

Mario Jorge, P.E., District Engineer
Texas Department of Transportation
Attention: Sharon Slagle, Border Colonias Project Manager
600 West Expressway 83
Pharr, TX 78577

Dear Mr. Jorge:

In 2004, TxDOT awarded funding for 84 projects in Hidalgo County for the 2nd call of the Border Colonia Access Program. Awarded funding was based on project estimates provided by the County and developed in 2004. In 2004 construction costs began to rise rapidly, and by 2007 the Texas Legislature amended the Texas Administrative Code to raise the limit on the eligible roadway cost/mile for BCAP projects from \$200,000 to \$500,000. TxDOT however, restricted this increase in roadway cost/mile to 3rd-call projects.

In order to construct awarded 2nd-call projects within BCAP cost constraints and in the most cost effective manner, particularly in an environment of rising construction costs, Hidalgo County used force account labor for its 2nd-call projects wherever possible. This approach, along with the large number of projects awarded to Hidalgo County, reduced project costs but extended the County's schedule for completing projects.

Counties with fewer awarded 2nd-call projects were able to avoid or minimize over runs by completing their projects quickly, before the 3rd call was issued. However, by 2007 when the cost/mile limit was increased, Hidalgo County had completed construction of only about half of its awarded 2nd-call projects.

Due to these unique circumstances -- large number of awarded projects and the need to use force account labor to control costs -- Hidalgo County has over run the roadway cost/mile (but not the overall population allocation) on 16 of its 2nd-call projects. The 16 projects experienced delays due to force account scheduling, utility conflicts that needed to be resolved, construction contracts that had to be rescinded and rebid due to bonding issues, and seasonal flooding that revealed additional roadway design requirements. All 16 were completed between September 2008 and December 2009.

The County requests that TxDOT adjust the authorized roadway amounts for these 16 projects as indicated in the attachment, increasing the amount for the 16 projects denoted in blue and decreasing the amount for the 8 Projects denoted in red.

Note that the County is not asking for additional total funding; the total awarded funding remains the same. Needed money is available from allocation drainage under runs, from under runs on other 2nd-call population-allocation projects, or from canceled population-allocation projects.

