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August 12, 2010

Victorian Rutson  
Section of Environmental Analysis  
U. S. Surface Transportation Board  
395 E Street SW  
Washington, DC 20423

Re: *Union Pacific Railroad Yakima Industrial Lead  
Grandview, WA, AB33-285x*

Dear Ms. Rutson:

The Union Pacific Railroad (UP) is seeking abandonment of a section of the Yakima Industrial Lead between MP 57.30 to MP 58.75 (STB Docket AB33-285x). It has come to our attention that the Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District is seeking to cross UP right of way with an irrigation pipe within a 1000-foot segment of the proposed abandonment (Irrigation Project). The irrigation district could realize savings on construction costs in the hundreds of thousands of dollars if the track structure is salvaged prior to construction of the irrigation pipe, rather than the track structure and grade being maintained during and after construction.

To assist the irrigation district, UP is requesting to remove approximately 1000 feet of track between MP 57.9 and 58.1 in Grandview, Washington. This area has been previously reviewed for historic properties that may be affected by the proposed Sunnyside Valley Irrigation System Improvements Phase 2B for the Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District (see attached plan sheets). The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) consulted with the Washington State Historic Preservation Office (WaSHPO) in compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. BOR found and WaSHPO concurred that no historic properties are present in the UP right of way within the area of potential effect of the Irrigation Project (see attached letter dated April 6, 2010).

As abandonment proceeds for the entire 1.45-mile section of the Yakima Industrial Lead, Section 106 consultation will be necessary. However, removal of the track structure within the 1000-foot area of potential effects of the Lateral Improvement Projects is directly related to the irrigation district work. As such, UP requests that STB consider Section 106 consultation to be complete for track removal within this area.

Yakima Industrial Lead  
Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District  
Proposed Track Removal

Assuming no additional Section 106 consultation related to the Irrigation Project is necessary, UP requests approval of track removal within the project area.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 651-842-4202.

Sincerely,

**Summit Envirosolutions, Inc.**



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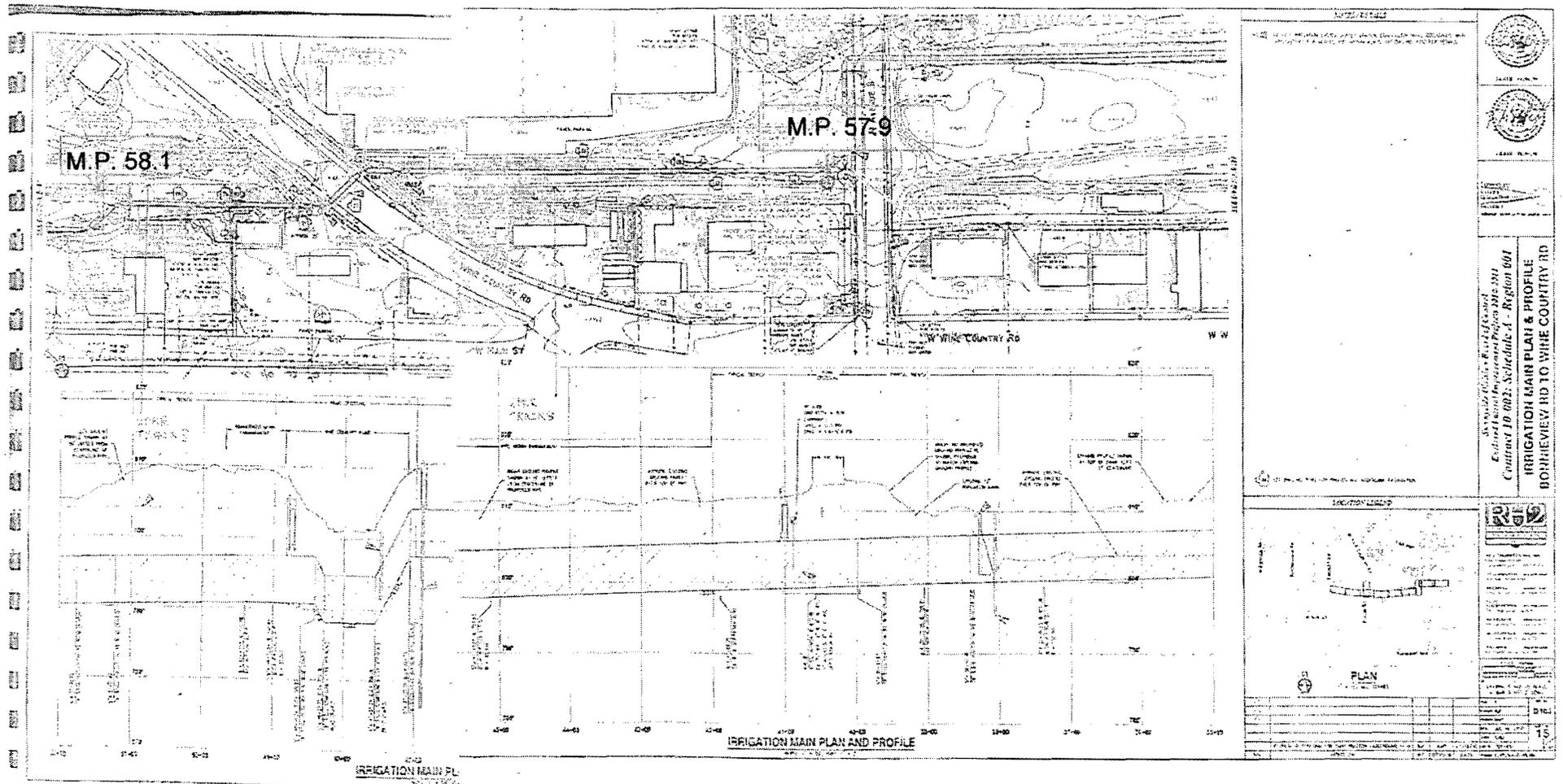
Andrew J. Schmidt  
Director of Cultural Resources

