



## **International Boundary and Water Commission United States Section**

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### **USIBWC COMPLETES SEDIMENT REMOVAL PROJECT IN TIJUANA RIVER**

The United States Section of the International Boundary and Water Commission (USIBWC) has completed removing approximately 15,000 cubic yards of sediment from the Tijuana River Flood Control Project.

The USIBWC removed sediment from the Tijuana River for 1,300 feet from the international boundary northward to the end of the concrete-lined portion of the river channel. USIBWC completed this project with in-house staff and equipment. USIBWC personnel traveled from Texas to San Diego to complete this project in partnership with local U.S. Customs and Border Protection field crews in a cooperative effort that allowed an efficient use of resources. Work began on July 16 and was completed August 2, 2018.

Complementary sediment removal on the south side of the international boundary, undertaken by the Mexican Section of the Commission, began on May 4 to dredge and remove materials from the Tijuana River channel in Mexico within the first 1,500 feet adjacent to the border with the United States. Work was completed in June 2018. Approximately 9,000 cubic yards of sediment was removed.

“This work completed by the International Boundary and Water Commission will improve flood control in the Tijuana River Valley while resulting in the additional benefit of reducing some of the negative environmental impacts of sediment,” said Acting U.S.

Commissioner Jose A. Nuñez.

The International Boundary and Water Commission, United States and Mexico, is responsible for applying the boundary and water treaties between the two countries. In the San Diego-Tijuana area, the Commission is involved with boundary demarcation, Tijuana River flood control, and operation of the South Bay International Wastewater Treatment Plant.

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