

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 37073

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of the)	
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, SOUTHERN)	
PACIFIC COMPANY, and PACIFIC ELECTRIC)	
RAILWAY COMPANY, for the construction)	Application No. 26056
and operation of railroad tracks at)	
grade across streets in connection with)	
construction of a hold yard in the Los)	
Angeles Harbor area at station known as)	
Dolores on Pacific Electric Line.)	

BY THE COMMISSION:

O R D E R

The United States of America, Southern Pacific Company and Pacific Electric Railway Company have requested permission to install certain additional tracks across existing grade crossings at Dominguez Street, Carson Street and 223rd Street. These tracks are to be used in connection with a classification or hold yard now under construction by the United States of America in the Los Angeles Harbor area near the station of Dolores, in furtherance of the war effort. Operation of this yard is to be performed by Southern Pacific Company and Pacific Electric Railway Company.

Good Cause Appearing,

(1) The United States of America and Pacific Electric Railway Company are hereby authorized to construct one spur track at grade across Dominguez Street, Los Angeles County, at the location described in the application, to be identified as a portion of Crossing No. 6M-14.90. Protection shall be by two Standard No. 3 wigwags (G.O. No. 75-B).

(2) The United States of America and Pacific Electric Railway Company are authorized to construct five spur tracks at grade across Carson Street, Los Angeles County, at the location described in the application, to be identified as a portion of Crossing No. 6M-15.44.

Protection shall be by two Standard No. 8 flashing light signals (G. O. No. 75-B).

(3) The United States of America and Southern Pacific Company are authorized to construct four spur tracks at grade across Carson Street, Los Angeles County, at the location described in the application, to be identified as a portion of Crossing No. BC-498.3. Protection shall be by one Standard No. 8 flashing light signal (G. O. No. 75-B).

(4) The United States of America and Pacific Electric Railway Company are authorized to construct five spur tracks at grade across 223rd Street, Los Angeles County, at the location described in the application, to be identified as a portion of Crossing No. 6M-15.98. Protection shall be by one Standard No. 8 flashing light signal (G. O. No. 75-B).

(5) The United States of America and Southern Pacific Company are authorized to construct one connecting track at grade across 223rd Street, Los Angeles County, at the location described in the application, to be identified as a portion of Crossing No. BC-498.8. Protection shall be by one Standard No. 8 flashing light signal (G. O. No. 75-B).

Construction of each crossing shall be equal or superior to Standard No. 2 of G. O. No. 72, without superelevation and of a width to conform to the present streets now graded, with tops of rails flush with roadway. Grades of approach on the westerly sides of Pacific Electric Railway Company's tracks shall be constructed not to exceed three per cent.

Construction and maintenance expense shall be borne by applicants in accordance with an agreement to be filed with the Commission within nine months from the effective date of this order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Pacific Electric Railway Company and Southern Pacific Company are directed to jointly file, within sixty days from the effective date of this order, plans setting forth details of automatic crossing signal protection and length of track circuits for the Commission's approval.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that pending the final installation of crossing signals provided herein, main line operation may be continued and applicants are authorized to perform switching movements, provided such movements are flagged by members of the train crew or other competent employees acting as flagmen, and are operated at speeds not to exceed ten miles per hour.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all rail movements on the tracks herein authorized, which are not connected to the automatic signal devices, shall be protected by flagging by members of the train crew or other competent employees acting as flagmen.

The authority herein granted shall not be construed as authorizing violation of any requirements of the Commission's General Order No. 26-C.

Within thirty days after completion pursuant to this order applicant shall so advise the Commission in writing. This authorization shall become void if not exercised within one year unless time be extended or if above conditions are not complied with. 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, April 23 1944.

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Commissioners