



Nobigbendwall One of the most beautiful adobe churches in Texas is at risk of serious damage or collapse due to its proximity to the proposed steel border wall in Presidio County.

Sitting just over 1,000 feet from the proposed wall, ground vibrations from wall construction, heavy machinery, and increased traffic could cause irreversible damage to the fragile historic structure, thought to have the largest adobe arches in the state of Texas.

Known as El Corazón Sagrado de la Iglesia de Jesús (The Sacred Heart Church of Jesus) and Ruidosa Church, the site has stood along the Rio Grande since 1915. Built by hand and shaped from the land itself, it served as a spiritual and cultural anchor for rural communities with deep roots on both sides of the border.

Today the community non-profit restoring the church, Friends of the Ruidosa Church [@ruidosachurch](#) was listed as a co-plaintiff in a constitutional lawsuit filed by the Center for Biodiversity [@centerforbiodiv](#) and the Texas Civil Rights Project [@txcivilrights](#).

The lawsuit argues that wall construction would “degrade the scenic and spiritual character of the area, and pose a direct physical threat to the fragile adobe structure through vibration and other impacts.”

Historic buildings and cultural spaces hold memory. They cannot simply be rebuilt. Once lost, they are gone forever. Visit [@ruidosachurch](#) to learn more about restoration efforts and adobe education in the borderlands.

🔗 Read up on the constitutional challenge here (LINK IN BIO!)

<https://biologicaldiversity.org/w/news/press-releases/lawsuit-challenges-big-bend-border-wall-construction-2026-04-16/>

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