#### BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

TACOMA RAIL	DOCKET NO. TR-08\713  PETITION FOR MODIFICATION OF A GRADE CROSSING SURFACE
Petitioner,	
vs.	)
	) WUTC CROSSING NO. 20G 64.20
WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT	)
OF TRANSPORTATION	) USDOT CROSSING NO. 397209T
Respondent	)
	)

Petitioner requests the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission to enter an order consenting to the modification of a grade crossing surface as follows:

# 1. Identifying information for the grade crossing:

Existing highway, street, or road: SR-7

Existing railway (company): Tacoma Rail

## 2. Type, condition, and dimensions of the current crossing surface:

Crossing currently consists of two-track asphalt crossing. See attachment for crossing detail.

#### 3. Project description and justification:

- (a) Proposed changes: Install concrete crossing surfaces on both tracks and adjust track elevations through the crossing as shown on the attached plan.
- (b) Justification for changes: The project is related to a larger Tacoma Rail project that rehabilitates the tracks along the Morton Wye and Fairhart Road in Morton, Washington. The project will also rehabilitate a trestle in Lewis County, Washington.
- (c) Affects of proposed changes on warning devices, advance warning signs, and pavement markings:

None

4. Drawings. Sketches drawn to scale are attached accurately showing the current and proposed layout of the highway (including shoulders, sidewalks, lanes of travel, bike lanes and crossing warning devices), of the crossing surface and of the railway in the vicinity of the crossing. If highway grades will be changed, sketches drawn to scale accurately displaying the existing and proposed highway profile for 50 feet on each side of the crossing should also be attached.

I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated at Tacoma, Washington this 3rd day of September, 2008.

Petitioner:

Tacoma Rail Mtn. Div. (TRMW)

By:

2601 SR SO9 N. Frontage Rd Tacoma, WA 98421

## WAIVER OF HEARING BY RESPONDENT

The respondent has investigated the conditions existing at and in the vicinity of the grade crossing described herein and is satisfied that such conditions are substantially as described in the petition. Respondent consents to the modification of the crossing surface. Hearing in this proceeding is hereby waived.

Dated at Olympia, Washington, on the 18th day of September, 2008.

Respondent:

