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Decision No. 72557

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 over the tracks and right of way of the San Diego and Arizona Eastern Railway Company, the closure and abandonment of an existing grade crossing, the construction of temporary crossing at separated grades, and the construction of a new crossing at grade, referred to as "Coyote Wells Overhead".

Application No. 49208
(As amended)

O R D E R

State of California Department of Public Works, in connection with the construction of a portion of Interstate Freeway Route 8 on a new alignment between Route 98 and FAS 724 south of Seeley, Imperial County, is hereby authorized to construct a crossing at separated grades, to close and abandon an existing crossing, to construct a new grade crossing and to construct a temporary crossing at separated grades over the tracks of the San Diego and Arizona Eastern Railway Company's Main Line at the locations as described and in the manner as shown in the application and identified as follows:

- (a) To construct an overhead over the tracks to be identified as the Coyote Wells Overhead (Crossing No. 36-122.9-A).
- (b) To close and abandon the existing grade crossing identified as County Road 2801 (Crossing No. 36-122.7).
- (c) To construct a grade crossing to be identified as Imperial Highway (Crossing No. 36-120.4).
- (d) To construct a temporary haul road overhead over the tracks that may be required adjacent to the Coyote Wells Overhead during construction.

Clearances shall be in accordance with the provisions of General Order No. 26-D, except that vertical clearances shall be not less than 23' 0" in accordance with plan attached to the application. During the period of construction of the Coyote Wells Overhead, a clearance of 21' 6" above top of rail is authorized, provided the railway issues appropriate bulletins to train and enginemen advising them of the temporary impaired clearance condition and forbidding trainmen to ride on tops of cars while operating beneath the structures.

The grade crossing of Imperial Highway (Crossing No. 36-120.4) shall be 40 feet in width with grades of approach not greater than 6 percent in accordance with the plan attached to the application. Construction shall be equal or superior to Standard No. 2 of General Order No. 72. Protection shall be by two Standard No. 8 flashing light signals (General Order No. 75-B) augmented with automatic gates.

Upon completion of Imperial Highway, Crossing No. 36-120.4, the existing County Road 2801, Crossing No. 36-122.7, shall be closed to vehicular traffic and physically removed.

Upon completion of Coyote Wells Overhead, Crossing No. 36-122.9-A, the temporary haul road overhead shall be closed and physically removed.

Construction and maintenance costs shall be borne in accordance with an agreement to be entered into between the parties and a copy of said executed agreement, together with plans approved by the railway, 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 the 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 16th day of JUNE, 1967.

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President

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Member

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Commissioners