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The International Registration Plan (IRP) is a registration reciprocity agreement among jurisdictions of the United States, the District of Columbia and provinces of Canada providing for payment of apportionable fees on the basis of total distance operated in all jurisdictions.

IRP's fundamental principle is to promote and encourage the fullest possible use of the highway system.

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Safe Driver Apprenticeship Pilot Program

On January 14, 2022, FMCSA announced in a Federal Register Notice (FRN) the establishment of the SDAP Program. The Program allows certain 18-, 19-, and 20-year-old drivers to operate commercial motor vehicles in interstate commerce. The FRN provides details about the pilot program.

Learn more.

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US ports seeing record volumes, more truck traffic...

SAVANNAH, Ga. — U.S. ports are seeing a booming business right now, with at least three seeing record cargo volumes.

The Port of Savannah shattered cargo records this past fiscal year amid a surge in imports and West Coast backlogs that prompted shippers to reroute goods to the East Coast.

Meanwhile, ports in two Texas cities — Houston and Corpus Christie — also set new records. Learn more.

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COLLEGE STATION, Texas — Researchers from the <u>Texas A&M Transportation Institute</u>(TTI) are teaming up with <u>The University of Wisconsin–Madison</u> and <u>ParkUnload</u> to conduct a <u>truck parking pilot study</u> to better understand how truck drivers use existing parking spaces and to test the benefits of using a mobile parking app.

Funding for this study is provided by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) under a cooperative agreement through the agency's FY20 High Priority grant program.

This week, select truck parking spaces along interstates 80 and 94 will be painted green and signs instrumented with truck parking technology will be installed.

The devices will communicate with the ParkUnload app when a driver's phone is in close proximity to the parking zone.

Once the app detects the marked zone, the truck driver can park and check-in to the parking space on the app to let other drivers see information on remaining spaces. Signs will also provide drivers with additional information.

"Insufficient truck parking presents a safety hazard for all highway users when drivers park in unauthorized locations, drive when fatigued or drive past their hours of service to find safe parking," Transportation Specialist Brian Routhier, from the FMCSA technology division, said. "We're hoping this study will provide a better understanding of the truck parking needs along these corridors and whether a truck parking app is beneficial to drivers.". <u>Learn more.</u>

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