

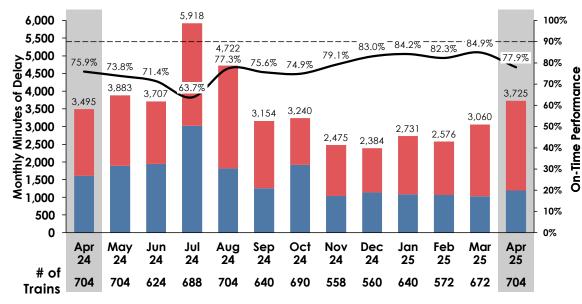
# Service Updates

May 22, 2025

# **VRE** Performance

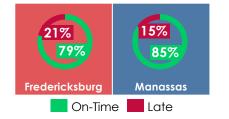
VRE On-Time Performance: trains arrive at <u>last</u> scheduled stop within <u>6</u> minutes of schedule

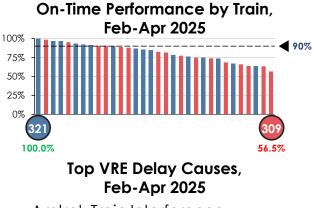
### VRE Last Station OTP and Delay Minutes



Note: VRE ridership has doubled from 6,000/day in January to 12,000/day in April

### Endpoint On-Time Performance, Feb-Apr 2025



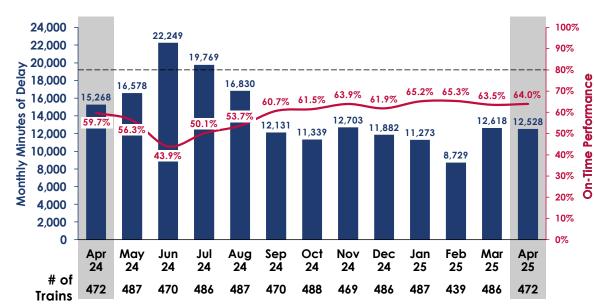


- Amtrak Train Interference
- Slow Orders/Restricted Speed
- CSX Train Interference
- WUS Terminal Congestion



## Amtrak Performance Northeast Regional/Virginia Trains

Amtrak OTP: trains arrive at each scheduled stop within 15 minutes of schedule

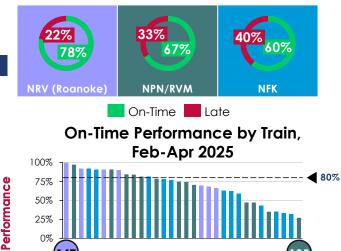


Amtrak NE Regional All-Station OTP and Delay Minutes (RF&P Only)<sup>1,2</sup>

(1) OTP excludes OTP on NS Roanoke corridor. (2) Delay minutes exclude NOD and all delays on NS.

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### Feb-Apr 2025 All-Station On-Time Performance, Northeast Regional<sup>1</sup>



### Top Amtrak NE Regional Delay Causes, Feb-Apr 2025

- Freight Train Interference (FTI)
- Amtrak Train Interference (PTI)
- Slow Orders (DSR)

(147)

100.0%

• Passenger Issues (HLD)

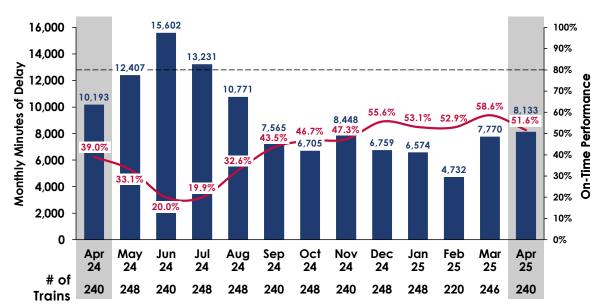


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26.9%

## Amtrak Performance Long-Distance Trains

Amtrak OTP: trains arrive at <u>each</u> scheduled stop within <u>15</u> minutes of schedule

