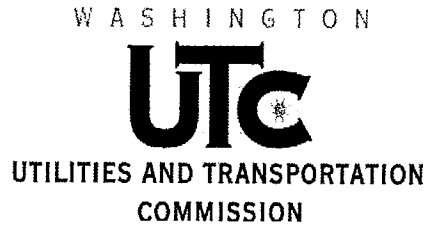


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**GRADE CROSSING PROTECTIVE FUND  
APPLICATION FOR FUNDING**

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**

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Applicant Name:	Brian McIntosh	
Organization:	Edmonds Parks & Recreation	WASH. UT. & TP. COMM
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Phone:	425-771-0256 (w) 425-239-2562 (c)	
E-mail:	mcintosh@ci.edmonds.wa.us	
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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.

BNSF Railway: David Agee 9614 116<sup>th</sup> St. SW, Lakewood, WA 98498 206-418-9859  
 Roger Jacobsen Union Station, 401 s Jackson, Seattle 98104 206-625-6079  
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City of Edmonds: Brian McIntosh, Parks Dir., 700 Main St., Edmonds, WA 98020 425-771-0256  
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**Project Information**

1. Provide a detailed summary of the hazard being addressed. Include:
  - Any information about accidents or incidents at the site.
 This site presents significant safety concerns. It presents an easy access to the

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beach as the shoulders of the road that provides access to the old Meadowdale Marine (decaying and not used as a business for many years) provide ample parking for several cars. Many use this crossing not only for direct access to the beach but also as a shortcut along the tracks to the neighboring Meadowdale County Park approximately ½ mile north. The parking, trespassing, partying and noise has created many confrontations with neighbors and call outs to the Edmonds Police Department, especially in good weather. According to BNSF Police and neighborhood discussions there have been 3 fatalities at this site in recent years with the most recent about 5 years ago.

- *Photographs, drawings or other materials that supports the application.*  
Please see attached aerial and site photos.

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 will be approximately 350 feet of 8 foot, 9 guage, green chain link fence with a 30 foot locked and rolling gate. It is to be installed at the base of the slope 30 feet from the eastern edge of the furthest east track. We believe with the difficulty of the slope, the preponderance of blackberries up to many portions of the fence, and angling the fence up at both ends will provide a deterrent to all but the most dedicated efforts to cross at this site. Please see attached preliminary drawing of the site.

3. *Provide cost estimates. Include:*

- *Total costs of the project.*

Total cost of the project from BNSF estimates is \$70,000.

Total GCPF grant funds requested is \$20,000.

- *Names of parties contributing to the project and the amount each is contributing.*

The City of Edmonds will be paying the complete cost of the fence including installation.

4. *Provide the name of the party responsible for long-term maintenance.*

City of Edmonds Public Works and Parks Department will be responsible for long-term maintenance

5. *Provide an estimated timeline of project, if approved.*

We have begun work with BNSF's real estate contractor for a lease application to lease this portion of their right-of-way. Following legal review and acceptance of the lease by both parties the City will be ready to construct the fence

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immediately. We are hopeful that this will be accomplished before June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009.

6. *Provide a description of how the project's success would be measured.*  
We believe that the most important measure will be a dramatic reduction in police response calls to the area. Pedestrian accidents and near misses should be almost eliminated at this site and anecdotal information from the neighbors will also be an important measure.
7. *Provide any other information the applicant believes would be useful to the commission in considering the project.*  
We have met on-site with neighbors, BNSF safety and police officials, City of Edmonds Police, Engineering, planning and Parks Department as well as the owner of the marina and there is no disagreement that this project's time has come.  
The City of Edmonds is hoping to construct a small overlook park above this site this summer that will be a chance for citizens to enjoy the views and smells of the sound without having the attraction of the crossing and walking the tracks to the beach.
8. *If the project involves any construction, modification or demolition on a railroad right-of-way, complete the attached Railroad Commitment 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.*

### **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 [records@utc.wa.gov](mailto:records@utc.wa.gov). When filing electronically, please specify "Grade Crossing Protective Fund" in the subject line.

### **Assistance**

For questions or assistance, please contact:

- Kathy Hunter at (360)664-1257 or by e-mail at [khunter@utc.wa.gov](mailto:khunter@utc.wa.gov).
- David Pratt at (360)664-1100 or by e-mail at [dpratt@utc.wa.gov](mailto:dpratt@utc.wa.gov).

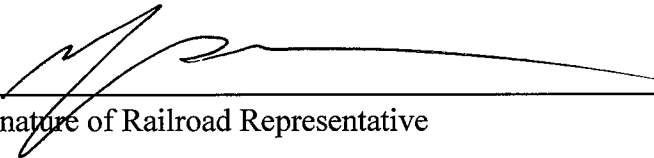
**Railroad Commitment**

The undersigned represents the Railroad Company in the GCPF application described as (enter a brief description):

Remedy of Meadowdale private crossing  
in Edmonds, WA, adjacent to public  
park run by city of Edmonds to  
eliminate trespassers. DOT # 085446 S

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.

Megan T. McIntyre  
Printed name of Railroad Representative

  
Signature of Railroad Representative

Manager Public Projects  
Title

206-625-6029  
Phone

megan.mcintyre@barb.com  
E-mail

Date: 2-10-09

## 162<sup>nd</sup> Park & BNSF Proposed Fence Location



### Proposed Fence Information

- New chain link fence will connect to residents metal fence to the north
- 350 feet long chain link fence placed 30 feet from furthest east rail.
- 8 feet high fence.
- 9 gauge black vinyl fence fabric.
- 2 -15 foot long by 8 foot high rolling and lockable gates.

