, and the following comments are based on the discussions taking place there:

We favor the covering of the gut between Bridge No. 2 and Bridge No. 3 with a slab capable of supporting vehicular traffic based on the considerable interest experienced at the meeting. This would make possible a new through road from the Mafolie area as well as the Jane E. Tuitt School to Back Street.

The relatively small additional funds required for this change would be cost effective for the resulting reduced traffic on narrow General Gade.

The installation of the stilling basin in the waterfront will make necessary the construction of a sewage lift station to allow bypassing the existing 30-inch intercepting sewer. We oppose this solution for the following reasons:

1. Aesthetically it locates a sewage pumping station in main business area of the town. Such a station, although located underground, would be difficult to maintain and operate because of the septic and corrosive qualities of the sewage pumped by the station.

2. The difficulty of locating space for a generator and fuel storage tanks to provide emergency power for the pumping station which must operate continuously.

Page 2 March 9, 1982 Mr. A. J. Salem

3. The additional high energy cost of operating such a pumping station which must be fully automatic. The present main pumping station to which the proposed new pumping station would discharge is located 4,802 feet to the west. Present energy cost of this station is \$10,985 per month with a yearly cost of \$132,000. The proposed station would have the same energy cost as the volume of sewage handled would be essentially the same.

We suggest a re-design of the stilling basin with construction out into the harbor as a better alternative.

Every effort will be made by us to secure V. I. Government approval and funding for this project.

Sincerely yours

Arnold M. Golden Commissioner of Public Works

cc: Governor Director of the Budget Mr. Aloy W. Nielsen Mr. Robert S. Mathes



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE

Southeast Region 9450 Koger Boulevard St. Petersburg, FL 33702

February 26, 1982

F/SER613:DJT

Colonel Alfred B. Devereaux, Jr. District Engineer, Jacksonville District Department of the Army, Corps of Engineer P.O. Box 4970 Jacksonville, FL 32201

Dear Colonel Devereaux:

The National Marine Fisheries Service has reviewed the draft Detailed Project Report (DPR) on Savan Gut, St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands transmitted with the February 12, 1982 letter from A.J. Salem, Acting Chief, Planning Division.

We anticipate that any adverse effects that might occur on marine and anadromous fishery resources would be minimal. However, it appears that these resources may be of concern to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Accordingly, we refer you to FWS for their analysis and recommendations.

Sincerely yours,

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/s/ W. Mark Thompson for D.R. Ekberg Chief, Environmental and Technical Services Division

cc:

Area Mgr, FWS, JAX Fld. Supv., FWS, Mayaguez F/SER61





# United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE Virgin Islands National Park Box 7789 - St. Thomas, V.I. 00801

February 26, 1982

IN REPLY REFER TO: L7619

> Chief Planning Division Jacksonville District Corps of Engineers P. O. Box 4970 Jacksonville, Florida 32232

Dear Sirs:

This is in response to your memorandum soliciting comments on the Detailed Project Report (DPR) for the proposed flood control work in Savan Gut, St. Thomas.

We reviewed the DPR and believe it clearly outlines the project scope and procedures. In addition, a member of my staff attended the February 25 interagency meeting; the comments that follow are based on what was discussed there.

There was considerable interest expressed in covering the channel between bridge No. 2 and bridge No. 3 with a slab capable of supporting traffic. As this would make possible a new through road from the Jane E. Tuitt School to Back Street, it appears to be a feasible plan. The relatively small additional funds required for the suggested change would result in reduced traffic congestion in the Savan area.

The installation of the stilling basin in the waterfront will make necessary the construction of a sewage lift station to allow bypass of the existing sewer line. Pedrito Francois brought out the possible adverse impacts (primarily aesthetic) of a lift station on the waterfront. We agree that a redesign of the stilling basin, even to the extent of constructing out into the harbor, would be a better alternative. The existing bulkhead is an intrusion on the historic scene anyway, and we see no problem in extending it out in that area.

Colonel Burns and Mr. Salem repeatedly stressed the need for fast action on the part of the V. I. Government to approve this project, and to appropriate funds for it. As the Corps will be funding the first \$4,000,000 (more than half of the total estimate), it appears to be quite advantageous to the Virgin Islands. The coordination of the V. I. Government's pre-contract responsibilities by Commissioner Golden would indicate that everything possible will be done in a timely manner. This only leaves approval by the Governor and by the V.I. Legislature; we hope it is forthcoming.

Sincerely yours,

Noel J. Pachta Superintendent



22 March 1982

SAJEN-HH

Mr. Amadeo I. D. Francis Commissioner of Commerce P.O. Box 6400 Charlotte Amalie St. Thomas, V.I. 00801

Dear Mr. Francis:

This is in response to your letter dated 25 February 1982 concerning the Savan Gut Flood Control Project. The public workshop conducted on 25 February 1982 at the Public Works Department brought to light several areas of concern to representatives of local agencies.

As a result of recommendations made at the workshop, this office has since analyzed design changes in the project in order to provide necessary flood control capability within a framework of minimizing adverse effects to the residential, business, and tourist areas. In that regard, Commissioner Golden of the Public Norks Department was notified last week that the flood control channel in the Veteran's Drive area had been redesigned to eliminate the stilling basin and lift station. Commissioner Golden was advised that details would be furnished in a letter at an early date. Also, as you requested, we have reviewed our design for construction activity in the Back Street and Main Street to be accomplished during the summer months. Construction activity is currently planned so that Main Street and Back Street will not be closed at the same time; however, each will be closed for about 60 days each. To meet your request for construction in these areas to be limited to the summer months, we could possibly complete construction at Back Street and Main Street during a 120 day period. It is accordingly requested that your agency coordinate with the local sponsor (the Public Works Department) and advise us of the 120 day period during the summer which would minimize local problems.

Your cooperative participation in our planning process serves to insure a project most responsive to the needs of the local people.

Sincerely,

JAMES L. GARLAND Chief, Engineering Division

**CF:** Commissioner Golden, VI PWD



### The Virgin Islands of the United States

P. O. BOX 6400, OHARLOTTE AMALIE, ST. THOMAS, 00801 (809) 774-8764

February 25, 1982

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Mr. A. J. Salem, Acting Chief
Planning Division
Department of the Army
Jacksonville District, Corps of Engineers
P. O. Box 4970
Jacksonville, Florida 32232

Dear Mr. Salem:

At the February 25th meeting between representatives of the Virgin Islands Government and the Corps of Engineers, Colonel Burns requested comments on the proposed Savan Gut Flood Control Project. I concur with the general conclusion of the meeting, that this project is of vital importance in minimizing potential severe flood damage to the residential area of Savan and the business district of Charlotte Amalie.

Recognizing the tight schedule required to insure federal funding of this project, I expect that every effort will be made to minimize the negative impact on the St. Thomas tourism industry. In this regard, I would like to request that the necessary disruption of traffic on Main street, and Back street be scheduled for the summer months.

Also, every effort should be made to insure that the proposed lift station on Veteran's Drive will result in no significant odor problems, or alternatively, that the project be redesigned to eliminate the need for the lift station.

Sincerely, Amadeo I. D. Francis Commissioner of Commerce



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT. CORPS OF ENGINEERS P. O. BOX 4970 JACKSONVILLE. FLORIDA 32232

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5 March 1982

#### MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Public Workshop on Savan Gut Project

1. A public workshop was conducted on 25 February 1982 in the Conference Room of the Public Works Department in Charlotte Amalie for the purpose of presenting changes to the Savan Gut Project and insuring public involvement during the planning process. The meeting was brought to order at 9:00 a.m. A list of attendees is shown below:

Ashley A. Richards, P.W.D., 809-774-3870 1. James M. Robicki, V.I. Dept. of Commerce, 809-774-8784 2. Robert deJongh, deJongh Assoc., 809-774-8035 3. Milton A. Frett, V.I. Legislature, 809-774-0880 4. Leopoldo Gilliard, P.W.D., 809-774-6195 5. 6. COL William C. Burns, COE, Jacksonville, 723-0133 Commissioner Arnold Golden, P.W.D., 809-774-1301 7. 8. John Hashtak, COE, Jacksonville, 904-791-2107 9. Glen Lane, COE, Jacksonville, 904-791-2412 10. Rudy Cantarini, COE, Jacksonville, 904-791-2409 11. Ed Salem, COE, Jacksonville, 904-791-2238 Jim Riddle, Nat'l Park Service, 775-2050 12. 13. Valerie Lane, Dept. of Law, 809-774-5666 Arthur Finch, Dept. of Law, 809-774-5666 14. 15. Jose George, Budget Office, 809-774-0750 16. Franklin Douglas, V.I. Urban Renewal Board, 809-774-0019 Katina Coulianos, Dept. of Conservation, 809-774-8252 17. 18. Robert P. VanEepoel, DCCA, 809-774-6420 19. Paul Berry, Supt. of Roads, 4844, Ext. 255 Bob Mathis, Public Works, 809-774-5718 or 1301 20. Ken Bragg, D.P.W., 809-774-2515 Claudette Lewis, V.I. Planning Office, 809-774-1730 21. 22. 23. Alphonse Nibbs, Dept. of Housing, 809-774-0255 24. Roy E. Adams, V.I. Planning Office, 809-774-1730 25. Pedrito Francois, D.P.W., 809-774-1301 26. Bill Chapman, V.I. Planning Office, 809-774-1730

### SAJEN-HH SUBJECT: Public Workshop on Savan Gut Project

2. Commissioner Golden opened the meeting with a brief description of the purpose of the meeting and then introduced COL Burns. COL Burns introduced the Corps staff and gave a briefing of the role of the Corps in this project and the current status of funding from the Section 205 program; then he introduced Mr. Salem. Mr. Salem gave a review of the current study effort, distributed the inclosed handout, then discussed the nature of the flooding problem and alternative plans, then introduced Mr. Hashtak for a discussion of major features of the selected plan. Mr. Salem then completed his presentation with a discussion of benefits, costs, environmental effects, local responsibilities and cost sharing. Mr. Salem then informed the local representatives that it was presently being considered to issue two separate contracts to handle the project. The first contract would be for the downtown area extending from the harbor to a point about 150 feet north of Back Street. The second contract would consider all remaining features. Commissioner Golden then noted that this two contract approach will be better from the standpoint of obtaining required real estate since most of the alinement in the lower portion of area is now in public right of way and that only one building would have to be relocated. Accordingly, Commissioner Golden then presented the following schedule of work required of local agencies:

- March 15 Letter of intent should be provided to Corps. This will require local legistrative approval. (Mr. Salem provided several example letters of intent.)
- May 15 Public works will provide information to questions itemized in page 10 of APP. D in the DPR.
- June 15 221 agreement should be complete.
- July 1 Local share of cash contribution should be appropriated by V.I. government. (complete plans & specs).
- Aug 1 Right of way obtained & relocation complete for 1st contract. Corp to advertise for bids.
- Sept 1 Open bids

by 30 Sep -Construction start.

3. The meeting was then opened for comments.

4. The first issue that was raised concerned our design for the area from Bridge #2 to Back Street. Our design considered a culvert cover designed to support pedestrian traffic. It was suggested that this area would become a haven for criminal activity since it could not be policed very well, and that the culvert cover be re-designed to cover vehicular traffic at some later date. Mr. Lane responsed that this was one of the alternatives discussed at the February 1981 coordination meeting conducted by the Public Works Department and as a result we provided costs for alterations in our letter dated 24 April 1981 (APP. D).

5 March 1982

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### SUBJECT: Public Workshop on Savan Gut Project

The pedestrian cover alternative was recommended to us in the letter dated May 18, 1981, from the Public Works Department. The Corps thus made this design feature based on the recommendation of local representatives at that time. Mr. deJongh then requested that this part of the project be reconsidered for vehicular loading. Several others agreed that this would be a good modification in the design. No one showed support for the pedestrian cover design. It was noted by Mr. Salem that the additional cost would be local cost since it would be outside project scope and that this subject should be reevaluated at the local level and recommendation then brought forward by the Public Works Department.5.

5. The second issue was raised by Mr. vanEepoel, concerning the need for a sewerage lift station located along Gutters Gade across/near Veterans Drive. The location would be in the parking lot of Francois Hardware across Guttets Gade from Chase Manhattan Bank. Mr. vanEepoel was concerned that this would give off objectional odors in the heart of the Tourist area. Senator Frett and others also objected to the lift station concept and asked if a redesign were possible. Mr. Hashtak said a redesign could possibly be considered to remove the stilling basin and have the channel pass above the sewer line. This concept would possibly cause erosion in the harbor and that the harbor bulkhead may require additional sheet pile protection to safeguard against undermining. This concept was considered more acceptable than the present design. Commissioner Golden asked if the Corps could provide a teletype as soon as possible as to the workability of this concept.

