FACT SHEET - CONSTRUCTION SOUTHERN BORDER LPOE INFRASTRUCTURE PAVING PROGRAM VARIOUS LOCATIONS

FY 2021 Project Summary

GSA proposes infrastructure paving work at multiple sites that are located at Land Ports of Entry (LPOE) along the southern border to restore port operations, eliminate further degradation of traffic surfaces, and avoid vehicle damage.

FY 2021 Appropriation Requested.....\$11,000,000

Program Summary

GSA has identified paving needs through surveys and studies. These paving projects will vary in size and location. The appropriation requested will address conditions at multiple locations where paving is extremely worn and/or damaged, slabs have shattered, drainage has been impacted, and traffic lanes have been impacted.

Justification

Existing infrastructure at many ports was not designed or constructed for current traffic loads. Sections of the concrete have dropped significantly, creating an uneven road and causing hazard for the commercial trailers. Areas continue to worsen during heavy rain events, which cause the ground to soften and concrete to sink further. In some locations, traffic lanes are closed off to prevent truck damage, thereby creating inefficient port operations.

Completion of this proposed infrastructure work will improve the overall port operations and allow inspection agencies to successfully complete their missions. In addition, repairs to infrastructure will improve safety for commercial vehicles and facilitate the efficient movement of legitimate travel and trade.