

22. (STATE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME, REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OF LANDS FROM PUBLIC SALE - GEO.-SISKIYOU COUNTY.) On March 5, 1954, a request was received from the State Department of Fish and Game for the withdrawal from public sale of the W $\frac{1}{2}$  of Section 36, T. 48 N., R. 3 E., M.D.M., Siskiyou County, contingent upon its acquisition by the Department.

The reasons given by the Department of Fish and Game for the requested withdrawal and subsequent purchase are that the lands compose a rocky ridge lying between Lower Klamath and Tulelake sumps, and are very important for passage passing between the two lakes. This ridge can be used advantageously as a public shooting ground under the jurisdiction of the Department. Acquisition by private parties could result in the establishment of a toll area where the general public would be charged a fee for hunting, or be restrained from hunting altogether.

The matter was referred to the Commission at its meeting of March 26, 1954, and by appropriate resolution it was ordered that the aforesaid land be withdrawn from public sale and deleted from the list of vacant State school lands in Siskiyou County for a period not to exceed six months. A further request was made by the Commission that an investigation be made by the Staff and that a report of such investigation be made to the Commission as to the reaction of local groups and interested parties to the proposed sale of the land to the Department of Fish and Game.

A resolution has been received from the Board of Supervisors of Siskiyou County, adopted April 27, 1954, stating as follows:

"NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of Siskiyou County, meeting in regular session this 27th day of April, 1954, that they hereby go on record as agreeable to placing the above mentioned land under the jurisdiction and control of the Department of Fish and Game."

A letter has been received from the Honorable Randolph Collier, State Senator, under date of April 23, 1954, wherein he indicates that he has consulted the Board of Supervisors of Siskiyou County and all have agreed that it would be proper to have this land withdrawn and that the Fish and Game Commission have control of the same.

A letter has also been received from the Honorable L. M. Chase, District Judge of the Dorris Judicial District, Siskiyou County, and interested sportsman in the area, wherein he indicates as follows:

"Due to the steady increase in the number of Hunters each year, it appears that more public shooting areas should be made available in the near future.

"However, I do not believe the above described land to be a choice shooting ground. But then on the other hand it would help to relieve the over crowded shooting areas at Tulelake and Lower Klamath Lake Refuges and could possibly be leased out for grazing purposes during the closed hunting season."

No letters or statements were received objecting to the purchase of the above-described land by the Department of Fish and Game.

An application from the Department of Fish and Game to purchase said land was received in the Sacramento office of the State Division of Lands on June 4, 1954. However, it is being withheld from formal filing pending a determination by the Commission as to the disposition of the land.

UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, IT WAS RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

THE FILING IS AUTHORIZED OF THE APPLICATION HERETOFORE SUBMITTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME TO PURCHASE THE  $\frac{1}{2}$  OF SECTION 36, T. 48 N., R. 3 E., M.D.M., SISKIYOU COUNTY, THE TERMS OF THE SALE THEREOF TO THE SAID DEPARTMENT TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE COMMISSION FOR ACTION AFTER APPRAISAL.

23. (REFUND UNDER CANCELLED GRAZING LEASE P.R.C. 1198.2, MONO COUNTY, BOZARTH & RUDNICK COMPANY - S.W.O. 5115.) On February 5, 1951 (Minute Item 13, page 1273), the Commission authorized the sale of Section 36, T. 5 S., R. 37 E., M.D.M., containing 640 acres in Mono County, to Raymond H. Lawrence at a cash price of \$3,200. Completion of this sale automatically terminated Grazing Lease P.R.C. 1198.2 covering the same land, held by Bozarth & Rudnick Company, the first and fifth annual rentals for which had been paid upon the execution of the lease on December 10, 1948. Thereafter, there was paid by the lessees the second and third annual rentals. The annual rental was \$128.

Section 6505.5 of the Public Resources Code provides that the sale of said land ipso facto terminates said lease, and Section 6509 of said code provides that upon the sale of the land by the State the lessee shall surrender the lease to the Commission and receive in exchange therefor from the Commission a certificate showing the proportionate amount of the annual rentals to be refunded to the lessees. Therefore, Bozarth & Rudnick Company, as the lessees, are entitled to a refund of the unearned fifth annual rental and the sum proportionate to the unexpired remainder of the third annual rental, amounting to a total of \$225.78.

UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, IT WAS RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER IS AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE A REFUND CERTIFICATE TO BOZARTH & RUDNICK COMPANY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$225.78, REPRESENTING THE UNEARNED RENTALS UNDER CANCELLED GRAZING LEASE P.R.C. 1198.2, UPON SURRENDER OF SAID GRAZING LEASE BY BOZARTH & RUDNICK COMPANY.

24. (REPRODUCTION SERVICES 1954-55 FISCAL YEAR - W.O. 1457D.) Estimates based on current year's requirements indicate that the State Lands Commission will require reproduction services for the 1954-55 fiscal year in the amount of between \$4,000 and \$5,000. Contract services in excess of \$2,000 require Commission approval.

Bids for this work have been solicited from various vendors in the Los Angeles area. The low bid was submitted by the Metropolitan Blueprint Company.