



WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

)	DOCKET NO. TR-
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City of Walla Walla)	PETITION FOR INSTALLATION OF
_____)	SIDEWALKS AT A HIGHWAY-RAIL
Petitioner,)	GRADE CROSSING
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vs.)	
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Palouse River and Coulee City)	USDOT CROSSING # 097083K
Railroad, LLC)	
_____)	
Respondent)	
)	

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The Petitioner asks the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission to approve installation of sidewalks at a highway-rail grade crossing.

Section 1 – Petitioner’s Information

City of Walla Walla
Petitioner

Signature

15 North 3rd Avenue
Street Address

Walla Walla, WA 99362
City, State and Zip Code

Mailing Address, if different than the street address

Monte Puymon
Contact Person Name

(509) 527-4537 mpuymon@wallawallawa.gov
Contact Phone Number and Email Address

Section 2 – Respondent's Information

Palouse River and Coulee City Railroad, LLC Respondent
325 Mill Road Street Address
Lewiston, ID 83501 City, State and Zip Code
 Mailing Address, if different than the street address
Stacy Grant Contact Person Name
(208) 816-8371 sgrant@watcocompanies.com Contact Phone Number and Email Address

Section 3 – Crossing Location

1. Name of highway/roadway Isaacs Avenue/Penrose Avenue
2. Name of railroad Palouse River and Coulee City Railroad, LLC
3. USDOT Crossing No. 097083K
4. Located in the SE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Sec. 20, Twp. 7N, Range 36E W. M.
5. GPS location, if known 46° 04' 22.88" N, 118° 19' 49.28" W
6. Railroad mile post (nearest tenth) 34.5
7. City Walla Walla County Walla Walla

Section 4 – Current Crossing Traffic

1. Type of public road at the crossing	<input type="checkbox"/> State	<input type="checkbox"/> County	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City
	<input type="checkbox"/> Port	<input type="checkbox"/> State Park	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
2. Average daily vehicle traffic over the tracks	<u>8,500</u>	Vehicle speed limit	<u>30 mph</u>
3. Number of lanes	<u>Four</u>		
4. Trucks (commercial vehicles) are what percent of average daily traffic	<u>2 percent</u>		
5. Number of school buses over the crossing each day	<u>30 to 40</u>		
6. Name of railroad(s) operating at crossing	<u>Palouse River and Coulee City Railroad, LLC</u>		
7. Type of railroad at crossing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Common Carrier	<input type="checkbox"/> Logging	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial
	<input type="checkbox"/> Passenger	<input type="checkbox"/> Excursion	
8. Type of tracks at crossing	<input type="checkbox"/> Main Line	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Siding or Spur	
9. Number of tracks at crossing	<u>One</u>		
10. Average daily train traffic, freight	<u>Less than one (zero)</u>		
	Authorized freight train speed <u>10 mph</u>	Operated freight train speed	<u>10 mph</u>
11. Average daily train traffic, passenger	<u>None</u>		
	Authorized passenger train speed <u>N/A</u>	Operated passenger train speed	<u>N/A</u>

Section 5 – Justification

1. Provide the following information:

a. Provide a description of the type of sidewalks proposed.

The existing Isaacs Avenue/Penrose Avenue railroad crossing consists of a concrete track panel crossing. The current concrete panels are 96 feet wide and are sufficiently wide for motor vehicle and pedestrian crossing on the south side of Isaacs Avenue. However, the concrete panels do not extend far enough to the north to provide an adequate Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessible crossing on the north side. The City of Walla Walla plans to reconstruct Isaacs Avenue in summer 2017. In anticipation of these improvements, the City is requesting that Palouse River and Coulee City Railroad, LLC install an additional set of 8-foot wide track panels on the north side of the crossing to make this side of the crossing ADA accessible. The existing sidewalk on the south side of Isaacs Avenue will remain, and the City will install a new 6- to 8-foot wide sidewalk on the north side of Isaacs Avenue in 2017.

b. Describe who will maintain the sidewalks.

Palouse River and Coulee City Railroad, LLC will maintain the crossing surface. The City of Walla Walla will maintain the sidewalk surface.

c. Attach a proposed diagram or design of the crossing including the sidewalks.

