

Forest Service
May 2nd, 1913.

The District Forester,
Dept. of Agriculture,
First National Bank Bldg.,
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I forward herewith application of Murray & Fletcher
for permit for irrigation and power on Boulder Creek, San
Diego County.

Under separate package, (registered), we are for-
warding the maps which accompany the application. Kindly
acknowledge receipt of these papers.

Respectfully,

JAMES A. MURRAY & ED FLETCHER.

By _____ Sec'y.

924 8th St. San Diego, Cal.

August 5, 1913.

Forest Service

The Supervisor,
Cleveland National Forest,
San Diego, Cal.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your recent letter enclosing
a revised Special Use Permit.

I am returning herewith the original
permit from which the time limits were omitted.

Very truly yours,

Murray and Fletcher,

By

Secretary.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
DISTRICT 5

TELEPHONE KEARNY 5809



114 SANBOME STREET
FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

June 29, 1914

ADDRESS REPLY TO
DISTRICT FORESTER
AND REFER TO:

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Cleveland - Uses

Messrs. Murray & Fletcher,
Cuyamaca Water Company,
San Diego, California.

Dear Sirs:

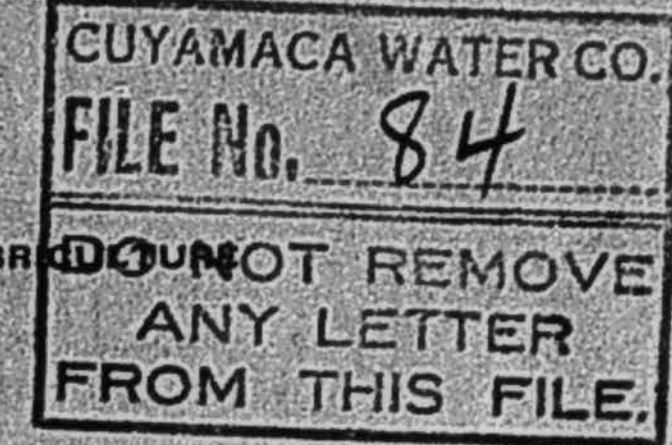
Your letter of June 26 is received and has been forwarded to the Forest Supervisor with instructions to issue you a special use permit for the Tule Reservoir and the conduit extending from the head of the power drop to the reservoir. The Supervisor has already been furnished a copy of the map filed with your power application and the permit can be based upon it.

Very truly yours,

L. A. Barrett
Acting District Forester.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
DISTRICT 5



114 SANBOME STREET
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

November 15, 1915.

ADDRESS REPLY TO
DISTRICT FORESTER
AND REFER TO

L
Cleveland - Water Power,
Murray, James A., & Fletcher, Ed,
Reservoir, Conduit & Powerhouse,
6/2/13.

Mr. W. L. Huber,
1304 1st National Bank Bldg.,
San Francisco, California.

Dear Sir:

There is now due on account of the final power permit issued to Messrs. Murray and Fletcher on October 5, 1914, 75 cents for the period October 5 to December 31, 1915; and on January 1, 1916, there will be due \$6.40 for the calendar year 1916, a total of \$7.15. The balance for the year 1915 is based upon a rental capacity of 32 horsepower and calculated at the ten-cent rate. The charges for the year 1916 are calculated at the twenty-cent rate.

Payment of these charges should be made to the Anglo and London-Paris National Bank of San Francisco, Cal., accompanied by the enclosed letter of transmittal, Form 861, which should be signed by the permittees and dated.

Very truly yours,
L. A. Barrett
Acting District Forester.

Enclosure.

Forest Serv.

October 6, 1914.

District Forester,
First National Bank Bldg.,
San Francisco, Cal.

Dear Sir:-

We forward herewith an application for final power permit for "Addition to Boulder Creek Reservoir of Murray and Fletcher". This is a supplementary application for additional land for the reservoir already applied for by us on June 6, 1914. It makes no changes in the main points to that application and we suggest, if it is agreeable to the Forest Service, that this application be merged with that of June 6th, unless such merging will result in a delay in granting the final permit.

Yours very truly,

MURRAY AND FLETCHER.

By _____

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TELEPHONE KEARNY 6000

United States Department of Agriculture

Division of Accounts and Disbursements,

Forest Service Branch.

DISTRICT 5.

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Receipts

114 SANSOME STREET
~~FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING,~~
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

October 10, 1914.

James A. Murray and Ed Fletcher,
P. O. Box No. 1412,
San Diego, Calif.

