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**Subject: Progress Report for Week Ending August 20, 2010
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 August 20, 2010 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 this time
- A list of deliverables for the upcoming reporting period if different from the schedule.

On-Site Activities

- Continued operation and maintenance of the hydraulic containment and control (HCC) system. Operation of the air sparging system.
- The construction waste water treatment system has been treating and discharging construction water resulting from dewatering activities in the west wetland. Last week's status report incorrectly stated that the system was operating in recirculation mode.
- Continued restoration of the General Store, Town Community Center, Cascadia Inn restaurant, Wheatley house, Town Maintenance Building, Opera House and Mackner house/cottage.

- Continued hot spot excavation in the Former Maloney Creek East Wetland.
- Continued excavation in the Former Maloney Creek West Wetland.
- Continued installation of electrical components in RW-09 (new recovery well at the east end of the Hydraulic Containment and Control System).
- Test pit excavation was performed on the southwest and western portions of the School property. NWAA performed archaeological monitoring of the work.
- AECOM completed the following monitoring activities, as described in the 2010 CMP:
 - Protection monitoring required by MTCA regulations to confirm that human health and the environment are adequately protected during remediation activities.
 - Performance monitoring required by MTCA regulations to demonstrate that cleanup action has attained the designated Cleanup Levels (CULs), Remediation Levels (RLs), and other performance standards.
 - Mitigation monitoring to demonstrate that the mitigation requirements defined in the CAP and Environmental Impact Statement are being met.

Upcoming On-Site Work

- Site restoration to be completed at a later time includes: final paving of roads, installation of curb and gutter, final sidewalks, and installation of the irrigation system in the Town park.
- Hydraulic control and containment and air sparging systems operation and maintenance.
- Continue restoration of Opera House, Wheatley House, General Store, Community Center, Town Maintenance Building, Mackner buildings, and Cascadia Inn Restaurant.
- Continue installation of RW-09 components and update computer program as required.
- Complete hot spot excavation in Former Maloney Creek East Wetland.
- Complete excavation in Former Maloney Creek West Wetland.
- Complete shallow metals excavation on the railyard.

Raw Data

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

Schedule Deviations

We received notice from the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) that the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) and United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) have approved an extension of the in-water work window to September 15th only (for both wetlands and in-river work). Also, the USFWS has indicated that the prospect of concluding formal ESA consultation review for in-river permitting by early to mid-September is not likely to happen. Therefore, it will not be possible to complete the west end levee and bridge in-river work during the 2010 construction period and fish window. This work will be rescheduled once the USACE permit is obtained.

Document Preparation

We are preparing an amendment to the Former Maloney Creek East Wetland Special Design Report to document changes in the design for the stormwater basin.

Documents Pending Agency Review

There are no documents pending Ecology review at this time.

Sincerely yours,



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