

ORIGINALDecision No. ~~62306~~

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of the State of California, Department of Public Works, for an order authorizing construction of a crossing at separated grades; the closing of two crossings at grade, and the conversion of a private crossing at grade to a public grade crossing, over the tracks of the Southern Pacific Company, in connection with the improvement of State Highway X-Mer-4-C, in Merced County, sometimes referred to as the "Franklin Road Overcrossing".

Application No. 43340

ORDER

State of California, Department of Public Works, is authorized to construct a crossing at separated grades of Franklin Road, to abolish two existing public crossings at grade of Gurr Road and Franklin Road, respectively, to abolish three existing private crossings at grade at Mileposts 145.6, 146.5 and 148.1, respectively, and to convert an existing private crossing at grade at Milepost 148.6 to a public crossing at grade with the main line tracks of Southern Pacific Company near the City of Merced, Merced County, at the locations described in Exhibits "A" through "C", inclusive, of the above numbered application, and substantially as set forth in the application, the authorization being summarized in the following table and being subject to the conditions named herein:

TABLE OF CROSSING DATA

<u>P.U.C. Crossing No. or Milepost Number</u>	<u>Name of Road</u>	<u>Work to be Done</u>
MP 145.6	(Private Road)	Abolish grade crossing.
B-146.1	Gurr Road	Abolish grade crossing.
MP 146.5	South Trindade Road (Private Road)	Abolish grade crossing.

<u>P.U.C. Crossing No. or Milepost Number</u>	<u>Name of Road</u>	<u>Work to be Done</u>
B-147.2-A	Franklin Road	Construct grade separation (Overcrossing).
B-147.3	Franklin Road	Abolish grade crossing.
MP 148.1	(Private Road)	Abolish grade crossing.
B-148.6	(Frontage Road)	Construct grade crossing. Protection to be by 2 Std. #1 Crossing Signs (GO 75-B) ReflectORIZED with Reflex-Reflective sheet material.

Width and grades of approach of Crossing No. B-148.6 shall be as shown in the application. Construction shall be equal or superior to Standard No. 2 of General Order No. 72.

Expense of construction, maintenance and elimination shall be borne in accordance with agreements now being negotiated between the parties involved and copy of said agreements together with plans of said grade separation approved by Southern Pacific Company shall be filed with the Commission within 180 days from the date hereof. Should the parties fail to agree, the Commission will apportion such costs by subsequent order.

Upon completion of crossing at separated grades identified as Crossing No. B-147.2-A, Franklin Road Overcrossing, and the frontage road connections, the private grade crossings at Mileposts Numbers 145.6, 146.5 and 148.1 and the public crossings at Crossing No. B-146.1 (Gurr Road) and Crossing No. B-147.3 (Franklin Road) shall be abolished by physical closing by railroad.

Within thirty days after completion pursuant to this order, applicant shall so advise the Commission in writing. This authorization shall expire if not exercised within two years unless time be extended or if conditions are not complied with. Authorization may be revoked or modified if public convenience, necessity or safety so require.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 18th day of July, 1961.

Carroll B. Page
 President

W. J. Fox

George G. Crover

Fredrick B. Hahloff
 Commissioners