



BORDER LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE
Nineteenth Legislative Forum

Tampico, Tamaulipas
March 5-7, 2009

AGENDA

Thursday, March 5

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Arrival and registration
Hotel Fiesta Inn Tampico
Av. Hidalgo 6106
Tampico, Tamaulipas 89219
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5:30 p.m.

Preliminary Press Conference
Participants: President of the Tamaulipas State Legislature Chair of the
Border Legislative Conference; Vice Chair, Border Legislative
Conference
Location: Hotel Fiesta Inn Tampico

8:00 – 11:00 p.m.

Welcome reception and cocktail
Offered by Eugenio Hernandez Flores, Constitutional Governor of the
State of Tamaulipas
Location: Hotel Fiesta Inn Tampico

Friday, March 6

- 7:30 – 8:45 a.m. Buffet Breakfast
Location: Hotel Fiesta Inn Tampico
- 9:00 a.m. Welcome, commencement of Forum: introductions and expectations
Location: Hotel Fiesta Inn
- Diputado Felipe Garza Narvaez
 President of the Tamaulipas State Legislature
- Diputado Francisco Javier Cantu Torres
 Chair, Border Legislative Conference
 Nuevo Leon State Legislature
- Senator Denise Moreno Ducheny
 Vice Chair, Border Legislative Conference
 California State Senate
- 9:10 a.m. Inaugural Message and Declaration
- Honorable Eugenio Hernandez Flores
 Constitutional Governor of the State of Tamaulipas
- 9:30 a.m. BLC Activities Report and presentation of 2009 Action Plan;
 • BLC Program Director
- 9:35 a.m. Efforts to Strengthen Security along the Border: Merida Initiative
- Enrique Rojo Stein
 Chief of Staff
 Undersecretariat for North American Affairs
 Mexico's Minister of Foreign Affairs
 Mexico City
- Rodger Garner
 Mission Director, USAID/Mexico
 U.S. Embassy in Mexico City
 Mexico City
- 10:35 a.m. Open discussion
- 11:00 a.m. Break

Friday, March 6 (continued)

- 11:15a.m. Agriculture
- Introduction:
Representative Ryan Guillen, Texas
Diputado Felipe Garza Narváez, Tamaulipas
 - Víctor de León Orti
Secretary of Rural Development
State of Tamaulipas
- 12:15 a.m. Open discussion on agriculture
- 12:45 p.m. Environment Report
- Senator Denise Moreno Ducheny
Vice Chair, Border Legislative Conference
 - Gonzalo Bravo
Communications and Governmental Affairs Manager
Border Environment Cooperation Commission
- 1: 30 p.m. Lunch
Location: Hotel Fiesta Inn
- 3:30 p.m. Economic Crisis and its Impacts on the Border Region
- Roberto Coronado
Economist
Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas
El Paso Branch
 - Dr. Eliseo Diaz Gonzalez
Professor/Researcher of the Department of Economic Studies
College of the Northern Border (COLEF)
- 4:30 p.m. Open discussion
- 5:00 p.m. Adjourn for Day
- 7:45 p.m. *Meet at the lobby of hotel Fiesta Inn to be transported to dinner*
- 8:00 – 11:00 p.m. Dinner at Arenas del Mar
Offered by the Tamaulipas State Legislature

Saturday, March 7

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| 7:30 – 8:45 a.m. | Buffet Breakfast
<i>Location: Hotel Fiesta Inn</i> |
| 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. | Open discussion among legislators and conclusions |
| 11:00 a.m. | Adjourn |