6. The last major issue presented was Senator Frett. He felt that there had been insufficient public involvement and that a public meeting should be planned for those people who would be most effected. Commissioner Golden agreed that a public meeting or public hearing could be held possibly by the Virgin Island Legislator. COL Burns said he would be willing to attend such a meeting to answer questions about the project.

7. In conclusion, Commissioner Golden reiterated 3 major areas of work requiring immediate local attention; those were:

- 1) A letter of intent should be provided by 15 March.
  - a. Corps would review lift station design and provide a telegram of initial findings ( A letter with details would follow up)
  - b. V.I. Legislature would have to have legislation authorizing participation and consider appropriations.
- 2) Scope of work for surveys
  - a. Corps would provide 3 sets of plans on topographic maps (indicating

     where additional surveys are needed, real estate survey would be
     initiated to determine right of ways, casements, relocations; (2) S.H.P.O.
     would assist in recording all known and unknown cultural resources;
     and (3) Urban renewal would look at new alinement with regard to
     urban renewal plans.

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# SUBJECT: Public Workshop on Savan Gut Project

3) Utilities material requested in Corps letter dated 23 Feb 81 (APP. D, pg. 9, 10) would be provided by 15 May.

JOHN M. HASHTAK H&H Branch Engineering Division

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### PUBLIC WORKSHOP INTERAGENCY MEETING

### FOR

### SECTION 205 DETAILED PROJECT REPORT

#### ON

### SAVAN GUT, CHARLOTTE AMALIE, ST. THOMAS, VIRGIN ISLANDS

#### INTRODUCTION

The Jacksonville District, Corps of Engineers is currently conducting a study to reduce flood damages within the Savan Gut area of Charlotte Amalie. The purpose of the meeting today is to give all interested agencies, groups and individuals a brief review of the current study efforts and to solicit your comments concerning the draft report which was recently distributed. Your participation at every opportunity is encouraged.

#### PROBLEM

Due to frequent damages experienced by flood conditions at the Jane E. Tuitt School and in the Central Business District (CBD) of Charlotte Amalie, the government of the U. S. Virgin Islands requested the study under the authority contained in Section 205 of the Flood Control Act of 1948. The purpose of this study is to determine the need for and to address the feasibility of improvements to reduce flood damages caused by excessive runoff along the drainage course (or "gut") in the "Savan" area. (See attached study area map).

At least six severe floods have occurred in the Charlotte Amalie area since 1867 when a tidal wave reportedly caused a major disaster along the south coast of St. Thomas. These floods occurred in October 1916, May 1960, March 1969, October 1970, November 1974 and in September 1979. The latter event caused by Hurricane David and Tropical Storm Frederic caused the island to be declared a disaster area.

#### ALTERNATIVE PLANS

A broad range of both structural and non-structural flood damage reduction measures have been formulated and evaluated to address the problem along Savan Gut. These alternatives include:

- . Flow diversion around the Jane E. Tuitt School;
- . Channel modification;
- . Levees and floodproofing;
- . Relocation; and
- . Flood forecasting, warning, and evacuation.

Consideration was also given to "no action" as an alternative measure. Through further study it was determined that channel modification, including enlarging the existing channel, and the construction of a short diversion channel around the school, offered the best plan to meet the study objectives.

Mr. John Hashtak, project manager of the study, will now provide a description of the selected plan.

#### SELECTED PLAN

The selected plan for the reduction of flood damages within Savan Gut and the CBD of Charlotte Amalie is a structural measure. The main features of the recommended plan are:

1. Construction of 2,300 feet of covered channel, including:

a. Construction of a new 750-foot-long covered channel under the CBD of Charlotte Amalie;

b. A new covered channel averaging 14 feet in width and 6 feet in depth from Jane E. Tuitt School to the CBD;

c. A buried concrete diversion chute bypassing the school;

d. A covered channel extending from the school 150 feet upstream to a velocity check dam.

e. Replacement of two highway bridges with sections of covered channel.

2. Construction of an underground stilling basin located near St. Thomas Harbor, and

3. Construction of a velocity check dam about 150 feet upstream of Jane E. Tuitt School.

Benefits:

- Elimination of flood damage at Jane E. Tuitt School and CBD of Charlotte Amalie.
- Average annual benefit of \$5.3 million from flood damage reduction primarily within the CBD.
- . Maintain identity of CBD and social cohesiveness of Savan residential area.
- . Complement plans of Urban Renewal Board and proposed Veterans Drive project.

Costs:

Total costs estimated to be \$6.6 million. Of this total, the Federal share is \$4.0 million with local costs estimated to be \$2.6 million.

#### Environmental Effects:

- . No adverse impacts expected.
- . Documentation and recording of above ground historic structures will be accomplished.
- . Excavations monitored for archaeological findings.
- . No long-term water quality impacts.

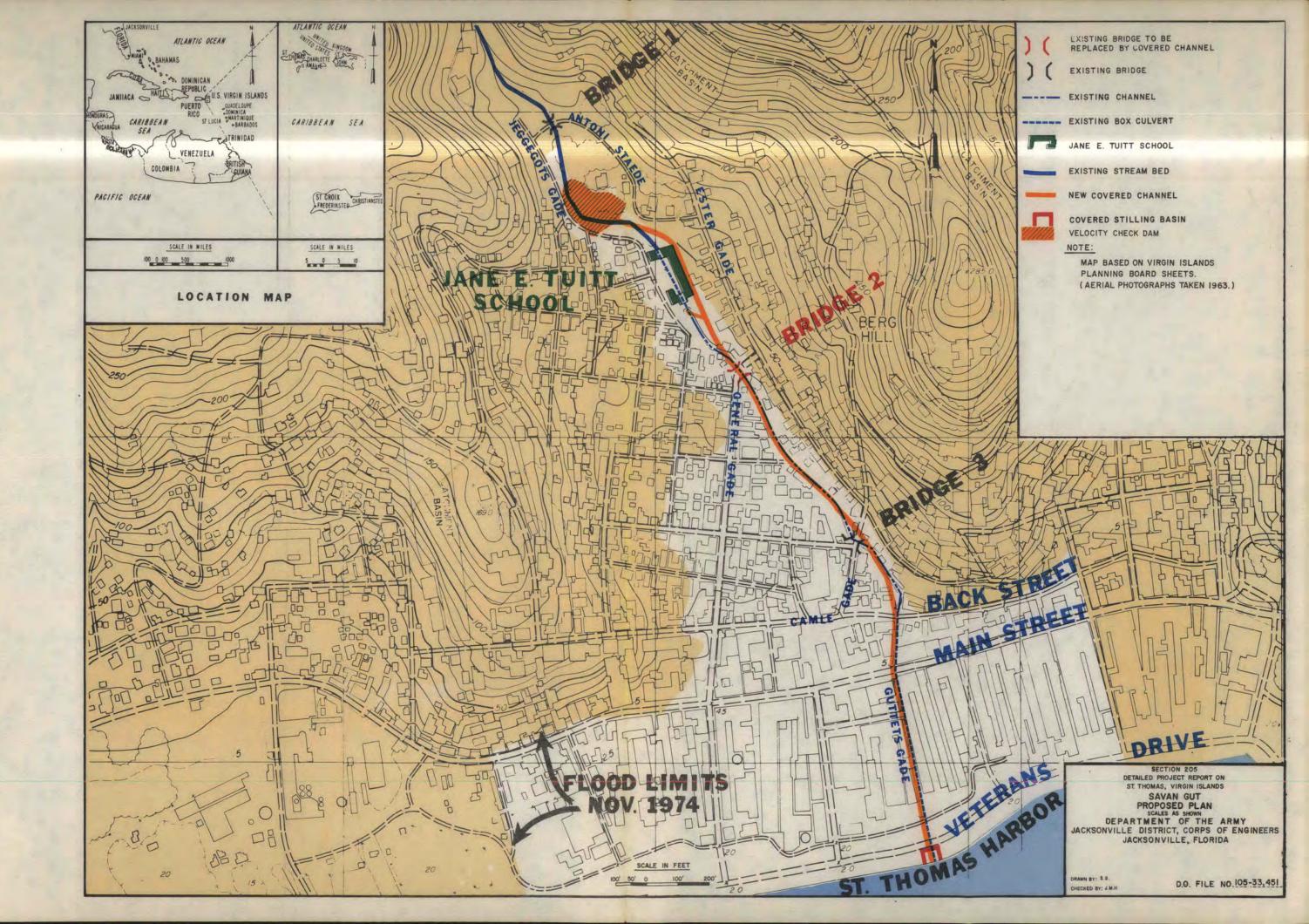
### LOCAL RESPONSIBILITY/COST-SHARING

The local sponsor must have legal authority, financial capability, and willingness to provide items of local cooperation. These include briefly:

- Lands, easements, and relocations of buildings, highway bridges and utilities.
- . Maintain and operate project after completion.
- . Provide cost contribution prior to construction.
- . Assume all costs in excess of Government limitation of \$4,000,000.

### CONCLUSIONS

Further completion of the study requires a written commitment by the local sponsor to agree to those items of cooperation as specified. Upon receipt of such assurances, funds will be requested for plans and specifications for the design of the project. Pending funding availability, and completion of relocation and other items of local cooperation, a contract would then be awarded for project construction.





United States Department of Agriculture Soil Conservation Service

Caribbean Area GPO Box 4868 San Juan, PR 00936

February 24, 1982

A. J. Salem, Acting Chief Planning Division, DOA Jacksonville District, COE Box 4970, Jacksonville, FL 32232

> Re: Draft Detailed Project Report Savan Gut, St. Thomas, U.S.V.I.

Dear Mr. Salem:

This will acknowledge receipt of one copy of the preliminary detailed project report for the above referenced project.

Upon reviewing the draft, we have concluded that no adverse effects to the environment will be caused by the proposed project, provided all measures are implemented as planned.

We suggest that an erosion and sediment control plan be prepared in order to safeguard nearby communities from pollution hazards. This plan should be part of the final specifications for the project.

If we can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to call on us again.

Sincerely

Iván R. Emmanuelli ACTING FOR Director





DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT, GORPS OF ENGINEERS P. O. BOX 4970 JACKSONVILLE. FLORIDA 32232

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12 February 1982

TO ADDRESSEES ON ATTACHED LIST

Inclosed is the draft Detailed Project Report (DPR) on Savan Gut, St. Thomas, U. S. Virgin Islands for your review and comment. The study proposes flood damage reduction measures for the Charlotte Amalie area of St. Thomas.

A public workshop/interagency meeting is scheduled for Thursday morning, 9 A.M., 25 February 1982, in the Public Works Conference Room at the sub-base, Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands. The purpose of the meeting is to solicit your ideas and comments concerning information contained in the draft report. Your comments, issues, and concerns are encouraged. If you are unable to attend the workshop, correspondence on the study should be received by this office no later than 19 March 1982.

Sincerely,

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 List of addressees
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A. J. SALEM Acting Chief Planning Division

### LIST OF ADDRESSEES

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Field Supervisor Division of Ecological Services U. S. Fish & Wildlife Service P. O. Box 3005 - Marina Station Mayaguez, P. R. 00708

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Regional Director Insurance & Mitigation Division Federal Emergency Management Agency 26 Federal Plaza New York, New York 10007

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Executive Director Virgin Islands Urban Renewal Board P. O. Box 2295 St. Thomas, Virgin Islands 00801

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS P. O. BOX 4970 JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA 32232

SAJPD-F

**11** February 1982

Honorable Arnold M. Golden Commissioner Department of Public Works Charlotte Amalie St. Thomas, Virgin Islands 00801

Dear Commissioner Golden:

This letter is intended to provide the current status of the Sec. 205 Detailed Project Report (DPR) on Savan Gut in Charlotte Amalie. Attached for your information and comments are two copies of the draft DPR. It should be brought to your attention that the selected plan is being slightly modified. This modification includes a redesign of the entrance channel at the upper extremity of the project, and grate emplacements over the stilling basin at the lower end near the harbor. These modifications should not have an adverse environmental impact.

As has been previously arranged, we will discuss these plans with you in your office on the afternoon of 24 February 1982. It would also be appropriate at that time to discuss a "letter of intent" for local sponsorship of the Savan Gut project. These discussions should be initiated as early as possible as the commitments required of the local sponsor should be included in the final report. An example of the items required for local sponsorship are included as inclosure 1.

This letter also confirms that a workshop will be held in Charlotte Amalie on the morning of 25 February 1982. This interagency meeting is necessary to provide a forum for discussion of the draft report. Copies of the draft DPR are also being forwarded to interested agencies and groups under separate correspondence for their comments.

