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AMISTAD DAM ROAD TO REMAIN CLOSED IN JUNE

The Amistad Dam Road at the United States Port of Entry near Del Rio, Texas, is expected to remain closed through the month of June until crews remove a damaged crane from the dam. 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 road was initially closed February 26 for geological drilling and testing on the dam's earthen embankment. The closure was extended following an April 29 crane accident along the roadway across the top of the dam on the U.S. side.

Since the accident, a contractor working for the U.S. Section of the International Boundary and Water Commission has secured the crane and removed the boom that was hanging over the spillway on the dam's downstream side. However, the contractor requires several more weeks to remove the 120-ton crane from the dam. After the crane's removal, experts will inspect for any damage to the dam. The Commission is committed to reopening the Amistad Dam Road as soon as it is safe to do so.

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.

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