

Decision No. 20484

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 on Pear
Blossom Highway.

APPLICATION 15141

BY THE COMMISSION:

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O R D E R

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, State of California, filed the above entitled application with this Commission on the 22nd day of October, 1928, asking for authority to relocate and improve a public road known as Pear Blossom Highway at grade across the tracks of Southern Pacific Company, in the vicinity of the town of Palmdale, as hereinafter set forth. Said Southern Pacific Company has signified by letter that it has no objection to the relocation and improvement 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; that the crossing is already protected by a wigwag signal, 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 relocate and

improve Pear Blossom Highway, at grade across the tracks of Southern Pacific Company at the location hereinafter particularly described and as shown by the map (Exhibit "A") attached to the application.

Description of Crossing

Beginning at the intersection of the easterly line of said lot 57 with the westerly prolongation of the southerly line of Block 18, said Town and Suburbs of Palmdale; thence S. 7° 29' 30" E. along said easterly line 100.73 feet; thence S. 89° 24' 00" W. 332.40 feet; thence N. 7° 29' 30" W. 100.73 feet to said westerly prolongation; thence easterly in a direct line 332.40 feet to the point of beginning.

The above crossing shall be identified as Crossing .
No. B-413.7.

Said crossing shall be relocated and improved subject to the following conditions:

(1) The expense of constructing the crossing shall be borne fifty (50) per cent by applicant and fifty (50) per cent by Southern Pacific Company. The cost of maintenance of that portion of said crossing outside of lines two (2) feet outside of the outside rails shall be borne by applicant. The cost of 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 twenty (20) feet and at an angle of eighty (80) degrees to the railroad and with grades of approach not greater than four (4) 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. The

existing wigwag shall be relocated and maintained for the protection of said crossing.

(3) Southern Pacific Company shall perform the actual work of constructing the crossing within lines two (2) feet outside of the outside rails.

(4) The existing public crossing of Pear Blossom Highway, Crossing No. 5-413.7, located approximately fifty (50) feet north of the crossing herein authorized, shall, upon the completion of said crossing, be legally abandoned and effectively closed to public use and travel.

(5) Applicant shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter, notify this Commission, in writing, of the completion of the relocation and improvement of said crossing.

(6) 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.

(7) 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 16th day of

November, 1928.

Clarence

Thos. J. ...

M. J. ...

 Commissioners.