In order to expedite arrangements for the meeting, please feel free to contact Col. Burns in Puerto Rico or the undersigned,

Sincerely,

2 Incl As stated A, J. SALEM Acting Chief Planning Division

Cy Furn w/Incl: Deputy District Engineer for PR & VI (SAJDS)

Cy Furn w/o Incl: Mr. Robert Mathes, Govt. of V.I. The Government of the Virgin Islands of the United States, Department of Public Works, has legal authority, financial capability, and willingness to provide the following items of local cooperation:

a. Provide without cost to the United States, all lands, easements and rights-of-way for the construction of the project;

 b. Provide without cost to the United States all necessary relocations and alterations of buildings and utilities, highways and highway bridges, sewers, fences and other improvements;

c. Hold and save the United States free from damages due to the construction and subsequent maintenance of the project, except damages due to the fault or negligence of the United States or its contractors;

d. Maintain and operate the project after completion without cost to the United States in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Army;

e. Provide a cash contribution, prior to initiation of construction,
equal to the cost of all outside project scope work, presently estimated at
\$344,000;

f. Assume all project costs in excess of the Government limitation of \$4,000,000;

g. Prevent future encroachment which might interfere with proper functioning of the project for flood control;

h. Fulfill the requirements of non-Federal cooperation as specified in the terms and conditions of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (Public Law 91-646), approved 2 January 1971.

i. Publicize flood plain information in the areas concerned and provide this information to zoning and other regulatory agencies for their guidance and leadership in preventing unwise future development in the flood plain and in adopting such regulations as may be necessary to insure compatibility between future development and protection levels provided by the project.

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11 February 1982

Honorable Milton A. Frett District of St. Thomas - St. John Legislature of the Virgin Islands P.O. Box 477 Charlotte Amalie, Virgin Islands 00801

Dear Senator Frett:

In an effort to keep you informed on the status of the Section 205 Detailed Project Report (DPR) for Savan Gut in Charlotte Amalie, the following information is provided.

We have scheduled a meeting with Public Works Commissioner Arnold Golden in Charlotte Amalie on 24 February 1982. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the draft report on the referenced study and to address the responsibilities of the local sponsor through a letter of intent. A copy of the draft report is attached for your information.

A public workshop/interagency meeting is scheduled for Thursday morning 25 February 1982 in Charlotte Amalie. The purpose of this meeting is to solicit ideas and comments concerning the draft report. Information gained through continued coordination will be incorporated into the final report.

Please feel free to contact this office for any additional information concerning the Savan Gut study.

Sincerely,

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A. J. SALEM Acting Chief Planning Division

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### GOVERNMENT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS OF THE UNITED STATES CHARLOTTE AMALIE, ST. THOMAS, V. I. 00801 \_\_\_\_\_\_O \_\_\_\_\_ DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

May 18, 1981

Mr. James L. Garland Chief, Engineering Division Department of the Army Jacksonville District, Corps of Engineers P. O. Box 4970 Jacksonville, Florida 32232

Dear Mr. Garland:

In response to your letter of April 24, 1981 regarding the Savan Gut Flood Control Project, I am pleased to inform you that after discussions with the Savan Gut inter-agency committee, Alternative 1 was selected as the design option most complementary to the development and enhancement of the Savan community.

Additionally, after a telephone conversation with Messrs. Hashtak and Lane of your staff, I am please to forward the following engineering information:

- (1) Exhibit 1 showing the existing 15" sewer line as well as the "new" 30" sewer line with appropriate slope and invert elevations.
- (2) Exhibit 2 showing the existing 15" sewer line, including profile elevations and slope.
- (3) Exhibit 3 showing in plan and profile the "new" but never used 24" water main that runs parallel to the waterfront under the apron.

General information:

- (4) Type of sewage treatment primary with ocean outfall.
- (5) Type of pipe for water lines cast iron with cement casings for both the 10" and 24" lines.
- (6) Seawall along Veterans Drive steel sheet piling 1-1/2" thick was used to a depth of (-15') or driven below (-15') until refusal. The exact depth of the sheet piling at the terminus of the project is not known.
- (7) There are approximately 2,000 people who utilize the sanitary sewer line north of Gutters Gade.

Department of the Army Jacksonville District, Corps of Engineers Page 2 May 18, 1981

- (8) It is the Government's desire to have all new bridges correspond in style and construction with existing bridges.
- (9) There are approximately 7,500 vehicular movements per day on the General Gade thoroughfare, with vehicle sizes ranging from subcompact automobiles to 14 cu. yd. general construction vehicles.

I hope that the above information is useful and will assist the Corps in expediting this long awaited project. Should you require any additional information, please contact my office at once.

Robert S. Mathes

Director of Planning & Development

Enclosures (3)

cc: Commissioner of Public Works Senator Milton Frett Director, V. I. Planning Office Executive Director, V. I. Urban Renewal Board Area Engineer, San Juan

### 24 Apr11 1981

### SAJEN-RII

Mr. Robert Mathes Director of Planning and Development Department of Rublic Works Government of the Virgin Islands Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, V. I. 00801

### Dear Mr. Mathes:

This is in response to your request for cost estimates for four alternative plans to cover the proposed flood control channel for Savan Gut. These alternatives were conceptualized at the very productive coordination meetings and field reconnaissance conducted on 25 and 26 February 1931.

The four alternatives that were discussed considered various degrees of covering the proposed Savan Gut open channel. These alternatives were described in our Memorandum for the Record dated 6 March 1981 and are summarized for convenient reference on Inclosure 1. For comparative purposes preliminary cost estimates have been developed for the four alternatives and are shown below:

## Plan

Additional Initial Cost

Alternative No. 1	\$ 263,000
Alternative Ho. 2	404,000
Alternative No. 3	311,000
Alternative No. 4	577,000

The following is a list of important points that should be considered prior to your providing us a letter of support for one of the alternatives:

a. Construction of a street between bridge No. 2 and the business district (Alternative No. 4) would create a very congested intersection at bridge No. 3. There are already three streets which intersect at this point. A new crossing would be certain to create problems in traffic control.

b. For the above alternatives, cost of street construction from Jane E. Tuitt School to bridge No. 2 was based on two 12-foot-wide lanes, curb and gutter, and 3-foot-wide sidewalks. Street construction from bridge No. 2 to the business district would consist of one 12-foot-wide lane, curb and gutter, and 3-foot-wide sidewalks. Right-of-way, in addition to the

#### SAJEN-RH Mr. Robert Mathes

limits furnished by Mr. Frank Douglas, Virgin Islands Urban Renewal Board, would be required for street construction from the school to bridge No. 2. If this additional street construction is included with project construction, submission of the Detailed Project Report could be delayed at least one month.

c. The utility drawings recently furnished by the local sponsor will be helpful in our planning and general layout of project features. However, for replacement of existing utility lines (sanitary sewer, storm sewer, water supply, etc., and other existing works, which are affected by project construction, the detailed information we requested at the February coordination meeting is urgently needed (see Inclosure 2).

d. Relocation of public utilities is a local sponsor responsibility and generally it is the practice for the local sponsor to relocate utilities in advance of construction activities. Where this is not possible or economically feasible, relocation of affected utilities can be included in the construction contract. All cost of relocations would still be paid by the local sponsor. For these affected utilities, which cannot be relocated by the local sponsor in advance of construction activities, some interruption in utility services would take place. To keep these utility interruptions to a minimum, close coordination and cooperation would be necessary between the Corps of Engineers, Virgin Islands Department of Public Works, and the construction contractor.

Under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 when Federally assisted projects, such as the plan considered for Savan Gut, "affects the coastal zone" it must be consistent with the Coastal Management Program. In your capacity as local sponsor for this project, it is requested that your staff obtain assurance from Mrs. Sallie Adams of the Virgin Islands Department of Conservation and Cultural Affairs that the flood control plan currently envisioned, would be consistent with the Coastal Management Program. The only part of our project affecting the coastal area would be the riprap protected outlet. It is envisioned that the ripran would be at elevation -13.2 feet, m.s.l., and extend 20 feet into the harbor. A sheet pile cutoff wall would be required to a depth of -25.0 feet, m.s.l., at the existing face of the seawall in order to prevent erosion under the planned stilling basin.

It is extremely important that we receive your support for one of the alternatives by 8 May 1981 so as not to interfere with our present schedule for submitting the DPR to higher authority by 30 June. It is also extremely important that we also receive assurance that our plan is consistent with your Coastal Zone Management Plan.

Sincerely,

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Narrative of 4 alternatives
 Utility information required

Copy Furn (w/incl): LTC Burns, DDE for PR & VI JAMES L. GARLAND Chief, Engineering Division

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#### COVERED CHANNEL ALTERNATIVES

#### SAVAN GUT, ST. THOMAS, V. I.

a. <u>Alternative No. 1</u> - Prepare preliminary cost estimate for the additional costs to provide a covered box culvert, in lieu of an open concrete channel, from Jane E. Tuitt School to the business district (approximately 1,100 ft.). For this alternative that portion of the box culvert from the school to bridge No. 2 would be designed to withstand additional loading from future street construction crossing the culvert which is being considered by the Virgin Islands government. That portion of the box culvert from bridge No. 2 to the business district would be designed for pedestrian traffic only.

b. <u>Alternative No. 2</u> - Same as alternative No. 1 except that portion of the box culvert from bridge No. 2 to the business district would also be designed for highway loading.

c. <u>Alternative No. 3</u> - Same as alternative No. 1 except street construction from Jane E. Tuitt School to bridge No. 2 would be included in the estimated costs.

d. <u>Alternative No. 4</u> - Same as alternative No. 2 except street construction from school to bridge No. 2 and from bridge No. 2 to business district would be included in the estimated costs.

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#### SAVAN GUT, ST. THOMAS, V. I.

Following information is requested in order to coordinate preparation of Detail Project Report and Contract Plans and Specifications for subject project:

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(b) Is the 10" C.I.P. the discharge line?

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Jacksonville District, Corps of Engineers Engineering Division - Design Branch P. O. Box 4970 Jacksonville, F.orida 32232

If telephone contact is desired, call Marvin G. Lane, Area Code (904) 791-2412.

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# GOVERNMENT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS OF THE UNITED STATES CHARLOTTE AMALIE, ST. THOMAS, V.I. 00801

#### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

March 13, 1981

Mr. James L. Garland Chief, Engineering Division Department of the Army Jacksonville District, Corps of Engineers Federal Building P. O. Box 4970 Jacksonville, Florida 32201

Dear Mr. Garland:

The results of the February 1981 field trip to Savan Gut, St.Thomas by ACE representatives, Hashtak and Lane, are exemplified by the attached correspondence from concerned agencies and individuals. The general meetings and field trips were extremely productive and gave the Corps and the local government officials valuable insights into the special circumstances surrounding the project.

I would appreciate your office's review of the attached correspondence and the acceptance of those design recommendations and observations that can be practically applied to the project. We are cognizant of the 3 million dollar authorization ceiling under which the Corps must operate however, please include all acceptable recommendations, including the covering of the gut, as itemized elements in your final engineering cost estimate.

We appreciate your efforts to get this project moving and look forward to cooperating with you and your staff to correct the serious flood problems in the Savan area.

Should you have any questions or comments on the above please contact me at once. I look forward to hearing from you real soon.

Robert S. Mathes Director of Planning & Development

ATTACHMENTS

cc: Senator Milton A. Frett Director of V.I. Planning office Executive Director Urban Renewal Board



# GOVERNMENT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS OF THE UNITED STATES

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR VIRGIN ISLANDS PLANNING OFFICE P. O. Box 2606 Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, V.I. 00801

February 27, 1981

Mr. Robert Mathes Director of Planning Dept. of Public Works P.O. Box 476 Charlotte Amalie St. Thomas, V.I. 00801

Dear Mr. Mathes:

Based on my staff members' reports of the recent meetings and field inspection relating to the Savan gut Flood Control Project, I have the following comments. Due to the area's present state of development, archaeological remains of significance are not visible on the ground surface and are not likely to be discovered in any reconnaissance survey. However, because of this condition, it is very important that project excavation be monitored for any appearance of significant archaeological materials. A specialist on the project should be designated to watch for archaeological materials, to alert local agencies, and to arrange for the recording or salvage of materials within a specified period of time. One area of particular note is the outflow point at the harbor bulkhead, which will be dredged to a greater depth. Historic materials are recorded from all over the harbor, including areas adjacent to the bulkhead. We would like to see recovery methods for these materials designed into the project.

In regard to above-ground historic structures, documentation and recording is recommended for a number of structures, including the wall at #33 Vester Gade (now within the urban renewal area) and #6 and #7 Guttets Gade. Other properties worthy of recording will presumably indentified in the report of the consulting firm doing the cultural resource survey. Measured drawings and photographic documentation will be required. I suggest that this recording work be carried out prior to actual initiation of the project.

