

[PUBLIC LAW 229—80TH CONGRESS]

[CHAPTER 313—1ST SESSION]

[H. R. 1554]

AN ACT

To amend the Act entitled "An Act providing for the transfer of the duties authorized and authority conferred by law upon the board of road commissioners in the Territory of Alaska to the Department of the Interior, and for other purposes", approved June 30, 1932.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act entitled "An Act providing for the transfer of the duties authorized and authority conferred by law upon the board of road commissioners in the Territory of Alaska to the Department of the Interior, and for other purposes", approved June 30, 1932 (47 Stat. 446), is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following new section:

"SEC. 5. In all patents for lands hereafter taken up, entered, or located in the Territory of Alaska, and in all deeds by the United States hereafter conveying any lands to which it may have reacquired title in said Territory not included within the limits of any organized municipality, there shall be expressed that there is reserved, from the lands described in said patent or deed, a right-of-way thereon for roads, roadways, highways, tramways, trails, bridges, and appurtenant structures constructed or to be constructed by or under the authority of the United States or of any State created out of the Territory of Alaska. When a right-of-way reserved under the provisions of this Act is utilized by the United States or under its authority, the head of the agency in charge of such utilization is authorized to determine and make payment for the value of the crops thereon if not harvested by the owner, and for the value of any improvements, or for the cost of removing them to another site, if less than their value."

Approved July 24, 1947.

ALASKA

REDUCING WITHDRAWAL OF PUBLIC LANDS
ALONG ALASKA HIGHWAY AND OPENING
RELEASED LANDS TO SETTLEMENT AND
OTHER FORMS OF APPROPRIATION

By virtue of the authority vested in the President and pursuant to Executive Order No. 9337 of April 24, 1943, it is ordered as follows:

Public Land Order No. 84 of January 28, 1943, and Public Land Order No. 12 of July 20, 1942, as amended by Public Land Order No. 270 of April 8, 1945, are hereby revoked.

Subject to valid existing rights, including the rights of natives based on occupancy, and the provisions of existing withdrawals, the following-described lands are hereby withdrawn under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior from all forms of appropriation under the public-land laws, including the mining and mineral leasing laws, for highway purposes:

(a) A strip of land 600 feet wide, 300 feet on each side of the center line of the Alaska Highway (formerly the Central Alaskan Military Highway) as constructed from the Alaska-Yukon Territory boundary to its junction with the Richardson Highway near Big Delta, Alaska.

(b) A strip of land 600 feet wide, 300 feet on each side of the center line of the Gulkana-Siana-Tok Road as constructed from Tok Junction at about Mile 1319 on the Alaska Highway to the junction with the Richardson Highway near Gulkana, Alaska.

Subject to valid existing rights (including the rights of natives based on occupancy and the provisions of existing withdrawals), the following-described lands are hereby withdrawn under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of War from all forms of appropriation under the public-land laws, including the mining and mineral leasing laws, for right-of-way purposes for a telephone line and an oil pipe line with appurtenances:

(a) A strip of land 50 feet wide, 25 feet on each side of a telephone line as located and constructed generally parallel to the Alaska Highway from the Alaska-Yukon Territory boundary to the junction of the Alaska Highway with the Richardson Highway near Big Delta, Alaska.

(b) A strip of land 20 feet wide, 10 feet on each side of a pipe line as located and constructed generally parallel to the Alaska Highway from the Alaska-Yukon Territory boundary to the junction of the Alaska Highway with the Richardson Highway near Big Delta, Alaska.

(c) A tract of land containing 66 acres, situated on the north side of the Alaska Highway, to include the pumping plant and accessories at Pumping Station "I", Canal Project, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the center line of the Alaska Highway opposite the pump house at Mile Station 1249.7, thence by metes and bounds:

Southeasterly along center line of Alaska Highway approximately 18 chains;
N. 48° E., 24 chains;
N. 42° W., 30 chains;
S. 48° W., 22 chains to center line of Highway.

