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**Subject: Progress Report for Week Ending December 19, 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 December 19, 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
- A list of deliverables for the upcoming reporting period if different from the schedule.

On-Site Activities

2008 Remediation work included:

- Continuation of West, Center and East Gate Vaults dewatering and treatment at the construction water treatment system.
- Continued restoration of the McEvoy House, Whistling Post, Joselyn, and Church properties.
- Air sparging vault installation on-going.
- BNSF inspection of McEvoy House restoration.
- Semi-annual site-wide groundwater sampling was completed. Well MW-38 has been damaged by the Town. BNSF is working with the Town to replace the well.
- Winterization of Depot for storage.
- Electrical and piping installation on-going in remediation building.
- Walk through for trip hazards along Railroad Avenue with Town inspector.
- Installed vault risers on recovery wells of hydraulic containment and control system.

Upcoming On-Site Work

- Continue to de-water the west, center and east gate vaults and treat pumped groundwater with the construction water treatment system.
- Owner walk-through of McEvoy House.
- Continue demobilization of pilot test equipment from the School Remediation Pilot Test Plot on the railyard.
- Construction of replacement drainfield at the Cascadia.
- Begin installation of the water treatment controller system in the remediation building.

Raw Data

Data received during the reporting period have been submitted via virtual project manager.

Deviations

The levee railing was not installed before the November 30th deadline for levee restoration. BNSF submitted a formal request to Ecology requesting an extension of the Consent Decree –Exhibit C deadline for completion of levee restoration and submittal of the final as-built completion report for the levee work.

Document Preparation

- Submitted the Former Maloney Creek East Wetland Special Design Report, and Restoration Plan, and Joint Aquatic Resources Permit Application (JARPA) to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers on Wednesday, December 10th.
- Submitted electronic version of revised 2009 EDR appendices to Ecology on Thursday, December 18th.

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
West Wetland Delineation	July 21, 2008	Review and comment; approval
CAP Amendment and Excavation Feasibility Evaluation Technical Memorandum	November 10, 2008	Review and comment; approval
Former Maloney Creek East Wetland Special Design Report and Restoration Plan	December 5, 2008	Review and approval
2009 Engineering Design Report Text	December 12, 2008; Remaining appendices submitted on December 18, 2008	Review and approval

Additional Remedial Design and Planning Activities

Preparation and revision of the 2009 Plans and Specifications.

Sincerely yours,



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