

**COWICHAN - NEWCASTLE**

(8.) Range of Elevations above Sea-level.	(9.) Date of Establishment and how established. e.g., Gazette, subdivision plan, reference plan, conveyance, or otherwise.	(10.) Year constructed.	(11.) Width of Right-of-way. (Feet.)	(12.) DETAILS OF CONSTRUCTION.—Type and Width of Surface and Mileage open.																		
				(A.) Cleared only.		(B.) Earth or Sand-Clay.		(C.) Gravel or W.B. Macadam.		(D.) Bituminous Spray Coat.		(E.) Bituminous Mulch.		(F.) Bituminous Penetration Macadam.		(G.) Asphaltic Concrete.		(H.) Portland Cement Concrete.		(I.) Other Types.		(J.) Total Length open, Miles.
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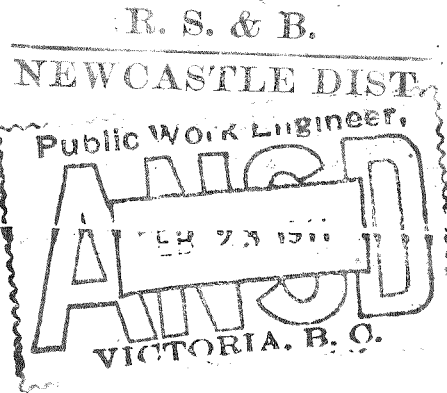
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10-11



Gamble Esq.,

Public Works Engineer,  
Victoria, B.C.



I her to call your attention to lots 81 to 84 sub-division of E. & K. Lands, in which no road allowance is made. These people are now living on the land and asking for a road. The present road (Victoria Campbell River Road) comes as far as the over head bridge at the Diamond, north of Ladysmith. The question I would like settled is whether the Government has a right to force a road through these small holdings without compensation or if it is the duty of the E. & K. Department to give these people a way in and out.

J. G. Clifton



GOVERNMENT AGENT'S OFFICE,

NANAIMO, B.C.

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TACH THIS CORRESPONDENCE.

WORKS DEPARTMENT.

DIST.  
Engineer,  
B.C.

CT: Newcastle Electoral District.  
Proposed New Road through  
Lots 81 to 89 North (Baker) Street

File complete under No.

9074-10-11 1530

The filing number must be the number given the initial letter of the subject and must be noted in Registers affected.

Our question I would like settled is whether the Government has a right to force small holdings without compensation or if the Department to give these people a right of way.

J. G. Clouston

9074/10-11.

23rd February, 1911.

Newcastle District.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 20th instant respecting a road for the benefit of those living on land sold to them by the C. & N. Railway Co. without providing a proper road allowance, this question is now under consideration by the Government, but at the present time there is no way of forcing a road through any property in the Railway Belt without compensation and the consent of the interested parties. I believe that there is now an act before the Legislature dealing with this question.

I herewith return your blue print.

Yours obediently,

Public Works Engineer.

