

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CANADA

OFFICE OF INDIAN AGENT Stikine.

Telegraph Creek, B.C. November 28 th. 1937.

Sir,

Ra:/ Roy & Mike Pat Mc Cluskey-Trapground. not required.

Acting upon instructions received from yourself during the recent visit to Vancouver i.e. that no Indian trapping grounds what-so-ever must be given back to the Game Department, without first obtaining your authority, I beg to submit herewith a map ofmthe above Indians grounds for such reason.

At the Prince Rupert Game Conference 1932, this good but difficult ground was open. Inspector Van Dyk urged it being taken by the Indians, and after some talk about getting Indians to go there, it was registered in the name of David Stock, an Uncle of the It has not been used, they have above two boys. tried however, but to trap this ground one has to do so from the Stikine River its-self. This is not considered practical as the Stikine River contains all White Trappers, barring one Indian Family.

The father of these lads is a "rover" an old time beaver catcher, but he with hs5 boys will now take over Old Mike Mc Cluskey's Ground on Moore Cr as the old fellow has now been placed on Rations owing to suckness and old age, so that in giving back this ground to the Game Department, we have lost very little, if anything at all. It is known that it will be acceptable to them, for some Half-breeds, it is thought require "lines".

The area shown consists of the Rainbow Mountains a huge range of hills- up some 7000 feet, but around the foothills, or at timber line, good Marten can be obtained- it is very rough trapping, and a White Trap-pers job. Therefore may permission be granted to release the above Indian "rapping Ground.

I am.

Major D. M. MacKay. Indian Commissioner for B.C. VANCOUVER. B.C.

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