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***County Judge***

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**CAMERON COUNTY MULTI-PURPOSE RESACA RESTORATION STUDY  
APPLICATION IS ONE OF TWELVE TO BE SELECTED BY THE U.S. ARMY  
CORPS OF ENGINEERS AND FUNDED BY THE BIPARTISAN  
INFRASTRUCTURE LAW**

Cameron County is pleased to announce its application for a multi-purpose resaca restoration study has been selected by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers as one of twelve projects across the United States to be funded by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law signed into law by President Joe Biden. The application for the study plans to reconnect the resaca system (former Rio Grande River distributary channels) for improved flood control, ecosystem restoration and outdoor recreation.

Restoring the resaca system that has been disconnected over time by roads, railways and dikes will lead to a lower risk of flooding and improved transportation. In addition, restoring the resaca system will support biodiversity and increase ecotourism and outdoor recreation opportunities in Cameron County for birdwatching, fishing and kayaking.

The Cameron County Multi-Purpose Resaca Restoration study award was authorized as part of Section 165(a) of the Water Resources Development Act of 2020 and is 100% federally funded.

“I am extremely enthusiastic about our application being selected by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to receive funding from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. Restoring our wonderful resaca system, which is one of the natural assets that makes Cameron County truly unique, has been a priority project of mine for some time because not only will it primarily help reduce localized flooding, which is a major concern in Cameron County, but will also provide opportunities for increased tourism and outdoor activities. We’ve established a great working relationship with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers through working collaboratively on other projects and we look forward to getting started on this much needed resaca restoration project,” stated Cameron County Judge Eddie Treviño, Jr.

“The support from the Army Corps of Engineers in selecting this project will significantly promote the restoration of the natural water flow in our watersheds, increase flood protection, and enhance the crucial ecosystem services that benefit our communities. This project will be an invaluable addition to the county's portfolio, building on the success of previous initiatives to improve our environment and quality of life,” stated Cameron County Commissioner Pct. 3 David A. Garza

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