


WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

	)	DOCKET NO. TR- 111033
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City of Spokane Valley	)	PETITION TO MODIFY WARNING
_____	)	DEVICES AND INSTALL
Petitioner,	)	SIDEWALKS AND AT A HIGHWAY-
	)	RAIL GRADE CROSSING
vs.	)	
Union Pacific Railroad	)	
_____	)	
Respondent	)	USDOT CROSSING NO.: 662519S
	)	
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The Petitioner asks the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission to approve installation of sidewalks and modify warning devices at a highway-rail grade crossing.

*Section 1 – Petitioner’s Information*

_____	City of Spokane Valley
Petitioner	
_____	
Signature	
_____	11707 E Sprague Ave., Suite 106
Street Address	
_____	Spokane Valley, WA 99206
City, State and Zip Code	
_____	Mailing Address, if different than the street address
_____	Ken Knutson
Contact Person Name	
_____	509-720-5010 / kknutson@spokanevalley.org
Contact Phone Number and E-mail Address	

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**Section 2 – Respondent's Information**

_____ Union Pacific Railroad _____ Respondent
_____ 1400 Douglas Street _____ Street Address
_____ Omaha, NE 68179 _____ City, State and Zip Code
_____ 9451 Atkinson St., Roseville CA 95747 _____ Mailing Address, if different than the street address
_____ Terrel Anderson _____ Contact Person Name
_____ 916-789-5134; taanders@up.com _____ Contact Phone Number and E-mail Address

**Section 3 – Crossing Location**

1. Name of highway/roadway _____ Pines Rd (SR-27) _____
2. Name of railroad _____ Union Pacific Railroad _____
3. USDOT Crossing No. _____ 662519S _____
4. Located in the <u>NE</u> 1/4 of the <u>SE</u> 1/4 of Sec. <u>9</u> , Twp. <u>25N</u> , Range <u>44E</u> W.M.
5. GPS location, if known _____ 47.675 N, 117.237W _____
6. Railroad mile post (nearest tenth) _____ 9.0 _____
7. City _____ Spokane Valley _____ _____ Spokane County _____

**Section 4 – Current 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 18,000    Vehicle speed limit 35 MPH

3. Trucks (commercial vehicles) are what percent of average daily traffic 6%

4. Number of school buses over the crossing each day 10

5. Name of railroad(s) operating at crossing \_\_\_\_\_  
Union 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 1

9. Average daily train traffic, freight 10  
Authorized freight train speed 49 MPH    Operated freight train speed 49MPH

10. Average daily train traffic, passenger 0  
Authorized passenger train speed N/A    Operated passenger train speed N/A



*Section 6 – Justification*

1. Provide the following information:

- a. Provide a description of the type of sidewalks proposed
- b. Provide a detailed description of the changes to the warning devices.
- c. Describe who will maintain the sidewalks.
- d. Attach a proposed diagram or design of the crossing including the sidewalks.

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a. The current sidewalk on the west side of Pines Road extends to the existing gate and cantilever structure. Following reconfiguration of the gate and cantilever, the sidewalk will be constructed behind the new gate and cantilever locations (away from Pines Rd). The new sidewalk will be 6 feet wide. Only the sidewalk west of Pines will be affected.

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b. The cantilever structure and gate on the west side of Pines will be relocated: the gate moved approximately 6 feet north , and the gate moved approximately 6 feet south.

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An additional gate will be added to the center median island for southbound Pines Rd.

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Simultaneous preemption will operate under the new configuration as well.

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c. The City of Spokane Valley will maintain the sidewalks.

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d. A diagram of the crossing showing proposed sidewalk is attached.

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*Section 7 – Waiver of Hearing by Respondent*

**Waiver of Hearing**

The undersigned represents the Respondent in the petition to install sidewalks and modify the warning devices at the following crossing.

USDOT Crossing No. 662519S

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 installation of sidewalks and modification to warning devices should be made and consent to a decision by the commission without a hearing.

Dated at \_\_\_\_\_, California, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_.

