

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

	#) REVISED) DOCKET NO. TR-151860-P	
BNSF Rwy. C	Co.		
Petitioner,		 PETITION TO CONSTRUCT OR RECONSTRUCT A HIGHWAY-RA	IL
VS.) GRADE CROSSING AND INSTALI AN INTER-TIE BETWEEN A HIGHWAY SIGNAL AND A	L
Respondent	XX/A) RAILROAD CROSSING SIGNAL SYSTEM	
City of Auburn	n, wA)	
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	 USDOT CROSSING NO.: 085647	Η

Prior to submitting a Petition to **Construct** a highway-rail grade crossing and install an inter-tie between a Highway Signal and a Railroad Crossing Signal System to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC), State Environmental Protection Act (SEPA) requirements must be met. Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 197-11-865 (2) requires:

All actions of the utilities and transportation commission under statutes administered as of December 12, 1975, are exempted, except the following:

(2) Authorization of the openings or closing of any highway/railroad grade crossing, or the direction of physical connection of the line of one railroad with that of another;

Please attach sufficient documentation to demonstrate that the SEPA requirement has been fulfilled. For additional information on SEPA requirements contact the Department of Ecology.

The Petitioner asks the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission to approve construction or reconstruction of a highway-rail grade crossing and inter-tie the highway signal with the railroad crossing signal system.

☐ Construction X Reconstruction

Section 1 – Petitioner's Information

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Signature			***************************************	***************************************
2454 Occidental Ave. S.				
Street Address Seattle, WA. 98134				
City, State and Zip Code				
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Mailing Address, if different than the street address Richard Wagner				
Contact Person Name			000000000000000000000000000000000000000	
206-625-6152, Richard. Wagner@bnsf.com				
Contact Phone Number and E-mail Address		-		•

Section 2 – Respondent's Information

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City of Auburn	***************************************			
Respondent				
25 W. Main St				
20 W. Frank St				
Street Address				
Auburn, WA 98001-4998				
City, State and Zip Code				
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Section 3 - Proposed or Existing Crossing Location

1. Existing highway/roadway	
	BNSF Railway Co.
3. Location of proposed cross: Located in the 1/4 of the	ing: he1/4 of Sec13 , Twp21N, Range4E W.M.
4. GPS location, if known	47deg20'24"N, 122deg13'57"W
5. Railroad mile post (nearest	tenth)
6. City Auburn	County King
Section 4	4 – Proposed or Existing Crossing Information
1. Railroad company	BNSF Railway
2. Type of railroad at crossing	x Common Carrier □ Logging □ Industrial
□ Passenger	□ Excursion
3. Type of tracks at crossing	x Main Line ☐ Siding or Spur
l. Number of tracks at crossin	g
5. Average daily train traffic,	freight24
Authorized freight train spe	ed 60 Operated freight train speed 60
5. Average daily train traffic, 1	bassenger <u>23</u>
Authorized passenger train	speed 79 Operated passenger train speed 79
7. Will the proposed crossing Yes No	eliminate the need for one or more existing crossings?
3. If so, state the distance and	direction from the proposed crossing.

	Section 5 – Temporary Cro	ssina	
1. Is the crossing proposed to be	temporary? Yes	No _X_	
2. If so, describe the purpose of t	he crossing and the estimate	d time it will be needed	
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3. Will the petitioner remove the crossing? Yes	crossing at completion of the No	e activity requiring the	temporary
Approximate date of removal			
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. Name of roadway/highway . Roadway classification . Road authority . Average annual daily traffic (2 3 . Number of lanes . Roadway speed 40 . Is the crossing part of an estab	37 th St. NW City Street City of Auburn AADT) 5200 lished truck route?		
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$Section \ 7-Alternatives \ to \ the \ Proposal$

