



WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Washington Eastern Railroad, LLC  
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 Petitioner,  
  
 vs.  
 Spokane County  
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 Respondent


DOCKET NO. TR-

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

USDOT CROSSING NO.: 066335Y

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

*Section 1 – Petitioner’s Information*

_____ Petitioner Washington Eastern Railroad, LLC
_____ Signature 
_____ Street Address 111 South LeFevre St.
_____ City, State and Zip Code Medical Lake, WA 99022
_____ Mailing Address, if different than the street address 1027 South Main Street, Joplin, MO 64801
_____ Contact Person Name Bruce Carswell
_____ Contact Phone Number and Email Address (575) 361-1810

***Section 2 – Respondent’s Information***

Spokane County
Respondent
1026 W Broadway, Public Works Building
Street Address
Spokane, WA 99260
City, State and Zip Code
Mailing Address, if different than the street address
Nathan Thompson
Contact Person Name
(509) 477-3600 nthompson@spokanecounty.org
Contact Phone Number and Email Address

***Section 3 – Crossing Location***

1. Existing highway/roadway	Brooks Road		
2. Existing railroad	Washington Eastern Railroad		
3. USDOT Crossing No.	066335Y		
4. GPS location	47.59238, -117.69324		
5. Railroad mile post (nearest tenth)	12.0		
6. City	Four Lakes	County	Spokane

**Section 4 – Current Highway Traffic Information**

1. Name of highway Brooks Road

2. Road authority Spokane County

3. Average annual daily traffic (AADT) 2432

4. Number of lanes 2

5. Roadway speed 45 mph

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

7. If so, trucks are what percent of total daily traffic? 12

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? 48

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

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*Section 5 – Current Crossing Information*

1. Railroad company Washington Eastern 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 One

5. Average daily train traffic, freight One

   Authorized freight train speed 10 MPH        Operated freight train speed 10 MPH

6. Average daily train traffic, passenger 0

   Authorized passenger train speed \_\_\_\_\_        Operated passenger train speed \_\_\_\_\_

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

Possible increase in train speed to 25 MPH once track projects are complete

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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?

northbound traffic – 3000+ feet to west, 3000+ feet to east.

southbound traffic – 3000+ feet to east, 3000+ feet to west

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.

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***Section 8 – Illustration of Proposed Warning Devices***

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



***Section 9 – Project Cost Information***

1. Breakdown of estimated total cost.  
\$22,743.24 Material and contract labor, including tax  
See attached sheet
2. Names of the parties contributing to the project and the amount each is contributing.  
Washington Eastern Railroad = \$2,743.24
3. Provide the amount the applicant is requesting from the GCPF grant program.  
\$20,000

***Section 10 – Project Completion Date***

Project completion date: December 31, 2021

**Section 11 – 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. 066335Y

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 UTC without a hearing.

Dated at Spokane, Washington, on the 3 day of  
May, 20 21.

Nathan Thompson P.E.  
Printed name of Respondent

  
Signature of Respondent's Representative

Spokane County Traffic Engineer  
Title

509-477-7184 nthompson@spokanecounty.org  
Phone number and email address

1026 W Broadway Ave

Spokane WA, 99260-0170  
Mailing address



*Section 15 – Waiver of Hearing by Respondent*

**Waiver of Hearing**

The undersigned represents the Respondent in the petition to modify highway-rail grade crossing warning devices 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 have reviewed and have no objection to the proposed traffic signal preemption timing calculations as submitted with this petition. We agree the warning devices should be modified and consent to a decision by the commission without a hearing.

Dated at \_\_\_\_\_, Washington, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name of Respondent

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

*Larry Rasmussen*  
Title

Phone Number

Email

Mailing Address

APPENDIX B:  
Request for Quotation Form (Cost Proposal Sheet)

Crossing location	Brooks RD Medical Lake, WA DOT:066335Y MP 12.0			
LINE ITEM	Task	Quantity	Unit	Total Price (LS)
1	Install Alstom PMD-4, Program	1	EA	\$16,771.60
2	NBS, Narrow Band Shunt	2	EA	\$1,131.05
3	Testing, Documentation, AIS Drawings	1	EA	\$1,800.00
4	Required Sundries	1	EA	\$1,173.60
5				
6				
7				
8				
SUBTOTAL				\$20,876.25
County/Tax	Spokane	8.9%		\$1,857.99
LS TOTAL				\$22,743.24
MOB				
Contingences				
Print Name and Title: Josh Shamhart Sr. Director, Railroad Construction		Total: \$22,743.24		
Phone number: (417) 208-7862				
Signature:		Date:		