

Decision No. 87144**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of the LOS ANGELES COUNTY)
 FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT, a body corporate)
 and politic, for authority to construct a) Application No. 56676
 bike trail and horse trail under railroad) (Filed August 4, 1976)
 trestles at various locations in the Rio)
 Hondo Channel and Los Angeles River)

O P I N I O N

The Los Angeles County Flood Control District requests authority to construct bike and horse trail crossings in the Los Angeles and Rio Hondo river beds under various existing bridges of the Southern Pacific Transportation Company; The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company and the Union Pacific Railroad Company as shown on Appendix A attached hereto in the County of Los Angeles.

Applicant is the lead agency for this project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended. After review of a Negative Declaration, the Los Angeles County Flood Control District Board of Supervisors approved the project and on May 21, 1976, filed a Notice of Determination with the Los Angeles County Clerk which found that "The project will not have a significant effect on the environment".

Notice of the application was published in the Commission's Daily Calendar on August 6, 1976. 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 do the work as indicated on Appendix A attached hereto at the locations and substantially as shown by plans attached to the application in the County of Los Angeles.

2. Construction and maintenance costs should be borne in

accordance with agreements to be entered into between the parties relative thereto, and a copy of said agreements, together with plans of each crossing approved by the railroad involved, should be filed with the Commission prior to commencing construction. Should the parties fail to agree, the Commission will apportion the costs of construction and maintenance by further order.

3. Applicant is the lead agency for this project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended, and on May 11, 1976 approved its Negative Declaration which has been filed with the Commission. The Commission has considered the Negative Declaration and Notice of Determination in rendering its decision on this project and finds that:

- a. The environmental impact of the proposed action is insignificant.
- b. The planned construction is the most feasible and economical that will avoid any possible environmental impact.
- c. There are no known irreversible environmental changes involved in this project.

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 County of Los Angeles is authorized to do work as indicated on Appendix A attached hereto at the locations and substantially as shown by plans attached to the application in the County of Los Angeles, as set forth in the findings of this decision.
2. Within thirty days after completion, pursuant to this order, applicant shall so advise the Commission in writing.

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This authorization shall expire if not exercised within three years unless time be extended or if the above conditions are not complied with. Authorization may be revoked or modified if public convenience, necessity or safety so require.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 29th day of MARCH, 1977.

Robert B. Berman

President

William J. Quinn

Vernon L. Sturgeon

John

Richard D. Howell

Commissioners

Appendix A

PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF BICYCLE AND HORSE
TRAIL CROSSINGS UNDER EXISTING RAILROAD BRIDGES

| Location | PUC Crossing Number | Proposed Construction | Near City:Railroad: |
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| Los Angeles River | BBL-494.99-BD | Bike and horse trail under existing bridge | Paramount Southern Pacific Trans. Company |
| Los Angeles River | BBH-498.72-BD | Bike and horse trail under existing bridge | Long Beach Southern Pacific Trans. Company |
| Rio Hondo River | BK-493.48-BD | Bike and horse trail under existing bridge | South Gate Southern Pacific Trans. Company |
| Rio Hondo River | BBJ-494.21-BD | Bike and horse trail under existing bridge | Pico Rivera Southern Pacific Trans. Company |
| Rio Hondo River | 2-150.0-BD | Bike and horse trail under existing bridge | Pico Rivera The AT&SF Railway Company |
| Rio Hondo River | 3-9.2-BD | Bike and horse trail under existing bridge | Montebello Union Pacific Railroad |
| Rio Hondo River | 3A-9.0-BD | Bike and horse trail under existing bridge | South Gate Union Pacific Railroad |
| Los Angeles River | 3A-17.4-BD | Bike and horse trail under existing bridge | Long Beach Union Pacific Railroad |