

# **CUSTOMER ADVISORY**

## UPDATE: HURRICANE IOTA STRIKES CENTRAL AMERICA

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### Dear Valued Customer,

Central America has started to recover from Hurricanes lota and Eta, please see the operational updates below:

#### Guatemala: Moderate rains continue

- Due to ongoing inclement weather, vessel activity has been suspended in Puerto Barrios and Santo Tomas de Castilla, vessel activity is expected to resume by 11/19.
- A key bridge on route to the port has collapsed, authorities cannot repair it until river water levels have receded there is no estimated time for reopening to transit so currently there are no container dispatches from the city to port.

#### El Salvador: Moderate rains continue

- El Salvadorian authorities have closed roads to key ports Santo Tomas de Castilla and Puerto Barrios.
- Due to a temporary bridge closure, there is congestion at border crossings.
- Carriers CLAM/SMLU have suspended all deliveries to POL until further notice.
- All APLL staff are safe.

#### Honduras

- The port of Puerto Cortes has reopened and vessels activity has resumed.
- Several roads are blocked due to flooding, including the main road to Puerto Cortes.
- Some warehouses have opened today to receive cargo from factories

Please note, the APL Logistics teams in Central America are in direct communication with customers regarding specific cargo and shipments.

We will continue to monitor the situation and send additional updates as needed. If you have any further questions or concerns, please contact your APL Logistics Account Manager or local APL Logistics office.

Sincerely, APL Logistics