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Senator César J. Blanco Announces \$4.5 Million Defense Economic Adjustment Assistance Grant (DEAAG) for McGregor Range in El Paso

El Paso, Texas - Today, the Texas Military Preparedness Commission (TMPC) awarded \$4.5 million to the McGregor Range in El Paso through the Defense Economic Adjustment Assistance Grant (DEAAG) Program.

These funds will be invested in the Range's Booster Station Replacement Program as part of an initiative to support military installations in Texas and protect jobs in military communities that may be impacted by any future Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) process. Senator Blanco proudly submitted a letter of support for the project's application and has fiercely advocated for increases in DEAAG funds in the state budget.

Senator Blanco issued the following statement:

"The McGregor Range stands as Fort Bliss's crown jewel, playing a crucial role in training for Fort Bliss and supporting Department of Defense missions across all branches. Nevertheless, the range's Booster Station, the sole water source for McGregor Range, was constructed in 1958 and has surpassed its design life. With Fort Bliss growing rapidly, the need to address the range's Booster Station is urgent.

"With this substantial \$4.5 million investment, we ensure water reliability for the growing needs of the Fort Bliss training lands and future missions. I look forward to continuing to support our military installations and military families and their economic contributions to El Paso and the State of Texas."

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