Westerly along center line of Alaska Highway approximately 18 chains to point of beginning.

tract of land containing 60 acres, situated on the north side of the Alaska Highway, to include the pumping plant and accessories at Pumping Station "J", Canal Project, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the center line of the Alaska Highway opposite the pump house at Mile Station 1238.6, thence by metes and bounds:

S. 40° 32' E., 15 chains;
N. 49° 28' E., 20.00 chains;
N. 40° 32' W., 30.00 chains;
S. 49° 28' W., 20.00 chains to center line of Highway;
S. 40° 32' E., along center line of Alaska Highway approximately 15 chains to point of beginning.

(d) A tract of land containing 60 acres, situated on the north side of the Alaska Highway, to include the pumping plant and accessories at Pumping Station "K", Canal Project, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the center line of the Alaska Highway opposite the pump house at Mile Station 1330.1, thence by metes and bounds:

S. 30° 58' E., 15 chains;
N. 9° 04' E., 30 chains;
N. 30° 58' W., 30 chains;
S. 9° 04' W., 20 chains;
S. 30° 58' E., along center line of Alaska Highway approximately 15 chains to point of beginning.

(f) A tract of land containing 60 acres, situated on the north side of the Alaska Highway, to include the pumping plant and accessories at Pumping Station "L", Canal Project, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the center line of the Alaska Highway opposite the pump house at Mile Station 1370.0, thence by metes and bounds:

S. 53° E., 15 chains;
N. 38° E., 20 chains;
N. 53° W., 30 chains;
S. 38° W., 20 chains;
S. 53° E., along center line of Alaska Highway approximately 15 chains to point of beginning.

(g) A tract of land containing 60 acres, situated on the north side of the Alaska Highway, to include the pumping plant and accessories at Pumping Station "M", Canal Project, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the center line of the Alaska Highway opposite the pump house at Mile Station 1409.5, thence by metes and bounds:

S. 58° 29' E., 15 chains;
N. 31° 31' E., 20 chains;
N. 58° 29' W., 30 chains;
S. 31° 31' W., 20 chains;
S. 58° 29' E., 15 chains to the point of beginning.

(h) A tract of land containing 3.45 acres located on the northeast side of the Alaska Highway at Mile 1265, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point at latitude 63° 00' N. and longitude 141° 47' W., indicated by a wood post 4" x 6" x 5', marked ROW, RM USB, from which point the center line of the Alaska Highway bears S. 57° 54' W. 165 feet, thence by metes and bounds:

S. 57° 54' W., 133 feet to point 32 feet from center line of the Alaska Highway;
S. 32° 06' E., 500 feet parallel to and 32 feet from center line of the Alaska Highway;
N. 57° 54' E., 300 feet;
N. 32° 06' W., 500 feet;
S. 57° 54' W., 167 feet to the point of beginning.

(1) A tract of land containing 8.45 acres located on the north side of the Alaska Highway at approximately Mile 1344.6, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point 32 feet north of the center line of the Alaska Highway from which the southeast corner of the ACS Repeater Station Building bears north, 125 feet, thence by metes and bounds:

West, 350 feet;
North, 300 feet;
East, 500 feet;
South, 300 feet;

West, 150 feet to the point of beginning.

(1) A tract of land containing 8.45 acres located on the northeast side of the Alaska Highway at approximately Mile 1429, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point from which the intersection of the center lines of the Alaska Highway and the Richardson Highway, latitude $64^{\circ}02'57''$ N., longitude $145^{\circ}45'$ W. bears S. $31^{\circ}24'$ W., 82 feet, N. $58^{\circ}36'$ W., 280 feet, thence by metes and bounds:

S. $58^{\circ}36'$ E., 500 feet;
N. $31^{\circ}24'$ E., 300 feet;
S. $58^{\circ}36'$ W., 500 feet;
E. $31^{\circ}24'$ W., 300 feet to the point of beginning.

