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**EL PASO COUNTY TO CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING
REGARDING EXTENSION OF MANUEL F. AGUILERA HIGHWAY
Project will connect the new Tornillo-Guadalupe Port of Entry to I-10**

On Tuesday July 29, 2014, the County of El Paso, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), and the Camino Real Regional Mobility Authority will conduct a public hearing regarding the construction of phase II of FM 3380 (Manuel F. Aguilera Highway).

The project consists of a new 3.8-mile, two-lane extension to the Manuel F. Aguilera Highway, from SH 20 (Alameda Ave.) to I- 10. It includes the construction of an overpass over Alameda Ave. and adjacent Union Pacific Railroad rights-of-way. The project requires a total of 201.97 acres of land, and it will be bid out in the next couple of weeks. The construction of the road extension will be paid from a special vehicle registration fee of \$10 adopted last year by the El Paso County. The County collects the \$10 as part of the normal, annual car registration fee. The highway is expected to be ready by Fall 2016.

The public hearing will take place at the Rogelio Sanchez Road and Bridge Building located at 1331 N. Fabens Rd., Fabens, Texas, 79838. The hearing will consist of an open house (scheduled at 6:00 p.m.) for questions and review of project exhibit and a formal presentation to start at 7:00 p.m., followed by a public comment period.

The County of El Paso recently completed construction of a \$16.3 million county-funded portion of Manuel F. Aguilera Highway (referred to as Phase I), which extends from the new Tornillo-Guadalupe Port of Entry (POE) to SH 20 (Alameda Ave.).

Maps, design drawings, environmental documents, construction schedules, and other information related to the project are available for review at the El Paso County Road & Bridge

Office located at 800 E. Overland Ave. - Suite 407, El Paso, Texas 79901. Additional information is available online at www.epcounty.com/meetings/public/MFAguileraHighway.pdf

Verbal and/or written comments will be accepted at the public hearing. Written comments may also be submitted on or prior to Friday, August 8, 2014.

Comments can be sent to Sam Blanco via fax to (210) 699-6426, via email to sblanco@rkci.com, or sent by mail to 12821 West Golden Lane, San Antonio, Texas, 78249.

For more information, please contact Ernesto Carrizal at 915-546-2015.

WHAT: Public Hearing Extension of Manuel F. Aguilera Highway

WHEN: Tuesday, July 29, 2014
6:00 p.m. Open House
7:00 p.m. Formal Presentation

WHERE: Rogelio Sanchez Road and Bridge Building
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