Gen 1 trailer tongue reinforcement

Cracking has been reported at the bend in the trailer tongue weldment D63856-998-SK. A reinforcement plate is now available to retrofit trailers in the field.

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Do not tow an affected trailer until the reinforcement is installed.

Move affected trailers on a flatbed trailer or rollback. A tongue that fails in transit can separate the trailer from the tow vehicle.

WHY THIS BULLETIN WAS ISSUED

Cornell has received reports of cracking and failure at the trailer tongue joint on Gen 1 trailers. The cracks start along the bend in bent-plate tongue D63856, where the tongue meets the frame.

TRAILERS AFFECTED

All Cornell Gen 1 trailers, including every Gen 1 trailer placed in the market on or before September 1, 2026.

WHAT HAS CHANGED

Cornell has released reinforcement plate A79932, which bolts onto the tongue in the field — two plates per trailer, one each side. Where damage is already present, Cornell will supply a replacement tongue with the reinforcement factory-installed.

AT A GLANCE

Affected part	**D63856-998-SK** Trailer tongue, bent plate
Bolted plate	**A79932A** 2 per trailer
Welded plate	**A79932B** 2 per trailer
Plate weight	**7.22 lb** each
Drawing	**A79932 Rev 01** Sheet 3 of 3
Factory	**(503) 653-0330**

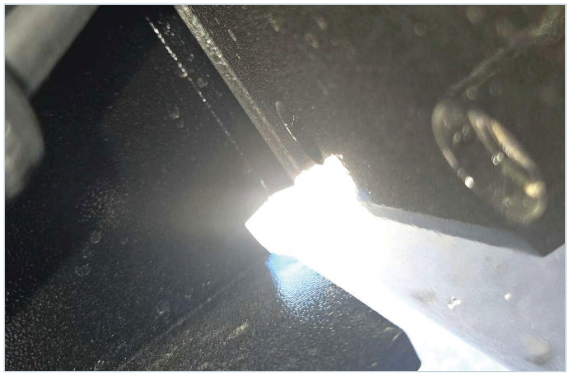

Fig. 1 — Reported failure. A complete break along the bend of the tongue. Daylight through the joint confirms the crack has gone through.

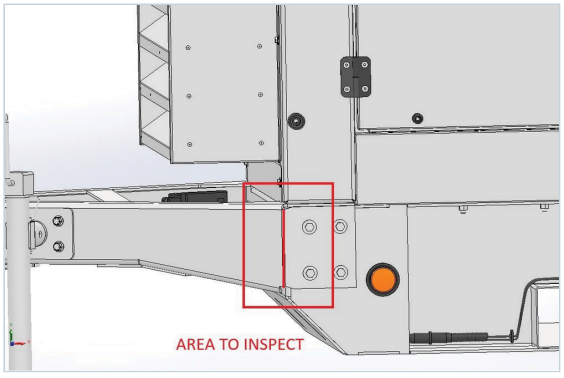

Fig. 2 — Area to inspect. Check the full length of the bend where the tongue meets the frame, on both sides of the trailer.

WHAT DEALERS NEED TO DO

- **Park the trailer.** Transport affected trailers on a trailer or rollback until the reinforcement retrofit has been installed.
- **Retrofit every trailer.** Install the reinforcement plates on both sides and inspect the tongue at the time of installation.
- **Report what you find.** If the tongue is already cracked, call the factory before the trailer goes back into service.

BEFORE YOU START

Follow **ASWI-59** for both the installation and the inspection. It governs this retrofit; the figures below show the arrangement only.

ORDERING

KIT NUMBER	KIT	WHEN TO ORDER
BMS105A-A00-KIT	Bolt-on reinforcement plate kit	Standard retrofit, for a sound tongue.
BMS105A-A01-KIT	Complete tongue replacement kit	When inspection finds cracking.

REINFORCEMENT ARRANGEMENT — DRAWING A79932 REV 01

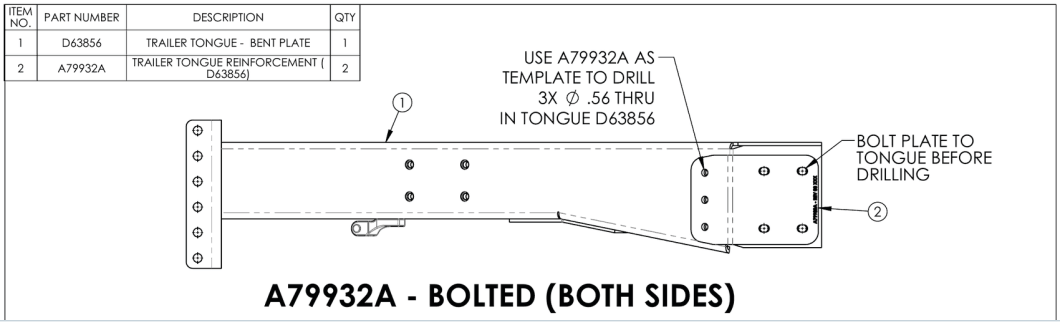

Fig. 3 — A79932A, bolted, both sides. Bolt the plate to the tongue before drilling, then use the plate as the template to drill 3× Ø.56 through tongue D63856.

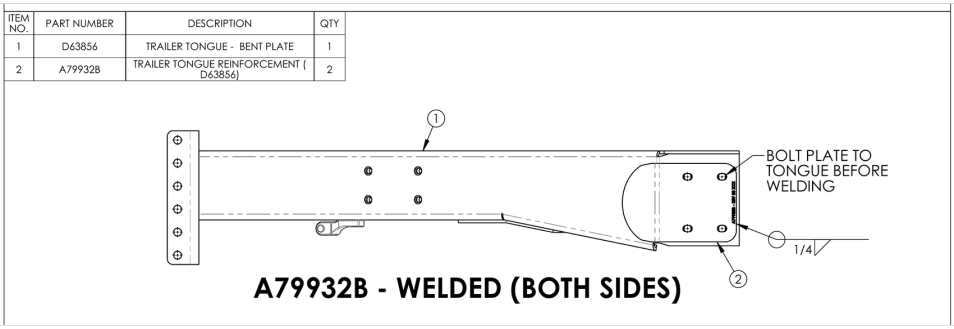

Fig. 4 — A79932B, welded, both sides. Bolt the plate to the tongue before welding, then weld per the 1/4 callout. Dimensions and tolerances are on drawing A79932 Rev 01, which this bulletin does not supersede.

Questions, or help implementing the repair?
Contact the Cornell factory. Reference this bulletin number when you call.

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