

Decision No. 84357

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of the City of Clovis for a)
Public Grade Crossing at Santa Ana)
Avenue, a 60-foot street, over the)
Southern Pacific Transportation Company)
Line (Clovis Branch) in the City of)
Clovis, County of Fresno.)

Application No. 55368
(Filed December 9, 1974)

O P I N I O N

The City of Clovis (applicant) requests authority to construct a crossing at grade of Santa Ana Avenue across the tracks of the Southern Pacific Transportation Company's Clovis Branch Line (BS-Line).

The City of Clovis is the lead agency for this project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended, and on February 6, 1974 filed a Negative Declaration with the Fresno County Clerk.

Notice of the application was published in the Commission's Daily Calendar on December 10, 1974. No protests have been received. A public hearing is not necessary.

F I N D I N G S

After consideration, the Commission finds:

1. Applicant should be authorized to construct a crossing of Santa Ana Avenue at grade across Southern Pacific Transportation Company tracks in the City of Clovis at the location and substantially as shown by plans attached to the application.
2. Cost of construction of the crossing and automatic protection should be borne by the applicant.
3. Maintenance cost of the crossing should conform to General Order No. 72-B. Maintenance cost of the automatic protection should be borne by the applicant.

4. The Commission has considered applicant's Negative Declaration and finds with reasonable certainty that this project will not have a significant impact on the environment.

5. The applicant alleges that the industry to be served by this crossing is in need of immediate service, and requests that the twenty days' waiting period be waived.

6. 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 City of Clovis is authorized to construct Santa Ana Avenue at grade across tracks of the Southern Pacific Transportation Company in the City of Clovis at the location and substantially as shown by plans attached to the application, to be identified as Crossing No. BS-215.9.

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

3. Width of the crossing shall be not less than 48 feet and grades of approach shall not exceed two percent.

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

5. Protection at the crossing shall be two Standard No. 9-A automatic gate-type signals with cantilever arms (General Order No. 75-C).

6. Construction expense of the crossing and installation cost of the automatic protection shall be borne by the applicant.

7. Construction plans of the crossing approved by the Southern Pacific Transportation Company, together with a copy of the agreement entered into between parties involved, shall be filed with the Commission prior to commencing construction.

8. Maintenance of the crossing shall be in accordance with General Order No. 72-B. Maintenance cost of the automatic protection shall be borne by the applicant pursuant to Section 1202.2 of the Public Utilities Code.

9. 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 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 is the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 22nd day of APRIL, 1975.

Vermon L. Stinson
President
William J. Gurnea Jr.
Ed Diehl
Leonard Ross
Robert F. Smith
Commissioners