

ORIGINALDecision No. 88523 FEB 22 1978

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application)
of SOUTHERN PACIFIC TRANSPORTA-)
TION COMPANY for an order autho-)
rizing the construction at grade)
of an industrial spur track in,)
upon and across San Fernando Road)
in the City of Los Angeles,)
County of Los Angeles, State of)
California.)

Application No. 57656
(Filed October 31, 1977)

O P I N I O N

The Southern Pacific Transportation Company requests authority to construct an industrial spur track at grade across San Fernando Road in the City of Los Angeles, Los Angeles County.

The proposed spur track will provide rail service to a new industrial building located on the southeast side of San Fernando Road between Truesdale Street and the Tujunga Wash.

Notice of the application was published in the Commission's Daily Calendar on November 1, 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 an industrial spur track at grade across San Fernando Road in the City of Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, at the location and substantially as shown by the plan attached to the application, to be identified as Crossing B-465.43-C.
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. 9-A automatic gate-type signals with cantilevers (General Order 75-C).

5. For a period not to exceed one year from the date of this order, protection at the crossing may be two Standard No. 1-R signs (General Order 75-C) and no on-rail vehicle should be operated over the crossing unless it is first brought to a stop and traffic on the street protected by a member of the crew or other competent employee of the railroad acting as a flagman.

6. Written instructions should be issued by the railroad to trainmen, operating over the crossing, to comply with the flagging instructions. A copy of the instructions should be filed with the Commission within thirty days after installation of the crossing. Flagging procedures outlined herein should remain in full force until the required automatic protection is installed and operative.

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

8. 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.

9. 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 Southern Pacific Transportation Company is authorized to construct an industrial spur track at grade across San Fernando Road in the City of Los Angeles, 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.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 22nd day of FEBRUARY, 1978.

President

Vernon L. Sturgeon

Charles D. Givelle

Clare T. DeBriole
Commissioners

Commissioner Robert Batilovich, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

Commissioner William Simons, Jr., being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.