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OCT 15 1914

Gentlemen:

I am herewith returning your personal check No. 6117 drawn on the First National Bank in the sum of \$3.20 in payment of your water power permit on the Cleveland National Forest.

As personal checks are not acceptable in this connection, Mr. W. L. Huber, your representative in this city, paid the amount in cash and the receipted letter of transmittal will be returned to you in due course.

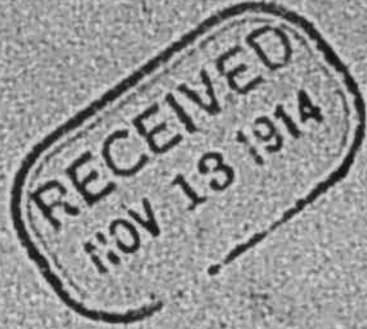
Very truly yours,

W. L. Brunner
District Fiscal Agent.

Enclosure.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
CLEVELAND NATIONAL FOREST



ADDRESS REPLY TO
FOREST SUPERVISOR
AND REFER TO:

L
Cleveland - Uses,
Telephone Line,
San Diego Flume Co., 7/25/08.

SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

November 11, 1914.

Cuyamaca Water Co.,
San Diego, California.

Gentlemen:

Since it appears that the holdings and business of the San Diego Flume Co. have been taken over by the Cuyamaca Water Co., the Special Use permit issued to the former on July 25, 1908 is hereby cancelled, and a new permit covering the same use issued to the Cuyamaca Water Co.

Very truly yours,

S. K. Kynne
Forest Supervisor

March 19, 1934.

Honorable F. A. Silcox,
Chief, United States Forest Service,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Silcox:

At the suggestion of your Regional Forester Mr. Stuart B. Show, I came to Washington after presenting to Mr. Show a plan of acquiring a 75,000 or 100,000 acres of Red Wood timber in California. I am enclosing notes of introduction to you from Mr. Show.

Mr. Show seemed very much interested in the following properties which I control located in Del Norte and Humboldt Counties, California. The land lies between the Pacific Ocean and the Klamath National Forest. The State Highway runs through the property. The Klamath River, the most beautiful and probably the largest river we have in California on the West Slope runs through the property in question for a distance of approximately fifteen miles. A portion of this property are cut over lands, roughly, I should say 10,000 or 15,000 acres, but the rest of it is virgin timber. Between six or seven billion feet of which between five and six billion feet is the best red wood virgin timber in California, and represents approximately one-tenth of all the red wood virgin timber in the United States.

I am enclosing map showing the three ownerships which I control, same being in red, green and brown. Those properties marked orange and blue are owned by Indians and either stand in the name of the individual Indian or in the United States Government. If you are interested at all in this property, and so desire, I can secure the other ownerships and price, but it will take considerable time. These properties have cost the private owners over \$4.00 a thousand stumpage. Over half of these properties have been bonded for between a \$1.50 and \$2.00 a thousand, but the properties can be purchased today remarkably cheap for cash. If you are interested I will be glad to submit a written offer next week.

Mr. Show gave me to believe that you would be in Washington last Thursday. I understand you have been delayed, and I must be on the Pacific Coast next Monday on other important matters. If you would kindly let Mr. Show know by wire, I will contact him next week, Monday, and Tuesday by air mail, send you a definite proposition in writing.

I am enclosing book of photos, aerial view of the property in question which I believe will convince you that it is the finest stand of red wood timber on the Pacific Coast. I am referring to picture No. 3 in book of photos herewith attached.

3/19/34.

Hon. F. A. Silcox.

I am also enclosing report of cruise of the Ward properties. Please personally examine how conscientiously and carefully this cruise has been made, even to the number of trees on each section or portion thereof. We can give you the same careful cruise on the balance of the property.

I am very appreciative of the courteous reception from your Mr. Sherman and Mr. Kneipp, and through them am submitting this letter and exhibits.

In closing let me say, I want to be of service to the Government. I was on the State Board of Forestry of California for seven years. I was instrumental in getting a number of parks donated to the State including red wood timber in Dyerville Flat. Also have cooperated with the same Red Wood League for many years. My one desire is to preserve the most beautiful tract of timber with the most ideal setting on both banks of the Klamath River that California can produce. If you are interested in that section at all please give me an opportunity to submit a definite offer on these three tracts - roughly 60,000 or 70,000 acres, and let me know how much more you would consider, if any, price being satisfactory. If you desire any of the other abutting property I will be glad to go the limit to help the Government acquire a national red wood forest the best in the United States. This land joining the Klamath at the west can be supervised with very little additional expense and you are preserving forever for the public the most attractive river from the standpoint of scenery, fishing and hunting which California can produce.

