

THE HOMESTEAD RECORDS
OF
DAVID LEWIS, 1921

Reprinted from the files of
the Payette National Forest



Heritage Program
U.S. Department of Agriculture
Forest Service
Intermountain Region
Payette National Forest
August 1998

#113

ANY FOREST OFFICER will furnish to you free of charge application blanks or information in regard to procedure in applying for land under the FOREST HOMESTEAD ACT.

Form 253 O.
(Revised Feb. 20, 1914.)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE

F. S.
AUG 20 1921
Hour
Referred to Lands

APPLICATION UNDER ACT OF JUNE 11, 1906.

 Clover Idaho

 Aug. 22-1921

THE DISTRICT FORESTER,
OGDEN, UTAH.

I hereby make application for the examination and listing, under the Act of June 11, 1906, of the following-described lands in the Idaho National Forest,

 unsurveyed, situated on Big Creek, near the mouth
(If the land is surveyed, give each smallest legal subdivision and the section, township, and range. If the land is unsurveyed, describe it by reference to natural objects, streams, or improvements, with boundary lines sufficiently definite to identify the land, so that the examiner may easily locate it. When convenient, submit sketch of the land on the township plat, last page.)
 of Bush Creek, about 5 miles in an easterly direction
 from the Township now surveyed

I certify that I am entitled to make entry under the homestead laws and the Act of June 11, 1906, and that I have actually been upon the land above described, having settled upon it (or examined it)

(Give the date of settlement or the date of the examination, the character of the improvements, if any, and the amount of cleared land.)

 I have resided on land since 1911, 1 1/2 room house, 1 small cab.
 16 acres cleared & seeded down. 1/2 mile fence.
My present address is Clover Idaho

 David Lewis

Applicant.

Signed and certified to in my presence this 22 day of August 19 21

 This man has resided on
 the land for many years.

 [Signature]
(Signature of Forest officer.)

 Forest Examiner
(Title.)

NOTE.—To prevent mutual errors and misunderstandings, to make possible the systematic classification of all agricultural lands in the National Forests, and to safeguard innocent land seekers against unscrupulous "locators," experience has proven the necessity of having all applications certified to before a forest supervisor, acting supervisor, ranger, or assistant ranger. No forest officer is allowed to accept fees for this service.

T. 21 N R. 13 E Roll Mer.

6	5	4	3	2	1
7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30
31	32	33	34	35	36

Applicant should indicate on this plat the location of the land applied for and should carefully check the plat with the written description given on page 1.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE

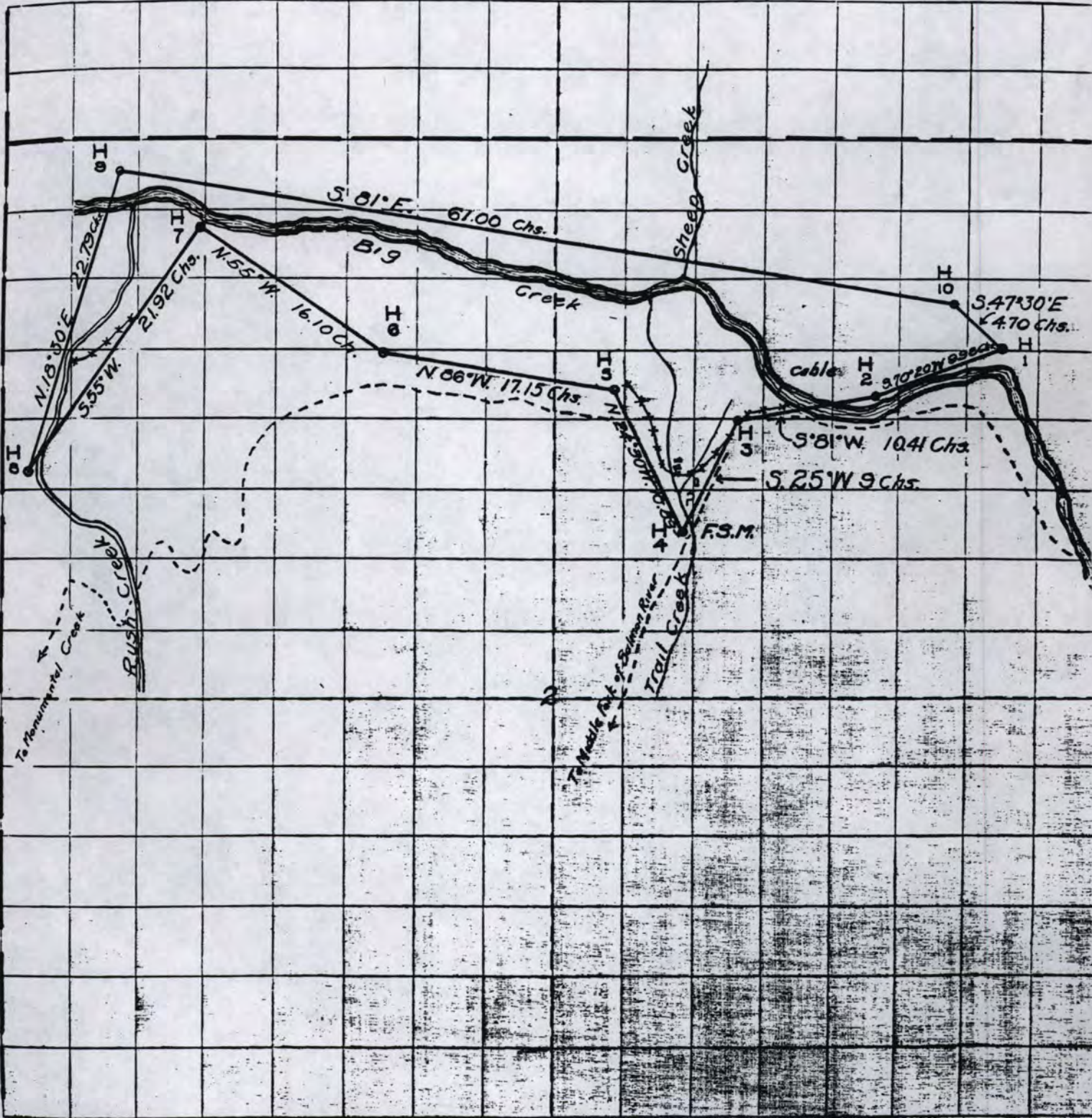
IDAHO National Forest, State of IDAHO, Land District HAILEY

