



TEXAS GENERAL LAND OFFICE
COMMISSIONER DAWN BUCKINGHAM, M.D.

September 7, 2023

Mr. Austin L. Skero
Border Liaison Officer
Texas Department of Public Safety, Texas Rangers
P.O. Box 261
Mason, TX 76856

RE: Fronton Island, Starr County, Texas

Dear Mr. Skero:

As Texas Land Commissioner, I have made a commitment to Texans to use all means available to gain complete operational control of the southern border. Based on the records of our agency, the Texas General Land Office (GLO) has determined that Fronton Island is state-owned land.

I hereby grant the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) and Texas Rangers permission to access, patrol, and police Fronton Island, located within the Rio Grande in Starr County, Texas. The GLO is pleased to provide Texas law enforcement access to this border island, which includes vegetation management, provided compliance is upheld with all applicable state and federal regulations.

While the federal government refuses to safeguard Texas communities, the GLO will step up and assist our state in its robust border security efforts. It is my hope that with access to this island, the GLO can aid our brave men and women on the frontlines of this ongoing border crisis in stemming the tide of this overflow of illegal immigration.

For Texas,

DAWN BUCKINGHAM, M.D.
Commissioner, Texas General Land Office

c: Greg Abbott, Governor
Mike Banks, Border Czar
Steven McCraw, Director/Colonel DPS