I regret not being able to meet you personally, but if you are interested I can come to Washington on three days notice by telegraph and will be pleased to submit a definite proposition as to price if desired. If you are not interested, at your convenience will you please send by express the enclosed exhibits to me at my address 1020 - 9th Street, San Diego, California. I hope to be of service to the Government and to you in this matter. For reference as to my responsibility I refer you to Senator McAdoo, Senator Hiram Johnson, Congressman George Burnham, State Engineer of California Edward Hyatt, now at the Occidental Hotel, Washington, Governor Rolph, Director of Public Works Earl E. Kelley of California, Attorney General Hugh S. Webb of California or Frank Belcher, President of First National Bank of San Diego or M. T. Gilmore, President of San Diego Savings Bank or Dun or Bradstreet Agency.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. F. A. Silcox,
U. S. Forester,
Washington, D. C.

November,
30th,
1934.

Dear Mr. Silcox:

Enclosed find letter which the western heirs have signed, that is explanatory. It was thought possible that Mr. Quinn or some other party might put up a proposition before the Commission or your verbally. They have no written option to about 15,000 acres of the Ward estate and this letter is your notification that they are doing business only through me with the Forest Service.

Thanking you and deeply appreciating the friendly spirit in which you discussed matters last Saturday and with kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

W/S

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
CALIFORNIA REGION



ADDRESS REPLY TO
REGIONAL FORESTER
AND REFER TO

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ROADS & TRAILS
Ah Pah-Blue Creek Road

Col. Ed Fletcher
1020 Ninth Avenue
San Diego, California

Dear Colonel Ed:

In answer to your telephone request to Chat Morse, I am sending you a map of the west half of the Klamath National Forest, on which are sketched the proposed road locations in the Klamath River-Blue Creek area. The various routes in which you may be interested are shown in colors as indicated below.

North Fork Ah Pah road: the 2.8 miles now under contract are shown in solid orange; the 4.3 miles proposed for connecting the contracted section to the river at the mouth of Blue Creek are shown in broken orange lines.

We consider the North Fork Ah Pah road the best route for a future State highway from Highway 101 to the mouth of Blue Creek. This would also be the most desirable and economical route for tapping the timber resources along the Klamath River and in the large area east of the river, and would give us both a timber and recreation access road which is favorably located for both north and south travel.

The State is understood to favor the road along the river, leaving Highway 101 at the town of Klamath, shown on the sketch as a broken black line starting from Klamath Glen. This route is probably favored also by the Indian Service, since it would facilitate their administration through connecting Starwein Flat with other Indian settlements up the river. I presume Del Norte County would favor this route over the Ah Pah location, since it would put the termini of the Klamath River highway at Crescent City and on the Del Norte County side of the river. The route down the river from the mouth of Blue Creek to Klamath, as you can see, is not as well situated as the North Fork Ah Pah road for traffic between the mouth of Blue Creek and points south on Highway 101.

The Forest Service proposal for a road up-river from the mouth of Blue Creek is shown in green on the east side of the river. It should be located far enough above and back from the river to be out of sight of

both letters
100 MARKET STREET
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

copy of
January 16, 1945

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river traffic in order to preserve the scenic attraction of the river itself. The Forest Service has made a sketchy reconnaissance of that portion shown in solid green. So far as we know, the State has made no decision on the route to be followed in locating a State highway above the mouth of Blue Creek.

The broken brown line up Blue Creek shows the general route of a proposed Forest Service development road. The actual location of the road will parallel the creek in general, but instead of being in the canyon, as indicated by the map, will probably be constructed along one of the benches above the creek. This road is not proposed as a State highway, but will be constructed and maintained by the Forest Service from Federal funds or in cooperation with logging companies.

I hope this answers your questions respecting our plans for development of the Blue Creek area and the extension of the road up the river. Summing them up: the Forest Service proposes that the State Highway from 101 up the Klamath River follow the North Fork Ah Pah Creek to the mouth of Blue Creek, and the east side of the river from Blue Creek up toward Weitchpec. The Forest Service contemplates ultimate construction of a road up Blue Creek as part of the National Forest road system.

