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Dear Stakeholders:

Mexico continues to make progress as it works 24/7 to rehabilitate Tijuana's International Collector.

After installing a screen to keep water out, engineers started inserting a sleeve to reline 90 meters (295 feet) of pipeline in the old International Collector. This process includes curing the lining under high temperatures.

Once this is completed, scheduled for Tuesday night, workers will move to a 36-meter (118 feet) section of the pipeline to remove sediment and debris and prepare it for relining.

See the photos below, courtesy of the Mexican Section of IBWC.

Efforts are still underway to locate the source of flows that had threatened to delay this work before Mexico deployed large metal plates as screens to keep back the water.

Mexico has said Phase 1 should be done next week, followed by Phase 2, which is expected to take about eight days.

The USIBWC, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and U.S. Department of State are in daily contact with Mexico and receive extensive project updates.

Rehabilitating the International Collector is key to bringing more resiliency to the sewage infrastructure in Tijuana and preventing transboundary flows.

(Our X site is a good place to check for updates: <https://x.com/usibwc>)

Warm regards,

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