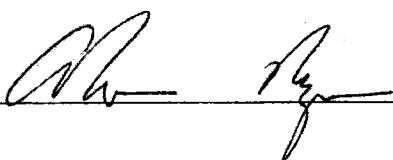


WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Washington State Dept. of Transportation	)	DOCKET NO. TR- 152118-P
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Petitioner,	)	PETITION TO MODIFY HIGHWAY-
	)	RAIL GRADE CROSSING ACTIVE
	)	WARNING DEVICES
vs.	)	
BNSF	)	
_____	)	
Respondent	)	USDOT # 090044V
_____	)	
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The Petitioner asks the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission to approve modification of highway-rail grade crossing warning signals.

*Section 1 – Petitioner’s Information*

Washington State Department of Transportation	
Petitioner	
 11/6/15	
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*Section 2 – Respondent's Information*

<u>BNSF Railway Company</u> Respondent
<u>2454 Occidental Avenue South Building 1A</u> Street Address
<u>Seattle, WA 98134</u> City, State and Zip Code
<u>Mailing Address, if different than the street address</u>
<u>Richard Wagner</u> Contact Person Name
<u>206-272-3674 Richard.Wagner@BNSF.com</u> Contact Phone Number and E-mail Address

*Section 3 – Crossing Location*

1. Existing highway/roadway	<u>State Route 397 at milepost 11.21 (Piert)</u>
2. Existing railroad	<u>BNSF</u>
3. USDOT Crossing No.	<u>090044V</u>
4. Located in the SW 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Sec. 26, Twp. 8N, Range 30E W.M.	
5. GPS location, if known	<u>46.14785 -119.01556</u>
6. Railroad mile post (nearest tenth)	<u>223.2</u>
7. City	<u>Kennewick</u> County <u>Benton</u>

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**Section 4 – Current Highway Traffic Information**

1. Name of highway State Route 397 at milepost 11.21 (Piert)
2. Road authority Washington State Department of Transportation
3. Average annual daily traffic (AADT) 1,317
4. Number of lanes One in each direction
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? 18%
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? 1
10. Describe any changes to the information in 1 through 7, above, expected within ten years:  
No anticipated changes

**Section 5 – Current Crossing Information**

1. Railroad company BNSF
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, freight 1 (or less)  
Authorized freight train speed 10 mph      Operated freight train speed 10 mph
6. Average daily train traffic, passenger 0  
Authorized passenger train speed            N/A      Operated passenger train speed            N/A

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?

Unobstructed in increasing MP direction. Unobstructed in decreasing MP direction.

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.

#### *Section 5 – Current Warning Devices*

1. Provide a complete description of the warning devices currently located at the crossing, including signs, gates, lights, train detection circuitry and any other warning devices.

Overhead and shoulder mounted flashing lights.

#### *Section 6 – Description of Proposed Changes*

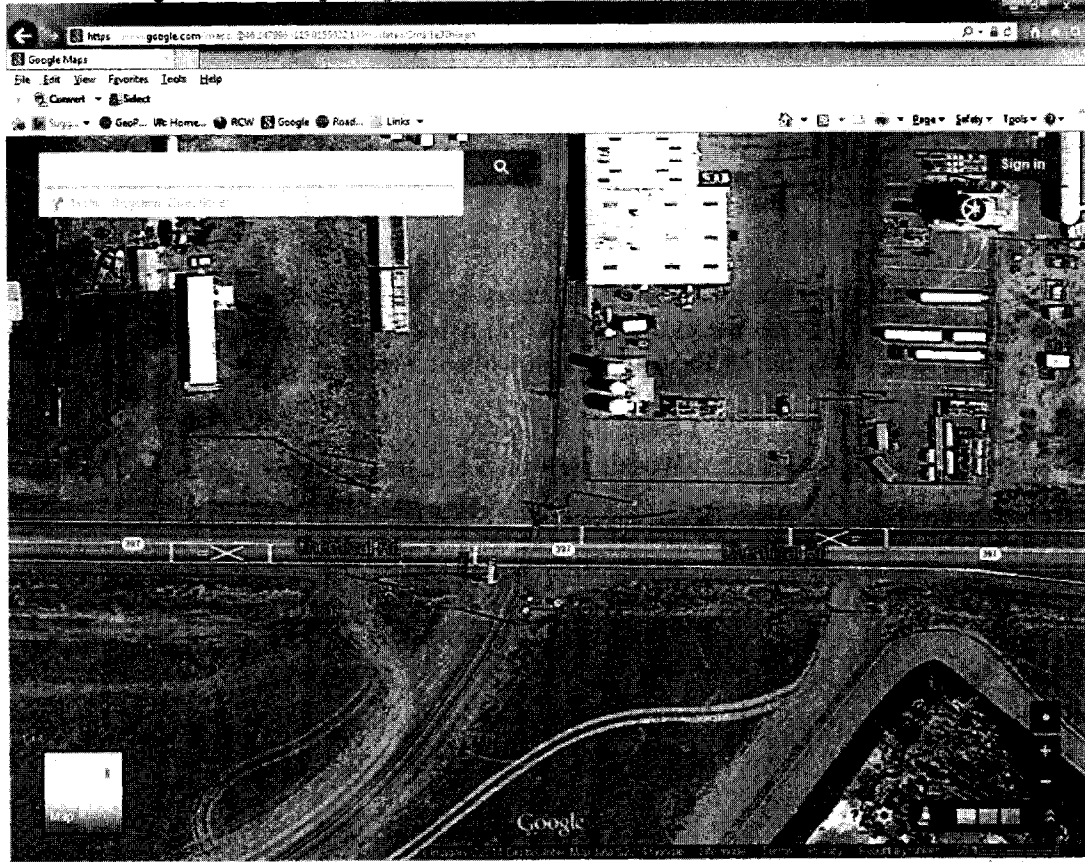
1. Describe in detail the proposed changes to the crossing. Include the funding source for the proposed installation, if applicable.

Install new shoulder mounted flashers with gate to replace older style cantilever on north side of roadway. Add gate mechanism to existing cantilever (or separate mast per BNSF standard) on south side and upgrade all railroad signals to LED.

Improvements to be funded under Federal Section 130 Program.

*Section 7 – Illustration of Proposed Warning Devices*

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



devices.

*Section 8 – Waiver of Hearing by Respondent*

**Waiver of Hearing**

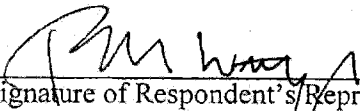
The undersigned represents the Respondent in the petition to modify a highway-rail grade crossing warning signals at the following crossing.

USDOT Crossing No.      090044V

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 installed and consent to a decision by the commission without a hearing.

Dated at BINGEN, Washington, on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of  
NOVEMBER, 2015.

Richard Wagner  
Printed name of Respondent

  
Signature of Respondent's Representative

BNSF Manager Public Projects  
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