Very sincerely yours,

A. P. DEAN, Asst. Regional Forester

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
CALIFORNIA REGION



ADDRESS REPLY TO
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AND REFER TO

630 Sansome Street
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SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA
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April 18, 1945

Col. Ed Fletcher
State Capitol
Sacramento, California

Dear Colonel Ed:

I am enclosing the two maps which you requested showing the land status along Cedar Creek in the Descanso Ranger District of Cleveland National Forest. Portions of the area shown in green are Government owned. The yellow area is all patented land. I regret that we do not have the ownerships here, but I am sending a copy of the map down to Supervisor Bill Fisher at San Diego, so that by the time you get down there Bill might have a little information on the names of the owners. I am, of course, telling Bill that this should be kept secret.

I am also sending four pairs of aerial photographs covering the Cedar Creek drainage from Harrison Park down to its junction with the river. The main Cedar Creek drainage is marked on the photos in green. I am sending pairs of these aerial photos so that in showing them you may put the photos under stereoscope and bring out the relief. You could probably find a stereoscope at the office of John Keith over at the State Board of Equalization or at the State Forester's office in Sacramento, and you will find one at Bill Fisher's office in San Diego.

Shaw has your letter of April 15 and he and I have talked about your proposal. We are already planning to have the Cedar Creek vegetation analyzed so that we will know the best types of trout flies to use.

Incidentally, the dam sites indicated by the red marks on the maps are not intended to indicate that these are the only dam sites on the creek. These four happen to be some which our boys had selected in the past from the aerial photographs.

Very sincerely,



A. P. DEANE
Chief, Division of Engineering

Enclosures

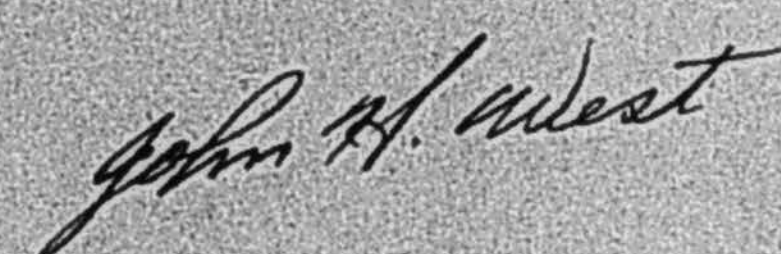
May 5, 1945

Col. Ed Fletcher,
State Capitol,
Sacramento, Calif.

Dear Colonel Fletcher,

Herewith land ownership record and maps for Cedar Creek area.

Hope they arrived in time.



May 9, 1945

The U.S. Forest Service
Federal Building
San Diego, California

Attention: Mr. West

My dear Mr. West:

I am returning map which shows in green Cedar Creek— it is my understanding from your report that Cedar Creek is wholly within the ownership of the Cleveland National Forest and the U.S. Government from the upper circle "x" to the lower circle "x"—is this correct?

If the United States Forest Service and the Fish and Game Commission enter into a mutually satisfactory arrangement there will be no private ownership to acquire between those two points, is that correct also?

Please return map with your comments by return air mail.

Very sincerely yours,

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
CLEVELAND NATIONAL FOREST



ADDRESS REPLY TO
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AND REFER TO

SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

May 15, 1945

W
IMPROVEMENTS - Cleveland
Cedar Creek

Senator Ed Fletcher
State Capitol
Sacramento, California

Dear Colonel Ed:

Our land status books were last checked against the County's records in March of this year and the ownership shown on the attached map was taken from those records.

See
"CEDAR CREEK"
FILE

The location of Cedar Creek as shown on the attached map was checked against more recent topog sheets and found to be substantially correct.

In the absence of a more detailed survey of Cedar Creek itself, we would say its location as shown on the map is correct, and the land through which the creek traverses between the two points you have designated is entirely owned by the government. Therefore your two questions are answered in the affirmative.

The lower falls is located on private land in Section 1, T 14 S, R 2 E, however.

Previous commitments prevented our getting this to you by return mail - hope it hasn't inconvenienced you too much.

Very truly yours,

Wm F. Fischer
Wm. F. FISCHER
Forest Supervisor

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
CLEVELAND NATIONAL FOREST



ADDRESS REPLY TO
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SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

April 27, 1945

D
COOPERATION - Cleveland
General

Senator El Fletcher
State Capitol
Sacramento, California

Dear El:

I have been planning to answer your letter of April 3 ever since I received it. However, before doing so I wanted to make final arrangements with General Cauldwell for the bulldozer. I have tentative approval, and all that needs to be done now is to get it sent to Cuyamaca. I had hoped to be able to tell you it was on the job, but due to inability to see the General that will have to wait. We will try to finish up on North Peak sometime in the first two weeks in May. To date, everything has been too wet for effective work.

