

WAR DEPARTMENT
UNITED STATES ENGINEER OFFICE
Porto Rico District
Room 616, Army Building, 39 Whitehall
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New York City.

Notice Of Public Hearing

To Whom It May Concern:

THE River and Harbor Act approved by the President of the United States June 5, 1920 directs that a preliminary examination be made of "Harbor of Christiansted, Saint Croix Virgin Islands".

A public hearing will be given in the Government House, Saint Croix, Virgin Islands at 10 A. M., January 6th, 1921 to consider the improvement desired. All interested parties are invited to be present and express their views, while for accuracy of record important acts and arguments should be submitted in writing, oral evidence will be heard. Information is particularly invited on the following points.

1. What is the geographical position of the port and what are the nearest ports each side of it?

2. What are the facilities it now offers navigation in width of channel and depth at mean low water, tidal range, terminals and transfer apparatus.

3. What are the corresponding facilities of adjoining or competitive ports?

4. What are the population, banking interests, business and manufacturing activities of the port under consideration and towns contributory thereto and of its nearest competitors?

5 a. What lines of communication including railroads, highways, rivers and oversea or coastwise steamship or sailing lines terminate at or connect with this port?

b. Describe the class of vessels on each route, the character of the traffic including the point of origin, the kind, the quantity, its destination and use, value per unit, and the freight rates affecting its transportation as now existing. Give the same information as to rail and other traffic to and from the port.

6. In general, what is the territory now tributary to the port and what is produced and consumed there? Where does this tonnage originate and by what routes does it move? What reasons including the freight rates, dictate the routes along which movement takes place.

7. What improvement is now desired?

8. What will be the probable effect of the improvement? Will it reduce the cost or render more convenient the handling of existing business? If so why, and to what extent? Will new

business be attracted or created. Will this new business be diverted from some other port and if so why?

9. How should the improvement be coordinated with the development of port facilities so as to insure maximum profitable use of the channels created at the expense of the United States and to avoid the creation of like needed facilities.

10. How and to what extent would public or national interests be benefitted by the proposed improvement.

11. What local cooperation can be expected?

J. C. SANFORD,
Colonel, Corps of Engineers.

Publication

FROM THE POLICE.

IN accordance with the Ordinance of 14th November 1908 § 3 all owners of firearms in Christiansted's Jurisdiction are hereby notified that a new sign must be taken out for 1921 before the 15th of February a. c.

Christiansted Police Office, St. Croix,
the 29th December 1920.

F. COULTER.

Publication.

IT is hereby made known that the Horse, Carriage and Boat Tax for the first half year 1921 will be received by the Policemasters in Christiansted and Frederiksted from the 20th January to the 10th of February 1921, both days included, after which the list of arrears will be transmitted to the same authorities for further measures.

Each debtor of tax will be subject to a fine Frcs. 1.00 if the tax be under Frcs. 25.00 and Frcs. 2.00 if the tax be Frcs. 25.00 or above, beside the ordinary levy expenses.

Government of the Virgin Islands of the United States of America, St. Croix,
December 30, 1920.

For the Governor.

C. W. FOX,
Despatching Secretary.

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