Un-surveyed Sec. 2 T. 20N. R. 13E., Boise Mer. Area 61.33 acres. Scale 8 inches = 1 mile

Field work by S.B. Locke, Variation 2.0° E, Date Sept. 16, 1921, Platted by S.B. Locke.

This copy by T.R.L. May 9, 2

Case designation L-Settlement No. 113 David Lewis





L
Settlement- Idaho
Lewis, David, #113

August 29, 1921.

Mr. David Lewis,
Clover, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

Your application for the examination and listing of a tract of land on Big Creek, in approximately Sec. 36, T. 21 N. R. 13 E., was received in this office on August 29.

It is probable that the land will be examined by Mr. Locke, during this field season. When the report is received you will be advised as to the action taken.

Very truly yours,

R. E. GERRY.

Acting Assistant District Forester.

Supervisor

lement- Idaho
David #113

David Lewis,
Clover, Idaho.

Form 974.

Settled on land in 1911.

T. 21 N. R. 13 E. Boise Mer.

6	5	4	3	2	1
Unsurveyed land on Big Creek, near the mouth of					
Rush Creek, about 5 miles in an easterly direction from the Pp.					
now surveyed.					
7	has resided on the land since 1911.				12
Improvements--One 3-room house, one small cabin; ten acres cleared					
and seeded; 1/2 mile of fence.					
18	17	16	15	14	13
19	20	21	22	23	24
30	29	28	27	26	25
31	32	33	34	35	36

D-7

L
Settlements - Idaho
David Lewis.

DESCRIPTION OF SURVEY

IDAHO NATIONAL FOREST

September 16, 1921.

Unsurveyed Section 23, T. 21 N., R. 13 E., Boise Meridian.

tree, 22 ins. in dia., scribed Area 61.33 acres.

Variation: This survey was made with a Forest Service Standard Compass. The variation of 20° 0' E. was determined from retracement of lines in T. 21 N., R. 12 E., about six miles due west.

- 3.24 North shore of Big Creek
- Corner No. 1, a slate rock, 16 x 14 x 8 ins., set in the
- 5.50 Leave Creek.
- ground, chiseled H on east face, at base of cliffs above
- 10.41 Corner No. 2, a rhyolite rock, 20 x 10 x 6 ins., set
- pool where Big Creek turns south at east end of flat on
- in ground, chiseled H on SW. face. Thence a
- north side of Big Creek.
- quartzite boulder 6 x 4 x 4 ins., above ground
- Whence a ledge of rock chiseled HW bears N. 33° E., 20
- in edge of field, chiseled HW on S. face bears due
- lks. dist.
- 56 lks. dist. Whence a Douglas fir tree, 5 ins.
- Whence a ledge of rock chiseled HW bears S. 8° E., 44
- in dia., scribed HW on NW. face, bears S. 20° E.,
- links distant.
- lks. dist.

Thence

Thence
S. 70° 20' W.,
S. 25° 0' W.

6.30 Slope to west

7.50 Trail Creek, flowing N. - NW.

Chains

in ground, chiseled $\frac{H}{6}$ on the S. face. Whence
 9.00 Corner No. 4 and Forest Service Monument, a rhyolite
 rock, 26 face x 14 x 12 ins., water worn, chiseled
 $\frac{FSM}{4}$ on SE. face, set in ground and surrounded
 by pile of rock. Located 10' west of Bernard
 trail up Fall Creek. Whence a Douglas fir
 tree, 30 ins. in dia., scribed $\frac{FSM}{4}$ on W. face
 Thence
 bears S. 89° E., 76 lks. dis. Whence a Douglas
 fir tree 26 ins. in dia., scribed $\frac{FSM}{4}$ on S. face
 Along steep north hillside.
 bears N. 22° E., 68 lks. dist.
 11.60 Leave slope for flat.

12.10 Corner No. 7, a quartzite rock, 15 x 12 x 8 ins.,
 set in ground. $\frac{H}{7}$ on S. face.

Whence a Douglas fir tree 16 ins. in dia.
 4.50 Ascend east slope
 scribed $\frac{H}{7}$ on NE. face bears S. 56° W., 36

7.60 Cross Trail
 lks. dist. Whence a Douglas fir tree 8 ins.

10.53 Corner No. 5, a quartzite rock, 24 x 12 x 8 ins.,
 in dia., scribed $\frac{H}{5}$ on W. face bears S. 70° W.,
 set in ground, chiseled 5 on S. face. Whence
 110 lks. dist.

a Douglas fir tree 12" in dia., scribed $\frac{HW}{5}$
 on S. face bears N. 110° E., 33 lks. dist.