See Figures 1 and 2.

d. Describe changes to the active warning devices, if affected by the project.

No active warning device upgrades are planned. Palouse River and Coulee City Railroad, LLC is in the process of taking this spur out of service.

Section 6 – Waiver of Hearing by Respondent

Waiver of Hearing

The undersigned represents the Respondent in the petition to install sidewalks at the following crossing.

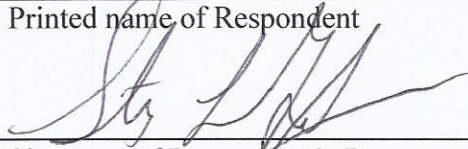
USDOT Crossing # 097083K

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 should be made and consent to a decision by the commission without a hearing.

Dated at Lewiston, Idaho, Washington, on the 6th day of June, 2016.

Stacy Grant

Printed name of Respondent



Signature of Respondent's Representative

General Manager

Title

Palouse River and Coulee City Railroad, LLC

Company Name

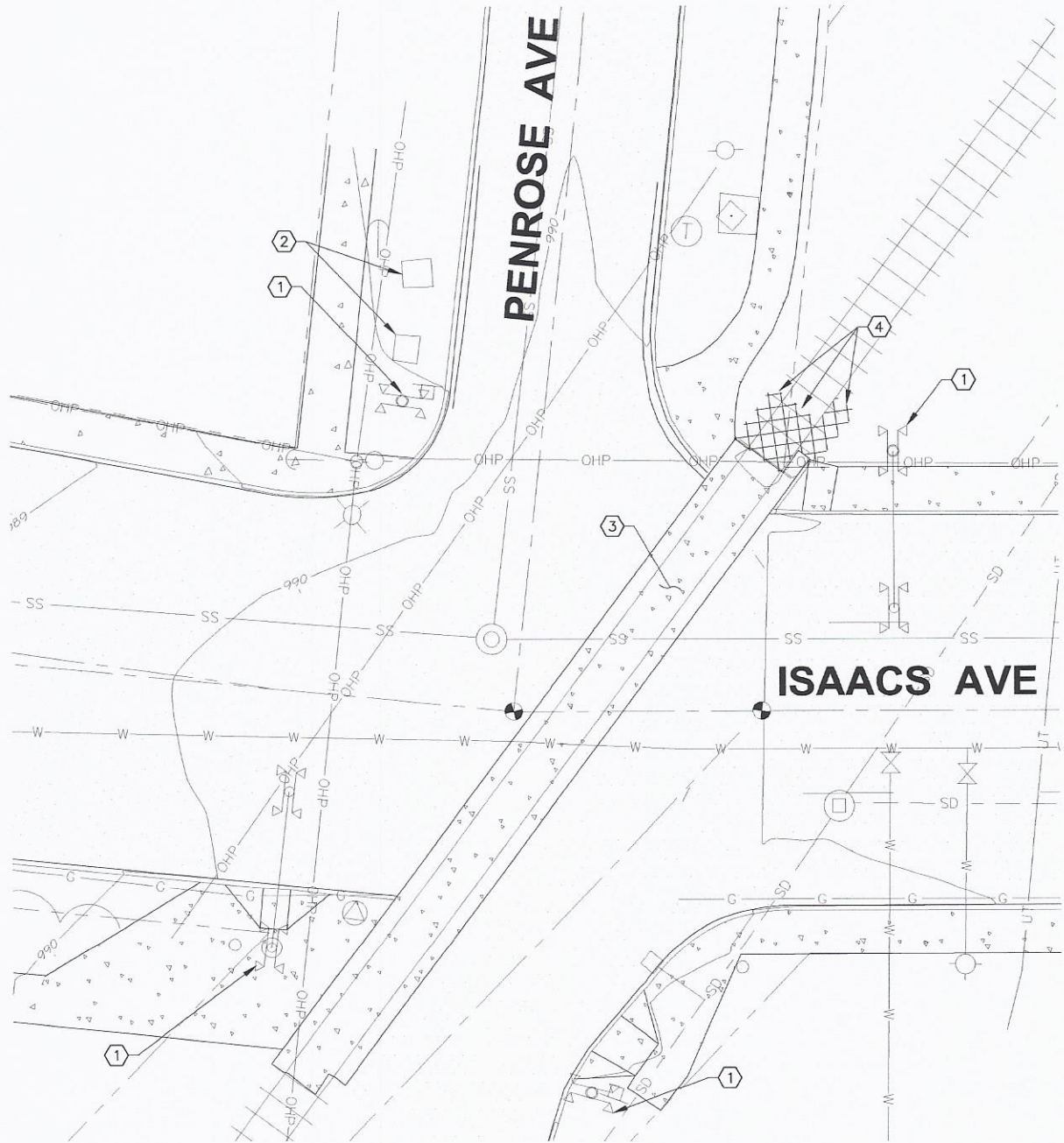
