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VIPA TO BEGIN HERA ARFF GARAGE DEMOLITION

An old airport rescue fire apparatus garage at the Henry E. Rohlsen Airport on St. Croix is scheduled for demolition this weekend. The Virgin Islands Port Authority has contracted Kingdom Enterprises to demolish the hurricane-damaged building at a cost of $31,283. The cleared land will be used for future expansion of the airport's cargo operations.

The demolition of the aged garage is part of VIPA's port renovation program to remove eyesores and dilapidated buildings from its properties. "As the gateways to the territory, our ports must be aesthetically pleasing to provide our residents and visitors with a pleasant first and last impression," said VIPA Executive Director Carlton Dowe. He added that there are several more demolitions scheduled at port properties territory-wide.

VIPA will continue to keep the public abreast of its projects and initiatives to improve the territory's port facilities. The public is encouraged to follow VIPA online at www.viport.com or via its social media pages on Facebook and Twitter.

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