Whence a Douglas fir tree 18 ins. in dia.,
 scribed $\frac{HW}{5}$ on NE. face bears S. 9° E., 95

lks. dist.

Corner No. 6, a quartzite rock, 24 x 14 x 6 ins., set

Thence

N. 86° 0' W.,

Along north slope

17.15 Corner No. 6, a quartzite rock 24 x 14 x 6 ins., set

Chains

Chains

in ground, chiseled $\frac{H}{6}$ on the S. face. Whence
 a Douglas fir tree 32 ins. in dia., scribed
 $\frac{HW}{6}$ on W. face bears S. 36° E., 7 lks. dist.
 Whence a Douglas fir tree, 24 ins. in dia.,
 scribed $\frac{HW}{5}$ on the NE. face bears S. 85° E.,
 45 lks. dist.

s. 10° E.

Thence

S. 85° 10' W.,

Along steep-north hillside.

15.60 Leave slope for flat near East Creek

16.10 Corner No. 7, a quartzite rock, 15 x 12 x 8 ins.,

set in ground, chiseled $\frac{H}{7}$ on S. face.

Whence a Douglas fir tree 16 ins. in dia.

scribed $\frac{HW}{7}$ on NE. face bears S. 56° W., 36

lks. dist. Whence a Douglas fir tree 8 ins.

in dia., scribed $\frac{HW}{7}$ on W. face bears S. 85° E.,

110 lks. dist.

Thence

S. 35° 0' W.

8.93 Fence from cliff

18.94 Wash, $\frac{3}{4}$ chains wide.

21.92 Corner No. 8, a rhyolite rock 16 x 12 x 8 ins. set in
 ground, chiseled $\frac{H}{8}$ on S. face. Whence a Douglas
 fir tree 14 ins. in dia., scribed $\frac{HW}{8}$ on N. face

Chart

15 x 18 x 8 ins.

on the face

in the

at the surface bears S. 41° E. 70

to the Douglas fir trees 34 ins.

in the surface bears S. 60° N.,

There

S. 47° 30' E.

2.00

14.70

to the point of beginning.

the same containing 31.53 acres, more or less.

Forest Examiner-Surveyor.

Settlement - Idaho
David Lewis. ^L 11¹/₃

April 28, 1922.

REPORT ON FOREST HOMESTEAD APPLICATION

General Description.

1. Location. (a) Acreage applied for is indefinite but as indicated by applicant on ground corresponds with area surveyed and described in accompanying field notes.

(b) Located in the north one-half of unsurveyed Section 2, T. 20 N., R. 13 E., Boise Meridian, on Big Creek at the mouths of Rush, Trail and Sheep Creeks.

(c) Land is located on lower part of Big Creek, 120 miles from Knox, 78 miles from Warren, and 136 miles from McCall which is a railroad point. Access to Edwardsburg is by trail and from there by wagon road to McCall. It is 150 miles by road and trail to Cascade, a railroad point.

2. Settlement. (a) Applicant claims settlement on land in 1911 and this information is corroborated by other settlers. Land was proclaimed a part of the Idaho National Forest on Dec. 27, 1919.

TO BE RETURNED TO DISTRICT

L

Settlement - Idaho
David Lewis.

April 28, 1922.

REPORT ON FOREST HOMESTEAD APPLICATION

General Description.

1. Location. (a) Acreage applied for is indefinite but as indicated by applicant on ground corresponds with area surveyed and described in accompanying field notes.

(b) Located in the north one-half of unsurveyed Section 2, T. 20 N., R. 13 E., Boise Meridian, on Big Creek at the mouths of Rush, Trail and Sheep Creeks.

(c) Land is located on lower part of Big Creek, 120 miles from Knox, 78 miles from Warren, and 136 miles from McCall which is a railroad point. Access to Edwardsburg is by trail and from there by wagon road to McCall. It is 150 miles by road and trail to Cascade, a railroad point.

2. Settlement. (a) Applicant claims settlement on land in 1911 and this information is corroborated by other settlers. Land was proclaimed a part of the Idaho National Forest on Dec. 27, 1919.

(b) Improvements consist of the following:

4-room log cabin about 58 x 14 feet, Value - - -	\$300
1 log cabin, 10 x 12 feet - - - - -	100
1 store house, 12 x 14 - - - - -	50
1/2 mile of pole fence - - - - -	200
1 cable and car - - - - -	50
1/4 mile ditch - - - - -	<u>50</u>
Total - - - - -	\$750

Applicant owns about 12 head of horses. Crops raised by applicant are timothy and clover, hay, potatoes, onions and garden vegetables.

(c) The hay from this place is fed to horses and cattle during winter.

3. Claims. (a) No known conflicting claims.

4. Climate. (a) The annual precipitation is about 20 inches, the greater part of which comes during the winter months. The summer months are dry. Killing frosts occur as late as June 1 and as early as September 15 but generally slightly earlier and later, respectively, than these dates.

(c) Alfalfa, potatoes, and corn as well as a great variety of more hardy vegetables may be matured in the region.

5. (a) No part of the land surveyed is needed for Ranger Stations, banking ground, lambing ground or

mill site. Has not been posted as a ranger station.

(b) Trails at present cross the area but no reservation of right of way is necessary since the lines were so located to give access around the claim.

(c) Listing of tract has no relation to the use of a drivable stream.

