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A bridge too Pharr: \$3.7M of meth found in produce

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U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Field Operations at the Pharr International Bridge cargo facility intercepted \$3.7 million worth of alleged methamphetamine that was hidden within a commercial shipment of fresh produce.

“Our officers at the cargo facility are committed to upholding our border security mission while ensuring that legitimate trade is facilitated and reaches its intended destination,” said Port Director Carlos Rodriguez, Port of Hidalgo/Pharr/Anzalduas.

On July 6, CBP officers assigned to the Pharr-Reynosa International Bridge cargo facility encountered a truck with a commercial shipment of fresh produce arriving from Mexico. A CBP officer referred the conveyance for further inspection, which included utilizing non-intrusive imaging equipment. After physically inspecting the tractor-trailer, officers discovered 22 packages of alleged methamphetamine weighing 185.18 pounds concealed within the trailer.

CBP OFO seized the narcotics, the tractor-trailer and the case remains under investigation by agents with Homeland Security Investigations.

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