



Eddie Treviño, Jr.
County Judge

FROM: Cameron County
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POC: County Judge Eddie Treviño, Jr. (956-544-0830)

**CAMERON COUNTY TEMPORARILY CLOSES
COUNTY PARKS AND COUNTY BEACH ACCESS AREAS**

Effective 07:00 p.m., Tuesday, June 30, 2020, through July 13, 2020 at 12:01 a.m., unless there is a need to extend the closure, Cameron County Judge Eddie Treviño, Jr., has ordered the closure of County Parks and County beach access areas. The following parks and beach access areas will be closed to the public:

Isla Blanca Park
Andy Bowie Park
E.K. Atwood Park
County Beach Access No.3
County Beach Access No.4
County Beach Access No. 5
County Beach Access No.6
Boca Chica Beach
Bejarano-McFarland Memorial Park
Pedro "Pete" Benavides Park
Laureles Regional Park
El Ranchito Community Park
El Ranchito Recreational Park
Santa Maria Community Park
La Paloma Regional Park
Santa Rosa Community Park
La Esperanza Community Park

The closure of the parks and beach accesses are being undertaken out of an abundance of caution for the protection of public safety due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19). Cameron County will continue to monitor and will take the appropriate action to open the parks and beach access areas accordingly.

At this time, Cameron County has canceled and/or suspended all County-sponsored functions or events until further notice.

In addition, I strongly recommend that all similar events, public or private, on South Padre Island and throughout the County, should also be canceled and/or suspended for the same time period. At this time and based upon the best and most up-to-date health and scientific information, I strongly recommend and request that our local business leaders exercise their best judgment with respect to their individual businesses, venues and events. No order or recommendation from any local, state, or federal government entity should be utilized to absolve or excuse individuals or business owners of their responsibility to themselves, patrons, and the public at large. If, or when the situation warrants, I will not hesitate to take further actions as may be appropriate for the protection of the public. Residents should adhere to the following habits while in public:

- highly recommend that all persons Shelter in Place,
- washing hands frequently before you leave home and when you return,
- practice “Social Distancing” by staying at least six feet away from others,
- avoiding touching nose or face, and
- wearing facial covering when outside of the house.

My top priority is the safety and well-being of the people of Cameron County and taking these precautionary measures should help in that endeavor. Should you need any additional information, please feel free to contact my office at (956) 544-0830.

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