

## REFUGE ROADWORK



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The road between Wichita Mountains Wildlife Refuge Headquarters and the west gate of the refuge has been closed to traffic ever since a May 23, 2015, flood washed out a sizable gap between a guardrail and a bridge. On Tuesday, Yeh and Associates, Inc., Denver, began installing concrete blocks like the one shown to create a new culvert that will drain stormwater and debris to prevent a future incident of this kind. Each of the five blocks measures 8 feet by 9½ feet by 11 feet and weighs two tons. When finished, they should span a length of 40 feet. Refuge Manager Tony Booth said some washouts along the side of the road will also be repaired as part of the project.

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