

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 19807

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of application of Southern Pacific Company for an order authorizing the construction at grade of a spur track across the County Road, in the vicinity of Watsonville, County of Santa Cruz, State of California.

Application No. 14655.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O R D E R

Southern Pacific Company, a corporation, filed the above entitled application with this Commission on the 30th day of April, 1928, asking for authority to construct a spur track at grade across a County Road, known as Lee Road, in the vicinity of Watsonville, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, as hereinafter set forth. The necessary franchise or permit (Resolution, dated April 7th, 1928,) has been granted by the Board of Supervisors of said County for the construction of said crossing at grade. It appears to this Commission that the present proceeding is not one in which a public hearing is necessary; that it is neither reasonable nor practicable at this time to provide a grade separation or to avoid a grade crossing at the point mentioned in this application with said County Road and that this application should be granted subject to the conditions hereinafter specified, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that permission and authority be and it is hereby granted to Southern Pacific Company to construct a spur track at grade across a County Road, known as Lee Road, in the vicinity of Watsonville, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, at the location hereinafter particularly described and as

shown by the map (Coast Division Drawing 23040) attached to the application.

Description of Crossing

BEGINNING at a point on the easterly line of above County Road, distant thereon 15.0 feet, more or less, southerly, from the existing Southern Pacific Company main track; thence in a southwesterly direction across County Road to point on the westerly line thereof.

The above crossing shall be identified as a portion of Crossing No. EC-96.8.

Said crossing to be constructed subject to the following conditions, and not otherwise:

(1) The entire expense of constructing the crossing, together with the cost of its maintenance thereafter in good and first-class condition for the safe and convenient use of the public, shall be borne by applicant.

(2) Said crossing shall be constructed equal or superior to type shown as Standard No. 2, in General Order No. 72 of this Commission and shall be constructed without superelevation and of a width to conform to that portion of said road now graded, with the tops of rails flush with the roadway and with grades of approach not exceeding six (6) per cent; shall be protected by a Standard No. 1 crossing sign, as specified in General Order No. 75 of this Commission, and shall in every way be made suitable for the passage thereover of vehicles and other road traffic.

(3) Applicant shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter, notify this Commission, in writing, of the completion of the installation of said crossing.

(4) If said crossing shall not have been installed within one year from the date of this order, the authorization herein granted shall then lapse and become void, unless further time is granted by subsequent order.

(5) The Commission reserves the right to make such further orders relative to the location, construction, operation, maintenance and protection of said crossing as to it may seem right and proper, and to revoke its permission if, in its judgment, the public convenience and necessity demand such action.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 24th day of May, 1928.

Leon Whitely
Chairman

Thos D. Powell

M. J. Cunniff

Commissioners.