H.C. Wood, Esq.,

Road Superintendent,

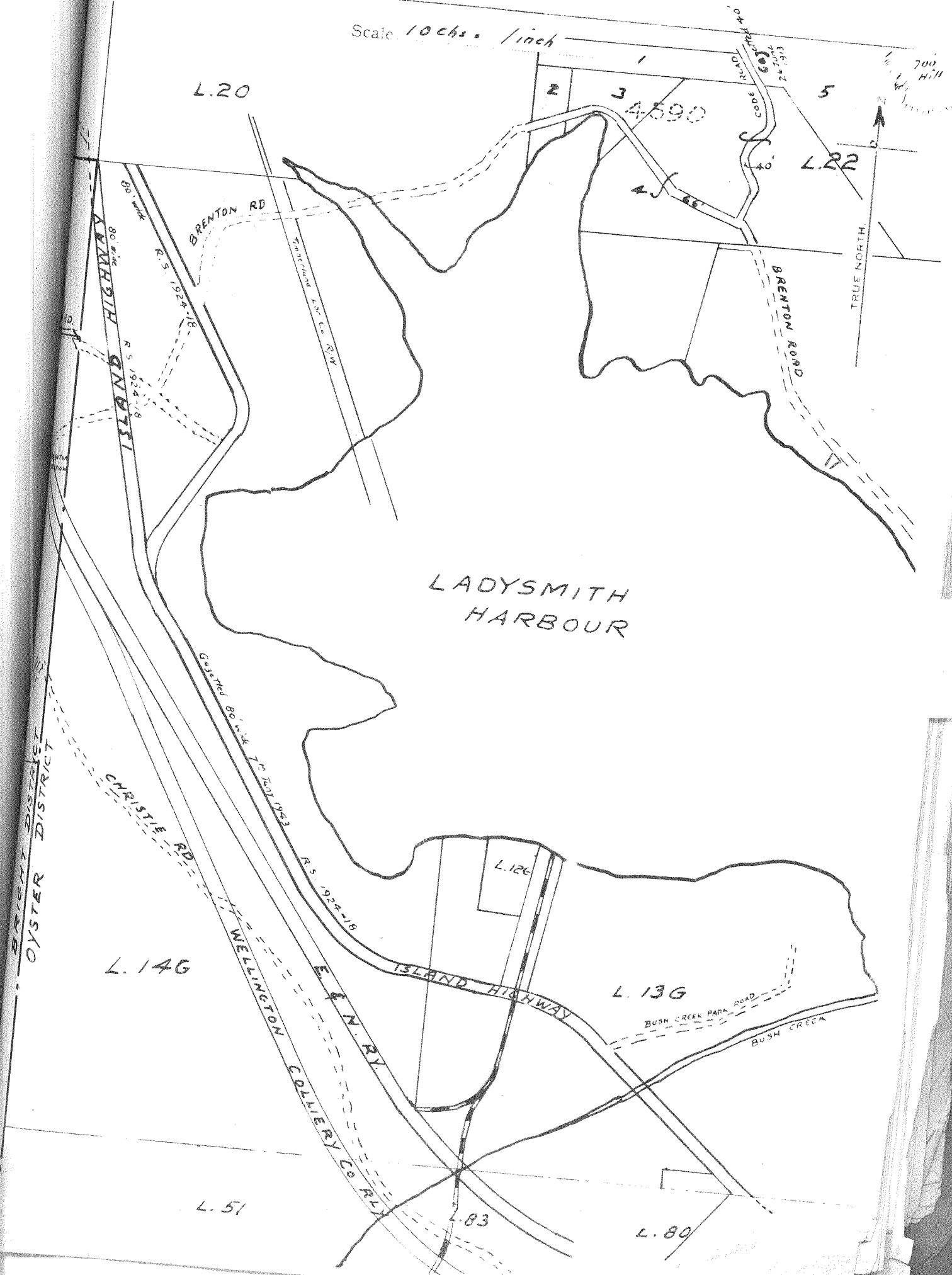
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Nanaimo.B.C.

June 26th 1943.

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Baxter.

Dept of Public Works

Parliament Buildings

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VICTORIA, B.C.

JUN 29 1943

ANSWERED.....  
NOTED.....  
DATE.....

Mr Baxter,

Will you obtain for me the description from the Land Registry Office of that part of Lot 21 Oyster District, which has reverted for taxes, it is shown on Title No 22745.F. if I send to the Land Registry Office form it they will make a charge, but you can obtain it by asking for it, I need this data in making up the Road Plan.

Yours sincerely,

*Alfred G. King*  
Alfred.G.King.B.C.L.S.

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A. McDONALD, General Superintendent.

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VICTORIA, B. C.

SEP 29 1948

ANSWERED

NOTED

DATE

30/9/48

IS AT PRESENT DANGER TO VALUABLE SALMON SPAWNING GROUNDS  
DUE TO BULLDOZING OF STREAM  
WHILE SALMON ARE COMMENCING UPSTREAM MIGRATION AND SPAWNING STOP  
IS EVIDENCE THAT LOCAL PUBLIC WORKS ENGINEER REFUSES TO  
OPERATE WITH THIS DEPARTMENT AND THAT HE HAS ISSUED  
INSTRUCTIONS ENTIRELY CONTRARY TO THE EXPRESSED WISHES OF OFFICERS OF  
DEPARTMENT J F TAIT FEDERAL SUPERVISOR OF FISHERIES

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A.C.E.

