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Decision 95-08-042 August 11, 1995

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the Application of the)
SAN DIEGO METROPOLITAN)
TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT BOARD)
for an order authorizing construction of a)
pedestrian undercrossing below two existing)
freight/commuter and intercity rail and two)
proposed light rail vehicle tracks in the)
City of San Diego, California.)

Application 94-04-040
(Filed April 25, 1994)

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O P I N I O N

San Diego Metropolitan Transit Development Board (MTDB) requests authority to construct a pedestrian undercrossing below two existing freight/commuter and intercity rail tracks and two proposed light rail vehicle tracks, in San Diego, San Diego County.

MTDB is responsible for implementing the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), including the construction of mass transit projects. MTDB has adopted a plan for a regional light rail transit (LRT) system linking downtown San Diego with outlying areas to the south, east, and north. The Old Town LRT Extension is part of the RTP, providing direct service between Old Town and Centre City San Diego. The Old Town Station will include station platforms for both light rail vehicles and North San Diego County Transit District commuter trains, and San Diego Transit bus parking bays. Historic Old Town is a California State Park, a major tourist destination, and a commercial center. Future light rail transit service will extend north from Old Town, west to the San Diego International Airport, and east to Mission Valley.

The Old Town pedestrian undercrossing will be located approximately 564 feet south of the existing Taylor Street vehicle and pedestrian at-grade crossing, and approximately 500 feet north of the Interstate 5 Overhead, Grade Separation.

The pedestrian undercrossing will be constructed of cast in place concrete, approximately 113 feet in length, 30 feet in width, and will provide approximately 10 feet of head room, and serve as the primary pedestrian crossing for the Old Town Transit Center.

MTDB is the lead agency for this project under the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 (CEQA), as amended, Public Resources (PR) Code Sections 21000, et seq. After preparation and review of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR), MTDB approved the project. On February 28, 1990, a Notice of Determination was filed with the San Diego County Clerk which found that "The project will not have an adverse effect on the environment."

The Commission is a responsible agency for this project under CEQA, and has reviewed and considered the lead agency's EIR and Notice of Determination. The site of the proposed grade separation has been inspected in the field and the proposed plans have been reviewed by the Commission's Safety and Enforcement Division Traffic Engineering staff.

The application was found to be in compliance with the Commission's filing requirements including Rule 38 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure which relate to the construction of public highways across railroads. Detailed drawings of the proposed construction are included in the appendices of this order.

Findings of Fact

1. Notice of the Application was published in the Commission's Daily Calendar on May 3, 1994. No protests have been received. A public hearing is not necessary.
2. MTDB requests authority under Public Utilities Code Sections 1201-1205 to construct a pedestrian undercrossing below two existing freight/commuter and intercity rail tracks and two proposed light rail vehicle tracks, in San Diego, San Diego County.

3. Construction of the new pedestrian undercrossing will provide safe access below the two existing active freight /commuter and intercity rail tracks and the two proposed light rail vehicle tracks.

4. Public convenience, necessity, and safety require construction of the pedestrian undercrossing grade separation project.

5. MTDB is the lead agency for this project under CEQA, as amended.

6. The Commission is a responsible agency for this project, and has reviewed and considered the lead agency's EIR and Notice of Determination.

Conclusion of Law:

The application should be granted as set forth in the following order.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. San Diego Metropolitan Transit Development Board (MTDB) is authorized to construct a pedestrian undercrossing below two existing freight/commuter and intercity rail tracks and two proposed light rail vehicle tracks, to be identified as Crossing No. 2-264.25-BD, in San Diego, San Diego County, as shown on Appendix A attached to this order.

2. Clearances shall be in accordance with General Order (GO) 143-A for MTDB.

3. Clearances shall be in accordance with GO 26-D and walkways shall conform to GO 118 for AT&SF and Amtrak.

4. Construction and maintenance costs shall be borne in accordance with an agreement to be entered into between the parties. In the event parties fail to agree, the Commission shall

apportion costs by further order. A copy of the agreement shall be filed with the Commission's Safety and Enforcement Division prior to commencing construction.

5. Within 30 days after completion of the work under this order, MTDB shall notify the Commission's Safety and Enforcement Division in writing that the authorized work has been completed.

