

# Congress of the United States

## Washington, DC 20510

December 5, 2023

The Honorable Alejandro Mayorkas  
Secretary  
U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
Washington, D.C. 20528

Dear Secretary Mayorkas:

We write to request that the Department of Homeland Security provide a timeline for the reopening of Arizona's Lukeville Port of Entry (POE).

Arizonans and Mexicans benefit from efficient cross-border commerce and tourism. While the Lukeville POE processes significantly less traffic than the Nogales, San Luis and Douglas POEs, a closure restricts access between Arizona and northern Mexican destinations like Puerto Peñasco and Sonoyta. We've heard from constituents concerned about the impact of the port's closure on their businesses and personal travel.

We're also deeply concerned the closure may increase wait times and force trade and tourism to reroute to already understaffed ports in the Tucson and Yuma sectors.

While we work in Congress to pass the Administration's emergency supplemental border security request, we respectfully request the answers to the following questions:

1. How was the determination made to close the Lukeville POE, and *specifically* what metrics will be used to determine when to reopen it?
2. What resources is your department providing to the Tucson sector to ensure a swift return to normal operations?
3. What resources have been diverted from other POEs?

Thank you for your prompt attention on this important issue.

Sincerely,



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Greg Stanton  
Member of Congress



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Member of Congress