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Cameron County Judge

CONSTRUCTION TO BEGIN ON ROAD AND PARKING IMPROVEMENTS AT ADOLPH THOMAE, JR. COUNTY PARK

Cameron County is pleased to announce the construction of roadway and parking area improvements at Adolph Thomae, Jr. County Park. The new improvements include resurfacing the access road, auxiliary roads and two existing parking areas servicing the east-side boat ramp. These improvements are part of the Phase II Boat Ramp Improvements that include the construction of a new restroom facility and installation of wildlife friendly LED parking lot lighting. Funding for these improvements were made possible through the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Boating Access Grant Program, in the amount of \$500,000.00 from Texas Parks & Wildlife and \$166,000.00 from Cameron County in local matching funds.

Construction activities for this project are scheduled to start on April 13, 2021, and end on or before May 25, 2021, weather permitting. Throughout the time of construction, patrons can expect to encounter traffic delays while accessing and/or driving through the park. Temporary closures of parking lots, boat ramps and RV sites should also be expected. Roadside parking will be strictly prohibited during the construction phase. Parking violations will be enforced at owner's expense. We ask visitors to please acknowledge all signage and abide by the rules. Diamond 8 Industries has been selected as the contractor to perform the road and parking improvements, while Noble Texas Builders was selected to perform the construction of the new restroom facility and wildlife friendly LED parking lot lighting. The engineering firm on record for these projects is GDJ Engineering.

Cameron County Judge Eddie Trevino stated, "These new improvements will increase accessibility and safety for the anglers and visitors at Adolph Thomae, Jr. County Park. This park is a great place for recreational opportunities, such as fishing, camping and boating. The majority of our visitors participate in saltwater fishing, as the county provides an important public access point to the lower Laguna Madre. We thank you in advance for your patience as we move forward with these enhancements."

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Cameron County Commissioner Pct. 3 David A. Garza stated, "I am excited to say that the new improvements will enhance the total experience at Adolph Thomae, Jr. County Park. We kindly ask for the public's patience and cooperation during construction, as we strive to make the necessary improvements for the benefit of our end users."

Cameron County Parks Director Joe E. Vega stated, "Cameron County Parks & Recreation Department goal is to continue making the necessary improvements to Adolph Thomae, Jr. County Park in order to make the park a safer and enjoyable place for the residents and visitors of Cameron County. Many thanks to the Texas Parks & Wildlife for the wonderful partnership."

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