With regard to the gut itself, it is understood that this must be significantly altered in order for the project to have its desired effect. I suggest again that further documentation, primarily photographic, of the impacted area be provided prior to project initiation. Existing measured Robert Mathes

February 27, 1981

drawings of the gut are probably sufficient for the topographic and plan details. At least three cross-sectional drawings and three twenty foot longitudinal drawings (ten feet either side of the cross-sections) should also be provided. Locations for these can be worked out with my staff. Two sets of all documentation should be submitted - one for the Bureau of Libraries, Museums, and Archaeological Services, and one for the V.I. Planning Office.

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I agree that a covered channel will have a less adverse effect on the general appearance of the historic district than the other proposed safety measures, such as chain-link fences on both sides of an open gut.

If you have any furhter questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely

Roy E. Adams Director/of Planning/SHP0

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## VIRGIN ISLANDS URBAN RENEWAL BOARD

P.O. BOX 2295 ST. THOMAS . VIRGIN ISLANDS of the U.S.A. 80881

Office of the EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

March 2, 1981

Telephone ST. THOMAS 774-0019

Mr. Robert S. Mathis Director of Planning & Redevelopment Department of Public Works St. Thomas, V. I. 00802

• Re: COE Design, Savan Gut

Dear Mr. Mathis:

In keeping with your request made at meetings held on February 25 and 26 at Public Works Department with Mr. John Hashtak and Mr. Glenn Lane, both from the Corp of Engineers, and currently engaged in the design of the Savan Gut, I submit to you the following comments:

- That the COE reconsider the 2' drop inlet-effect which will be placed at the inlet (Northend) of the existing culvert which runs underneath Jane E. Tuitt School. This structure should be increased to 4' to 6' deep.
- 2. That the COE re-study the proposed alignment of the new culvert at the intersection of Gamle Gade and Store Straede. The culvert is indicated as running across an incline (the foot of Fireburn Hill) rather than at the lowest point in the area, and through a substantially large 3 story attractive and well kept building.
- 3. We strongly support the suggestion to cover the culvert to eliminate the health and safety hazzard but in doing so that the side walls be designed structually strong enough to support a roadway lesigned to carry a standard highway loading.

Very truly yours, · --- in marte the of Cong. Franklin Douglas **Technical Assistant** 

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ST. THOMAS 774-0880 ext. 245 774-5770

## MILTON A. FRETT

Member, District of St. Thomas - St. John

Fourteenth Legislature of the Virgin Islands

Charlotte Amalie, V.I. 00801 P.O. Box 477

CHAIRMAN: Committee on Public Safety VICE CHAIRMAN: Committee on Judiciary

March 3, 1981

MEMBER:

Committee on Agriculture Committee on Finance Committee on Labor and Veterans Affairs

Mr. Robert Mathes Department of Public Works Government of the Virgin Islands St. Thomas, Virgin Islands 00801

Dear Bob:

This is a follow-up to our meeting of February 26, 1981 at which time you suggested that a letter of specific concern as well as recommendations for the improvement of the Savan Gut be sent to you.

In addition to that which has been accomplished thus far, my main area of concern on behalf of the residents of the Savan Area, is to have a covering placed over the gut as a part of the total rehabilitation of the project. I would strongly recommend that this be done.

In light of this concern and in support of my recommendation, I have cited the existing unsanitary condition of the gut and the fact that it also represents a threat to safety. This gut has also become the dumping ground for large household appliances and other types of discarded material.

It was previously decided that two (2) separate estimates of the cost of covering the gut would be made. One estimate will entail the cost of a pedestrian walkway while the other will consist of a covering capable of bearing vehicular traffic.

This will be especially wise since the Legislature will have to address the question of additional funding, i.e., an amount in excess of the \$3,000,000 contribution being made by the Federal Government. Having alternative plans available for legislative consideration would assist greatly in determining which of the two would be more feasible following the overall cost analysis, all things being equal.

As I have suggested, I think it would be wise to include in your mailing list the Chairman and/or members of the Legislature's Standing Committee on Public Works. It is a project that I think they should be kept abreast of.

Sincerely, .1ton A.V Frett Senator

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United States Department of the Interior FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE P.O. Box 3005 - Marina Station Mayaguez, Puerto Rico 00708

December 17, 1980

Mr. James L. Garland Chief, Engineering Division U.S. Army Corps of Engineer Jacksonville District P.O. Box 4970 Jacksonville, Florida 32201

Dear Sir:

Attached is the resource report for the Savan Gut Sec. 205 project for St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands. In general we believe that construction of the flood control facilities will not adversely effect the fish & wildlife resources of the area.

This report is provided in accordance with the Fish & Wildlife Coordination Act (48 Stat. 401, as amended; 15 U.S.C. 661 et. seq.)

Sincerely, Felix Lopez

Acting Biologist in Charge

Attachment

cc: Jacksonville Area Office

#### Savan Gut Charlotte Amalie St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands

## <u>Location</u>

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Savan Gut, a drainage canal, has a ½ square mile drainage basin which extends from St. Thomas's central ridge, through central Charlotte Amalie, to its discharge into Crown Bay and the Caribbean Sea.

#### Description

Savan Gut is a drainage gut that is similar to most other drainages on the island of St. Thomas. The gut exhibits a steep gradient from its 1400 foot origin to a location about one half mile from its outlet. The gradient on this lower reach flattens out considerably before entry into Crown Bay. The lower area is completely urbanized; houses, shops, small businesses and streets are located on the banks and over the drainage canal.

Approximately, one half mile above the harbor, the Jane Tuitt School is located, sitting astride Savan Gut. The school causes a severe constriction in the Gut, funneling the gut into a 4'x8' box culvert.

The area above cane Tuitt School is sparsely urbanized. A few houses occupy areas adjacent to Savan Gut. From the bridge

(#1 on the engineering drawings) located above the Jane Tuitt School to the origin of the gut, the area consists of mostly natural vegetation not having been developed as yet. Riparian vegetation is charactarized by grasses and some scattered Flamboyan and Tamarind trees. Several of these Flamboyan trees are fairly large, reaching height in excess of 25 feet.

#### Fish and Wildlife Resources

There are no fish living in Savan Gut, owing mainly to the fact that the Gut only carries water during periods of heavy rain. Wildlife observed in the area consisted mostly of small birds that are accustomed to life in urbanized areas. Bananaquit and Pearly-eyed thrasher were seen during our observation, however, we made no surveys of the upper drainage due to limted access. Department of Conservation and Cultural Affairs personnel stated that the upper drainage provides important feeding habitat for both the migratory and indigenous birds of St. Thomas.

### Recommendations

Overall, it is not expected that the Savan Gut flood protection project will adversely impact fish and wildlife species of the area. We would like to see the Corps of Engineers confine their

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activity in the Gut to the area below Bridge #1 which is located above the Jane Tuitt School. The upper area provides habitat that is important to bird species of the island.

Additionally, the Corps of Engineers should investigate a method of retaining some of the water that flows, unused, out of the Gut. St. Thomas has been experiencing water shortages for many years. Increased development and tourism puts severe strain on the water resources of the island. An old cistern is located just above the Jane Tuitt School. Perhaps this cistern could be refurbished and expanded to store some of the rain water that flows out of Sayan Gut.

One of the major problems with the drainage in Savan Gut is accumulated rubbish that finds its way into the channel. Once the flood control structures are completed, open areas from Bridge #1 should be fenced on both sides to help prevent people from using the drainage for garbage disposal.

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Mr. Robert Mathes Director of Planning and Development Department of Public Norks Government of the Virgin Islands Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, VI 00001

#### Dear Mr. Mathes:

This letter refers to our previous letter dated 3 October 1980 concerning a study we are currently preparing for flood reduction measures in the Savan Gut area. For convenient reference, a location map showing the major features of our proposed plan is provided as Inclosure 1.

Our study has progressed to the point that a preliminary alinement plan has been developed. Copies of the preliminary alinement are inclosed for your examination. It is nost noteworthy that our alinement does not conform exactly to the existing gut alinement. The criteria that we must use for the design of flood control channels prescribe limits to the minimum degree of curvature required in bends, extent of spiral transition curves, and the amount of invert super elevation. Using these design criteria, the proposed alinement would require the removal or relocation of 13 structures, as shown on Inclosures 2 through 7. This may be a major concern because these structures are located within the limits of the Charlotte Amalie historical districts as listed on the Mational Register of Historic Places. The local Archeological and Historic Preservation Officer would have to make a determination if these 13 structures could be removed or relocated.

'It is requested that after your review of the preliminary alignment, a joint meeting and field trip be conducted to the project area. It is suggested that representatives of the Virgin Islands Urban Renewal Board, Planning Office, and Archeological and Historic Preservation Officer be advised of this meeting along with the consultants for the Veterans Drive widening project. He recommend that you coordinate with local agencies to determine when this meeting would be most suitable. Because of the upcoming holiday

8 December 1930

SAJEN-RH Mr. Robert Hathes

season it might be advisable to consider a mid-January meeting. In order to expedite arrangements for our meeting, please feel free to contact Hr. John Hashtak, the project manager at (904) 791-2208. Prior to our meeting, it would be extremely helpful if you could provide us with any design or as-built drawings for utilities located under or around the existing gut.

### Sincerely,

6 Incl (Trip) 1. Location map 2. - 7. Alinement plan JAMES L. GARLAND Chief, Engineering Division

Copy Furnished (w/incl): Honorable Arnold M. Golden Commissioner, Dept. of Public Works Charlotte Amalie St. Thomas, VI 00801

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Hr. Tom Derr Dalton, Dalton, Newport 34 N. Hawkins Ave. Akron, Oli 44313

bcc: SAJDS

## SAJER-RH

29 October 1930

Mr. Ton Derr Dalton, Dalton, Mewport 34 N. Hawkins Avenue Akron, Ohio 44313

#### Dear Hr. Derr:

This refers to your telephone request of 24 October 1920 concerning information about our current flood control study for the Savan Gut section of Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands.

Inclosed is a location map showing major features of the standard project flood design as it is currently envisioned. These major features include a new 800-foot long box culvert under the central business district, a new concrete open channel averaging 14 feet in width and 5 feet in depth from the school to the business district, a buried concrete diversion chute around the school, replacement of three bridges, and a stilling basin located near St. Themas Harbor. The stilling basin is designed to be underground and to extend from the existing harbor bulkhead about 40 feet north toward the business district. Inasmuch as the stilling basin will be in the area of your road widening project, future coordination between our offices concerning this matter will be necessary. Accordingly, it is requested that a copy of your preliminary road widening plans be provided this office along with a current estimate of your construction schedule.

Please let us know if we can be of any further service.

Sincerely,

#### ? Incl Location Map

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January 13, 1981

Mr. James L. Garland Chief, Engineering Division Department of the Army Jacksonville District Corps of Engineers P. O. Box 4970 Jacksonville, Fla. 32232

> Subject: Proposed Highway Project TERR 0001 (004) Charlotte Amalie St. Thomas, Virgin Islands

Dear Mr. Garland:

Thank you for the location map and general description of your proposed flood control project relating to Savan Gut on St. Thomas which you sent via your letter of October 29, 1980. I would also like to thank you for the drawings you sent which show the preliminary alignment of the proposed structure. We received the drawings and a copy of your letter to Mr. Mathes on December 15, 1980.

I have enclosed the material listed below which will help describe the proposed highway project along the waterfront area of Charlotte Amalie.

1. Typical Section of the proposed highway at the waterfront.

2. Overall plan of the proposed facilities along the waterfront.

3. Highway location plan taken from the Draft E.I.S.

Your letter and drawings indicate that a stilling basin is being proposed northward from the existing bulkhead. Since we are proposing to construct a new bulkhead 35'+ south of the existing bulkhead, it appears that we will have to accommodate an outfall structure for the stilling basin in our design. When you have proceeded far enough in your design to have developed the basic profile and cross sectional features and dimensions of the stilling basin, along with any pertinent hydraulic data, we would appreciate having this information.

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Mr. James L. Garland January 13, 1981 Page Two

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The magnitude of both projects will certainly require coordination of design and construction. Our present schedule calls for the final Location Report and E.I.S. to be submitted for review and circulation about May 1981. Assuming we receive approval of these documents in late summer of this year, we will then proceed into Preliminary and Final Design. Prior to beginning Preliminary Design, we must have aerial mapping prepared and other field surveys completed. From the beginning of Preliminary Design to the completion of Final Design and Bidding, approximately 20 months time will have elapsed. Therefore, construction would occur in the first half of 1983. As you probably can understand, not all of the events which must happen between now and construction are under our control and the general schedule which I have outlined above has certain assumptions built into it with regard to review and response times.