(d) Tract does not include or control a site valuable for power, irrigation or water supply.

(e) Tract is not essential for the protection of any watershed for stream regulation or to prevent contamination of a city's water supply.

Listable Lands.

6. Location and Acreage. (a) Identical with area applied for and described in notes of survey accompanying this survey. No small areas of National Forest land will be isolated or objectionable hiatus left.

(b) Area 61.53 acres more or less.

(c) Applicant was present and consulted during the examination.

7. Topography and Soil. (a) The land within this claim consists of level bottom and bench land of slight slope in about equal proportions. The surrounding rock and outcrop are of granite and quartzite nature. Except

along the edges of the slopes no rock is in evidence.

(c) Except on the steep slopes along the lines of survey, the soil is a deep sandy loam with more or less gravel content on the benches. Small areas of the bottom land are moist but irrigation is necessary.

(d) There is an abundant supply of water for irrigation from Rush, Trail and Sheep Creeks.

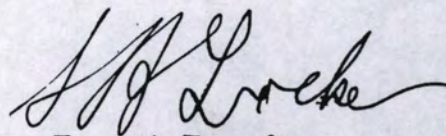
8. Agricultural Value. (a) The principal crops to which this land is adapted are alfalfa, timothy, clover, corn, potatoes and other vegetables of equal hardiness. About two tons of hay per acre may be raised and its value would be about \$^s10.00 per ton. Since this land is already under cultivation no comparisons are necessary. Produce may be disposed of locally by feeding to livestock or to supply the need of people traveling or working in this section.

(b) The cost of clearing above what applicant may do would be approximately \$10.00 per acre.

(c) No definite data regarding the value of this land is obtainable but an estimated value would be \$30 per acre.

9. Forest Value. (a) There is no merchantable or young timber included in this claim.

10. Other Factors. The small amount of agricultural land in this section and the low elevation (about 5,800 feet) make this area valuable for agricultural purposes.


Forest Examiner.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE

Information on David Lewis Claim

Distance from Edwardsburg 35 miles
" " Mc Call 150 "
" " Cascade " "

Amount of hay or other
crops raised Hay about 120 tons

Vegetables for family
fed 40 head of cattle about 5 months and
lots of Hay left,

Since I saw you I have made arrangements
for a Shotgun. find enclosed \$3.25 for Axe
which will be sent by Parcel Post
Glover Adams,

Land the dogs wintered well, we got 13
cougars and a good batch of otter skins

In regard to the filling on my
land. it would be most convenient at Cascade for
about the last days of June

Remains your friend
Dave Lewis

Glover

July 19

L
Settlement - Idaho,
David Lewis, #113.

MAY 16 1922

The Honorable,

The Secretary of the Interior.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the tract of land indicated on the enclosed blue print and described in the accompanying field notes of survey (List 4-2517), in the Idaho National Forest, Idaho, which has been examined and is chiefly valuable for agriculture and which, in my opinion, may be occupied for agricultural purposes without injury to the National Forest and which is not needed for public purposes, be opened to settlement and entry in accordance with the Act of June 11, 1906 (34 Stat., 233):

Hailey Land District, Idaho.

Unsurveyed Township 20 North, Range 13 East, E. M., approximately Section 2. Area 61.53 acres, more or less.

The above described tract is listed to David Lewis, of Clover, Idaho, who claims settlement in 1911.

Respectfully,

C. W. PUGSL. Acting
Secretary

Enclosures.

L
Settlement, Idaho,
David Lewis, #113.

May 25, 1922.

Mr. David Lewis,
Clover, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your application for the examination and listing of the tract of land in approximately Section 2, T. 20 N., R. 13 E., B. M., within the Idaho National Forest.

I am glad to inform you that this tract has been listed with the Secretary of the Interior as List 4-2517. The boundaries are indicated on the enclosed blue print. You will not, however, be able to file on this tract until it has been opened to entry by the Interior Department. You will receive a letter by registered mail from the Land Office informing you of the date on which filing will be accepted and that you have a preference right of 60 days prior to the date mentioned therein within which to exercise your preference right and you should see to it that you make your entry within this 60-day period.

Very truly yours,

S. B. Locke

Acting Assistant District Forester.

Enclosure.

Copy sent Supervisor

H.R.P.

use in
HOMESTEAD and
DESERT LAND
Entries.

4-348

039621

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MAKE PROOF.

F.S. RECEIVED
JUL 15 1927
LANDS

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

U. S. LAND OFFICE at Blackfoot, Idaho

JUL 15 1927, 191

I, David Lewis, of

Clover, Idaho, who, on July 24, 1924, 191, made

Homestead entry 057700, now Blackfoot, No. 039621, for

(Kind of application or entry.)

Towns ~~Sec. 1, T. 20 N., R. 13 E., S. 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.~~
hereby ~~noticed~~ noticed notice of intention to make proof of the above described land in sections 1 and 2, of township 20 North, range 13 East, of the Idaho National Forest, containing 64.54 acres, located in sections 1 and 2, of township 20 North, range 13 East, of the Idaho National Forest, and containing 64.54 acres. NE 1/4 809
Proof made by the claimant on July 24, 1924, by the following persons:

H. G. Shellworth, of Boise, Idaho
A. T. Coonrod, of Boise, Idaho
R. E. Elliott, of Clover, Idaho
Joseph Harris, of Clover, Idaho
David Lewis, of Clover, Idaho
(Signature of claimant.)

