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Lapse in Federal Funding Impact on CBP Website Operations Notice

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Aviso del impacto de la interrupción de fondos federales en las operaciones del sitio web del Oficina de Aduanas y Protección Fronteriza de los Estados Unidos (CBP, por sus siglas en inglés)

AVISO: A causa de la interrupción de fondos federales, este sitio de web no será administrado activamente. La última actualización a este sitio web se realizó el 21 de diciembre de 2018 y no se harán más actualizaciones hasta que el gobierno reanude operaciones; por ende, puede que el sitio web no refleje la información más reciente. Es posible que no podamos procesar transacciones ni responder a preguntas hasta que se reanuden operaciones.

Border Wall Contract Award in Rio Grande Valley, Texas

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WASHINGTON – U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), in partnership with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), has awarded a contract to construct approximately eight miles of levee wall system in the U.S. Border Patrol's (USBP) Rio Grande Valley (RGV) Sector, funded with CBP's Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 appropriations. The contract for this project, referred to by CBP as RGV-02, was awarded on November 11, 2018, to SLSCO in the amount of approximately \$167M. Construction is scheduled to begin in February 2019.

The RGV-02 project consists of five segments located south of Alamo, Donna, Weslaco, Progreso and Mercedes, Texas within Hidalgo County. This project includes the construction and installation of tactical infrastructure including a reinforced concrete levee wall to the height of the existing levee, 18-foot tall steel bollards installed on top of the concrete wall, and vegetation removal along a 150-foot enforcement zone throughout the approximately eight miles of levee wall system. The levee wall system will include detection technology, lighting, video surveillance, and an all-weather patrol road parallel to the levee wall.

The RGV Sector remains an area of high illegal cross border activity. In FY 2017, USBP apprehended over 137,000 illegal aliens, and seized approximately 260,000 pounds of marijuana and approximately 1,192 pounds of cocaine in the RGV Sector. Once constructed, this levee wall system will serve as a persistent impediment to transnational criminal organizations, while still allowing river access for property owners, other federal/state/local officials, local emergency responders, and USBP.

CBP continues to implement President Trump's Executive Order 13767 – also known as Border Security and Immigration Enforcement Improvements – and continues to take steps to expeditiously plan, design, and construct a physical wall using appropriate materials and technology to most effectively achieve operational control of the southern border.

U.S. Customs and Border Protection is the unified border agency within the Department of Homeland Security charged with the management, control and protection of our nation's borders at and between official ports of entry. CBP is charged with securing the borders of the United States while enforcing hundreds of laws and facilitating lawful trade and travel.

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