1.	Does a safer location for a crossing exist within a reasonable distance of the proposed location? Yes No
2.	If a safer location exists, explain why the crossing should not be located at that site.
	Are there any hillsides, embankments, buildings, trees, railroad loading platforms or other rriers in the vicinity which may obstruct a motorist's view of the crossing? Yes No
4.	 If a barrier exists, describe: ♦ Whether petitioner can relocate the crossing to avoid the obstruction and if not, why not. ♦ How the barrier can be removed. ♦ How the petitioner or another party can mitigate the hazard caused by the barrier.
	Is it feasible to construct an over-crossing or under-crossing at the proposed location as an ernative to an at-grade crossing? Yes No
6.	If an over-crossing or under-crossing is not feasible, explain why.

7. Does the railway line, at any point in the vicinity of the proposed crossing, pass over a fill area
or trestle or through a cut where it is feasible to construct an over-crossing or an under-crossing,
even though it may be necessary to relocate a portion of the roadway to reach that point? Yes No
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8. If such a location exists, state:
♦ The distance and direction from the proposed crossing.
◆ The approximate cost of construction.
♦ Any reasons that exist to prevent locating the crossing at this site.
9. Is there an existing public or private crossing in the vicinity of the proposed crossing?
Yes No
10. If a crossing exists, state:
♦ The distance and direction from the proposed crossing.
♦ Whether it is feasible to divert traffic from the proposed to the existing crossing.

Section 8 – Sight Distance

1. Complete the following table the tracks from either direction		for motorists when approaching
	om West, the current app	proach provides an unobstructed
view as follows:	(North, South, East, West)	
	Number of feet from	Provides an unobstructed
Direction of sight (left or right)	proposed crossing	view for how many feet
Right	300	26
Right	200	35
Right	100	85
Right	50	430
Right	25	Unobstructed
Left	300	60
Left	200	85
Left	100	115
Left	50	570
Left	25	2610
	om <u>East</u> , the current appr lirection-North, South, East, West) Number of feet from proposed crossing	Provides an unobstructed view for how many feet
Right	300	25
Right	200	35
Right	100	210
Right	50	610
Right	25	Unobstructed
Left	300	145
Left	200	195
Left	100	485
Left	50	Unobstructed
Left	25	Unobstructed
railway on both approaches to Yes No _X 3. If not, state in feet the length to the crossing7ft west, no or	n of level grade from the center change to the east	25 feet from the center of the of the railway on both approaches re than five percent prior to the

5. If not, state the five percent.	percentage of grade prior to the level grade and explain why the grade ex	xceeds
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Section 9 – Illustration of Proposed Crossing Configuration

Attach a detailed diagram, drawing, map or other illustration showing the following:

- ♦ The vicinity of the proposed crossing.
- ♦ Layout of the railway and highway 500 feet adjacent to the crossing in all directions.
- ♦ Percent of grade.
- ♦ Obstructions of view as described in Section 7 or identified in Section 8,
- ♦ Traffic control layout showing the location of the existing and proposed signage.

Section 10 – Sidewalks

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Section 11 – Proposed Warning Signals or Devices
1. Explain in detail the number and type of automatic signals or other warning devices planned at the proposed crossing, including a cost estimate for each. If requesting pre-emption include the type of train detection circuitry, sequencing and advanced preemption time, justification for the changes and its effects on current warning devices and warning times for drivers.
Will relocate existing BNSF crossing signals to the west to accommodate new track.
Relocation will be at BNSF expense.
Existing simultaneous pre-emption will be replaced with advanced pre-emption. City of Auburn is responsible for any traffic signal upgrades required due to BNSF's
advanced pre-emptions upgrades.
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2. Provide an estimate for maintaining the signals for 12 months.
3. Is the petitioner prepared to pay to the respondent railroad company its share of installing the warning devices as provided by law?

