

### WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

) DOCKET NO. TR-130500-AF
) PETITION TO MODIFY HIGHWAY- RAIL GRADE CROSSING ACTIVE
) WARNING DEVICES AND
<ul><li>) DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS</li><li>) FROM THE GRADE CROSSING</li><li>) PROTECTIVE FUND</li></ul>
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) USDOT CROSSING # 104518X )

The Petitioner asks the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission to approve the modification of highway-rail grade crossing warning signals and disburse funds from the Grade Crossing Protective Fund.

## Section 1 – Petitioner's Information

YAKIMA COUNTY PUBLIC SERVICES
Petitioner
1 CHHORCI
128 N. 2 <sup>ND</sup> STREET, COUNTY COURTHOUSE 4 <sup>TH</sup> FLOOR
Street Address
YAKIMA, WA 98902
City, State and Zip Code
Mailing Address, if different than the street address
MALIK REHMAN
Contact Person Name
Contact Person's Signature
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(509) 574-2300, MALIK.REHMAN@CO.YAKIMA.WA.US
Contact Phone Number and Email Address

## Section 2 – Respondent's Information

BNSF (RAILROAD)
Respondent
2454 OCCIDENTAL AVE., S., SUITE 1-A
Street Address
SEATTLE, WA 98134-1451
City, State and Zip Code
Mailing Address, if different than the street address
RICHARD WAGNER
Contact Person Name
(206) 625-6125
RICHARD.WAGNER@BNSF.COM
Contact Phone Number and Email Address
Section 3 – Crossing Location

1. Existing highway/roadway SOUTH TRACK RD. (WAPENISH ROAD)
2. Existing railroad BURLINGTON NORTHERN SANTA FE RAILROAD CO.
3. USDOT Crossing No. 1 <u>04518X</u>
4. Located in the 1/4 of the1/4 of Sec, Twp, RangeW.M.
5. GPS location, if known <u>LAT: 46.3419305, LONG: -120.2568356</u>
6. Railroad mile post (nearest tenth) 67.54
7. City YAKIMA County YAKIMA

# Section 4 – Current Highway Traffic Information

1. Name of highway SOUTH TRACK ROAD (WAPENISH ROAD)
2. Road authority YAKIMA COUNTY
3. Average annual daily traffic (AADT) 850
4. Number of lanes 2
5. Roadway speed 50 MPH
6. Is the crossing part of an established truck route? Yes _X No
7. If so, trucks are what percent of total daily traffic? 1%
8. Is the crossing part of an established school bus route? Yes X No
9. If so, how many school buses travel over the crossing each day? _2
10. Describe any changes to the information in 1 through 7, above, expected within ten years
TRUCKS TO INCREASE TO 2% WITHIN THE NEXT 10 YEARS

## Section 5 – Current Crossing Information

1. Railroad company BURLINGTON NORTHERN SANTA FE
2. Type of railroad at crossing  ☐ Common Carrier ☐ Logging ☐ Industrial
□ Passenger □ Excursion
3. Type of tracks at crossing ■ Main Line □ Siding or Spur
4. Number of tracks at crossing 1
5. Average daily train traffic, freight10
Authorized freight train speed 55-60 MPH Operated freight train speed 60 MPH
6. Average daily train traffic, passenger
Authorized passenger train speed Operated passenger train speed
7. Describe any changes to the information in 1 through 4, above, expected within ten years:
8. What is the available sight distance from the stop bar (or 25 feet from the tracks if no stop bar) on both approaches to the crossing?  150 FEET
9. If the sight distance is less than 400 feet, describe the structures, roadway or track curvature, visual obstacles or other characteristics that limit sight distance.
EXISTING ROADWAY IS A REVERSIBLE CURVE WITH RADIUS LESS THAN 1000 FEET

## Section 6 – Current Warning Devices

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) RR PAINTED C IRECTIONS	ROSSING MARKS & S	IGNS 500 FT BEFORE T	RACKS BOTH
) CROSS BUCK S	SIGNS WITH SHOULDI	ER MOUNTED FLASHIN	NG RED LIGHTS
) STOP BARS AT	TRACKS		
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Section 7 – Description of Proposed Changes

