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CONSULTING SURVEYOR
JASPER, TEXAS

November 17, 1947

Honorable Bascom Giles, Commissioner
General Land Office
Austin, Texas

Dear Sir:

During recent surveying southwest of San Augustine, the county seat of San Augustine County, I found considerable excess acreage in two surveys, namely Abst. 567, S.P. RR Section # 2 and Abst. 564, S.P. RR Section # 8. Both of these surveys are owned by the Southwestern Settlement & Development Corporation, and I advised said corporation to file applications to purchase such excess acreage.

Accompanying this report is a map, scale one inch: 400 varas, showing the two surveys and their neighboring surveys, as found on the ground. All field note distances are shown in parenthesis and the actual course and distances given on the map are the result of transit field work. A photostatic copy of the calculation sheet is attached to the respective survey file. Dashed lines on the map indicate those lines not actually or completely run in the field.

In the entire area under discussion, I was able to identify only the northeast corner of the J.L. Norwood Survey and the southwest corner of the Wm. Clark Survey. All other corners are either well recognized and established or accepted by the United States Forest Service, who own S.P. RR Sections # 1,3,5 and 7. The Southwestern Settlement & Development Corporation owns S.P. RR Section # 2, 4,6,8,10 and part of # 9. Please note from the map, that some of the distances measured on the ground are considerably different from the calls given in the original field notes. Two extreme cases are discussed as follows:

Abst. 567, S.P. RR Co. Section # 2: The west line of this section is 223 vrs. longer than it calls for in the original field notes. The southerly east line is also longer by practically the same distance. Discovering these excess distances, I took this matter up with the Southwestern Settlement & Development Corporation. The present owner of S.P. Section # 1 is the United States Government of America, and the land is under the supervision of the Forest Service, Department of Agriculture. The officials of the United States Forest Service contend that they acquired S.P. RR Co. Section # 1 on December 21, 1935 from the Long-Bell Lumber Co. Sales Corporation and accepted the lines and corners, after " a careful consideration of all original patented survey descriptions and maps available after due and diligent search." And since the field notes to S.P. Section # 1 do not call for S.P. Section # 2, but vice versa, it is my opinion that S.P. Section # 2 will have to go to the marked north line of S.P. Section # 1 where it is accepted by the Federal Government, based on old findings by its predecessor in title. The Southwestern Settlement & Development Corporation has letters on file from the United States

Forest Service to the effect that they will, under no circumstances, change the present location as set forth by corner descriptions in the deed from Long-Bell Lumber Company to the United States of America. Said corner descriptions, although they are not the original bearings, were found on the ground. From the map and the corrected field notes for S.P. RR Section # 2, you will note that I found the most northerly northeast corner fo S.P. RR Section # 1, 16.14 varas East of the accepted west line of the S. Pearse Survey. Since this Pearse Survey is senior to the Sections, I placed the southerly southeast corner of Section # 2 in a straight line between the two most northerly north corners of Section # 1, as accepted by the United States Forest Service and the intersection with the west line of the S. Pearse Survey.

Abst. 564, S.P. RR Co. Section # 8: All lines and corners of this Section as described in the corrected field notes are old and well recognized. The only exception is the northerly west line of S.P. RR Section # 8. From the map you will note that the most northerly north line and the northerly south line of this Section is 209.29 vrs. and 173.14 vrs. respectively, in excess over the field note calls. This matter also was taken up with the United States Forest Service, since S.P. RR Section # 7 belongs to the United States Government. Again, said United States Forest Service maintains that the location of their lines are based on old work by the Long-Bell Lumber Company, the predecessor in title of this survey and that they refuse to change the location of the easterly east line of their S.P. RR Section # 7 for this reason. Although Sections # 7 and # 8 were both surveyed on April 20, 1880, it is presumed that Section # 8 will follow the location of Section # 7, therefore, the corrected field notes to S.P. RR Section # 8 will go to the corners identified as to the United States Forest Service field notes.

Any further information desired on the location of the above discussed lines could be furnished by the Southwestern Settlement & Development Corporation or the United States Forest Service, Department of Agriculture.