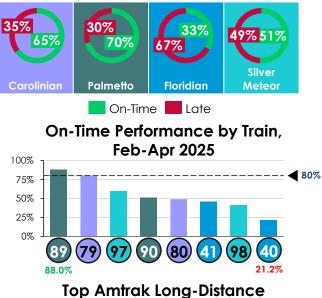


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### Feb-Apr 2025 All-Station On-Time Performance, Long-Distance<sup>1</sup>



#### Top Amtrak Long-Distance Delay Causes, Feb-Apr 2025

- Amtrak Train Interference (PTI)
- Freight Train Interference (FTI)
- Slow Orders (DSR)
- Routing Delays (RTE)



# Updates on key delay areas and initiatives



CSX Heat Orders

- Summer pilot schedules take effect on May 27, with schedule changes to 12 trains



Delays at WAS Union Station

- WAS remains the top location for delays for Virginia service



Planned Work Tracking for TRV

- Work continues throughout the RF&P corridor on Transforming Rail in Virginia infrastructure projects

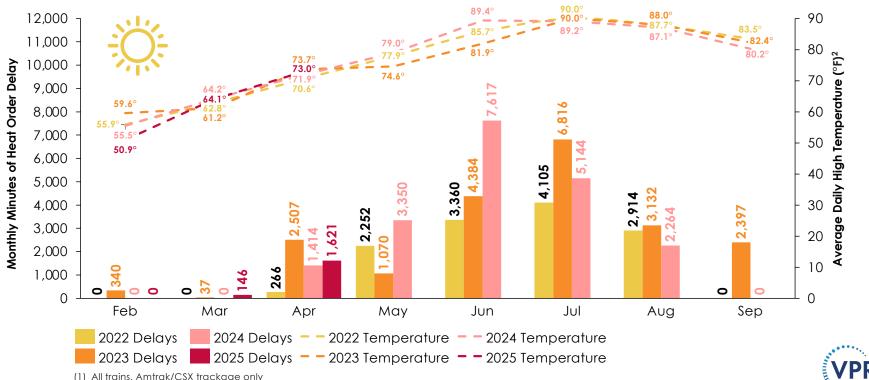


## NS Performance Monitoring

- Quarterly performance monitoring meetings with NS kicked off in May



## Virginia spring temperatures and early WTR delays are tracking similarly to past years, suggesting significant heat delays will resume in May



Monthly Minutes of Heat Order Delays<sup>1</sup>

(1) All trains, Amtrak/CSX trackage only

(2) Temperature data from Richmond International Airport, average daily high temperature.

## 2025 Summer Pilot includes additional trains

Added time a function of:

- 50<sup>th</sup> percentile of incurred CSX heat orders during summer 2023-2024
- Amount of CSX recovery time already in the schedule
- Predicted improvement to all customer OTP
- Avoidance of long dwelling on non-heat order days
- Amount of scheduled time train travels on CSX between the 1:00pm-7:00pm heat order window

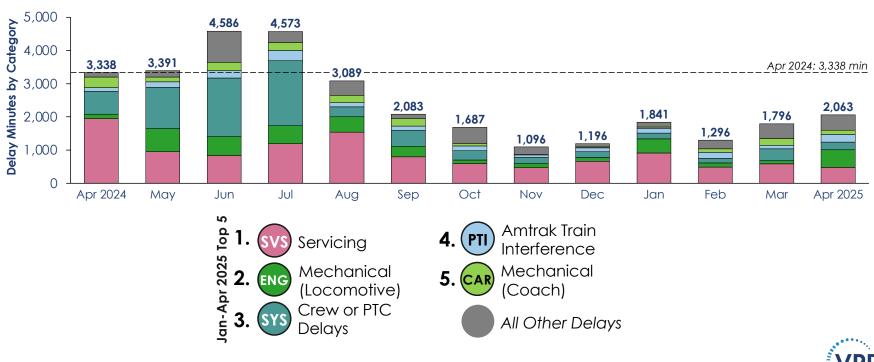
Schedules were indexed to WAS arrival/departure times (no changes to any stations on Northeast Corridor)

