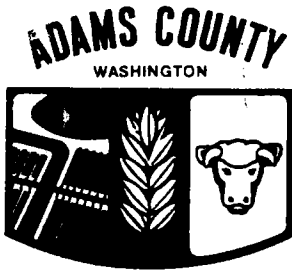


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September 5, 1995

Mr. Jerry Kuntz  
WSDOT TransAid  
2714 North Mayfair  
Spokane, WA 99207

RE: At Grade RR-Xing Abandonments

Dear Jerry:

Per our recent telephone conversations, I would like to offer the following abandonment for your consideration.

The attached vicinity map indicates the location of Anderson Road in Section 34, Township 18 North, Range 34 East. With the construction of the new lanes on State Highway 395 this road's access to the highway is now non-existent. Per agreement, the DOT is constructing a cul-de-sac just west of the highway at the end of Anderson Road. The land between the railroad and the highway is currently used as range land by one property owner. We propose to abandon the crossing and bridge #23-1, and construct a new cul-de-sac just west of the bridge. The county will then vacate the right-of-way at that point; letting it revert back to the property owner. Since the DOT has already constructed a new road from Longmeier to Anderson no further construction will be required.

It is important to note that before the DOT revised this area, the ADT was recorded at 23 vehicles per day. This number will be drastically reduced now that there is no access to Hwy 395 at this point (my opinion is that a zero count will be the norm in the very near future). It should also be pointed out that bridge #23-1 is considered Functionally Obsolete and has a Sufficiency Rating of 68.20. The estimated cost of construction is less than \$50,000 and in fact could go as low as \$25,000 or less.

I believe we will have additional crossings available for your consideration within the next few weeks. In the meantime however, please consider this request as well as the possibility of somehow connecting this very important abandonment with the equally important Bob Lee Crossing near Sprague Lake.

Should you have any questions or comments, please call.

Sincerely,

Steven T. Flude, P.E.  
County Engineer

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