Minister



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My message, subject to the conditions on the back thereof, which are hereby agreed to.

P. W. File 1463.

Mr. J. F. Tait,  
Federal Supervisor of Fisheries,  
Nanaimo, B. C.

Victoria, B. C.  
September 30, 1948.

RETEL BULLDOZING WORK AT BUSH CREEK SHOULD BE COMPLETED TODAY REGRET WE  
WERE UNABLE TO UNDERTAKE THIS WORK AT AN EARLIER DATE DUE TO NO EQUIPMENT  
OR MEN BEING AVAILABLE STOP THIS WORK WAS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY IN ORDER  
TO AVOID DANGER OF LOSING THE BRIDGE DUE TO FLOODING IF CHANNEL WAS NOT  
CLEANED OUT STOP REMOVAL OF OLD CRIBBS AND LOG JAMS SHOULD IMPROVE  
CONDITIONS FOR FISH

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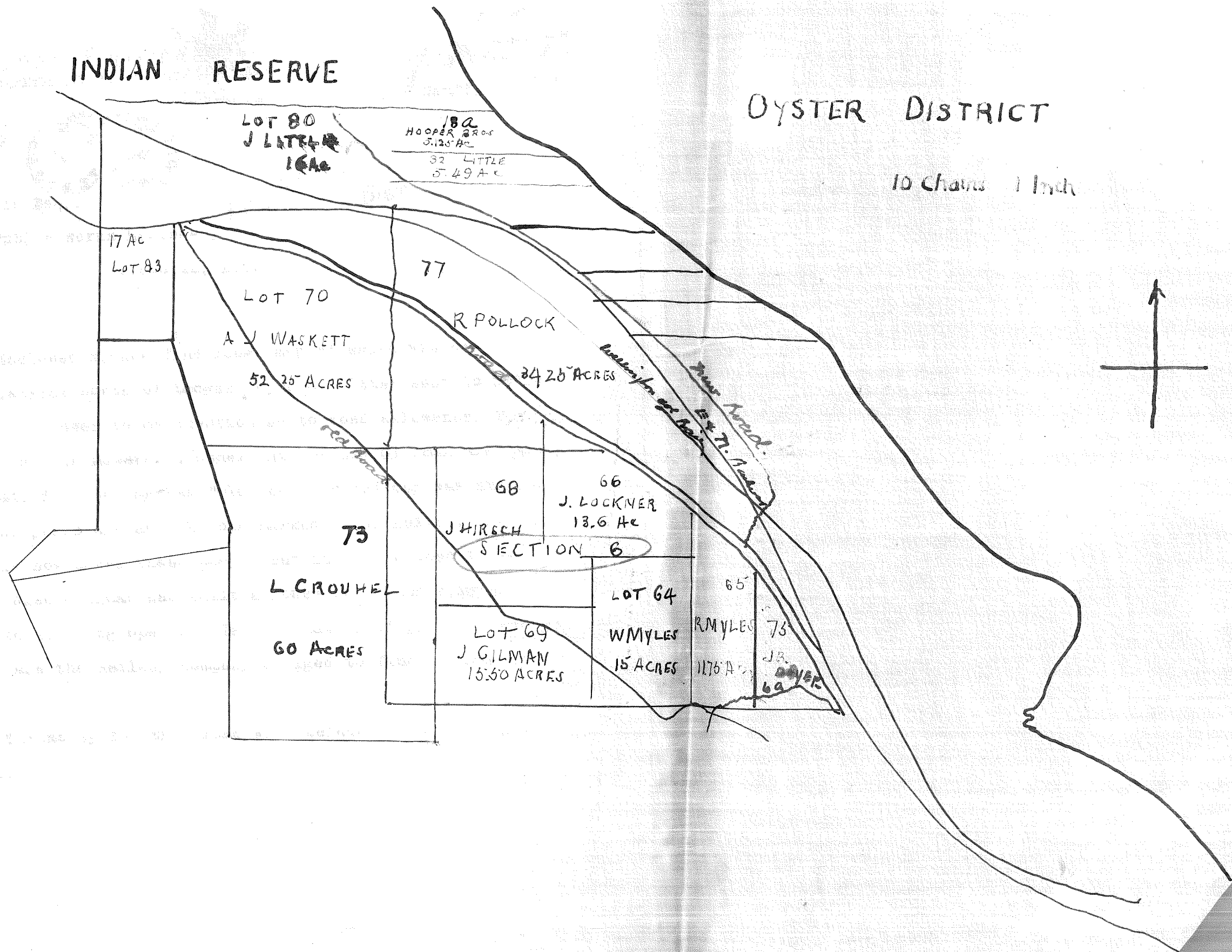
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Asst. Chief Engineer.



