

Damage Control Trainer Repairs



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- Take a look at your DC Trailers...
- Field solutions for a discovered problem:

At Valdez, AK; June 2006:

- “The repair shop has already begun repairs on the trailer so I will not be able to show the actual damage. I will however send a photo of the repairs. The crack was in the tongue right at the front of the trailer and it was nearly invisible. I did not see it until I lifted up the front of the trailer and the crack opened up. I suspect it was caused by stress at that point and the roads are very rough with frost heaves. It had been cracked for a while because there was rust inside the crack. The repair shop will be adding additional metal to that part of the tongue to strengthen it.
- Here are pictures of the repair and improvements to the DC trainer trailer tongue. It will give you a better idea of where to look on the other trainers (trailer tongues) for similar problems.







- The triangular braces and the strips along the sides were added for extra strength. The break was across the top and down both sides of the bar. There was a small strip of metal on the bottom side holding it together.”



Seattle, WA

- Provided extra support in way of two angle-iron braces from tongue to front side of trailer framing.
- Then installed a flat piece of steel to provide for a platform for the valve operator to stand-on.
- “By the way, the Rhino spray-on lining is excellent.”

