

Decision No. 35575

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application of )  
ORCHARD DALE SERVICE COMPANY for )  
authorization to extend its service )  
area for domestic service only, and )  
to be relieved from irrigation )  
service to certain lands now within )  
its service area. )  
Application No. 23936.

Edward R. Bowen, for Applicant.

C. W. Getchell, for Applicant.

J. J. Deuel, for California Farm Bureau Federation and  
Los Angeles County Farm Bureau.

John M. Hall, for Standard Oil Company of California.

Harry Schuyler, for Certain Groups of Water Users.

Clarence Dunbar, a Property Owner.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

Orchard Dale Service Company, a corporation, supplies domestic and irrigation water in an unincorporated area lying generally north of Telegraph Road between Murphy Ditch Road on the west and Luitweiler Avenue on the east, extending north to Santa Fe Street and along Colima Road to the State Highway, Los Angeles County. In this proceeding the Company asks for authority to discontinue irrigation service in a portion of said territory and for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to supply domestic water in an adjoining tract of land of approximately 80 acres.

A public hearing in this matter was held before Examiner MacKall at Los Angeles.

Orchard Dale Service Company for a number of years has served both irrigation and domestic water throughout its service area. However, in recent years a large portion of the irrigation load has been lost through the substitution

of cheaper sources of supply, either from private wells or mutual water companies. Throughout this portion of the irrigated area but two parcels have received water during the past six years and these two parcels, Lots 45 and 47, received but one run of irrigation water in 1941. Applicant desires to place this water, which it has been forced to hold ready for irrigation upon demand, to a beneficial use for domestic purposes in an adjacent 80-acre tract, delineated on the map attached to the application as Exhibit "B" and more particularly described as follows:

1. A tract of land bounded on the east by Mills Avenue, on the south by Anaheim-Telegraph Road; on the west by Gunn Road and on the north by Reis Road; and
2. The southeasterly 100 feet of Lots 6, 7 and 8 of Gunn Tract, being a strip of land of the uniform width of 100 feet measured at right angles to and lying along and adjacent to the north-westerly boundary line of Gunn Road, and extending from Anaheim-Telegraph Road northeasterly to Reis Road.
3. Lot 9 of Gunn Grove Tract, Los Angeles County.
4. A strip of land of the uniform width of 100 feet measured at right angles to and lying along and adjacent to the north-easterly boundary line of Reis Road and the southeasterly boundary line of Gunn Road, and extending from Mills Road westerly along Reis Road to its intersection with Gunn Road, thence northerly along Gunn Road a distance of 645 feet more or less.

All in Los Angeles County.

At the present time there are fourteen consumers residing on this tract who are receiving water indirectly from applicant's system.

During the course of the hearing in this proceeding all objections to the granting of this application were withdrawn, with the exception of those presented by Standard Oil Company of California, which was granted ten days to present any protest if it so desired. Nothing has been received from this Company and it appears, therefore, that applicant's request should be granted.

O R D E R

Application as entitled above having been filed with the Railroad Commission, a public hearing having been held theron, the matter having been duly submitted and the Commission now being fully advised in the premises,

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HEREBY DECLARIES that public convenience and necessity require the operation by Orchard Dale Service Company of a public utility water system to supply water for domestic purposes in the area hereinabove described in the County of Los Angeles and as delineated on the map attached to the application herein and marked Exhibit "B," which is hereby made a part hereof by reference.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a certificate of public convenience and necessity be, and it is hereby, granted to Orchard Dale Service Company to operate a public utility for the sale and distribution of domestic water within the territory hereinabove described.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that Orchard Dale Service Company be, and it is hereby, relieved of any further public utility liability and obligation to supply water for the irrigation of lands described as Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 38, 40, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48 and 50, Tract No. 505, Los Angeles County Records.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that Orchard Dale Service Company be, and it is hereby, directed as follows:

1. To place in effect throughout the areas for which a certificate of public convenience and necessity is granted herein, its existing rates, rules and regulations, to become effective for all water service supplied within said areas on and after the date of this Order; and within thirty (30) days from the date of this Order, said Company shall file with this Commission in quadruplicate the necessary amendments to its present rates, rules and regulations, including revised maps drawn to an indicated scale upon sheets 8½x11 inches in size, delineating thereupon in distinctive markings the boundaries of the authorized service areas, and the location thereof with reference to the surrounding territory; provided further, however, that such map or sketch shall not thereby be considered by this Commission or any other public body as a final or conclusive determination or establishment of the dedicated area of service, or any portion thereto.
2. To file with this Commission, within sixty (60) days from the date of this Order, four copies of a comprehensive map drawn to an indicated scale of not less than 600 feet to the inch, upon which shall be delineated by appropriate markings the revised service area of the utility. This map shall be reasonably accurate, show the source and date thereof, and include sufficient data to determine clearly and definitely the location of the various properties comprising the entire utility area of service;

provided, however, that such map shall not thereby be considered by this Commission, or any other public body as a final or conclusive determination or establishment of the dedicated area of service, or any portion thereof.

3. Within sixty (60) days from the date of this Order, to file with the Commission an affidavit to the effect that it will never claim before this Commission or any other public body an amount for the certificate of public convenience and necessity granted herein in excess of the actual cost of acquiring it.

For all other purposes the effective date of this Order shall be twenty (20) days from and after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 14<sup>th</sup> day of July,  
1942.

Justus J. Caccamo  
Ray J. Riley  
J. B. Ball  
Frank R. Havens  
Richard L. Reade

COMMISSIONERS.