Subject to valid existing rights, including the rights of natives based on occupancy, and the provisions of existing withdrawals (including the withdrawal of a 60-foot strip along the Alaska-Yukon Territory boundary, made by Proclamation of May 3, 1912, 37 Stat. 1741), the following-described lands are hereby withdrawn from all forms of appropriation under the public-land laws, including the mining and the mineral leasing laws, for classification and survey:

ALASKA-YUKON TERRITORY BOUNDARY

A tract of land containing 800 acres situated on both sides of the Alaska Highway,

adjacent to the International boundary between the United States and Canada, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the International boundary between the United States and Canada 22.50 chains south of the center line of the Alaska Highway, between Mile Stations 1221 and 1222 thereof, in approximate latitude $62^{\circ}52'$ N., longitude $141^{\circ}00'$ W., thence by metes and bounds:

West 80 chains;
North 100 chains;
East 80 chains to a point on the International boundary;
South 100 chains along the International boundary to the point of beginning.

GARDINER CREEK

A tract of land containing 490 acres lying on both sides of the Alaska Highway at the crossing of Gardiner Creek, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the center line of the Alaska Highway at Mile Station 1247, in approximate latitude $62^{\circ}50'$ N., longitude $141^{\circ}25'$ W., thence by metes and bounds:

S. 56° W., 40 chains;
N. 40° W., 80 chains;
N. 50° E., 60 chains;
S. 40° E., 80 chains;
S. 50° W., 20 chains to the point of beginning.

LAKEVIEW

A tract of land containing approximately 270 acres lying on both sides of the Alaska Highway in the vicinity of Mile Station 1237, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning in the center line of the Alaska Highway at Mile Station 1237.5, in approximate latitude $62^{\circ}55'$ N., and longitude $141^{\circ}40'$ W., thence by metes and bounds:

N. 68° E., 22 chains;
S. 22° E., 80 chains;
S. 68° W., 48 chains more or less to the east shore of a lake;

Northerly with the meanders of the lake shore, 91 chains more or less;

N. 68° E., 18 chains more or less to the point of beginning.

JUNCTION OF NORTHWAY ACCESS ROAD AND ALASKA HIGHWAY

A tract of land containing 160 acres at the junction of Northway Road and the Alaska Highway, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the center line of the Alaska Highway, 20 chains southeasterly from the junction of Northway Road, near Mile Station 1265, in approximate latitude $63^{\circ}3'$ N., and longitude $141^{\circ}47'$ W., thence by metes and bounds:

Southwesterly, at right angles to the Alaska Highway, 20 chains;
Northwesterly, parallel to the center line of said highway, 40 chains;
Northeasterly, parallel to the first course of this description, 40 chains;
Southeasterly, parallel to the second course of this description, 40 chains;
Southwesterly, parallel to the third course of this description, 20 chains to the point of beginning.

LITTLE BEAVER CREEK

A tract of land containing approximately 40 acres lying on the south side of the Alaska Highway, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the center line of the Alaska Highway 30 chains westerly from Mile Station 1269, in approximate latitude $63^{\circ}05'$ N., and longitude $141^{\circ}51'$ W., thence by metes and bounds:

Southerly at right angles to the Alaska Highway, 20 chains;
Westerly, parallel to the Alaska Highway, 20 chains;
Northerly, at right angles to the Alaska Highway, 20 chains;

Easterly, with the center line of the Alaska Highway, 20 chains to the point of beginning.

MIDWAY LAKE

A tract of land containing approximately 1070 acres lying on both sides of the Alaska Highway and bordering on the north shore of Midway Lake, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the center line of the Alaska Highway at Mile Station 1293.4, in approximate latitude $63^{\circ}15'$ N., and longitude $142^{\circ}15'$ W., thence by metes and bounds:

North 20 chains;
S. 82° E., 115 chains more or less;
S. 50° E., 72 chains more or less;
N. 75° E., 125 chains more or less;
S. 39° E., 40 chains more or less;
Southwesterly, at right angles to the center line of the Alaska Highway and crossing the same at Mile Station 1289.75, 68 chains more or less to the north shore of Midway Lake;

Westerly, with the meanders of the north shore of Midway Lake, 235 chains more or less to a point due south of the point of beginning;

North 27 chains more or less to the point of beginning.

