

CITY OF PACIFIC

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September 27, 2006

Utilities and Trade Commission 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Grade Crossing Petition Crossing, 3rd Avenue SE, City of Pacific

Dear Sir or Madam:

Please find enclosed a NEW application for the above-referenced grade crossing protection grant. The proposed project improvements to the 3rd Avenue SE and UPRR crossing will help link the heavily used Interurban Trail with other trails in and around Pacific while helping prevent conflicts between trains, vehicles, pedestrians, and cyclists at this critical intersection. Although this intersection improvement is part of a larger corridor project, we will certify completion of the intersection improvements prior to June 1, 2007.

We also wish to thank you for considering the City of Pacific for funding of a grade crossing protection grant, Docket No. PR-060277, at the Stewart Road and Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) crossing in the City of Pacific. The work at this intersection is part of a much larger project to widen Stewart Road and has since been delayed due to funding issues. As such, the City of Pacific would like to WITHDRAW this particular application at this time.

We look forward to the results of our new application and hope to work with you in the future. Please contact me at (253) 929-1113 or jmorgan@ci.pacific.wa.us with any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Jim Morgan, P.E. City Engineer

Enclosure



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Grade Crossing Protection Fund APPLICATION FOR FUNDING

The Commission's objectives in distributing monies from its Grade Crossing Protective Fund (GCPF) are as follows: To reduce accident/incident frequency and severity at both public and private railroad crossings; and to reduce pedestrian trespassing and the frequency of trespass-related deaths and injuries along railroad rights-of-way. Any public, private, or nonprofit entity may submit an application to the Commission for GCPF monies.

The focus of the GCPF program is to fund projects that demonstrate a need for improved public safety related to one of the following four categories:

- Grade crossing safety projects (the Commission's original GCPF program).
- Trespass prevention projects. Examples of projects in this category include fencing or other physical barriers that prevent trespassing on railroad rights-of-way; pedestrian warning devices; establishing new public grade crossings; installing channeling devices; media/public relations campaigns; and enforcement-related activities.
- Private crossing safety improvements. Examples of projects in this category include private crossing closures; installation of private crossing-specific warning devices; installation of nighttime/off-hours locked gates; and improvements to reflectorization/conspicuousness of existing warning devices.
- Miscellaneous safety projects. Examples of projects in this category include improvements to motorists' ability to see approaching trains, including the removal of physical obstructions; participation in roadway improvements at or approaching grade crossings; and mitigation of crossing closures.

All projects that fall within any of these four general categories are eligible for funding consideration.

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Type of Applicatio	n: _GRADE CROSSING PROTECTIVE FUND			
Private cros	sing safety improvement			
Trespass pro	evention			
Miscellaneo	ous			

Please list all of the other companies (e.g., railroad companies) organizations, or state or local agencies involved in implementing this proposal and the name, address and phone number of each.

City of Pacific

Attn: Jim Morgan, City Engineer 100 3rd Avenue SE Pacific, WA 98047 253-929-1113

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Owest

Attn: Dennis Libadia 23315 66th Avenue S. Kent, WA 98032 253-372-5360

<u>Project Information</u> – Please attach additional information if needed.

1) Provide a detailed summary of the hazard being addressed, including any accident/incident

Information or other supporting data. If filing this application electronically, photographs, drawings, or other optional materials that are not in electronic format may be sent to the mailing address specified in the "instructions" section and should be clearly identified as an attachment to your application:

Lack of sidewalks and bicycle lanes force pedestrians/cyclists to walk into the vehicular pathway while crossing the railroad tracks along 3rd Avenue in the City of Pacific. Dramatically increased pedestrian and cycling activity at this roadway/UPRR intersection is anticipated when this project links the trailhead of the region's Interurban trail with City Park and other local trails in the area.

2) Provide a detailed description of your proposed project and explain how its implementation will eliminate or mitigate the hazard. If available, please attach any drawings or construction plans for your proposed project (see section 1 if filing electronically):

Figure 1 identifies improvements at the UPRR and 3rd Avenue intersection. This project will narrow the roadway section across the roadway/rail intersection and provide continuous 5 to 6-foot sidewalk leading up to and across the tracks. The sidewalk installation will prevent pedestrian usage of the roadway and reduce driver distractions while moving over the tracks. Fencing will funnel pedestrians and bicyclists toward existing warning alarms and gates and prevent detours at unprotected locations. Roadway channelization will create a bicycle lane through the railroad intersection and minimize potential vehicle, bicycle and train conflict. Pedestrian detectable warning patterns will be placed at the sidewalk interface with the tracks.

This work is part of a much larger effort to interconnect the Interurban Trail with parks and other local trail systems in the Cities of Pacific and Sumner. Other portions of the project include sidewalks and bike lanes throughout the entire corridor.

3) Provide cost estimates, including those related to long-term maintenance:

DESCRIPTION '	QTY	UNIT	Unit Price	TOTAL
Mobilization	1	LS	7%	\$2,480
UPRR Insurance	1	LS	\$10,000	\$10,000
Asphalt Removal	292	SY	\$10	\$2,920
Sidewalk Removal	535	SF	\$1.30	\$700
Curb and Gutter Removal	533	LF	\$10	\$5,330
Install Cement Concrete Sidewalk	183	SY	\$30	\$5,490
Install Traffic Curb and Gutter	300	LF	\$15	\$4,500
Coated Chain Link Fencing, 42 in.	225	LF	\$14	\$3,150
Concrete Driveway Entrance	66	SY	\$35	\$2,310
Handicap Sidewalk Ramp	1	EA	\$350	\$350
Channelization	350	LF	\$0.15	\$50
RR Crossing Signs	2	EA	\$300	\$600
Subtotal			7-77	\$37,880
Contingency (5%)				\$1,890
TOTAL CONSTRUCTION COST				\$39,770

No future maintenance costs are anticipated.

Note: The City of Pacific is requesting only \$20,000 to apply against this project.

4) Estimated timeline of project, if approved:

Project design is approximately 98% complete and will be advertised in February 2007. There are no anticipated schedule delays. Environmental review and permitting is complete, and access permits for UPRR railroad access will be completed before advertisement. This grant will be apportioned to the construction phase of this project. Improvements funded by this grant will be constructed by June 1, 2007. Other improvements included in the larger project but not funded by this grant will be completed by August 2007.

5) If known, provide a description of how the project's success would be measured:

Success will be measured by continued absence of train accidents in spite of increased pedestrian, vehicular and cycling activity through the intersection.

6) Other comments:

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Figure 1 UTC Project Limits

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