6. This authorization shall expire if not exercised within three years unless time is extended or if the above conditions are not complied with. Authorization may be revoked or modified if public convenience, necessity or safety so require.

7. The application is granted as set forth above.

This order becomes effective 30 days from today.

Dated AUG 11 1995 at San Francisco, California.

DANIEL Wm. FESSLER
President

P. GREGORY CONLON

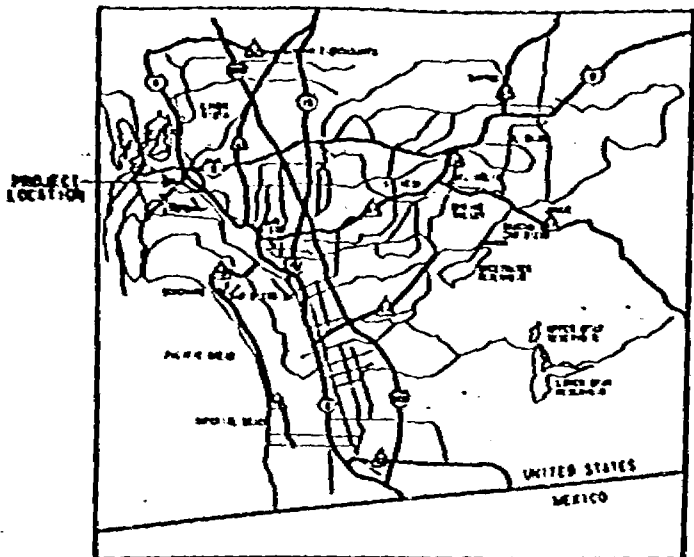
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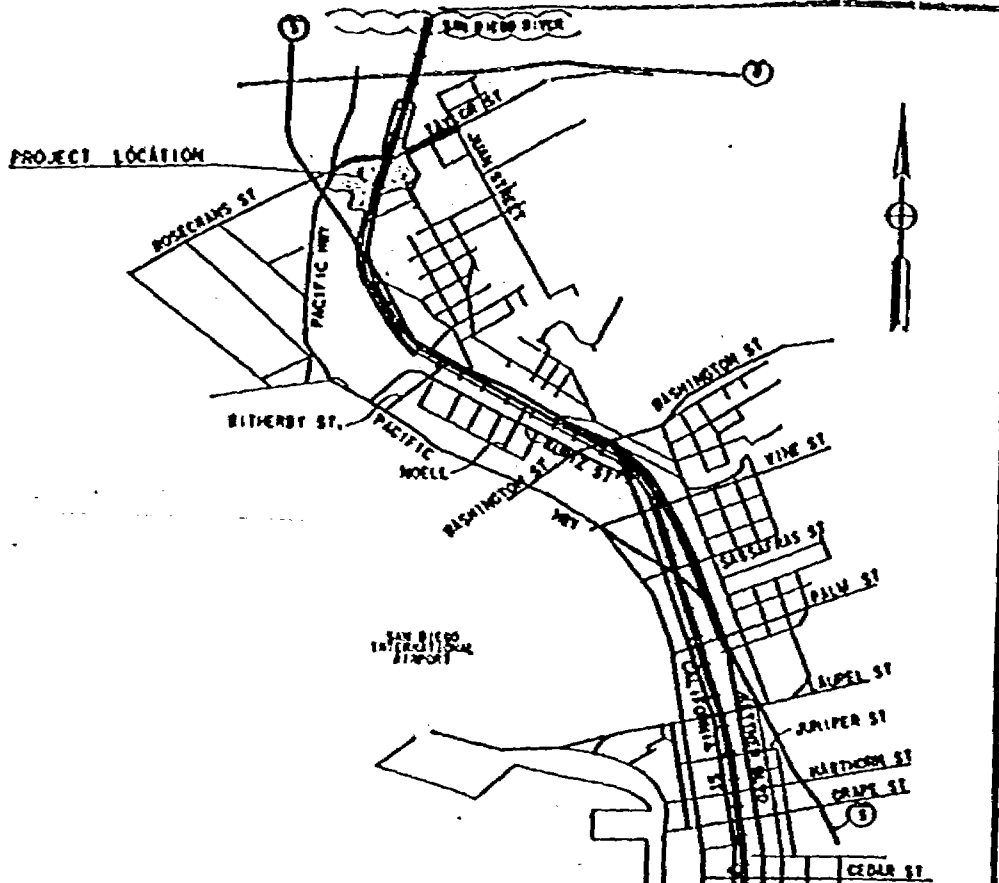
Commissioners

