

Decision No. 84611**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Nor-Cal Aviation )  
Inc., for a Certificate of Public ) Application No. 53378  
Convenience and Necessity. )

ORDER REVISING CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

Nor-Cal Aviation, Inc., was authorized by Decision No. 80689- dated October 31, 1972, in Application No. 53378, to serve Red Bluff and Oroville on a flag stop basis. In a letter received by the Commission on September 12, 1974, Nor-Cal requested that Red Bluff and Oroville be deleted from its certificate because continued operation of these two points is economically unfeasible and service by Nor-Cal is no longer necessary.

Nor-Cal carried approximately three passengers per week from Red Bluff, but a landing there was always necessary since there was no representative at the field to confirm reservations. As a result of seats being held for Red Bluff reservations, standby passengers at Redding were not accommodated. There were frequent "no shows" at Red Bluff causing a loss of revenue which Nor-Cal believes to be sufficient reason for deletion of Red Bluff. Deletion of Red Bluff from Nor-Cal's operations does not deny air passengers service to Red Bluff since Eureka Aero also serves that city.

In a four-month period, Nor-Cal had no passenger requests nor made any flights to or from Oroville.

Section 2769.5 of the Public Utilities Code allows discontinuance of unprofitable operations upon 60 days' notice to the Commission unless within such 60-day period the Commission makes a finding that such operations are not unprofitable. Sixty days' notice expired on November 11, 1974. No requests for hearing in opposition to this request were received, and Nor-Cal discontinued its operations at Red Bluff and Oroville.

Nor-Cal's present certificate allows for Redding, Sacramento and Chico airports to be served as flag stops. Nor-Cal's public schedule shows Chico as the only flag stop on its routes. Passenger traffic patterns on Nor-Cal's system show the need for regular scheduled service at Redding and Sacramento, but do not indicate a need for a change in the flag stop status of Chico airport.

The Commission finds that the flag stops of Red Bluff and Oroville have been shown to be unprofitable and that authority of Nor-Cal to operate at these points should be revoked.

The Commission finds also that a need exists for Redding Municipal Airport and Sacramento Metropolitan Airport to be served on a regular basis and that the flag stop provision at these airports should be eliminated from Nor-Cal's certificate.


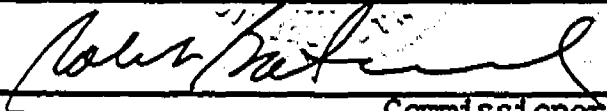
IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Authority for Nor-Cal Aviation, Inc., to operate as a passenger air carrier at the points of Red Bluff and Oroville as authorized by Decision No. 80689, in Application 53378, is revoked.
2. Authority to operate on a flag stop basis at Redding Municipal Airport and Sacramento Metropolitan Airport is canceled, with the airports instead to be served only on a regular scheduled basis.
3. Nor-Cal shall file with the Commission a revised tariff deleting reference to Red Bluff and Oroville. The tariff shall be made effective not earlier than five days after the effective date of this order.
4. Appendix A of Decision No. 80689 is amended by incorporating Second Revised Page 1 attached hereto in revision of First Revised Page 1.

The Secretary is directed to mail a certified copy of this order to Merle C. Blevins, President, Nor-Cal Aviation, Inc., Municipal Airport, Redding, CA 96001, last known address as shown on the Commission's records.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty days after the date hereof, unless before such effective date there shall have been filed with the Commission written response to this order requesting public hearing in which event the effective date of this order shall be stayed until further order of the Commission.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 15th day of JULY, 1975.

 President  
William Sproun  
Vernon L. Stinson  
 Commissioners

Commissioner Leonard Ross, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

Appendix A  
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NOR-CAL AVIATION, INC.

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Cancels  
First Revised Page 1

Nor-Cal Aviation, Inc., by this Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity is authorized to operate as a passenger air carrier between the following airports only:

RDD-CIC

RDD-SMF

CIC-SMF

Conditions

#1. Each airport pair shall be served with a minimum of one flight in each direction on each of five days a week.

#2. Carrier shall give at least one hour's prior notification to said carrier's ticketing agency at Chico Airport when said carrier intends to overfly said airport. Carrier shall land at said airport unless such prior notice has been given.

#3. Carrier shall not overfly Chico Airport if a passenger is in possession of a purchased ticket and a confirmed reservation one hour or longer before the scheduled departure time from that airport on the flight on which the passenger holds a confirmed reservation.

4. No aircraft having more than 30 revenue passenger seats or a payload of more than 7,500 pounds shall be operated.

#5. The following airports shall be used:

<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Name</u>
RDD	Redding	Redding Municipal
CIC	Chico	Chico Municipal
SMF	Sacramento	Sacramento Metropolitan

Issued by California Public Utilities Commission.

Revised by Decision No. 84611, Application No. 53378