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GSA Set To Repave Vehicle Traffic Lanes at Calexico East Land Port of Entry
$2.5M paving project will improve the parking lots and roadways throughout the port

CALEXICO, Calif. – The U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) announced the start of a $2.5 million project to repave parking lots and key roadways within the Calexico East Land Port of Entry (LPOE). The paving project will take place over a period of three weeks, starting on Sunday, November 1, 2020, and last until Friday, November 20, 2020. The project entails repaving the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) employee and Secure Electronic Network for Travelers Rapid Inspection (SENTRI) processing parking lots, as well as eight northbound vehicle inspection lanes, secondary vehicle inspection area, auxiliary roads within the facility and the southbound State Route 7 roadway to Mexicali.

The first week of work involves repaving the SENTRI permit processing, and CBP employee parking lots and auxiliary roadways. The partial closure of the parking lots will not impact travelers or port visitors. During the first week, nightly closures will occur from 8 p.m. to 2 p.m. the following day from Sunday, November 1, 2020 to Friday, November 6, 2020.

The following week, the traveling public can expect the four easternmost northbound primary vehicle inspection lanes and booths to be closed, continuously, from Sunday, November 8, 2020 at 2 p.m. to Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at 11 p.m. The eastern egress road, at times, will close to accommodate paving operations during this period. Additionally, the four westernmost northbound primary vehicle inspection lanes and booths will be closed, continuously, from Wednesday, November 11, 2020 at 12 a.m. to Monday, November 16, 2020 at 6 a.m. The western egress road, at times, will close to accommodate paving operations during this period.

Lastly, the traveling public can expect at least one lane of southbound traffic on the California State Route 7 (SR-7) at the port to be closed, nightly, from 8 p.m. to 2 p.m. the following day from Tuesday, November 17, 2020 to Friday, November 20, 2020. This closure is necessary to accommodate paving operations during this period. One lane will remain open for southbound vehicles to cross into Mexicali.
Week 1
WHAT: The SENTRI and CBP employee parking lots and auxiliary roadways within the port will be partially closed to accommodate paving operations. This will not impact the traveling public.

WHEN: Nightly closures from 8 p.m. to 2 p.m. the following day from Sunday, November 1, 2020 to Friday, November 6, 2020.

Week 2
WHAT: The four easternmost northbound primary vehicle inspection lanes and booths will be closed continuously for two days. The eastern egress road just right of the secondary vehicle inspection area will also be closed. Northbound vehicles exiting the port must use the western egress road just left of the secondary vehicle inspection area.

WHEN: From Sunday, November 8, 2020 at 2 p.m. to Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at 11 p.m.

WHAT: The four westernmost northbound primary vehicle inspection lanes and booths will be closed continuously for two days. The western egress road just left of the secondary vehicle inspection area will be closed. Northbound vehicles exiting the port must use the eastern egress road just right of the secondary vehicle inspection area.

WHEN: From Wednesday, November 11, 2020 at 12 a.m. to Monday, November 16, 2020 at 6 a.m.

Week 3
WHAT: Paving operations on the SR-7 at the port will result in one lane of southbound vehicle traffic being closed at any one time. There will also be one lane of southbound traffic open at all times to allow for southbound vehicle crossings into Mexicali.

WHEN: Nightly closures from 8 p.m. to 2 p.m. the following day from Tuesday, November 17, 2020 to Friday, November 20, 2020.

The traveling public should expect delays, monitor traffic signs and reduce speeds. This paving project will not impact northbound pedestrians or commercial vehicle inspection operations.

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