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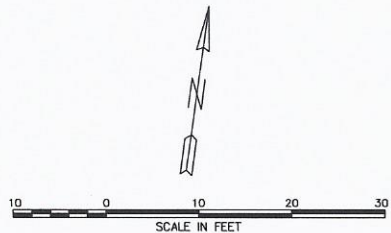
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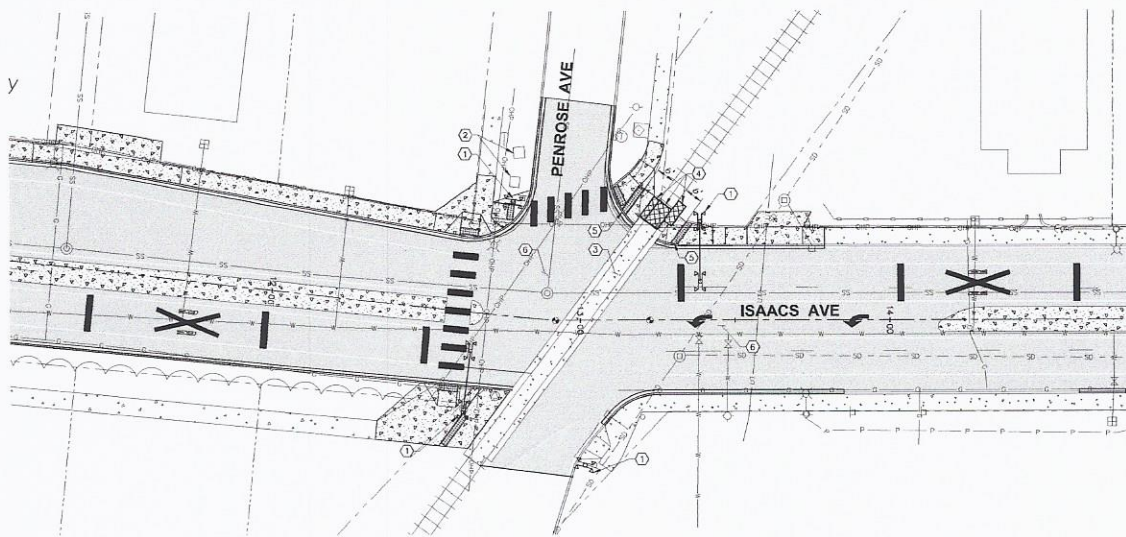


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CITY OF WALLA WALLA, WASHINGTON
 ISAACS AVENUE RECONSTRUCTION
 RAILROAD PEDESTRIAN CROSSING IMPROVEMENTS
 EXISTING RAILROAD CROSSING
 (WITH 2016 IMPROVEMENTS)

FIGURE
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- ⑤ PROPOSED ADA RAMPS FLUSH WITH CONCRETE PANELS TO BE INSTALLED BY CITY OF WALLA WALLA (SUMMER 2017)
- ⑥ PROPOSED STREET TO BE RECONSTRUCTED BY CITY OF WALLA WALLA (SUMMER 2017)



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CITY OF WALLA WALLA, WASHINGTON
 ISAACS AVENUE RECONSTRUCTION
 RAILROAD PEDESTRIAN CROSSING IMPROVEMENTS
 PROPOSED RAILROAD CROSSING
 (2016 AND 2017 IMPROVEMENTS)

FIGURE
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