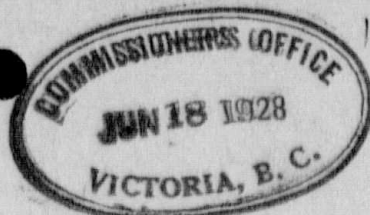


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415 Winch Building,
Vancouver Agency, Vancouver, B.C.,

June 16, 1928.

Dear Mr. Ditchburn:

If you will kindly refer to the map of the Waiwaikem Reserve of the Squamish Indians at Squamish River you will see that an island adjacent to this land does not appear to come within the bounds of the reserve. An application was made in April last by Mrs. A. N. Barbour of Brackendale to purchase what they thought to be Crown timber on two islands and they have been advised by A. E. Parlow, Esq., Assistant District Forester, by letter dated June 5th. inst. that although their plans show that the Indian Reserve covers 37 acres only there is reason to believe that the Reserve takes in the whole area extending to the Squamish River. The Department of Lands states that this matter can only be finally determined by re-survey and under the circumstances it is not considered in the public interest to make any disposition of the timber.

I would advise you also that the Indians have consulted me in the matter and desire to have either hand loggers licenses from the Provincial Government or an Indian permit, in order to enable them to remove the cotton wood from this land. They do not appear to know the bounds of the reserve.

It appears that one of two things can be done. Either the reserve can be re-surveyed and bounds definitely established, or we can assume that the islands form part of the Reserve and issue an Indian permit for the same. Kindly advise me in due course what can best be done. My own view is that the reserve should be re-surveyed, in which event the Squamish Council could pass a resolution with regard to the issuance of a permit. The file No. of the Provincial Forest correspondence is MTS X10199.

W.E. Ditchburn, Esq.,
Indian Commissioner for B.C.,
Victoria, B.C.

Yours sincerely,
(Signature)
(C.C. Perry) Indian Agent.

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