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RE: Willapa Hills Trail Rail Crossing Docket No. TR-090870

Ms. Hunter:

Washington State Parks needs to amend our previously submitted plans for the Willapa Hills Trail Crossing of the Port of Chehalis Rail Line approximately 1.1 miles west of the steam train station. The changes we made include:

- 1. Concrete crossing pads will replace the proposed rubber crossing pads.
- 2. The length of the crossing was changed to 16' because the concrete crossing pads are 8' long.
- 3. We changed the approach angle to reduce the amount of fill material and impact to the adjoining wetland.
- 4. The width of the asphalt paving will widen from the trail width of 8' to 16' to allow cyclist to chose their own travel path.
- 5. We added the chain link fence to provide better separation of trail users from the train.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, I can be reached at 360 725-9758.

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