Challis Messenger

Idaho National Forest

....., 191

Notice of the above intention to make proof will be published in the

Challis Messenger

(Name of newspaper.)

Challis, Idaho

(Place of publication.)

Clover, Idaho

who, on July 24, 1924

, 191

Homestead entry 057700, new Blackfoot

No. 039821

for

(Kind of application or entry.)

Township 1, N. 20 E. 12 S. 12.34 chains to corner No. 2; thence
 S. 22.45' E. 2.72 chains to corner No. 3; thence
 S. 22.45' E. 2.72 chains to corner No. 4; thence S. 22.45' E. 11.20
 chains to corner No. 5; thence S. 22.45' E. 11.20 chains to corner
 No. 6; thence S. 22.45' E. 11.20 chains to corner No. 7; thence S. 22.45' E. 11.20
 chains to corner No. 8; thence S. 22.45' E. 11.20 chains to corner
 No. 9; thence S. 22.45' E. 11.20 chains to point of beginning, located
 in positions 2 and 3, N. 20 E. 12 S., R. 12 E., S. 1 N. within the Idaho National
 Forest, and containing 61.24 acres. NE 1/4 #809

signed, 1924, by two of the following

- 1. H. C. Shellworth, of Boise, Idaho
 - 2. A. T. Koonrod, of Boise, Idaho
 - 3. R. E. Elliott, of Clover, Idaho
 - 4. Joseph Harris, of Clover, Idaho
- David Lewis
(Signature of claimant.)

Challis Messenger

Idaho National Forest

JUL 25 1927

, 191

Notice of the above intention to make proof will be published in the

Challis Messenger

(Name of newspaper.)

Challis, Ida

(Place of publication.)

for a period of 5 consecutive weeks, which I hereby designate as the newspaper published nearest the land above described.

Register.

L
Claims, Idaho
Lewis, David
Blackfoot H. E. 027700

July 16, 1927.

Forest Supervisor,
McCall, Idaho.

Dear Mr. Scribner:

Enclosed are duplicate copies of the notice of intention to make proof in the above designated case. Kindly submit the customary report in this case at an early date.

Very sincerely yours,

R. H. RUTLEDGE, District Forester.

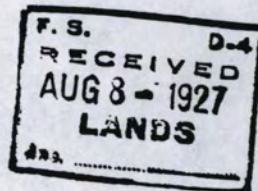
By *V. V. Pearson*

Acting.

Enclosures.

Extra copy sent Hanger

Idaho National Forest



L
Claims, Idaho
Lewis, David
Blackfoot H. E. ~~037700~~

McCall, Idaho
August 4, 1927.

1.000 " " 039621,
139621.

REPORT SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF INTENTION
TO MAKE PROOF DATED JULY 15, 1927.

1. CLAIMANT.

Mr. Dave Lewis, Clover, Idaho. Mr. Lewis is a
bachelor and resides on the land.

2. DESCRIPTION OF CLAIM.

Beginning at a point from which the quarter corner
on east body of Sec. 1, T. 20 N., R. 13 E., B. M. bears S.
89° 52' 28" E. 155.03 chains; thence S. 78° 07' W. 22.34 chains
to corner No. 2; thence S. 28° 43' W. 9.76 chains to corner No. 3;
thence N. 22° 43' W. 11.39 chains to corner No. 4; thence N. 84°
23' W. 17.16 chains to corner No. 5; thence N. 53° 51' W. 15.21
chains to corner No. 6; thence S. 40° 44' W. 21.70 chains to corner
No. 7; thence N. 19° 16' E. 22.37 chains to corner No. 8; thence
S. 61° 38' E. 64.54 chains to corner No. 9; thence S. 45° 21' E.
4.68 chains to point of beginning, located in sections 2 and 3,
T. 20 N., R. 13 E., B. M. within the Idaho National Forest, and

containing 64.84 acres.

3. TOPOGRAPHY AND SURFACE.

The land lies along Big Creek just below the mouth of Rush Creek. The altitude is approximately 4,300 feet. There are approximately 30 acres of level or gently sloping bottom land suitable to cultivation. The balance of the area is comparatively steep and used for pasture.

4. SETTLEMENT AND RESIDENCE.

Mr. Lewis first settled on the claim in 1899 but did not establish permanent residence until July 1911. He filed on the claim in June 1924. Residence established in July 1911 has been maintained continuously to date. About 12 acres now produce hay and garden products. Equipment found includes plow, harrow, mowing machine, set of carpenter tools, rakes, blacksmith outfit, etc. Sufficient household furniture and cooking utensils needed to provide for the comfort of claimant were also found.

5. IMPROVEMENTS.

Dwelling 12x25 feet with addition 12x25 feet constructed of logs and consisting of 4 rooms, valued at \$800.00. Tool house of logs, 10x12 feet, valued at \$100.00. The dwelling is habitable yearlong. Pioneer Creek crosses the claim near the dwelling and furnished a good domestic water supply. There is approximately one-half mile of fence while the balance of the area is protected by bluffs along either side of Big Creek. All improvements were constructed by present claimant. Approximately one-half of the 12 acres is irrigated while the balance lying along Big Creek

is sub-irrigated. Approximately 20 acres of land has been cleared of brush, rocks and scrubby timber at a cost of about \$60.00 per acre. The consensus of opinion of residents in that section of the country is that the land is probably ^{now} worth \$100.00 per acre. This year the land has produced approximately 15 tons of hay and garden vegetables sufficient to provide for the claimant ~~in the fall~~ ^{during the year,}

6. CULTIVATION*

The entire area of 12 acres has been under cultivation since about 1916 and has all been put under cultivation by present claimant. The hay produced in 1925 was fed to cattle owned by Conyers, a rancher living farther up Big Creek. Last year, Lewis disposed of his hay by taking horses to winter at a stipulated price per month.