Section 12 – Traffic Signal Preemption

Complete the attached <u>Guide for Determining Time Requirements for Traffic Signal Preemption at Highway-Rail Grade Crossings</u> .
Specify simultaneous or advance preemption requested. Advanced
If advance preemption, what is the preemption time. 23 seconds
Section 13 – Additional Information
Provide any additional information supporting the proposal, including information such as the public benefits that would be derived from constructing a new crossing as proposed or modifying an existing crossing. Provide project specific information.
BNSF is constructing the third main line in this area to expedite train movement through
the City of Auburn. The addition of the third main line will allow commuter trains to access the passenger platforms, just south of W. Main St, while other trains will be able
to continue to move down the third track.

Section 14 – Waiver of Hearing by Respondent

Waiver of Hearing	
	s the Respondent in the petition to construct or reconstruct a highway-d inter-tie the highway signal with the railroad crossing signal system.
USDOT Crossing No.:	<u>85647H</u>
conditions are the same as installed or reconstructed a	conditions at the proposed or existing crossing site. We are satisfied the described by the Petitioner in this docket. We agree that a crossing be and the highway signals inter-tied with the railroad crossing signal exision by the commission without a hearing.
Dated at	, Washington, on the day of
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	Nancy Backus
	Printed name of Respondent
	Nancy Backus
	Signature of Respondent's Representative
	Mayor
	Title City of Auburn
	Name of Company
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	Phone number and e-mail address
	25 W. Main St.
	Auburn, WA 98001
	Mailing address

GUIDE FOR DETERMINING TIME REQUIREMENTS FOR TRAFFIC SIGNAL PREEMPTION AT HIGHWAY-RAIL GRADE CROSSINGS

	City Auburn Date	01/21/14	1
	County King Completed by	АМК	
	District District Approval	(\$. F	
	Crossing Street	Parallel Street Name	
		B St NW	
	Show North Arrow Traffic Signal 석분 Parallel Street	Crossing Street Name	i e
	↑ Track	37th St NW	
	Raliroad Phase	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	* 1
	→ X Waming Device		
	Railroad ENSF Railroad Contact	***************************************	
Cros	sing DOT# 085647H Phone		
SEC	TION 1: RIGHT-OF-WAY TRANSFER TIME CALCULATION		
Pree	mpt verification and response time	Remarks	
	Preempt delay time (seconds)		
	Controller response time to preempt (seconds)	Controller type:	***************************************
		position of particular and particula	***************************************
3.	Preempt verification and response time (seconds): add lines 1 and 2	. 3. 0.0	
Wors	st-case conflicting vehicle time		
4.	Worst-case conflicting vehicle phase number	Remarks	
	Minimum green time during right-of-way transfer (seconds)		
6.	Other green time during right-of-way transfer (seconds)	<u> </u>	
. 7.	Yellow change time (seconds) 7. 4.0		
8.	Red clearance time (seconds)		
		into-successori	
9.	Worst-case conflicting vehicle time (seconds): add lines 5 through 8	0.0	
Wors	st-case conflicting pedestrian time		
10.	Worst-case conflicting pedestrian phase number 10. 4	Remarks	
11.	Minimum walk time during right-of-way transfer (seconds)		
12.	Pedestrian clearance time during right-of-way transfer (seconds)	OPTED OUT	Г
13.	Vehicle yellow change time, if not included on line 12 (seconds)		
14.	Vehicle red clearance time, if not included on line 12 (seconds)	***************************************	***************************************
15.	Worst-case conflicting pedestrian time (seconds): add lines 11 through 14 15.	0.0	
Wors	t-case conflicting vehicle or pedestrian time	postarecourseaves/sourcessamp	
16.	Worst-case conflicting vehicle or pedestrian time (seconds): maximum of lines 9 and 15	16. 10.0	
47			0.0
17.	Right-of-way transfer time (seconds): add lines 3 and 16	17.	0.0

