

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

)	DOCKET NO. TR-110157
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Puget Sound and Pacific Railroad)	PETITION FOR THE CLOSURE
_____)	OF A HIGHWAY-RAIL GRADE
Petitioner,)	CROSSING
)	
vs.)	
City of Elma)	
_____)	
Respondent)	USDOT CROSSING NO. 096649C
)	Hewitt Road
.....)	

Prior to submitting a Petition for the Closure of a Highway-Rail Grade Crossing to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC), State Environmental Protection Act (SEPA) requirements must be met. Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 197-11-865 (2) requires:

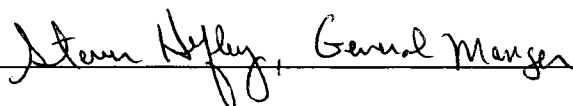
All actions of the utilities and transportation commission under statutes administered as of December 12, 1975, are exempted, except the following:

(2) Authorization of the openings or closing of any highway/railroad grade crossing, or the direction of physical connection of the line of one railroad with that of another;

Please attach sufficient documentation to demonstrate that the SEPA requirement has been fulfilled. For additional information on SEPA requirements contact the Department of Ecology.

The Petitioner asks the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission to approve the closure of a public at-grade highway-railroad crossing as described in this petition.

Section 1 – Petitioner’s Information

Puget Sound & Pacific Railroad	9/11/19 PM 2:10
Petitioner	
	
Signature	
411 N. 3rd Street	
Street Address	
Elma, WA 98541	

City, State and Zip Code
Same

Mailing Address, if different than the street address

Steve L. Hefley

Contact Person Name
(360) 482-4994; steve.hefley@railamerica.com

Contact Phone Number and E-mail Address

Section 2 – Respondent's Information

City of Elma

Respondent
P.O. Box E
202 W. Main Street

Street Address
Elma, WA 98541

City, State and Zip Code

Mailing Address, if different than the street address
Steve Pettit

Contact Person Name
(360) 482-4482; steve@cityofelma.com

Contact Phone Number and E-mail Address

Section 3 – Crossing Location

1. Existing highway/roadway Hewitt Road

2. Existing railroad Puget Sound and Pacific Railway

3. USDOT Crossing No. 096649C

4. Located in the ___ 1/4 of the ___ 1/4 of Sec. 31 , Twp. 18 , Range 06 W.M.

5. GPS location, if known: Latitude 47.00336; Longitude -123.48279

7. Railroad mile post (nearest tenth) 51.9

8. City Elma County Grays Harbor

Section 4 – Crossing Traffic

1. Type of public road at the crossing State County City
 Port State Park Other _____

2. Average daily vehicle traffic over the tracks 95 Vehicle speed limit **25 MPH**

3. Trucks (commercial vehicles) are what percent of average daily traffic 7.0%

4. Number of school buses over the crossing each day 0

5. Name of railroad(s) operating at crossing **Puget Sound and Pacific Railroad**

6. Type of railroad at crossing Common Carrier Logging Industrial
 Passenger Excursion

7. Type of tracks at crossing Main Line Siding or Spur

8. Number of tracks at crossing One (1)

9. Average daily train traffic, freight 6 trains/24 hours

Authorized freight train speed 40 mph Operated freight train speed 40 mph

10. Average daily train traffic, passenger N/A

Authorized passenger train speed N/A Operated passenger train speed N/A

Section 5 – Description of Closure

1. Describe in detail the reasons for closing the crossing: **Improving public safety by reducing the potential for train/vehicle crossing accidents, reducing railroad maintenance cost and improving railroad operations.**

2. Describe the area currently served by the crossing, including the approximate number of homes or businesses that might be affected by the closure: **Hewitt St. connects a small residential area to Monte Elma Rd. (Old 410 Highway) crossing the PSAP. (See attached "096649C Parcels Table" for affected homes or businesses.)**

3. How far is the nearest alternate access across the tracks from the crossing proposed for closure? **Approximately 675 feet.**

4. Describe the alternate access route, including distance and driving time: **The alternate route proposed is to use Foss Ave. to connect from Monte Elma Rd. to the residential area.**

The worst-case additional driving distance is approximately 1200', or about 1 minute additional driving time.

