

Decision No. 36937

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of PACIFIC ELECTRIC RAILWAY COMPANY a Corporation, under General Order No. 75-B, for authority to substitute form of crossing protection at Arlington Street, Washington Street, Madison Street, Jefferson Street, Adams Street, Tyler Street, Crossing 6W-7.45, Taylor Street and Sixth Street on its Riverside-Corona Line.

ORIGINAL

Application No. 26023.

BY THE COMMISSION:

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Pacific Electric Railway Company, on February 21, 1944, applied for authority to remove Standard No. 3 wigwags at eleven crossings on its rail line between Riverside and Corona, in the County of Riverside.

Applicant alleges that since electric locomotives have been replaced by diesel units, the sole purpose now served by the electrical distribution system between the Cities of Riverside and Corona is to supply the source of power with which to operate the wigwags. Applicant therefore plans to remove the electrical overhead between the above limits and, should existing automatic crossing signal protection be retained, the installation of track circuit controls and conversion to battery operation would be necessary, requiring the use of critical materials. Past operations in this district, in addition to freight service, included a passenger service by street cars, involving many daily movements at relatively high speeds, but, with the discontinuance of passenger operation, it does not appear that the remaining limited service warrants the continuation of the automatic crossing protection.

It appears that a public hearing is not necessary and that the application should be granted; therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Pacific Electric Railway Company is hereby authorized to remove one Standard No. 3 wigwag at each of the following crossings:

<u>Crossing No.</u>	<u>Name of Street</u>	<u>Political Subdivision</u>
6W-3.02	Arlington Ave.	City of Riverside
6W-3.09	Washington St.	" " "
6W-3.61	Madison St.	" " "
6W-4.12	Jefferson St.	" " "
6W-4.64	Adams St.	" " "
6W-5.15	Monroe St.	" " "
6W-5.67	Jackson St.	" " "
6W-7.22	Tyler St.	" " "
6W-7.45	Road Crossing	" " "
6W-8.25	Taylor St.	County of Riverside
6W-12.90	E. Sixth St.	City of Corona

This authorization shall be subject to the following conditions:

- (1) One Standard No. 1-A reflectorized crossing sign shall be installed at Crossing No. 6W-12.90 (East Sixth Street, Corona). No train, engine, motor or car shall be operated over this crossing, unless first brought to a stop and traffic on the highway protected by a member of the crew or other competent employee acting as flagman.
- (2) Each of the remaining crossings included in this application shall continue to be protected by one Standard No. 1 crossing sign.
- (3) Applicant shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter, notify this Commission, in writing, of the completion of the removal of the wigwags and of its compliance with the conditions hereof.
- (4) The authorization herein granted shall lapse and become void if not exercised within one year from the date hereof, unless time be extended, or if above conditions are not complied with.
- (5) Authorization may be revoked or modified if public convenience, necessity or safety so require.

This Order shall be effective immediately.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 14th day of March, 1944.

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 Commissioners.