

Intermodal Outlook For The Week Of April 2, 2006



Canada Switching delays and a shortage of railcars at Centerm was causing up to 72 hour loading delays at the end of last week. The situation is expected to improve over this weekend.

PNW Region Pacific storms continues to delay inbound vessels. On-dock trains are departing shortly after release. Railcar supplies are being closely monitored.

Oakland Region Pacific storms continue to delay inbound vessels. Train departures are being modified accordingly.

PSW Region Rail congestion and asset imbalances has lead to off-dock trains experiencing 48 to 60 hour delays getting out of the LA Basin. On-dock trains at GGS may experience 12 to 24 hour delays.

Southwest Region Large Maintenance of Way projects continue between Los Angeles and El Paso, causing 8 to 12 hours delays in-route. Empty equipment in Houston, Dallas, El Paso and Memphis remain tight due to large export volumes.

Central Region Global 2 grounding delays are at 6 to 24 hours. Outbound Global 2 cargo is seeing 18 to 48 hour delays due to a lack of locomotive assets. Interchange congestion between the UP and CSX remains, causing delays of 24 to 36 hours.

Northeast Region PNCT turn times averaged 53 minutes last week. 40' equipment in Baltimore has been tight due to increase bookings. The Seattle-Kearny LinerTrain off the PS1 service continues to outperform schedule.

Southeast Region The New Orleans interchange between the UP and CSX will opened Saturday, 4/1. This restores service from the West Coast to the Southeast to pre-Hurricane Katrina Status.

