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El Paso County to Break Ground on First-Time Water Project

Hillcrest Center

EL PASO, TX— The El Paso County Planning and Development Department will break ground on a first-time water project in the Hillcrest Center Subdivision. This project will provide a safe reliable water distribution system to meet the residents' supply, storage and fire protection needs. **A groundbreaking ceremony is scheduled to be held on Thursday, May 4 at 11:00 a.m.**

All areas surrounding the Hillcrest Colonia have access to water and wastewater through El Paso Water Utilities (EPWU), but the residents that reside in this subdivision do not. Current residents use private water storage tanks which have a capacity up to 2,500 gallons that are delivered and filled by the truckload.

The County applied for and received two separate grant/loan funding opportunities to construct this first-time water project in Hillcrest Center. The County received a \$1.6 million grant provided through the Border Environment Infrastructure Fund (BEIF), which is funded by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and administered by the North American Development Bank (NADBank). Additionally, the County received a \$2.3 million loan from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). The estimated construction cost is for this project is \$3.2 million.

WHO: El Paso County Planning & Development Department

WHAT: Hillcrest Center First-Time Water Project

WHEN: Thursday, May 4, at 11:00 a.m.

WHERE: 13627 Emma Lane, El Paso, Texas 79938

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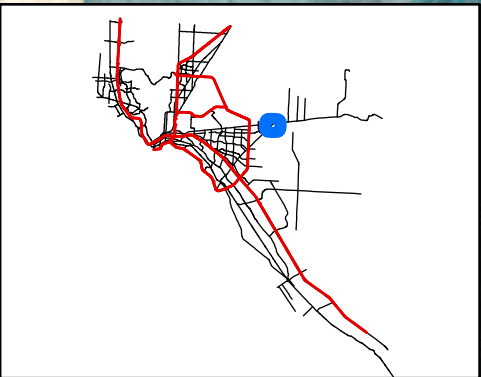
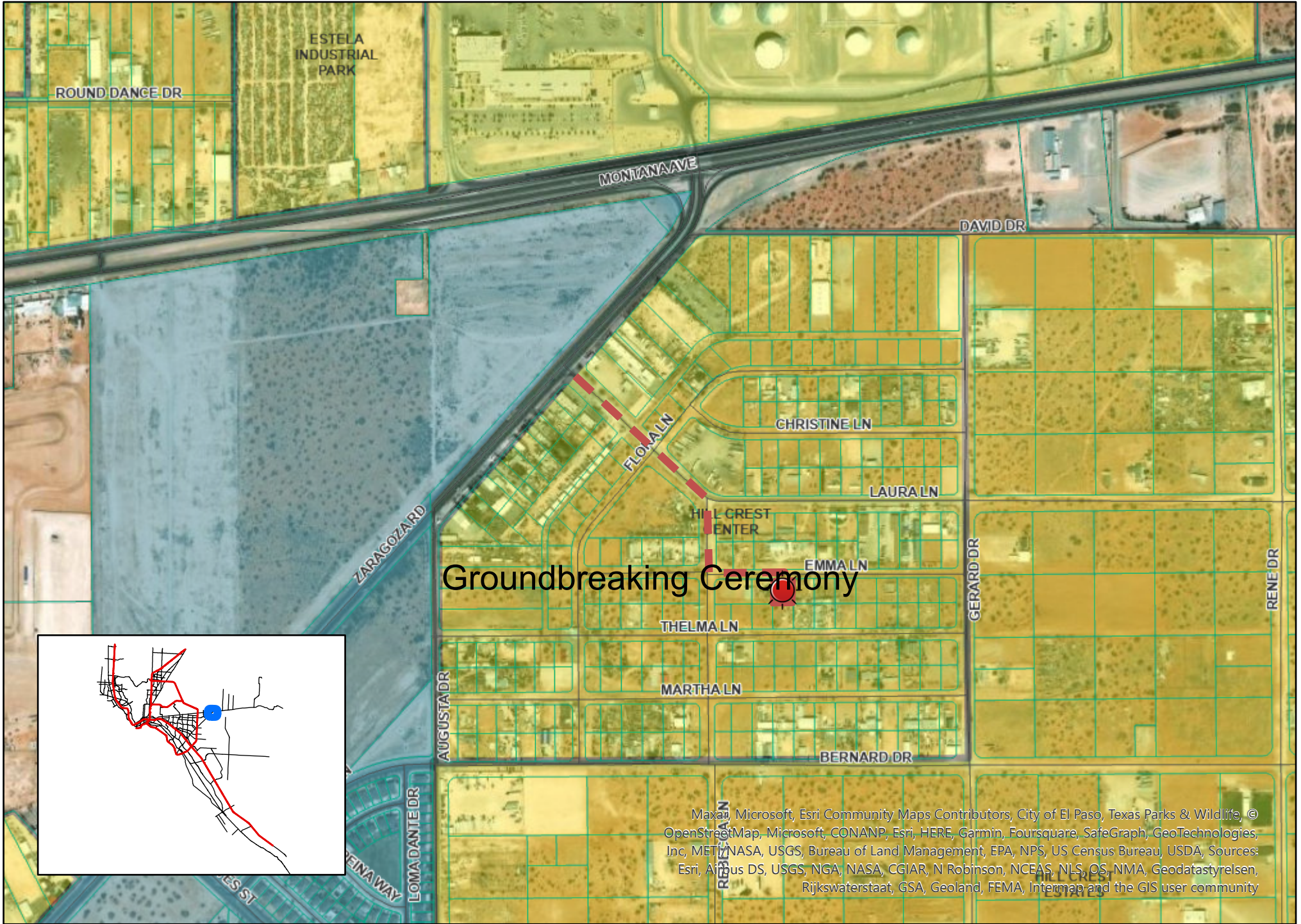
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Hillcrest Center Groundbreaking Ceremony Location



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