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84TH CONGRESS } HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES { REPORT  
2d Session } No. 2488

AMENDING SECTION 2 OF THE ACT OF MARCH 29, 1956 (70 STAT. 58), AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE TO LAKE COUNTY, CALIF., OF THE LOWER LAKE RANCHERIA

JUNE 27, 1956.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

Mr. ENGLE, from the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 11163]

The Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 11163) to amend section 2 of the act of March 29, 1956 (70 Stat. 58), authorizing the conveyance to Lake County, Calif., of the lower Lake Rancheria, and for other purposes, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

PURPOSE OF THE BILL

H. R. 11163 would amend the act of March 29, 1956 (70 Stat. 58) by deleting erroneous land description and substituting the correct description.

The act of March 29, 1956, authorized the Secretary of the Interior to sell to Lake County, Calif., at a price equal to its fair market value, for the purpose of establishing an airport, a tract of land known as the Lower Lake Rancheria, containing 140.46 acres. Excepted from the sale was a 41-acre tract described in section 2 of the act. Section 2 authorized and directed the Secretary of the Interior to issue a patent in fee or an unrestricted deed of conveyance to Harry Johnson, an Indian, for the 41-acre tract, and described the tract by metes and bounds.

The metes and bounds description in section 2 of the act of March 29, 1956, has been found to be erroneous. H. R. 11163 merely corrects these errors.

The favorable report of the Department of the Interior on this proposed legislation is set forth below:

Realty

Public Law 443 - 84th Congress  
Chapter 100 - 2d Session  
H. R. 585

AN ACT

To authorize the conveyance to Lake County, California, of the Lower Lake Rancheria, and for other purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to sell to the county of Lake, California, for the purpose of establishing an airport, all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to real property described as south half northeast quarter, and lot 2, section 34, township 13 north, range 7 west, Mount Diablo meridian, containing 140.46 acres, known as the Lower Lake Rancheria, except for a 41-acre tract described in section 2. The deed shall be made from the Secretary of the Interior to the Lake County Board of Supervisors, and the purchase price shall be the fair market value of such property at the time of sale as determined by the Secretary of the Interior. The proceeds of the sale shall be deposited in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of the Indians of California in their 4 per centum judgment fund established under section 6 of the Act of May 18, 1928 (ch. 623, 45 Stat. 601, 603).

Lower Lake Rancheria, Lake County, Calif. Conveyance.

70 Stat. 58.  
70 Stat. 59.

25 USC 656.  
Harry Johnson.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Interior is authorized and directed to issue a patent in fee or an unrestricted deed of conveyance to Harry Johnson for the following-described land, to wit: Beginning at a point on the east line of lot 2, of section 34, township 13 north, range 7 west, Mount Diablo base and meridian, that is north 48 degrees 21 minutes 45.5 seconds west, 2,561.46 feet from the southeast corner of section 34, said township and range; and from said point of beginning running thence north 48 degrees 17 minutes 30 seconds west, 1,714.81 feet to a point on the west line of lot 2, of said section 34, that is north 48 degrees 19 minutes 42.2 seconds west, 5,141.47 feet from the southeast corner of said section 34; thence south, along the west line of lot 2 of said section 34 to the meander line of Clear Lake; thence southeasterly, along said meander line of Clear Lake, to the east line of lot 2, said section 34; and thence north, along the east line of lot 2, said section 34, to the point of beginning, containing 41 acres more or less.

Approved March 29, 1956.

2 CONVEYANCE TO LAKE COUNTY, CALIF., OF LOWER LAKE RANCHERIA

H. R. 585 provides that the proceeds of the sale shall be deposited in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of the Indians of California.

The favorable report of the Department of the Interior dated June 30, 1955, follows:

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,  
Washington, D. C., June 30, 1955.

Hon. CLAIR ENGLE,  
*Chairman, Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs,  
House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.*

MY DEAR MR. ENGLE: Your committee has requested a report on H. R. 585, a bill to authorize the conveyance to Lake County, Calif., of the Lower Lake Rancheria.

We recommend that H. R. 585 be enacted, if amended, as suggested below.

The bill authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to sell to Lake County, Calif., at a price equal to its fair market value, for the purpose of establishing an airport, a tract of land known as the Lower Lake Rancheria, excepting 41 acres which the Secretary is directed to convey to Harry Johnson, an Indian.

The rancheria, comprising an area of 140.46 acres, was purchased with funds appropriated by the act of August 1, 1914 (38 Stat. 582, 589), for the purchase of land for the homeless Indians of California. The United States acquired the land on January 25, 1916, for a consideration of \$1,404.60, for the benefit of the landless Indians residing in the immediate vicinity thereof.

