

## The United States of America.

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

Whereas by the Act of Congress approved July 2, 1864, entitled "An Act granting lands to aid in the construction of a Railroad and Telegraph line from Lake Superior to Puget's Sound on the Pacific Coast by the Northern Route and the Joint Resolution of May 31, 1870, there was granted to the Northern Pacific Railroad Company, its successors and assigns, for the purpose of aiding in the construction of said railroad and telegraph line and Branch, to the Pacific Coast," every alternate section of public land, not mineral, designated by odd numbers to the amount of twenty alternate sections per mile on each side of said railroad line, as said company may adopt through the territories of the United States, and ten alternate sections of land per mile on each side of said railroad whenever it passes through any State, and whenever on the line thereof, the United States have full title, not reserved, sold, granted, or otherwise appropriated, and free from preemption or other claims or rights, at the time the line of said road is definitely fixed and a plat thereof filed in the office of the Commissioner of the General Land Office: and Whereas, official statement from the Secretary of the Interior have been filed in the General Land Office, showing that the Commissioners appointed by the President, under the provisions of the fourth section of the first named Act, have reported to him that the Northern Pacific Railroad and Telegraph line and Branch excepting that portion between Wallula Washington and Portland, Oregon, declared forfeited by the Act of September 29, 1890, have been constructed and fully completed and equipped in the manner prescribed by the Acts 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, certain tracts of land have been listed under the Act aforesaid by the duly authorized agent of said Northern Pacific Railroad Company, now Northern Pacific Railway Company, as shown by his original list approved by the local land officers and now on file in the General Land Office: and Whereas said tracts of land lie coterminous to the constructed line of said road and are particularly described as follows to-wit: North of base line and East of Willamette Meridian, State of Washington, Township nine, Range Six:

The South half of section nine containing three hundred and twenty acres. All of section seventeen containing six hundred and forty acres. All of section twenty-one containing six hundred and forty acres. All of section thirty one containing six hundred and thirty nine acres and fifty two hundredths of an acre. All of section thirty three containing six hundred and forty acres. The said tracts of land as described in the foregoing make the aggregate area of three thousand five hundred and nineteen acres and fifty two hundredths of an acre (3519.52)

Now Know Ye, that the United States of America in consideration of the premises and pursuant to the said act of Congress Have Given and Granted and by these presents Do Give and Grant unto the said Northern Pacific Railway Company, successors in interest to the Northern Pacific Railroad Company, its successors and assigns, the tracts of land listed as aforesaid and embraced in the foregoing.

To Have and to Hold the said tracts with the appurtenances thereof unto the said Northern Pacific Railway Company, its successors and assigns forever.

In Testimony Whereof I, T. Roosevelt, President of the United States of America, have caused