



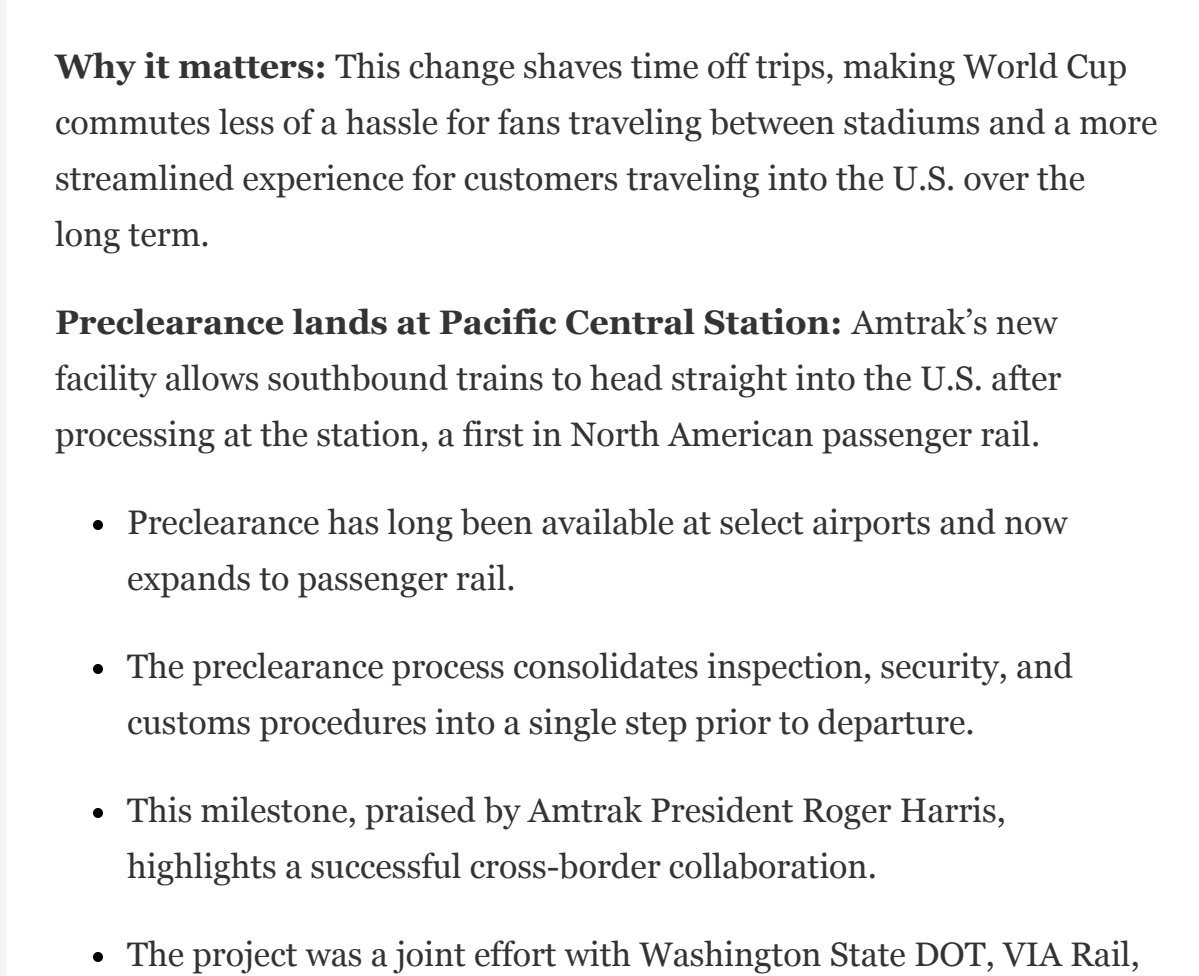
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This edition features persistent challenges in public safety and transportation security, and continued efforts from authorities to address these challenges.

Amtrak debuts North America's first passenger rail preclearance facility



Amtrak launched a preclearance facility at Pacific Central Station for Amtrak Cascades cross-border service between Vancouver and Seattle. Image credit: The Urbanist

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Amtrak riders from Vancouver to Seattle can now bypass the Blaine border stop thanks to new preclearance at Pacific Central Station in Vancouver.

Why it matters: This change shaves time off trips, making World Cup commutes less of a hassle for fans traveling between stadiums and a more streamlined experience for customers traveling into the U.S. over the long term.

Preclearance lands at Pacific Central Station: Amtrak's new facility allows southbound trains to head straight into the U.S. after processing at the station, a first in North American passenger rail.