Sincerely,

Rene A Ramirez, County Judge
Hidalgo County

Border Colonia Access Program - 2nd Call

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		Original Budget Per TxDOT			Total Transfers			Adjusted & Proposed Allocation		
Project	CS#	Roadway	Drainage	Total	Roadway	Drainage	Total	Roadway	Drainage	Total
Precinct#1										
ALLOCATION										
BAR #3	066	226,525.00	-	226,525.00	(20,759.42)	16,318.00	(4,441.42)	205,765.58	16,318.00	222,083.58
CANA DE AZUCAR	132	53,438.00	25,740.00	79,178.00	(3,105.48)	-	(3,105.48)	50,332.52	25,740.00	76,072.52
CAPISALLO PARK	137	267,495.00	130,076.00	397,571.00	(28,618.15)	(2,746.45)	(31,364.60)	238,876.85	127,329.55	366,206.40
EL MEZQUITE	244	60,621.00	37,620.00	98,241.00	3,191.81	-	3,191.81	63,812.81	37,620.00	101,432.81
LA BLANCA HEIGHTS	368	95,242.00	20,400.00	115,642.00	(18,131.48)	-	(18,131.48)	77,110.52	20,400.00	97,510.52
LA PALMA S/D	391	98,075.00	68,340.00	166,415.00	(7,482.72)	(24,518.75)	(32,001.47)	90,592.28	43,821.25	134,413.53
LA PALOMA #1	392	162,598.00	33,000.00	195,598.00	(13,932.37)	11,663.00	(2,269.37)	148,665.63	44,663.00	193,328.63
MID VALLEY ESTATES	461	71,050.00	26,400.00	97,450.00	(34,097.85)	(59,756.34)	(93,854.19)	36,952.15	(33,356.34)	3,595.81
NORTH CAPISALLO	495	53,631.00	11,496.00	65,127.00	1,191.81	-	1,191.81	54,822.81	11,496.00	66,318.81
PUESTA DEL SOL	571	192,760.00	62,640.00	255,400.00	1,191.81	-	1,191.81	193,951.81	62,640.00	256,591.81
RC BABB #1	575	33,880.00	-	33,880.00	(6,475.25)	-	(6,475.25)	27,404.75	-	27,404.75
RC BABB #2	576	66,688.00	-	66,688.00	(14,006.50)	-	(14,006.50)	52,681.50	-	52,681.50
RC BABB #3	577	21,676.00	-	21,676.00	5,413.58	-	5,413.58	27,089.58	-	27,089.58
ROSEDALE HEIGHTS	631	99,328.00	32,640.00	131,968.00	117.82	(14,313.60)	(14,195.78)	99,445.82	18,326.40	117,772.22
WEST MER	804	56,742.00	7,920.00	64,662.00	(56,161.94)	(6,517.93)	(62,679.87)	580.06	1,402.07	1,982.13
COMPETITIVE										
AGUA DULCE	019	29,742.00	14,520.00	44,262.00	9,896.35	(5,454.93)	4,441.42	39,638.35	9,065.07	48,703.42
BARBOSA LOPEZ #1	071	87,921.00	49,800.00	137,721.00	16,796.43	(14,604.62)	2,191.81	104,717.43	35,195.38	139,912.81
BERMAL HEIGHTS #1	103	24,371.00	13,860.00	38,231.00	2,191.81	-	2,191.81	26,562.81	13,860.00	40,422.81
BERNAL	105	65,750.00	5,280.00	71,030.00	14,756.97	(1,000.00)	13,756.97	80,506.97	4,280.00	84,786.97
CHAPA III	150	16,582.00	5,760.00	22,342.00	3,000.00	2,314.00	5,314.00	19,582.00	8,074.00	27,656.00
DIMAS #3	230	63,953.00	7,920.00	71,873.00	8,574.13	-	8,574.13	72,527.13	7,920.00	80,447.13
EL MONTE	245	89,618.00	19,800.00	109,418.00	12,077.20	3,239.50	15,316.70	101,695.20	23,039.50	124,734.70
HIGH LAND	318	88,958.00	16,500.00	105,458.00	31,867.06	3,120.00	34,987.06	120,825.06	19,620.00	140,445.06
OLD REBEL HEIGHTS	509	135,721.00	18,300.00	154,021.00	-	-	-	135,721.00	18,300.00	154,021.00
