**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE**

**UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

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| In the Matter of the Application ofWASHINGTON & IDAHO RAILWAY,Applicant,Requesting Extension of Time to Complete Project funded from the Grade Crossing Protective Fund. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | )))))))))))) | DOCKET TR-112049ORDER 02ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION OF TIME TO COMPLETE PROJECT AND SUBMIT REQUEST FOR REIMBURSEMENT |

BACKGROUND

1. On November 22, 2011, the Washington and Idaho Railway (WIR or the Applicant) filed with the Commission an application requesting a disbursement of $8,740.30 from the GCPF to pay for a portion of a project related to crossing surface improvements. The crossing is identified as USDOT #066274K and is located at the intersection of Bishop Boulevard and the Applicant’s tracks in the city of Pullman. Total project costs are estimated at $10,550.10 with WIR responsible for all costs exceeding $8,740.30.
2. On December 29, 2011, the Commission issued an Order approving the request for disbursement from the GCPF for the proposal to upgrade the surface of the Bishop Boulevard crossing. The Order required WIR to complete the project and submit the associated request for reimbursement by April 1, 2012.
3. On March 26, 2012, WIR submitted a request for an extension of time until May 31, 2012, to complete the project and submit the request for reimbursement. WIR states they did not receive notice that the grant was awarded although formal service from the Commission via First Class mail and email was executed. Staff recommends that the Commission extend the project completion date until July 1, 2012, to provide additional time for all aspects of the project to be completed within the GCPF project completion deadline.

**FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS**

1. (1) After reviewing WIR’s request, and giving due consideration to all relevant matters and for good cause shown, the Commission grants the extension of time to July 1, 2012.

O R D E R

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS:**

1. The request of Washington and Idaho Railway for an extension of time to complete the surface crossing upgrades at Bishop Boulevard is granted, subject to the following conditions:
	1. Expenditure from the Grade Crossing Protective Fund must not exceed $8,740.30.
	2. The work for which the Grade Crossing Protective Fund disbursement was approved must conform to the project description specified in the application.
	3. Washington and Idaho Railway must sign and return the attached revised project agreement by April 15, 2012.
	4. Payment will be made upon presentation of claim for reimbursement and verification by Commission Staff that the work has been satisfactorily completed.
	5. The project must be completed and the associated request for reimbursement from the Grade Crossing Protective Fund must be filed with the Commission no later than July 1, 2012.

The Commissioners have delegated authority to the Executive Secretary to enter this Order pursuant to RCW 80.01.030 and WAC 480-07-904((1)(a).

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective March 28, 2012.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

DAVID W. DANNER, Executive Director and Secretary

**NOTICE:** This is an order delegated to the Secretary for decision. In addition to serving you a copy of the decision, the Commission will post on its Internet Web site for at least fourteen (14) days a listing of all matters delegated to the Secretary for decision. You may seek Commission review of this decision. You must file a request for Commission review of this order no later than fourteen (14) days after the date the decision is posted on the Commission’s Web site. The Commission will schedule your request for review for consideration at a regularly scheduled open meeting. The Commission will notify you of the time and place of the open meeting at which the Commission will review the order.

The Commission will grant a late-filed request for review only on a showing of good cause, including a satisfactory explanation of why the person did not timely file the request. A form for late-filed requests is available on the Commission's Web site.

This notice and review process is pursuant to the provisions of RCW 80.01.030 and WAC 480-07-904(2) and (3).