

# **TMF at Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach to Increase 6% on September 1, 2024**

LONG BEACH, Calif., August 1, 2024 – The West Coast MTO Agreement (WCMTOA) today announced that on September 1, 2024, the Traffic Mitigation Fee (TMF) at the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach will increase by 6%. The adjustment matches the increase in longshore wage and assessment rates recently increased in the coastwide contract between the International Longshore and Warehouse Union and the Pacific Maritime Association.

Beginning September 1, the TMF will be \$37.71 per TEU (twenty-foot equivalent unit) or \$75.42 for all other size containers. The TMF is charged on non-exempt containers. Containers exempt from the TMF include empty containers; import cargo or export cargo that transits the Alameda Corridor in a container and is subject to a fee imposed by the Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority; and transshipment cargo. Empty chassis and bobtail trucks are also exempt.

The OffPeak program provides regularly scheduled night or weekend shifts to handle trucks delivering and picking up containers at the 12 container terminals in the two adjacent ports. PierPASS launched the OffPeak program in 2005 to reduce severe cargo related congestion and air pollution on local streets and highways around the Los Angeles and Long Beach ports. More than 63 million truck trips have been diverted to the off-peak shifts since the program's inception. The container terminal operators mitigate truck traffic at their gates with appointment systems.

The TMF helps offset the cost of operating extended gate hours. Labor costs are the largest single component of extended gate costs.

## **About PierPASS**

PierPASS is a not-for-profit company created by marine terminal operators at the Port of Los Angeles and Port of Long Beach to address multi-terminal issues such as congestion, air quality and security. The West Coast Marine Terminal Operator Agreement (WCMTOA) is filed with the Federal Maritime Commission and comprises the 12 international MTOs serving the Los Angeles and Long Beach ports. For more information, please see [www.pierpass.org](http://www.pierpass.org).

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