

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)
THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS,)
DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS - STATE OF)
COLORADO, FOR AUTHORITY TO CON-)
STRUCT THE RAILROAD DEPRESSION IN)
AND THROUGH THE CITY OF LITTLETON,)
ARAPAHOE COUNTY, COLORADO, WHICH)
INCLUDES, AMONG OTHER THINGS, GRADE)
SEPARATION STRUCTURES TO CARRY)
STATE HIGHWAY 75 (MAIN STREET AND)
ALAMO AVENUE) AND PRINCE STREET)
TRAFFIC OVER THE TRACKS AND FACIL-)
ITIES OF THE DENVER AND RIO GRANDE)
WESTERN RAILROAD COMPANY AND THE)
ATCHISON, TOPEKA AND SANTA FE RAILWAY)
COMPANY AND ALSO INCLUDES CLOSING THE)
EXISTING AT-GRADE CROSSING OF RIDGE)
ROAD.)

APPLICATION NO. 35414
ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION

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June 25, 1985
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BY THE COMMISSION:

The summary of the official record in the above entitled application is attached as Appendix A.

Applicant did not request a public hearing.

The Commission has determined this matter upon the record herein without a formal oral hearing pursuant to the provisions of § 40-6-109(5), C.R.S.

FINDINGS OF FACT

THE COMMISSION FINDS:

1. As provided by § 40-4-106(2)(a), C.R.S. the Commission has jurisdiction in this matter.
2. Notice of this application has been given by the Commission to all interested parties pursuant to § 40-6-108(2), C.R.S.
3. All protests, if any, have been withdrawn. All petitions to intervene or other pleadings, if any, are in support of the application.
4. All statements contained in this application are adopted by reference as findings of fact.
5. The construction as proposed herein is compatible with the public safety, convenience and necessity.

CONCLUSIONS ON FINDINGS OF FACT

1. As provided by § 40-6-109(5), C.R.S., and Rule 17 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Commission may determine this matter without a formal oral hearing.

2. The public safety, convenience and necessity requires, and will be served, by the granting of this application as hereinafter ordered.

THEREFORE THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Authority is granted to the State Department of Highways, Division of Highways, State of Colorado, to construct, operate and maintain a railroad depression in and through the City of Littleton, Arapahoe County, Colorado, including three grade separation structures to carry State Highway 75 (Main Street and Alamo Avenue) and Prince Street over the tracks and facilities of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company and the Denver and Rio Grande Western Railroad Company.

2. Authority is granted to the State Department of Highways, Division of Highways, State of Colorado, to close the existing grade crossing of Ridge Road across the property and tracks of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company and the Denver and Rio Grande Western Railroad Company in the City of Littleton, Arapahoe County, Colorado upon completion of the three grade separation structures authorized in Ordering Paragraph No. 1 above.

3. The State Department of Highways, Division of Highways, State of Colorado shall design and construct all structures to meet or exceed the Commission's Regulations Governing Clearances on Railroads with Reference to Side and Overhead Structures, Parallel Tracks, Crossings of Public Roads, Highways and Streets.

4. The State Department of Highways, Division of Highways, State of Colorado shall file with the Commission as late filed exhibits, one copy of the construction plans of each phase of the project to show compliance with the clearance requirements ordered in Paragraph No. 3, above.

5. All temporary detour roadway crossings of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company and the Denver and Rio Grande Western Railroad Company necessitated by the construction of this project shall be protected by automatic flashing light signals with short arm gates in accordance with the Agreement by and between the State Department of Highways, Division of Highways, State of Colorado; the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company; and the Denver and Rio Grande Western Railroad Company dated April 20, 1985.

6. The work to be done and payment therefor shall all be performed and paid by the State Department of Highways, Division of Highways, State of Colorado; the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company; and the Denver and Rio Grande Western Railroad Company as set forth in the plans, specifications, agreement and exhibits, all as filed herein.

7. The State Department of Highways, Division of Highways, State of Colorado shall notify the Commission in writing within 10 days of the completion of the project.

8. The Commission hereby retains jurisdiction to make such further order or orders as may be required in the instant matter.

This Order is effective forthwith.

DONE IN OPEN MEETING the 25th day of June, 1985.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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APPL.FILED FOR AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT THE RR DEPRESSION IN AND THROUGH THE CITY OF LITTLETON,ARAPAHOE COUNTY.CO. WHICH INCLUDES,AMONG OTHER THINGS,GRADE SEPARATION STRUCTURES TO CARRY STATE HIGHWAY 75 (MAIN STREET AND ALAMO AVE.) AND PROTECT STREET TRAFFIC OVER THE TRACKS AND FACILITIES OF THE D & RGW RR CO.AND THE AT & SF RAILWAY CO.AND ALSO INCLUDES CLOSING THE EXISTING AT-GRADE CROSSING OF RIDGE ROAD.

