



FIRST DRAINAGE BOND PROJECT TO GET UNDERWAY WITH THURSDAY GROUNDBREAKING

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The Hidalgo County Board of Directors and Hidalgo County Drainage District No. 1 are pleased to announce that the first drainage project to be financed through the \$100 million bond issuance voters passed last November will be celebrated with a groundbreaking ceremony at 9 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 13.

The Hidalgo County Commissioners' Court (which also serves as the Hidalgo County Drainage District Board of Directors), Drainage District Director Godfrey Garza, Mayor of Alamo Rudy Villarreal and other distinguished guests will speak at the event before the shovels move the first pile of dirt that starts construction of the Alamo Drain Outfall Project.

The Alamo Drain Outfall Project will provide the current Alamo-area with increased drainage capacity and will serve to augment future drainage needs, especially with the expansion of Farm-to-Market Road 907 (Alamo Road). The Alamo Drain — a planned 1.7 mile lateral that will connect to the El Gato Drain — was engineered by the Dannenbaum Engineering and Ramiro Gutierrez Engineering firms. Jimmy Closner & Sons Construction Co., Inc. was awarded the construction contract in the amount of \$1,396,995.

What: Alamo Drain Groundbreaking Ceremony

When: 9 a.m., Thursday, Sept. 13, 2007

Where: On Alamo Road (FM 907), 2 miles south of U.S. Expressway 83

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