

Decision No. 77692**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of City of Merced for )  
 order to improve existing crossing )  
 at grade by (1) paving and by (2) )  
 installing automatic gate arm )  
 signals at Crossing No. B-150.3 of )  
 the Southern Pacific Transportation )  
 Company at O Street in the City )  
 of Merced. )

Application No. 52074  
 (Filed on July 27, 1970)

ORDER

The City of Merced is hereby authorized to widen the crossing of "O" Street at grade with tracks of Southern Pacific Transportation Company, Crossing No. B-150.3, in the City of Merced, Merced County, as described and substantially as shown in the application. Width of crossing shall be not less than forty-eight 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. 8 crossing signals (General Order No. 75-B) augmented with automatic gate arms and supplemented with additional flashing light signal units mounted on cantilever arms.

Construction expense of the crossing shall be borne in accordance with an agreement entered into between the parties or, if they fail to agree, by further order of the Commission. Maintenance cost of the crossing outside of lines two feet outside of rails shall be borne by applicant. Southern Pacific Transportation Company shall bear maintenance cost of the crossing between such lines.

Installation cost of the automatic crossing protection shall be divided equally between the applicant and the railroad. Maintenance cost of the automatic protection shall be divided equally between the applicant and the railroad, pursuant to the provisions of Section 1202.2 of the Public Utilities Code.

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 two 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. Applicant desires to commence construction of the crossing as soon as possible. The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 1st day of SEPTEMBER, 1970.

J. P. ...  
Chairman

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Commissioners