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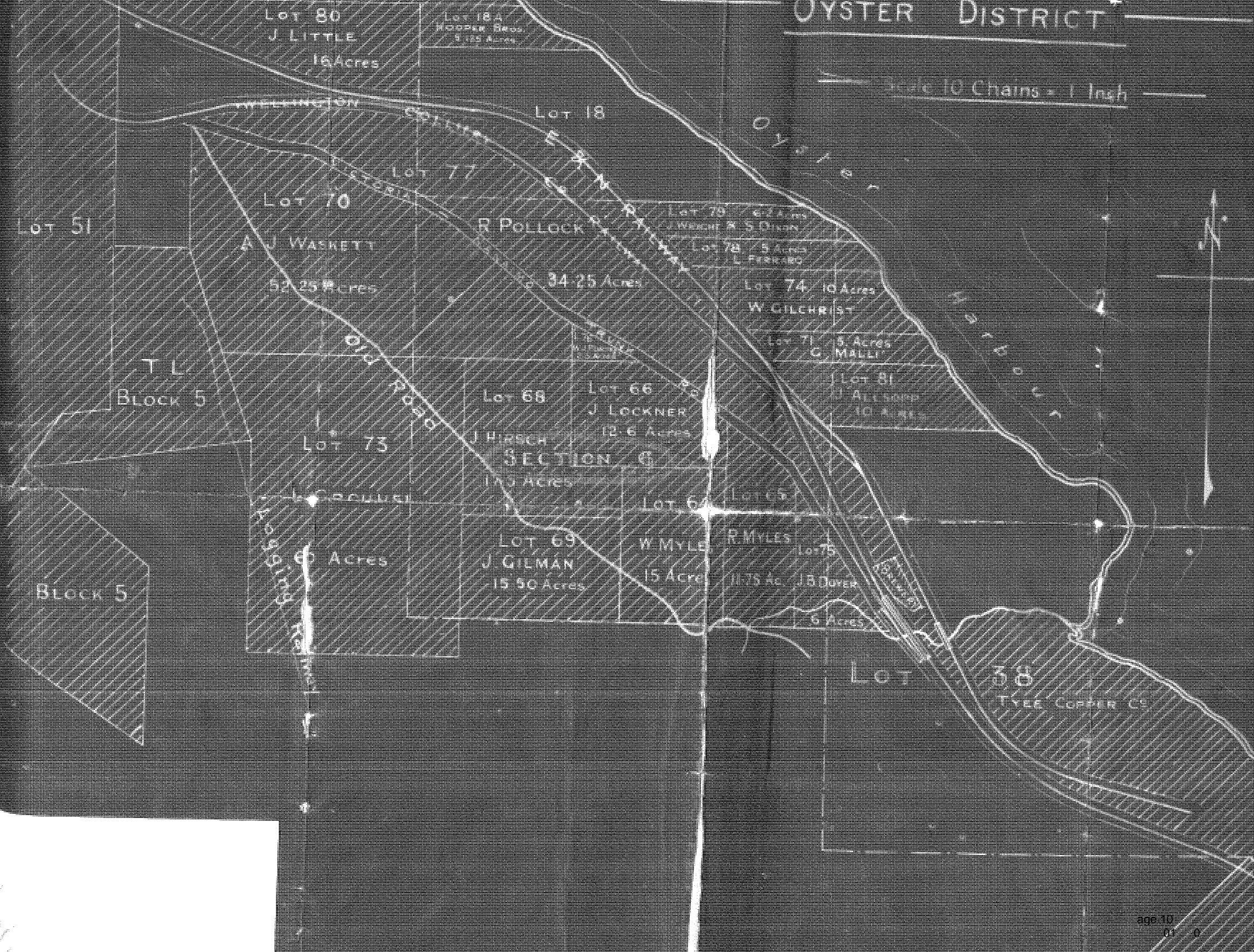
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INDIAN RESERVE

