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Mayor Ben Wick
City of Spokane Valley
10210 E Sprague Ave
Spokane Valley, WA 99206

Dear Mayor Wick,

BNSF Railway supports the City of Spokane Valley's federal infrastructure request to grade separate three road-rail grade crossings – Park Road, Pines Road, and Sullivan Road. These grade separations enhance safety and efficiency for the traveling public by eliminating the potential for conflicts between trains and vehicles.

The City has secured \$9.7 million to fund the three grade separations, which are estimated to cost approximately \$100M per their estimates. BNSF anticipates financial contribution toward the completion of these grade separations commensurate with the Code of Federal Regulations.

BNSF values our working relationship with the City and this effort represents the continuation of longstanding, effective cooperation between BNSF and the City on similar grade separation projects. BNSF is prepared to work with the City on further development of these projects, subject to satisfactory review of final engineering and entering definitive agreements as may be required by BNSF or other project stakeholders.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paul A. Cristina". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Paul Cristina
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