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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **Nine Awarded RDA and DWM Debris Clearance Contracts**

**July 30, 2018-** The Recovery and Development Agency (RDA) has awarded nine contractors with 13 debris clearance contracts as part of the Special Debris Clearance Project. The Special Debris Clearance Contract Project was designed in collaboration with the Ministry of Health and Social Development and will be managed together with the Department of Waste Management (DWM). The Project addresses debris clearance on Tortola and Jost Van Dyke, two of the four majorly inhabited Virgin Islands, which still have large deposits of debris in their hillsides and across communities following the passages of Hurricanes Irma and Maria in September 2017. Additional funding is expected to address debris clearance on Anegada and Virgin Gorda.

Contractors were invited to bid on the 13 contract Work Packages on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July, with submissions due Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> July. Successful applicants were notified on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> July. Work will commence on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> July and end on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> August ahead of the peak hurricane season ensuring that the remaining debris will not become projectiles which have the potential to cause further damage and present a risk to life if the BVI were to experience another hurricane during the 2018 season.

The Special Debris Clearance Contract is budgeted to cost approximately \$560,000 and will target specific high-risk areas as determined by the Department of Waste Management. The funding will cover the cost of equipment use; labour, processing of debris and a community information programme throughout August 2018.

The successful contractors represent nine local businesses chosen from among 22 applicants.

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Contractors were weighed based on technical quality submission and cost. The information provided by Contractors is the first step in them becoming a pre-qualified RDA Contractor and registered on the RDA Contractors Registration and Classification System (CRCS).

The nine successful contractors and their awarded Work Packages are as follows:

1. Denco, Ltd. awarded a contract to collect debris in Zone 1 (Sea Cow's Bay, Carrot Bay and West End).
2. Brian Maduro; awarded contracts to collect debris in Zones 2 (Huntum's Ghut and Lower Estate), 5 (Brandywine Bay, Fat Hog's Bay and Long Look) and 6 (Little Dix Hill, Greenland, Parham Town and East End) and will additionally be responsible for the clean up of Road Town.
3. Ricky's 24-Hour Trucking, awarded a contract to collect debris in Zone 3 (Fahie Hill, Sage Mountain and Cane Garden Bay).
4. ENS Excavation and Trucking, awarded contracts to collect debris in Zone 4 (Free Bottom, Baugher's Bay and Belle Vue) and for the Pockwood Pond Incinerator truck unloading.
5. LMJ's Backhoe and Trucking Services, awarded a contract to handle East End Debris Management Hub clean up.
6. D&B Heavy Equipment Services, awarded a contract to clean up Cane Garden Bay.
7. Kim Kay's Trucking Services Ltd., awarded a contract for the collection of debris in Great Harbour, Jost Van Dyke.
8. Ever-Ready Trucking LTD, awarded a contract for the clean up of Little Harbour, Jost Van Dyke.
9. Sandwise Limited, awarded a contract for the clean up of the Jost Van Dyke Debris Management Hub.

The nine contractors and their teams will be tasked with collecting and properly disposing of large scale debris like washing machines and dryers, roofing material, windows, doors and other bulky waste which is to be taken directly to a Government-ran dumpsite in Coxheath. The placement of 24 large bins in areas closest to the communities will aid residents within the communities to dispose of their debris easily and properly, while disabled and elderly persons will receive special assistance to dispose of debris in and around their homes.

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Other contractors will assemble local teams, which will be tasked with cleaning hillsides to rid them of large amounts of debris left in the wake of the September 2017 hurricanes.

The awarding of the Debris Clearance Contracts is the first of many projects that will be advertised and managed by the RDA. All opportunities will be posted on the RDA website, [www.bvirecovery.vg](http://www.bvirecovery.vg) and on the RDA Facebook Page [www.facebook.com/RDABVI](http://www.facebook.com/RDABVI). The RDA is committed to working with the relevant Ministries of Government to design and deliver beneficial and cost effective projects for the recovery of The Virgin Islands. The RDA is committed to transparency, efficiency, project delivery and systems transformation.

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**Photos and Captions**

**Photo 1: “Signed, Sealed, Delivered”:** Mr. Craig Owen, RDA Temporary Project Manager, witnesses the signing of a Special Debris Work Clearance Contract. The Work Clearance Contracts will be carried out 31<sup>st</sup> August ahead of the peak of the hurricane season.

**Photo 2: “Explanation and Action”:** Mr. Craig Owen, RDA Temporary Project Manager talks through contract details with the business owners of Kim Kay Trucking Services, a winner of a Special Debris Work Clearance Contract relating the cleaning up of Great Harbour, Jost Van Dyke.