Yours very truly,

Jas. G. Barker

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Land Surveyor. Jasper, Texas.



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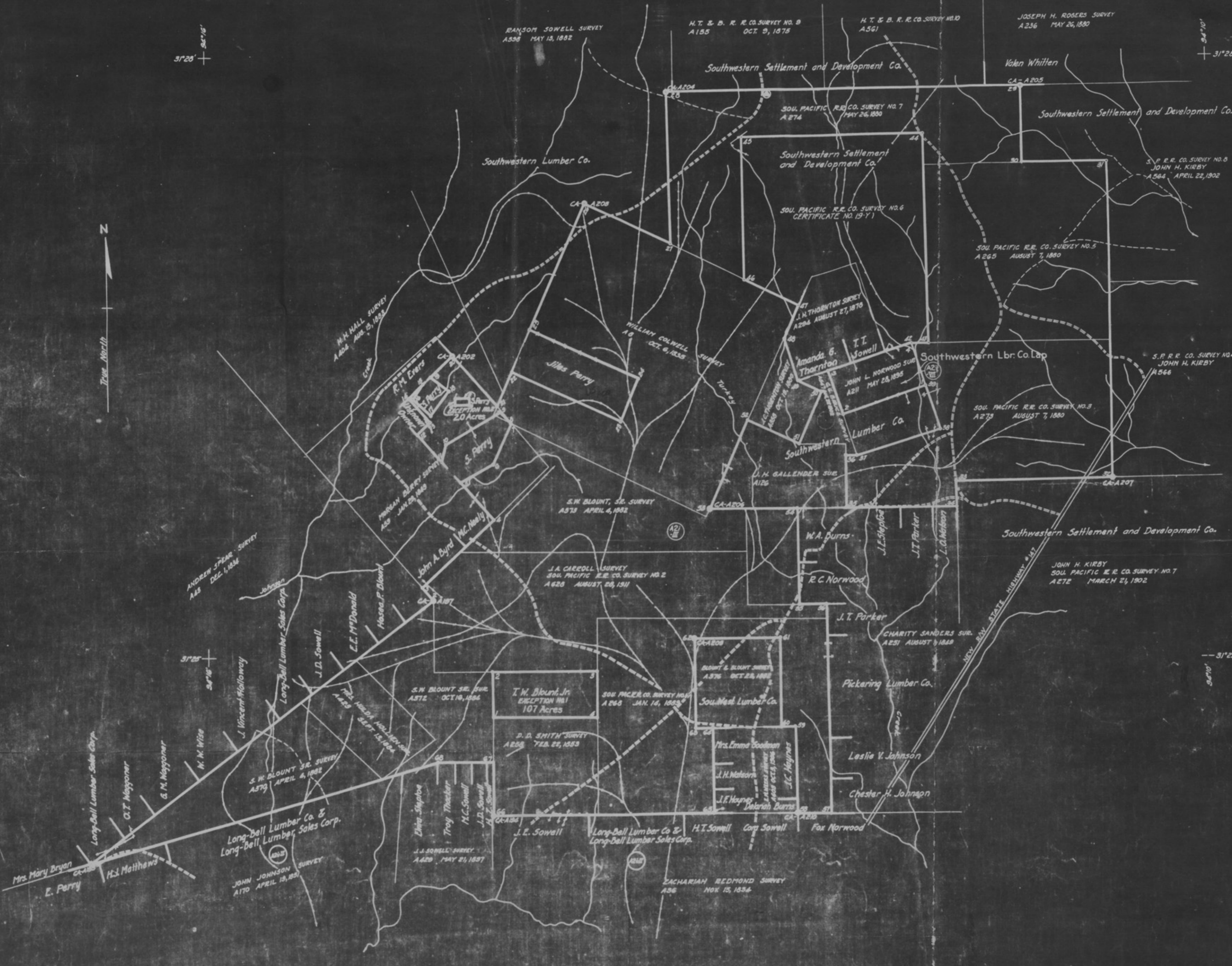
True North

31°28' 34" E

31°28' 34" E

57°25' 24" W

57°25' 24" W



Summary of Acreage:

