

**ORIGINAL**Decision No. 68852

## 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 two crossings at separated grades whereby Avenues 12 and 13 will be carried over the main line tracks of the Southern Pacific Company's El Paso Route, abandonment and closing of four crossings at grade, and construction of a temporary detour crossing at grade, in connection with improvement of State Route 99 (old Route 4) in Madera County, referred to as "Avenue 12 Overhead" and "Avenue 13 Overcrossing".

Application No. 47292

ORDER

State of California Department of Public Works is hereby authorized to construct Avenues 12 and 13 at separated grades over, and a temporary detour road at grade across, the main line track of Southern Pacific Company, near Madera, Madera County, at the locations and substantially as shown by plans (Exhibits B & C) attached to the application, to be identified as Crossings Nos. B-187.2-A, B-185.9-A and B-187.6, respectively. Construction and maintenance expense shall be borne in accordance with an agreement to be entered into between the parties relative thereto, and copy of said agreement, together with plans of said crossings 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 the cost of construction and maintenance by further order.

Clearances shall be in accordance with requirements of General Order No. 26-D, except that during the period of construction

of the Avenue 12 Overhead and Avenue 13 Overcrossing, a clearance of 21'0" above top of rail is authorized provided Southern Pacific Company issue appropriate bulletins to train and enginemen advising them of the temporarily impaired clearance condition and forbidding trainmen to ride on tops of cars while operating beneath the structures.

Width of the temporary detour road crossing shall be not less than twenty-four feet and grades of approach not greater than four percent. Construction shall be equal or superior to Standard No. 2 of General Order No. 72. Protection shall be by two Standard No. 1 crossing signs (General Order No. 75-B) reflectorized with reflex-reflective sheet material.

Upon completion, Crossings Nos. B-185.3, B-185.9, B-186.6, B-187.3 and the temporary detour road (Crossing No. B-187.6) shall be abandoned and closed. 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 three years, unless time be extended or if conditions are not complied with. The effective date of this order shall be twenty days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 24th day of APRIL, 1965.

Frederick B. Holcomb  
President  
George E. Hoover  
William W. Burnett  
Commissioners