The city of General Plutarco Elias Calles, Sonora will receive a $11 million Mexican Pesos loan to help finance an air quality project to increase street paving coverage and improve traffic flows. Currently the streets in General Plutarco Elias Calles consist of 550 millions of m² in total, of which 55 million m² are paved and 495 millions m² are unpaved, resulting in high rates of air pollution due to vehicular-related dust and emissions that are causing serious respiratory problems for people living in the area.

The project was certified by the Border Environment Cooperation Commission (BECC) on June 21, 2006. The Air Quality and Street Paving Program main objective consists in paving in a total 110 mil m² this number will increment the paving percentage from 10% to 30%.

Bidding for projects financed by the NADB will be carried out by the Municipality of General Plutarco Elias Calles in accordance with the NADB procurement policies and procedures. Construction is expected to begin in May 2007. Participation will be open to firms from any country.

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