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NOTICE OF APPL.FILED ISSUED.(30 DAYS).

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CANT FILED ON BEHALF OF THE D & RGW RR CO.BY JOHN S.

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WALKER,ESQ.

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BEHALF OF APPLICANT.

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PROTEST FILED ON BEHALF OF WILBUR G.WRIGHT BY ROBERT

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J.FLYNN,ESQ.

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MOTION TO INTERVENE IN SUPPORT OF THE APPLICANT FILED BY

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THE D & RGW RR CO.GRANTED BY ER NO.83-195 BY HAG.

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ENTRY OF APPL-ANCE OF COUNSEL FILED ON BEHALF OF STAFF

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OF COMMISSION BY DAVID C.HJELMFELT,ESQ.

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SET FOR HEARING AT 9 A.M. 6-8-83.DENVER.CO.

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MOTION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE IN SUPPORT OF THE APPL.

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FILED ON BEHALF OF THE TOPEKA AND SANTA FE RAILWAY CO.

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BY PETER J.CROFTS,ESQ.

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MOTION TO VACATE AND RESET HEARING DATE OF 6-8-83 FILED

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ON BEHALF OF APPLICANT BY SUSAN A.LUPTON,ESQ.

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CANT FILED BY THE AT & SF RAILWAY CO. AND MOTION TO

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AT & SF RAILWAY CO.ON 5-4-83.GRANTING MOTION TO VACATE

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150 RESETTNG HEARING AT 9 A.M., 8-2-83, DENVER, CO., ALL PRE-
150 HEARING FILING REQUIREMENTS WILL BE MODIFIED TO CONFORM
150 TO THE NEW HEARING DATE. (DEC. R83-769-1-TFD).
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120 OF THE D & RGN RR CO. BY JOHN S. WALKER, ESQ.
130 06 06 83 MOTION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE IN SUPPORT OF THE APPLI-
130 CANT FILED ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF LITTLETON BY LARRY
130 W. BERKOWITZ, ESQ.
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140 TEMMER FOR DISPOSITION.
160 06 21 83 INTERIM ORDER OF EXAMINER DIXON ISSUED GRANTING MOTION
160 TO INTERVENE IN SUPPORT OF THE APPLICANT FILED BY THE
160 CITY OF LITTLETON ON 6-6-83. (DEC. R83-979-1-TFD).
150 06 30 83 LATE-FILED EXHIBIT FILED ON BEHALF OF APPLICANT.
160 07 05 83 LIST OF WITNESSES FILED ON BEHALF OF INTERVENOR, THE AT &
160 SF RAILWAY CO., BY PETER J. CROUSE, ESQ.
170 07 05 83 LIST OF WITNESSES AND EXHIBITS FILED ON BEHALF OF APPLI-
170 CANT BY DONALD ALOSTRANDER, ESQ.
200 07 11 83 IDENTIFICATION OF WITNESS FILED ON BEHALF OF STAFF OF

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200 COMMISSION BY DAVID C. HJELMFELT, ESQ.
200 07 11 83 LIST OF WITNESSES FILED ON BEHALF OF THE AT & SF RAIL-
200 WAY CO. BY PETER J. CROUSE, ESQ.
180 07 12 83 LIST OF WITNESSES AND EXHIBITS FILED ON BEHALF OF INTER-
180 VENOR, THE D & RGN RR CO., BY JOHN S. WALKER, ESQ.
190 07 12 83 LIST OF WITNESSES AND EXHIBITS FILED ON BEHALF OF INTER-
190 VENOR, CITY OF LITTLETON, BY LARRY W. BERKOWITZ, ESQ.
200 07 22 83 STAT OF R.L. JACOBSEN, WITNESS, FILED ON BEHALF OF INTER-
200 VENOR, THE D & RGN RR CO., BY JOHN S. WALKER, ESQ.
210 07 27 83 VOLUNTARY WITHDRAWAL OF PROTEST FILED ON BEHALF OF
210 WILBUR G. WRIGHT BY ROBERT J. FLYNN, ESQ.
220 07 28 83 HEARING SET FOR 8-2-83, AT DENVER, CO., IS VACATED, SAID
220 MATTER WILL BE HANDLED BY MODIFIED PROCEDURE.
230 08 09 83 LATE-FILED EXHIBIT FILED ON BEHALF OF APPLICANT.
240 01 30 85 LATE-FILED EXHIBIT (PHASE III CONSTRUCTION) FILED ON
240 BEHALF OF APPLICANT.