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AMISTAD DAM ROAD TO REMAIN CLOSED FOLLOWING CRANE ACCIDENT

The Amistad Dam Road at the United States Port of Entry near Del Rio, Texas, which had been scheduled to reopen on May 1, will remain closed following a crane accident at the dam. The road had been closed since February 26 due to heavy equipment blocking the roadway while geological drilling and testing on the dam's earthen embankment were underway. Due to the April 29 accident, the reopening has been postponed while officials from the United States Section of the International Boundary and Water Commission (USIBWC) assess safety issues related to the damaged crane, which is located along the road across the dam. The road will not reopen until it is safe to do so.

The closure does not affect access to the Air Force Marina. However, motorists interested in traveling to or from Mexico are not able to cross at Amistad Dam and instead are advised to cross at the Del Rio-Acuña International Bridge.

The International Boundary and Water Commission, United States and Mexico, is responsible for applying the boundary and water treaties between the two countries. In accordance with the treaties and other international agreements, the Commission operates and maintains Amistad Dam.

Information about the accident is available online: www.ibwc.gov/Files/Press_Release_042915.pdf

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