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Subject: Study of tunnel infrastructure under DiConcini Land Port of Entry

All,

Following up, GSA is still tracking our deliverable to brief you on the results of the study of the tunnel infrastructure underneath the DiConcini Land Port of Entry. GSA received the contractors report just today--a few weeks beyond their estimated submission date (the delay was due to an illness on the contracting team).

GSA's subject matter experts are pouring through the materials as I write this email. Based on the contractor's initial findings, there do not appear to be any significant issues in the tunnel under the Land Port of Entry. To give our SMEs sufficient time to digest the report, we will schedule a full briefing on the complete report for the week of October 10th.

More to follow soon, let me know if you have any questions or concerns in the meantime.

Best regards,
Joe

On Thu, Jul 21, 2016 at 10:56 AM, Tammy Mayberry - S <tamara.mayberry@gsa.gov> wrote:

> Hello, all. I wanted to provide you will a follow up email following the June 30 briefing a subsequent press on the Nogales stormwater issue.
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> The tunnel underneath the Deconcini Port of Entry is relatively new, and it is managed by a number of federal agencies here in the U.S. and our partners in Mexico.
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> At this time, the federal government does not believe there is an imminent threat to the safety of the Deconcini Port of Entry in Nogales, Arizona.
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> GSA has heard concerns and is taking action to ensure continued operation at this critical Land Port of Entry. They will conduct a study to identify any structural problems and identify further action. The results of the study should be complete in mid to late September and we can brief the Arizona delegation at that time (and will reach out to schedule it).
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> If it is found that there is an imminent threat to the Port, GSA will take immediate action with our Federal partners.

As we know, it's monsoon season and the storm water flows are an issue impacting all of us along the border. This tunnel originates in Mexico, meaning that we must work together with our partners in Mexico and on the local level to ensure we uphold the tunnel's structural integrity.

Please let Joe Hicken, my Region 9 counterpart, or me know if you would like further information on this. Looking forward to staying in touch on this issue.
-Tammy Mayberry

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