

## STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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May 7, 2018

Mr. Shane DeGross Manager Environmental Remediation BNSF Railway Company 605 Puyallup Avenue Tacoma, WA 98421

RE:

Final 2017 Hot Water Flushing Remediation Performance Report

BNSF Former Maintenance and Fueling Facility

Skykomish Washington

Farallon Consulting, April 2, 2018

Dear Mr. DeGross:

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) has received the Final 2017 Hot Water Flushing (HWF) Remediation Performance Report, dated April 2, 2018. The HWF monitoring data indicate nonaqueous phase liquid (NAPL) removal rates and cumulative NAPL removal volumes became asymptotic while maintaining optimal heating, groundwater recirculation rates, and groundwater gradient. Ecology has determined that the treatment goal of removing separate phase mobile or volatile liquid petroleum components or NAPL beneath the school to the extent technically possible has been achieved and operation of the system can be terminated, followed by system decommissioning and site restoration.

Please proceed with developing the Site Restoration Plan and include the School and Town for review and approval.

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Ecology appreciates all the hard work and effort BNSF has made to bring this phase of the cleanup project to completion.

Sincerely,

Brian S. Sato, P.E.

Toxic Cleanup Program, NWRO

cc: Robert W. Warren, Ecology

Allyson Bazan, AG's Office, Ecology Division