JUNCTION OF THE FORTY MILE ROAD AND ALASKA HIGHWAY

A tract of land containing 160 acres situated at the junction of the Forty Mile Road and the Alaska Highway, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the center line of the Alaska Highway 20 chains easterly from its intersection with the center line of the road to the Forty Mile area, said intersection being 200 feet west from Mile Station 1306 on the Alaska Highway, thence by metes and bounds:

Southerly, at right angles to the Alaska Highway, 20 chains;
Westerly, parallel to the Alaska Highway, 40 chains;

Northerly, crossing the Alaska Highway at right angles, 40 chains;

Easterly, parallel to the Alaska Highway and crossing the Forty Mile Road, 40 chains;
Southerly, 20 chains, to the point of beginning.

TOK JUNCTION

A tract of land containing approximately 3840 acres situated at the junction of the Alaska Highway and the Eana-Tok Road and lying on both sides of said roads, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the center line of the Alaska Highway at Mile Station 1317.75, in approximate latitude 63°21' N. and longitude 143°00' W., thence by metes and bounds:

Southwesterly, at right angles to the center line of the Alaska Highway, 160 chains;

Northwesterly, at right angles to the preceding course, 160 chains;

Northeasterly, parallel to the first course of this description, 240 chains;

Southeasterly, parallel to the second course of this description, 160 chains;

Southwesterly, parallel to the third course of this description, 80 chains to the point of beginning.

CATHEDRAL RAPIDS

A tract of land containing approximately 160 acres situated on both sides of the Alaska Highway, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the center line of the Alaska Highway at Mile Station 1345.25, thence by metes and bounds:

Southwesterly at right angles to the center line of the Alaska Highway, 10 chains;

Southeasterly, approximately parallel to the center line of the Alaska Highway, 40 chains;

Northeasterly, crossing the center line of the Alaska Highway at right angles to the Tanana River;

Northwesterly, by the meanders of the Tanana River to a point which bears northeasterly from the point of beginning;

Southwesterly at right angles to the center line of the Alaska Highway to the point of beginning.

JOHNSON RIVER

A tract of land containing 36.65 acres lying on both sides of the Alaska Highway and south of the Johnson River, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point which bears N. 58°55' E. from Mile Station 1386, thence by metes and bounds:

S. 58°55' W., 21.22 chains;

N. 27°10' W., 21.67 chains to the Johnson River;

Thence by meanders of south bank of the Johnson River northeasterly approximately 25 chains to a point which bears N. 35°54' W. from point of beginning;

S. 35°54' E., 15.06 chains to the point of beginning.

ROBERTSON RIVER

A tract of land containing approximately 240 acres situated near the confluence of the Tanana and Robertson Rivers, lying on both sides of the Alaska Highway, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the center line of the Alaska Highway at Mile Station 1351.1, in approximate latitude 63°29' N., and longitude 143°52' W., thence by metes and bounds:

West 40 chains;

North 80 chains;

East 87 chains more or less to the west bank of the Tanana River;

Southerly, with the meanders of the west bank of the Tanana River, 91 chains more or less to a point due east of the point of beginning;

West 24 chains more or less to the point of beginning.

BERRY CREEK

A tract of land containing 480 acres lying on both sides of the Alaska Highway at the crossing of Berry Creek, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the center line of the Alaska Highway at Mile Station 1377.3, in approximate latitude 63°42' N., and longitude 144°17' W., thence by metes and bounds:

North 40 chains;
East 60 chains;
South 80 chains;
West 60 chains;
North 40 chains to the point of beginning.