If you have any further questions about our project, please let me know.

Very truly yours,

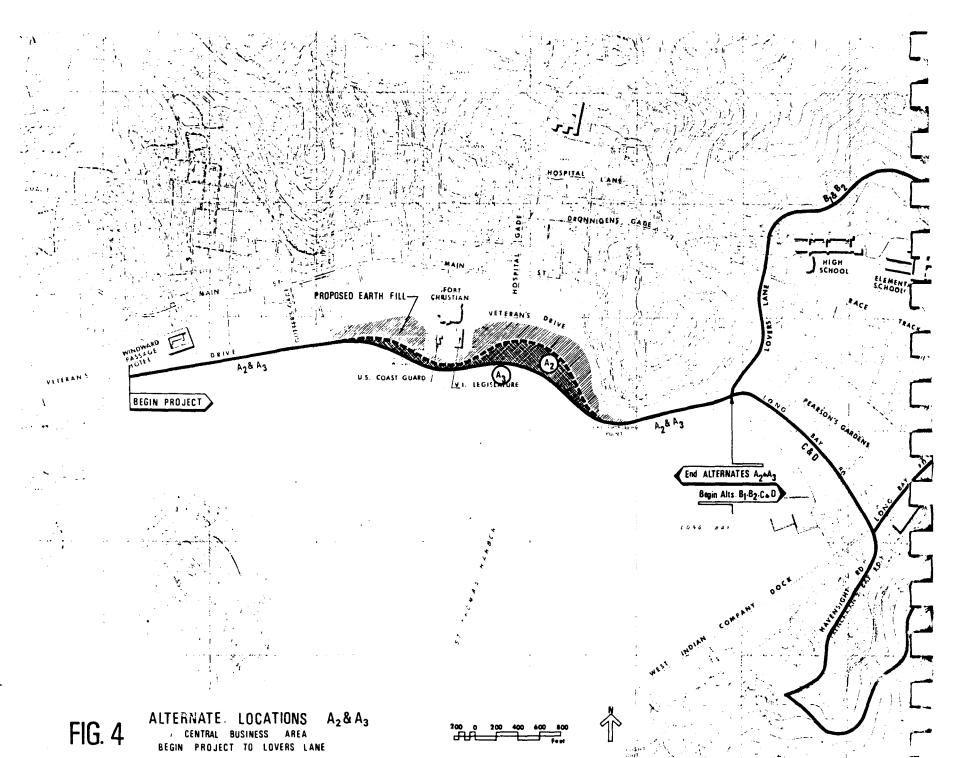
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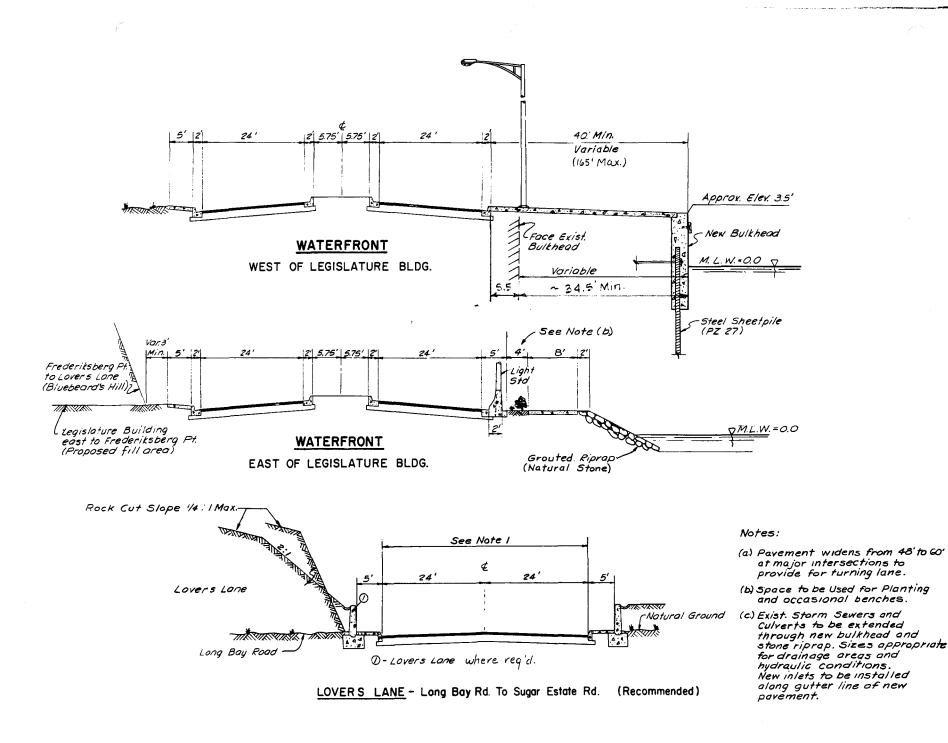
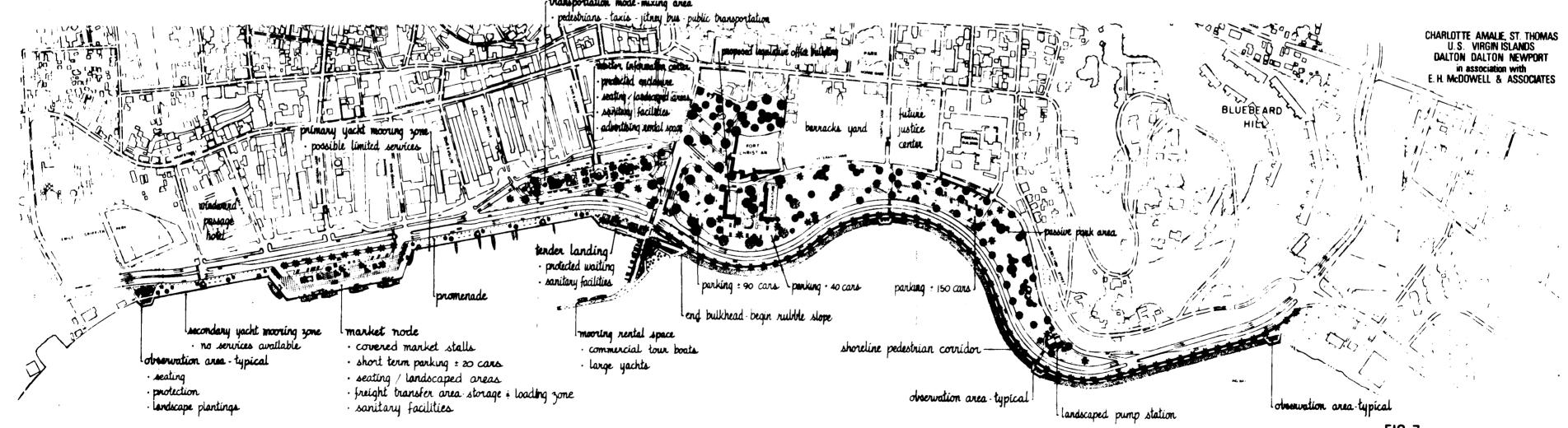


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TYPICAL SECTIONS - URBAN AREA



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FIG. 7 PROPOSED NEW HIGHWAY AND LINEAL PARK MITIGATION PLAN SAJERAN

3 October 1980

Mr. Robert S. Mathes Director of Planning and Development Department of Public Morks Government of the Virgin Islands Charlotte Amalie. St. Thomas. V. I. 00201

Dear Mr. Mathes:

This is in response to your letter dated 5 September 1980 concerning our current study for flood reduction measures in the Savan Gut area of Charlotte Amalie.

We have examined the preliminary sketch of the right-of-way alignment that the Virgin Islands Urban Renewal Board is considering for a proposed road which would connect General Gade with Levkoi Strande. The inclosed location map shows the major features of the flood control plan which we are now studying. These features include a new 800-foot-long concrete box culvert under the central business district, a new concrete open channel averaging 14 foot in width and 5 feat in depth from the Jana E. Tuitt School downstream to the business district, a buried concrete diversion chute around the school, three new bridges over the gut, and a stilling basin located near the St. Thomas Harbor.

The work considered by Virgin Islands Urban Renewal Board is in the reach of our proposed canal enlargement which contains the junction with the chute. The performance of our hydraulic designs would be extremely sensitive to modification because during design conditions both the channel and the chute are flowing supercritically. Accordingly, the proposal to change the alignment of the existing gut and replace the existing channel with a new steel cylindrical pipe culvert would not be adaptable to our design. Another area of interest is the bridge over the gut at Ceneral Gade. Do you know if the proposed read work would involve any modification to the existing bridge? Our office is recommending replacement of this bridge and features such as net area, approach geometry, and low chord elevation would be critical to hydraulic performance.

3 October 1980

SAJEN-RH Nr. Robert S. Hathes

It is recommended that a design be considered that would be satisfactory for flood conveyance as well as road construction. One such design could be a box culvert with the ceiling designed to be at least 1 foot above the design water surface profile. The pavement then could be placed on top of the box culvert and a suitable junction could be formed in the area where needed. From that point, a converging rectangular section could be constructed which could possibly be formed in place.

It is the desire of this office to cooperate fully with your office and the Virgin Islands Urban Renewal Board. It is requested that you consider proposals mentioned herein. We will provide drawings of our proposed alinemont when they become available around 1 November 1930. It is recommended that after your review of the preliminary alinement plans, a joint meeting and field trip be conducted to determine the practicality of a multi-purpose design. This would also be an opportune time to coordinate detailed findings of our planning effort and insure public involvement in the plan formulation process.

Sincerely,

1 Incl Location JAMES L. GARLAND Chief, Engineering Division

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IN REPLY ADDRESS Commissioner of Public Works

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# GOVERNMENT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS OF THE UNITED STATES CHARLOTTE AMALIE, ST. THOMAS, V.I. 00801

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS** 

September 5, 1980

Mr. A. J. (Ed) Salem, P. E. Chief, Project Planning Branch Engineering Division Corps of Engineers Jacksonville District P. O. Box 4970 Jacksonville, Florida 32201

Dear Ed:

Please find enclosed information from the V. I. Urban Renewal Board pertaining to the Savan Gut project.

As other supplemental data becomes available I will forward everything to you for a determination of inclusion in the project documents.

Thanks again for your continued cooperation.

Sincere

Robert S. Mathes Director of Planning and Development

Enclosure

#### VIRGIN ISLANDS URBAN RENEWAL BOARD

P.O. BOX 2295 . ST. THOMAS . VIRGIN ISLANDS of the U.S.A. . 00801

Office of the EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

#### August 5, 1980

Telephone ST. THOMAS 774-0019

PUBLIC WORKS ULL

Honorable Arnold M. Golden Commissioner Department of Public Works Charlotte Amalie St. Thomas, Virgin Islands

Re: Savan Renewal Area

Dear Commissioner Golden:

In your letter of February 13, 1980, you indicated that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers was in the process of designing improved flood control measures in the Savan Gut area and that preliminary design drawings will be ready this summer.

For the purpose of coordinating this office's plans with those of the C.O.E. and P.W.D., we have enclosed a preliminary sketch of the alignment of the new R.O.W. proposed which will tie General Gade and Levkoi Straede.

We further plan that the existing gut in that immediate area will be re-aligned in keeping with the new R.O.W. and a new steel cylindrical pipe culvert of some increased cross-sectional area (perhaps 100 sq. ft.  $\pm$ ) will be installed.

