



May 30, 2006

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**RE: Weekly Progress Report for Week Ending May 26, 2006  
BNSF Skykomish Levee Zone Interim Action for Cleanup**

Dear Louise:

The weekly progress report is submitted on behalf of BNSF Railway Company (BNSF) per Agreed Order No. DE 3279 for the week ending May 26, 2006 and provides:

- A list of activities that have taken place during the week
- Detailed description of any deviations from the Order and project plans and
- Description of all deviations from the schedule and any planned deviations in the upcoming week, and plans for recovering lost time and maintaining compliance with the schedule

**Activities**

- Boom maintenance continued 5 days per week.
- RETEC and Ecology representatives participated in a conference call on May 23, 2006 to discuss project activities.
- Site-wide fluid level gauging and groundwater sampling was conducted in accordance with the Groundwater Monitoring Plan (May 12, 2005) and included changes to the monitoring program that BNSF and Ecology agreed to on May 19, 2006. These changes will be documented in the annual monitoring report.
- Preparation of the annual and previous two quarterly groundwater monitoring reports is in process.
- Contracting of D. B. Davis LLC, House Moving and Raising Specialists is in process.
- Easements were obtained to allow for relocation of utilities.
- Wilder Construction was provided verbal notification that they have been selected as general contractor. Contracting between BNSF and Wilder is in process.

- Snyder Hartung Kane Strauss Architects (SHKS) completed the field work portion of Historic American Building Survey/Historic American Engineering Record (HABS/HAER) Level 1 documentation for the Teacherage and Washington Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (DAHP) Level 2 documentation for the Moore and Mackner houses.
- A conference call between Ecology, RETEC and Argus Pacific representatives was held on May 24 to discuss Ecology's comments and questions. Revision of the plan is in process to address Ecology's comments.
- Comments were received from Tom Bean with King County re: hydraulic modeling of the So. Fork Skykomish River performed by Coast and Harbor Engineering. Additional work by Coast & Harbor Engineering is in process to address Mr. Bean's comments.
- The SWPPP, Spill Control Plan and O&M Manual required by the NPDES permit are being prepared.
- Well abandonment has been scheduled for the week of June 12.
- Replacement septic system designs are under review by the King County review board.
- Wyser Construction is scheduled to complete trenching and conduit installation in the school yard on Saturday, June 3. The conduit will be used to relocate the school's Verizon line.
- A large tree was removed from the Lydersen property to allow construction of the temporary access road from Railroad Ave. to W. River Drive.
- Scope of work is being developed for the emergency response contractor, Wave Trek.
- RETEC inspected used sheet piles at Wilder's yard for suitability for this project.
- RETEC and Wilder met with Wilder's shoring engineer to review excavation shoring plans.
- A meeting is scheduled between Rabanco, BNSF and Wilder for Thursday, June 1 to coordinate soil shipping.
- Puget Sound Energy (PSE) is installing the bypass line on June 5. Pacific Industrial Resources (PIR) will assist PSE by excavating a hole for installation of a guy pole along Railroad Ave. and handling/disposing of potentially impacted soils removed from the hole.

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- A meeting between Town representatives, KPG (architect for levee landscape/path design) and RETEC is scheduled for Friday, June 2.

### **Deviations**

There are no deviations from the Order or project plans to report.

### **Schedule**

No deviations are anticipated from the schedule in Exhibit E of the Agreed Order.

Sincerely,

The RETEC Group, Inc.



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