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MOP closes Río Oria bridge in Pedasí, Los Santos, after quake

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Summary

MOP inspected five bridges and several road sections in Los Santos province; the Río Oria bridge at Oria Arriba, Pedasí, is closed to all vehicles until further notice, with a light-vehicle detour via Macaracas-Llano de Piedra-Tonosí.

Full text (English)

COMMUNIQUÉ: The Ministry of Public Works (MOP), through its team of engineers, inspected five bridges and several road sections in Los Santos province affected by the earthquake, to assess their condition and determine measures needed to guarantee user safety. The preliminary assessment led to the closure of the bridge over the Oria river, at Oria Arriba, district of Pedasí, due to structural damage. For safety, all vehicles are prohibited from crossing until further notice while repair works are coordinated. Alternate routes to Tonosí, for light vehicles only: Macaracas – Llano de Piedra – Tonosí. Damage was found in the slab of the Tonosí river bridge requiring repairs; the Quema river bridge at Bajo de Güera has no serious damage. Two other bridges in Cañas, Tonosí district, show slab damage and subsidence at the approaches and remain under technical evaluation. MOP continues attending to the Los Santos road network and urges drivers to respect restrictions, drive carefully and stay informed through official channels. Panama, 11 October 2026.

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□□□ El Ministerio de Obras Públicas (MOP) inspeccionó cinco puentes y varios tramos viales afectados por el sismo en la provincia de Los Santos. Como medida de seguridad, el puente sobre el río Oria, en Oria Arriba, Pedasí, permanece cerrado a todo tipo de vehículos hasta nuevo aviso. Ruta alterna hacia Tonosí: Macaracas-Llano de Piedra-Tonosí, exclusivamente para vehículos livianos. □ El MOP continúa evaluando los daños y exhorta a los conductores a respetar las restricciones y transitar con precaución.