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DSPR CLOSED FACILITIES

St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands – The Department of Sports, Parks, and Recreation has been privy to questions and concerns regarding numerous baseball/softball facilities being closed simultaneously (Emile Griffith, Joseph Aubain, Kirwan Terrace, etc.). We want to assure the public that we are fully aware of the importance of recreational activities for our baseball & softball athletes. For these activities to take place, the parks must be available. Each park goes through the same process of bidding, drafting contracts, creating scopes of work, procuring and processing change orders, obtaining funds, etc. These procedures often experience delays that are out of our control. While no project began at the exact time, we have found ourselves in a situation where contractors are on various sites concurrently due to said interruptions. It was *not* the department's intent to start all renovation projects simultaneously. However, it is essential that we get these projects started and completed. Considering the many obstacles already experienced, we feel it necessary to continue each project without any warranted disruptions.

We apologize for the inconvenience and are committed to working with league organizers, coaches, etc., on ways to utilize our other available facilities. We appreciate your understanding on this matter.

For more information on DSPR facilities, please call The Department of Sports, Parks, and Recreation's office, St. Thomas/St. John, at 340-774-0255.