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We ride Amtrak on the long distance trains and, more often than not, our train arrives at a connecting point hours late. As a result, we miss our connection and Amtrak has to provide hotel, taxi and food reimbursement.

If Amtrak is supposed to have preference over freight movement, I've never seen it on our cross-country trips as we sit on a siding and watch one freight train after another fly by.

Passenger rail service in the United States is an embarrassment. The Federal Government wastes money on foreign aid, bailing out banks, etc., but treats our national passenger rail system as a step-child.

I submit to you that passenger service must have preference over freight movements, per the host agreement.

Thank You