Tract A21-III	6052
- A21-VII	85
Total	6137

LONG-BELL LUMBER SALES CORP TRACT
(A21-VII)
or
LONG-BELL LUMBER CO. &
LONG-BELL LUMBER SALES CORP TRACT
(A21-III)
SAN AUGUSTINE COUNTY TEXAS
6137 ACRES
SURVEYED BY GUY ZINN & PARTY
1935
SCALE: 1 in. = 20 CHAINS

Note:
For bearings and distances see description to
which this map is attached and made a part of.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
TEXAS NATIONAL FORESTS
ANGELINA, DAVY CROCKETT, SABINE, SAM HOUSTON



ADDRESS REPLY TO
FOREST SUPERVISOR
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P. O. BOX 380
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HOUSTON 14, TEXAS

November 25, 1947

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ACQUISITION
General

Mr. W. G. Hugley,
Southwestern Settlement and Development Corp.,
1315 Petroleum Building,
Houston, Texas.

Dear Dr. Hugley:

Attached is certified copy of the Long Bell tracts descriptions according to your request of November 24, 1947. I hope these are of service to you, and if further similar information is needed, do not hesitate to call on us.

Sincerely yours,

H. B. BOSWORTH
Forest Supervisor

Enclosure

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N. $88^{\circ}40'$ E., 22.40 chains to corner 14, on the west line of the John H. Kirby Survey No. 2, dated March 21, 1902, being the S. P. R. R. Co. Survey No. 2, a stake witnessed by old marked bearing trees: a 9" hickory bears S. 28° E., .13 chain distant and a 14" hickory bears N. $73^{\circ}30'$ E., .20 chain distant.

Thence S. $0^{\circ}50'$ E., with the lands of Southwestern Settlement and Development Company, common to the Charity Sanders Survey and the John H. Kirby Survey No. 2, 22.90 chains to corner 15, the tenth corner of S. P. R. R. Co. Survey No. 1 and the beginning corner of the John H. Kirby Survey No. 2, a F. S. standard concrete post marked A 178, witnessed by old marked bearing trees: a 10" pine bears N. 62° W., .25 chain distant and a 20" red oak bears S. $76^{\circ}30'$ W., .36 chain distant.

Thence N. $89^{\circ}45'$ E., continuing with the lands of Southwestern Settlement and Development Company, common to the S. P. R. R. Co. Survey No. 1 and the John H. Kirby Survey No. 2. At 18.31 chains the center line of right of way of the proposed State Highway No. 147, previously described. At 100.70 chains corner 16, the ninth corner of the S. P. R. R. Co. Survey No. 1 and the second corner of the John H. Kirby Survey No. 2, a F. S. standard concrete post marked A 177, witnessed by old marked bearing trees: a 10" white oak bears N. $75^{\circ}30'$ W., .15 chain distant and a 15" sweet gum bears N. 4° E., .14 chain distant

