

For Immediate Release

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Cameron County Judge

CRITICAL WEATHER AND ARTIC OUTBREAK EXPECTED

Frigid temperatures and a strong cold front will bring an Arctic blast to Deep South Texas and the Rio Grande Valley tomorrow, Tuesday, January 21st, into Wednesday, January 22nd, 2025. Freeze warnings and wind chill warnings have been issued for Cameron County, and current temperatures are expected to drop to the lower 30s tomorrow, January 21st, and Wednesday, January 22nd. Strong winds ranging from 25 mph to 30+ mph will bring "feels like" temperatures from as low as 18 to 25 degrees.

Cameron County will close all operations on Tuesday, January 21st, and reopen with a delayed start at 10:00 am CST on Wednesday, January 22nd. For international travelers, Gateway, Veterans and Free Trade Bridge will remain open with normal business operations.

Please protect your family, pets, pipes, and plants as dangerous arctic weather conditions are projected. Individuals are asked to please follow all critical weather safety precautions, including dressing in layers and limiting exposure to the elements.

The Cameron County Judge's Office of Emergency Management & Fire Marshal Service is closely monitoring the ongoing weather conditions. It remains in communication with the National Weather Service, the State of Texas, area municipalities and power companies. Remain informed and visit the Cameron County Emergency Management & Fire Marshal Service Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/cameroncountyem) for news and related updates including available warming shelters.

"I want to ensure you and your loved ones are safe and keep warm. We will continue to work across all levels of communication, including the National Weather Service, cities, warming shelters, water and electric utility companies, and more, to monitor the inclement weather conditions forecasted and keep you informed. Please remain vigilant of any updates in the city where you reside," stated Cameron County Judge Eddie Treviño, Jr.