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The Golf Course Housing Area is hereby defined to be those housing areas located adjacent to the Prince George Golf Club on the following roads: Chester Drive, Wood Drive, King Drive, Powell Lane, Taylor Drive, Reed Drive, Arnold Drive and Crystal Drive, as well as any road that may hereafter be constructed off those roads and which cannot be accessed except via the Golf Course Drive/Chester Drive intersection. The Golf Course Housing Area shall also include the clubhouse at the Prince George Golf Club.

Prince George County's use of the crossing for emergency purposes under the agreement shall only be permitted when access is not available to the Golf Course Housing Area via Golf Course Drive either from the east (via Queen Street, Golf Course Drive, Robin Road and/or County Highway 627) or from the west (via Virginia Highway 156 and Golf Course Drive) due to a blockage from either direction by high water, other natural disaster or any other Act of God beyond the control of Prince George County. The crossing shall not use for any purpose if normal access exists over the described roads.

Once it is determined that access to the Golf Course Housing Area is necessary and not attainable by roadway the following procedure shall be implemented:

1. Upon notification the ECC shall activate the appropriate fire company, for a crossing opening, as per dispatch protocol;
2. The ECC shall dispatch the area police unit to the crossing to assist with crossing opening;
3. Appropriate fire apparatus shall respond to the crossing and request activation of the Knox-Box as per protocol;
4. **BOTH** railroad-crossing gates shall be unlocked and opened to allow necessary emergency ingress and egress;
5. The Officer-In-Charge shall have the ECC notify the railroad that the crossing gates are being opened and request all train traffic in that area be stopped;
6. In each instance when a vehicle approaches the crossing, it shall stop and shall not proceed over said track of Norfolk and Southern Railway until the driver has ascertained that no train or other rail equipment of Norfolk and Southern Railway is approaching the Crossing. Also, no vehicle shall cross the crossing until the barrier or gates on both sides have been unlocked, and as soon as the vehicle shall have passed both barriers and both gates, shall immediately relock the barrier or gates.

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7. Gates should not be left open and unattended at any time. (A representative of Prince George County Public Safety shall be posted at the crossing whenever the gates are open and should remain on post until **BOTH** gates are closed, locked, and secure)
8. At any time the crossing is utilized for emergency egress of civilian population there shall be a representative for Prince George County Public Safety at the crossing whose sole responsibility is to act as flagman (monitor vehicle and rail crossing to minimize the possibility of any collision at the crossing);
9. Once it is determined that the crossing gates no longer need to be open the officer in charge shall ensure that **BOTH** gates are closed and locked and notify the ECC to contact the railroad and so advise;
10. Prince George Police Department shall be responsible for periodic checks at the crossing to ensure that both gates are intact, locked, and no trespassers are on railroad property in the vicinity of the crossing.

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