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**Subject: Progress Report for the Week Ending July 15, 2011  
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 15, 2011 and provides:

- A list of on-site activities that have taken place during the reporting period
- 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**

- Completed backfilling of upland West Levee excavation area with stabilization aggregate and structural fill.
- Continued restoration of sidewalks, curbs and gutters along Railroad Avenue.
- Continued operation and maintenance of the hydraulic containment and control (HCC) system.
- Continued operation of the air sparging system.
- Construction water treatment system was operational in stand-by mode.
- 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.
- Mitigation monitoring (turbidity monitoring) to demonstrate that the mitigation requirements defined in the CAP and Environmental Impact Statement are being met.

No performance monitoring (soil sampling) was completed during this week.

### Schedule Changes

BNSF will be requesting that USACE extend the in-water work window for the Bridge Area river work 30 days due to high river levels.

### Upcoming On-Site Work

- Levee reconstruction.
- Bridge area excavation.
- Railyard free product and metals excavations.
- 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.

### Raw Data

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

All data submitted to date to the Environmental Information Management System (EIMS) have been successfully loaded.

### Deviations

None

### Documents Pending Agency Review

Document Title	Submittal Date	Awaiting Agency Action
Draft Hot Water Flushing Design Report	June 7, 2011	Review and Comment
Additional Subsurface Investigation and Preliminary Implications for Cleanup Alternatives, Skykomish School	September 14, 2010	Review and comment
National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Renewal Application	November 4, 2010	Review and approval by Ecology's Water Quality Program
Public Participation Plan	March 29, 2011	Review and approval
School Alternatives Evaluation Report Addendum	Week of March 21, 2011	Review and approval
Draft 2010 Remediation – As-Built Completion Report	Week of April 25, 2011	Review and approval

**Other Project Activities**

None.

Sincerely yours,



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