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May 8, 2023

Jared Jungmann
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Sent via Email to jj@columbiarail.com

RE: Grade Crossing Protective Fund – Outstanding Applications

Dear Mr. Jungmann:

In 2022, CWW LLC filed Grade Crossing Protective Fund (GCPF) petitions with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC), seeking funding to upgrade active warning devices at nine highway-rail grade crossings in the Walla Walla area:

UTC Docket Number	USDOT Number	Roadway Name
TR-220777	810106G	Last Chance Road
TR-220778	808943V	Chestnut Street
TR-220779	810016H	Myra Road
TR-220780	808487X	Poplar Street
TR-220781	808488E	Rose Street
TR-220782	808941G	Tietan Street
TR-220784	808939F	Prospect Avenue
TR-220782	810015B	Wallula Avenue

Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) owns the rail lines involved and its signature consenting to each petition is required. UTC staff is aware that you have been working with UPRR to obtain the required signatures but have so far been unsuccessful.

GCPF projects must be completed and reimbursement documents must be submitted to the UTC within the same state budget biennium in which they are evaluated and awarded. The end of the current

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biennium is rapidly approaching (June 30, 2023), and it is unlikely that these projects could be approved for funding and completed by that deadline. Because of this, CWW LLC will need to re-apply for funding during the next GCPF funding cycle.

UTC staff is in the process of revising the petition and application forms to better accommodate proposed projects such as these where the rail line is owned by an entity other than the applicant. We will send out notice once the new funding cycle begins (around July 1). At that time, CWW LLC will need to resubmit applications for each of the proposed projects using the updated petition forms. These will be available on the UTC website at [Grade Crossing Protective Fund \(wa.gov\)](https://www.utc.wa.gov/grade-crossing-protective-fund)

If you have any further questions, please contact Mike Turcott, Transportation Planning Specialist, at (360) 664-1119 or at mike.turcott@utc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Kathy Hunter
Director, Transportation Safety