

States have full title, not reserved, sold, granted or otherwise appropriated and free from pre-emption 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, it is further provided that " whenever, prior to said time, any of said sections or part of sections shall have been granted sold reserved occupied by homestead settlers or pre-empted, or otherwise disposed of, other lands shall be selected by said company in lieu thereof, under direction of the Secretary of the Interior, in alternate sections, and designated by odd numbers, not more than ten miles beyond the limits of said alternate sections, "and Whereas, official statements from the Secretary of the Interior have been filed on 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 said 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 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 the said Northern Pacific Railroad company by the Act of July 2, 1864 and all subsequent legislation, and Whereas, by 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 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 :

Willamette Meridian, Washington

Township four Range One east, the Lot one of section eighteen, containing four and ninety two hundredths acres.

Township five north range four east, the northwest quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section eight, containing forty acres.

✓ Township two North Range six East, the Northwest quarter of the Northeast quarter of section fourteen, containing forty acres and the Northwest quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section fifteen containing forty acres.

Township seven North Range six East, the Lot three of section twenty four containing twenty one acres and forty five hundredths acres.

✓ Township two North Range seven East, the Lot three of section seventeen, containing thirty two and seventy four hundredths acres.

Township thirty-two north Range seven East, the Lots one and two the southeast quarter of the Southwest quarter and the Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section twenty three containing one hundred fifty three and ninety hundredths acres.

✓ Township three North Range eight East, the Lot four of section thirty five, containing twenty four and eighty five hundredth acres.)

Township five north Range ten East, the northeast quarter of the Northeast quarter of section thirty five containing forty acres. Township five North Range eleven East, the Lot four in Section nineteen containing thirty nine and ninety three hundredths acres. Township six North