OYSTER DISTRICT





Duncan, B.C. Oct 18

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- Newcastle District -  
Application for a New Road, and Closing a Portion  
of the Old Victoria Road, by

Sir:

<sup>s22</sup> have applied  
for the construction of a road through their properties,  
which I have shown on the attached sketch plan.

You will note that the Old Victoria Road passes  
through both of these properties, and is connected up to the  
3rd Avenue Road, which leads into the city of Ladysmith; and  
that <sup>s22</sup> has two other roads adjoining his land, so that  
the only portion that I could recommend is that length N.W.  
Corner of <sup>s22</sup> Lot No. 73.

The reasons for recommending <sup>s22</sup> are  
as follows:

1. The Old Victoria Road cuts up his land, and ends as it were  
in a dead end, at Lot 83, and is not required by the owner of  
said Lot as he uses the Brenton Road.
2. Cattle from the neighbours stray onto his land and he  
cannot fence or put gates up.
3. The proposed road would serve all the surrounding Lots.
4. He would give the ~~Coyt~~ Dept. the full and free use of a  
good gravel quarry, which would be on the proposed road. The  
quarry is a good one the gravel being very suitable. He would  
fence the road himself.

The cost would be about \$200.00, but I have no  
available funds for the work, but he is in no immediate hurry  
for it.

Mr. Guthrie, M.P.P Newcastle District requested  
me to report on the matter.

