



Update on Security Alerts in Mexico – February 2026

On February 22nd, the Mexican cartel known as CJNG began protesting the death of one of their prominent leaders. This cartel is mostly known for their activities in the southern Mexico state of Jalisco and the surrounding areas.

What We Know for Puerto Penasco

There have been no reported protests or threats in the state of Sonora or the city of Puerto Penasco.

Our team is continuing to operate there with caution as we actively monitor the situation.

What We Know for Tijuana/Tecate/Rosarito

On February 22nd, the [US State Department issued an advisory for US citizens](#) in several Mexican states, including Baja California (Tijuana/Tecate/Rosarito).

There were reports of property damage and vehicles being set on fire and used to block roads. There have been no reports of physical violence against the population from the protests.

On February 22nd, the government in Tijuana suspended public transportation and many stores were closed as a precaution. On February 23rd, Baja California is reporting that conditions are normal on roads, with public transportation and commerce. The city continues to use their federal police and their National Guard to monitor the highways.

On February 24th, the [US State Department removed all restrictions, including Baja California \(Tijuana/Tecate/Rosarito\) from their advisories](#). Baja California has remained a level 3 advisory for several years with particular advisory to an area that is called the Mexicali Valley. This is an area that is hours from our operations.

General Safety and Operational Updates

As of now, there are no changes to our procedures for the spring 2026 season. This situation is very recent as we continue to collect information by the hour.

We will continue to closely monitor local, national, and international news, working in partnership with local and state governments to stay informed of any developments. Our dedicated staff, pastors, and ministry partners, who live and work in the areas where we operate and regularly cross the border, remain our most valuable resource in ensuring the safety and smooth operation of our projects.

Should there be any changes that could affect safety or our operations, we will communicate promptly and transparently with our teams and partners. If you have any questions, please contact Emily, Director of Operations at earnold@amor.org or 619-719-8443 or Jon, Chief Executive Officer at jon@amor.org or 619-247-4141.