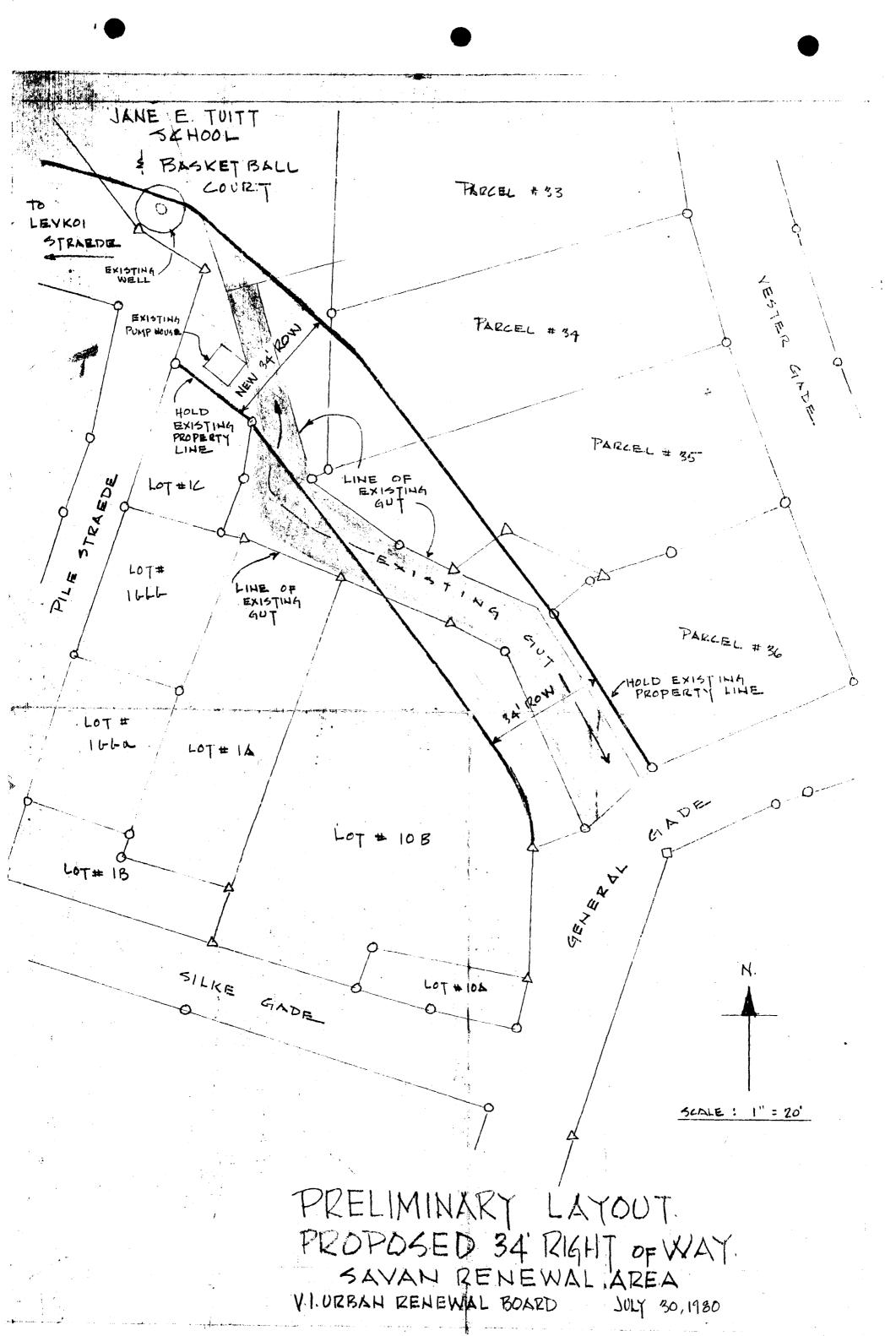
We are aware of the urgency in coordinating this new R.O.W. as evidenced by C.O.E. work crews making test boring in the area along the present course of the gut.

Input at this time from all agencies involved will be invaluable. Please don't hesitate to contact this office should you have any questions or comments regarding this project.

Sincerely,

Josephine Ottley Executive Director

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#### 19 August 1920

Mr. Donald J. Hankla U. S. Fish and Hildlife Service 15 North Laura Street

Jacksonville, Florida 32202

#### Dear Hr. Hankla:

SAJEN-RH

The purpose of this letter is to initiate a request for a resource inventory and habitat evaluation for the Savan Gut area located in Charlotte Amalie in the south side of St. Thomas in the U. S. Virgin Islands. This office is currently preparing a detailed project report for flood protection measures in the area based on the findings of a reconnaissance report prepared in 1977. At that time a joint preliminary field reconnaissance was conducted with representatives of this office, the Fish and Wildlife Service and the local sponsor, the Virgin Islands Public Works Department.

The plan currently being considered is very similar to that recommended in the reconnaissance report. Inclosed is a location map of the study area, showing the location of the existing gut, bridges, and Jane E. Tuitt School about 1,850 feet upstream of St. Thomas Harbor.

Local interests are primarily interested in measures to reduce or relieve recurrent flooding at the school located astride Savan Gut and also to reduce flooding in the business district further downstream. Accordingly, we have developed a flood control project to relieve damages from storms up to the Standard Project Flood (SPF).

Major features of the design include a new 800-foot long concrete box culvert under the central business district, a new concrete open channel averaging 14 feet in width and 5 feet in depth from the school downstream to the business district, a buried concrete diversion chute around the school, 3 new bridges over the gut, and a stilling basin located near the St. Thomas Harbor. SAJEN-RH Mr. Donald J. Hankla, Area Manager

The current schedule for this project includes the submission of the Detailed Project Report to higher authority by 30 December 1980. Accordingly it is requested that the resource inventory and habitat evaluation begin as soon as possible under our existing transfer fund agreement. We currently show an unobligated balance of \$700 from the \$1,000 transferred for this project in FY-79. In order to meet our current schedule, it is requested that the resource inventory and habitat evaluation be complete by 3 October 1930. A workshop will be scheduled shortly thereafter.

Mr. A. D. Cadorath, the former District Office contact for this project, has retired. Mr. John Hashtak is the new District Office contact for this office (904-791-2208 or FTS 946-2208).

#### Sincerely,

1 Incl
Location map

JAMES L. GARLAND Chief, Engineering Division



#### GOVERNMENT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS OF THE UNITED STATES

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR VIRGIN ISLANDS PLANNING OFFICE P. O. Box 2606 Charlotte Amelie, St. Thomas, V.I. 00801

June 11, 1980

809-774-1726

Mr. James L. Garland Chief, Engineering Division Department of the Army Jacksonville District, Corps of Engineers P.O. Box 4970 Jacksonville, Florida 32201

Dear Mr. Garland:

This is in reply to your request for comments relative to the cultural resources of the area of proposed improvement to the Savanne (or Savan) Gut in Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas. Contrary to the information which your letter of May 20, 1980, indicates that you received from the Department of the Interior, Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service, the whole of the project area on Guttets Gade south of Back Street is included within the Charlotte Amalie Historic District, a property listed in the National Register of Historic Places. The Jane E. Tuitt School itself is just outside the historic district, but there are a number of properties immediately to the north and west of it which are considered eligible.

Based on the information contained in your Reconnaissance Report. I believe that the Guttets Gade portion of your Savanne Gut project will have no effect on the above-ground structures of the historic district. However, depending on the extent of the excavation necessary to install the new culvert and the extent of disturbance caused during installation of the existing culvert, there may be an adverse effect on archaeological resources. The area in question is part of the old warehouse section of the original Charlotte Amalie Waterfront, and there is a possibility that the culvert excavation would uncover important buried remains of historic structures or activity areas. Since the street is now paved, of course, a pre-construction field survey would not yield any new information. It may be that the best method to avoid adverse effect would be to assign an historical archaeologist to monitor the project construction and to allow a temporary halt to the project should it become necessary to record archaeological information or to salvage materials.

For the Jane E. Tuitt School portion of the project, I do not forsee that there will be an impact on historic properties. A cultural survey should not be necessary, but, again, it may become necessary to salvage historic materials if any are encountered in the excavation for the drainage chute. I have one question concerning the project plans. In Table 2, "School Plan Costs", relocations are budgeted at a cost of \$3000. Does this mean that individuals will be relocated and therefore existing structures removed?

Additionally, since I have been asked to comment on several Corps projects, it would be most helpful if you could send me a copy of the Corps' regulations for fulfilling its historic preservation responsibilities. Thank you for this opportunity to comment on your proposed project.

Sincerely,

Thomas R. Blake Director of Planning, SHPO

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#### 22 December 1978

#### SAJEN-RF

Honorable Juan Luis Governor of the Virgin Islands of the United States Office of the Governor Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas Virgin Islands

#### **Dear Governor Luis:**

Reference is made to your letters of 9 and 29 November 1978, concerning flooding problems on St. Thomas and St. Croix for which you requested assistance under the Section 205 Small Projects Program.

We are currently working on a Definite Project Report (DPR) for the Savan Gut area in Charlotte Amalie, which includes a portion of the downtown area. As that study progresses, the nature of the problems and needs and possible solutions will behore clearly defined. Your office will be kept advised as to the results of the various phases of the study.

We will initiate work on Reconnaissance Reports for the two areas on St. Croix at a later date as workload permits. Again, we will contact your office upon initiation of these study efforts.

We look forward to working with the Virgin Islands in assisting with some of your water resource problems.

Sincerely,

ROBERT J. WATERSTON III LTC, Corps of Engineers Acting District Engineer

Cy furn: Deputy District Engineer for P. R. & Y. I.



THE VIRGIN ISLANDS OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR CHARLOTTE AMALLE, ST. THOMAS

November 9, 1978

Colonel James W. R. Adams District Engineer Department of the Army Army Corps of Engineers P. O. Box 4970 Jacksonville, Florida 32201

#### Dear Colonel Adams:

Attached are letters dated September 8, 1976 addressed to Colonel Donald A. Wisdom, former District Engineer by the late Governor Cyril E. King, and the Colonel's response dated November 26, 1976. These letters concern flood control for the Virgin Islands.

Because of recent flood conditions throughout the Virgin Islands, I find it necessary to seek the assistance of the Army Corps of Engineers with regard to flood control problems in the Virgin Islands through the Section 205 Program. After analysis of past flood histories and other technical information available, I have selected three areas which are in most urgent need for flood protection and consequently recommend those for the reconnaisance phase. The three areas are separate both functionally and hydrologically as illustrated on the enclosed maps. Those areas are as follows:

> The downtown Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas area which is the terminal point for several different steep watersheds. The area encompasses the downtown area from the Catholic Church on the west to rort Christian on the east. This area has been severely flooded, with attendant property damage, during floods of 1960, 1969, 1970 and 1974. It is a

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densely developed area of residences and commercial uses. The affected area is somewhat over twenty-five acres; the twenty-five year peak flood flow is estimated at 2,475 cubic feet per second (cfs) and the watershed area is 423 acres.

- 2. The Tide Village area east of Christiansted, St. Croix. The residential and commercial uses in the area have been seriously affected and damaged during past floods. Poor development planning has placed many homes into a flood zone including a major road serving the east end of St. Croix. The affected area is about fifty-two acres; the twentyfive year peak flood flow is estimated at 1374 cfs and the watershed area is 450 acres.
- 3. The lower portions of the town of Christiansted, St. Croix. Like Charlotte Amalie, several watersheds of the surrounding hills terminate in the town causing flash flood problems. The area affected extends from the Watergut area on the west to the Gallows Bay area on the east and reaching several blocks deep into the town. Like the other two areas it has experienced severe flood problems in the past. The affected area is about 120 acres. The twenty-five year peak flood flow is estimated at 4484 cfs; the watershed area is 1046 acres.

The attached maps are copies of portions of the Water Resources Maps forwarded to your office at an earlier date. The maps show the above mentioned areas in yellow. The indicated areas of flooding were taken from information supplied by the U. S. Geological Survey.

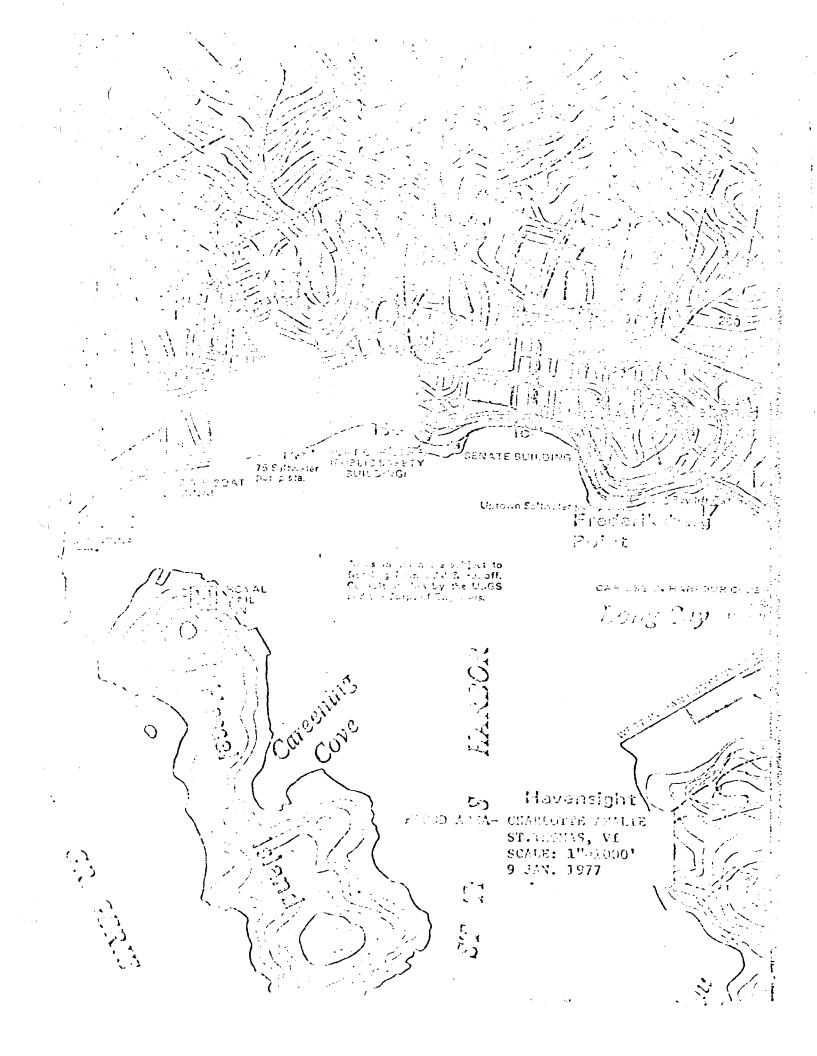
In addition to the three areas specifically mentioned above, it is necessary for me to bring to your attention that Mon Bijou, a centrally located housing development, has suffered severe damage during the last two floods and continue to be a highly prone flood area. This area is also in need of flood protection and I recommend that it be included in the reconnaisance phase.