The rancheria is one of several tracts acquired for Indian use and occupancy with funds appropriated by Congress during the years 1910-14. The Bureau of Indian Affairs, in administering the tracts, has generally made small parcels available to needy individual Indians through assignments. On October 9, 1947, the rancheria was assigned to Harry Johnson and another California Indian. Mr. Johnson alone moved onto the property. He constructed a small house on the rancheria, but has been using only the 41-acre tract.

The proposed sale of the land in excess of the needs of the Indian occupant and the vesting of title to the 41-acre tract in Mr. Johnson, the present Indian assignee, is in line with the present policy of termination of Federal supervision over the property and activities of the Indians of the State of California.

It is suggested that the last sentence of section 1 be deleted and that there be substituted therefor, "The proceeds of the sale shall be deposited in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of the Indians of California in their 4-percent judgment fund established under section 6 of the act of May 18, 1928 (ch. 623, 45 Stat. 601, 603)."

The Bureau of the Budget has advised us that there is no objection to the submission of this report to your committee.

Sincerely yours,

ORME LEWIS,  
*Assistant Secretary of the Interior.*

# Calendar No. 1669

84TH CONGRESS }  
*2d Session* }

SENATE

{ REPORT  
No. 1645 }

## AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE TO LAKE COUNTY, CALIF., OF THE LOWER LAKE RANCHERIA

MARCH 9 (legislative day, MARCH 6), 1956.—Ordered to be printed

Mr. O'MAHONEY, from the Committee on Interior and Insular  
Affairs, submitted the following

### REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 585]

The Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 585), authorizing the conveyance to Lake County, Calif., of the Lower Lake Rancheria, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass.

#### EXPLANATION OF THE BILL

The purpose of H. R. 585 is to authorize the conveyance to Lake County, Calif., of a part of the Lower Lake Rancheria, and to provide authority for issuance of a patent to the balance of the land to the present occupant thereof.

H. R. 585 would authorize the Secretary of the Interior to sell to Lake County, Calif., at a price equal to its fair market value, for the purpose of establishing an airport, a tract of land known as the Lower Lake Rancheria, except 41 acres which the Secretary is directed to convey to Harry Johnson.

Lower Lake Rancheria containing 140.46 acres was purchased in 1916 for \$1,404.60 from funds appropriated by the act of August 1, 1914 (38 Stat. 582, 589), for the purchase of land for homeless Indians of California. In 1947 the rancheria was assigned to the present occupant, Harry Johnson, who has been using only 41 acres of the land. The Secretary of the Interior is authorized and directed to issue a patent in fee or unrestricted title of conveyance to Mr. Johnson. Both the sale of the land and the vesting of the title to the 41-acre tract is in accordance with the present policy of termination of Federal supervision over the property and activities of the Indians of California.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,  
Washington 25, D. C., June 20, 1956.

Hon. CLAIR ENGLE,  
Chairman, Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs,  
House of Representatives, Washington 25, D. C.

MY DEAR MR. ENGLE: Your committee has requested a report on H. R. 11163, a bill to amend section 2 of the act of March 29, 1956 (70 Stat. 58), authorizing the conveyance to Lake County, Calif., of the Lower Lake Rancheria, and for other purposes.

We recommend that the bill be enacted.

The act of March 29, 1956 (70 Stat. 58), authorized the Secretary of the Interior to sell to Lake County, Calif., a tract of land known as the Lower Lake Rancheria, containing 140.46 acres, excepting from said sale a 41-acre tract described in section 2. Section 2 authorized and directed the Secretary of the Interior to issue a patent in fee or an unrestricted deed of conveyance to Harry Johnson for the 41-acre tract, and described the tract by metes and bounds.

After the enactment of the act of March 29, 1956, supra, it was found that the metes and bounds description of the 41-acre tract was erroneous. H. R. 11163 amends the previous act by deleting the erroneous description and substituting the correct description.

The Bureau of the Budget has advised us that there is no objection to the submission of this report.

Sincerely yours,

WESLEY A. D'EWART,  
Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

Enactment of H. R. 11163 is recommended by the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW

In compliance with clause 3 of Rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, changes in existing law made by the bill, as introduced, are shown as follows (existing law proposed to be omitted is enclosed in black brackets, new matter is printed in italics, existing law in which no change is proposed is shown in roman):

ACT OF MARCH 29, 1956 (70 STAT. 58)

That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to sell to the county of Lake, California, for the purpose of establishing an airport, all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to real property described as south half northeast quarter, and lot 2, section 34, township 13 north, range 7 west, Mount Diablo meridian, containing 140.46 acres, known as the Lower Lake Rancheria, except for a 41-acre tract described in section 2. The deed shall be made from the Secretary of the Interior to the Lake County Board of Supervisors, and the purchase price shall be the fair market value of such property at the time of sale as determined by the Secretary of the Interior. The proceeds of the sale shall be deposited in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of the Indians of California in their 4 per centum judgment fund established under section 6 of the Act of May 18, 1928 (ch. 623, 45 Stat. 601, 603).

SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Interior is authorized and directed to issue a patent in fee or an unrestricted deed of conveyance to Harry Johnson for the following-described land, to wit: [Beginning at a point on the east line of lot 2, of section 34, township 13 north, range 7 west, Mount Diablo base and meridian, that is north 48 degrees 21 minutes 45.5 seconds west, 2,561.46 feet from the southeast corner of section 34, said township and range; and from said point of beginning running thence north 48 degrees 17 minutes 30 seconds west, 1,714.81 feet to a point on the west line of lot 2, of said section 34, that is north 48 degrees 19 minutes 42.2 seconds west, 5,141.47 feet from the southeast corner of said section 34; thence south, along the west line of lot 2 of said section 34 to the meander line of Clear Lake; thence southeasterly, along said meander line of Clear Lake, to the east line of lot 2, said section 34; and thence north, along the east line of lot 2, said section 34, to the point of beginning, containing 41 acres more or less.] *Beginning at a point on the east line of lot 2, section 34, township 13 north, range 7 west, Mount Diablo base and meridian, that is situated south 48 degrees 17 minutes 30 seconds east, a distance of 849.39 feet from a point that is north 48 degrees 19 minutes 57 seconds west, a distance of 4,276.27 feet from the southeast corner of said section 34 and from said point of beginning, running thence north along the east line of said lot 2 to the center of said section 34; thence east along the line running east and west through the center of said section 34, a distance of 431.9 feet; thence north 48 degrees 12 minutes west, a distance of 464.5 feet; thence west to the west line of said lot 2; thence south along the west line of said lot 2 to the U. S. meander line of Clear Lake; thence southeasterly along said meander line to the east line of said lot 2; thence north along the east line of said lot 2, to the point of beginning, containing 41 acres, more or less.*

Public Law 751 - 84th Congress  
Chapter 660 - 2d Session  
H. R. 11163

AN ACT

To amend section 2 of the Act of March 29, 1956 (70 Stat. 58), authorizing the conveyance to Lake County, California, of the Lower Lake Rancheria, and for other purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 2 of the Act of March 29, 1956 (70 Stat. 58), is amended by striking all of the section following the phrase "for the following-described land, to wit", and inserting: "Beginning at a point on the east line of lot 2, section 34, township 13 north, range 7 west, Mount Diablo base and meridian, that is situated south 48 degrees 17 minutes 30 seconds east, a distance of 849.39 feet from a point that is north 48 degrees 19 minutes 57 seconds west, a distance of 4,276.27 feet from the southeast corner of said section 34 and from said point of beginning, running thence north along the east line of said lot 2 to the center of said section 34; thence east along the line running east and west through the center of said section 34, a distance of 431.9 feet; thence north 48 degrees 12 minutes west, a distance of 464.5 feet; thence west to the west line of said lot 2; thence south along the west line of said lot 2 to the U. S. meander line of Clear Lake; thence southeasterly along said meander line to the east line of said lot 2; thence north along the east line of said lot 2, to the point of beginning, containing 41 acres, more or less."

Lower Lake  
Rancheria,  
Lake County,  
Calif.  
Ante, p.59.

70 Stat. 595.  
70 Stat. 596.

Approved July 20, 1956.



UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

For the Files BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

Feb. 21, 1952

Mr. Leonard M. Hill, Acting Area Director

Proposed Lakeport Airport

Today the following persons called on me in connection with the proposed Lakeport Airport involving a portion of the Lower Lake Rancheria:

Mr. B. M. Doolin  
Director of Aeronautics  
Aeronautics Commission

Mr. R. L. Webb  
Supervising Engineer  
Aeronautics Commission

Mr. Henry Mauldin  
County Supervisor, District #5  
Lakeport, California

Mr. John Pierce  
County Supervisor, District #5  
Lakeport, California

Apparently these men talked to Area Director Ring previously and there had been an exchange of correspondence relating to the proposition of transferring a part of the Rancheria to the County for the Municipal Airport with the idea of the County supplying the Indians with some more desirable land in exchange. I understood from the conversation that Mr. Ring had promised to make an appraisal of the proposed airport land after the County people had obtained approval signatures of the Indians involved. However, the County people have been reluctant to ask approval of the Indians since they are not positive that sufficient funds are available to complete the transaction, therefore, they wish to have an appraisal made as soon as possible so as to enable them to proceed with the transaction if funds are available, or to drop the matter if sufficient funds are not available. I informed them that no such sale or exchange could be accomplished without Congressional authorization. They were aware of this fact but stated that the Congressional delegation, or more particularly, the Congressman representing their District was informed of the situation and was ready to introduce any authorizing legislation necessary.

