

Decision No. 43774

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
 STATE OF CALIFORNIA

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of )  
 SANTA BARBARA TRANSIT COMPANY for ) Application No. 30964.  
 authorization to change certain portions )  
 of existing routes. )

O P I N I O N

The Commission is requested to authorize Santa Barbara  
 (1)  
 Transit Company to revise portions of its passenger stage routes in  
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 and between Santa Barbara, Montecito, Summerland and Carpinteria.  
 Applicant alleges that Old Coast Highway, Salinas and Cacique Streets  
 are within the city limits of Santa Barbara and are furnished a 15  
 minute service by the Santa Barbara Motor Coach Corporation; that  
 Cacique Street now does not have access to either Milpas Street or  
 U.S. 101; that the revision will afford better and faster service for  
 through passengers travelling to outlying districts; that Depot and  
 and Spring Roads (in Montecito), over which a one block loop from

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- (1) Paragraph 3 of the application proposes (a) to abandon that portion of the route between Santa Barbara and Montecito which runs from Milpas and Cacique Streets over Cacique and Salinas Streets along the Old Coast Highway to Highway U.S. 101 and to substitute in lieu thereof a route running along Milpas Street to the intersection of U.S. 101, thence east of U.S. 101 to the intersection of Old Coast Highway and U.S. 101 at which point the revised and present routes would coincide; (b) that a one block loop off U.S. 101, south on Depot Road, east on Spring Road, north on Olive Mill Road to U.S. 101 be abandoned and to substitute therefor a route continuing along U.S. 101 between Depot Road and Olive Mill Road, a distance of one block; and (c) to abandon the portion of the route which runs along Hot Springs Road between the intersections of Hot Springs Road and the Old Coast Highway and Hot Springs Road and Hermosillo Road, and substitute in its place a route continuing along U.S. 101 to Hermosillo Road, north on Hermosillo Road and thence along the present route on Hot Springs Road.
- (2) The operative rights were acquired pursuant to Decision No. 38210 dated September 12, 1945 in Application No. 26928.

U.S. 101 is effected, are each approximately 18 feet wide and not promotive of safe operations; that due to lack of patronage in the area concerned such loop is not conducive to the convenience of through passengers; that realignment of U.S. 101 at the point of Hot Springs Avenue (in Montecito) necessitates operating against two lanes of oncoming traffic in order to return from U.S. 101 to Hot Springs Avenue; that a turn off at U.S. 101 may be made safely at Hermosillo Road; that there is a much greater population density along Hermosillo Road than the portion of Hot Springs Road involved herein.

Upon consideration of all the facts and circumstances as alleged in the application, the Commission concludes that the application should be granted. A public hearing is not necessary.

#### ORDER

An application having been filed, the Commission now being fully advised and basing its order upon the findings and conclusions contained in the foregoing opinion,

IT IS ORDERED:

- (1) That Santa Barbara Transit Company is hereby authorized to:
- (a) Abandon service over that portion of its route situated in Santa Barbara described as beginning at Milpas and Cacique Streets, thence via Cacique Street to Salinas Street, Old Coast Highway to U.S. Highway 101 and in lieu thereof establish service over and along Milpas Street to its intersection with Old Coast Highway.
  - (b) Eliminate that portion of its route situated in Montecito described as a one block loop beginning at U.S. 101, thence via Depot Road, Spring Road, Olive Mill Road to U.S. Highway 101, and to substitute therefor, service over and along U.S. Highway 101 between Depot and Olive Mill Roads.

(c) Abandon service over that portion of its route situated in Montecito described as such part of Hot Springs Road lying between its intersections with Old Coast Highway and Hermosillo Road and in place thereof institute service over and along U.S. Highway 101, Hermosillo Road to Hot Springs Road.

(2) That applicant shall post notice hereof in all its vehicles at least five (5) days prior to discontinuance of the service herein authorized.

(3) That within sixty (60) days from the effective date hereof and on not less than five (5) days' notice to the Commission and the public, applicant shall file appropriate tariffs and time tables reflecting the authority herein granted.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 7<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1950.

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Justice J. Wallace  
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Harold P. Hill  
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COMMISSIONERS