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# GRADE CROSSING PROTECTIVE FUND APPLICATION FOR FUNDING

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (commission), through its Grade Crossing Protective Fund (GCPF), funds projects that eliminate or mitigate public safety hazards at railroad crossings and along railroad rights-of-way in Washington State. Any public, private, or non-profit entity may submit an application to the commission for GCPF monies.

#### Please complete and submit the following information as part of the application process:

#### **Applicant Information**

Applicant Name: Robert Brueggeman, P.E. County Engineer

Organization: Spokane County

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Phone: 509-477-3600

E-mail: bbrueggeman@spokanecounty.org

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Please list all other companies, organizations or state or local agencies that may be involved in implementing this proposal and the contact name, address and phone number for each.

### **Project Information**

- 1. Provide a detailed summary of the hazard being addressed. Include:
  - Any information about accidents or incidents at the site.
  - Photographs, drawings or other materials that supports the application.

There have been no collisions reported at the crossing. Local school district did have issue with heavy fog, fast trains and reported a near miss with a train a number of years ago.

2. Provide a detailed description of the proposed project and explain how it will eliminate or mitigate the hazard. Include any drawings or construction plans for the proposed project.

The proposed project would upgrade the existing incandescent light to brighter LED lights.

- 3. Provide cost estimates. Include:
  - Total costs of the project.
  - Names of parties contributing to the project and the amount each is contributing.

Total Cost = \$17,109 (+contingency) BNSF contribution = \$0 Spokane County = \$0

- 4. Provide the name of the party responsible for long-term maintenance. BNSF
- 5. Provide an estimated timeline of project, if approved. (from BNSF??)
- 6. Provide a description of how the project's success would be measured. Visibility of the flashing lights in inclimate weather (fog)
- 7. Provide any other information the applicant believes would be useful to the commission in considering the project.
- 8. If the project involves any construction, modification or demolition on a railroad right-of-way, complete the attached <u>Railroad Commitment</u> form. This includes fencing, gates or other structures located near enough to the tracks to be on the railroad right-of-way, modification to a grade crossing or any other project that involves railroad property or rights-of-way.

N/A

## **Submitting the Application**

After completing the GCPF application, please send the original to:
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
Attention: Grade Crossing Protective Fund
1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW
PO Box 47250
Olympia, WA 98504-7250

A signed application may be filed electronically at <u>records@utc.wa.gov</u>. When filing electronically, please specify "Grade Crossing Protective Fund" in the subject line.

# Grade Crossing Protective Fund Application Form

# **Assistance**

For questions or assistance, please contact:

- Kathy Hunter at (360)664-1257 or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:khunter@utc.wa.gov">khunter@utc.wa.gov</a>.
   David Pratt at (360)664-1100 or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:dpratt@utc.wa.gov">dpratt@utc.wa.gov</a>.

## **Railroad Commitment**

The undersigned represents the Railroad Company in the GCPF application described as (enter a brief description):	
UPGRADING	THE EXISTING INCANDESCENT LIGHTS ON
THE CROSSING	SAFETY DEVICES TO LED LIGHTS AT
ESPANOLA	ROAD NEAR SPOKANE, WASHINGTON
We have reviewed the application and are satisfied the conditions are the same as described by the applicant in this matter. We agree to allow construction, modification or demolition on a railroad right-of-way as described in the application.	
	JOHN R. STILLEY
	Printed name of Railroad Representative
	Signature of Railroad Representative
	Signature VI Trainour Tropicsonauri
	MANAGER PUBLIC PROJECTS
	Title
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