- Preclearance has long been available at select airports and now expands to passenger rail.
- The preclearance process consolidates inspection, security, and customs procedures into a single step prior to departure.
- This milestone, praised by Amtrak President Roger Harris, highlights a successful cross-border collaboration.
- The project was a joint effort with Washington State DOT, VIA Rail, Canada Border Services, U.S. Customs, Transport Canada, and Public Safety Canada.

Time savings, new trains and more seats: Upgrades will cut about 10 minutes from trips between Pacific Central and King Street Station in Seattle.

- New Airo trainsets are set to increase capacity and offer upgraded amenities, easing the travel rush on high-demand days.

Practical tips for cross-border riders: Passengers should arrive an hour early for preclearance.

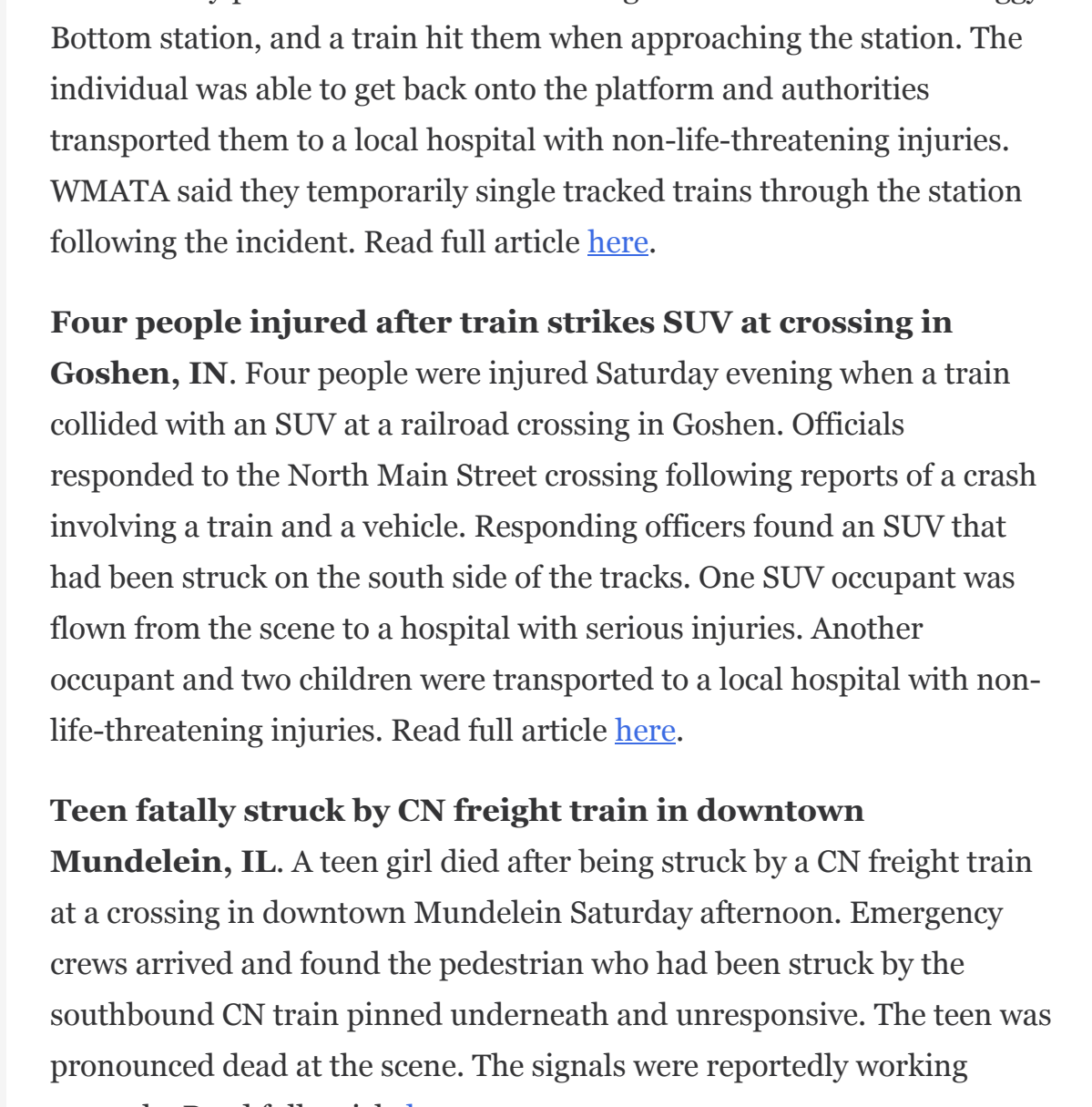
- The new setup is for southbound trips; Canadian-bound passengers follow existing customs procedures in Vancouver.