7. GRAZING.

The only stock owned by claimant consists of 8 head of work and saddle horses. They are grazed free of charge on the forest during the summer months or until crops have been removed from the land, when they are pastured on the place.

8. TIMBER.

The only timber consists of a few scattering trees on the steep hillside used for pasture. The aggregate probably does not exceed 15 to 20 M. feet. The timber has no value except to the claimant for fuel or construction purposes and the only timber cut or removed has been to supply these uses.

9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

The claim is not used for any purpose not contemplated by the homestead law. Claimant has not made homestead entry *elsewhere.*

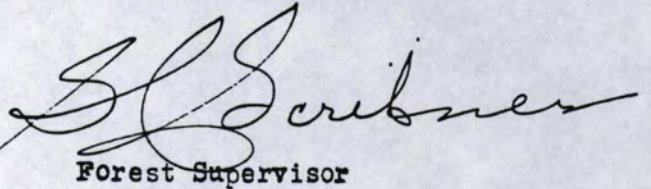
Claimant does not own more than 160 acres of land. The claim has not been sold or mortgaged. The claim is now most valuable for raising hay and garden products. The claim was examined by Forest Supervisor S. C. Scribner July 28, 1927.

10. GOOD FAITH.

The claim has the appearance of a permanent home as is evidenced by the fact that the claimant has resided thereon since 1911.

11. RECOMMENDATIONS.

Claimant has evidently complied in every respect with the homestead laws and therefore there seems to be no question about the validity of the claim. It is recommended that the Forest Service offer no protest to the issuance of final certificate.


Forest Supervisor

L
Claims, Idaho,
Lewis, David
Blackfoot H. B. 039621

August 9, 1927.

Register,
U. S. Land Office,
Blackfoot, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the application of David Lewis to submit final proof on his H. B. 039621 located within the boundaries of the Idaho National Forest.

The Forest Service has no protest to offer in this case.

Very truly yours,

H. H. HUTLEDGE, District Forester,

By R. E. GERY.

Acting.

Extra copy sent Ranger.

*Copy sent Supervisor
Copy sent Forester*

(b) Improvements consist of the following:

4-room log cabin about 32 x 14 feet, Value - - -	\$300
1 log cabin, 10 x 12 feet - - - - -	100
1 store house, 12 x 14 - - - - -	50
1/2 mile of pole fence - - - - -	200
1 cable and car - - - - -	50
1/4 mile ditch - - - - -	50
Total - - - - -	\$750

Applicant owns about 12 head of horses. Crops raised by applicant are timothy and clover, hay, potatoes, onions and garden vegetables.

(c) The hay from this place is fed to horses and cattle during winter.

3. Claims. (a) No known conflicting claims.

4. Climate. (a) The annual precipitation is about 20 inches, the greater part of which comes during the winter months. The summer months are dry. Killing frosts occur as late as June 1 and as early as September 15 but generally slightly earlier and later, respectively, than these dates.

(c) Alfalfa, potatoes, and corn as well as a great variety of more hardy vegetables may be matured in the region.

5. (a) No part of the land surveyed is needed for Ranger Stations, banking ground, lambing ground or

mill site. Has not been posted as a ranger station.

(b) Trails at present cross the area but no reservation of right of way is necessary since the lines were so located to give access around the claim.

(c) Listing of tract has no relation to the use of a drivable stream.

(d) Tract does not include or control a site valuable for power, irrigation or water supply.

(e) Tract is not essential for the protection of any watershed for stream regulation or to prevent contamination of a city's water supply.

Listable Lands.

6. Location and Acreage. (a) Identical with area applied for and described in notes of survey accompanying this survey. No small areas of National Forest land will be isolated or objectionable hiatus left.

(b) Area 61.33 acres more or less.

(c) Applicant was present and consulted during the examination.

7. Topography and Soil. (a) The land within this claim consists of level bottom and bench land of slight slope in about equal proportions. The surrounding rock and outcrop are of granite and quartzite nature. Except

along the edges of the slopes no rock is in evidence.

(c) Except on the steep slopes along the lines of survey, the soil is a deep sandy loam with more or less gravel content on the benches. Small areas of the bottom land are moist but irrigation is necessary.

(d) There is an abundant supply of water for irrigation from Rush, Trail and Sheep Creeks.

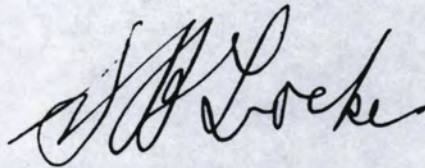
8. Agricultural Value. (a) The principal crops to which this land is adapted are alfalfa, timothy, clover, corn, potatoes and other vegetables of equal hardiness. About two tons of hay per acre may be raised and its value would be about \$10.00 per ton. Since this land is already under cultivation no comparisons are necessary. Produce may be disposed of locally by feeding to livestock or to supply the need of people traveling or working in this section.

(b) The cost of clearing above what applicant may do would be approximately \$10.00 per acre.

(c) No definite data regarding the value of this land is obtainable but an estimated value would be \$50 per acre.

