

Nov. 9, 1920

Mr. Howard T. Trigg,  
Amarillo, Texas

Dear Sir:

I have at last compiled a sketch covering considerable area on the north side of the Canadian River in Hutchinson County, including the several surveys mentioned in your recent letter showing the different blocks and systems of surveys constructed according to latest data on file in this office including that furnished by you, all of which is shown on white print plat shaded in colors forwarded under separate cover, according to which the several surveys mentioned by you as follows: surveys 7, 8 and 9, block H; surveys 33 to 38 and 45 to 48, block M23; surveys 31, 32 and 33, 89 and 129, block Z and surveys 9 to 16, block 47 should be located as follows:

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1. Surveys 7, 8 and 9, block H should take their position from survey No. 1 same block, the original NW and SW corners of which appear to have been found and identified by H. B. Spiller and other surveys as shown on plat.
2. Surveys 33 and 35, block M23, were corrected in 1908 by W. D. Twichell, state surveyor, corrected field notes of same filed and approved by this office. Survey No. 36, M23 was patented on corrected field notes made by S. H. Chism in 1917. Other surveys in this block should be surveyed course and distance in harmony with above resurvey, respecting older locations in case of conflict.
3. Survey No. 33 block Z was made by W. Calloway in 1878 and calls to begin on the NE corner of survey No. 16, block 47, H. & T. C. Ry. Co. This was before Geo. Spiller resurveyed block 47, therefore said beginning call was for the NE corner of N. 16 according to the original Maddox location of block 47, and as one of Maddox original corners or locative points is on the West line of said survey No. 16, which is the only it is presumed that Mr. Calloways be corner of No. 33, block Z at NE corner No. 16, block 47 was located course and distance according to the Maddox field notes of No. 16 from said marked point on its west line. This location is borne out by the W. P. Hedgecocke scrap survey No. 5 block M27, admitted and patented along the east side of Nos. 33 and 34, block Z. Following this construction on north through surveys 45, 46 and 47, checks with the south lines of surveys Nos. 9 and 10, block H. Surveys No. 129 and 130, block Z likewise should be located with reference to the Maddox survey of block 47, constructed from point on west line of No. 16 as above mentioned.

Surveys Nos. 89 and 90, block Z are shown on the plat according to the corrected field notes of survey 36, block M23 made by S. H. Chism in 1917. The location of these surveys with reference to surveys in block 47 by Maddox would place them slightly north of the position given same by Chism in the corrected field notes of No. 36, M23, but assuming that Chism respected their location as held or recognized on the ground, they were given that position on the plat, subject of course to yield to the facts and conditions found to exist on the ground.

4. The corrected field notes of surveys in block 47 H. & T. C. Ry. Co. made by Geo Spiller in 1888 gives 950 varas east and west to each survey from No. 1 to No. 15 and placing

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all excess found between the east line of No. 1 and west line of No. 16 in said No. 16, therefore in keeping with this construction all excess found between the NW corner of Section No. 9 and the west line of No. 16, block 47, should be given to No. 16, unless intervening corners should be found that would otherwise affect same.

This plat, as above stated, is compiled according to the latest date on file in this office therefore the various surveys, blocks and systems of surveys should be located on the ground as thereon shown unless facts and conditions should be found to exist that would otherwise control.

Yours truly,

Act. Commissioner

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June 28, 1921

Mr. Howard Trigg,  
Amarillo, Texas

Dear Sir:

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This office is in receipt of your letter of the 23rd instant enclosing copies of part of two land office working sketches, one made in October 1920 and the other January 15, 1920, both referring to the same surveys in Hutchinson County and note what you say with reference to a slight difference in the construction of these two plats and an oversight in giving instructions in our letter of November 9th, last, concerning the locations of surveys 31 and 32, block Z, shown on these plats.

By comparison of these sketches it seems the only difference in their construction is in the north and south position of said surveys 31 and 32, block Z, with reference to survey 8, adjoining 32 on the east.

The working sketch made in October 1920 covers a large area and was based on certain connecting lines shown thereon, according to which you will note that the connecting line run by H. B. Spiller in July 1890, which terminates at the southeast corner of section 11, block M-17, and northeast corner of 2, block M-18 as platted, falls south of that corner on the sketch, indicating that the surveys west of this point should be slightly south or surveys east of this point further north to the extent, practically, of the amount of conflict shown between the north line of 32, block Z, and 9, Block H.

The working sketch made in January 1920 would not take in quite so large an area nor was it based on the connecting lines as was the large sketch. For that reason the northeast corner of 32 was made to coincide with the northwest corner of 8, block H, for which it calls.

In constructing the large sketch, made in October 1920, surveys 31 and 32 were given a position north and south to correspond with that called for by the W. P. Hedgecoke scrap surveys Nos. 5 and 6. This taken into consideration with the discrepancy in the position of surveys as indicated by the connecting line above referred to, pushes surveys 31 and 32 slightly north of the position shown on the sketch made in January 1920.

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By referring to a certified sketch filed in this office December 22, 1902 in connection with the Hedgecoke scrap surveys adjoining 31 and 32 on the west, I find that he shows a connecting line run from the northwest corner of 9, block 47 H&TC Rwy. Co. northwest to the southwest corner of 1, block H thence north 1048 varas to the northeast corner of 7, block H, and west passing the northwest corner of No. 8, which point he says was established by W. D. Twichell and identified by men who were with him when he did the work, continuing west along the south line of 9, Block H, 1802 varas, thence south 3565 varas and west 68 varas to the northeast corner of 34, block Z, then continues his line west and north and east to the northeast corner of 2, Block m-18; on which plat he shows the northeast corner of 32, block Z, common with 8, Block H which would seem to be the proper construction for said surveys 31 and 32, inasmuch as they have been separated by allowing the two Hedgecoke scraps between 31 and 32 and 33 and 34. I am of the opinion that said surveys 31 and 32 should be given this position. That is to say, the northeast corner of 32 should be held with the northwest corner of 8, block H.

Survey No. 48, certificate 10/54, TC Ry. Co., referred to, should be corrected so as to embrace all the territory within its calls for adjoining surveys on every side, respecting, of course, the superior or older locations. In other words, it should be made to extend to the south lines of 8 and 7, block H, on its north, east to the west line of 11, block 47, H&TC RY. CO., and thence with north and west lines of 12 to the northeast corner of 13, block 47; thence west to the northwest corner of 13 or to the east line of 31 should same be intersected in going west on this line; thence with east and north line of 31, block Z, to the southeast corner of 32, block Z; thence north to line of 47 and east to No. 8.

In regard to section 14, block E, I am unable to find anything on file in this office showing a shortage in this survey. Copy of field notes of survey 4, block M-25, will be forwarded to you by another Department in this office.

Yours truly,

Act. Commissioner

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Letters to and from Howard T. Trigg  
Relative to H&TC RY. CO. Block 47,  
Block Z and adjoining surveys.

November 9, 1920  
June 28, 1921

See working sketch Hutchinson  
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