

September 7, 2004 Electronic Bulletin No. 562 Re: Hurricane Francis Update

Dear Valued Customer,

Hurricane Francis moved thru Florida over the weekend causing massive devastation and has now been downgraded to a tropical storm as it moves thru Alabama and Georgia bringing torrential rains, flooding and high winds.

CSX RR reports minimal damage to track and structures in Florida and crews are working around the clock to make minor roadbed repairs, remove trees, poles, debris, wires and repair grade crossing gates and control mechanisms. Service into Florida will resume after repairs are effected.

Service east of New Orleans into Atlanta is currently suspended until CSX makes repairs as outlined above.

Jacksonville, FI ramp is now open for business but, train operations will not resume until repairs have been effected .

Another Hurricane (Ivan) is currently out in the Atlantic and is expected to make landfall in Florida by this weekend.

Not confirmed but, it is estimated railroad operations will resume sometime on Wednesday afternoon.

Major congestion is expected for at least a week after opening from New Orleans east.