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BNSF Railway Company
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Sent via email and First Class mail

RE: TR-190228 – Petition on Behalf of the Clark County to Install Median Barriers at NW 122nd Street (USDOT 092421N)

Dear Mr. Semenick:

On Apr. 1, 2019, Clark County (County) filed a petition with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC) seeking approval to install median barriers at the NW 122nd Street railroad crossing, identified as USDOT 092421N. BNSF Railway Company (BNSF) must respond with its position related to this petition within 20 days of the date of this letter.

Please review the enclosed petition and respond by Apr. 24, 2019. Your response options include:

- **Support the petition** – Complete the Respondent's Waiver of Hearing form, which serves as BNSF's consent to the UTC to issue an order without further notice or hearing, and submit it to the UTC.
- **Do not support the petition** – Provide a response including BNSF's reasons for not supporting the petition, whether the company feels a hearing is necessary to resolve the issues, or suggestions for other courses of action, such as further discussion prior to going to hearing.

Stephen Semenick
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Please submit your written response to Betty Young, Rail Safety Program Advisor, at betty.young@utc.wa.gov. If you have questions, Ms. Young can be reached at (360) 664-1202.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kathy Hunter". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Kathy Hunter
Director of Transportation Safety

Enclosure

cc: Ahmad Qayoumi, Clark County (without enclosures)



CLARK COUNTY WASHINGTON

COUNTY MANAGER

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March 27, 2019

Betty Young
Rail Safety Program Advisor
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
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Dear Ms. Young:

Attached is a petition to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission for the installation of median barriers at the NW 122nd Street crossing (092421N) in Clark County, Washington.

If you have any questions please contact Ahmad Qayoumi at (564) 397-4358 or Tom Grange at (564) 397-4449.

Sincerely,

Shawn Hennessee
County Manager

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WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Clark County
Petitioner,

vs.

Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway
Respondent

DOCKET NO. TR-


PETITION FOR INSTALLATION OF
MEDIAN BARRIERS AT A
HIGHWAY-RAIL GRADE
CROSSING

USDOT CROSSING NO.: 092421N

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

Section 1 – Petitioner’s Information

Clark County
Petitioner


Signature

1300 Franklin Street
Street Address

Vancouver, WA 98660
City, State and Zip Code

P.O. Box 9810, Vancouver, WA 98666-9810
Mailing Address, if different than the street address

Ahmad Qayoumi, Director of Public Works/County Engineer
Contact Person Name

Phone: (564) 397-4358 Email: Ahmad.Qayoumi@clark.wa.gov
Contact Phone Number and Email Address

Section 2 – Respondent's Information

Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway
Respondent
2650 Lou Menk Drive
Street Address
Fort Worth, TX 76131-2830
City, State and Zip Code
2454 Occidental Ave. South, Suite 1A, Seattle WA 98134-1451
Mailing Address, if different than the street address
Stephen Semenick, Manager of Public Projects
Contact Person Name
Phone: (206) 625-6152 Email: Stephen.Semenick@bnsf.com
Contact Phone Number and Email Address

Section 3 – Crossing Location

1. Name of highway/roadway: 122 ND ST NW
2. Name of railroad: BNSF Railway Company
3. USDOT Crossing No.: 092421N
4. GPS location: Lat: 45.7076286 Long: -122.7209676
5. Railroad mile post (nearest tenth): 130.460
6. City: Vancouver County: Clark

Section 4 – Current Crossing Traffic

1. Type of public road at the crossing	<input type="checkbox"/> State	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County	<input type="checkbox"/> City
	<input type="checkbox"/> Port	<input type="checkbox"/> State Park	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
2. Average daily vehicle traffic over the tracks:	210	Vehicle speed limit:	25 MPH
3. Number of lanes:	2		
4. Trucks (commercial vehicles) are what percent of average daily traffic:	2%		
5. Number of school buses over the crossing each day:	0		
6. Name of railroad(s) operating at crossing:	BNSF, UP, ATK		

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Main Line	<input type="checkbox"/> Siding or Spur	
9. Number of tracks at crossing:	2		
10. Average daily train traffic, freight: (6am-6pm)	29	(6pm-6am)	29
Authorized freight train speed:	60 mph	Operated freight train speed:	1-60mph
11. Average daily train traffic, passenger:	1		
Authorized passenger train speed:	79mph	Operated passenger train speed:	1-79mph

Section 5 – Justification

1. Provide the following information:

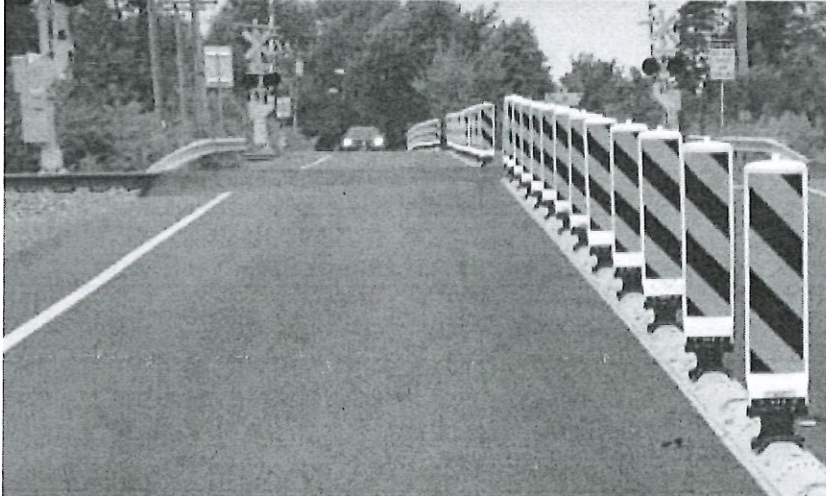
- a. Describe in detail the why this crossing should have median barriers installed.
- b. Provide a description of the type of median barriers proposed.
- c. Describe who will maintain the barriers.
- d. Attach a proposed diagram or design of the crossing and median barriers.

