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Letter No. 256  
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Evelyn Pao, P.E., Project Director  
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Project: Contract No.: 9727, I-405, Brickyard to SR 527 Improvement Project

**Subject:** Contaminated Soil at the Old Burlington Northern ROW

Dear Ms. Pao:

Skanska and our Environmental Engineer proceeded to sample soil along the King County Parks / Old Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad right-of-way (KCP - BNSF RR ROW) on September 24, 2025. Skanska received and reported the laboratory findings to WSDOT on October 10, 2025. The soils profiled do indicate elevated levels of contaminants that warrant additional efforts by Skanska for handling and disposal. Please see attached soils report from Atlas for specific sampling locations and findings.

Per the guidance provided for in the contract documents, specifically Appendices 09a2 and 09a5, in conjunction with General Special Provisions (per executed Change Order 040) 2-02.5.OPT7.GR2, Skanska will develop a unit rate pricing for disposal as well as for restoration. However Skanska requests direction from WSDOT for the following:

- The extents and limits of removal.
- Does WSDOT or King County Parks have a preferred disposal facility to transfer the material to?
- Is there additional testing WSDOT would like Skanska to conduct to better establish extents and limits?
- Direction on when to begin remediation operations.

Skanska would like to ensure that our collaboration with WSDOT and King County Parks is expedited to avoid unnecessary delays. The contaminated soil has stalled work in Work Area 5 that is critical to the planned January closure dates for demolition and is in a *near* critical path to the project's current critical path.

At this time, Skanska reserves our rights per the contract and applicable laws to both removal and remediation costs as well as any time impacts related to the contaminated materials identified along the KCP-BNSF RR ROW.



Thank you for your continued collaboration and efforts. We look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "PP".

Patrick Prendergast, Project Executive

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Attachment:

1. A5\_Excavation\_Soil\_Sampling Report\_10102025