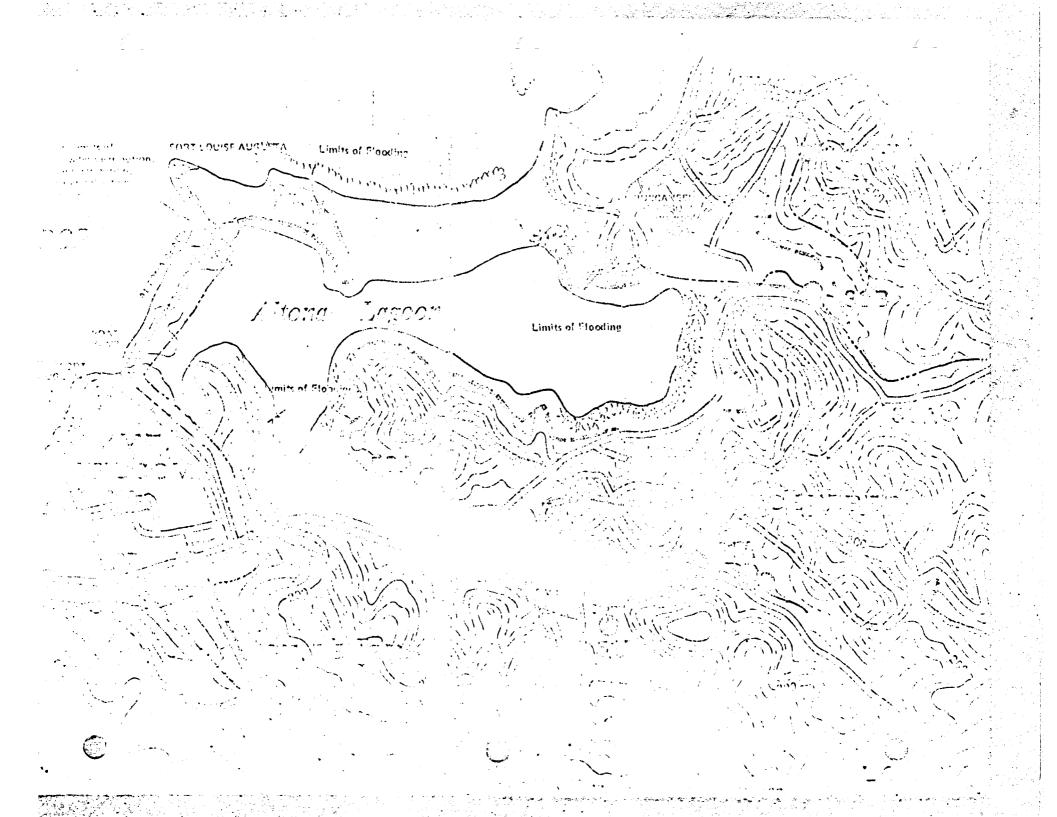
## Colonel James W. R. Adams

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I hope this information is sufficient to commence the reconnaisance phase of your flood protection program. You can be assured of our assistance and cooperation in this effort. Hopefully we will see the flood problems minimized or eliminated in a very short time.

Sincerely you Juan Luis Governor





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## GOVERNMENT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS OF THE UNITED STATES CHARLOTTE AMALIE, ST. THOMAS, V.I. 00801

### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

August 2, 1978

Mr. James L. Garland Chief, Engineering Division Department of the Army P.O. Box 4970 Jacksonville, Florida 33201

Re: Savan Gut Section 205 Flood Control Study

Dear Mr. Garland:

Through the Director of Planning, Mr. Thomas R. Blake, I have received copies of the reconnaisance report and the required qualifications and duties of the local sponsor for the proposed savan gut flood control project in St. Thomas.

Since flood control is so very essential in this area, the Department of Public Works will be pleased to accept sponsorship of this program for the Virgin Islands, and we look forward to a cooperative relationship with you and the Corps of Engineers.

Kindly keep us informed as to the progress of this project and call upon us if we can be of any assistance.

Very truly yours,

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Gordon A Commissioner

cc: Mr. Thomas Blake





## GOVERNMENT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS OF THE UNITED STATES

DFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR VIRGIN ISLANDS PLANNING OFFICE P. O. Box 2606 Charlotte Aroslie, St. Thomas, V.I. 00801

November 16, 1976

Mr. Ronald E. Hilton, Chief Flood Plain Management Services Branch P. O. Box 4970 400 W. Bay Street Jacksonville, Florida 32201

Dear Mr. Hilton:

Pursuant to the letter from James Garland, Chief, Engineering Division, dated July 16, 1976 and to the conference of October 28, 1976 at the Virgin Islands Planning Office regarding the Savan flooding problem, the following decision has been reached.

Of the alternatives presented to us in the above-mentioned letter and discussed at the conference, we are requesting assistance in the form of solution 2 (a small flood control project) and solution 4 (school flood-proofing study). Although these solutions are not of immediate benefit to the Savan Community Renewal Project under the Community Development Block Grant, we see their long-range value in terms of assessing the relative costs of local government implementation. We look forward to further correspondence from you concerning this.

We have shared the data you gave us on Flood Plain information with Edward Phillips, Assistant Director, Virgin Islands Planning Office. Mr. Phillips heads the Long Range Planning section and will be in touch with you.

Thank you for your kind cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas R. Blake / Director of Planning

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16 July 1976

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Mrs. Kincey Potter Senior Program Analyst Community Development Unit Virgin Islands Planning Office P.O. Box 2606 Charlotte Amalia, St. Thomas, V.I. 00801

Dear Mrs. Potter:

SAJEN-F

Reference is made to your letter, dated 8 July 1976, regarding the Savan flooding problem.

We apologize for not getting back in touch with you sooner on the Savan flooding problem. However, we recently tried to get in contact with the USDA Soil Conservation Service (SCS), Caribbean Area Director to discuss and determine their interest in the matter. However, to date, we have been unable to determine their interest.

As discussed at the 18 May 1976 meeting in your office between Messrs. Ronald Hilton of my steff and Trafton Fleetwood of our South Atlantic Division Office, it is felt that there are four (4) possible solutions to the Savan flood problem. They are as follows:

1. Relocate the school.

2. A small flood control project designed and constructed by the Corps under the Small Flood Control Projects Authority. This would have to be preceded by a preliminary reconnaissance report and if found warranted, a detail project report.

3. A small flood control project involving a cooperative agreement between Corps and SCS on planning, design, and construction.

4. Corps provide flood-proofing study for school under our Flood Plain Management Services (FPMS) program. Plans and specifications for flood-proofing by the Corps, construction of flood-proofing measures by the Virgin Islands government.

### SAJEN-Y Mrs. Kincey Potter

### 16 July 1976

Two (2) of the four (4) possible solutions mentioned above involve the Corps Small Flood Control Projects Authority. Inclosed for your information is a fact sheat on that authority. It should also be pointed out that any project constructed by the Corps would have to be economically feasible according to our criteria for developing benefits and costs.

Your 8 July letter mentioned that planning for the project is proceeding. Please let us know your plans for the Savan area and also which of the four (4) possible solutions mentioned above you may want to pursua.

For your information, we received a letter, dated 24 May 1976, from Mr. Thomas R. Blake, Director of Planning for the Virgin Islands, requesting a Flood Plain Information (FPI) report for the Demarara section of Charlotte Amalia. The Demarara FPI study will be initiated by this office in Fiscal Year 1977. Actual initiation of the study will probably start about 1 November 1976 and should be completed by Saptember 1977. We will be in contact with you and Mr. Blake when we initiate the Demarara study. Please inform Mr. Blake that we plan to initiate the Demarara FPI study in Fiscal Year 1977.

It is hoped the above and inclosed information will be helpful. If we can provide any additional information or data, please lat us know.

Sincerely yours,

1 Incl As stated JAMES L. GARLAND Chiaf, Engineering Division

CF: (w/o incl) Ch, Proj Plng Br

Mr. Hilton/sb/3507

Mr. Salem

Mr. Marsch

SAJEN-RH

March 1982

## SECTION 205 DETAILED PROJECT REPORT

SAVAN GUT AT CHARLOTTE AMALIE

ST. THOMAS, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS

## APPENDIX E

## SECTION 404(B) EVALUATION

### SECTION 205 DETAILED PROJECT REPORT SAVAN GUT AT CHARLOTTE AMALIE ST. THOMAS, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS

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### SECTION 404(b)(1) FOR SAVAN GUT PROJECT, CHARLOTTE AMALIE, ST. THOMAS, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS

### A. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

1. Description of the Proposed Discharge of Dredged or Fill Materials. The proposed work calls for the excavation of approximately 40 cubic yards of predominantly sand material with small quantities of silt from the front of the existing seawall at the mouth of Savan Gut, Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas and replacement with 40 cubic yards of tremie concrete. A 100-foot-long sheet pile cutoff wall will then be driven to elevation -25 feet m.s.l., both 55 feet east and west of the centerline of Guttets Gade. The concrete will serve as a seal between the new cutoff wall and the existing harbor bulkhead. Material excavated from the harbor bottom will be placed aboard trucks and removed to an inland disposal area yet to be determined.

2. Description of the Proposed Disposal Sites for Dredged or Fill Material. The proposed excavation will occur seaward of the existing seawall at the mouth of Savan Gut, Charlotte Amalie, a drainage channel undergoing study for possible improvement. Proposed harbor work will extend out from the seawall approximately 5 feet into harbor waters. The site at the seawall is used as an anchorage for harbor ship traffic with propellor scour frequently disturbing the bottom and removing any rooted vegetation.

#### **B.** PHYSICAL EFFECTS

- 3. Wetlands. No wetlands will be impacted.
- 4. Effects on the Water Column as to:

(a) Light Transmission. Once construction of the stilling basin is completed, there will be no changes from existing light transmission levels. Light levels are currently reduced at irregular intervals since Savan Gut is a partially natural-partially channelized drainage channel which drains stormwater from the island into the harbor. There may be slight increases in turbidity during stilling basin excavation, but this is expected to be localized and short-term in duration.

(b) Esthetics. Excavation and placing of concrete will temporarily cause impacts upon the scenic view over St. Thomas Harbor. This impact is temporary and will be removed once construction ceases. Actual removal of bottom sediments and placement of concrete on the harbor bottom will not be visable from the surface once completed, thus there will not be any long-term aesthetic impacts.

(c) <u>Nekton and Plankton</u>. Motile organisms will avoid the site of construction during the excavation. Once activity ceases those species typical of shallow water, tropical Caribbean seas should return to the site. Planktonic organisms may be temporarily impacted by short-term turbidity increases, but as the project area comprises a very small percentage of the total available aquatic habitat, this impact should be minimal.

5. <u>Effects of Covering the Benthos</u>. No discharge of excavated material from harbor bottom is expected. Placement of concrete will not impact any benthos as placement will occur after excavation ceases.

6. What Will be Changes in

a. Bottom Geometry. Excavation will result in removal of approximately 40 cubic yards of material from the St. Thomas Harbor, extending to a depth of -6.4 feet feet m.s.l., for a width of 5 feet, and a length of 110 feet (see plate B-2).

b. <u>Substrate composition</u>. The primary sandy substrate will be replaced with tremie concrete.

c. Salinity Gradients. No effects.

d. <u>Alteration of Biological Communities Due to Exchange of</u> Constituents Between Sediments and Overlying Water. No effects.

#### C. CHEMICAL-BIOLOGICAL INTERACTIVE EFFECTS

The tremie concrete used for fill meets the exclusion criteria outlined in 40 CFR 230.4 and is excluded from further testing.