MILE 1387

A tract of land containing approximately 885 acres lying on both sides of the Alaska Highway and bordering on the west bank of Tanana River near the confluence of Johnson River, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the center line of the Alaska Highway at Mile Station 1387.25 in approximate latitude 63°44' N., and longitude 144°40' W., thence by metes and bounds:

S. 83° W., 35 chains;
N. 57° W., 80 chains;
N. 33° E., 100 chains more or less to the west bank of the Tanana River;

Southeasterly, with the meanders of the west bank of Tanana River, 83 chains more or less;

S. 33° W., 50 chains more or less to the point of beginning.

QUEENA VISTA

A tract of land containing approximately 10 acres on the Alaska Highway, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the northerly right-of-way line of the Alaska Highway, approximately at Mile Station 1389.5, in approximate latitude 63°44' N., and longitude 144°40' W., thence by metes and bounds:

Easterly and northerly along the right-of-way line of the Alaska Highway (165 feet from the center line thereof), 13.50 chains;

N. 59° W., 9.75 chains;
S. 2°30' W., 11.60 chains to the point of beginning.

BUFFALO CENTER

A tract of land containing approximately 5440 acres at the junction of the Alaska Highway and the Richardson Highway, on the east bank of Delta River, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the center line of the Alaska Highway at Mile Station 1427, approximately in latitude 64°1' N., and longitude 145°41' W., thence by metes and bounds:

South 80 chains;
West 186 chains, more or less, crossing Jarvis Creek and Richardson Highway to the east bank of Delta River;

Northerly, with the meanders of the east bank of Delta River 334 chains, more or less, to a point on the bank of said river which is 240 chains in northing from the point of beginning of this description;

East 180 chains, more or less, crossing Richardson Highway to a point due north of the point of beginning of this description;

South 240 chains to the point of beginning.

CLEARWATER CREEK

A tract of land containing 430 acres lying on both sides of the Siana-Tok Road at the crossing of Clearwater Creek, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the center line of the Siana-Tok Road at Mile Station 1399, approximately in latitude 63°10' N., and longitude 142°11' W., thence by metes and bounds:

West 10 chains;
North 80 chains;
East 60 chains;
South 80 chains;

West 50 chains to the point of beginning.

MINERAL LAKES 107-964

An area of approximately 600 acres on both sides of the Siana-Tok Road, Mineral Lakes, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the center line of the Siana-Tok Road at Mile Station 50.78, approximately in latitude 62° 43' N., longitude 144° 25' W., thence by metes and bounds:

- North 75 chains;
- East 60 chains;
- South 100 chains crossing the Siana-Tok Road and Mineral Lake;
- West 60 chains;
- North 25 chains to the point of beginning.

COBB LAKES 107-962

A tract of land containing 480 acres lying on both sides of the Gulkana-Siana Road, north of Cobb Lakes, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the center line of Gulkana-Siana Road at Mile Station 50.78 from the Richardson Highway, approximately in latitude 62° 43' N., and longitude 144° 5' W., thence by metes and bounds:

- South 30 chains;
- West 80 chains;
- North 60 chains;
- East 80 chains;
- South 30 chains to the point of beginning.

MILE TWENTY-FIVE 107-961

A tract of land containing 800 acres lying on both sides of the Gulkana-Siana Road, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the center line of Gulkana-Siana Road at Mile Station 25 from the Richardson Highway, approximately in latitude 62° 29' N., and longitude 144° 56' W., thence by metes and bounds:

- North 30 chains;
- East 60 chains;
- South 60 chains;
- West 60 chains;
- North 30 chains to the point of beginning.

GULKANA JUNCTION 107-961

A tract of land containing 160 acres lying on both sides of the Richardson Highway, approximately one-half mile north of the Gulkana River, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the center line of the Richardson Highway 20 chains south of its intersection with the center line of the Gulkana-Siana-Tok Road, thence by metes and bounds:

- East 20 chains;
- North 40 chains;
- West 40 chains crossing the Richardson Highway;
- South 40 chains;
- East 20 chains to the point of beginning.

NORTHWAY 107-965-42

A tract of land lying on the south side of the Tanana River, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point on left bank of Tanana River opposite the mouth of Gardiner Creek, approximate latitude 62° 59' N., approximate longitude 141° 52' W., U. S. G. S. map, Topographic Reconnaissance Map Upper Tanana Valley 1922:

- Thence S. 45° W., 10 miles;
- Thence N. 85° W. approximately 22 miles, crossing Nabesna River to east bank of the Kalutna River.