9. Forest Value. (a) There is no merchantable or young timber included in this claim.

10. Other Factors. The small amount of agricultural land in this section and the low elevation (about 3,800 feet) make this area valuable for agricultural purposes.

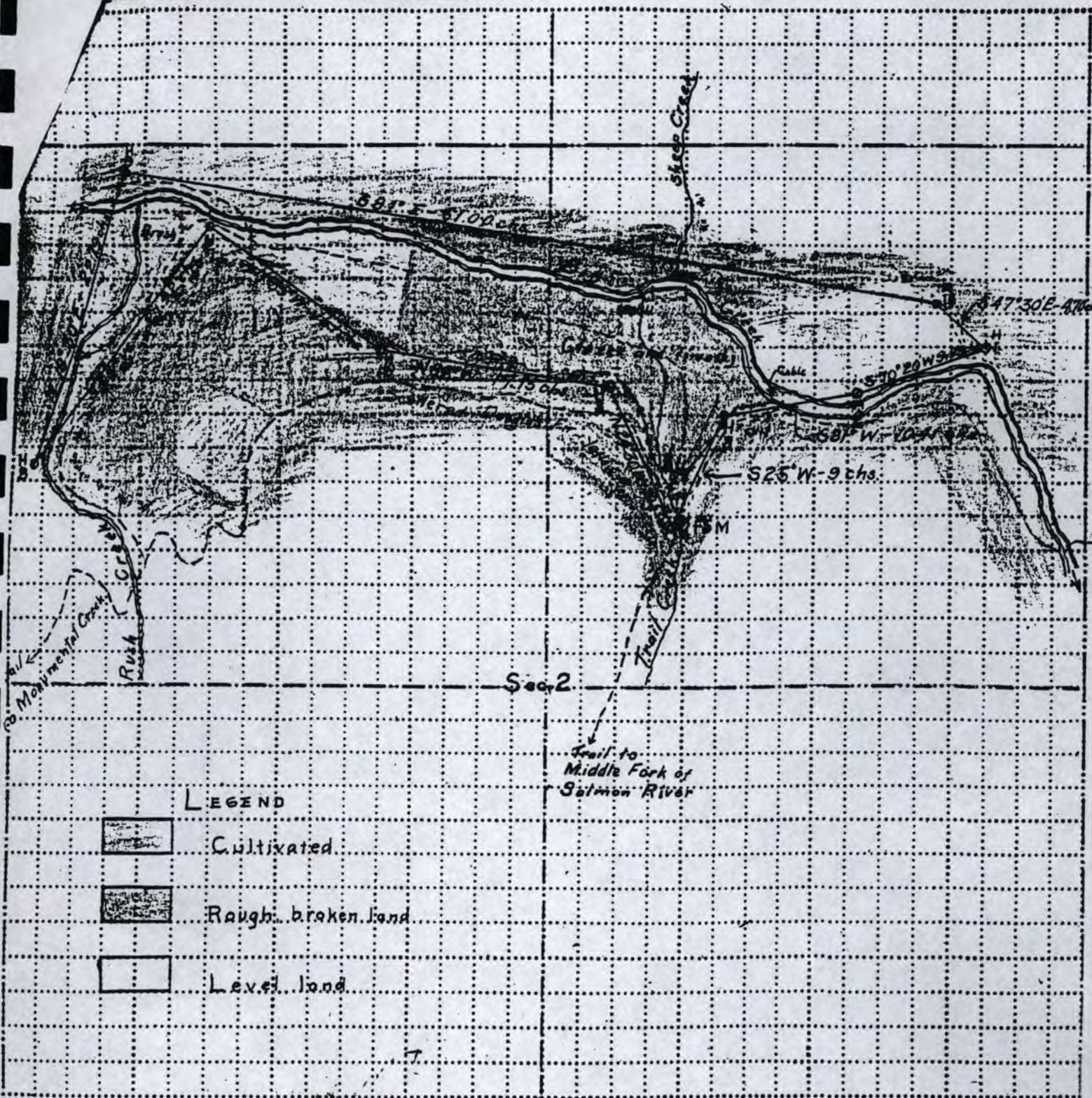
A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. A. Locke".

Forest Examiner.




UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE—FOREST SERVICE

Hailey Land District. Mag. Declin. 20° 0' E Area 61.33 Acres

David (Case designation.) Unsurveyed Sec. 2 (Subdivision and section.) T. 20N R. 13E, B Mer. Scale 8 inches = 1 mile



LEGEND

-  Cultivated.
-  Rough, broken land.
-  Level land.

Field work by S. B. Locke, Date Sept. 16, 1921, Platted by S. B. Locke

Remarks:

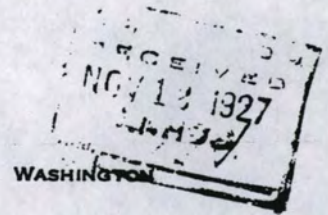
Approved _____, 19__

(Approving officer.)

7-1

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE

ADDRESS REPLY TO
THE FORESTER
AND REFER TO



L
Claims, Idaho,
David Lewis,
Blackfoot H.E. 039621.

November 8, 1927.

District Forester,
Ogden, Utah.

Dear Mr. Rutledge:

Your letter of November 2 is received.

A conference was had with Commissioner Spry yesterday and he stated he was perfectly willing to accept your statement respecting Mr. Lewis' posting on his claim the required notice. The Commissioner directed that the case be taken up at once for adjudication.

Very sincerely yours,

Assistant Forester.

