

Decision No. 90116

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of the CITY OF SANTA FE)	
SPRINGS for the construction of a)	
grade separation of Carmenita Road)	Application No. 58568
under The Atchison, Topeka and Santa)	(Filed January 2, 1979)
Fe Railway Company tracks crossing)	
No. 2-157.3 in the CITY OF SANTA FE)	
SPRINGS)	

O P I N I O N

The City of Santa Fe Springs requests authority to construct Carmenita Road at separated grades under the tracks of The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company in the City of Santa Fe Springs, Los Angeles County.

The priority list of grade separation projects for the fiscal year 1978-79, as set forth in Decision 88956, shows this project as Priority No. 8.

The City of Santa Fe Springs is the lead agency for this project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended, Public Resources Code, Section 21000 et seq.

After preparation and review of an Environmental Impact Report, the City of Santa Fe Springs approved the project and filed a Notice of Determination with the Los Angeles County Clerk on February 9, 1979, which found that "The project will not have a significant effect on the environment."

The Commission is a responsible agency for this project under CEQA and has independently evaluated and assessed the lead agency's Environmental Impact Report. The site of the proposed project has also been inspected by the Commission staff.

Carmenita Road is a main arterial north-south highway and is heavily congested where it crosses the railroad tracks at grade. Projected industrial growth in the area will further aggravate the problem in the near future. The proposed project, when completed, should improve traffic flow in the area and reduce congestion and delays. The project is located within an industrial area.

Notice of the application was published in the Commission's Daily Calendar on January 4, 1979. 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 in Appendix A, attached hereto, at the locations and substantially as shown by plans attached to the application, in the City of Santa Fe Springs, Los Angeles County.

2. Clearances should be in accordance with General Order 26-D.

3. Walkway areas should conform to General Order 118. Walkway areas adjacent to any trackage subject to rail operations should be maintained free of obstructions and should promptly be restored to their original condition in the event of damage during construction.

4. Construction and maintenance costs should be borne in accordance with an agreement to be entered into between the parties relative thereto, and a copy of said agreement, together with plans of the crossings approved by The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company, should be filed with the Commission prior to

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commencing construction. Should the parties fail to agree, the Commission will apportion the costs of construction and maintenance by further order.

5. Applicant is the lead agency for the project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended.

6. The Commission is a responsible agency for this project and has independently evaluated and assessed the lead agency's Environmental Impact Report.

7. This project will have no significant impact 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 Santa Fe Springs is authorized to do the work as indicated on Appendix A, attached hereto, in the City of Santa Fe Springs, 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 three years unless time be extended or if the above conditions are not complied with. Authorization may be revoked

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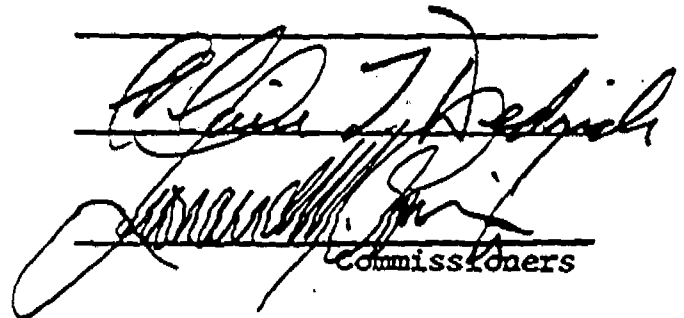
or modified if public convenience, necessity or safety so require.

The effective date of this order shall be thirty days after the date hereof:

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 27th day of MARCH, 1979.



President



Commissioners

Commissioner Vernon L. Sturgeon, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

Commissioner Richard D. Gravello, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

APPENDIX A

Item	PUC Crossing Number	Proposed Construction G.O. 72-B	Protection General Order 75-C
<u>Temporary Detour Crossings</u>			
AT & SF Main Line Tracks	2-157.28	33' wide Std. #1	two Std.#9
AT & SF Shoofly Tracks	2-157.27	33' wide Std. #1	two Std.#9
<u>Carmenita Rd Temporary Crossing</u>			
AT & SF Shoofly Tracks	2-157.31	60'wide Std. #1	two Std.#9
<u>Separated Crossing</u>			
Carmenita Rd Underpass	2-157.3-B	Underpass	-
<u>Crossings To Be Closed</u>			
Carmenita Rd	2-157.3	Abandon and Remove	-
Carmenita Rd (Shoofly)	2-157.31	Abandon and Remove	-
Detour (Shoofly)	2-157.27	Abandon and Remove	-
Detour (Main Line)	2-157.28	Abandon and Remove	-