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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

APPLICATION OF THE ATCHISON,
TOPEKA AND SANTA FE RAILWAY
COMPANY, a corporation, for
authority to maintain and
operate three industrial spur
tracks across Borate Street in the
City of Santa Fe Springs, County of
Los Angeles, State of California)

Application No. 58488
(Filed November 27, 1978)

O P I N I O N

As part of the project for development of Parcel Map No. 10771, The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company requests authority to operate and maintain three industrial spur tracks across the extension of Borate Street in the City of Santa Fe Springs, Los Angeles County.

The City of Santa Fe Springs is the lead agency for the development of Parcel Map No. 10771 pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended, Public Resources Code, Section 21000 et seq.

After preparation and review of an Initial Study, the City of Santa Fe Springs issued a Negative Declaration and approved the project. On July 19, 1978, a Notice of Determination was filed with the Los Angeles County Clerk 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 Initial Study and Negative Declaration. The site of the proposed project has also been inspected by the Commission staff. The extension of Borate Street across the three industrial spur tracks is part of the project for the industrial development of Parcel Map No. 10771 by the Santa Fe Land Development Company. Borate Street is a dedicated street in an industrial area and presently ends in a cul-de-sac west of three industrial spur tracks of The Santa Fe Railway Company. The area east of the spur tracks is now an open field and its development requires the extension of Borate Street. The surrounding area is developed industrially with rail service provided to many of the industries.

Notice of the application was published in the Commission's Daily Calendar on November 28, 1978. 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 operate and maintain three spur tracks at grade across the extension of Borate Street in the City of Santa Fe Springs, Los Angeles County, at the location and substantially as shown by the plan attached to the application, to be identified as Crossing 2-158.1-C.
2. Construction of the crossing should be equal or superior to Standard No. 2 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. Construction cost 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. The City of Santa Fe Springs is the lead agency for the project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended.
8. The Commission is a responsible agency for this project and has independently evaluated and assessed the lead agency's Initial Study and Negative Declaration.
9. This project will have no significant impact on the environment.

C O N C L U S I O N

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 Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company is authorized to operate and maintain three industrial spur tracks at grade across the extension of Borate Street 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 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 thirty days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco California, this 19th day of JUNE, 1979.

John E. Bryson
President
William L. ...
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Commissioners