

**W24DO-D - REASONS FOR REQUESTING AMENDED ENGINEERING STA
AND NOTIFICATION OF OPERATIONAL STATUS**

W24DO-D HAD BEEN OPERATING UNDER SILENT STA, FILE # 0000059704, DUE TO EXTENSIVE DAMAGES SUFFERED DURING HURRICANES IRMA AND MARIA. THE STATION RESUMED OPERATIONS ON MARCH 5, 2019 UNDER THE PARAMETERS OF A REQUESTED ENG. STA, FILE # 0000068097, NOW BEING AMENDED TO MOVE TO A NEARBY SITE.

THE STATION IS WORKING TO CONSTRUCT ITS CP FACILITIES, WHICH WILL TAKE ADDITIONAL TIME DUE TO THE VERY DIFFICULT SITUATION THE US VIRGIN ISLANDS IS EXPERIENCING, INCLUDING THE UNPRECEDENTED CONSECUTIVE CATEGORY 4 & 5 HURRICANES IRMA AND MARIA, THAT DEMOLISHED THE USVI INFRASTRUCTURE AND SERIOUSLY AFFECTED ITS ECONOMY. THE US VIRGIN ISLANDS HAVE NOW BEEN HIT, LIKE EVERY OTHER US TERRITORY AND STATE, BY THE UNPRECEDENTED CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC. THESE NATURAL DISASTERS HAVE DISRUPTED THE ECONOMY AND LIFE IN GENERAL IN THE USVI AND SEVERELY DISRUPTED THE OPERATION OF THE STATION W24DO-D.

IN THE INTERIM, THE STATION IS REQUESTING AN ENGINEERING STA, SIMILAR TO THE PREVIOUSLY ONE REQUESTED, NOW BEING AMENDED TO CHANGE THE TRANSMISSION SITE. THIS ENG. STA FOR W24DO-D IS REQUESTED FOR A PERIOD OF SIX MONTHS.