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Cameron County and City of Starbase Partner to Restore Boca Chica Beach



CAMERON COUNTY, TX – Cameron County and the City of Starbase are excited to announce a collaborative initiative to combat erosion, restore dunes, and enhance public access at Boca Chica Beach, a cherished 7.4-mile stretch of coastline that serves as a vital recreational and ecological resource for residents and visitors. This partnership will stop current historic erosion rates of 5-20 feet per year, ensure regular cleanups, rebuild resilient dunes to protect against storms, and preserve wildlife habitats, unlocking state, federal, and private funding for long-term beach renourishment.

Under the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement as authorized by the Texas Government Code, the City and County will coordinate planning, permitting, construction, monitoring, and maintenance across the entire Boca Chica Beach area. In support of this effort, the City of Starbase has been given delegation of authority from Cameron County as permitted by the Texas Natural Resources Code to administer and enforce dune protection functions within its jurisdiction, to assure compliance with the Texas Dune Protection Act, Texas Open Beaches Act, and rules of the Texas General Land Office.

Today, Cameron County Commissioners Court voted to approve the delegation request from the City of Starbase, and the Interlocal Agreement at its meeting on September 23, 2025. Starbase City Commissioners will meet to discuss and consider the agreement on September 25, 2025.

"We're partnering with Cameron County to safeguard the dunes, expand public access and strengthen both the resilience and value of Boca Chica Beach," said Mayor Bobby Peden, City of Starbase. "By receiving dune authority, we are stepping up to share responsibility for one of our community's most treasured resources—our shoreline. This partnership with the county will ensure Boca Chica Beach remains a place everyone can enjoy now and in the future."

"This partnership reflects our commitment to preserving Boca Chica Beach for future generations," said County Judge Eddie Treviño, Jr. "By working together with the City of Starbase, we're ensuring that this vital stretch of coastline remains resilient, accessible, and protected—both environmentally and recreationally."

"Unless SpaceX is conducting testing or launching a vehicle, Boca Chica Beach must remain open for the public's use. This partnership will provide that users will have a cleaner and more enjoyable Boca Chica Beach when visiting," further stated County Judge Eddie Treviño, Jr.

This joint effort reflects a shared commitment to stewardship, renewal, and community pride, ensuring Boca Chica Beach remains accessible, welcoming, and enjoyable for generations.

About Cameron County: Cameron County serves over 420,000 residents in South Texas, prioritizing public safety, economic development, and the preservation of natural resources like Boca Chica Beach.

About the City of Starbase: Incorporated in 2025, the City of Starbase is committed to innovative growth, environmental stewardship, and community collaboration in Cameron County, Texas.

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