I CERTIFY THAT THIS DECISION
WAS APPROVED BY THE ABOVE
COMMISSIONERS TODAY

Wesley Franklin
Acting Executive Director



AREA MAP



LOCATION MAP

CITY OF SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA		SS 820701
PROJECT NO. 35X		DATE 11/13/88
DRAWN BY R. V. M.		CHECKED BY R. V. M.
DATE 11/13/88		SCALE 1" = 100'
PROJECT NO. 35X		CONTRACT NO. LW 352
DRAWING NO. SHEET NO. 83		3

NO.	DATE	REVISIONS	BY	CHK	APP

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SUBMITTAL**

DESIGNED BY R. V. M.	DATE
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PREPARED BY S. RAGLAND	

MTDB



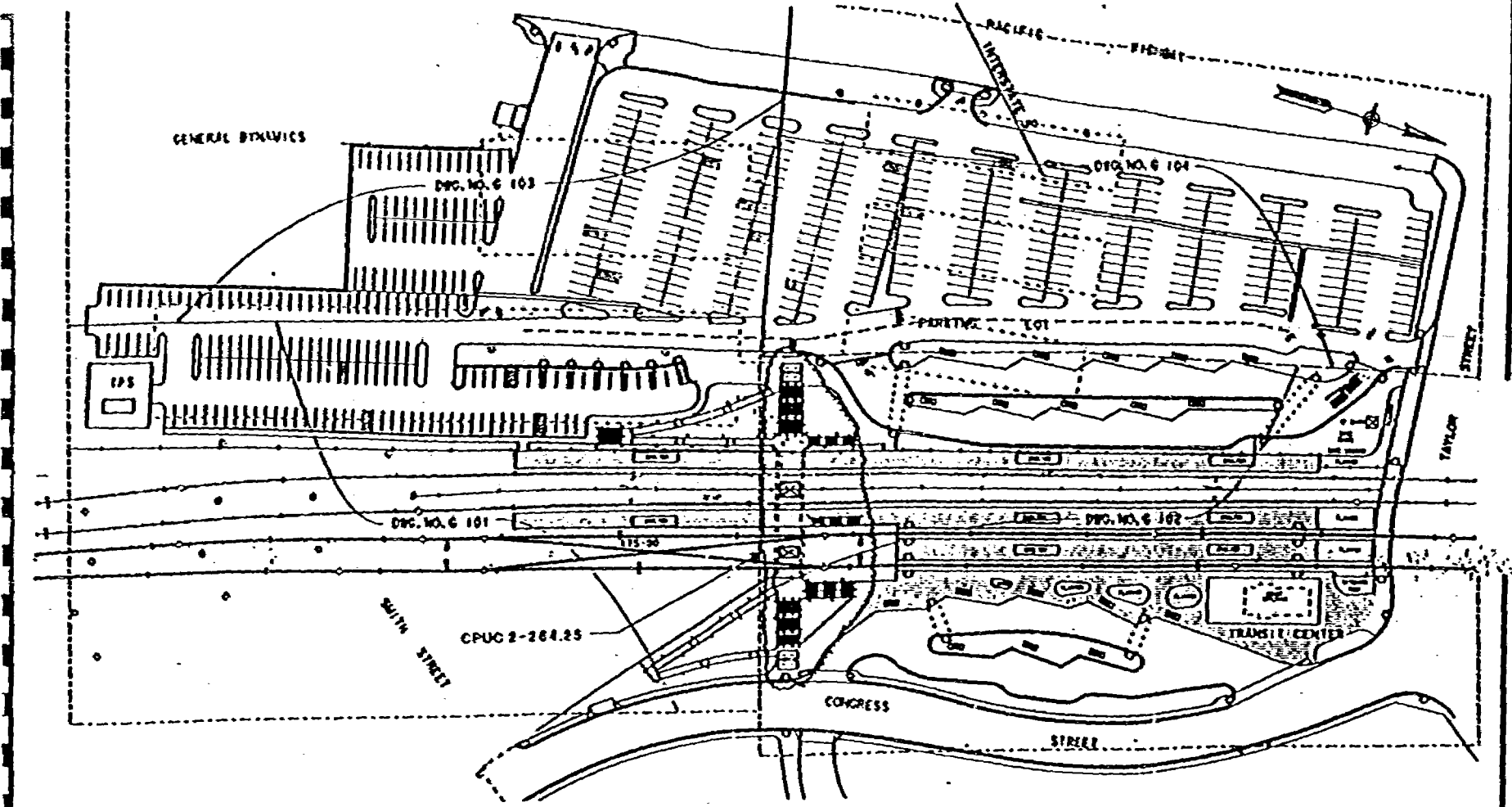
Metropolitan Transit Development Board
1255 Imperial Avenue, Suite 1000, San Diego, CA 92101-7490

