

## Presidential Documents

### Presidential Permit of July 30, 2026

#### **Authorizing Cameron County, Texas, To Own, Operate, and Maintain the Brownsville and Matamoros Bridge in Brownsville, Texas**

By virtue of the authority vested in me as President of the United States of America (the “President”), I hereby grant permission, subject to the conditions set forth herein, to Cameron County, Texas (the “permittee”), to own, operate, and maintain a vehicular, pedestrian, and bicycle crossing, known as the Brownsville and Matamoros Bridge (B&M Bridge), at the Brownsville and Matamoros Port of Entry located on the United States border with Mexico in Brownsville, Texas, as described in the “Brownsville & Matamoros Bridge Presidential Permit Application” dated March 30, 2026 (the “Application”), submitted by the permittee to the Secretary of State, in accordance with 33 U.S.C. 535d and associated procedures.

The term “Border facilities” as used in this permit refers to bridges over the Rio Grande River connecting downtown Brownsville, Texas, and Matamoros, Mexico, including a concrete bridge that consists of four spans, four vehicle lanes, and a pedestrian crossing on the bridge’s downstream side, as well as any approaches, land, structures, installations, or equipment appurtenant thereto located on the United States side of the international boundary between the United States and Mexico.

This permit is subject to the following conditions:

*Article 1.* The Border facilities herein described and all aspects of their operation shall be subject to all the conditions, provisions, and requirements of this permit and any subsequent Presidential amendment to it. The maintenance and operation of the Border facilities shall be in all material respects as described in the Application.

*Article 2.* The standards for and the manner of maintenance and operation of the Border facilities shall be subject to inspection by the representatives of appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies. The permittee shall grant officers and employees of such agencies that are duly authorized and performing their official duties free and unrestricted access to said Border facilities.

*Article 3.* The permittee shall comply with all applicable Federal laws and regulations regarding the maintenance and operation of the Border facilities.

*Article 4.* The permittee shall be responsible for obtaining and maintaining any required Federal, State, and local permits, approvals, and authorizations connected to its ownership, operation, and maintenance of the Border facilities. The permittee shall take all necessary and appropriate measures to satisfy conditions placed on the issuance of such permits.

*Article 5.* The permittee shall immediately notify the President or his designee of any decision to transfer custody and control of the Border facilities or any part thereof to any executive department or agency (agency) of the United States Government. Said notice shall identify the transferee agency and seek the approval of the President for the transfer of the permit. In the event of approval by the President of such transfer, this permit shall remain in force and effect, and the Border facilities shall be subject to all the conditions, permissions, and requirements of this permit and any amendments thereof. The permittee may transfer ownership or control of the Border facilities to a non-Federal entity or individual only upon the

prior express approval of such transfer by the President, which approval may include such conditions, permissions, and requirements that the President, in the President's discretion, determines are appropriate and necessary for inclusion in the permit, to be effective on the date of transfer.

*Article 6.* The permittee shall be responsible for acquiring and maintaining any right-of-way grants or easements, permits, and other authorizations as may become necessary or appropriate. To ensure the safe operation of the Border facilities, the permittee shall maintain them and every part of them in a condition of good repair and in compliance with applicable law, employing use of best management practices.

*Article 7.* Upon request, the permittee shall provide appropriate information to the President or his designee with regard to the Border facilities. Such requests could include requests for information concerning current conditions, legal compliance, or anticipated changes in ownership or control, operation, or maintenance of the Border facilities.

*Article 8.* The permittee shall file any applicable statements and reports required by applicable Federal law in connection with the Border facilities.

*Article 9.* The permittee shall make no substantial change inconsistent with the Application to the Border facilities, in the location of the Border facilities, or in the operation authorized by this permit, unless such changes have been approved by the President. The President may terminate, revoke, or amend this permit at any time at his sole discretion. The permittee's obligation to implement any amendment to this permit is subject to the availability of funds. If the permittee permanently closes the B&M Bridge and it is no longer used as an international crossing, then this permit shall terminate, and the permittee may manage, utilize, or dispose of the Border facilities in accordance with applicable laws and regulations. This permit shall continue in full force and effect for only so long as the permittee continues the operations hereby authorized.

*Article 10.* This permit is not intended to, and does not, create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity by any party against the United States, its departments, agencies, or entities, its officers, employees, or agents, or any other person.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this thirtieth day of July, in the year of our Lord two thousand twenty-six, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and fifty-first.

