



International Boundary and Water Commission United States Section

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USIBWC Lower Rio Grande Citizens Forum Public Meeting in Mercedes, Texas, on April 17

The U.S. Section of the International Boundary and Water Commission (USIBWC) Lower Rio Grande Citizens Forum board will host an in-person and virtual public meeting on:

Thursday, April 17, 2025, from 3-5 p.m. CDT

- **Joseph Tritz, USIBWC Maintenance Worker Supervisor**, will present Lower Rio Grande Flood Control Project updates.
- **Ivan Santos, Graduate Research Engineer with Research, Applied Technology, Education, and Service, Inc, Rio Grande Valley**, will discuss the development of a demonstrable hydrologic forecasting framework and prototype decision support tool.

The public meeting will be held in person at:

USIBWC Mercedes Field Office
325 Golf Course Rd.
Mercedes, TX 78570

The public meeting will also be held virtually. [Click here to join the meeting](#). If possible, it may be helpful for you to test connectivity on your own prior to the meeting by clicking on the “Join” link and ensuring your camera and microphone are functioning. Or join by phone: +1 915-320-4718,,118647706# Phone conference ID: 118 647 706#

For those connecting via phone, the presentations will be available before the start of the meeting. Go to the USIBWC Citizens Forum page at <https://www.ibwc.gov/citizens-forums-past-meetings/> and look for the Lower Rio Grande Citizen Forum meeting.

If you would like to speak during the public comment period, please sign up by contacting Frankie Pinon at frankie.pinson@ibwc.gov or 915-832-4716 by noon on April 14, 2025.

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And Via Teams

Agenda

- **Welcome and Introductions** – USIBWC Citizen Forum Board
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- **Ivan Santos, Graduate Research Engineer with Research, Applied Technology, Education, and Service, Inc, Rio Grande Valley**, will discuss the development of a demonstrable hydrologic forecasting framework and prototype decision support tool.
- **Public Comment**
- **Board Discussion**
- **Suggested Future Agenda Items**

If you have a disability that you wish to self-identify confidentially that requires accommodation, please advise us ahead of time. For more information call 915-832-4716 or email frankie.pinson@ibwc.gov

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