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Decision No. 71282

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of the State of California)
Department of Public Works for an order)
authorizing alteration of two crossings)
at grade, the closure of one public and)
four private crossings at grade and the)
construction of a crossing at separated)
grades whereby Padaro Lane, a county)
road, will be carried over tracks of)
the Southern Pacific Company, referred)
to as "Padaro Lane Overhead", in Santa)
Barbara County.

Application No. 48387 (Filed April 8, 1966)

ORDER

State of California Department of Public Works, in connection with the improvement of State Route 101 is hereby authorized to construct, alter or close various crossings over the Southern Pacific Company's Coast Route in Santa Barbara County at the locations and in the manner as shown in the application. The crossings shall be identified by the crossing numbers specified and subject to the conditions set forth as follows for each crossing:

A. Padaro Lane Overhead (Crossing No. E-377.2- over the Southern Pacific Company's Coast Route track.

Applicant is authorized to construct this overhead grade separation in Santa Barbara County at the location described and in the manner as shown in the application. Clearances shall be in accordance with General Order No. 26-D, except that during the period of construction, a clearance of not less than 21°0" above top of rail is authorized and Southern Pacific Company is authorized to operate with such reduced overhead clearance provided it issues,

and files with the Commission, appropriate bulletins to train and engine men advising them of the temporarily impaired clearance condition and forbidding trainmen to ride on the tops of cars while operating beneath the structure.

E. Padaro Lane and Lookout Park (Crossings Nos. E-379.1 and E-376.1) with the Coast Route of the Southern Pacific Company.

Applicant is authorized to alter Padaro Lane (Crossing No. E-379.1) by improving the grade of the north approach and removing the existing protection of Standard No. 1 signs and installing two Standard No. 3 flashing light signals (General Order No. 75-B) supplemented with automatic gates. Width of crossing shall be not less than 24 feet and grades of approach not greater than two percent in accordance with plan attached to the application. Applicant is further authorized to alter Lookout Park (Crossing No. E-376.1) by widening the existing crossing and supplementing the existing Standard No. 3 flashing light signals with automatic gates. Width of crossing shall be not less than 24 feet and grades of approach not greater than two percent in accordance with plan attached to the application. Construction at both crossings shall be equal or superior to Standard No. 2 of General Order No. 72.

C. Padaro Lane (Crossing No. E-378.2) and existing private crossings at existing Mileposts 378.02, 377.67, 377.34 and 376.68 with Southern Pacific Company's Coast Route

Applicant shall abandon and close Padaro Lane (Crossing No. E-378.2) concurrently with freeway construction. Applicant shall further abandon private crossings at railroad Mileposts 378.02, 377.67 and 377.34 concurrently with freeway construction. Applicant shall further abandon and close private crossing at Milepost 376.68 concurrently with construction of Padaro Lane separation.

Construction and maintenance costs shall be borne in accordance with an agreement to be entered into between the parties and a copy of said agreement, together with plan approved by the railroad shall be filed with the Commission prior to commencement of construction. Should the parties fail to agree, the Commission will apportion the costs by further order.

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 above 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 13 day of SEPTEMBER, 1966.

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Commissioners

Commissioner Peter E. Mitchell, being necessarily absent. did not posticipate in the disposition of this proceeding.