

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission)	DOCKET NO. TR-
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Petitioner,)	PETITION TO ACQUIRE A NEW
)	ELEVATED PUBLIC CROSSING
vs.)	
)	
BNSF Railway Company)	USDOT Crossing No. 910066M
)	
Respondent.)	
.....)	

The Petitioner asks the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC) to approve the change of classification of a highway railroad grade crossing from private to public.

1. Petitioner's Information:

Petitioner: Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission
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Signature of Petitioner: Steve Harmon

Title: LANDS PRG. MGR. Date: 6/23/08

2. Crossing Location:

Name of highway, street or road: Larrabee State Park beach access bridge crossing

Name of operating railroad company: BNSF Railway Company

UTC Crossing No.: N/A

DOT No.:

3. Crossing Traffic:

Type of public road at the crossing State County City State Park
The crossing is not located on a road.

Average daily vehicle traffic over the tracks: 0

Vehicle speed limit: No posted speed limit.

Average daily pedestrian traffic over tracks: During summer months, approximately 200 pedestrians will use this crossing daily to access the beach areas within the park. Pedestrian traffic is lower during other times of the year. Also, local residents walk along the tracks and may use this crossing.

Type of railroad at crossing: Common carrier Logging Industrial

Type of tracks at crossing: Main line Branch line Spur

Number of tracks at crossing: 1

Average daily freight train traffic: 11

Freight train speed: 45 mph

(Note: Round trip counts as two trains. Include switch movements.)

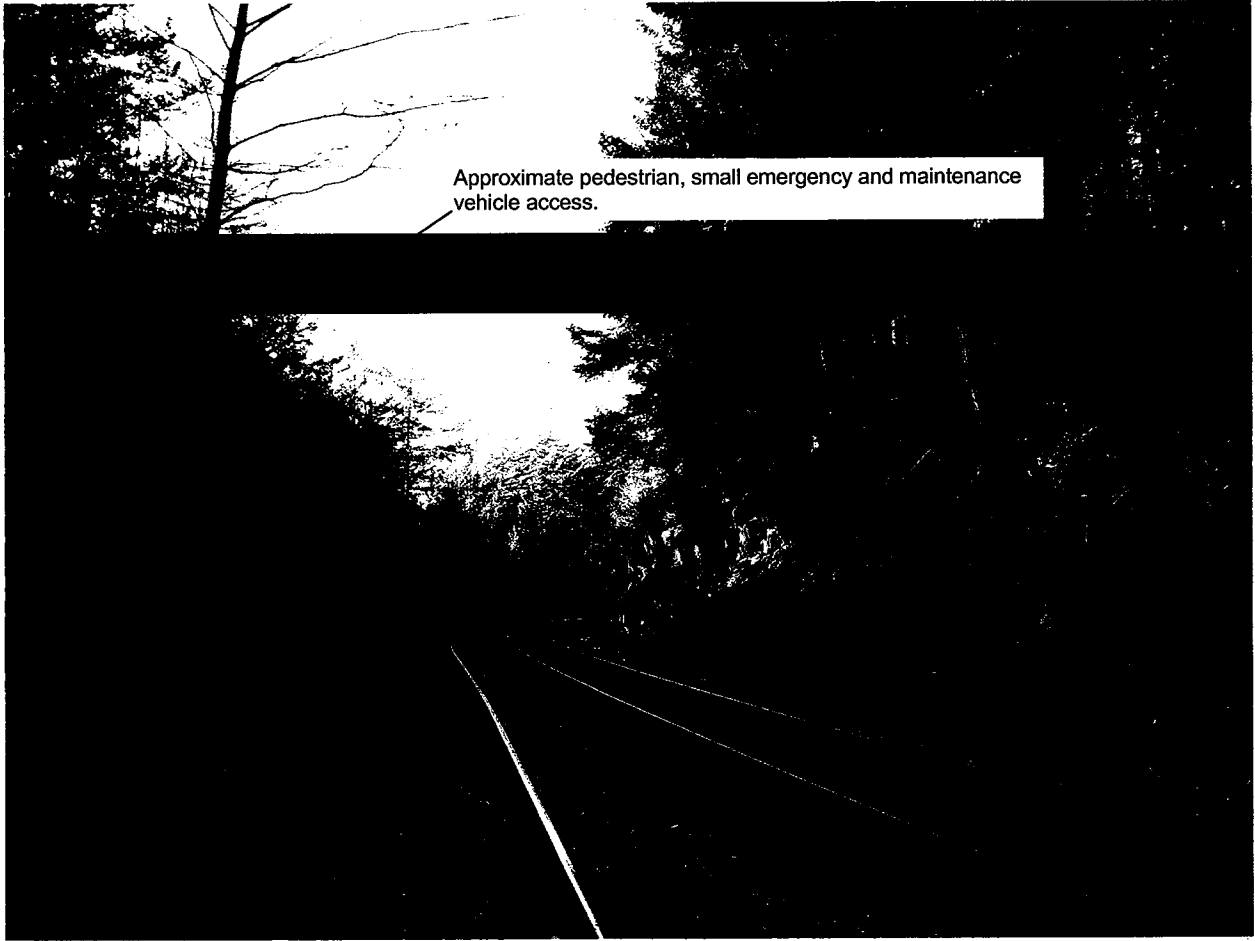
Average daily passenger train traffic: 4

Passenger train speed: 45 mph

Description of warning devices at the crossing: There is currently no crossing at this location.