Train	Service	Days	Remarks and Changes
138	from NFK	M-F	Add 10 minutes for CSX heat orders
158	from NFK	SaSu	Add 15 minutes for CSX heat orders
95	to NFK	M-F	Add 15 minutes for CSX heat orders
141	to NFK	M-F	Add 10 minutes for CSX heat orders
157	to NFK	SaSu	Add 10 minutes for CSX heat orders.
125	to NPN	M-F	Add 10 minutes for CSX heat orders
99	to NPN	SaSu	Add 9 minutes for CSX heat orders
186	from NPN	M-F	Add 5 minutes for CSX heat orders
124	from NPN	SaSu	Add 5 minutes for CSX heat orders
195	to RVM	SaSu	Add 5 minutes for CSX heat orders
94	from NFK	M-F	Add 10 minutes (new for 2025)
157	to NFK	Su	Add 10 minutes (new for 2025)

## Summer schedules take effect on Tuesday, May 27



# In April, southbound delay minutes at Union Station rose for the second straight month but remain down 38% year-over-year



Top 5 SB Delay Categories at WAS by Month<sup>1</sup>

(1) Excludes NOD and delays on the Cardinal and Crescent

# Engine swap delays and mechanical problems continue to make up a majority of southbound delays at Washington Union Station

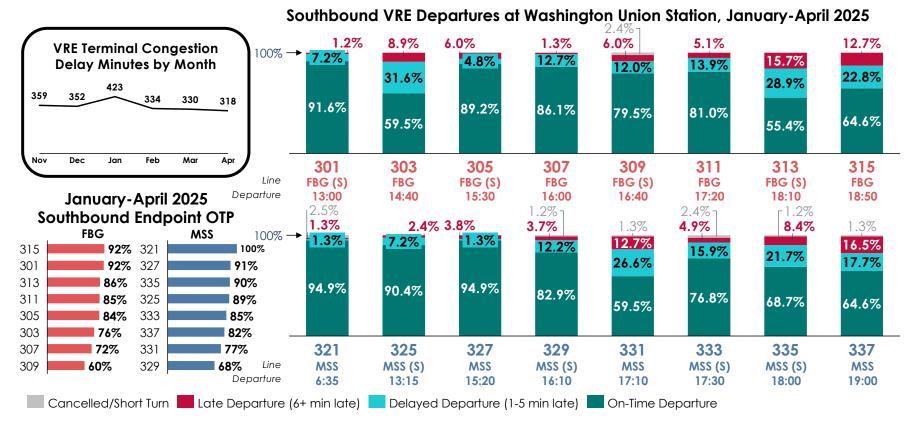
Southbound Delays<sup>1</sup> at Washington Union Station (WAS), January-April 2025



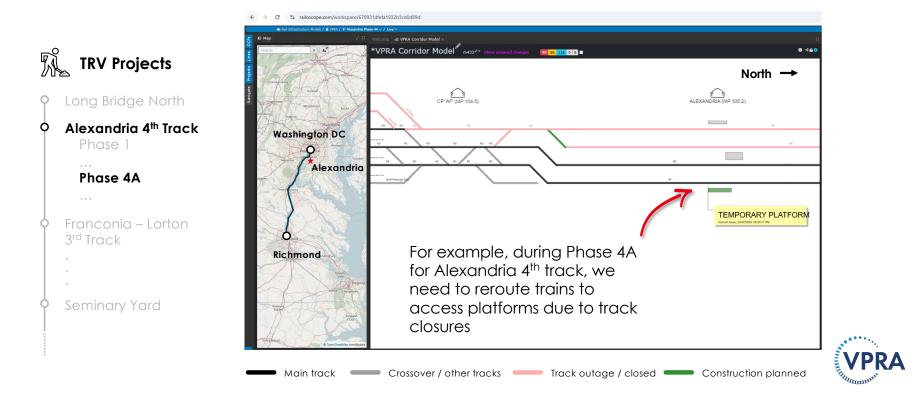
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## VRE terminal congestion delay minutes have largely held steady since February, with some trains more frequently affected



