

**Commercial Customs Operations Advisory
Committee (COAC)
Secure Trade Lanes Subcommittee
In-bond Modernization Recommendation**

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IN-BOND WORKING GROUP:

COAC recommends that CBP accept the White Paper as the basis of an in-bond modernization strategy. The white paper identifies key issues including trade and CBP visibility to all in-bond transactions, clarity of liability for bonded partners, the need for automated hand-offs between trade partners, addition of all modes of transportation to automation requirements, national policy harmonization and short term technical requirement changes to improve the current process, and align with the 21st Century Framework. The document provides strategic level solutions that will support movement toward regulatory changes, policy changes and / or technical changes across these issue areas. The In-bond White Paper is a working “living” document and will be modified and updated as solutions to the issues raised solidify, and give rise to future recommendations.