

RE: Tecate and Calexico Primary Fence Replacement Projects

To Whom It May Concern:

The U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) is seeking your input concerning the replacement of the legacy primary pedestrian fence with a bollard style wall on the east and west sides of the Tecate and Calexico Ports of Entry in California. The preliminary locations for the replacement and construction of bollard wall are shown in Figures 1 and 2 below.

CBP proposes to: (1) remove and replace approximately 15 miles of existing pedestrian fence with a bollard wall along the international border near the communities of Tecate and Calexico, California. The existing fence is outdated and will be replaced with a 30-foot bollard wall. Approximately 4.0 miles of fence will be replaced near Tecate, California (Figure 1) and approximately 11 miles will be replaced near Calexico, California (Figure 2).

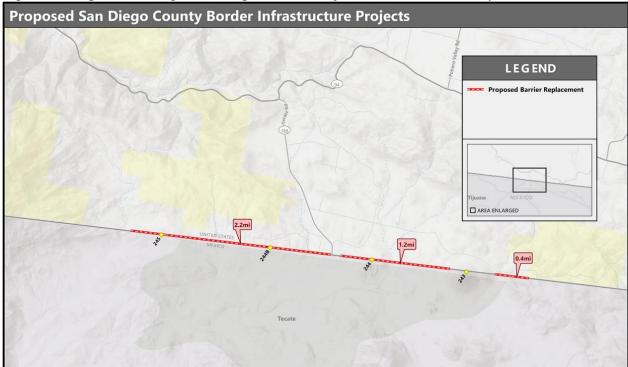


Figure 1: Map of San Diego Wall Replacement Project, Tecate Port of Entry

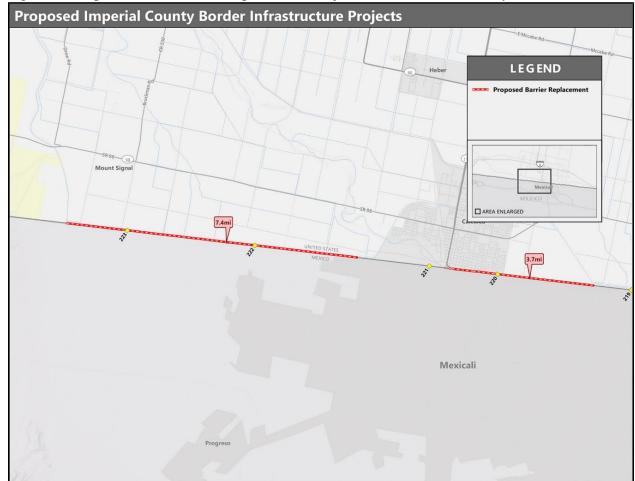


Figure 2: Map of El Centro Wall Replacement Project, Calexico Port of Entry

CBP is seeking input on potential project impacts to the environment, culture, and commerce, including potential socioeconomic impacts, and quality of life. CBP will be conducting environmental site surveys and assessments and is also gathering data and input from state and local government agencies, federal agencies, Native American tribes, and the general public that may be affected by or otherwise have an interest in the project. CBP will prepare environmental planning documents to evaluate potential environmental impacts and make those documents available to the public.

How to Provide Comments

Comments and information will be accepted until Thursday, June 13, 2019. Comments should include data or information that could help inform CBP's analysis of potential impacts. Helpful comments are fact-based, include links to data or research, and provide specific information concerning potential impacts. If known, your response should include any state and local restrictions, permitting or other requirements that CBP should consider during project siting, construction, and operation.

Comments, questions, or concerns can be emailed to CBP at commentsenv@cbp.dhs.gov. Please include "Tecate and Calexico Primary Fence Replacement" in the title of your email. Comments received in response to this letter, including names and addresses of those who comment, will be part of the public record.

Further information will be available at the following web site:

www.cbp.gov/about/environmental-cultural-stewardship/nepa-documents/docs-review

You may also submit comments, questions, or concerns to the following address:

U.S. Customs and Border Protection U.S. Border Patrol Headquarters 1300 Pennsylvania Ave. 6.5E Mail Stop 1039 Washington, DC 20229-1100

We appreciate your feedback and help with evaluating the potential impacts of the project.

Sincerely,

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