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WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Kathy Hunter

Rail Safety Manager

1300 S Evergreen Pk Dr SW,
Olympia, WA, 98504

Subject: USDOT Crossing # 099216G, Lateral A Road at Branch Road, Yakima County, WA

Dear Kathy Hunter:

This letter is to officially inform your office that Yakima County will no longer pursue funding for a Constant Warning Time System for railroad crossing # 099216G located at Lateral A road and Branch Road.

Yakima County had filed a petition seeking funds for an approval of modification of highway-rail grade crossing warning signals and disbursement of funds from the Grade Crossing Protective Fund under docket # TR-160188. Staff prepared plans and specifications and advertised a bid in April 2016. Bids were received, and the lowest bid was 50% over the engineer's estimate.

As conditions exist, it is deemed unpredictable that even after revising plans and specifications and scaling down the current scope of the project that, a reasonable bid to accomplish the project would be achieved. Further, Yakima County does not have to cover any over runs.

County Staff will not be filing a revised petition for the subject crossing, if you have any additional questions please contact Kent L. Mchenry, Yakima County Transportation Manager at (509) 574-2300, Kent.Mchenry@co.yakima.wa.us.

Sincerely,

Malik Rehman
Sr. Traffic Engineer

Cc: Kent Mchenry, Teresa Ishizaka

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