

**ORIGINAL**

Decision No. 34311

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of )  
 SANTA FE TRANSPORTATION COMPANY, a )  
 California corporation, for a cer- )  
 tificate of public convenience and )  
 necessity to operate a passenger )  
 stage service, as a common carrier )  
 of passengers and baggage, between )  
 Stockton and Turner, via Sharp's )  
 Lane and through Stockton Airport, )  
 California. )

Application No. 24078

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

The Santa Fe Transportation Company seeks authority by this application to operate its passenger stage service between Stockton and Turner via Sharp's Lane and the Stockton Airport. (1)

In support of the proposed rerouting and new service the application alleges that the United States Government has recently established an air pilot training school at the Stockton Airport and that the proposed service would serve said airport by a diversion from applicant's existing route between Stockton and Turner at Sharp's Lane. The distance between Stockton and the Stockton Airport via the new route is 5.2 miles, and from the Airport to Turner, 1.6 miles. One-way and round-trip fares between Stockton and the Stockton Airport are proposed to be established on the same basis as the present fares between Stockton

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(1) By Decision No. 30790, dated April 18, 1938, in Application No. 20170, the applicant was authorized to conduct a general passenger stage operation between San Francisco and Los Angeles and intermediate points over alternate routes via Stockton and Tracy. Beyond Stockton, the authorized route permits service via the Stockton Fairgrounds to Turner, thence to Manteca and points south. The instant application seeks to operate the applicant's service from Stockton to Turner over an alternate route via Sharp's Lane and the Stockton Airport, a distance of 7 miles.

and Manteca which are published in applicant's local and joint passenger tariff No. 2, C.R.C. No. 2, on file with the Commission, i.e. 1½ cents per mile, subject to a minimum fare of 10 cents. Service is offered to and via the airport on schedules which will best serve the Government air school and the traveling public generally.  
(2)

The Pacific Greyhound Lines, a passenger stage corporation, now operates between Stockton and the Stockton Airport via Sharp's Lane and the granting of the instant application would place the Santa Fe Transportation Company upon a competitive basis with the Pacific Greyhound Lines. No protest has been made by any interested party in respect of the granting of the application and the Pacific Greyhound Lines has advised in writing that it has no objection thereto.

This does not appear to be a matter in which a public hearing is necessary. The development of the Stockton Airport by the United States Army as an air corps training school with an attendant increase in army personnel are matters of common knowledge. The service proposed by the applicant will afford a convenience to persons traveling between Stockton and the government school, as well as the public which will use the service from and to the local airport. The establishment of the proposed service will be competitive with Pacific Greyhound Lines and the proposed fares are on the same basis as those charged for similar transportation in and about the Stockton territory.

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(2) Applicant seeks, moreover, to consolidate the extension of operating rights here sought with operative rights heretofore granted by the Commission in Decisions Nos. 28606 and 30790, as amended, in Application No. 20170.

The Commission is of the opinion and finds that public convenience and necessity justify and require the establishment of the service here offered. The application will be granted.

ORDER

Upon a consideration of the facts set forth in the above-entitled application, and based upon the findings of the Commission in the foregoing opinion that public convenience and necessity so require,

IT IS ORDERED that a certificate of public convenience and necessity be and it hereby is granted to the Santa Fe Transportation Company to operate as a passenger stage corporation, as that term is defined in section 2-1/4 of the Public Utilities Act, for the transportation of passengers and baggage between Stockton and Turner via Sharp's Lane and the Stockton Airport, as an extension and enlargement of operative rights heretofore granted to the Santa Fe Transportation Company in and by Decisions Nos. 28606 and 30790, as amended, in Application No. 20170.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Santa Fe Transportation Company in the exercise of the operative right herein granted, shall observe the following service regulations:

1. Subject to the authority of the Commission to modify or change said route at any future time, the proposed service between Stockton and Turner shall be operated via Sharp's Lane and via the Stockton Airport.
2. The Santa Fe Transportation Company shall file, on not less than five (5) days' notice to the Commission and to the public, an appropriate time schedule and tariff conforming to the offer of service herein authorized.

3. The applicant shall file a written acceptance of this certificate and commence the operations herein authorized within thirty (30) days from the effective date of this order.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty (20) days from the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1941.

Ray L. Sney  
Justice J. Coe  
Francis J. Havens  
Richard D. ...  
COMMISSIONERS