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February 22, 2023

Tracy Coleman City of Woodland Public Works P.O. Box 9 Woodland, WA 98674

Re: I-5 Horseshoe Lake Guardrail

City of Woodland - Temporary Noise Exemption Request

Dear Ms. Coleman:

The Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) proposes to install approximately 3,460 linear feet of new guardrail along the west edge of the pavement of Southbound (SB) I-5 between milepost (MP) 20.07 and MP 21.00, to increase safety for bicyclists/pedestrians along the adjacent frontage road. Portions of the project area are located within the city limits of Woodland (see enclosed vicinity map). WSDOT is requesting temporary relief from the requirements of Washington Administrative Code 173-60-040 through approval of a noise exemption as allowed under WAC 173-60-080.

Dates & Times: Working hours of 8:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. for approximately 8 total working days, plus daytime hours for approximately 2 total working days (for a total of 10 working days) starting in June of 2023.

Purpose: The purpose of the request for a temporary noise exemption is to allow the project to be constructed in the most efficient manner.

Description of work: The project will install guardrail along the SB outside shoulder between mainline I-5 and the SB onramp from State Route (SR) 503 and Northwest (NW) Lakeshore Drive. Lane closures, narrowed lanes, and speed reductions will be necessary. All work will be within WSDOT right-of-way.

Anticipated Construction Equipment for Night Work: Project equipment will include but may not be limited to the following: a hydraulic Post Driver, material delivery truck, contractor vehicles, TMA, and PCMS board.

Proposed Nighttime Noise Mitigation:

WSDOT is committed to reducing the inconvenience felt by those living near this project and will make reasonable efforts to minimize sound levels caused by nighttime work. To

| that end, WSDOT will require the contractor to adhere to the following noise reduction measures: |
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- 1. All vehicles shall be equipped with ambient sensitive backup warning devices. The Contractor may use back-up observers in lieu of back-up warning devices for all equipment except dump trucks in compliance with WAC Chapter 296- 155-610 and 296- 155-615. The Contractor shall use back-up observers and back-up warning devices for dump trucks in compliance with WAC Chapter 296- 155-610.
- 2. To avoid excess tailgate banging, all truck tailgates will be secured as practicable.
- 3. A copy of the noise variance or exemption shall be kept on the project site with the WSDOT lead inspector and the Prime Contractor at all times.
- 4. A WSDOT complaint number will be provided as well as a list of designated contact persons for the purpose of forwarding complaints.

The construction project engineer in charge of administering the contract is:

Mike Briggs, WSDOT Southwest Region, Project Engineer 11018 NE 51st Cir, Vancouver, WA

Phone: 360-759-1302 E-mail: briggsm@wsdot.wa.gov

If your department receives a noise complaint, please help us resolve it by notifying the WSDOT Southwest Region Project Engineer within 24 hours of the complaint.

If you require additional information or clarification regarding this project, please contact me at 360-946-7823 or HaffieA@wsdot.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

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SW Region Environmental Manager

