**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE**

**UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

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| In the Matter of the Application ofTHURSTON COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS,Applicant,Requesting Extension of Time to Complete Project funded from the Grade Crossing Protective Fund. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | ))))))))))) | DOCKET TR-101809ORDER 02ORDER GRANTING AMENDMENT TO APPLICATION AND ORDER 01 AND EXTENSION OF TIME TO COMPLETE A SAFETY PROJECT AND SUBMIT REQUEST FOR REIMBURSEMENT |

BACKGROUND

1. On November 5, 2010, Thurston County Public Works (Thurston County or the Applicant) filed an application with the Commission, requesting disbursement of $18,000 from the Grade Crossing Protective Fund (GCPF) to pay for a project related to improving safety at and near the Old Highway 99 railroad under-crossing in Thurston County. On November 17, 2010, Thurston County amended its GCPF application to exclude labor and engineering costs and reduced the grant amount to $14,000.
2. On December 16, 2010, the Commission issued an Order approving the request for disbursement for the revised GCPF proposal to replace existing and add additional signage at and in the vicinity of the under-crossing. Thurston County will be responsible for long term maintenance of the signage. The Order required Thurston County to complete the project and submit the associated request for reimbursement by June 15, 2011.
3. On June 15, 2011, Thurston County submitted a request to amend their GCPF application and extend the project completion date until June 30, 2011. Thurston County requests that the application be amended to include only the signage on the approaches to the Highway 99 under-crossing as presented in the revised GCPF application. The extension of time is needed because of the delay in receiving materials and unforeseen conditions. Staff recommends that the Commission grant the request for amendment and extension until June 30, 2011, to provide additional time for the amended project to be completed within the GCPF project completion deadline. Thurston County will be receiving and installing the additional signage which is removed from this application, later this summer.

**FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS**

1. (1) After reviewing Thurston County’s request, and giving due consideration to all relevant matters and for good cause shown, the Commission grants the amendment to the GCPF application and Order 01previously approved and extension of time to June 30, 2011. In addition, the Commission reduces the grant amount to $1200.

O R D E R

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS:**

1. The request of Thurston County to amend its application and Order 01 and for an extension of time to complete the signage project near the Highway 99 under-crossing is granted, subject to the following conditions:
	1. Expenditure from the Grade Crossing Protective Fund must not exceed $1,200.
	2. The work for which the Grade Crossing Protective Fund disbursement was approved must conform to the project description specified in the revised application.

* 1. Thurston County must sign and return the attached revised project agreement.
	2. Payment will be made upon presentation of claim for reimbursement and verification by Commission Staff that the work has been satisfactorily completed.
	3. 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 June 30, 2011.

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 June 21, 2011.

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).