

ORIGINALDecision No. 63841

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY for an order
authorizing the construction at grade
of a side track across Irrigosa Avenue,
at Irrigosa, in the County of Madera,
State of California.

Application No. 44532

O R D E R

Southern Pacific Company is hereby authorized to construct a passing track at grade across Irrigosa Avenue, near Irrigosa, Madera County, at the location described in the application, to be identified as a portion of Crossing No. B-189.8. Construction of said crossing shall be equal or superior to Standard No. 2 of General Order No. 72, without superelevation and of a width to conform to the portion of the avenue now graded, with tops of rails flush with the roadway and with grades of approach not exceeding four percent. Protection shall be by two Standard No. one crossing signs (General Order No. 75-B), reflectorized with reflex-reflective sheet material and by each sign post being equipped with a reflectorized "2 TRACKS" sign. Applicant shall bear entire construction and maintenance expense.

It is alleged that the State of California, Department of Public Works, plans to convert the nearby US 99 (State Route 4) highway to the status of a fully developed freeway within two years from the date hereof and that as a part of this project Crossing No. B-189.8 shall be abolished by physical closing. Consequently, if Crossing No. B-189.8 is not closed and abolished by November 1, 1964, the Commission shall reopen this proceeding for the purposes of making a further determination as to protective measures that shall be required at said crossing and of apportioning the cost thereof.

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 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.

Applicant indicates that its construction forces are nearing said crossing as a part of a major railroad improvement project and that costly delays will result without early authorization. Therefore, the effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 25th day of JUNE, 1962.

Everett R. Page
President
George T. Grover
Frederic B. Hurlburt

Commissioners

Commissioner C. Lyn Fox, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.