I promised that we would cooperate and would make the appraisal as soon as possible and in any case, would let them know what our plans were within one week. Mr. Doolin stated that since he was located here in Sacramento that he could be contacted conveniently and would be glad to offer any information or assistance which he could.

LH/ak

cc: Mr. Douglas Clark

March 23, 1922

Mr Harry Wilsey,  
Lower Lake, Calif.

My dear Sir:

Your letter of the 28, ulto. received. Before I could answer it I waited to get a map and some information from Washington which has just come.

The map sent me is of the land bought of what is called the Purvis tract. contains about forty acres and it was allotted. The Indian Office say they have no record of any land bought for the Caschia mentioned in my letter, meaning the Cache Creek band. They say this was purchased for the Sulphur Bank and other bands of Indians. Now tell me is it the Purvis tract you are talking about? If not can you find or send me some kind of a map or drawing which will show the location of the land on which you have moved, who purchased of, etc. The Purvis tract was allotted by Mr Kelsey to the following:

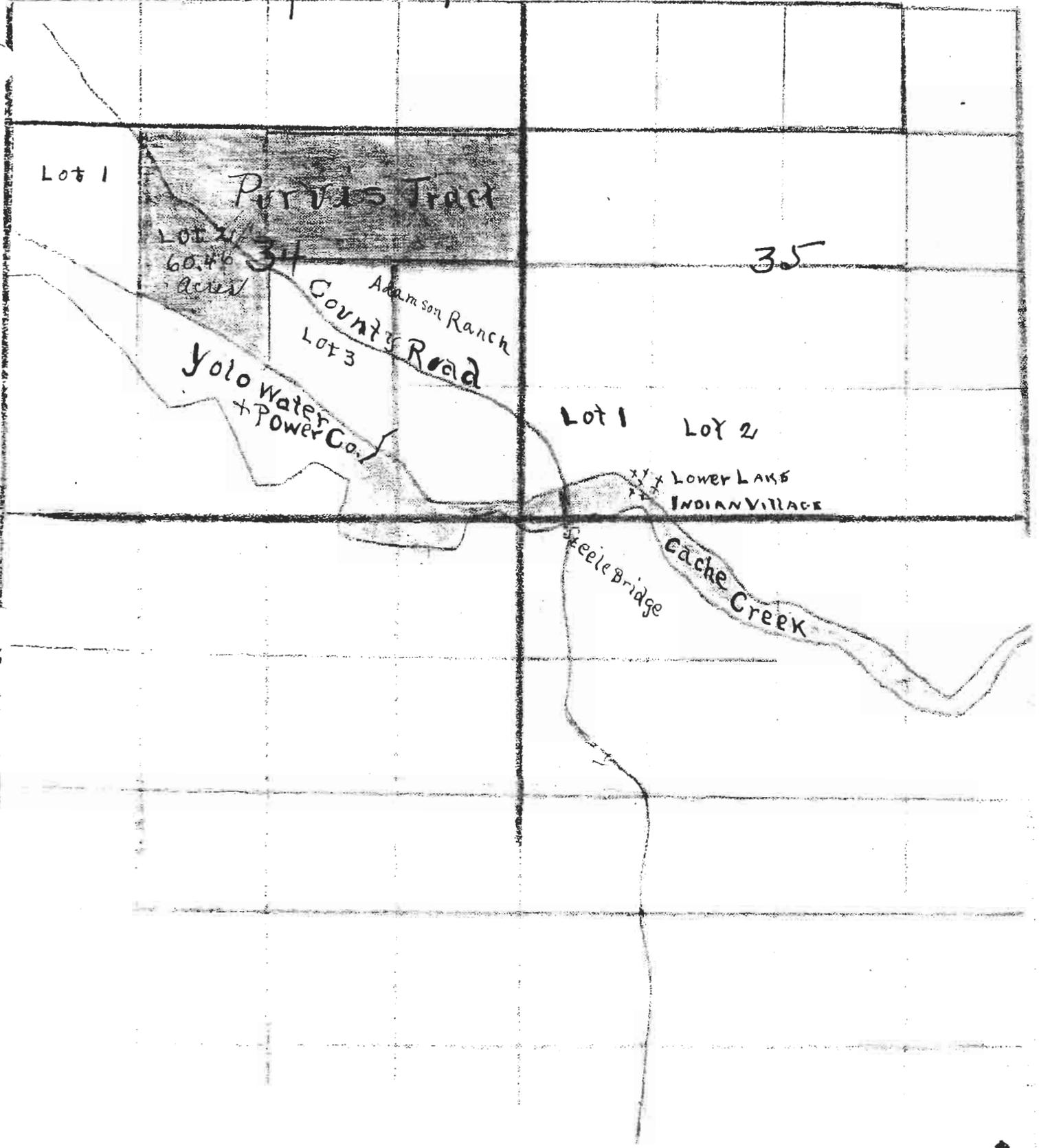
Lightner Williams,	Thomas Robinson,	Little Jake,
Thomas Leon,	Osborn Williams,	Jim Kelsey,
John Johnson,	Mateo Tommi	Clifford Salvador,
Grant Jacobs	Kelsey Stephens	Jim Brown
Little Thomas	George Patch,	

