

Decision No. 20178

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of the County of Los Angeles for Order authorizing a grade crossing over the Southern Pacific Railroad Company's right-of-way at Sierra Madre Avenue in Lancaster, California.))) Application No. 14,711.))
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BY THE COMMISSION:

ORDER

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, State of California, filed the above entitled application with this Commission on the 21st day of May, 1928, asking for authority to construct a public street known as Sierra Madre Avenue at grade across the tracks of Southern Pacific Company, in the Town of Lancaster, as hereinafter set forth. Said Southern Pacific Company has signified by letter that it has no objection to the construction of said crossing at grade, and 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 with said tracks at the point mentioned in this application, 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 the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, State of California, to construct Sierra Madre Avenue at grade across the tracks of Southern Pacific

Company at the location hereinafter particularly described and as shown by the map attached to the application.

DESCRIPTION OF CROSSING

That portion of the Southern Pacific Railroad Company's right-of-way within a strip of land 60 feet wide, the center line of which is parallel with and 30 feet northerly, measured at right angles, from the northerly line of Block 24, as shown on map of the Town of Lancaster recorded in Book 5, pages 470 and 471, Miscellaneous Records of Los Angeles County; to be known as Sierra Madre Avenue.

The above crossing shall be identified as Crossing No. B-405.0.

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

(1) The entire expense of constructing the crossing shall be borne by applicant. The cost of maintenance of that portion of said crossing up to lines two (2) feet outside of the outside rails shall be borne by applicant. The maintenance of that portion of the crossing between lines two (2) feet outside of the outside rails shall be borne by Southern Pacific Company.

(2) The crossing shall be constructed of a width not less than sixteen (16) feet and at an angle of eighty-three (83) degrees to the railroad and with grades of approach not greater than two (2) per cent; shall be constructed substantially in accordance with Standard No. 2, as specified in General Order No. 72 of this Commission; 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 thereon of vehicles and other road traffic.

(3) A Standard No. 3 wig-wag, as specified in General Order No. 75 of this Commission, shall be installed and maintained for the protection of said crossing. The cost of installation shall

be borne by applicant. The cost of maintenance shall be borne by Southern Pacific Company.

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

(5) 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.

(6) 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 29th day of August, 1928.

C. S. Seaver

E. M. Wilcox

J. H. L. Lunt

Commissioners.