

Decision No. 87655 JUL 26 1977

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the application )  
of the CITY OF COMPTON to con- )  
struct a public "Pedestrian )  
Crossing at Grade" across a rail- )  
road of the Southern Pacific )  
Transportation Company at Almond )  
Street and Willowbrook Avenue, )  
Compton )

Application No. 57136  
(Filed March 3, 1977)

O P I N I O N

The City of Compton requests authority to construct a public pedestrian crossing at grade across the tracks of The Southern Pacific Transportation Company's Wilmington Branch at Almond Street in the City of Compton, Los Angeles County. The new public pedestrian grade crossing will replace a previously abandoned public crossing at Milepost BBH-494.19.

The City of Compton is the lead agency for this project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended and on June 17, 1977 filed a Notice of Exemption with the Los Angeles County Clerk which states that this project "is the re-opening of an existing facility temporarily closed for construction purposes" and is therefore categorically exempt from the requirements of CEQA.

Notice of the application was published in the Commission's Daily Calendar on March 11, 1977. 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 pedestrian crossing at grade across the tracks of the Southern Pacific Transportation Company's Wilmington Branch at Almond Street in the City of Compton, Los Angeles County, at the location and substantially as shown by the plans attached to the application, to be identified as Crossing BBH-494.2-D.

2. Construction of the crossing should be equal or superior to Standard No. 1 of General Order 72-B.

3. Clearances should conform to General Order 26-D. Walkways should conform to General Order 118.

4. Protection at the crossing should be two Standard No. 10 flashing light signals (General Order 75-C).

5. Construction expense of the crossing and installation cost of the automatic protection should be borne by the applicant.

6. Maintenance of the crossing should be in accordance with General Order 72-B. Maintenance cost of the automatic protection should 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 the parties involved, should be filed with the Commission prior to commencing construction.

8. It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment.

### 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 Compton is authorized to construct a pedestrian crossing at grade across the tracks of the Southern Pacific Transportation Company at Almond Street in the City of Compton, Los Angeles County, 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.

This authorization shall expire if not exercised within one year 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.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 26<sup>th</sup> day of JULY, 1977.

Robert Rubin

President

William Spruill, Jr.

Vernon L. Sturgeon

Richard D. Howell

Commissioners

Commissioner Claire T. Dedrick, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.