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Betty,

Please proceed with the submission of the docket for hearing schedule. BNSF and Whatcom County have no updates in regard to the petition and scope of work.

Thanks,

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Steve – Any updates? Just a reminder that I will submit this docket for hearing scheduling if I haven't heard from the parties by close of business today.

Thanks.

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Thanks for clarifying. We will wait until July 16 to submit the matter to our Administrative Law division for hearing scheduling. Please keep me posted on any developments.

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Betty,

BNSF would like to meet with the county before the prehearing conference. Sorry for the confusion.

Thanks,

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Steve – thank you for responding. To clarify, is BNSF planning to request a mediation conference between the parties as part of the procedural schedule, or are you planning to meet with the county independently prior to the prehearing conference?

Betty

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Betty,

BNSF has completed review of the attached petition filed by Whatcom County and will not support the petition to install median barriers at Cliffside Drive as part of a quiet zone improvement. BNSF does not agree with the county's decision to use mountable medians with reflective traffic channelization devices as a means to prevent vehicular traffic from driving around the crossing

gates, and prefers the installation of non-mountable medians with a minimum height of 6". This preference is consistent with BNSF's and WUTC's comments on Whatcom County's Notice of Intent for the Yacht Club Rd Quiet Zone from March of 2016. At this time I believe BNSF and Whatcom County can schedule a meeting to discuss future modifications at the crossing that are agreeable to both parties prior to scheduling a hearing.

Regards,

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Steve – the attached letter was sent to you by first class mail today. Please respond with BNSF's position by June 20, 2018.

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