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Request for Coverage

Commissioner Rodriguez to Speak at Somerset ISD Campus Groundbreaking

- Who:** Bexar County Commissioner Precinct 1, Sergio "Chico" Rodriguez
- What:** The Commissioner will speak at the groundbreaking for the Somerset ISD Intermediate Campus (for 5th and 6th graders). Bexar County funds were used to improve Smith Rd.
- When:** Saturday, April 15, 2006; from 10 a.m
- Where:** Smith Road at Savannah Heights (there is no physical address yet).
Take Hwy 16 South past 1604
Exit Smith Road until you arrive to the Savannah Heights subdivision.

Additionally:

In 2003, Bexar County passed a \$99.2 million dollar bond election for much needed capital improvements. Included in that bond was \$2.5 million dollars for enhancements to Smith Road. The funds provided for construction of a two lane road with a continuous turning lane that included necessary drainage along 1.5 miles of Smith Road. It also improved access to Barrera Veterans Elementary School.

This intermediate campus will be the second school in the rural area of Somerset ISD.

Eddie Metz, the director of plant operations at Somerset ISD, commented that, "If it wasn't for the road and drainage money set aside for Smith Rd., the campus would not have been constructed."

"I'm pleased to see these road improvements in my Precinct that not only benefit the school and the children but improve the entire community," said Commissioner Rodriguez. "Investing County dollars into our rural areas ensures the growth and prosperity of its residents," he added.

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