Now tell me who these men are and are they on the land with you? If you are sure that you are on the land government bought for the Cache Creek Band go ahead and farm it but I have nothing to verify anything for the Cache Creek band. I would like to get to you folks but we cannot travel over the roads the way they have been for a month and much sickness here. I want to look after you as soon as possible and when I can get away from here. Write to me again and give me some information.

Sincerely yours.

Superintendent.

Township 13 N 7 West



*Lower Lake*

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*Good reference  
to the 1920  
file  
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

UNITED STATES INDIAN FIELD SERVICE

Round Valley Indian Agency  
Coalinga, Calif. Feb 22, 1922

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:

Can your office furnish me with a blue print or pencil draft of the land purchased by the late Mr Terrell for the Indians at Lower Lake, known as the "Purvis Tract". Also of the land bought for the Sulphur Bank and Gaschis Band near Lower Lake, Lake County.

I have no plat of these rancheries and should like something upon which to try and locate the corners and arrange for the fences on both places. There was considerable correspondence in 1919-20 about this Lower Lake tract and the fencing from your Office to Mr Terrell and from him to you.

Very truly yours

Mac/

Superintendent.

REFER IN REPLY TO THE FOLLOWING:

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ADDRESS ONLY THE  
COMMISSIONER OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Land-Allotments  
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WASHINGTON

MAR 11 1922

*Laurey Lake  
Rancheria*  
MAR 11 1922

Mr. Walter W. McConihe,  
Supt. Round Valley School.

My dear Mr. McConihe:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of February 22, 1922, requesting that you be furnished a copy of the plat of a tract of land, purchased for landless Indians, and known as the Purvis tract.

There is inclosed herewith a photostatic copy of a plat prepared by Inspector J. J. Terrell, which shows said tract subdivided into the assignments as he contemplated them. It appears from the correspondence that the Purvis tract was purchased for the Sulphur Bank and other bands of Indians, but we have not been able to find any reference to the Cascina band mentioned in your letter.

Can you give any further information that will enable the Office to identify that band or the land purchased for them?

Very truly yours,

*C. P. Hauke*

Chief Clerk.

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*Terrell  
see in  
envelope  
with other  
plat*

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Round Valley Indian Agency

Covelo, Calif. February 4, 1923

Mr Harry Wilsey;

Lower Lake,

Calif.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of December 28, was received on the second of February, regarding the fencing of your land. I am sorry to tell you that the Department will not furnish the Indians of the different rancheries with wire for fencing their allotments. I have tried it for two or three other places and there does not seem to be any money for such purposes.

You say you wrote me some time in April last but received no answer. You will see that on April 27 last I wrote you a long letter. No letter was received from you in April.

I am really sorry about this fence matter for I know how you people are situated and how much you need help but I cannot do the impossible. It takes money to build fences and the Department says they have none, so there is nothing we can do about it.

With kindn regards, I remain,

Very sincerely yours.

McC/

Superintendent.

Oct. 24, 1923.

Mr. Wilsey Lewis,  
Lower Lake, Calif.

My dear Mr. Lewis:

I have just received your letter of October 20th regarding your land down there, and your request for wire to fence it, also your request to know when it is going to be surveyed.

I have no plat of your reservation. I think it was bought by Mr. Terral. At any event I do not know who the allottees are, or whether it has been allotted. I think we have had that question up before. I know of no way of fencing this land with government money as the Department has repeatedly informed me that they have no funds for such purposes. If, as you say, you wish to cut the wood and sell it which is on your place, so that you can clear the place and build on it, I can see no objection to your doing so, and applying the proceeds of the sale of the wood toward the fencing.

I do not know at present when I will be able to get over to Lower Lake, probably not now until spring opens up. I shall be glad to give you any assistance possible in getting your fence up, but this is the only suggestion that I can make to you.

Very truly yours,

Superintendent.

