

MEMORANDUM

TO Chief Forester, VICTORIA, B.C.

FROM DISTRICT FORESTER NELSON, B.C.

March 16th, 1954

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FOR FILE: 0182499
MY FILE: M.S.U.P. Appln. R.S. Gilbert

REFER TO YOURS OF

ATTENTION: Parks and Recreation Division.

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Re your memo of March 5th concerning your suggestion that the applicant's permit fee be raised to depreciate the existing improvements. In view of the expenditure that the applicant will undertake when building the road and that this road can then be used by the public and the Forest Service for protection, it is suggested that we forego the price of the cabin.

Our suggestion is made in consideration that stumpage computations take into consideration road construction costs. Although no such compensation can be given in Special Use Permit fees we could, in this case, waive the price of the cabin partly in lieu of the road construction costs.

W. H. Hepper

W. H. Hepper,
Forester-in-Training.


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NELSON, B.C.

March 29, 1954.

In reply to your memo of the 16th instant regarding an appropriate permit fee to be charged in respect of the above S.U.P. we can advise that we expect that within a few days an newly approved schedule of Permit Fees will be available for distribution and we would ask that the above mentioned application be held in abeyance until these rates can be made effective.

We will advise further in this regard as soon as possible.


per E.G. Oldham,
Forester,
Parks and Recreation Division.

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Nelson, B. G.

March 5, 1954

M.S.U.P./Appln. R.S. Gilbert

In reply to your memorandum of February 19th, we can advise that we would raise no objection to the issuance of a Commercial S.U.P. authorizing the establishment of a fishing resort on State and Copperkettle Lakes. We would remind you, however, that should such an application be submitted, it will be necessary for us to forward the proposal to the Game Commission for approval before the permit can be granted.

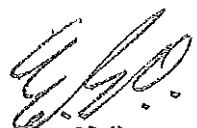
With respect to access roads, it is felt that policies affecting recreational roads generally should be applied in this case. Briefly, procedures are as follows:

- (a) A suitable road location should be chosen and approved by the District Forester.
- (b) A Special Use Permit is then issued in the name of the District Forester covering the proposed road location.
- (c) The Resort Operator is then authorized, by letter from the District Forester, to construct and use a road upon the designated location.

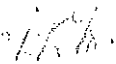
It is to be borne in mind that recreation roads, that is roads built in connection with recreational S.U.P.s, are considered Forest Service Road. It is intended that the public shall have free access over them at all times, subject only to closure by the District Forester.

We anticipate no objection to the inclusion of the use of a cabin on Copperkettle Lake in any permit which may be issued. It is felt, however, that any such privilege should be reflected in the permit fee charged. In this particular case, it appears that the permittee is seeking exclusive use of improvements valued at \$200 and that these improvements must be depreciated at some ten or fifteen dollars per year.

Under these circumstances, it might be reasonable to increase the annual permit fee by some such amount above that normally charged for unimproved tracts.


E. G. Oldham,
Forester,

Parks & Recreation Division.


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VICTORIA, B.C.



FROM DISTRICT FORESTER

NELSON

B.C.

February 19th, 1954

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REFER TO YOURS OF

ATTENTION: Parks and Recreation Division.

On November 27th, 1953,

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B.C. requested a commercial Special Use Permit on Copperkettle and State Lakes for purpose of establishing a fishing resort. He stated he wished to build a road into Copperkettle Lake and pack into State Lake with horses. He also wishes to use an abandoned cabin at the north end of Copperkettle Lake in his development and plans to build a large cabin at State Lake with further cabins at Copperkettle Lake as needed.

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A previous report on Copperkettle Lake, Victoria File 0146963, R.M.9G, S.U.P. 681 links Copperkettle Lake with Nevertouch Lake. However, it appears that Nevertouch Lake is not suitable for a part of a commercial venture, see our letter of December 8th, 1953, Victoria files 043298 and 0174597 and in view of the accessibility of State Lake from the West Kettle River it appears there is justification in having an S.U.P. on State Lake and Copperkettle Lake.

In regard to the road which the applicant wishes to put into the area, it is estimated that two and a half miles of road will be needed. Although the applicant should, no doubt, be permitted to capitalize on the road in view of his initial expenditure it is not considered that he should have indefinite control of the road. It is, therefore, recommended that a special clause be inserted into the S.U.P. to the effect that this permit will not be renewed after a ten year period or until the revenue derived from the S.U.P. be considered sufficient to cover the original cost of the road, whichever is the lesser period of time.

The applicant wishes to use the cabin at the north end of Copperkettle Lake. It is noted that a value of \$250.00 was placed on this cabin in the report previously mentioned. At the time of the last inspection it was estimated that the cabin was worth \$200.00. In view of the fact that four years have elapsed since the last inspection this would seem to be a comparable price.

It is proposed to suggest an alternative site to this applicant on Bisson Lake with a main lodge near the north part of the Kettle River Forest Service access road. Bisson Lake lies approximately twelve miles due south of Cherryville and is reputedly very scenic with excellent fishing. However, before further correspondence is carried on with the applicant, we wish to have your opinions on the points raised in this letter.

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