## We will use a web-based platform to visualize construction phasing and activities for TRV projects to collaborate with partners efficiently



# The model will mitigate program risks by serving as the single source of truth for multiple TRV, MOW, and other projects

### **Existing Situation and Risks**



- Information is housed amongst individual project teams
- Difficult to find the right partner with the
  right information due to the scale of TRV



Misalignment on track outages, leading to inaccurate service plans

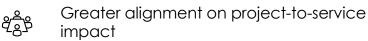


Increased costs / project delays / change orders

#### **Solution and Benefits**



A single source of truth for TRV projects that is accessible for project partners





Information is universal and standardized for all stakeholders



## NS Performance Monitoring – Performance Managers Committee (PMC)

What: "The Performance Managers Committee shall be a forum for the Parties [VPRA and NS] to share information, discuss matters submitted by one Party to the other Party for review and/or approval, and progress resolution of any issues between the Parties with respect to this Agreement."<sup>1</sup>

**Who:** At least 2 representatives each from NS and VPRA. VRE and Amtrak may be invited if needed upon agreement by both NS and VPRA.

When: At least quarterly; more often when necessary



(1) Per Article 22 of 2024 NS-VPRA Comprehensive Rail Agreement

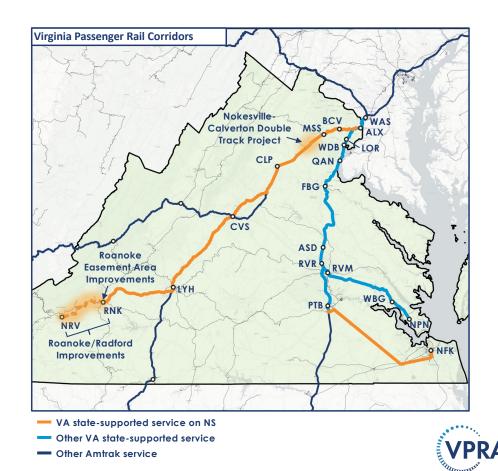
# Scope – Monitor trains and segments

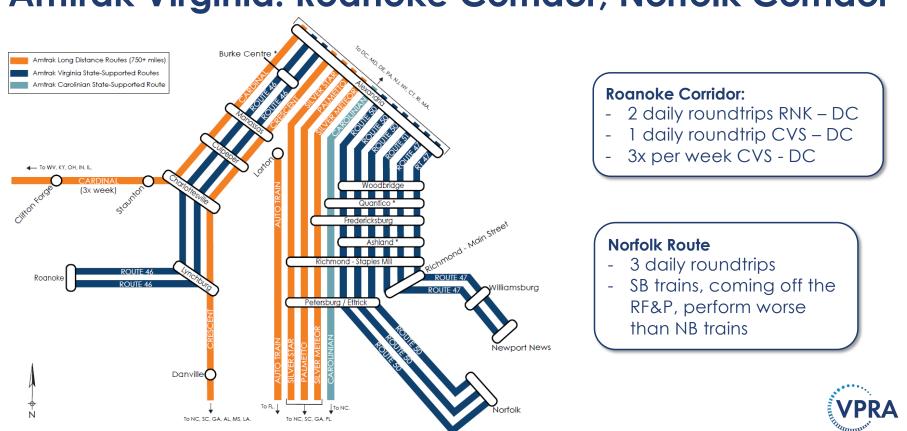
**Roanoke Corridor** – AF Interlocking (XA1) to Roanoke station (RNK)

- Northeast Regional trains
- Cardinal up to Charlottesville
- Crescent up to Lynchburg