1. Describe in detail the number and type of proposed automatic signals, gates or other warning devices, including proposed circuitry. Include the funding source for the proposed modification.
THERE WILL BE FLASHERS MOUNTED ON 4" DIAMETER POLES ALONG WITH
RR CROSSING SIGNS AND SIGNS INDICATING :TRAIN WHEN FLASHING" 500 FT. IN ADVANCE OF THE CROSSING
THERE WILL A METER/BREAKER MOUNTED ON A SEPARATE POLE BESIDE THE
FLASHER SOUTH TO THE RAILROAD TRACKS. THE FLASHER ON NORTH OF THE
TRACKS SHALL BE FED FROM AN EXISTING POWER TRANSFORMER LOCATED
BESIDE THE PROPOSED FLASHER. THE FLASHERS SHALL BE CONNECTED TO THE
EXISTING BNSF SWITHING CABINET FOR ACTIVATION. ALL CONDUITS RUNNING
FROM THE FLASHERS UNDERGROUND TO THE JUNCTION BOXES SHALL BE 2" RIGID UNDER THE TRACKS AND PVC AFTER THE TRACKS.
ALL POWER CONNECTION CABLES SHALL RUN OVERHEAD TO THE POLES AND
INTO THE BREAKER/METER CABINET. SWITCHING CONNECTION SHALL BE COMPLETED BY BNSF.

## Section 8 – Illustration of Proposed Warning Devices

Attach a detailed diagram, drawing, map or other illustration showing the proposed modification.

## Section 9 – Use of Surplus Equipment

If surplus or used equipment is being installed as part of the project, please review the following statement and sign, accepting the terms and conditions.
"The recipient of surplus equipment voluntarily accepts the equipment as is. Proper installation and testing is required per Code of Federal Regulations 49, prior to activating the signal
equipment. The recipient assumes full responsibility for functionality of the equipment."
Name (print):
Title:
Company:
Signature:
Date:
Section 10 – Project Cost Information
1.Breakdown of estimated total cost.
\$37,372.24 (SEE ATTACHED QUOTE)
2. Names of the parties contributing to the project and the amount each is contributing.
YAKIMA COUNTY (\$2000 for Engineering , Design & Construction Inspection)
3. Provide the amount the applicant is requesting from the GCPF grant program. \$38,000

## **Section 11 – Project Completion Date**

Project completion date: AUGUST 30, 2013

# Section 12 – Waiver of Hearing by Respondent

Waiver of Hearing
The undersigned represents the Respondent in the petition to modify highway-rail grade crossing warning signals at the following crossing:
USDOT Crossing No. <u>104518X</u>
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 warning signals should be modified and consent to a decision by the commission without a hearing.
Dated at Settle, Washington, on the 2nd day of
RICHARD WAGNER
Printed name of Railroad Representative  Signature of Railroad Representative
MANAGER OF PUBLIC PROJECTS
Title
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### U.S. DOT - CROSSING INVENTORY INFORMATION AS OF 3/13/2013

Crossing No.: 104518X Update Reason: **Changed Crossing** Effective Begin-Date of Record: 02/08/08

End-Date of Record: BNSF BNSF Rwy Co. [BNSF] Railroad:

Type and Positiion: **Public At Grade** Initiating Agency Railroad

### Part I Location and Classification of Crossing

YAKIMA VALLEY State: WA Division: Subdivision: 1ST County: YAKIMA PASC-YAKIM MAIN Near TOPPENISH City:

Branch or Line Name:

0067.54 Street or Road Name: WAPENISH ROAD Railroad Milepost: CO70330

Highway Type & No.: RailRoad I.D. No.: 0048

**TOPPENISH** HSR Corridor ID: Nearest RR Timetable Stn:

County Map Ref. No.: 39-7 Parent Railroad:

46.3419305 Latitude: Crossing Owner: -120.2568356 ENS Sign Installed: Longitude:

Actual Passenger Service: Lat/Long Source: Avg Passenger Train Count: Quiet Zone: No

Adjacent Crossing with Separate Number

#### **Private Crossing Information:**

Public Access: Category:

> Specify Signs: Specify Signals:

ST/RR A ST/RR B ST/RR C ST/RR D

Railroad Use:

State Use:

Narrative:

Railroad Contact: State Contact: (360)664-1262 **Emergency Contact:** (800)832-5452

#### Part II Railroad Information

No **Number of Daily Train Movements:** Less Than One Movement Per Day: Day Thru: 10 Total Switching: 6 **Total Trains:** Typical Speed Range Over Crossing: From 55 to 60 mph Maximum Time Table Speed: 60

Type and Number of Tracks: Other 0 Specify:

Does Another RR Operate a Separate Track at Crossing? No Yes: ATK Does Another RR Operate Over Your Track at Crossing?