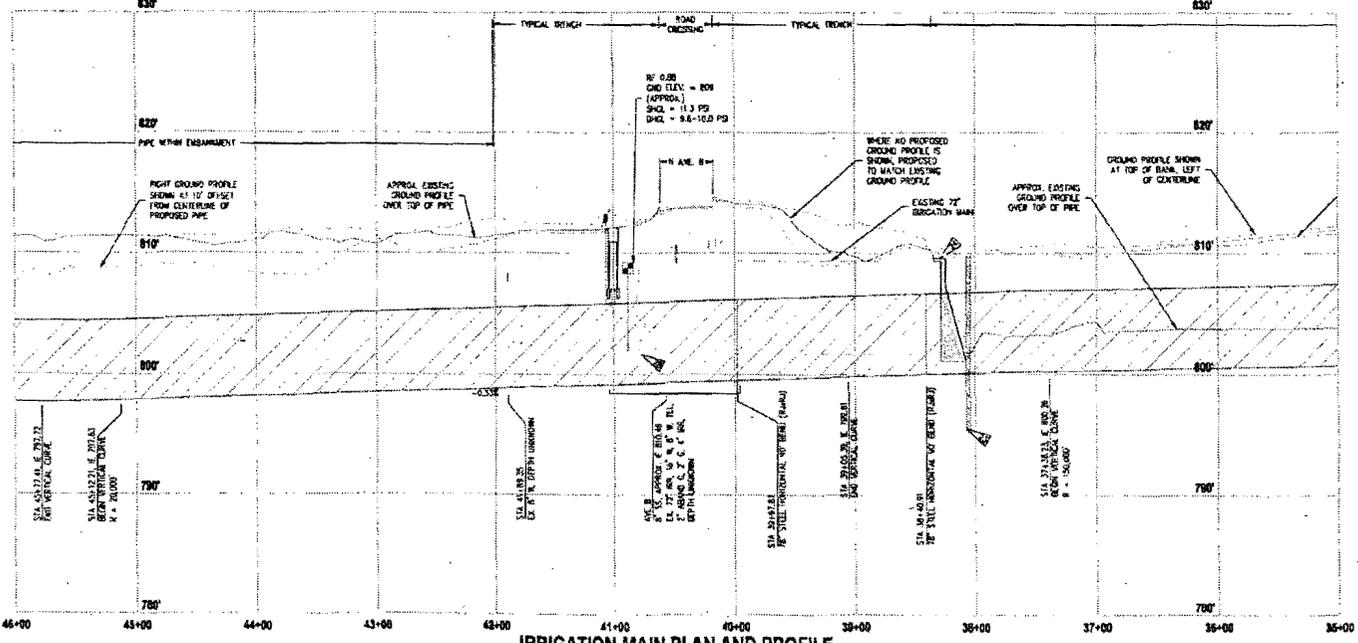
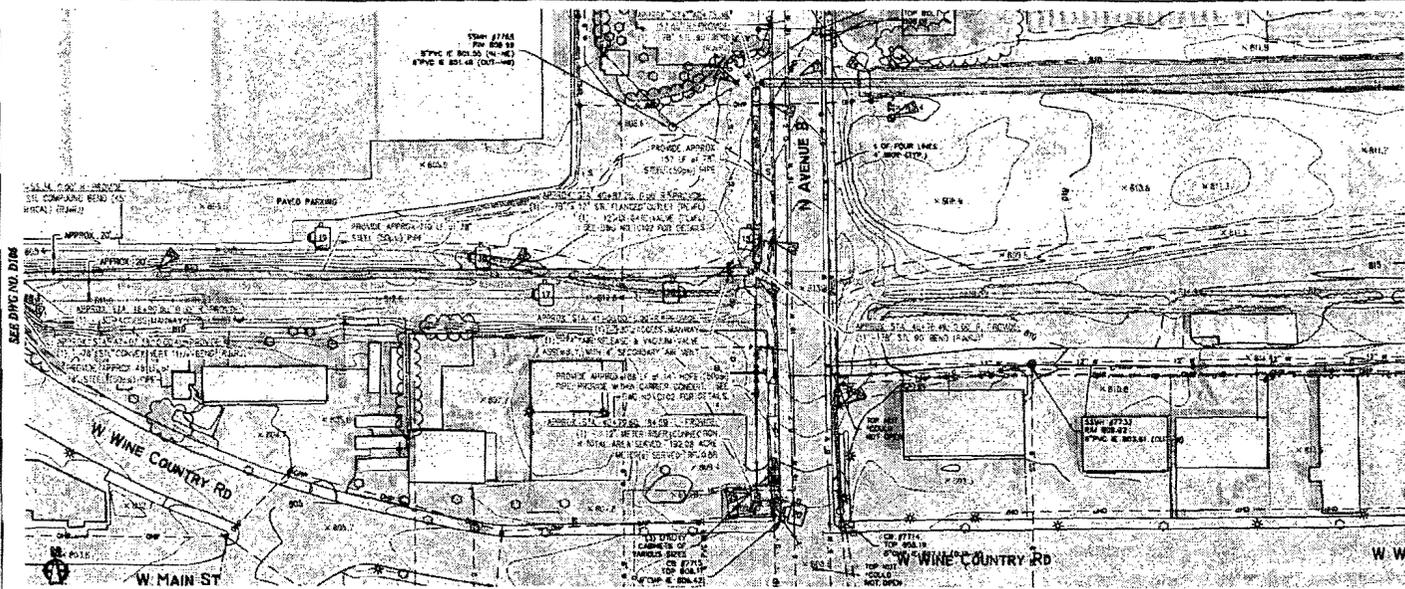
CC: Joseph Dettmar, Office of Proceedings, STB  
Mack Shumate, Union Pacific Railroad  
Ray Allamong, Union Pacific Railroad

