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GRADE CROSSING PROTECTIVE FUND

2023 – 2025 GRANT APPLICATION

OPEN CALL FOR PROJECTS

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC), through the Grade Crossing Protective Fund (GCPF), provides grants for projects that eliminate or reduce public safety hazards at railroad crossings and along railroad rights-of-way in Washington State. Any public, private, or non-profit entity may apply for a GCPF grant.

To apply for a grant to eliminate or reduce a public safety hazard at a railroad crossing or along a railroad right-of-way, complete the following information and submit it and any attachments to the UTC. *(Note: If you are proposing a change to the warning devices at a public railroad crossing, use the [Petition to Modify Warning Devices - GCPF](#) application instead.*

Please be sure to complete the entire form. Incomplete or missing information will delay the grant review process.

Applicant information

Contact Name:

Organization:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Project information

Attach additional sheets as necessary that provide the following:

1. What is the project location?

2. What are the existing hazards being addressed? Include any information about accidents or incidents at the site including photographs or other materials that support the application.

3. How will the project eliminate and/or mitigate the hazards listed above? Include any design drawings or construction plans for the proposed project.

4. How will the project benefit public safety by a) reducing accident frequency and severity at the location and/or b) reduce trespasser, pedestrian, or motorist injuries and deaths on the railroad right-of-way?

5. Does the project involve coordination with the railroad? Yes No
If yes, please provide the railroad contact information:

6. Does the project support under-resourced communities and/or rural areas? Yes No
If yes, please describe.

7. Provide a project budget, including:
 - a. An itemized list of the total costs of the project.

 - b. The requested grant amount.

 - c. Names of parties contributing financially to the project, including the applicant, and the amount each is contributing.

8. What is the name of the party responsible for long-term maintenance of the project, such as repair of fencing?

9. What is the estimated timeline for project completion?

10. How will the project's success be measured?

11. What is the applicant’s experience in grant management or the successful completion of grant projects of this nature, including years of experience, types of projects completed and project cost/scope?

12. List any other information that may be useful in evaluating this project. Include additional attachments if needed.

13. I hereby affirm that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided in this application is true and accurate.

Railroad Consent

If the applicant is not the railroad owning the right-of-way, crossing, or tracks, the applicant must submit the attached Railroad Consent form (page 5) completed and signed by the railroad owning the right-of-way, crossing, or tracks.

Submitting the Application

After completing the application, file the signed application at [EFile](#). Under “Filing Type,” select “Application for Funding.”

Assistance

For questions or assistance, please contact the following UTC staff:

- Mike Turcott at (360) 664-1119 or mike.turcott@utc.wa.gov
- Tyler Whitcomb at (564) 669-0943 or tyler.whitcomb@utc.wa.gov

Railroad Consent

The undersigned represents the Railroad Company in the accompanying GCPF application.

We have reviewed the application and are satisfied that the conditions are the same as described by the applicant in this matter.

Printed name of Railroad Representative

Signature of Railroad Representative

Title

Name of Railroad

Mailing Address of Railroad

Telephone Number

Email

Date