Section 6 – Illustration of Crossing

Attach a diagram, drawing, map or other illustration showing the location of the highway and railroad in the vicinity of the crossing. Include the parcels of private property located on both sides of the highway for a distance of 500' from the crossing and the name and mailing address of each property owner.

See Exhibit Print-Hewitt St., Elma, WA

Section 7 – Waiver of Hearing by Respondent

Waiver of Hearing

The undersigned represents the Respondent in the closure of the following crossing.

USDOT Crossing No. 096649C

We have investigated the conditions at the crossing. We are satisfied the conditions are the same as described by the Petitioner in this docket. We agree the grade crossing should be closed and consent to a decision by the commission without a hearing.

Dated at _____, Washington, on the _____ day of _____, 20 ____.

Printed name of Respondent

Signature of Respondent's Representative

Title

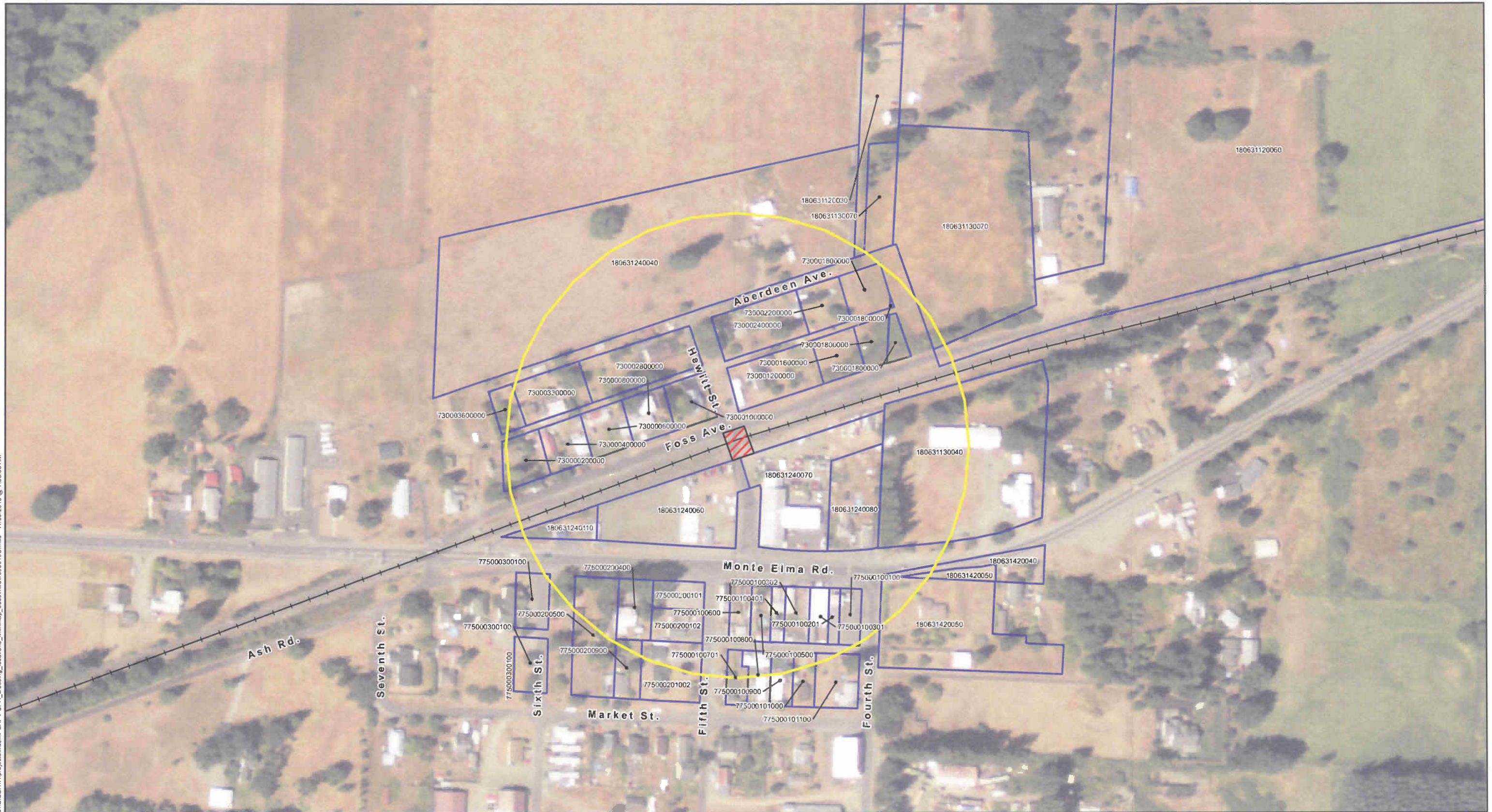
Phone number and e-mail address

Mailing address





HEWITT ROAD - ELMA, WA
Properties within 500' of crossing

APN	OWNER	ADDRESS	ADDRESS2	CITY	STATE	ZIP	ZIP4	SITUS
180631130070	HARDING BRIAN D ET AL	C/O BARBARA HARDING	PO BOX 146	SATSOP	WA	98583		00000
180631120030	MYHRE JIM D	8441 BAIRD RD NE		OLYMPIA	WA	98516		00393 W ABERDEEN AVE
180631240040	GOLDBERG LARRY D	1801 SHERWOOD LANE		ABERDEEN	WA	98520		00000
730001800000	HARDING BRIAN D ET AL	C/O BARBARA HARDING	PO BOX 146	SATSOP	WA	98583		00409 ABERDEEN AVE
730002200000	HARDING JERRY D	PO BOX 125		SATSOP	WA	98583		00239 N HEWITT ST
730002400000	PROSCH TERRY & JANEEN	PO BOX 27		SATSOP	WA	98583		00240 N HEWITT ST
730002800000	EATON RICHARD E	PO BOX 124		SATSOP	WA	98583		