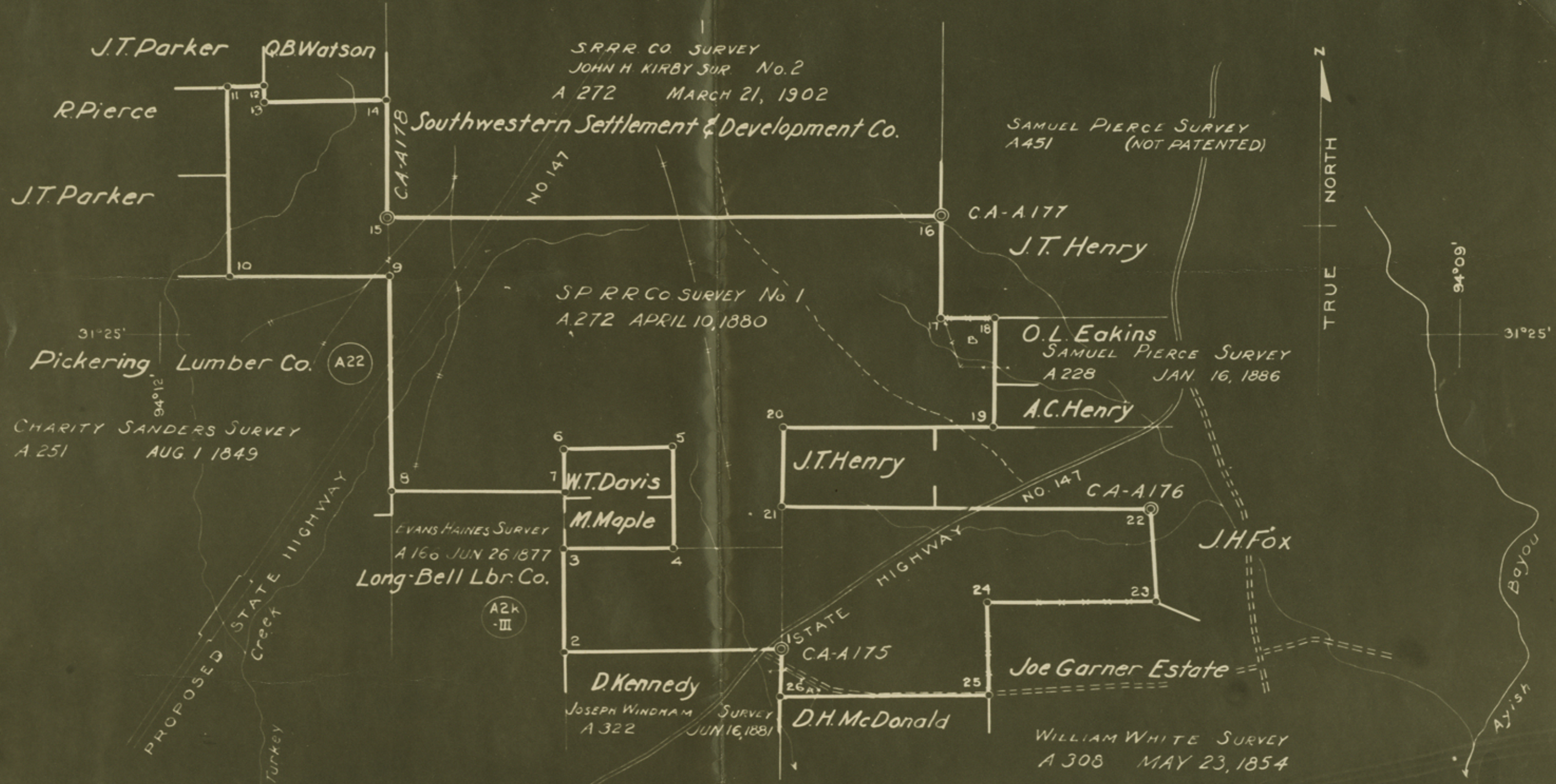
Thence two (2) lines with the lands of J. T. Henry, common to the S. P. R. R. Co. Survey No. 1 and the Samuel Pierce Survey, Abstract 451, not patented:

South, 20.10 chains to corner 17, the eighth corner of the S. P. R. R. Co. Survey No. 1 and the SW. corner of the Samuel Pierce Survey, Abstract No. 451, a stake witnessed by old marked bearing trees;

East, 9.80 chains to corner 18, the seventh corner of S. P. R. R. Co. Survey No. 1 and the third corner of the Samuel Pierce Survey, Abstract No. 228, dated Jan. 16, 1886, a stake witnessed by an old marked bearing tree.

I, H. B. Bosworth, Forest Supervisor, Texas National Forests, do hereby certify that the above descriptions are true and correct copies as appear in the Second Deed, Long Bell Lumber Company and Long Bell Lumber Sales Corporation to United States of America; said deed was filed for record on the 26th day of December, 1935, and recorded on the 30th day of December, 1935, in Volume 76, on page 12 et seq; (12-58 inclusive), Deed Records of San Augustine County, Texas.

H. B. Bosworth 11-25-47
 Forest Supervisor



LONG-BELL LUMBER CO. & LONG-BELL LUMBER SALES CORP. TRACT
(A2k-I)

SAN AUGUSTINE COUNTY, TEXAS

910 ACRES

C.S.S. - SUR.