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SECTION 2: QUEUE CLEARANCE TIME CALCULATION DVCD MTCD CSD DVI Design vehicle 6' BEYOND RAIL TO FACE OF CURB CSD = Clear storage distance PLUS 100' FOR MTCD - Minimum track dearance distant LEFT TURN NB TO DVL = Design vehicle length L - Queue start-up distance, also stor WB MOVEMENT DVCD - Design vehicle dearance distance 142 6' BEYOND RAIL TO FACE OF CURB P. 18. Clear storage distance (CSD, feet) GATE TO 6' BEYOND PAIL 65 19. Minimum track clearance distance (MTCD, feet) 75 20. Design wehicle length (DVL, feet) 20 Design vehicle type: WB-67 GRAPH INDICATES ~16.2 SEC FOR 12.4 22. Time required for design vehicle to start moving (seconds): calculate as 2+(L+20) 22. WB-50, ROUNDED UP TO ACCOUNT 140 23. Design vehicle clearance distance, DVCD (feet): add lines 19 and 20 23. FOR LARGER, 17.0 Read IN HEAVIER VEHICLE 29.4 25. Queue clearance time (seconds): add lines 22 and 24 SECTION 3: MAXIMUM PREEMPTION TIME CALCULATION Remarks 29.4 29 29. Maximum preemption time (seconds): add lines 26 through 28 SECTION 4: SUFFICIENT WARNING TIME CHECK Remarks 20.0 30. Required minimum time, MT (seconds): per regulations 30. 1.0 CURRENT DESIGN; TO BE UP 21.0 Excludes buffer time (BT) 0.0 33. Advance preemption time, APT, if provided (seconds): get from railroad .. 33. 21.0 35. Additional warning time required from railroad (seconds): subtract line 34 from line 29, If the additional warning time required (line 35) is greater than zero, additional warning time has to be requested from the railroad. Alternatively, the maximum preemption time (line 29) may be decreased after performing an engineering study to investigate the possibility of reducing the values on lines 1, 5, 8, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13 and 14.

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Remarks:

SECTION 5: TRACK CLEARANCE GREEN TIME CALCULATION (OPTIONAL) Line 33 only valid if line 35 is zero. 23 0 1.00 See instructions for details. 23.0 38. Maximum APT (seconds): multiply line 36 and 37 Remarks 15.0 39. Minimum duration for the track clearance green interval (seconds) For zero advance preemption time 38.0 0.0 Remarks 42. Best-case conflicting vehicle or pedestrian time (seconds): usually 0...... 42. 0.0 18.0 44. Minimum track clearance green time (seconds): subtract line 43 from line 40 Clearing of Clear Storage Distance 45. Time required for design vehicle to start moving (seconds), line 22 GRAPH INDICATES 140 46. Design vehicle clearance distance (DVCD, feet), line 23 46. ~18.5 SEC FOR 42 CSD* in Figure 3 in Ins 47. Portion of CSD to clear during track clearance phase (feet) ... 47. WB-50, ROUNDED UP TO ACCOUNT 192 48. Design vehicle relocation distance (DVRD, feet): add lines 48 and 47 48. FOR LARGER. Read to HEAVIER VEHICLE 19.5 51. Track clearance green interval (seconds): maximum of lines 44 and 50, round up to nearest full second 51. GRAPH INDICATES SECTION 6: VEHICLE-GATE INTERACTION CHECK (OPTIONAL) ~11.5 SEC FOR 10.0 WB-50, ROUNDED 12.4 UP TO ACCOUNT Read FOR LARGER, 12.5 54. Time required for design vehicle to accelerate through DVL (on line 20, seconds) 54. HEAVIER VEHICLE 55. Time required for design vehicle to cleandescending gate (seconds): add lines 52 though 54 55. 34.9 Remarks 56. Duration of flashing lights before gate descent start (seconds): get from railroad 56. 3.0 Remarks 57. Full gate descent time (seconds): get from railroad 12.0 25 Read from Figure 5 in Instructions.

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59. Non-interaction gate descent time (seconds): multiply lines 57 and 58