

Memorandum

February 27, 2007

To: Kristine Nielsen, Financial Services

From: Kathy Hunter, Transportation Safety Compliance Manager

Subject: TR-060188 – Yakima County
Completion of Work Funded by Grade Crossing Protective Fund (GCPF)
and Request to Leave Grant Docket Open

On June 28, 2006, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (commission) awarded a GCPF grant of \$17,000 to Yakima County in Docket TR-060188. Use of the funds was limited to installing 650 feet of fencing between the tracks owned by the county and the local White Swan middle and high school campus at White Swan, Washington. The fencing is designed to keep pedestrians off the tracks.

On January 16, 2007, Yakima County submitted a request for reimbursement for work pursuant to commission order. Commission staff conducted a site visit on January 24, 2007 and verified that the project was completed according to the specification outlined in the order approving the grant, however, staff noted that the fence was damaged in several areas. I am working with Malik Rehman from Yakima County to see if an additional “top rail” can be added to the fence, which would provide additional reinforcement and strength.

The attached expenditure summary indicates the total cost of the fencing is \$8,028.71, which leaves a remaining available balance of \$8,971.29. Please issue a reimbursement check to Yakima County in the amount of \$8,028.71 and leave this grant open until I can determine if the county will be adding the top rail to the fence.

If you have any questions, or need additional assistance, please contact me.

Attachment

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