

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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Hesperian Boulevard
City of San Leandro, Alameda County

Nicole Noronha Castelino
Senior Engineer
City of San Leandro
835 East 14th Street
San Leandro CA 94577

Re: General Order 88-B Request for Authority to Alter the Hesperian Boulevard Rail Crossing

Dear Nicole Noronha Castelino:

This refers to your letter dated December 22, 2025, requesting authorization, pursuant to California Public Utilities Commission (Commission/CPUC) General Order (GO) 88-B, to alter the Hesperian Boulevard rail crossing (crossing) of the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) track, in the City of San Leandro (City), County of Alameda. The crossing is identified as CPUC Crossing Number 004-17.20 and DOT Number 834229L.

The crossing is a north-south, six-lane roadway that consists of one track. The crossing is equipped with two curb-mounted and two median mounted Commission Standard 9 (Flashing Light Signal Assembly with Automatic Gate Arm) warning devices.

The Commission's Rail Crossings and Engineering Branch (RCEB) reviewed the request by the City. As the City and UPRR agree on the alterations and apportionment of costs under the provisions of GO 88-B, the following alterations as described and specified in the request letter and its attachments are authorized:

- Remove existing striping from Springlake Drive to Bayfair Drive.
- Install a Class IV bike lane along Hesperian Boulevard.
- Install striped and raised concrete island bike buffers.
- Apply California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD)-compliant signage and pavement markings, including RXR pavement markings, stop limit lines, and W10-1 advance warning signs.

Temporary traffic controls shall be provided in compliance with the 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 authorization shall expire if the full scope of alterations is not complete within three years of the date of this letter. City may request a time extension at least 30 days prior to the expiration date. The time extension request shall include evidence of agreement by involved parties. This authorization may be revoked or modified if public convenience, necessity, or safety requires.

This project is categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended. [California Public Resources Code §21084].

The following requirements pertain to this authorization:

- The crossing shall have the configuration and operational characteristics as described and specified in the request letter and its attachments.
- Within 30 days after the authorized scope of alterations is complete, City shall notify RCEB of the alterations by submitting a Form G to rceb@cpuc.ca.gov. Form G requirements and forms are available on the CPUC web site at <http://www.cpus.ca.gov/crossings>.
- UPRR shall electronically submit an updated Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) inventory form (Form F6180.71) to the FRA per 49 C.F.R. § 234.411(c).

If you have any questions, please contact Ramineh Medhat at (415) 791-2612 or ramineh.medhat@cpuc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Matthew Bond". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Matthew" and the last name "Bond" clearly distinguishable.

Matthew Bond, PE, TE
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Rail Crossings and Engineering Branch
Rail Safety Division

cc:

Mohammed Abushaban, JMA Civil
Jenny Van Dyke, NCE
Amber Stoffels, UPRR