

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Central Washington Railroad )

Petitioner, )

vs. Benton County )

Respondent )

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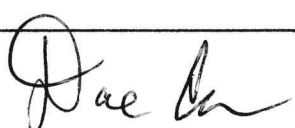
DOCKET NO. TR-

PETITION TO MODIFY HIGHWAY-RAIL GRADE CROSSING ACTIVE WARNING DEVICES AND DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS FROM THE GRADE CROSSING PROTECTIVE FUND

USDOT CROSSING 098634U

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*

Petitioner	<u>Central Washington Railroad</u>
Street Address	<u>111 University Parkway Suite 200</u>
City, State and Zip Code	<u>Yakima, WA 98901</u>
Mailing Address, if different than the street address	
Contact Person Name	<u>Dave Cyr</u>
Contact Person’s Signature	<u></u>
Contact Phone Number and Email Address	<u>509-989-1338 dcyr@cbr.com</u>

**Section 2 – Respondent's Information**

Respondent	Benton County
Street Address	Po Box 1001
City, State and Zip Code	Prosser, WA 99350
Mailing Address, if different than the street address	Mary Aems
Contact Person Name	
Contact Phone Number and Email Address	509-786-564 mary.ames@co.benton.wa.us

**Section 3 – Crossing Location**

1. Existing highway/roadway	Gap Rd
2. Existing railroad	Central Washington Railroad
3. USDOT Crossing No.	098634U
4. Located in the ___ 1/4 of the ___ 1/4 of Sec. ___, Twp. ___, Range ___ W.M.	
5. GPS location, if known	Lat. 46.230301 Long. -119.789473
6. Railroad mile post (nearest tenth)	40.79
7. City	Near Prosser
County	Benton

Section 4 – Current Highway Traffic Information

1. Name of highway Gap Rd.

2. Road authority Benton County

3. Average annual daily traffic (AADT) 1,422

4. Number of lanes 2

5. Roadway speed 35

6. Is the crossing part of an established truck route? Yes  No

7. If so, trucks are what percent of total daily traffic? 20%

8. Is the crossing part of an established school bus route? Yes  No

9. If so, how many school buses travel over the crossing each day? 12

10. Describe any changes to the information in 1 through 7, above, expected within ten years:

Unknown

Section 5 – Current Crossing Information

1. Railroad company Central Washington Railroad

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 2

Authorized freight train speed 25    Operated freight train speed 25

6. Average daily train traffic, passenger NA

Authorized passenger train speed NA    Operated passenger train speed NA

7. Describe any changes to the information in 1 through 4, above, expected within ten years:

Unknown

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?

more than level line of sight.

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 6 – 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.

Two gates

eight 12" Led lights

one Bell

Two Ems Signs

Two Cross bucks.

Two cragg Rail charges

#9 ED 260 AH Batteries

#11 ED 240 AH Batteries

Safetran MS 2000 motion sensor.

**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.

Install #6 GNB 264 AH Batteries  
Install #7 GNB 368 AH Batteries

Funding from Grade Crossing  
protection funds for upgrades,

**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.

#6 GVB	264 AH Batteries	\$ 2,331
#7 GVB	368 AH Batteries	\$ 3,275

2. Names of the parties contributing to the project and the amount each is contributing.

Central Washington Railroad to install parts

UTC GCPF.

3. Provide the amount the applicant is requesting from the GCPF grant program.

\$ 5,606

**Section 11 – Project Completion Date**

Project completion date: 12/31/2020

*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. \_\_\_\_\_

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 \_\_\_\_\_, Washington, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed name of Respondent

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

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Title

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Phone number and e-mail address

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Mailing address