730001600000	HARDING JERRY D	C/O BARBARA HARDING	PO BOX 146	SATSOP	WA	98583		00488 W FOSS AVE
730001200000	HARDING JERRY D	C/O BARBARA HARDING	PO BOX 146	SATSOP	WA	98583		00510 W FOSS AVE
730001000000	CORNWELL JOHN R & P J TRUST	526 N SYLVIA		MONTESANO	WA	98563		00000
730003300000	GOODMAN INEZ J	PO BOX 232		SATSOP	WA	98583		00606 W FOSS AVE
730003600000	MADISON ROGER D	PO BOX 255		ELMA	WA	98541		00520 W FOSS AVE
730000800000	ORTQUIST CINDY J	PO BOX 174		SATSOP	WA	98583		00530 W FOSS AVE
730000600000	TICKLE JIM & KERRY	PO BOX 302		SATSOP	WA	98583		00540 W FOSS AVE
730000400000	GOODMAN INEZ J	PO BOX 232		SATSOP	WA	98583		00604 W FOSS AVE
730000200000	PIPER DANIEL W & REAGAN K	1624 W MARTIN		ELMA	WA	98541		00843 MONTE ELMA RD
180631240080	MGJ INC	4009 S 297TH PL		AUBURN	WA	98001		00833 MONTE ELMA RD
180631240070	MGJ INC	4009 S 297TH PL		AUBURN	WA	98001		00829 MONTE ELMA RD
180631240060	ITOWU2 FAMILY LP	4009 S 297TH PL		SATSOP	WA	98583		00821 MONTE ELMA RD
180631240110	CENTURYTEL OF WASHINGTON INC	ATTN: ROBERT D RASH & ASSOC	PO BOX 260888/RASH #47	PLANO	TX	75026	0888	00000
180631120060	VALENTINE REX & DIANE	144 HURD RD		ELMA	WA	98541		00000
180631130070	HARDING BRIAN D ET AL	C/O BARBARA HARDING	PO BOX 146	SATSOP	WA	98583		00000
730001800000	HARDING BRIAN D ET AL	C/O BARBARA HARDING	PO BOX 146	SATSOP	WA	98583		00853 MONTE ELMA RD
180631130040	SATSOP SCHOOL DISTRICT #104	PO BOX 96		SATSOP	WA	98583		00850 MONTE ELMA RD
180631420040	HARTFORD ELAINE	PO BOX 272		SATSOP	WA	98583		00846 MONTE ELMA RD
180631420050	MUSGROVE TRACY C	PO BOX 208		SATSOP	WA	98583		00000
775000200101	HARRIS ROBERT & JOYCE	1361 JORNADA ST		PAHRUMP	NV	89048		00830 MONTE ELMA RD
775000100600	STILL DAN	PO BOX 181		SATSOP	WA	98583		00832 MONTE ELMA RD