#### U.S. DOT - CROSSING INVENTORY INFORMATION

Crossing 104518X

#### Continued

Effective Begin-Date of Record: 02/08/08

End-Date of Record:

#### Part III: Traffic Control Device Information

Signs:

Crossbucks:

2

Highway Stop Signs:

0

Advanced Warning: **Pavement Markings:**  Yes No Markings **Hump Crossing Sign:** Other Signs: 0

Specify:

0

**Train Activated Devices:** 

Gates: Mast Mounted FL:

Cantilevered FL (Over):

Other Flashing Lights:

0 0 0

0

Other Train Activated Warning Devices: Channelization:

Highway Traffic Signals:

Track Equipped with Train Signals?

0

Yes

4 Quad or Full Barrier:

Total Number FL Pairs: Cantilevered FL (Not over):

Specify Other Flashing Lights:

Wigwags:

Bells:

No

5

0

1

No

Special Warning Devices Not

Train Activated:

Type of Train Detection:

DC/AFO

Traffic Light

Interconnection/Preemption:

#### Part IV: Physical Characteristics

Type of Development:

Open Space

Smallest Crossing Angle:

Are Truck Pullout Lanes Present?

30 to 59 Degrees

Number of Traffic Lanes Crossing Railroad:

Is Highway Paved?

2 Yes

Crossing Surface:

Concrete

If Other:

Nearby Intersecting

Highway?

N/A

Is it Signalized?

Does Track Run Down a

Street?

No

Is Crossing Illuminated?

Is Commercial Power Available? Yes

### Part V: Highway Information

Highway System:

Other FA Highway - Not NHS

Functional Classification of Road at Crossing:

**Rural Minor Collector** 

Is Crossing on State Highway System:

No

Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT):

000770

AADT Year:

1987

**Estimated Percent Trucks:** 

10

Avg. No of School Buses per Day:

0

Posted Highway Speed:

0



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## GRADE CROSSING PROTECTIVE FUND 2011 – 2013 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 any attachments to the Commission.

#### **Applicant Information**

Applicant Name:	KENT MCHENRY
Signature:	
Organization:	YAKIMA COUNTY PUBLIC SERVICES
Address:	128 N 2 <sup>ND</sup> STREET, COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 4 <sup>TH</sup> FLOOR
Phone:	(509) 574-2300
Email:	KENT.MCHENRY@CO.YAKIMA.WA.US
Fax:	(509) 574-2301

### **Project Information**

Attach additional sheets as necessary 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.
- 3. A list of all other companies, organizations, state agencies or local governments that may be involved in implementing this proposal, and the contact name, address and phone number for each (if known).
- 4. A cost estimate, including:
  - a. An itemized list of the total costs of the project.
  - b. Names of parties contributing to the project, including the applicant, and the amount each is contributing.
- 5. The name of the party responsible for long-term maintenance, such as repair of fencing.
- 6. An estimated timeline of the project.
- 7. A description of how the project's success would be measured.
- 8. Any other information the applicant believes would be useful to the Commission in considering the project.

#### **Railroad Commitment**

If the applicant is not the railroad owning the crossing or the tracks, the applicant must submit the attached Railroad Commitment form completed by the railroad owning the crossing or tracks.

#### **Submitting the Application**

After completing the 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.

#### **Assistance**

For questions or assistance, please contact:

- Kathy Hunter at (360)664-1257 or by email at khunter@utc.wa.gov
- David Pratt at (360)664-1100 or by email at dpratt@utc.wa.gov

#### **Railroad Commitment**

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

We have reviewed the application and are satisfied that 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.

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Signature of Railroad Represen	ntative
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