I guess you know the gate you needed has been installed at Eagles Nest. If it is not up to snuff, let me know.

I am preparing some data on land ownership on Cedar Creek for your use in the development of that area. I hope to send it to you in a very few days. I think dams in this area will, in addition to their fishing and recreation possibilities, be beneficial to the over-all flood and erosion problem of the San Diego River. These benefits may have value to you in your promotion of this development.

I hope you find yourself sympathetic toward the Clyde Watson bill on regulatory powers for the Fish and Game Commission, to the extent that you can support it.

Sincerely

WM. F. FISCHER
Forest Supervisor

February 3, 1949

Mr. P. A. Thompson, Regional Forester
United States Forest Service
630 Sansome Street
San Francisco, California

Attention: Mr. Barnham

Friend Barnham:

I suppose you know that Harold Ward broke both of his ankles up in Canada skiing with his two daughters and it will be some time before he comes west.

I also suppose you know that Jameson withdrew his suit against Ward and the Blue Creek Redwood Company and Ed Holter is trying to do all he can to bring Wilson and Jameson together in the matter of the Ah Pah road problem.

I wish you would take up with Mr. Thompson the matter of the following solution, i.e. that you take the holdings in Sections 17 and 18, or the right of way even and pay for it in logs which the Forest Service already owns--you remember that tract you bought just south of the Klamath bridge--why can't an exchange be made, a small one or a big one, and get the Ah Pah road question settled at least, if nothing more. I am willing to recommend this to Mr. Ward. You have already discussed it one or two times and I hope that something can be worked out and so long as you have not the money to buy. Above all things I want to see the Forest Service keep control of the Ah Pah road.

Please let me hear from you by return mail and bring me up to date. I am leaving on February 25th with Mrs. Fletcher for a four months' trip around the world and if I can be of any service in the meantime in furthering the interests of the Forest Service it will be a pleasure.

With kindest personal regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

[EDWARDS]

March 3, 1949

U. S. Forest Service
630 Sansome St.
San Francisco, California

Attn: Mr. Edwards

Dear Mr. Edwards:

Enclosed herewith is the resolution of Union Bond & Trust Company which you requested. I hope you find the same in order.

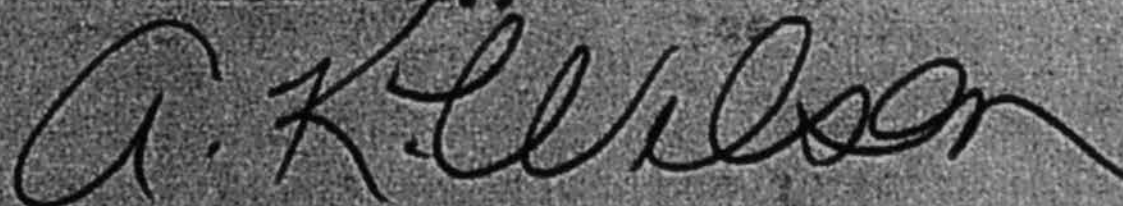
I have instructed Mr. Owens, our office manager of Coast Redwood Co., to work up a complete itemized statement of the expenditures which we have had on the Ah Pah access road and when you have looked over this statement, I am sure you will find we have performed a valuable service to the Forest Service as well as to everyone else using the road. After you have received complete information, I would appreciate you doing what you can to work out the contract so we will be reimbursed for these expenditures by the people using the road for the hauling of logs.

I enjoyed my visit with you the other afternoon although we started out both of us talking rather loud. I feel we came to a mutually satisfactory understanding and that in the future when either one of us had any question to ask the other or is in doubt about any matter in which the other is interested, that we will get together personally and discuss the entire matter and arrive at some mutually satisfactory settlement.

What brings about the most arguments, disagreements, and lawsuits, and even wars is the lack of understanding between people. I have always found that if two people will get together, lay all their cards on the table, and bring out all their grievances so that they can be discussed fully, that a satisfactory settlement and understanding can always be had.

Any time that there is any question you care to ask me or any matters you care to discuss, please call me long distance, collect, and I will be glad to accept the charges.

Sincerely,



AKW:doa

Ed Fletcher Papers

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**General Correspondence - United States. Department
of Agriculture - Forest Service, California Offices**



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