McC:D

Lower Lake, California

May 3, 1953

RESOLUTION

Whereas, the County Board of Supervisors of Lake County, California, are desirous of acquiring by purchase at the appraised price, the tract known as the Lower Lake Rancheria, described as the S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$  and Lot 2 of Sec. 34, T. 13 N., R. 7 W., M.D.M., for the purpose of establishing a county airport, and

Whereas, the Board of Supervisors have agreed in writing to re-transfer by gift deed to ~~Lewis Johnson and Stella Johnson, his wife, and Harry Johnson and Isabella Johnson, his wife,~~ Harry Johnson and Isabella Johnson, his wife, as joint tenants, the present residents of the Lower Lake Rancheria, a tract containing 41 acres, described in the contract to be executed between the Board of Supervisors of Lake County and the Secretary of the Interior, and

*[Handwritten signatures]*

Whereas, the completion of this transaction requires enactment of legislation by Congress,

Now Therefore, it is hereby resolved by the present residents and only known members of the Lower Lake Rancheria to concur in the transfer of the Lower Lake Rancheria to the County for airport purposes and to receive in fee as joint tenants title to the 41 acres to be gift-deeded to the persons named above, their heirs and assigns forever, and

It is further resolved that the above-named individuals agree to the retention of the purchase price in a special account until its disposition shall be determined, either by Congress or by the Secretary of the Interior.

WITNESSES:

Members of Lower Lake Rancheria:

Henry Mauldin

Franklin Clark

Stella Johnson

Lewis Johnson

Harry Johnson

Isabella Johnson

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

CERTIFICATE OF APPRAISEMENT

Allottee Lower Lake Rancheria No. \_\_\_\_\_ Agency Sacramento

I hereby certify that on the 28th day of February, 1952,

I personally visited and made a careful inspection of the following-described lands:

S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> and Lot 2, Sec. 34, T. 13 N., R. 7 W., M.D.M., California, containing

140.46 acres

being the ~~allotment of~~ Lower Lake Rancheria (P.P. 1916)

That I find the character of the land and the value, in my best judgement, to be as follows: Agricultural \_\_\_\_\_ acres; Grazing 140.46 acres; Timber \_\_\_\_\_ acres; Irrigated \_\_\_\_\_ acres; Irrigable \_\_\_\_\_ acres; Oil, gas, or mineral value (if any) \$ \_\_\_\_\_; value for power-site purposes (if any) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Homesites - 37.41 ac. at \$50 - \$1870.50	
Land - 40.00 ac. at \$ 4 = 160.00	\$ 2,661.00
63.05 ac. at \$10 = 630.50	
Improvements Replacement value of improvements	<u>1,000.00</u>
Total - - - - -	<u>3,661.00</u>

*Milton A. Logsdon*  
Milton A. Logsdon ~~Superintendent.~~  
Land Field Agent

NOTE.— The appraisalment should be made to correspond with the legal divisions for which bids will be received. The appraisalment should be made by the superintendent, but in cases where it is not possible for him to personally appraise the land, he should appoint an appraiser and fill out the following blank:

I hereby certify that Milton A. Logsdon, Land Field Agent, was appointed by me to appraise the land above described; that he is well acquainted with the value of lands in the vicinity of the tract above described, and fully competent to make such appraisalment, and that I verily believe the above appraisalment is the true value of the land and the improvements thereon.

Dated 28th day of February, 1952

*Leonard M. Hill*  
Leonard M. Hill ~~Superintendent.~~  
Acting Area Director

January 26" 1922

The County Surveyor

Lake County,

Lakeport, Calif.

Dear Sir:

In 1917 the United States purchased a tract of land known as the "Purvis" tract near Lower Lake. I have no plat of the land or its description, the deed not having passed through this Office or handled by me. I am very desirpus of obtaining just a rough draft of this tract, showing the feet on all sides of it. Also its description. I have no funds at my disposal for any fees which may be connected with this work by you. Can you do this for me. Would like it as soon as possible in connection with the fencing of the land.

Very truly yours.

