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Decision No. 83717

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application of
LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL
DISTRICT, a body corporate and
politic, for authority to establish
a temporary shoofly of the SOUTHERN
PACIFIC TRANSPORTATION COMPANY'S
railroad at Goodwin Avenue, in
Glendale, California, during the
construction of Storm Drain Project
No. 9506 Glendale.

Application No. 54783
(Filed April 3, 1974)

O P I N I O N

Applicant seeks authority to construct, as a part of a storm drain installation, a temporary Southern Pacific Transportation Company shoofly track grade crossing of Goodwin Avenue in the City of Glendale, County of Los Angeles.

Applicant is the lead agency for this project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended, and has, on March 19, 1974, approved an Environmental Impact Report and has filed it with this Commission.

Applicant proposes that the crossing be protected by flagging during the time it is used as a railroad detour.

Applicant alleges an immediate need to award the construction contract for this project.

Notice of the application was published in the Commission's Daily Calendar on April 5, 1974. No protests have been received. A public hearing is not necessary.

F I N D I N G S

1. Applicant should be authorized to construct a temporary shoofly grade crossing of Southern Pacific Transportation Company tracks and Goodwin Avenue in the City of Glendale, Los Angeles County, at the location and substantially as shown by plans attached to the application.

2. Costs of the crossing and its protection should be borne by the applicant.

3. The Commission has considered the Environmental Impact Report in rendering its decision on this portion of the project.

The Commission accepts the applicant's Environmental Impact Report and finds that:

- a. The environmental impact of this proposed action is not significant.
- b. The planned construction is the most feasible and economical that will avoid any long term environmental impact.

4. Dimensions, configurations, clearances and walkways should be substantially in accordance with the plans set forth in the application and comply with applicable rules and general orders of the Commission.

C O N C L U S I O N S

On the basis of the foregoing findings, we conclude that the application should be granted as set forth in the following order:

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The Los Angeles County Flood Control District is authorized to construct a temporary shoofly grade crossing of Southern Pacific Transportation Company tracks and Goodwin Avenue in the City of Glendale, County of Los Angeles, at the location and substantially as shown by plans attached to the application, identified as Crossing No. B-476.11.

2. Protection at the crossing shall be two flagmen to control vehicular traffic during the time it is used as a railroad detour.

3. Construction of the crossing shall be equal or superior to Standard No. 1 (General Order No. 72-B).

4. Clearances shall conform to General Order No. 26-D. Walkways shall conform to General Order No. 118.

5. Construction expense of the crossing shall be borne by the applicant.

6. Costs of the protection by flagmen shall be borne by the applicant.

7. Maintenance of the crossing shall be in accordance with General Order No. 72-B.

8. 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 one year unless time be extended or if the above conditions are not complied with. This authorization may be revoked or modified if public convenience, necessity or safety so require.

The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 13th
day of NOVEMBER, 1974.

Vernon L. Steyer
President

William J. Quinn

Robert E. McLeod

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Commissioners

Commissioner Thomas Moran, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.