

Decision No. 88669 APR 4 1978

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of the County of Sacramento to )  
 construct a grade crossing of the Southern )  
 Pacific Transportation Company at Business ) Application No. 57730  
 Park Drive, northeasterly of Bradshaw Road, ) (Filed December 6, 1977)  
 Crossing No. AH-99.8. )

O P I N I O N

As part of the project to expand a petroleum storage facility from 25 to 52 acres, the County of Sacramento requests authority to construct Business Park Drive at grade across the tracks of the Southern Pacific Transportation Company's Placerville Branch Line near the City of Sacramento in Sacramento County.

The County of Sacramento is the lead agency for the project to expand the petroleum storage facility pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended. After review of an Environmental Impact Report, the County of Sacramento approved the project for expansion of the petroleum storage facility and on December 18, 1975, filed a Notice of Determination with the Sacramento County Clerk which found that "The project will not have a significant effect on the environment."

The proposed crossing will provide access to an area planned for industrial and commercial development. Six private crossings presently providing access to this area will be closed upon completion of the proposed crossing and access to the new crossing will be arranged for the present users of the private crossings.

Notice of the application was published in the Commission's Daily Calendar on December 7, 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 Business Park Drive at grade across the tracks of the Southern Pacific Transportation Company's Placerville Branch Line near the City of Sacramento in Sacramento County, at the location and substantially as shown by plans attached to the application to be identified as Crossing AH-100.3.
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 automatic gate-type signals (General Order 75-C).
5. Construction costs of the crossings and installation costs of the automatic protection should be borne by the applicant.
6. Maintenance of the crossing should be in accordance with General Order 72-B.
7. Maintenance costs of the automatic protection should be borne by the applicant pursuant to the provisions of Section 1202.2 of the Public Utilities Code.
8. 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.
9. After completion of the Business Park Drive crossing, and the provision of access to this crossing for the users of the existing six private crossings between Bradshaw and Routier Roads private crossings at approximate Mileposts 100.1, 100.4, 100.6, 100.7, 100.8 and 100.9 on Southern Pacific Transportation Company's Placerville Branch (AE) Line shall be abandoned and effectively closed.
10. The County of Sacramento is the lead agency for the project to expand the petroleum storage facility pursuant to the California

Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended, and on December 10, 1975, approved its final Environmental Impact Report which has been filed with the Commission. The Commission has considered the County of Sacramento's final Environmental Impact Report and Notice of Determination in rendering its decision on this project and finds:

- 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 Sacramento is authorized to construct Business Park Drive at grade across the tracks of the Southern Pacific Transportation Company's Placerville Branch Line near the City of Sacramento, Sacramento 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 two 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 thirty days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 4<sup>th</sup> day of APRIL, 1978.

Robert Bateman  
President  
William J. Quinn  
George L. Stegerson  
Richard R. Guala  
Clare J. Deitch  
Commissioners