Transmission Services

Bulletin

Reserving & Scheduling Transmission over the Change to Pacific Standard Time

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BPA Transmission Services will change their clocks on November 1, 2026 to return to Standard Time. This document provides information to help customers reserve and schedule transmission service over the time change.

1. Reserving Transmission over the Change to Standard Time

On the first Sunday in November, Transmission Services sets clocks from Daylight Savings Time (PD) back to Standard Time (PS).

Daily, Weekly, and Monthly Reservations

Reservations that start in PD and end in PS must be reflected as such in the reservation start and stop time. For example, a Daily reservation for the day of the change will have a start time of 00:00 PD and a stop time of 00:00 PS. The MWH total will automatically account for the time change.

Hourly Reservations that Cross the Time Change

A profiled Hourly Reservation must include an extra HE01 starting at 01:00 PD and ending at 01:00 PS.

- For the first hour of the time change, an Hourly Profile of a single hour with a start time of 01:00 PD and a stop time of 01:00 PS
- For the second hour of the time change, an Hourly Profile of a single hour with a start time of 01:00 PS and a stop time of 02:00 PS.

The following example represents a profiled reservation which starts at midnight on the time change day and continues through the 02:00 PS time change:

	Start Time	Stop Time
	2026-11-01 00:00 PD	2026-11-01 01:00 PD
First hour of the time change:	2026-11-01 01:00 PD	2026-11-01 01:00 PS
Second hour of the time change:	2026-11-01 01:00 PS	2025-11-01 02:00 PS

Determining Available Transfer Capability

OASIS System Data Summary will display an extra HE01 starting at 01:00 PD and ending at 01:00 PS. How it is displayed is based on the User Timezone Setting.

- If the Timezone is set for PD, System Data Summary will display HE01 Start Time as 01:00 PD and Stop Time as 01:00 PS. HE02 Start Time as 01:00 PS and Stop Time as 02:00 PS.
- If the Timezone is set for PS, the display will show HE02 Start Time as 01:00 PS and Stop Time as 02:00 PS.

If you have questions about the reservation process during core business hours, contact the Reservation Desk at 360-418-8499. After core business hours, contact Real Time Scheduling at 360-418-2878.

2. Scheduling Transmission over the Change to Standard Time

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e-Tags Spanning the Time Change

Submit electronic tags that span the time change for a 25-hour schedule. Transmission Services recommends that transactions (including month long tags) be authored with two tags: One tag in Daylight Savings Time for flow through HE02 PD, and an additional tag in Standard Time for flow beginning HE02 PS and beyond.

Transmission Services recommends that customers prepare in advance to author tags for the 25-hour day. If you need assistance to accommodate the time change, contact your tagging vendor for instructions. Since tag vendor(s) vary, Transmission Services is not prepared to provide specific technical guidance on tag authorship issues associated with the 25-hour day. Lack of preparation surrounding this event may result in denial of both tag(s) and schedule(s).

3. CDE Time Zone Settings

It is recommended that CDE be set to Pacific Prevailing (PP) on the Miscellaneous tab and on the various displays that contain a time zone setting. CDE users should check their displays to confirm the setting they are using. After the time change, CDE users should verify that displays with an End Hour filter are set to 24 to ensure all hourly data appears as expected.