Thence northwesterly following east bank of Kalutna to the south bank of the Tanana River;

Thence southeasterly upstream, following left bank of Tanana River to the place of beginning;

containing an estimated area of 226 sq. mi. (208,000 acres).

TANACROSS 107-967

A tract of land lying on the north side of the Tanana River, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point on right bank of Tanana River, approximate latitude 63° 23' 40" N., longitude 143° 40' W., U. S. G. S. map, Topographic Reconnaissance Map Upper Tanana Valley 1922, and about 10 miles by air line from Tanacross Indian Village:

Thence northwesterly, approximately 2 miles to the summit of the divide between the streams flowing westerly into the Tanana River and streams flowing northerly and easterly into Lake Mansfield drainage basin;

Thence northerly along said divide to the watershed between the tributaries of George Creek and the streams flowing into Lake Mansfield drainage;

Thence northeasterly along that divide to the watershed between Wolf Creek and the streams flowing into Lake Mansfield drainage;

Thence along the divide, between streams flowing into the Yukon River drainage and those flowing into the Tanana River, to the watershed of the west of Porcupine Creek;

Thence southwesterly along said watershed to the right bank of the Tanana River, approximate latitude 63° 24' N., longitude 142° 50' W.;

Thence following the right bank of Tanana River westerly, down-stream, to the place of beginning.

This area includes the drainage basin on the north side of the Tanana River between the initial point and the western boundary of the Porcupine Creek Valley.

This order shall not otherwise become effective to change the status of the surveyed or unsurveyed public lands which have not continued withdrawn by this order until 10:00 a. m. on October 2, 1947.

At that time, subject to valid existing rights (including the rights of the United States to any lands containing improvements owned by it, and the rights of natives based on occupancy), and the provisions of then existing withdrawals, the unsurveyed lands shall become subject to settlement and other forms of appropriation in accordance with the appropriate laws and regulations, and the surveyed lands shall become subject to application, petition, location, or selection as follows:

(a) *Ninety-day period for preference-right filings.* For a period of 90 days from October 2, 1947, to December 31, 1947, inclusive, the surveyed public lands affected by this order shall be subject to (1) application under the homestead laws or the small tract act of June 1, 1938 (52 Stat. 609, 43 U. S. C. sec. 632a), as amended, by qualified veterans of World War II, for whose service recognition is granted by the act of September 27, 1944 (58 Stat. 747, 43 U. S. C. secs. 279-283), subject to the requirements of applicable law, and (2) application under any applicable public-land law, based on prior existing valid settlement rights and preference rights conferred by existing laws or equitable claims subject to allowance and confirmation. Application by such veterans shall be subject to claims of the classes described in subdivision (2).

(b) *Twenty-day advance period for simultaneous preference-right filings.* For a period of 20 days from September 12, 1947, to October 1, 1947, inclusive, such veterans and persons claiming preference rights superior to those of such veterans, may present their applications, and all such applications, together with those presented at 10:00 a. m. on October 2, 1947 shall be treated as simultaneously filed.

(c) *Date for non-preference right filings authorized by the public-land laws.* Commencing at 10:00 a. m. on January 2, 1948, any of the surveyed lands remaining unappropriated shall become subject to such application, petition, location, or selection by the public generally as may be authorized by the public-land laws.

(d) *Twenty-day advance period for simultaneous non-preference right filings.* Applications by the general public may be presented during the 20-day period from December 12, 1947, to December 31, 1947, inclusive, and all such applications, together with those presented at 10:00 a. m. on January 2, 1948, shall be treated as simultaneously filed.

Veterans shall accompany their applications with certified copies of their certificates of discharge, or other satisfactory evidence of their military or naval service. Persons asserting preference rights, through settlement or otherwise, and those having equitable claims, shall accompany their applications by duly corroborated affidavits in support thereof, setting forth in detail all facts relevant to their claims.