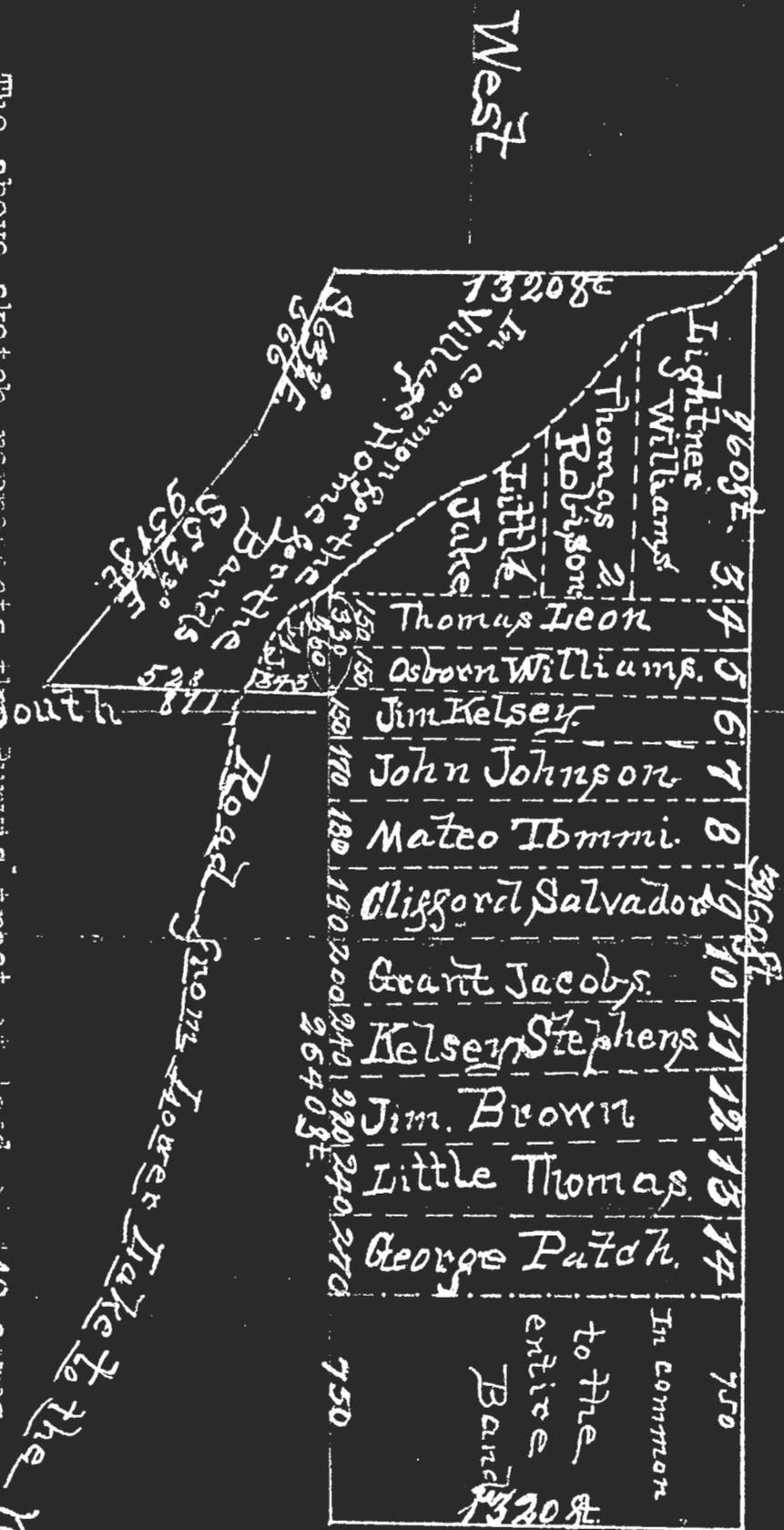
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Superintendent.

Lower Lake

- 1 - Clifford Salvador
- 2 - Stephen Kelsey
- 3 - George Patch  
Rebecca Simona Patch  
Josephine "  
Thresa Williams (Daughter of Josephine)
- 4 - Raphael Patch  
Carmelita "  
Elvira "  
Eliza "
- 5 - Grant Jake  
Etta "  
Caroline Williams (Granddaughter)
- 6 - John Smith  
Agnes "  
Rooney "  
Issac "  
Cecelia "
- 7 - Johnnie Kelsey  
Effie "
- 8 - Little Thomas  
Wanda "  
Cecil "

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 INSPECTOR  
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The above sketch represents the survey tract of land of 640 acres in Lake County, Minnesota, about a mile and a half from the shore of Lower Lake, to the southwest approaches within 50 to 400 yards of Clear Lake, a very large and beautiful body pure mountain water, as subdivided among the heads of the Indian families of the Lower Lake and Sulphur Bands of Indians.

By John J. Terrell,  
 Inspector, Indian Service.  
 July -, 1917.

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COMMISSIONER OIA  
NEW INTERIOR BLDG.  
WASHINGTON D. C.

