

Decision No. 24122.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the matter of the Application of The People of the State of California, on relation of the Department of Public Works, for an order authorizing the reconstruction of the existing crossing at grade of the State highway and the tracks of the Sunset Railway Company, McKittrick Branch, near Strader, Kern County.

Application No. 17652.

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BY THE COMMISSION:

O R D E R

The People of the State of California, on relation of the Department of Public Works, applied for authority to widen the State Highway at grade across the tracks of Southern Pacific Company (erroneously referred to in the application as the tracks of the Sunset Railway Company) near Strader, Kern County. Southern Pacific Company, on September 21, 1931, signified, in writing, that it has no objection to the widening of said crossing and the application recites that applicant is agreeable to bearing the entire cost of the proposed work. It appearing that a public hearing is not necessary herein; 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 and that the application should be granted, subject to certain conditions,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the People of the State of

California, on relation of the Department of Public Works, are hereby authorized to widen a State Highway at grade across the tracks of Southern Pacific Company, as shown by the map attached to the application, subject to the following conditions and not otherwise:

- (1) The above crossing shall be identified as Crossing No. BT-316.7.
- (2) The entire expense of widening 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.
- (3) The crossing shall be constructed of a width of not less than thirty-two (32) feet and at an angle of approximately forty (40) degrees to the railroad and with grades of approach not greater than two (2) per cent; shall be constructed equal or superior to type shown as Standard No. 3 in our General Order No. 72; shall be protected by Standard No. 1 Crossing Signs, as specified in our General Order No. 75, and shall in every way be made suitable for the passage thereon of vehicles and other road traffic.
- (4) Applicant shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter, notify this Commission, in writing, of the completion of the installation of said crossing and of its compliance with the conditions hereof.
- (5) The authorization herein granted shall lapse and become void if not exercised within one (1) year from the date hereof 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, public convenience and necessity demand such action.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 13th day of October, 1931.

C. C. [unclear]
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M. J. [unclear]
M. B. [unclear]
Fred G. [unclear]