

Decision No. 76761

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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 the realignment and improvement of Interstate Route 5 and State Route 20 in connection with the construction of three overheads at separated grades whereby Interstate Route 5 will cross over the tracks of the Southern Pacific Company, to be referred to as WILLIAMS OVERHEAD and NORTH MAXWELL OVERHEAD, and State Route 20 will cross over the tracks of the Southern Pacific Company, to be referred to as NORTH WILLIAMS OVERHEAD, located in and near Williams, County of Colusa.

Application No. 51445
(Filed October 27, 1969)

I N T E R I M O R D E R

State of California Department of Public Works is hereby authorized to construct two crossings at separated grades of Interstate Route 5 and one crossing at separated grades and to widen the existing crossing at grade of State Route 20 over the tracks of Southern Pacific Transportation Company in the City of Williams and the County of Colusa, at the locations and substantially as shown by plans (Exhibits B and C) attached to the application, to be identified as Crossings Nos. AE-122.9-A (Williams Overhead) and AE-135.5-A (North Maxwell Overhead) Interstate Route 5 and AE-125.0-A (North Williams Overhead) and existing No. AE-124.2 State Route 20.

Width of the crossing at grade of State Route 20 shall be not less than 42 feet and grades of approach not greater than two percent. 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 cantilever arms and augmented with automatic gate arms.

An agreement has been entered into between the parties relative to construction expense. However, the parties are not in agreement as to apportionment of maintenance expense of the automatic protection to be installed. The Commission finds that it will not apportion the cost of construction of the crossing protection inasmuch as said apportionment is the subject of federal regulations and beyond our jurisdiction (See 67 Cal. P.U.C. 375). The Commission will apportion the cost of maintenance of the automatic protection by further order. 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 Transportation Company is authorized to operate with such reduced overhead clearances provided that instructions are issued by the railroad and filed with the Commission forbidding employees to ride on tops of cars.

The applicant shall notify the Commission and Southern Pacific Transportation Company at least 15, but not more than 30 days in advance of the date when the temporarily impaired clearances will be created.

Walkway areas adjacent to Southern Pacific Transportation Company tracks shall be maintained free of obstructions and shall promptly be restored to their original condition in the event of damage during construction.

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 10th
day of FEBRUARY, 1970.

William J. Gussow, Jr.
President

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Commissioners