**ATTACHMENT 1. IRRIGATION MAIN PLAN AND  
PROFILE, WINE COUNTRY ROAD, GRANDVIEW, WA**

(TWO SEPARATE PLAN PAGES WERE OVERLAYED TO CREATE THIS DRAINAGE PLAN UTILIZING UPRR RIGHT-OF-WAY.)  
 THE RED ENHANCED LINE IS THE DRAINAGE PIPELINE ON UPRR RIGHT-OF-WAY AND THE RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR WINE  
 COUNTRY ROAD. (APPROXIMATELY 1,075 FT.)

THE RED ARROWS SHOW THE MILEPOSTS FOR THE UPRR ABANDONED RIGHT-OF-WAY REQUIRED FOR THE DRAINAGE  
 PIPELINE.





**IRRIGATION MAIN PLAN AND PROFILE**  
 HORIZ. 1" = 50', VERT. 1" = 5'

**NOTES / DETAILS**

EX. CITY IRRIGATION SYSTEM SUPPLY STATION. CONTRACTOR SHALL COORDINATE WITH CITY/DISTRICT FOR ACCESS AND IMPROVEMENTS. SEE DWG NO. D102 FOR DETAILS.

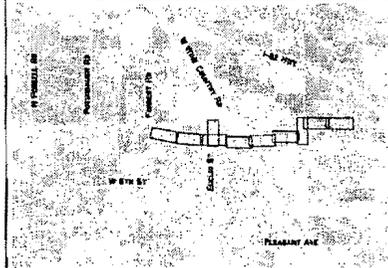


SUNNYSIDE VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
 DISTRICT ENGINEER  
 BEFORE SIGNATURE PLACE HERE

Sunnyside Division Board of Control  
 Enclosed Lateral Improvements Project 2010-2011  
**Contract 10-002: Schedule A - Region 001**  
**IRRIGATION MAIN PLAN & PROFILE**  
**BONNIEVIEW RD TO WINE COUNTRY RD**

SEE DWG NO. D102 FOR PHOTOS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

**LOCATION LEGEND**



**PLAN**  
 1" = 1/2" HORIZ (2040')



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 CHECKED BY: [Name]  
 DRAWING IS NOT TO SCALE  
 IF BAR IS NOT 2" LONG

NO.	REVISION	BY	DATE





**ATTACHMENT 2. LETTER FROM WASHINGTON  
DEPARTMENT OF ARCHAEOLOGY AND HISTORIC  
PRESERVATION**



STATE OF WASHINGTON

**DEPARTMENT OF ARCHAEOLOGY & HISTORIC PRESERVATION**

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April 6, 2010

Mr. David Kaumheimer  
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In future correspondence please refer to:

Log: 030410-06-BOR  
Property: Sunnyside Valley Irrigation System Improvements Phase 2B  
Re: Determined Eligible

Dear Mr. Kaumheimer:

Thank you for contacting our office. I have reviewed the materials you provided to our office and we concur with your professional opinion that the following cultural resources are either contributing elements to a National Register District or are eligible to the National Register of Historic Places:

Matheson Lateral  
Rocky Ford Power plant  
Bonnieview Power plant

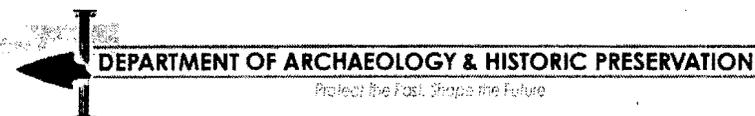
Dr. Rob Whitlam has reviewed the document and concurs with the findings of your staff that the site known as 45YA608 is eligible. He looks forward to further conversations with the BOR concerning the monitoring plan.

We also concur that the following historic elements are not eligible for listing:

The section of the Union Pacific Railroad bisecting your APE  
City of Grandview Well House  
Ryder Lateral  
Grandview Road/Yellowstone Trail monument

I would appreciate receiving any correspondence or comments from concerned tribes or other parties that you receive as you consult under the requirements of 36CFR800.4(a)(4). We look forward to working with you and your staff on avoiding, minimizing or otherwise mitigating adverse effects. These comments are based on the information available at the time of this review and on behalf of the State Historic Preservation Officer pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and its implementing regulations 36CFR800.

Please note that DAHP requires that all historic property inventory and archaeological site forms be provided to our office in PDF format on a labeled CD along with an unbound paper copy. For further information please go to [http://www.dahp.wa.gov/documents/CR\\_ReportPDF\\_Requirement.pdf](http://www.dahp.wa.gov/documents/CR_ReportPDF_Requirement.pdf).



Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,



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