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Hon. Jerry Sadler,
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SURVEY REPORT
PECOS COUNTY, TEXAS

Dear Sir:

Forwarded herewith is linen "map showing re-survey of T.C.R.R. Co. Block F, H.E. & W.T.R.R. Co. Surveys, and parts of H. & G.N.R.R. Co. Blocks 11 & 12, Pecos County, Texas" depicting Survey made by me or under my supervision on the ground from April thru July 1966. This survey was necessary in order to arrive at the proper location of the several Surveys on which Lucille S. Smith of Fort Stockton, Texas, had made Application for Mining Claims. Also the land owner, Mr. J.A. McDonald has indicated a desire to have us prepare Corrected Field Notes on several of the Surveys involved on which he may obtain a Patent at a later date.

A study of the Records on file in the General Land Office, pertaining to this area, reveals the following History.

H. & G.N.R.R. Co. Blocks 11 & 12 -- Original Survey by William Nelson -- 1873 -- Corrected Field Notes -- E.A. Giraud -- 1890

University Lands Blocks 16 & 20 -- Original Survey by R.M. Thomson in 1879 -- Corrected Field Notes and re-survey plat -- F.F. Friend from July 1926 to October 1932.

T.C.R.R. Co. Block F -- Original Survey by H.C. Barton in 1881 -- Corrected Field Notes (part) by A.N. Lea in 1908 and also Corrected Field Notes (part) R.M. Simpson in 1945.

A.N. Lea also filed a Corrected Field Notes in 1908 on each of the H.E. & W.T.R.R. Co. Surveys involved although no Patents have been issued on these and also no Patents have been issued on the Surveys in said Block F.

Each of the Surveys in H. & G.N.R.R. Co. Blocks 11 & 12, have been Patented on the Corrected Field Notes of Mr. Giraud and these Surveys are easily located on the ground by the iron pipes as set by Mr. Giraud.

The Surveys in Block F and the H.E. & W.T.R.R. Co. Surveys construct from the University Lands Blocks 16 and Block 20 Surveys and therefore we must locate the said University Lands before we can locate said Block F and the H.E. & W.T.R.R. Co. Surveys. The records indicate that this location has been somewhat of a controversy for a number of years, especially other University Blocks to the South-west of this area. However there is a letter in the files wherein a former Commissioner of the General Land Office adopted Mr. F.F. Friends position for the N.E. corner of University Block 16.

Also we find from the Records that Corrected Field Notes were filed by J.A. Conklin in 1951 on a part of Block 20 of the University Lands based on what is very definitely the same position as that used by Mr. F.F. Friend. The land owners and the University apparently agree with Mr. Friends location as the North line of Block 20 and the North line of Block 16 and also a part of the West line of Block 16 are fenced on Mr. Friends ground location.

Also forwarded herewith is a copy of Working Sketch prepared from the above mentioned Records and we call your attention to this Sketch in determining where Mr. A.N. Lea located the Surveys in Block F and the H.E. & W.T.R.R. Co. Surveys. He definitely tied to the H. & G.N.R.R. Co. Surveys by his calls for the pipes which were set by Mr. Giraud and we platted his Field Notes on this working Sketch accordingly. It is very apparent that Mr. Lea was not using the same position for the University Lands as was Mr. Friend, as he varied as much as 500 varas Northerly and about 300 varas at the most Easterly from Mr. Friends position.

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Of course Mr. Lea was Surveying in 1908 and Mr. Friend did not make his Survey until 1926-1932 and therefore was not on the ground at the time Mr. Lea was making his Survey and the Records indicate that Mr. Lea ran a very lengthy connecting line in order to locate his position. Since we have used Mr. Friends position for the University Lands for the above stated reasons, we have completely disregarded Mr. Leas position, as the two can not be reconciled and there have not been any Patents issued on any of Mr. Leas Corrected Field Notes. The only Patents are on the Original Field Notes by Mr. H.C. Barton.

In addition to the above evidence we also find that Mr. R.M. Simpson filed Corrected Field Notes on T.C.R.R. Co. Survey 4 and T.C.R.R. Co. Survey 6, in said Block F, and it is very definite that Mr. Simpson is using Mr. Friends position for the University Lands just as we have done. Now that we have located the University Lands on the ground and the H. & G.N.R.R. Co. Surveys on the ground we simply construct the T.C.R.R. Co. Block F Surveys from the University Lands and the H.E. & W.T.R.R. Co. Surveys from University Lands and from Block F and in this connection we refer you to our said map showing re-survey of the area.

The mineral Applications filed by the said Lucille S. Smith were based upon the Corrected Field Notes of Record in the County which were the ones by Mr. A.N. Lea, and referring to our Working Sketch and then to our re-survey map, you will readily see why it was necessary to change some distances when we actually made our survey in order to write the Mineral Claim Field Notes so that same conformed to the adjoining rights (Survey lines and Block lines as well as ownership lines) according to Law.

Respectfully submitted this the 23rd day of February, 1967.

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PECOS COUNTY

File No. 106

PECOS County

SKETCH FILE

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JERRY SADLER, Com'r

By [Signature]

Report of Survey
T.C.Ry.Co., Bk. F
& Adjoining Surveys
By Wm C. Wilson, Jr.
Feb. 23, 1967
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