Why it matters for World Cup travel: With Vancouver and Seattle hosting multiple matches, the streamlined rail link is crucial for fans.

- The timely upgrade aims to enhance the customer experience beyond the tournament, but travelers should still prepare for crowds and stay updated on service alerts.

Read full articles [here](#) and [here](#).

Recent transit-related incidents



Five buses hired to transport passengers to the World Cup were destroyed by celebrating Knicks fans Saturday night in Manhattan, NY. Image credit: J. Robertson

Transit-related Accidents:

Five buses used to transport passengers to the World Cup destroyed during basketball celebrations in Manhattan, NY. Nine school buses hired to transport soccer fans from MetLife Stadium had to be abandoned by drivers and passengers on Saturday night during the raucous New York Knicks celebrations in Manhattan. Five buses were set on fire or destroyed by vandalism or trampling. As part of the transportation plan to take fans to MetLife Stadium for World Cup games this summer, the New York New Jersey host committee organized a shuttle bus service to and from Manhattan using the hired school buses. While the Official Stadium Shuttle buses were severely damaged or destroyed, no passengers were on board at the time of the incident, and no injuries were reported. Read full article [here](#).

Several hurt, property damaged as charter bus has brake failure in Bethesda, MD. Several people were hurt after a charter bus encountered a braking malfunction on Sunday evening in Bethesda. Firefighters received reports of property damage spanning across several blocks along Wisconsin Ave. Crews learned that a charter bus had lost control and struck multiple cars along with several utility and light poles. Several bus passengers were evaluated at the scene, and one person was transported to a local hospital with non-life-threatening injuries. Read full article [here](#).

Truck collides with DART train, leaving 1 dead, 2 injured in Dallas, TX. A motorist died and two others were injured after a pickup truck collided with a DART train Sunday evening. Officials responded to the scene of the crash near the intersection of Audelia Road and Royal Lane. The truck crossed onto the tracks and was struck by a Blue Line train, according to a statement from DART. The truck driver died at the scene. Two train passengers sustained non-life-threatening injuries and were transported to a local hospital for treatment. Read full article [here](#).

Metro train strikes person at Foggy Bottom station in Washington, DC. An individual survived after a train struck them at the Foggy Bottom-GWU Metro station Sunday afternoon. A trespasser intentionally placed themselves on the Virginia-bound track at the Foggy Bottom station, and a train hit them when approaching the station. The individual was able to get back onto the platform and authorities transported them to a local hospital with non-life-threatening injuries. WMATA said they temporarily single tracked trains through the station following the incident. Read full article [here](#).

Four people injured after train strikes SUV at crossing in Goshen, IN. Four people were injured Saturday evening when a train collided with an SUV at a railroad crossing in Goshen. Officials responding to the North Main Street crossing following reports of a crash involving a train and a vehicle. Responding officers found an SUV that had been struck on the south side of the tracks. One SUV occupant was flown from the scene to a hospital with serious injuries. Another occupant and two children were transported to a local hospital with non-life-threatening injuries. Read full article [here](#).

Teen fatally struck by CN freight train in downtown Mundelein, IL. A teen girl died after being struck by a CN freight train at a crossing in downtown Mundelein Saturday afternoon. Emergency crews arrived and found the pedestrian who had been struck by the southbound CN train pinned underneath and unresponsive. The teen was pronounced dead at the scene. The signals were reportedly working properly. Read full article [here](#).

Man hit, killed by MARTA train in Atlanta, GA. A man died when he was hit by a MARTA train at the Civic Center Station late Saturday morning. MARTA Police said a train operator notified them that a man was on the train tracks. Police said the man was seen jumping down into the trackway alone and then tried to climb back up onto the platform without success. The operator was not able to stop the train before hitting him. The man was pronounced dead on the scene. Read full article [here](#).

9 injured after fire engine collides with Bustang intercity bus in downtown Colorado Springs, CO. Nine people were injured Saturday morning when a Colorado Springs Fire Department engine responding to an emergency call collided with a Bustang intercity bus in downtown Colorado Springs. The crash occurred at the intersection of Tejon Street and Bijou Street as Engine 3 was responding to a medical emergency. The Bustang bus was carrying seven people, including the driver. Five bus occupants were transported to local hospitals for evaluation and treatment of injuries. Four firefighters suffered injuries and were transported to local hospitals for treatment. Read full article [here](#).

