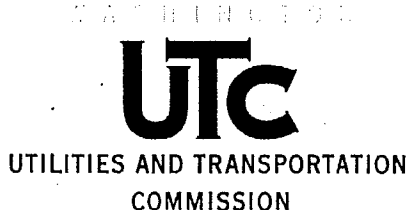


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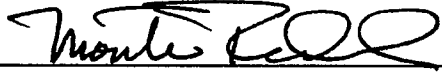
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**GRADE CROSSING PROTECTIVE FUND
2009 – 2011 GRANT APPLICATION
OPEN CALL FOR PROJECTS**

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (commission), through its Grade Crossing Protective Fund (GCPF), provides grants for 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 a GCPF grant.

To apply for a grant to eliminate or mitigate a public safety hazard at a railroad crossing or along a railroad right-of-way, complete the following information and submit it and attachments to the commission.

Applicant Information

Applicant Name:	Monte Redal 
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Project Information

Attach additional sheets as necessary to the application that provide the following:

1. A detailed summary of the hazard being addressed. Include any information about accidents or incidents at the site and photographs, drawings or other materials that support the application.
2. A detailed summary of the proposed project and how it will eliminate or mitigate the hazard. Include any drawings or construction plans for the proposed project.

Grade Crossing Protective Fund
2009-2011 Grant Application
Moses Lake School District – Longview Elementary School/Columbia Basin Railroad

Project Information

1. Longview Elementary School serves students in grades K – 5 in the Moses Lake School District. More than 400 students are enrolled at the school. The Columbia Basin Railroad track is located southwest of the school and runs parallel to the school's playground. The tracks and playground are separated by a cyclone fence that runs between the playground and the track. More than 200 students live in the neighborhoods beyond the railroad tracks. Even though some of the students live less than 100 yards from the playground, they are unable to access the school and playground without walking at least nine tenths of a mile on surface streets. None of the streets in the neighborhood have sidewalks. Students from the neighborhood walking to school must walk on the shoulder and/or roadway when crossing the railroad tracks on Maple Drive. The situation is further complicated in that the playground also serves as the only recreational facility in the neighborhood. Unfortunately, vandals have continuously cut holes in the playground fence to allow pedestrian access to the school without having to walk a mile or more on surface streets.

The neighborhood has a much higher crime rate than other neighborhoods in Moses Lake including a fatal drive-by shooting in the last two years. There have not been any train/pedestrian accidents in the area, but currently there is minimal rail traffic on that section of track. However, it is anticipated that the frequency, length and speed of trains will increase significantly in the near future. The track serves the Port of Moses Lake, which is aggressively facilitating the expansion of industrial activity at the port and pursuing new clients.



Students have worn a path through the railroad right-of-way between the neighborhood and the school to access the playground through holes cut into the playground fence.



The spaces on the neighborhood side of the track are littered with broken glass and other debris and are unsafe for students and other trespassers walking to and from the school across the railroad tracks.



The school district maintenance department is constantly repairing damage to the fence, which has been cut to gain access to the playground from the railroad right-of-way.



A student walks home on the railroad tracks near the school. The addition of the security fencing would prevent this type of unsafe trespassing.

2. The project will build a six foot high, heavy gauge (9 ga) cyclone fence on the neighborhood side of the railroad tracks. The estimated length of the fence is 3000 feet. The heavier gauge of the fence will greatly reduce the likelihood that vandals will continue to cut through the fence to access the playground. Ultimately, a safe pedestrian crossing will further deter the vandalism and provide a safer access for pedestrians, particularly for students accessing the school and playground. The fence will extend from Stratford Road to Maple Road and completely separate the neighborhood from the railroad tracks.



The proposal is to install a six foot high cyclone fence in the railroad right-of-way on the neighborhood side of the railroad tracks. The high quality fence would prevent students and other trespassers from crossing the tracks to the playground.



Maple Drive Railroad Crossing (passive)

9783 Apple Rd NE, Moses Lake, WA 98837

Longview Elementary School

Beacon Rd NE

Neighborhood #1

Stratford Rd NE

Maple Dr NE

Sugadalo Rd NE

Wenaichee Dr NE

Stratford Road Railroad Crossing (active)

Longview St NE

Olympic Dr NE

Parkway Dr NE

Sunny Dr NE

Miller Dr NE

Kindler Rd NW

Kindler Rd NE

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North Central Washington Fence, LLC

Estimate

P.O. Box 986
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Date	Estimate #
1/22/2010	4560

Name / Address
Moses Lake School District 920 West Ivy Avenue Moses Lake, WA 98837

P.O. No.	Terms	Project
	Net	

Description	Qty	U/M	Total
Furnish and install 3000 lineal feet of 6' 9ga chain link fence with top and bottom tension wire 1 7/8 stru line post, 2 3/8 stru end and pull post	3.000		36.000.00T

Subtotal	\$36.000.00
Sales Tax (7.9%)	\$2,844.00
Total	\$38.844.00

Signature _____

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4. The estimated construction cost of the project is \$36,000. The cost is based on \$12 per foot for 3000 feet of fencing installed. The participating agencies are contributing the staff time required to plan and complete the project.

5. Moses Lake School District would be responsible for long-term maintenance on the fence.

6. It is estimated that the project could be completed within six months of the notification of the award of the grant.


7. The success of the project would be measured by the number of accidents involving trains and pedestrians. No pedestrians will trespass over the railroad tracks at this location thus increasing safety.

Railroad Commitment

The undersigned represents the Railroad Company in the accompanying GCPF application.

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.

Tim Marshall
Printed name of Railroad Representative


Signature of Railroad Representative

General Manager
Title

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