

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 18927

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

<p>In the matter of the application of          Southern Pacific Company, for an order          authorizing the abandonment of the non-          agency station of Elna, in the County          of Inyo, State of California.</p>	)
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Application No. 14058.

BY THE COMMISSION:

ORDER

Southern Pacific Company, a corporation, has filed with the Commission an application for an order authorizing the abandonment of its existing non-agency station of Elna and in lieu thereof to establish a new station of Elna on a proposed main line change on its Mina Branch of its Salt Lake Division in Inyo County, State of California, as shown in yellow and red on a white-print map (M.W.D.Dwg. 5932, Sheet 1), attached to and forming a portion of the application. The Department of Water and Power of the City of Los Angeles, in order to obtain an additional supply of water, is desirous of impounding the waters of the Owens River by constructing a dam southerly of Mile Post 532 on said Mina Branch, which project will raise the water level above the tracks at Elna Station and vicinity and will require the construction of new main line track from M.P. 527 to a point near M.P. 533. It is proposed that a new station of Elna, with freight unloading platform, gravel station platform and a spur track 528 feet in length, to replace the existing facilities, be constructed on the new line. Applicant states that the City of Los Angeles has agreed to pay the costs of the proposed line change and relocation of facilities.

Applicant alleges that no passenger business was transacted at the non-agency station of Elna during the annual period

ending June 30th, 1927; that no less than carload business was transacted at said station during said annual period; and that carload freight business in amount of \$155.00 was transacted at said station during the same period.

The California Farm Bureau Federation, through its Manager, Mr. J.J. Deuel, has advised that it has no representations to make with regard to this application.

The City of Los Angeles has advised the Commission that the proposed abandonment and re-alignment of track at this location is necessary and will afford better service for the Water Department of the City of Los Angeles and the public and requests favorable action on the application.

It appears to the Commission that this is not a matter in which a public hearing is necessary and that the application should be granted, therefore

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that permission and authority be and it is hereby granted to Southern Pacific Company, a corporation, to abandon its non-agency station of Elna, located on the Mina Branch of its Salt Lake Division in Inyo County, State of California; provided, however, that coincident with the abandonment of said non-agency station, applicant will re-establish Elna Station and station facilities in kind at a point on a new line approximately one mile west of the present Elna Station, as shown by the map (M.W.D.Dwg. 5932, Sheet 1) attached to the application.

The authority herein granted shall become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1927.

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Leon White  
Thos B. Powell

Commissioners.