



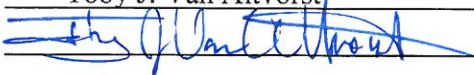
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**GRADE CROSSING PROTECTIVE FUND
2013 – 2015 GRANT APPLICATION
IMPROVEMENTS AT PUBLIC PASSIVE RAILROAD CROSSINGS**

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. As part of this emphasis the Commission is also committed to improving safety at public, passively-protected railroad crossings in Washington. GCPF funds may be used for purchasing stop signs¹, yield signs, retro-reflective tape, posts (if required), retro-reflective cross buck signs, and emergency notification signs to a maximum of \$250 for each crossing. Under this program, GCPF funds may not be used for labor costs. All installations must be MUTCD compliant.

To apply for a grant to improve safety at a passive railroad crossing, complete the following information and submit it and attachments to the Commission.

Applicant Information

Applicant Name: Toby J. Van Altvorst
Signature: 
Organization: Western Washington Railroad
Address: P.O. Box 6720, Aloha, Oregon 97007
Phone: (541) 912-1261
Email: toby@wwrailroad.com
Fax: _____

Project Information

Attach additional sheets as necessary that provide the following:

1. 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 or e-mail address for each (if known).

¹ Replacement signs only. Proposals to install a stop sign at a crossing not currently stop-controlled requires an on-site diagnostic with Commission staff and a Commission order authorizing the installation.

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None.

2. A list of each railroad crossing, by USDOT number, street name, and county, where the applicant plans to improve safety. Indicate which type of warning sign or other measure will be installed.

Crossing #	US DOT #	Street Name	County	Type of sign to be installed
1	396752T	Shelly St. SW	Thurston	Emergency Notification Signs
2	396753A	Reeder Rd. SW	Thurston	Emergency Notification Signs
3	396756V	Maytown Rd. SW	Thurston	Emergency Notification Signs
4	3967754C	Case Rd.	Thurston	Emergency Notification Signs
5	396758J	Private Drive	Thurston	Emergency Notification Signs
6	396759R	140 th St. SW	Thurston	Emergency Notification Signs
7	396760K	Case Rd.	Thurston	Emergency Notification Signs
8	396767H	West Third St. and Euclid Way	Lewis	Emergency Notification Signs (4)
9	396768P	West First St.	Lewis	Emergency Notification Signs
10	396769W	West Main St.	Lewis	Emergency Notification Signs
11	396770R	Centralia College Blvd./West Locust St.	Lewis	Emergency Notification Signs
12	396772E	West Pear St.	Lewis	Emergency Notification Signs
13	396774T	West Cherry St.	Lewis	Emergency Notification Signs
14	396776G	SR 507/Alder St.	Lewis	Emergency Notification Signs

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15	396778V	South St.	Lewis	Emergency Notification Signs
16	396781D	West St.	Lewis	Emergency Notification Signs
17	396782K	Prindle St.	Lewis	Emergency Notification Signs
18	396783S	Main St.	Lewis	Emergency Notification Signs

3. Cost Estimates:

Number	Description	Cost	Unit	Total
38	Emergency Notification Signs	\$7.66	Each	\$291.08

TOTAL price per crossing: \$15.32*

**396767H will require 4 ENS signs because of the alignment and streets-which results in a cost of \$30.64 for that crossing.*

WWR will provide all labor costs to install the signs.

4. An estimated timeline of the project.

Once funding is approved, WWR will order the signs and the actual work will take approximately 3-4 weeks to complete.

5. Any other information the applicant believes would be useful to the Commission in considering the project.

The WWR rail line has been essentially inactive for many years, seeing only rare, infrequent use. The WWR is experiencing traffic growth and as a result will begin making regular trips over the line multiple days per week. Because of this we believe educational signage would provide a great benefit to the public. WUTC assistance will help increase grade crossing safety on the WWR line.

Railroad Commitment

If the applicant does not own the railroad crossing, the applicant must submit the attached Railroad Commitment form completed by the railroad owning the crossing.

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 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 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 grant application for funding to install a stop sign or yield sign, retro-reflective tape or retro-reflective cross buck signs, posts or emergency notification signs at the named railroad crossings. We have reviewed the application and agree to allow installation of the proposed safety devices as described in the application.

Alan Matheson

Printed name of Railroad Representative

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Signature of Railroad Representative

Chief Mechanical Officer

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