Pedestrian struck and killed by CPKC train in downtown Sudbury, Ontario. A man was struck and killed by a CPKC train in downtown Sudbury on Friday night. The collision did not take place at a legal crossing as the incident occurred in the vicinity of Frood Road at Pine Street north of the legal Elm Street crossing. The pedestrian was transported to a local hospital and died at the hospital. Read full article [here](#).

Transit Crime:

Amtrak passenger and train hit by gunfire in Wilson, NC. An Amtrak passenger train halted in Wilson late Saturday night after it was struck by gunfire with one bullet piercing a train car window and striking a female passenger in the head. Deputies responded to reports of gunshot incident involving a southbound Amtrak train. Deputies located the victim suffering from a gunshot wound to the head. The victim was alert and conscious when transported to a local hospital for treatment. Deputies determined that the train was shot at while passing through Wilson city limits with the shooting happening in the 600 block of Walnut Street based on recovered forensic evidence. Read full article [here](#).

Man charged with assault after bus stop slashing in Albany, NY. A man was arrested after slashing another person's arm during a fight at a downtown bus stop in Albany on Friday night. Police responded to the intersection of State and Lodge streets and found a man with a laceration on his arm. Further investigation revealed the suspect slashed the victim's arm with a knife during a fight inside a bus stop. The victim was treated on scene and then transported to a local hospital for further treatment. The suspect was charged with felony second-degree assault and misdemeanor fourth-degree criminal possession of a weapon. Read full article [here](#).

Other News of Interest

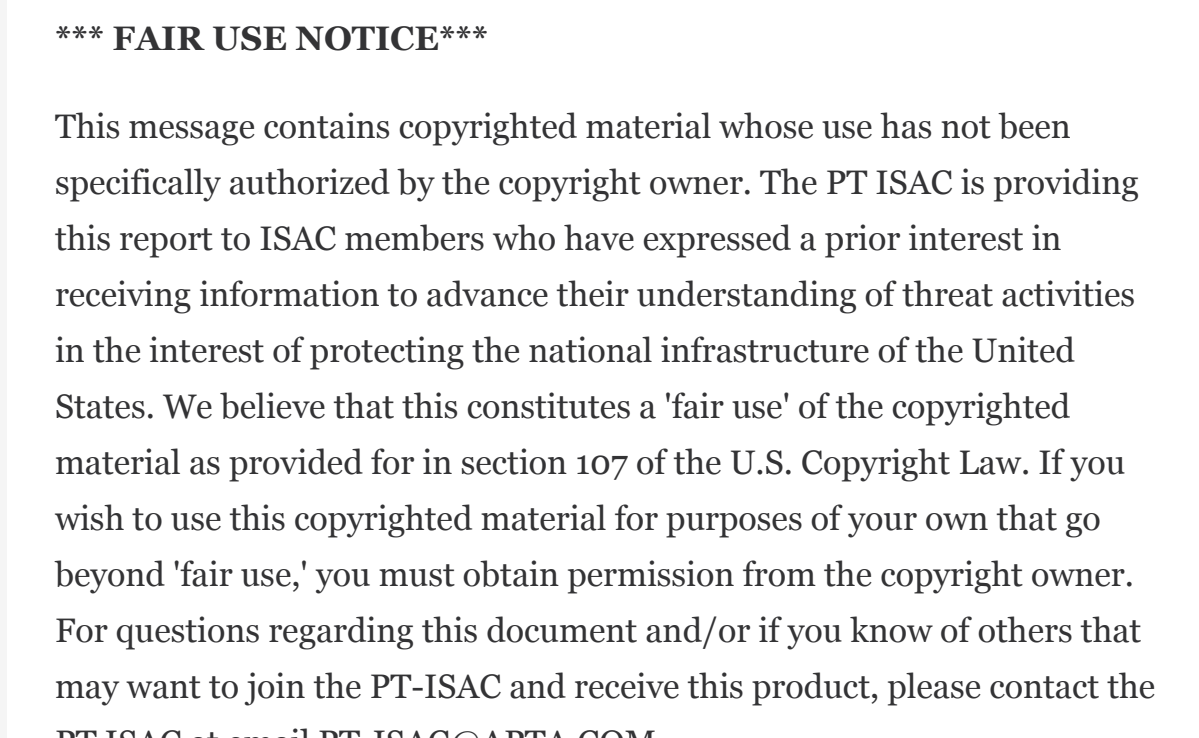


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