

RRL BULLETIN

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Upcoming tenders

RRL Weather and Seismic Concrete Pad Civil Works: GOVI now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for Tender for Weather Station and Seismic Concrete Pad Civil Works. The works include but are not limited to the following: Weather Station Excavation and Earthworks, Seismic Concrete Pad Excavation and Earthworks and; Chainlink Fence Installation. The deadline to apply is 14 May 2019. More information can be found here: http://www.bvi.gov.vg/media-centre/tenders-invited-weatherstation-and-seismic-pad-works

RRL Construction of National Emergency Operation Centre Building (NEOC): The Government of the Virgin Islands is inviting sealed tenders for the construction of the National Emergency Operations Centre building. The deadline to apply is 21 May 2019. More information can be found here: http://www.bvi.gov.vg/media-centre/tenders-invitedconstruction-neoc-building

RRL/ICT Equipment For Schools: The tender process will be launched during the month of April. Keep checking the government's bulletin for updates.

RRL News

RRL Webpage

The RRL webpage has been revamped and is live now at http://gov.vg/departments/rehabilitation-and-reconstructionloan. The new site hosts project information, monthly reports, events, videos and news articles. A special highlight is the new interactive map that users can hover over for information on projects that are executed at specific locations. Feedback as well as suggestions and ideas for the loan activities can be left on the new feedback form available on the homepage.

Resilience Workshop

From 25-28 March the Community Resilience Workshop was held at the University of West Indies, Open Campus. Community leaders and local agencies were trained in areas related to disaster preparedness and response including in the development of community resilience action plans.

This project is being spearheaded through the Public Health Unit of the Ministry of Health and Social Development.

The special project is funded through the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) and facilitated by the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) and RAND Corporation, with special expertise in community resilience. Follow up resilience workshops are being planned for September.

RRL Bregado Flax

3 April Premier and Minister of Finance, Honourable Andrew A. Fahie has signed an agreement with BCQS Limited for the construction management of Bregado Flax Educational Centre in Virgin Gorda. The works will include reconstruction and rehabilitation of roof and internal structures for the administration building and secondary school buildings.

RRL/DDM equipment

\$900,000 was allocated through the RRL to upgrade the networks and expand the coverage for Territory Wide Early Warning Systems. The Project Unit of the Ministry of Finance have been able to secure most of the equipment including Five weather stations, an extensive array of Emergency Telecommunications equipment, 250 Radio Data Systems receivers, AM and FM transmitters, Amateur Radio Equipment, Satellite Communications Units, an additional nine sirens, five Strong Motion Sensors to record earthquake activities, two Tidal Gauges to be installed at Gun Creek on Virgin Gorda and Cane Garden Bay on Tortola and Emergency Broadcast Units to connect all radio stations operating in the Territory.

Coming Up

RRL Gender and Recovery Workshop

As part of the RRL a Workshop on Gender-Responsive Disaster Risk Reduction and Recovery is scheduled to be held 23-24 May. The workshop is a first of its kind to be held in the BVI. Itis intended to serve as a vehicle to enhance dialogue among local stakeholders to enable them to mainstream gender equality analysis into the design, development, implementation and monitoring and evaluation of disaster risk management, recovery and reconstruction projects. The first day of the workshop will be open to the public.



Photo: Community Resilience Workshop held in March 2019.



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