

Decision No. 7270

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

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In the matter of the application of B. HOYLE for certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate passenger, baggage and express service between Los Banos, Dos Palos and Merced.

) Application No. 4687.

J. R. McHenry for applicant.

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION

B. Hoyle applies for authority to operate passenger, baggage and express service between Los Banos.

Dos Palos and Merced under the name of Los Banos, Dos Palos.

Merced Stage.

A public hearing on the application was held by Examiner Westover at Merced.

Applicant proposes to operate under a schedule daily except Sunday under which passengers for Merced, the county seat, may leave Los Banos at 7:00 A.M. arrive at Merced 9:30 A.M; leave Merced 4:30 P.M. and reach Los Banos at 7:00 P.M.

There is no stage line operating over this route at present. The only available means for residents of

that portion of Merced County lying west of the San Joaquin River to reach the county seat by common carrier is by rail via Tracy and Lathrop or by rail via Fresno, both of which routes are very circuitous, expensive and slow. The railroad, although notified of the hearing, did not appear and there seems to be no opposition to the application. It appears that public convenience and necessity require the service and that the application should be granted.

ORDER

A public hearing having been held upon the above entitled application and the matter having been submitted for determination.

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION HEREBY DECLARES that public convenience and necessity require the operation by B. Hoyle of an automobile service as a common carrier of passengers, baggage and express between Dos Baños, Dos Palos, and Merced,

PROVIDED that the rights and privileges hereby granted may not be transferred nor assigned unless the written consent of the Railroad Commission to such transfer or assignment has first been procured.

may be operated in said service unless said vehicle is owned by the applicant herein or is leased by said applicant under a contract or agreement satisfactory to the Railroad Commission.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 154 day of March, 1920.

Commissioners