LIGHT RAIL GUIDEPATH PROJECT
San Diego

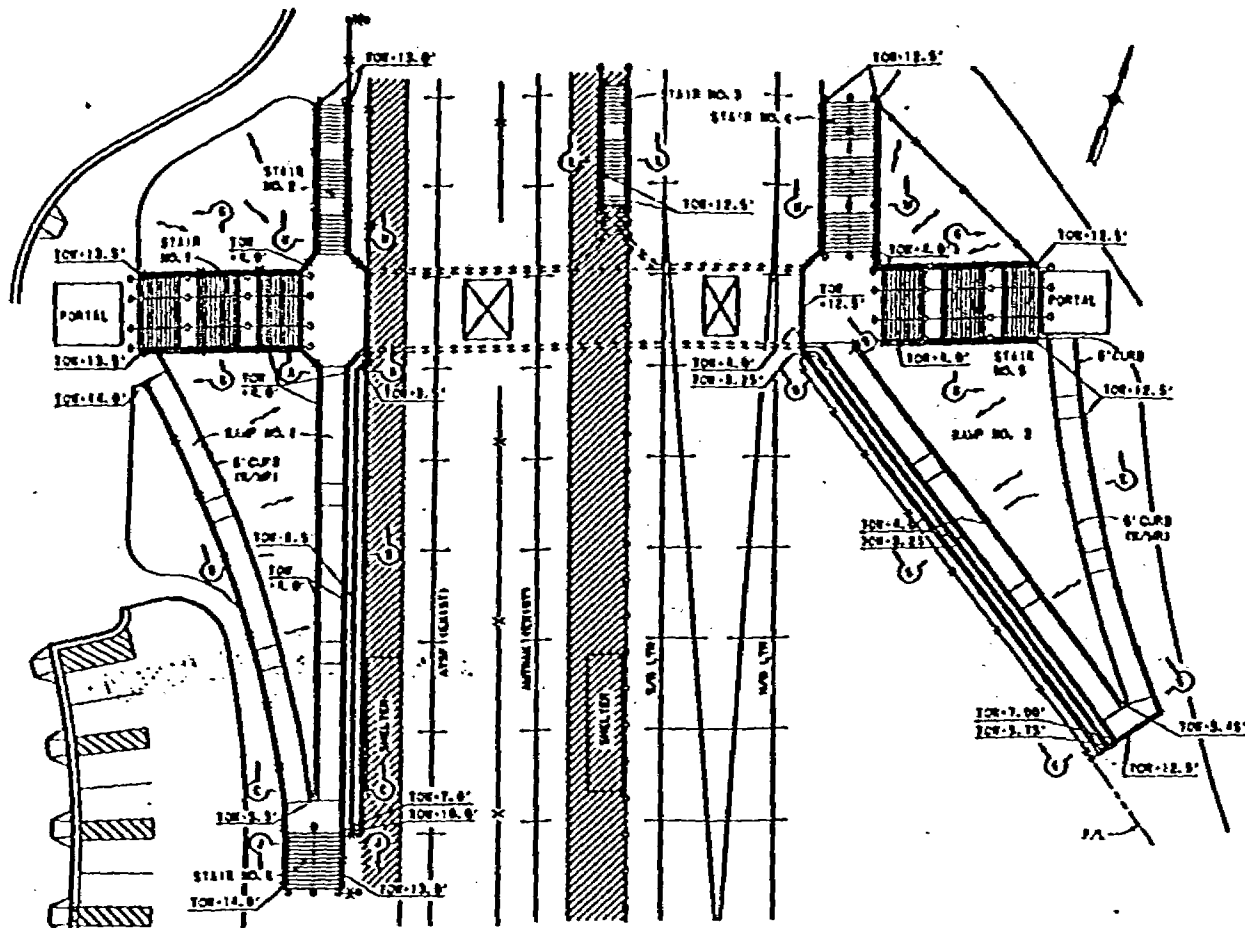
OLD TOWN TRANSIT CENTER
PROJECT AREA & LOCATION MAP

SCALE	1" = 100'
CONTRACT NO.	LW 352
SHEET NO.	83
TOTAL SHEETS	3

FOR RECORD ONLY
DRAWING SCALE IS IN FEET



DELEW CATHY 35K SUBMITTAL		DESIGNED BY C.R.S./A.R.S. DATE 12/12/94	CHECKED BY G. BILZ/AND	MTDS Metropolitan Transit Development Board 1255 Imperial Avenue, Suite 1006, San Diego, CA 92101-1794	LIGHT RAIL GUIDEWAY PROJECT San Diego OLD TOWN TRANSIT CENTER SITE PLAN TRANSIT CENTER-PARKING LOT	SCALE 1" = 40' MTD CONTRACT NO. LEE 952 SHEET NO. SHEET OF 6 100 26
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GENERAL NOTES

DESIGN
 BRIDGE DESIGN SPECIFICATIONS: 1983 AND 1978 WITH
