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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

Order Instituting Investigation to Establish a Priority List, for the Fiscal Years 2026-2027 and 2027-2028, of Existing At-Grade Rail Crossings, of City Streets, County Roads or State Highways, in need of separation, or Existing Grade-Separated Rail Crossings in need of Alterations or Reconstruction in Accordance with Section 2452 of the California Streets and Highways Code.

Investigation 25-06-010

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING RECEIVING PROJECT NOMINATIONS INTO THE EVIDENTIARY RECORD**

This ruling marks, identifies, and receives project nominations into the evidentiary record. Projects are nominated by transit agencies, cities, counties and other public agencies for proposed grade-separated railroad crossing projects for crossings or intersections where railroad, vehicle, and pedestrian traffic share the same roadways, and have been identified as dangerous or hazardous. Each nomination has been separately marked, identified and received as exhibits numbered one through 29 in the evidentiary record of this proceeding as reflected on the attached exhibit list (Attachment 1) to this ruling.

On June 12, 2025, the Commission initiated this proceeding to establish the Grade-Separation Program Priority List (Priority List) for fiscal years 2026-2027 and 2027-2028. Under section 2452 of the California Streets and Highways Code,

the Commission adopts the Priority List. Once adopted, the Priority List sets the relative priorities for allocating state funds to qualified projects.

The goal of the Grade-Separation Program is to develop the Priority List by identifying dangerous or hazardous crossings and prioritizing them as projects for funding purposes, with the goal of eliminating conditions where there has been a showing of several accidents and injuries due to unsafe conditions. Projects include construction of new grade-separations to replace existing at-grade crossings, or altering or reconstructing existing grade-separated crossings, in some manner.

The assigned Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) held a Prehearing Conference on August 18, 2025. Commissioner Matthew Baker issued a Scoping Memo and Ruling on August 29, 2025. Project proponents filed their project nominations on October 24, 2025.

The Commission held a remote evidentiary hearing on March 20, 2026, and all project proponents introduced their nominated projects and answered questions from the assigned ALJ, the Commission's Rail Safety Division and the California Department of Transportation. All 29 project nominations, as detailed on Attachment 1, are hereby marked and received into the evidentiary record in this proceeding.

**IT IS RULED** that:

The grade-separation project nominations are separately marked, identified and received as exhibits numbered one through 29 into the evidentiary record in

this proceeding as reflected on the exhibit list in Attachment 1 to this ruling.

Dated April 24, 2026, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ LEAH S GOLDBERG

Leah S. Goldberg  
Administrative Law Judge