# **Norfolk Corridor -** CP Crater (X3V) to Norfolk station (NFK)

• Northeast Regional trains

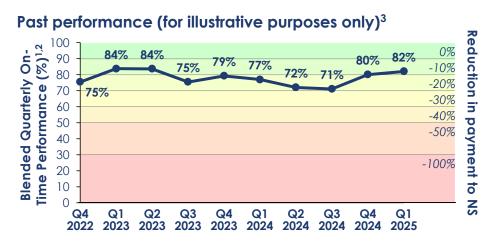




# Amtrak Virginia: Roanoke Corridor; Norfolk Corridor

# Intercity Passenger Performance Regime<sup>1</sup>

- VPRA pays a premium rate to operate:
  - 2nd and (future) 3rd frequencies to Roanoke.
  - All future trains between Roanoke and Christiansburg.
- VPRA will have the right to reduce the rate it pays for these frequencies when the Western Rail Initiative projects are completed<sup>4</sup>
- Rate is reduced based on a modified customer on-time performance metric (Blended Quarterly OTP)





<sup>(1)</sup> Refer to section 8.2 of 2024 VPRA-NS agreement

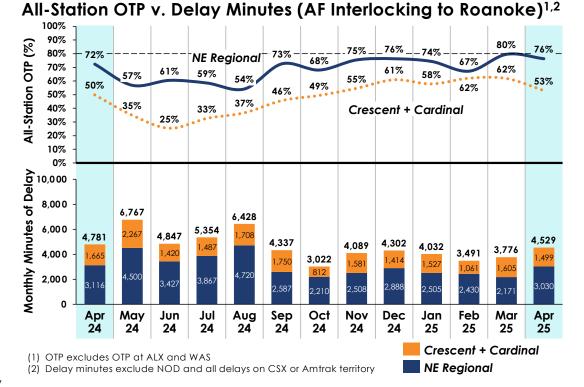
<sup>(2)</sup> Customer OTP calculation is modified based on whether a train arrived on NS territory late.

<sup>(3)</sup> Only includes data for the 2nd RNK frequency (trains 66 and 151)

<sup>(4)</sup> In the event of significant project delays, the performance regime will come into effect by dates specified in the VPRA-NS agreement

# **Amtrak Performance – Roanoke Corridor**

Amtrak On-Time Definition: trains arrive at scheduled stop within <u>15</u> minutes of schedule



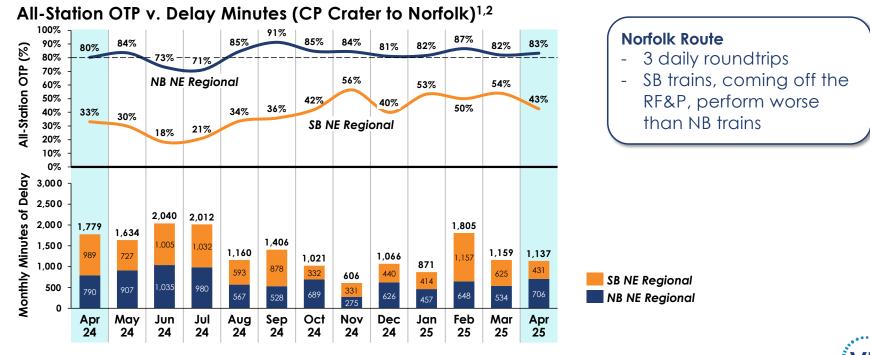
#### **Roanoke Corridor:**

- 2 daily roundtrips RNK DC
- 1 daily roundtrip CVS DC
- 3x per week CVS DC



# **Amtrak Performance – Norfolk Corridor**

Amtrak On-Time Definition: trains arrive at scheduled stop within <u>15</u> minutes of schedule



(1) OTP only includes NE Regional trains at Petersburg and Norfolk

(2) Delay minutes exclude NOD and only includes delays on X3V (Crater)-NFK and NFK-NFK segments

# Thank You

**VPRA** 

Questions?

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