 EXTENSIONS AND REVISIONS BY CALTRANS.

LIVE LOAD
 COOPER E-80 TRAIN LOAD

SEISMIC LOAD

EARTH PRESSURE LOAD

REINFORCED CONCRETE
 f_y = 60,000 PSI
 f'c = 3,000 PSI FOR PASSAGEWAY
 f'c = 3,250 PSI FOR STAIRS AND RAMPS

INDEX TO PLANS

SHEET NO.	TITLE
1	GENERAL PLAN
2	PASSAGEWAY PROFILE
3	CONSTRUCTION SEQUENCE
4	STAIR SECTIONS
5	RAMP SECTIONS
6	MISCELLANEOUS DETAILS

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

TOP	TOP OF BILL
P.A.	PROPERTY LINE
R/W	RIGHT OF WAY
T/W	TOP OF WALK
T/P	TOP OF PAYMENT

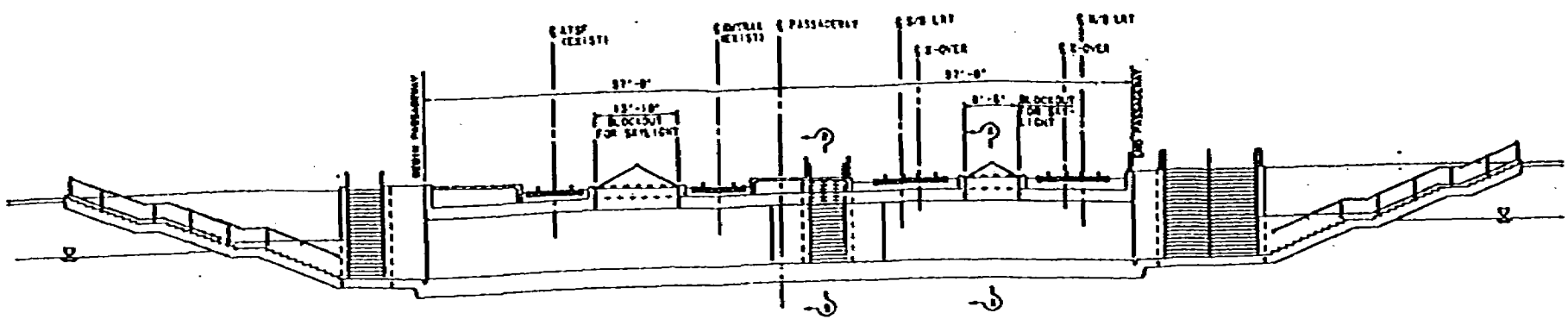
STANDARD PLANS DATED JULY 1992
 802-C LIMITS OF PAYMENT FOR EXCAVATIONS
 AND BACKFILL

NOTES:
 1. ALL STRUCTURES ARE CAST-IN-PLACE.