### D. REVIEW OF APPLICABLE WATER QUALITY STANDARDS

A review of 40 CFR indicates the proposed excavation and fill operations will not have any long-term impacts upon water quality, and is in conformance with applicable water quality standards.

### E. STATEMENT AS TO CONTAMINATION OF FILL MATERIAL IF FROM A LAND SOURCE

Approximately 40 cubic yards (total) of tremie concrete will be utilized as a seal between the new cutoff wall and the existing bulkhead. As far as is known, this fill material is not subject to any sources of pollution and is not known to contain any levels of contamination.

#### F. CONCLUSIONS AND DETERMINATIONS

7. An ecological evaluation has been made following the evaluation guidance in 40 CFR 230.4, in conjunction with the evaluation considerations in 40 CFR 230.5.

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8. Appropriate measures have been identified and incorporated in the proposed plan to minimize adverse effects on the aquatic environment as a result of discharge.

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9. Consideration has been given to the need for the proposed activity, the availability of alternative sites and methods of disposal that are less damaging to the environment, and such water quality standards as are appropriate and applicable by law.

### G. FINDING

The discharge sites for the proposed work have been specified through the application of the Section 404(b)(1) Guidelines.

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#### APPENDIX F

### CONCRETE MATERIALS INVESTIGATION

#### A. INTRODUCTION

1. <u>Purpose</u>. This concrete materials investigation is in accordance with the requirements of appendix A of EM 1110-2-2000, "Standard Practice for Concrete" for projects with 2,000 to 10,000 cubic yards of concrete. The purpose of this appendix is to describe the concrete materials and facilities to be used for the Savan Gut project and to relate the use and location of these materials and facilities to the work areas.

2. <u>Scope</u>. This material investigation presents the investigation data leading to the recommendations for concrete materials suitable for use in construction of the Savan Gut project. The items discussed are the concrete investigation, the cementitious materials investigation, the aggregate investigation, the water investigation, and the batch plant investigation.

#### B. CONCRETE INVESTIGATION

3. Concrete Quantity. The Savan Gut constrution is estimated to require approximately 3,700 cubic yards of concrete. The maximum placement rate will be less than 50 cubic yards per hour.

4. Climatic and Functional Conditions. St. Thomas is the second largest of the U.S. Virgin Islands, covering about 28 square miles. It has an extremely irregular coastline and is very hilly with practically no flatland. This results in rather steep slopes over all the island, so that rainfall runoff is quite rapid and there are no permanent streams or rivers. During the warmest months the high temperatures average about 88°F with low temperatures about 76°F. During the coolest months the daily temperatures range from highs in the low 80's to the lows in the high 60's. The trade winds blow almost without exception from an easterly direction with the average maximum wind speed slightly above 16 miles per hour. The relative humidity averages near 80 percent. Evaporation is high due to the warm tem-peratures and constant wind flow. The evaporation at the coastal regions is more than the average annual rainfall for those regions. One of the principle causes of concern in the U.S. Virgin Islands is the short supply of water. The high evaporation rate and the rapid runoff from the steep slopes on St. Thomas make the 40 to 60 inches of annual rainfall insufficient. During the drier portions of the year it is sometimes necessary to carry water by barge from Puerto Rico.

5. Concrete Quality. The ultimate compressive strength of the concrete at 28 days will be 3,000 pounds per square inch. A maximum water-cement ratio of .55 will be required for concrete placed below elevation 4.0 mean sea level. The concrete mix design will be the responsibility of the Contractor in accordance with CW-03307.

6. Hot Weather Concreting. Provision for placement of concrete during hot weather will be included in the specifications. The maximum placing temperature for the concrete will be 85°F unless it contains a retarding admixture. All concrete will be batched, mixed, placed, cured, and tested in accordance with ACI 305R-77 for "Hot Weather Concreting."

### C. CEMENTITOUS MATERIAL INVESTIGATION

7. Types and Kinds Required. The cement used in St. Thomas is imported from the Puerto Rican Cement Company. The only cement manufactured by that company is Type I Portland Cement, conforming to Federal Specification SS-C-1960/3 and ASTM C-150. Cement samples were previously sent to the Waterways Experiment Station (WES) for evaluation. Test results are shown in figure G-1.

8. Availability. The cement manufacturer in Puerto Rico is:

Puerto Rican Cement Company Chase Manhattan Building GPO Box 4487 Hato Rey, Puerto Rico 00912

Plant Location: Road No. 10 Ponce, Puerto Rico

In accordance with ER 1110-1-2002, 11 November 1977, appendix C, "Cement Quality Management System," the cement manufacturer was requested to submit to WES letters certifying that its plant maintains a quality control program and that its cement will meet the current Federal Specification requirements. The Puerto Rican Cement Company has been designated as a qualifed cement source under the Cement Quality Management System.

#### D. AGGREGATE INVESTIGATION

9. <u>General</u>. Coarse aggregate and 50 percent of the fine aggregate used in concrete on St. Thomas is quarried by Controlled Concrete Products, Inc. The other 50 percent of the fine aggregate is imported from the island of Barbuda (U.K.). The maximum size of coarse aggregate normally produced is 1 1/4 inches. The geologic type of the aggregate source is not readily

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available. A brief geologic history of St. Thomas and the latest subsurfaces investigation performed as part of the Savan Gut Detailed Project Report, indicated in appendix c, should be useful in obtaining a general idea of the geologic formations found on the island.

10. Documentation of Aggregate Quality. Documentation of the aggregate quality is not available at the present time. However, Controlled Concrete Products, Inc., has sent aggregate samples for testing to the South Atlantic Division Laboratory. The aggregate will be tested prior to plans and specifications preparation.

#### E. WATER INVESTIGATION

11. Mixing Water. Due to the short supply of drinkable water on St. Thomas, mixing water used in concrete is obtained from wells. At the present time, test data on this water is not available. The water will be tested prior to plans and specifications preparation.

12. Curing Water. Moist curing techniques are not normally used in St. Thomas. However, should the Contracto elect to use moist curing techniques, the source of water will be identified and the water will be tested in accordance with CRD-C400 prior to commencement of construction.

#### F. BATCH PLANT REQUIREMENTS

13. <u>Plant Requirements</u>. The selection of the type of batch plant required is based on a 3,700-cubic yard quantity with a maximum placement rate of 50 cubic yards per hour and one maximum size aggregate. For the Savan Gut project, a manual batch plant would meet the concrete requirements. The batch plant would also need to meet the requirements of EM 1110-2-2000 and the requirements of the "Concrete Plant Standards of the Concrete plant Manufacturer's Bureau."

14. Availability of Offsite Plants. The only supplier of ready mix concrete in St. Thomas is Controlled Concrete Products, Inc. This batch plant is a semi-automatic plant with a capacity of 100 cubic yards per hour.

15. Mixer Requirements. Truck mixers will be used to convey the concrete from the batch plant to the work site. Truck mixers will conform to applicable truck mixer standards.

16. <u>Special Requirements</u>. The concrete is to be batched, transported, mixed, and placed within 1 hour after the introduction of cement into the mix. The maximum concrete placing temperature shall be 85°F unless it contains a retarding admixture.

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## SECTION 205 DETAILED PROJECT REPORT

# SAVAN GUT AT CHARLOTTE AMALIE

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APPENDIX G

DRAFT 221 AGREEMENT

### AGREEMENT BETWEEN

### THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

### AND

#### THE U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS

#### FOR LOCAL COOPERATION ON

### THE SAVAN GUT FLOOD CONTROL PROJECT IN CHARLOTTE AMALIE, ST. THOMAS

THIS AGREEMENT entered into this day of 19 by and between the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (hereinafter called the "Government") represented by the Contracting Officer executing this agreement, and THE U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS, represented by the Commissioner of the Department of Public Works, hereinafter called the "Virgin Islands," WITNESSETH THAT:

WHEREAS, construction of the Savan Gut Flood Protection Project, hereinafter called the "Project," was authorized by Section 205 of the 1948 Flood Control Act as amended.

WHEREAS, Virgin Islands hereby represents that it has the authority and capability to furnish the non-Federal cooperation required by the Federal legislation authorizing the Project and by other applicable law.

NOW THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

1. The Virgin Islands agrees that upon notification that the Government shall commence construction of the Savan Gut Flood Control Project, substantially in accordance with Federal legislation authorizing such Project, the Virgin Islands shall, in consideration of the Government commencing construction of such Project, fulfill the requirements of non-Federal cooperation specified in such legislation, to wit:

(a) Provide without cost to the United States all lands, easements, rights-of-way, including suitable borrow and disposal areas as determined by the Chief of Engineers necessary for the construction of the Project:

(b) Accomplish without cost to the United States all alterations and relocations of buildings, transportation facilities, storm drains, utilities, and other structures and improvements made necessary by the construction.

(c) Hold and save the United States free from damages due to the construction works except damages due to the fault or negligence of the United States or its contractors;

(d) Provide a cash contribution, prior to initiation of construction, equal to the cost of all outside project scope work, presently estimated at \$477,000.

(e) Assume all project costs in excess of the Government limitation of \$4,000,000.

2. The Virgin Islands agrees that all acquisitions required to comply with conditions of this contract shall be accomplished in accordance with the provisions of Public Law 91-646, Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Act of 1970.

3. The Virgin Islands agrees to comply with the conditions set forth in the attached Exhibit "A" as assurance of compliance with the Department of Defense directive under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which by reference is made a part of this contract as if it were fully set forth herein.

4. The Virgin Islands hereby gives the Government a right to enter upon, at reasonable times and in a reasonable manner, lands which the Virgin Islands owns or controls for access to the Project for the purpose of inspection, and for the purpose of repairing and maintaining the Project, if such inspection shows that the Virgin Islands for any reason is failing to repair and maintain the Project in accordance with the assurances hereunder and has persisted in such failure after a reasonable notice in writing by the Government delivered to Commissioner of the Department of Public Works. No repair and maintenance by the Government in such event shall operate to relieve the Virgin Islands of responsibility to meet its obligations as set forth in paragraph 1 of the Agreement, or to preclude the Government from pursuing any other remedy at law or equity.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this contract as of the day and year first above written.

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

GOVERNMENT OF THE U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS

BY:

ALFRED B. DEVEREAUX, JR. Colonel, Corps of Engineers Commander and District Engineer U.S. Army Engineer District, Jacksonville BY:

Commissioner of the Department of Public Works

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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### CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

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I, \_\_\_\_\_\_, do hereby certify that I am the Attorney General of the Government of the U.S. Virgin Islands, that the Public Works Department is a legally constituted public body with full authority and capability to perform the terms of the agreement between the United States of America and the U.S. Virgin Islands in connection with the Savan Gut Flood Control Project, and to pay damages, if necessary, in the event of the failure to perform in accordance with Section 221 of Public Law 92-611 and that the person who has executed the contract on behalf of the Public Works Department has acted within its statutory authority.

In Witness Whereof, I have made and executed this Certificate this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_ 19\_.

Attorney General Government of the U.S. Virgin Islands

#### EXHIBIT "A"

### ASSURANCE OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE DIRECTIVE UNDER TITLE VI OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964

THE U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS HEREBY AGREES THAT it will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) and all requirements imposed by or pursuant to the Directive of the Deparmtne of Defense (32 CFR Part 300, issued as Department of Defense Directive 5500.11, Change 3, dated 11 April 1966) issued pursuant to that title, to the end that, in accordance with Title VI of the Act and the Directive, no person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color, or national origin be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which the U.S. Virgin Islands receives Federal financial assistance from the Department of the Army and HEREBY GIVES ASSURANCE THAT it will immediately take any measure necessary to effectuate this agreement.

If any real property or structure thereon is provided or improved with the aid of Federal financial assistance extended to the U.S. Virgin Islands by the Department of the Army, assurance shall obligate the U.S. Virgin Islands, or in the case of any transfer of such property, any transferee, for the period during which the real property or structure is used for a purpose for which the Federal financial assistance is extended or for another purpose involving the provisions of similar services or benefits. If any personal property is so provided, this assurance shall obligate the U.S. Virgin Islands for the period during which the Federal financial assistance is extended to it by the Department of the Army.

THIS ASSURANCE is given in consideration of and for the purpose of obtaining any and all Federal grants, loans, contracts, property, discounts or other Federal Financial assistance which were approved before such date. The U.S. Virgin Islands recognizes and agrees that such Federal financial assistance will be extended in reliance on the representations and agreements made in this assurance, and that the United States shall have the right to seek judicial enforcement of this assurance. This assurance is binding on the U.S. Virgin Islands, its successors, transferees, and assignees, and the person or persons whose signatures appear below are authorized to sign this assurance on behalf of the U.S. Virgin Islands.

GOVERNMENT OF THE U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS

DATE:

Commissioner of the Public Works Department

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BY: