

## PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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File Number: XREQ 2014050004  
West Prado (SR-91) OH  
City of Corona, Riverside County

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**SENT VIA E-MAIL**

**Re: General Order 88-B Request for Authority to Modify the West Prado State Route 91 Overhead Bridge Grade-Separated Highway-Rail Crossing, Identified as CPUC Crossing No. 002B-29.54-A and DOT No. 026533K, in City of Corona, Riverside County.**

Dear Mr. Thomas:

This refers to your letter, dated April 24, 2014, received by us on April 25, 2014, requesting authorization, pursuant to California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) General Order (GO) 88-B, to modify the grade-separated West Prado State Route (SR) 91 Overhead Bridge and the BNSF Railway Company (BNSF) Mainline 2B track highway-rail crossing (crossing) in the City of Corona, Riverside County. The crossing is identified by CPUC Crossing No. 002B-29.54-A and DOT No. 026533K.

The crossing is a 13-lane bridge structure that crosses over the BNSF track. Modifications to the crossing are part of a SR-91 corridor improvements project spanning from SR-241 to Interstate I-15. Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC), in collaboration with Caltrans, is administering the project design-build contract. The proposed modifications of the overhead include widening of westbound lanes of the West Prado Overhead, and the demolition, widening, and reconstruction of the existing westbound Green River Road Off-Ramp.

The project proposes a minimum temporary vertical clearance of 45 feet and horizontal clearance of 15 feet to the nearest track during construction. Upon completion, the crossing will have a permanent minimum vertical clearance of 24 feet and 1 inch and horizontal clearance of 26 feet 3 inches to the nearest track.

The Commission's Rail Crossings Engineering Section (RCES) investigated the request filed by RCTC and finds it adequately addresses compliance and safety. As RCTC, Caltrans, and BNSF are in agreement as to the design and apportionments of the cost under the provisions of GO 88-B, the improvements as described in your request dated April 24, 2014, and summarized above are authorized.

Temporary traffic controls shall be provided in compliance with the current version of the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD), published by the California Department of Transportation. All parties shall comply with all applicable rules, including Commission General Orders and CA MUTCD.

This project is statutorily exempt from the requirements of the California Environment Quality Act of 1970, as amended. [California Public Resources Code 21080.13].

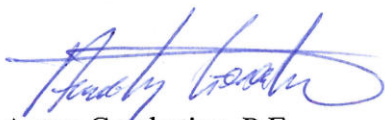
This authorization shall expire if the above conditions are not complied with or if the work is not completed within three years of the date of this letter. Upon written request to RCES, the time to complete the project may be extended. Any written request for a time extension must include concurrence letters by involved parties in support of the time extension. If an extension is requested, RCES may re-evaluate the crossing prior to granting an extension.

Within 30 days after completion of this project, RCTC and/or BNSF shall notify RCES that the authorized work is completed, by submitting a completed Commission Standard Form G titled *Report of Changes at Highway Grade Crossings and Separations*. Form G requirements and forms can be obtained at the Commission web site at <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/PUC/safety/Rail/Crossings/formg>. This report may be submitted electronically to [rces@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:rces@cpuc.ca.gov) as outlined on the web page.

At the conclusion of the project, BNSF shall submit an updated Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) inventory form to the FRA, reflecting the changes. Commission requests a concurrent copy of the updated inventory form be submitted to [rces@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:rces@cpuc.ca.gov).

If you have any questions, please contact Sergio Licon at (213) 576-7085 or [sal@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:sal@cpuc.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



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