

UNITED STATES TO NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

Patent No. 291
 Northern Pacific Railway Lands. Act March 2, 1899
 Seattle and Vancouver Districts, Washington.

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting: Whereas, by the Act of Congress approved July 2, 1864 (13 Stat., 365), 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 (16 Stat., 378), 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 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, 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 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 (26 Stat., 496), have been constructed and fully completed and equipped in the manner prescribed by the Act relative thereto, and the same accepted; and

Whereas, by the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1899 (30 Stat., 993), authority is given the Northern Pacific Railroad Company, now Northern Pacific Railway Company, to release and convey by proper deed to the United States the lands within Mount Rainier National Park and Pacific Forest Reserve, theretofore granted to said company, whether surveyed or unsurveyed, and to select in lieu thereof an equal quantity of non-mineral public lands, so classified as non-mineral at the time of the actual Government survey thereof, lying within any State into or through which the railroad of said company runs; and it is provided that patent shall issue to said company for lands so selected; and

WHEREAS, the said lands lying within the said Mount Rainier National Park and Pacific Forest Reserve, and the limits of the grant to said Railroad Company, have been duly released to the United States by the Northern Pacific Railroad Company, the Northern Pacific Railway Company, and the Central Trust Company of New York, and the release has been accepted by the Secretary of the Interior; 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 to 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, the following-described selected lands have been duly selected by the authorized agent of the Northern Pacific Railway Company, under the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1899, aforesaid, and the lands given as base therefor, the Mount Rainier National Park and former Pacific Forest Reserve, are within the primary limits of the company's grant, and lie opposite the constructed line of its road, and are also within the limits of the reserves to the United States as aforesaid; said selected lands being more particularly

described as follows:

Willamette Meridian - Washington.
Township six North of Range five east.

The southeast quarter, the east half of the southwest quarter and the Lots six and seven of Section six, containing three hundred nine and fifty-three-hundredths acres;

Township eight north of Range five east.

The south half of the southeast quarter and the south half of the southwest quarter of Section thirty-two, containing one hundred sixty acres;

Township twenty-one north of Range nine east.

The Lots three and four, the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter and the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of Section thirty, containing one hundred fifty-nine and Forty-hundredths acres; and the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter, the south half of the northwest quarter, the north half of the southwest quarter, the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter and the southeast quarter of Section thirty-two, containing four hundred acres;

Township twenty-one north of Range ten east.

The west half of the southwest quarter of Section twenty-six, containing eighty acres; the south half of the southwest quarter of Section twenty-eight, containing eighty acres; and the Lots one and two and the north half of the southeast quarter of Section thirty-two, containing one hundred forty-seven and sixty-nine-hundredths acres; and containing, in the aggregate, one thousand three hundred thirty-six and sixty-two-hundredths acres;

Now Know ye, that the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, in consideration of the premises, and pursuant to said Acts of Congress, HAS GIVEN AND GRANTED, and by these presents DOES GIVE AND GRANT, unto the said Northern Pacific Railway Company, successor in interest to the Northern Pacific Railroad Company, its successors and assigns, the tracts of land selected 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, successor as aforesaid, and to its successors and assigns forever; subject to any vested and accrued water rights for mining, agricultural, manufacturing, or other purposes, and rights to ditches and reservoirs used in connection with such water rights, as may be recognized and acknowledged by the local customs, laws and decisions of courts. And there is reserved from the lands hereby granted, a right of way thereon for ditches or canals constructed by the authority of the United States.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I, Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States of America, have caused these letters to be made Patent, and the Seal of the General Land Office to be hereunto affixed.

Given under my hand, at the City of Washington, the Second day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fourteen and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and thirty-ninth.

(SEAL OF UNITED STATES)
(GENERAL LAND OFFICE.)

By the President: Woodrow Wilson

By M.P. LeRoy, Secretary.

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L.Q.C. Lamar, Recorder of the General
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