Applications for these lands, which shall be filed in the proper district land office (at Fairbanks or Anchorage, Alaska), shall be acted upon in accord-

ance with the regulations contained in § 295.8 of Title 43 of the Code of Federal Regulations (Circular No. 324, May 22, 1914, 43 L. D. 254). Applications under the homestead laws shall be governed by the regulations contained in Parts 65 and 66 of Title 43 of the Code of Federal Regulations and applications under the small tract act of June 1, 1938, shall be governed by the regulations contained in Part 257 of that title.

Inquiries concerning these lands shall be addressed to the district land office at Fairbanks, or Anchorage, Alaska.

Very little of the land restored by this order has been surveyed. The major part of the area is of a character unsuitable for agricultural purposes.

WILLIAM E. WARNE,
Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

JULY 31, 1947.

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[Public Land Order 801]

ALASKA

**RESERVING PUBLIC LANDS FOR HIGHWAY
PURPOSES**

By virtue of the authority vested in the President and pursuant to Executive Order No. 9337 of April 24, 1943, it is ordered as follows:

Executive Order No. 9145 of April 23, 1942, reserving public lands for the use of the Alaska Road Commission in connection with the construction, operation, and maintenance of the Palmer-Richardson Highway (now known as the Glenn Highway), is hereby revoked.

Public Land Order No. 386 of July 31, 1947, is hereby revoked so far as it relates to the withdrawal, for highway purposes, of the following-described lands:

(a) A strip of land 600 feet wide, 300 feet on each side of the center line of the Alaska Highway (formerly the Canadian Alaskan Military Highway) as constructed from the Alaska-Yukon Territory boundary to its junction with the Richardson Highway near Big Delta, Alaska.

(b) A strip of land 600 feet wide, 300 feet on each side of the center line of the Gulkana-Slana-Tok Road as constructed from Tok Junction at about Mile 1319 on the Alaska Highway to the junction with the Richardson Highway near Gulkana, Alaska.

Subject to valid existing rights and to existing surveys and withdrawals for other than highway purposes, the public lands in Alaska lying within 300 feet on each side of the center line of the Alaska Highway, 150 feet on each side of the center line of all other through roads, 100 feet on each side of the center line of all feeder roads, and 50 feet on each side of the center line of all local roads, in accordance with the following classifications, are hereby withdrawn from all forms of appropriation under the public-land laws, including the mining and mineral-leasing laws, and reserved for highway purposes:

THROUGH ROADS

Alaska Highway, Richardson Highway, Glenn Highway, Haines Highway, Tok Cut-Off.

FEEDER ROADS

Steese Highway, Elliott Highway, McKinley Park Road, Anchorage-Potter-Indian Road, Edgerton Cut-Off, Tok Eagle Road, Ruby-Long-Poorman Road, Nome-Solomon Road, Kenai Lake-Homer Road, Fairbanks-College Road, Anchorage-Lake Spenard Road, Circle Hot Springs Road.

LOCAL ROADS

All roads not classified above as Through Roads or Feeder Roads, established or maintained under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior.

With respect to the lands released by the revocations made by this order and not rewithdrawn by it, this order shall become effective at 10:00 a. m. on the 35th day after the date hereof. At that time, such released lands, all of which are unsurveyed, shall, subject to valid existing rights, be opened to settlement under the homestead laws and the homestead act of May 26, 1934, 48 Stat. 809 (48 U. S. C. 461), only, and to that form of appropriation only by qualified veterans of World War II and other qualified persons entitled to preference under the act of September 27, 1944, 58 Stat. 747, as amended (43 U. S. C. 279-284). Commencing at 10:00 a. m. on the 126th day after the date of this order, any of such lands not settled upon by veterans shall become subject to settlement and other forms of appropriation by the public generally in accordance with the appropriate laws and regulations.

OSCAR L. CHAPMAN,

Under Secretary of the Interior.

AUGUST 10, 1949.

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