OLD REBEL HEIGHTS II	510	129,123.00	21,300.00	150,423.00	32,000.00	-	32,000.00	161,123.00	21,300.00	182,423.00
DIMAS #1	865	53,179.00	16,080.00	69,259.00	6,044.26	1,274.21	7,318.47	59,223.26	17,354.21	76,577.47
MEL GRAY	897	350,998.00	42,540.00	393,538.00	(5,297.09)	5,297.09	-	345,700.91	47,837.09	393,538.00
Precinct#2										
ALLOCATION										
ELDORA GARDENS	252	59,800.00	7,940.00	67,740.00	(12,101.09)	74,264.47	62,163.38	47,698.91	82,204.47	129,903.38
SANTANA SUBDIVISION	253	-	-	-	65,669.17	54,932.21	120,601.38	65,669.17	54,932.21	120,601.38
LJ #1	365	157,950.00	94,774.00	252,724.00	42,220.57	-	42,220.57	200,170.57	94,774.00	294,944.57
LAS HACIENDAS	412	133,513.00	36,470.00	169,983.00	3,604.71	-	3,604.71	137,117.71	36,470.00	173,587.71
PRIMAVERA I	568	104,419.00	61,720.00	166,139.00	26,013.36	(5,231.51)	20,781.85	130,432.36	56,488.49	186,920.85
RANCHO ESCONDIDO	596	167,252.00	74,220.00	241,472.00	(148,010.82)	(62,879.31)	(210,890.13)	19,241.18	11,340.69	30,581.87
ROADRUNNER #2	620	211,528.00	130,440.00	341,968.00	(109,956.32)	(29,967.19)	(139,923.51)	101,571.68	100,472.81	202,044.49
SOUTH FORK ESTATES	683	164,450.00	128,800.00	293,250.00	(362.39)	-	(362.39)	164,087.61	128,800.00	292,887.61
SOUTH SIDE VILLAGE	693	45,185.00	-	45,185.00	1,998.85	-	1,998.85	47,183.85	-	47,183.85
TINY ACRES	740	63,125.00	20,080.00	83,205.00	5,328.02	(1,371.03)	3,956.99	68,453.02	18,708.97	87,161.99
COMPETITIVE										
COUNTRY LIVING ESTATES	199	139,100.00	50,920.00	190,020.00	43,949.90	26,609.95	70,559.85	183,049.90	77,529.95	260,579.85
Precinct #3										
ALLOCATION										
ACOSTA S/D	015	86,088.00	28,950.00	115,038.00	(78,382.57)	-	(78,382.57)	7,705.43	28,950.00	36,655.43
AMBER LAND S/D	042	65,145.00	17,110.00	82,255.00	20,539.66	2,400.22	22,939.88	85,684.66	19,510.22	105,194.88
BARNEY GROVES S/D	072	36,336.00	17,710.00	54,046.00	6,698.37	(809.55)	5,888.82	43,034.37	16,900.45	59,934.82
CASA DE LOS VECINOS	141	-	475,546.00	475,546.00	-	(74,437.50)	(74,437.50)	-	401,108.50	401,108.50
EL PARAISO S/D	247	-	300,455.00	300,455.00	(0.48)	(64,775.03)	(64,775.51)	(0.48)	235,679.97	235,679.49
EL SOL S/D #1	250	202,876.00	100,950.00	303,826.00	47,426.94	22,659.43	70,086.37	250,302.94	123,609.43	373,912.37
EL SOL S/D #2	251	235,968.00	145,200.00	381,168.00	38,922.96	(3,273.83)	35,649.13	274,890.96	141,926.17	416,817.13
HAVANA S/D	312	71,217.00	46,500.00	117,717.00	(19,570.87)	-	(19,570.87)	51,646.13	46,500.00	98,146.13
JESSAN S/D	350	26,000.00	11,350.00	37,350.00	10,000.26	867.99	10,868.25	36,000.26	12,217.99	48,218.25
WALTON S/D	837	59,823.00	11,350.00	71,173.00	24,358.89	-	24,358.89	84,181.89	11,350.00	95,531.89
RESUB PLAT JIMENEZ S/D	911	48,750.00	26,950.00	75,700.00	8,461.88	(351.83)	8,110.05	57,211.88	26,598.17	83,810.05

