

Whereas, official statements from the Secretary of the Interior have been filed in the General Land Office showing that the Commissioners appointed by the President under the provision of the fourth section of the first named act, have reported to him that the said Northern Pacific Railroad and Telegraph line and Branch, excepting that portion between Wallula Washington and Portland, Oregon, declared forfeited by the Act of Congress of September 29, 1890, have been constructed and fully completed and equipped in the manner prescribed by the Act relative thereto, and the same accepted, and Whereas, there has been filed in the office of the Secretary of the Interior evidence showing that the Northern Pacific Railway Company is the lawful successor in interest of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company as to all lands within the limits of the grant made to said Northern Pacific Railroad Company, by the Act of July 2, 1864, and all subsequent legislation, and Whereas by the Act of Congress approved July 1, 1898 (30 Stat. 597-620) authority is given the Northern Pacific Railroad Company, or its successors in interest, under certain conditions expressed therein, to relinquish to the United States certain lands within either the granted or indemnity limits of its grant, and to select in lieu thereof an equal quantity of public lands, not mineral or reserved and not valuable for stone, iron, or coal, and free from valid adverse claims, or not occupied by actual settlers at the time of such selection, situated within any State or Territory into which such railroad grant extends" and it is provided that patents shall issue for the land so selected as though it had been originally granted; and Whereas the following described lands have been selected by the duly authorized agent of the Northern Pacific Railway Company under the provisions of the Act of July 1, 1898 aforesaid, and the lands given as bases therefor, are within the limits of the grant, lie, opposite the constructed line of the company's road and have been duly relinquished to the United States in accordance with the requirements of said act, and the relinquishment accepted by the Secretary of the Interior, viz:

North of Base line and East of Willamette Meridian, State of Washington, Township Three, Range Seven. The Northeast quarter of the Southwest quarter, the Northwest quarter of the Southeast quarter, and the South half of the Southeast quarter of section seventeen, containing one hundred and sixty acres. The Southeast quarter of the Northeast quarter, the Northwest quarter of the Southeast quarter and the East half of the Southeast quarter of section nineteen, containing one hundred and sixty acres. The lots numbered one, three and four, the West half of the Northeast quarter, the West half of the Southeast quarter and the West half of Section twenty-one, containing five hundred and ninety five acres and forty nine hundredths of an acre. The North half of the Northeast quarter the Southwest quarter of the Northeast quarter, the Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter and the West half of Section twenty-nine, containing four hundred and eighty acres. The Northeast quarter, The East half of the Northwest quarter and the North half of the Southeast quarter of section thirty-one, containing ~~##~~ three hundred and twenty acres.

Township Three, Range Nine. The lot numbered five of section twenty-five, containing thirteen acres and seventy hundredths of an acre. The lot numbered three of section thirty-two, containing forty-two acres. The lot numbered one of section thirty-five containing one acre and sixty hundredths of an acre.

Township Three Range Eleven. The Lot numbered four of section thirty five, containing ten acres and fifty hundredths of an acre.

Township Two, Range Twelve. The lot numbered two of section one, containing eighteen acres.

Township Two Range Thirteen. The lots numbered one and two of section seven, containing fifty seven acres. Township Two Range Fifteen. The Lot numbered one of section thirteen containing five acres. Township Three Range Seventee. The lots numbered one and two of section twenty eight containing fifty four acres and thirty five hundredths of an acre. Township Nineteen, Range Twenty. The South half of the Southeast quarter of section thirty four, containing eighty acres.