1935

SCALE: 1" = 20 CHAINS

Note:
For bearings and distances see description to which this map is attached and of which it is made a part.

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Thence N. $1^{\circ} 00'$ W., continuing with the lands of Southwestern Lumber Company, common to the Ransom Sowell and S. P. R. R. Co. No. 7 Surveys, 70.70 chains to corner 28, the third corner of the Ransom Sowell Survey and the fifth corner of the S. P. R. R. Co. Survey No. 7, a F. S. standard concrete post marked A 204, witnessed by old marked bearing trees: a 14" black jack bears S. $79^{\circ} E.$, .36 chain distant and a 12" black jack bears S. $10^{\circ} E.$, .18 chain distant. A scribed bearing tree, a 6" pine, bears N. $3^{\circ} E.$, .19 chain distant.

Thence N. $89^{\circ} 10'$ E., with the lands of Southwestern Lumber Company, Southwestern Settlement and Development Company, and Valen Whitten, common to the S. P. R. R. Co. Survey No. 7 and to the Ransom Sowell Survey, the H. T. & B. R. R. Co. Survey No. 9, Abstract No. 155, dated October 9, 1875, the H. T. & B. R. R. Co. Survey No. 10, Abstract No. 561, and the Joseph H. Rogers Survey, dated May 26, 1880, 167.50 chains to corner 29, the fourth corner of the S. P. R. R. Co. Survey No. 7 and the NW. corner of the John H. Kirby Survey, Abstract No. 564, dated April 22, 1902, a F. S. standard concrete post marked A 205, witnessed by old marked bearing trees: a 10" pine bears N. $25^{\circ} E.$, .44 chain distant and a 12" pine bears N. $57^{\circ} E.$, .42 chain distant. A scribed bearing tree, an 8" pine, bears N. $12^{\circ} E.$, .42 chain distant.

Thence S. $0^{\circ} 50'$ E., with the lands of Southwestern Settlement and Development Company, common to the S. P. R. R. Co. No. 7 and John H. Kirby Surveys, 36.30 chains to corner 30, the third corner of the S. P. R. R. Co. Survey No. 7, and the most westerly SW. corner of the John H. Kirby Survey, a stake witnessed by old marked bearing trees.

Thence N. $89^{\circ} 15'$ E., continuing with the lands of Southwestern Settlement and Development Company, common to the S. P. R. R. Co. No. 5 and John H. Kirby Surveys, 39.30 chains to corner 31, the second corner of the S. P. R. R. Co. Survey No. 5, and a corner of the John H. Kirby Survey, a stake witnessed by an old marked bearing tree.

Thence S. $0^{\circ} 55'$ E., continuing with the lands of Southwestern Settlement & Development Company, common to the S. P. R. R. Co. Surveys No. 5 and No. 3 and to the John H. Kirby Surveys, Abstract No. 564 and No. 566. At 122.00 chains the center line of right of way of the proposed State Highway No. 147, 1.51 chains in width (said proposed Highway running thence southwesterly, within the S. P. R. R. Co. Survey No. 3, to intersection, as called for, with line between corners 32 and 33). At 144.00 chains corner 32, the eighth corner of the S. P. R. R. Co. Survey No. 3 and the sixth corner of the John H. Kirby Survey, Abstract No. 566, a F. S. standard concrete post marked A 207, witnessed by old bearing trees: a 12" hickory bears N. $34^{\circ} W.$, .40 chain distant and an 18" white oak bears N. $54^{\circ} W.$, .70 chain distant. A scribed bearing tree, a 5" pine, bears N. $16^{\circ} W.$, .20 chain distant.

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Thence two (2) lines continuing with the lands of Southwestern Settlement & Development Company, common to the S. P. R. R. Co. Survey No. 3 and the John H. Kirby Survey, Abstract No. 272, dated March 21, 1902:

S. 89° 00' W., at 15.00 chains, the center line of right of way of the proposed State Highway No. 147, previously described, At 73.70 chains, corner 33, the ninth corner of the S. P. R. R. Co. Survey No. 3 and the eighth corner of the John H. Kirby Survey, Abstract No. 272, a stake witnessed by scribed bearing trees;

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