775000100500	BIRCHALL DOLORES TRUST	C/O PO BOX 113/REX BIRCHALL		SATSOP	WA	98583		00834 MONTE ELMA RD
775000100401	STILL DANNIE G	PO BOX 181		SATSOP	WA	98583		00836 MONTE ELMA RD
775000100302	RASANEN ROY	762 ARLAND PL		MONTESANO	WA	98563		00840 MONTE ELMA RD
775000100301	SAFADI TAWFEEK & MAJDA	PO BOX 357		SATSOP	WA	98583		00842 MONTE ELMA RD
775000100201	SAFADI TAWFEEK & MAJDA	PO BOX 357		SATSOP	WA	98583		00101 S SIXTH ST
775000100100	SAFADI TAWFEEK & MAJDA	PO BOX 357		SATSOP	WA	98583		00824 MONTE ELMA RD
775000200500	ROBERTS RONALD L	%TERRY WILLIS	83 WILLIS RD	MONTESANO	WA	98563		00102 S FIFTH ST
775000200400	NUXOLL JEANETTE J	PO BOX 144		SATSOP	WA	98583		00106 S FIFTH ST
775000200102	ZANE LLC	1517 N FAIRVIEW ST		SANTA ANA	CA	92706		00508 W MARKET ST
775000201002	SCHHEELKE CURTIS H & JANICE E	PO BOX 222		SATSOP	WA	98583		00410 W MARKET ST
775000200900	MOONEY MARVIN H	PO BOX 57		SATSOP	WA	98583		00406 W MARKET ST
775000100701	WERTS KAREN L	PO BOX 24		SATSOP	WA	98583		00406 W MARKET ST
775000100800	BIRCHALL DOLORES TRUST	C/O PO BOX 113		SATSOP	WA	98583		00404 W MARKET ST
775000100900	GULEY ROBERT W & DIANE J	70 KEYS RD W		ELMA	WA	98541		00110 S FOURTH ST
775000101000	GULEY ROBERT W & DIANE J	70 KEYS RD W		ELMA	WA	98541		00846 MONTE ELMA RD
775000101100	DORFLER BRUCE	PO BOX 91		MONTESANO	WA	98563		00818 MONTE ELMA RD
180631420050	MUSGROVE TRACY C	PO BOX 208		SATSOP	WA	98583		
775000300100	FIRST METHODIST CHURCH	PO BOX 55		SATSOP	WA	98583		

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Legend

-  PSAP Closure
-  500-ft. Crossing Buffer
-  Parcel Impacted by Crossing
-  Railroad



**Hewitt Street - Grays Harbor County, WA
USDOT #096649C**

PUGET SOUND AND PACIFIC RAILROAD