ATTN. HARRY A. SELLERY, CHIEF COUNSEL

RE HR 6105 ADVISED TODAY BY LAKE COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY STATE  
CONSTITUTION PROHIBITS COUNTY FROM CONVEYING AS GIFT TO JOHNSONS  
PORTION OF TRACT INCLUDED IN BILL. HE ALSO DISCUSSED WITH BOARD  
OF SUPERVISORS WHO ARE WILLING OUR DELXXX DEPARTMENT MODIFY LANGUAGE OF  
BILL AS YOU SUGGESTED. WE AGREE WITH CHANGE. THEY UNDERSTAND APPRAISED  
PRICE COVERS PORTION OF RANHERIA THEY ARE TO ACQUIRE. COUNTY ANXIOUS  
THERE BE NO IMPEDIMENT TO COMPLETION OF TRANSACTION.

LEONARD M. HILL AREA DIRECTOR BIA

6105

END FO 10-25A  
ACK PLS

MIN

ECG 398 OIA SAC END SF 535 1026A BH  
CHG IS 60 FOR 3 MINS TNX

ABOVE LAKE COUNTY WARRANT IS IN  
PAYMENT OF ITEMS LISTED BELOW

PLEASE DETACH THIS  
VOLUME OF WARRANT

DATE OF CLAIM	EXPLANATORY	AMOUNT
Aug 31	For 99.46 acres, a portion of the Lower Lake Rancheria as authorized by Public Laes 443 and 751, at fair market value \$3,650.00 Amount paid <u>3,640.00</u> Aug 27, 1956, as billed 8/21/56  10.00 Balance due	10.00
	TOTAL	

THIS WARRANT IS ISSUED IN FULL PAYMENT OF THE WITHIN ACCOUNT  
IF NOT CORRECT, RETURN TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR WITHOUT ALTERATION, AND STATE DIFFERENCE

*J. A. Derrington*  
*Rancheria*

April 19, 1926.

Mr. John L. Pope, Chairman,  
Clear Lake Highlands,  
Chamber of Commerce,  
Lower Lake, California.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 27, 1926, relative to the Indian lands located near Lower Lake, California.

Kindly be advised that all the Indians in the State of California are under the jurisdiction of the local courts with the exception of titles concerning their property. Authority is hereby granted you to post notices on the land in question that the practice of using same as a dumping ground must be discontinued immediately. As you did not state in this letter the description of the land it is not known whether action relative to the violating of this trespass notice would have to be brought in the local courts or the Federal courts, however, it is not seen if the land is held in trust by the Government why protests could not be brought against the trespassers on the charge of maintaining a public nuisance.

On the next visit to your locality by a representative of this office, a call will be made upon you relative to this matter.

Very truly yours,

L. A. Derrington,  
Superintendent.

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Township 13 N., Range 7W., M.D.M.,  
California

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*Lower Lake  
no more  
Sackett*

Ukiah, May 16, 1939

Mr. Roy Nash  
Indian Agent  
Sacramento, California

Dear Sir:

The Dept. of Public Works, Division of Highways, is interested in leasing a piece of ground (approx. one acre) for use as a stockpile site and for use in mixing premix, same located on the "Purvis Flat" Indian Rancherie or 1.93 miles north of Lower Lake and on east side of State highway.

Please advise if this land can be leased and if so the amount of rental per year. The State has been leasing stockpile sites at the rate of \$10.00 to \$15.00 per year.

Yours very truly

*C. H. Sackett*  
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Maint. Supt.

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(A sketch of proposed lease is attached)

Sacramento Indian Agency  
Sacramento, California  
January 6, 1940

Mr. Ralph M. Shane  
U. S. Indian Service  
Lakeport, California

Dear Mr. Shane:

I attach hereto rough plat of the Lower  
Lake Rancheria, sometimes called the Purvis Tract.  
There is a deed on record in the County Recorders  
office at Lakeport. When you have the time will  
you please get the correct description and locate  
the corners on this property?

Very truly yours,

ROY WASH, Superintendent

By

Chief Clerk

RM:mb

Inc.

July 18

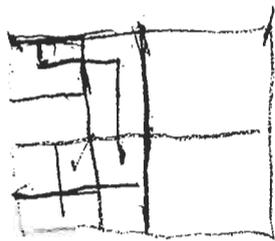
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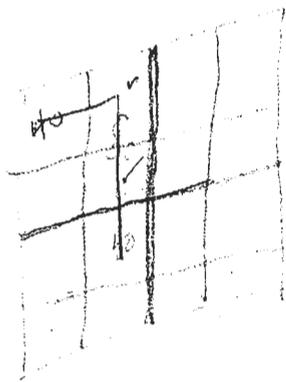
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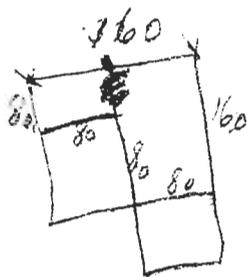
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