



RICHLAND RAIL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

July 10, 2023

Dear Community Members,

In 2024, Port of Benton will replace rail crossings and perform other track maintenance at the following intersections:

- **SR 240** replace the railroad crossing and repair the signal (the Port will continue performing maintenance on this crossing to sustain safe operations for train and vehicle traffic until it's replaced)
- Airport Way replace the railroad crossing
- Saint Street replace the railroad crossing and lighted crossbucks

We haven't determined specific dates, but the projects will not happen concurrently to minimize disruptions. As our planning continues, we will communicate the closure dates and other details.

Each intersection will be fully closed for multiple days during construction (anticipated from noon on a Thursday to 6 a.m. on the following Monday). Detour routes will be in place and communicated well in advance.

We're funding these projects with \$3.1 million in state and federal grants, a \$250,000 lowinterest Freight Rail Assistance Program loan and \$385,000 in Port grant matching funds.

For additional information, please visit <u>portofbenton.com/projects</u>, or call 509-375-3060.

Thank you,

Port of Benton