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### **AEP to begin replacing poles**

**South Padre Island, TX, Oct. 23, 2019:** Padre Boulevard will remain closed to vehicles and pedestrians to support a safe environment for workers while replacing the power poles. AEP will work through Saturday, Oct. 26, weather permitting. Sections of Padre Boulevard will be opened as work progresses.

All vehicle and pedestrian traffic will continue to use Laguna Boulevard and Gulf Boulevard until further notice.

The South Padre Island Police and Fire Departments, along with other City departments will be working together to manage personnel, traffic control barrels and cones that will be placed in areas to enhance the flow of traffic. The Texas Department of Public Safety is assisting with the enforcement of a safe zone for utility workers.

The Island Metro services have temporary rerouted their services to the following:

**Port Isabel Routes 1 & 2:** Running north along Gulf Blvd. and south along Laguna Blvd. (wave down system- Active).

**Island Route, Route 4:** Running north from Palm Street to Morningside on Laguna Blvd. and south on Gulf Blvd. (Wave Down System & Marked Stops- Active).

**Laguna Heights Route, Route 3:** will remain the same.

Buses will be running on the Island about every 35-40 min depending on traffic.

Many use social media in the event of storms to let relatives and friends know they are safe. It is a great way to stay current with the City, state and national social media resources. Here are a few sites to make sure you are following:

- [www.myspi.org](http://www.myspi.org)
- <https://www.facebook.com/SouthPadreTexas>
- <https://forecast.weather.gov/MapClick.php?lat=26.33892604400006&lon=-97.21721499999995#.XbCD9-g3nIU>
- [http://co.cameron.tx.us/administration/emergency\\_management/index.php](http://co.cameron.tx.us/administration/emergency_management/index.php)

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