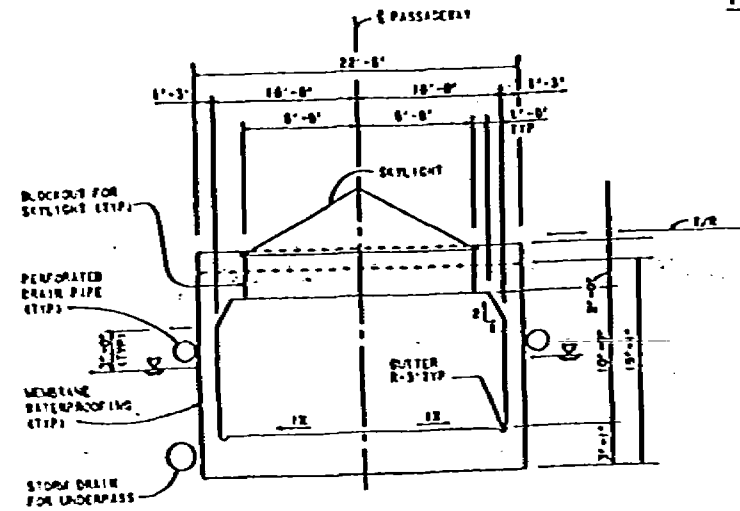
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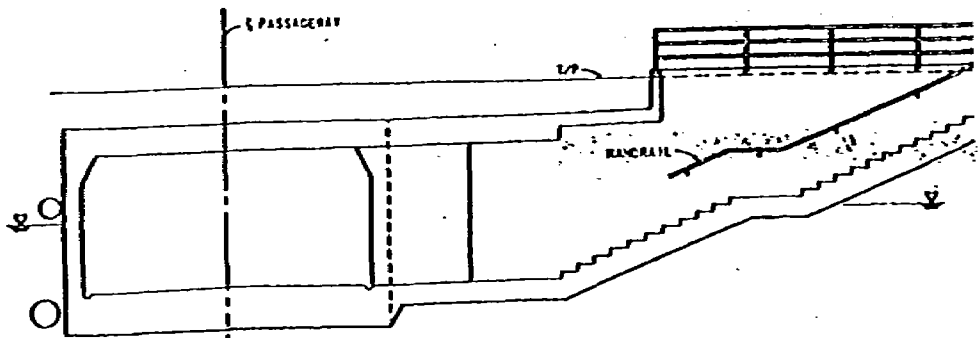
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NO.	DATE	REVISIONS	BY	CHK. APP.	<p>FOR REVISION PLAN ORIGINAL SCALE 8" = 10' HOLES ORIGINAL SCALE 8" = 10' HOLES</p>	



PASSAGEWAY PROFILE
1/4" = 1'-0"



SECTION A-A
1/4" = 1'-0"



SECTION B-B
1/4" = 1'-0"
FOR INFO NOT SHOWN
SEE SECTION A-A (SIMILAR)

DATE		REVISIONS	BY	CHK	<p>DALEW CATHER</p>	<p>35% SUBMITTAL</p>	<p>DESIGNED BY A. BRILE</p> <p>DRAWN BY L. BRANDELL</p> <p>CHECKED BY</p> <p>DATE PLOTTED 8. 24. 2004</p>	<p>MTDB</p> <p>Metropolitan Transit Development Board</p> <p>1215 Broadway Avenue, Suite 1200, San Diego, CA 92101-1498</p>	<p>LIGHT RAIL GUIDEWAY PROJECT San Diego</p> <p>PASSAGEWAY PROFILE</p>	<p>SCALE AS NOTED</p> <p>OVER CONTRACT NO. LAT 932</p> <p>DATE SHEET SET UP 01 DE 03</p>
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