1
10
11/2

L
Claims, Idaho
Lewis, David
Blackfoot H.E. 039621

November 2, 1927.

The Forester,

Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

This claim is located in the interior of the Idaho Forest near the confluence of Big Creek and Middle Fork Salmon River. The claimant, Mr. David Lewis, is a splendid citizen, a man 84 years of age, and becoming rather feeble. I visited his claim and saw him about the middle of October, and he was rather disturbed over a letter from the local Land Office requiring him to submit affidavits to the effect that the notice of intention and plat of survey had been posted on the claim during the period of publication.

You will appreciate the position of Mr. Lewis, when you consider his age, and the fact that it is 75 or 100 miles from his place to the nearest notary; that winter was approaching; and that he was not strong. The greater part of a trip to a notary would have to be made by him with saddle and pack horse. In order to help him out as much as possible, I took his deposition as to the posting of the necessary documents, and swore him to it. I forwarded this to the local Land Office with a letter explaining the situation.

There is no question as to Mr. Lewis' compliance with the Homestead laws, and no question but what the notice of intention and plat were posted upon the claim during the necessary period. In fact, they still remained

Very truly yours,
Wm. H. Phillips

11/2

The Forester.

posted when I was there, and gave every evidence of having been posted for a long time.

I think it would be a very fine thing if some member of your office could take the matter up with the Commissioner's office, and if necessary secure the waiver of the technical requirement of affidavit, and if possible hasten the action to issue patent, since, because of his advanced age, Mr. Lewis is very desirous of securing patent and putting his affairs in final shape. I shall be glad to be informed of the results of your efforts.

Very truly yours,

W. H. Lewis

District Forester.

Blackfoot 039621

D-4

THEREAS, a Certificate of the Register of the Land Office at Blackfoot, Idaho, has been deposited in the General Land Office, whereby it appears that, pursuant to the Act of Congress of May 20, 1862, "To Secure Homesteads to Actual Settlers on the Public Domain," and the acts supplemental thereto, the claim of David Lewis has been established and duly consummated, in conformity to law, for the H. & S. Survey No. 809, embracing a portion of, approximately, Sections two and three in Township twenty north of Range thirteen east of the Boise Meridian, Idaho, more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at corner No. 1, from which the east quarter corner of Section one in said Township and Range, bears south eighty-nine degrees fifty-two minutes twenty-eight seconds east one hundred fifty-five and three hundredths chains distant; thence, south seventy-eight degrees seven minutes west twenty-two and thirty-four hundredths chains to corner No. 2; thence, south twenty-eight degrees forty-three minutes west nine and seventy-six hundredths chains to corner No. 3; thence, north twenty-two degrees forty-three minutes west eleven and thirty-nine hundredths chains to corner No. 4; thence, north eighty-four degrees twenty-three minutes west seventeen and sixteen hundredths chains to corner No. 5; thence, north fifty-three degrees fifty-one minutes west fifteen and twenty-one hundredths chains to corner No. 6; thence, south forty degrees forty-four minutes west twenty-one and seventy hundredths chains to corner No. 7; thence, north nineteen degrees sixteen minutes east twenty-two and thirty-seven hundredths chains to corner

Idaho, has been deposited in the General Land Office, whereby it appears that, pursuant to the Act of Congress of May 20, 1862, "To Secure Homesteads to Actual Settlers on the Public Domain," and the acts supplemental thereto, the claim of David Lewis has been established and duly consummated, in conformity to law, for the H. L. Survey No. 809, embracing a portion of, approximately, Sections two and three in Township twenty north of Range thirteen east of the Boise Meridian, Idaho, more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at corner No. 1, from which the east quarter corner of Section one in said Township and Range, bears south eighty-nine degrees fifty-two minutes twenty-eight seconds east one hundred fifty-five and three hundredths chains distant; thence, south seventy-eight degrees seven minutes west twenty-two and thirty-four hundredths chains to corner No. 2; thence, south twenty-eight degrees forty-three minutes west nine and seventy-six hundredths chains to corner No. 3; thence, north twenty-two degrees forty-three minutes west eleven and thirty-nine hundredths chains to corner No. 4; thence, north eighty-four degrees twenty-three minutes west seventeen and sixteen hundredths chains to corner No. 5; thence, north fifty-three degrees fifty-one minutes west fifteen and twenty-one hundredths chains to corner No. 6; thence, south forty degrees forty-four minutes west twenty-one and seventy hundredths chains to corner No. 7; thence, north nineteen degrees sixteen minutes east twenty-two and thirty-seven hundredths chains to corner No. 8; thence, south eighty-one degrees thirty-eight minutes east sixty-four and fifty-four hundredths chains to corner No. 9; thence, south forty-five degrees twenty-one minutes east four and sixty-eight hundredths chains to corner No. 1, the place of beginning, containing sixty-four acres and eighty-four hundredths of an acre, according to the Official Plat of the Survey of the said Land returned to the General Land Office by the Surveyor-General:

Pat No 1011565

Feb 1 1928

Blackfoot 039621

NOY KNOW YE, That there is, therefore, granted by the UNITED STATES unto the said claimant the tract of Land above described; TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said tract of Land, with the appurtenances thereof, unto the said claimant and to the heirs and assigns of the said claimant 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.

*Entered
3/26/28*

Calvin Coolidge.

claimant and to the heirs and assigns of the said claimant 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.

*Entered
3/26/28*

Calvin Coolidge,

Forest Hill

Pat NO 1011565
Mar 1 1928