Washington State Department of Transportation

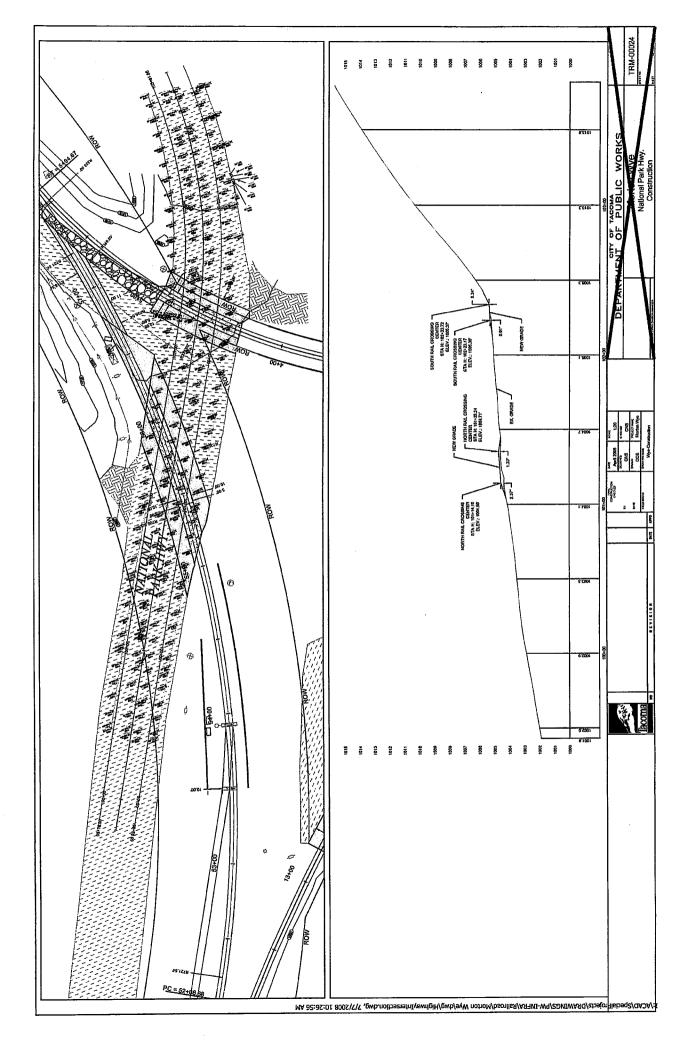
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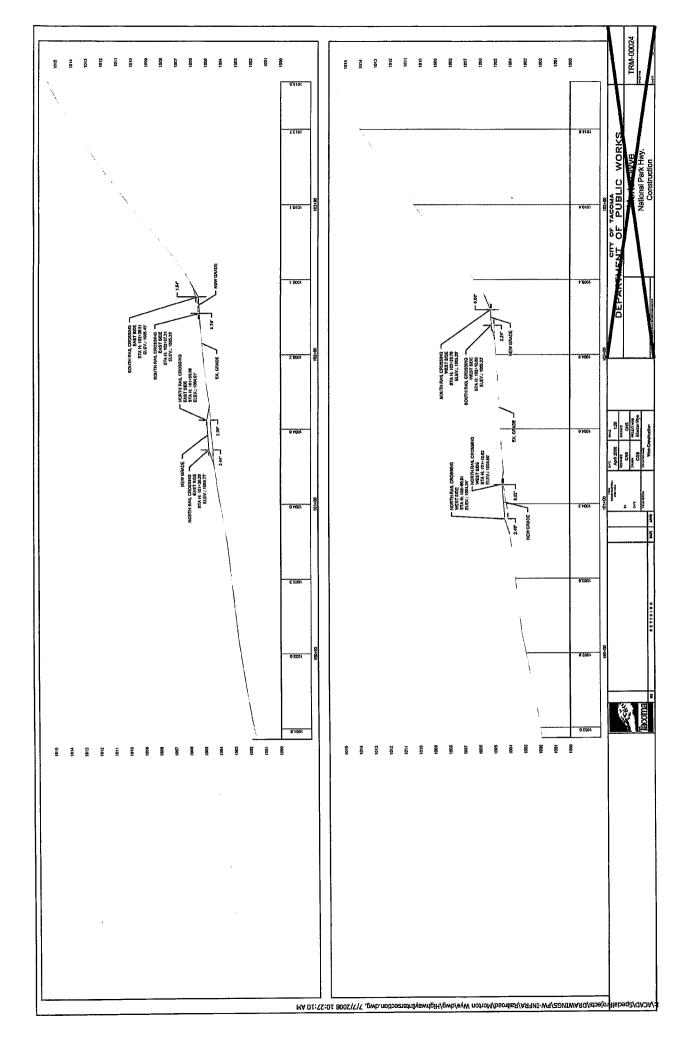
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Northern Crossing

Crossing					
	Original Top of	Revised Top of		Original Top of	Revised Top of
1	Rail to Roadway	Rail to Roadway		Rail to Roadway	Rail to Roadway
	surface 30' out	surface 30' out		surface 30' out	surface 30' out
North side	(in)	(in)	South side	(in)	(in)
East	-4.07	-7.29	East	3.87	0.99
Central	-5.33	-7.51	Central	2.06	0.83
West	-4.59	-7.13	West	2.55	1.07

Southern Crossing

Grossing					
	Original Top of	Revised Top of		Original Top of	Revised Top of
1	Rail to Roadway	Rail to Roadway		Rail to Roadway	Rail to Roadway
	surface 30' out	surface 30' out		surface 30' out	surface 30' out
North side	(in)	(in)	South side	(in)	(in)
East	-3.79	-2.94	East	20.44	21.09
Central	-2.91	-3.41	Central	20.66	20.74
West	-1.93	-4.24	West	21.44	20.05

Current AREMA standards suggest that the top of Rail should not be lower or higher than the roadway by more than 3 inches within a point 30 feet from the rail.