a. To enhance crossing safety by preventing vehicles from circumventing lowered crossing arms.

b. 50' Qwick Kurb median east of the crossing. 75' Qwick Kurb median west of crossing.

c. Clark County will maintain the barriers.

d. See attached engineering drawing and photograph below of Qwick Kurb installed at a crossing.



Qwick Kurb installed at a crossing.

Section 6 – Waiver of Hearing by Respondent

Waiver of Hearing

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

USDOT Crossing No.: 092421N

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

Dated at: _____, Washington, on the _____ day of _____, 2019

Printed name of Respondent

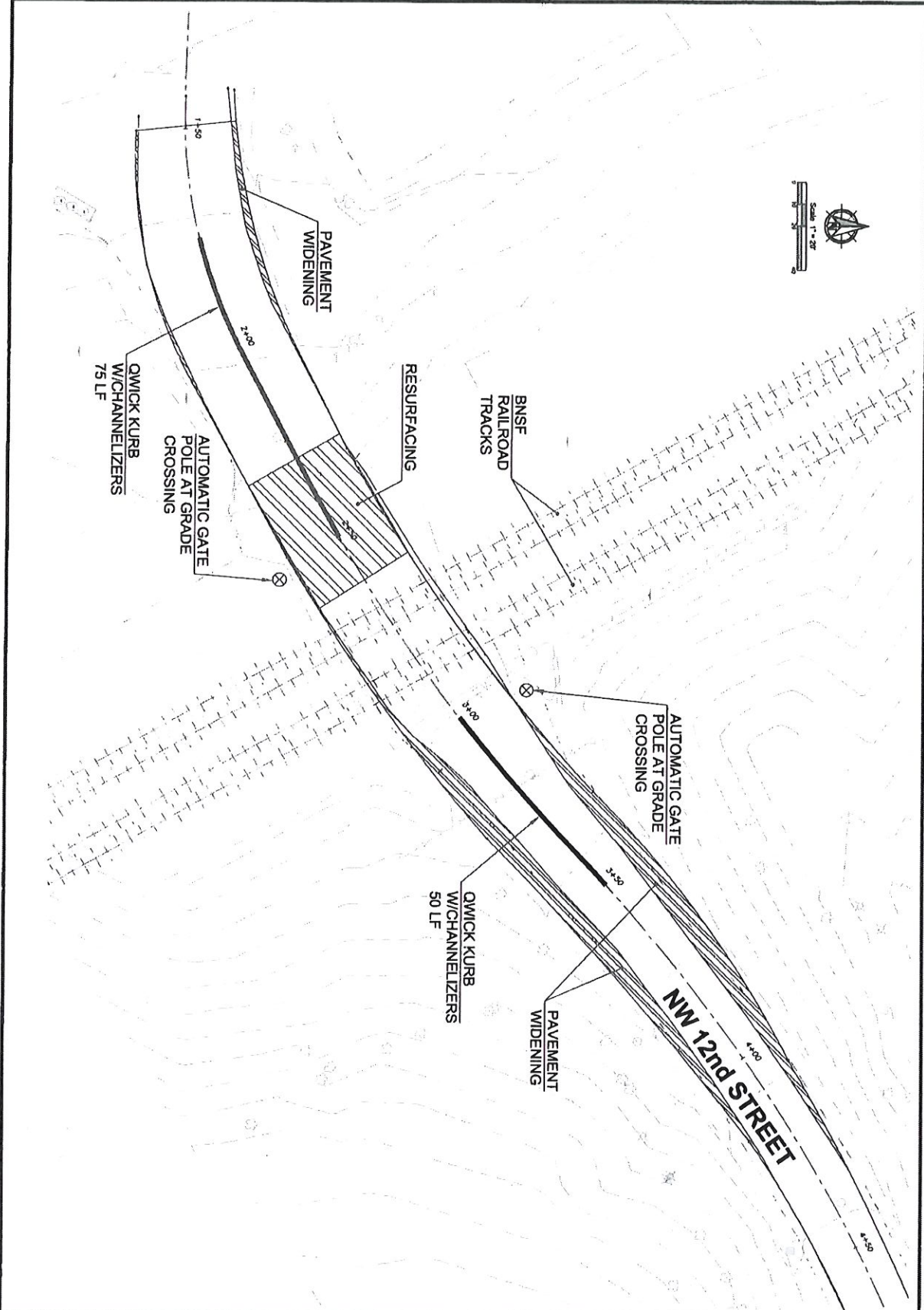
Signature of Respondent's Representative

Title

Company Name

Phone number and email address

Mailing address



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NW 122ND STREET QUIET ZONE 018222

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