



Binational Communication Los Tomates-Veterans International Bridge



April 10th, 2014.

- The governments of the United States and Mexico are pleased to announce that the new second span of the Los Tomates-Veterans International Bridge was completed on April 5th and will be open for traffic on April 14th.
- The Los Tomates-Veterans International Bridge will connect the Mazatlan-Matamoros corridor to U.S. transportation systems, facilitating the transportation of goods from the Pacific coast in Mexico to the East Coast of the United States. The construction of the second span effectively doubles its capacity.
- In Mexico, the National Infrastructure Fund financed the Mexican section of the bridge, a 1,700 foot long span that links with two vehicle overpasses that will ease traffic in the vicinity of port.
- The U.S. part of the bridge began operations in February 2013. The United States also opened four new commercial lanes entering from Matamoros into the United States at this port of entry, to reduce waiting times.
- The Governments of the United States and Mexico are committed to the continuous improvement of the infrastructure along our border, including the Tomates-Veterans International Bridge -- a key component for the economic and social development of the Brownsville-Matamoros region and of the U.S. and Mexico. Officials from both governments meet regularly to discuss the operation and possible improvements to this and all border crossings in the spirit of strong bilateral coordination.

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