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**Subject: Progress Report for Week Ending July 11, 2008
BNSF Skykomish Cleanup - Consent Decree No. 07-2-33672-9**

Dear Brian,

This progress report is submitted on behalf of BNSF Railway Company (BNSF) pursuant to Section XI of Consent Decree No. 07-2-33672-9 (Consent Decree) for the week ending July 11, 2008 and provides:

- A list of on-site activities that have taken place during the week
- Detailed description of any deviations from tasks required by the Consent Decree not otherwise documented in project plans or amendment requests
- Description of all deviations from the Cleanup Action Plan (CAP) and schedule contained therein, during the reporting period and any planned deviations in the upcoming month
- For any deviations in the schedule, a plan for recovering lost time and maintaining compliance with the schedule
- All raw data (including laboratory analyses) received by BNSF during the reporting period and an identification of the source of the sample, unless Ecology agrees that submitting raw data is not necessary at that time, and
- A list of deliverables for the upcoming reporting period if different from the schedule.

Additionally, this report also provides a list of remedial design and planning activities as you requested in our meeting on Friday, January 11, 2008.

On-Site Activities

- Overburden sampling continued this week. An updated table indicating which grids have been sampled and which grids are suitable for re-use has been posted with the daily log on VPM.
- 2008 Remediation work included:
 - Overburden has been excavated along Railroad Avenue for the full width of the street west of 5th Street and the southern two thirds east of 5th Street.

- Driving sheetpile along the far western HCC vault (by 6th Street) using vibratory and impact hammers. Some pre-excavation for sheetpile installation has been completed. Delivery of sheetpile continues.
- The construction water treatment system is now operational, but not currently treating or discharging water.
- Utility bypass crews working on installing the temporary construction bypass for power and communications.
- Preparation for the boring operation for the remediation systems crossing.

Upcoming On-Site Work

- Installation of the final railing on the levee is anticipated to take place in July.
- Planting of ninebark container stock on the levee on Tuesday, July 15th.
- Overburden excavation and sheetpile driving will continue.
- Verizon will drop their line at 5th and Railroad to allow sheet pile operations in this area.
- Clearing and grubbing for the Town lift station.
- Trenching on railyard for installation of BNSF telecommunications line

Raw Data

Unvalidated overburden sampling data received during the reporting period have been posted to VPM.

Deviations

The restoration of the levee will not be complete by July 31 due to certain plant stock not being available. BNSF submitted a letter requesting an extension for levee restoration.

Document Preparation

- Producing final copies of the Hydraulic Containment and Control System Special Design Report, Compliance Monitoring Plan, and Sampling and Analysis Plan.
- Revising the Former Maloney Creek East Wetland Special Design Report and Restoration Plan based on Ecology comments.
- Preparation of West FMC Wetland Investigation Work Plan in progress.
- Submitted revised Air and Noise Monitoring Plan in electronic, redline-strikeout format to Ecology to address interpretation of APH data on Friday, July 11th.

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- Received Ecology approval of the Groundwater Monitoring Plan submitted on July 3, 2008 on Friday, July 11th.

Documents Pending Agency Review

Document Title	Submittal Date	Awaiting Agency Action
Draft 2007 Levee Interim Action As-Built Report	Initial submittal August 31, 2007; supplemental information submitted January 25, 2008	Review and comment; approval
HCC Treatment building and system bid documents	May 5, 2008	Review and comment
Final Draft Comparative Physical Testing Work Plan	June 9, 2008	Review and approval
Revised Air and Noise Monitoring Plan	July 11, 2008.	Review and approval

Additional Remedial Design and Planning Activities

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife approved the boulder turbidity mitigation option from the November 2006 Turbidity Mitigation Plan (prepared by Grette Associates). BNSF is selecting the location for the boulder placement and is preparing specifications on the construction and placement of the boulders as directed by Chance Asher of Ecology.

Sincerely yours,



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