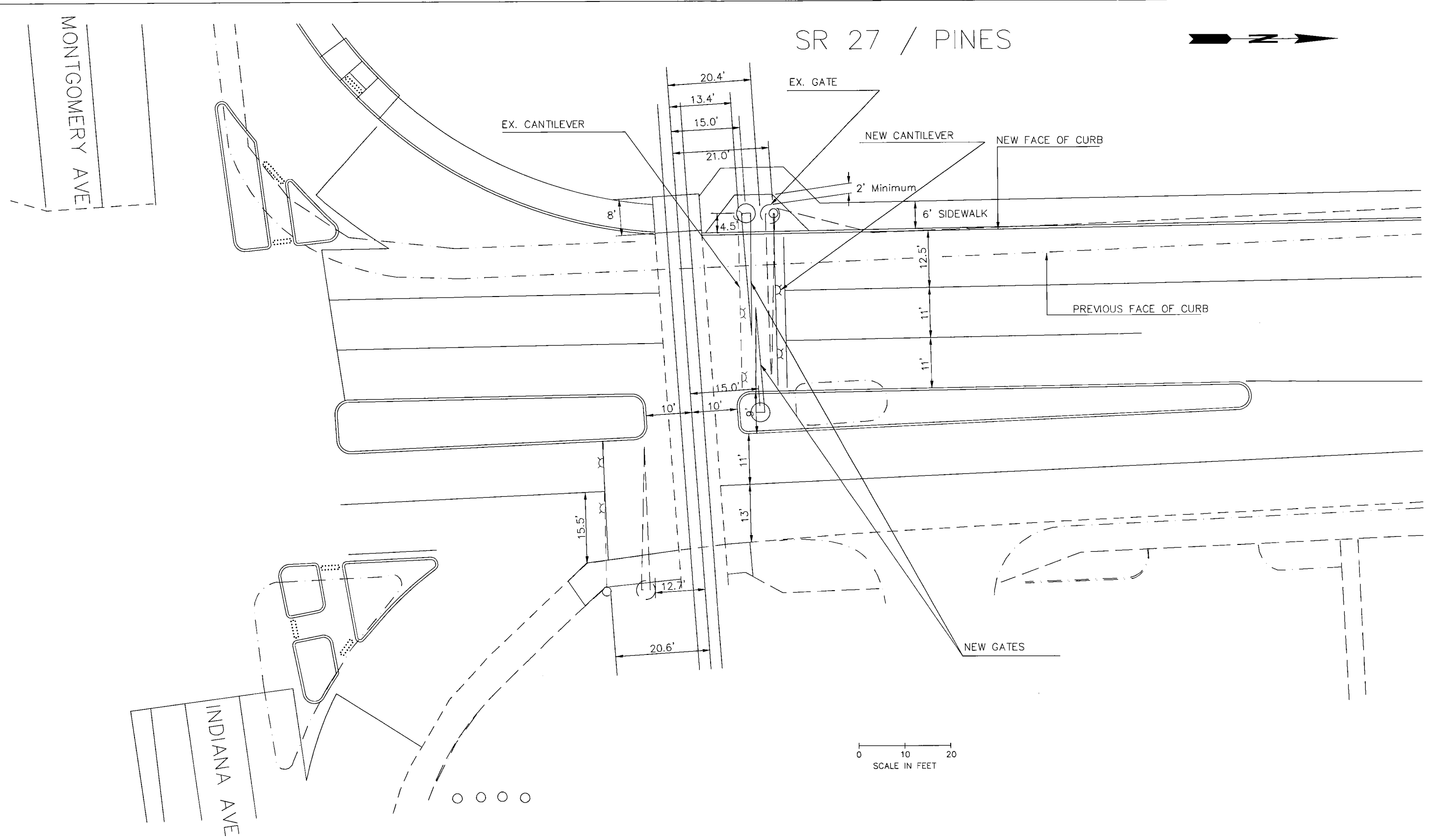
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Printed name of Respondent

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Respondent's Representative

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone number and e-mail address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing address



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	REVISION		DATE	BY								

PINES INTERCHANGE PARTNERSHIP

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# Letter of Transmittal

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**To: Kathy Hunter**

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**From: Ken Knutson** 

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**Company: Washington Utilities &  
Transportation Commission**

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**Date: June 3, 2011**

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**Re: Pines Rd / UPRR xing (USDOT #662519S)**

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I am attaching a signed copy of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission petition requesting modification of the Union Pacific Railroad warning devices and sidewalk at the Pines Road crossing.

Despite numerous and lengthy discussion with the UPRR, we have been unable to acquire UPRR signature waiving a hearing on page 6 and expect that a hearing will be necessary for the changes.

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