Border Colonia Access Program - 2nd Call

Project	CSJ#	Original Budget Per TxDOT			Total Transfers			Adjusted & Proposed Allocation		
		Roadway	Drainage	Total	Roadway	Drainage	Total	Roadway	Drainage	Total
COMPETITIVE										
ACEVEDO S/D	014	178,794.00	94,700.00	273,494.00	-	-	-	178,794.00	94,700.00	273,494.00
CHULA VISTA ACRES	152	87,750.00	51,685.00	139,435.00	3,644.00	(3,644.00)	-	91,394.00	48,041.00	139,435.00
EZEQUIEL ACEVEDO JR S/D	267	74,278.00	41,530.00	115,808.00	27,703.68	(3,327.34)	24,376.34	101,981.68	38,202.66	140,184.34
HILDA S/D	322	153,403.00	96,425.00	249,828.00	(3,787.39)	3,787.39	-	149,615.61	100,212.39	249,828.00
HILDA S/D #3	325	39,000.00	26,710.00	65,710.00	-	-	-	39,000.00	26,710.00	65,710.00
LA HOMA RD S/D	385	81,250.00	56,950.00	138,200.00	-	-	-	81,250.00	56,950.00	138,200.00
LA HOMA RD N S/D	384	270,515.00	151,475.00	421,990.00	3,495.66	(2,591.28)	904.38	274,010.66	148,883.72	422,894.38
LOS EBANOS S/D	427	48,750.00	34,450.00	83,200.00	-	-	-	48,750.00	34,450.00	83,200.00
MUNOZ ESTATES	488	121,452.00	62,750.00	184,202.00	-	-	-	121,452.00	62,750.00	184,202.00
NORTH CROSS ESTATES	498	78,000.00	55,000.00	133,000.00	18,080.13	(5,978.30)	12,101.83	96,080.13	49,021.70	145,101.83
VILLA CAPRI S/D	784	65,000.00	30,140.00	95,140.00	20,084.75	1,797.76	21,882.51	85,084.75	31,937.76	117,022.51
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Precinct #4				-			-			-
ALLOCATION										
BAR VI	070	134,068.00	48,874.00	182,942.00	-	-	-	134,068.00	48,874.00	182,942.00
CALMA ESTATES	128	33,916.00	7,016.00	40,932.00	(31,084.23)	(5,845.09)	(36,929.32)	2,831.77	1,170.91	4,002.68
CALMA ESTATES #2	129	50,333.00	7,890.00	58,223.00	(33,063.85)	(6,847.02)	(39,910.87)	17,269.15	1,042.98	18,312.13
CALMA ESTATES #3	130	32,577.00	4,657.00	37,234.00	(0.33)	-	(0.33)	32,576.67	4,657.00	37,233.67
CITRUS CITY LAKE	155	62,508.00	14,437.00	76,945.00	(57,452.27)	(12,280.42)	(69,732.69)	5,055.73	2,156.58	7,212.31
COLONIA BIG 5	167	654,666.00	36,583.00	691,249.00	65,027.94	49,452.87	114,480.81	719,693.94	86,035.87	805,729.81
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MORNING SIDE ESTATES	482	29,250.00	13,301.00	42,551.00	8,471.19	2,753.72	11,224.91	37,721.19	16,054.72	53,775.91
PALMA S/D #1	541	87,335.00	31,955.00	119,290.00	-	-	-	87,335.00	31,955.00	119,290.00
PALMA S/D #2	543	85,959.00	27,965.00	113,924.00	(23,968.78)	-	(23,968.78)	61,990.22	27,965.00	89,955.22
RENA RAE S/D	612	120,250.00	31,853.00	152,103.00	42,941.07	35,552.78	78,493.85	163,191.07	67,405.78	230,596.85
VILLA DEL MUNDO	785	214,500.00	121,532.00	336,032.00	(5,301.92)	5,301.92	-	209,198.08	126,833.92	336,032.00
WARE COUNTY	793	39,905.00	9,975.00	49,880.00	(36,367.95)	(8,379.84)	(44,747.79)	3,537.05	1,595.16	5,132.21
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COMPETITIVE										
L & R GARZA	363	40,670.00	12,820.00	53,490.00	20.00	(20.00)	-	40,690.00	12,800.00	53,490.00
RAMBO ESTATES	585	47,302.00	10,139.00	57,441.00	400.00	(400.00)	-	47,702.00	9,739.00	57,441.00
Total		8,897,496.00	4,111,292.00	13,008,788.00	(82,571.32)	82,571.32	(0.00)	8,814,924.68	4,193,863.32	13,008,788.00

Hidalgo County Auditor's Office
Border Colonia Access Program RII Overruns

<u>Project Name</u>	<u>Overrun</u>
<u>Pct. 1</u>	
Agua Dulce	4,647.49
Bernal	6,155.31
Highland	14,473.02
Dimas I	501.49
	<u>25,777.31</u>
<u>Pct. 2</u>	
LJ #1	9,316.07
Northside Village	11,213.43
	<u>20,529.50</u>
<u>Pct. 3</u>	
Amberland	9,253.85
Barney Groves	3,472.51
El Sol I	20,086.37
El Sol II	19,810.13
Villa Capri	7,761.38
Jessan	2,033.56
Walton	11,254.83
Northcross Estates	7,799.93
	<u>81,472.56</u>
<u>Pct. 4</u>	
Rena Rae	12,873.45
	<u>12,873.45</u>
Total BCAP RII Overruns	<u><u>\$140,652.82</u></u>