- 4. Describe in detail why you want to change the designation of the crossing from private to public.** Currently there is no crossing, this request will solve a long standing trespass issue. Park visitors walk an old PSE easement down to the tracks and cross to access the beach. State Parks will re-vegetate the old easement area after the bridge is installed to eliminate at grade crossings. State Parks would like to construct a pedestrian bridge north of the current at grade crossing area. The proposed construction would be able to support ATV type vehicles that could tow emergency equipment to the beach and transport injury victims to waiting ambulances. If possible, Parks would also design the access for ADA access. The bridge will satisfy all BNSF requirements and regulations pursuant to engineering standards.

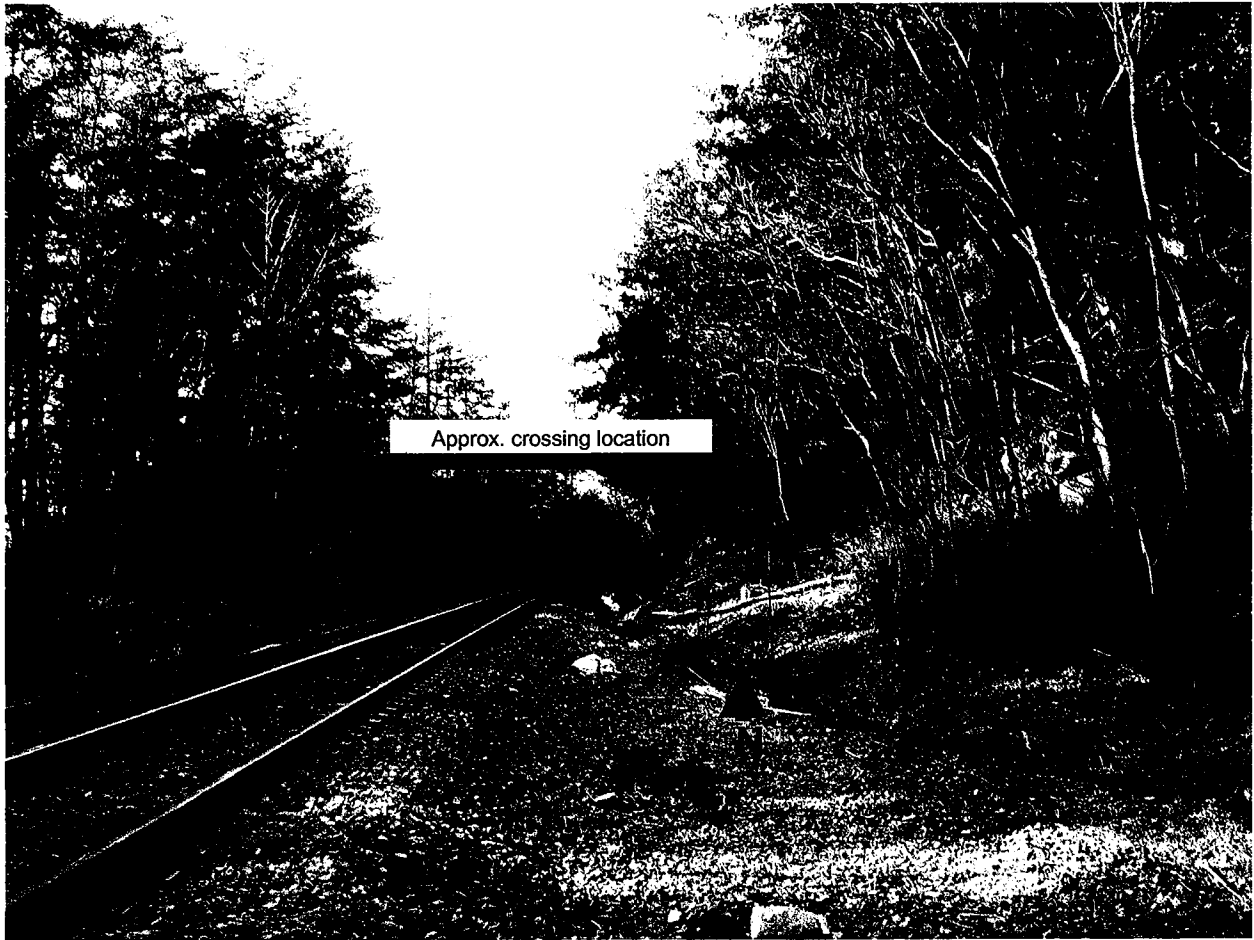
Supporting documentation. Include additional comments or attach documentation, sketches or photographs in support the petition.



Proposed crossing location



Viewing southerly at the crossing.



Viewing northerly from the trespass access point towards the crossing, approx. 200 feet to the crossing.

WAIVER OF HEARING BY RESPONDENT

Waiver of Hearing

USDOT Crossing No. ~~910066M~~ ^{NA Larrabee State Park beach access bridge crossing} UTC Crossing No. N/A

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The undersigned represents the Respondent in the change of the classification of the crossing from private to public, as described by the Petitioner in this docket. We agree that the classification of the crossing should be changed from private to public and consent to a decision by the commission without a hearing.

Washington state Parks should submit design plans to BNSF for review and approval. Washington state Parks should obtain easement from BNSF, and enter a

Dated at Seattle, Washington, on the 3rd day of June, 2008.

John Li
Printed name of Respondent

John
Signature of Respondent's Representative

Manager, Public Projects.
Title

Construction and Maintenance Agreement with BNSF for the proposed bridge before commence the construction. L.Z.