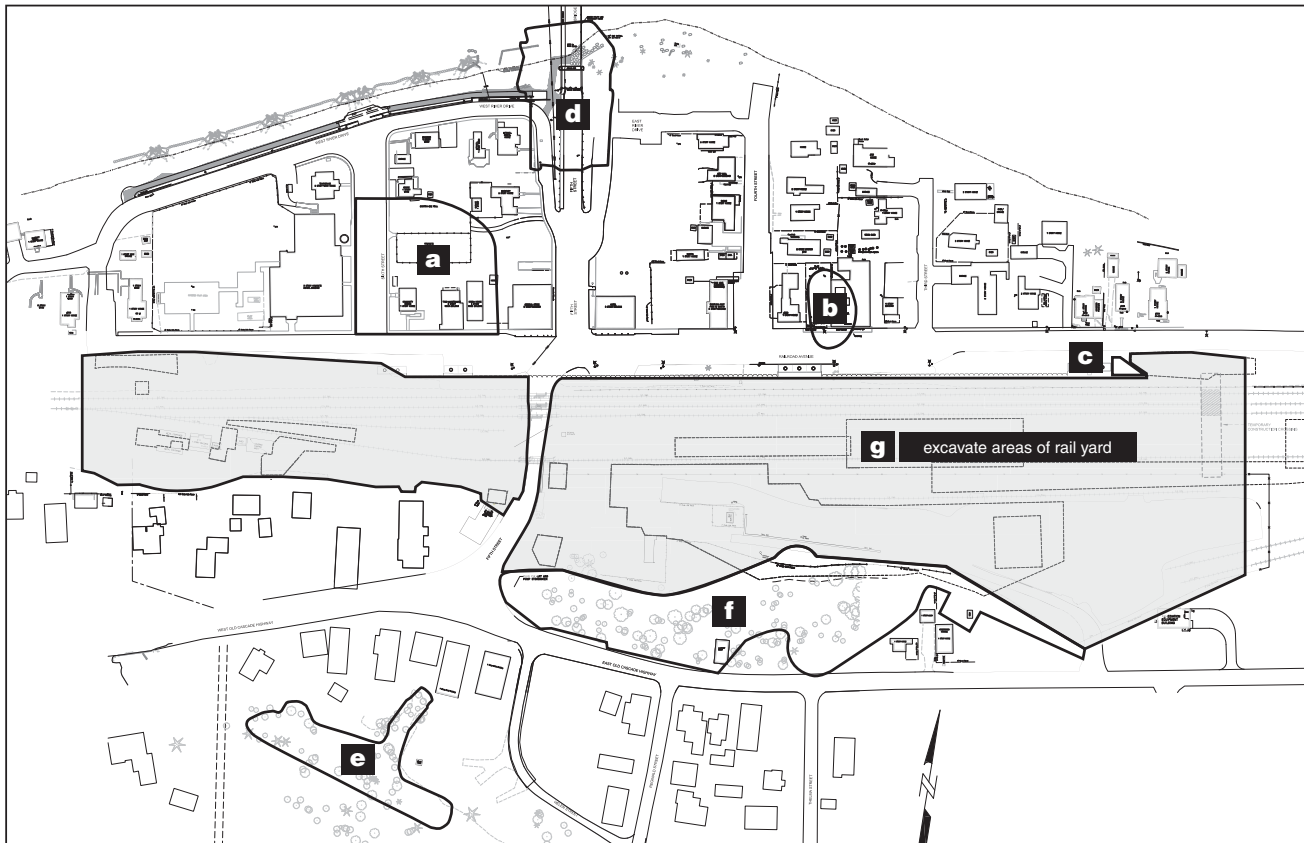




## 2010 Cleanup areas and activities



Activities planned for 2010 cleanup in the approximate order they will occur:

- a** Excavate the Northwest Developed Zone and temporarily relocate the Community Center, Town Maintenance building, and Ward building. Remove tennis courts and school park prior to excavation. *This work is currently underway!*
- b** Temporarily close the Cascadia Inn and Café and excavate under the west side of the building.
- c** Install sheet pile and perform small excavation near the east end of the hydraulic control and containment (HCC) system.
- d** Excavate areas surrounding the south abutment of the 5th Street Bridge. Excavate in the Skykomish River using a small scale cofferdam during the fish window (typically July and August).
- e** Remediate the Former Maloney Creek West Wetland and restore as wetland.
- f** Remediate the Former Maloney Creek East Wetland; proposed plan is to restore as upland.
- g** Excavate shallow areas of the rail yard, including on the Skykomish Library property.

## Ecology begins public comment period May 12 for revisions to the Cleanup Action Plan (CAP)

BNSF, Ecology and the Town of Skykomish propose changing the current CAP to restore the Former Maloney Creek East Wetland as "upland." This means the area will be filled and graded with clean backfill. Private properties will be restored including installing gravel on BNSF rail yard property and planting grass seed (at minimum) on adjacent properties. A retention pond will be installed on BNSF property to collect and filter water from upstream, and an underground stormwater pipe will be installed to carry the water to the Former Maloney Creek West Wetland. Catch basins will also be installed to ensure proper drainage in the area.

BNSF will pay into a wetland bank as compensation for the removal of the existing wetland, as well as provide funds for the Town of Skykomish's Maloney Creek habitat restoration and sediment control project.

The comment period is from May 12 to June 11. To comment on the proposed changes to the CAP, please contact Brad Petrovich, Ecology, at [bpvet461@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:bpvet461@ecy.wa.gov) or 425-533-5537. If you have questions about how the Town may choose to use funds for habitat restoration, please contact Town Hall at 360-677-2388.

## Getting around Skykomish this summer

BNSF and Ecology have worked with the Washington State Department of Transportation and the Town of Skykomish to ensure minimum impacts to traffic and pedestrians during 5th Street Bridge excavation work. Current plans are to close the 5th Street Bridge for approximately one week during the summer, while keeping it open for two-way traffic and pedestrians during the rest of the cleanup. During the short-term closure of the 5th Street Bridge, traffic will use Old Cascade Highway to access Skykomish from U.S. 2. More information will be available once the temporary bridge closure has been scheduled.

Access to homes and businesses will be maintained during construction, and crews encourage drivers and pedestrians to continue to pay attention to posted detours and flaggers. At certain times, traffic may be reduced to one lane in some areas, such as during excavation at the Cascadia Inn and Café.

Check our Web site at [www.skykomishcleanup.com](http://www.skykomishcleanup.com) for up-to-date traffic reroutes.



*The 5th Street Bridge will remain open during excavation, except for one closure lasting approximately one week.*