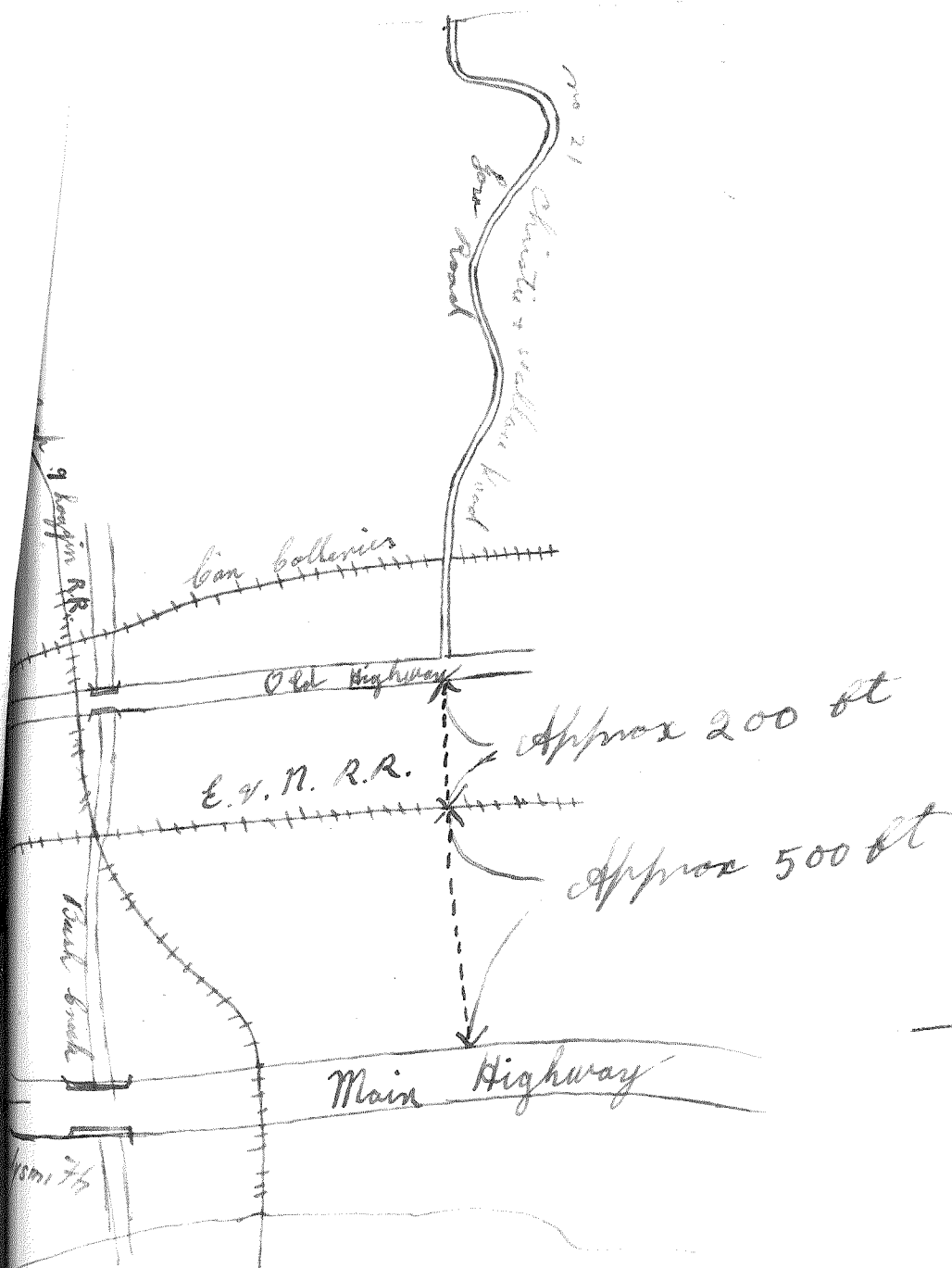
Yours obediently,

Assistant District Engineer.

Col. A.E. Hodgins,  
District Engineer.  
Parliament Bldgs.  
Victoria, B.C.

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This Place Formerly Known 20.2  
As Christie's Ranch

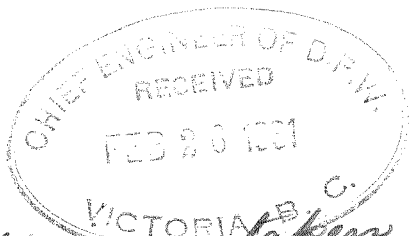


Oyster Bay



2012  
General Delivery  
Ladysmith

Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>

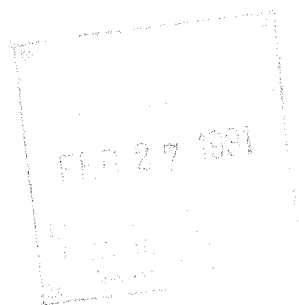


Dear Sir,

Having taken up Property on what  
formerly known as the Christie Farm,  
I would greatly appreciate having the  
Government Rd. graded and ditched to take  
away surplus water, also a road cut through  
the Main Highway as shown on the  
accompanying diagram.

Thanking you, for your kind consideration,  
I Remain  
Yours truly

s22



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O. E.

February 24th,  
1931

<sup>s22</sup>  
General Delivery,  
Ladysmith, B. C.

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 21st requesting that road to property known as the Christie Ranch be graded and ditched to take away the surplus water, and also a road cut through to the main highway.

I am asking for a report in connection with this matter and will be glad to advise you further as soon as I receive same.

Yours faithfully,



Feb . 27th, 1951.

H.M. Bigwood, Esq.,  
Asst. Dist. Engr.,  
Duncan, B.C.

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Chief Engineer.

Application for improvement to road  
and application for new road. <sup>s22</sup>

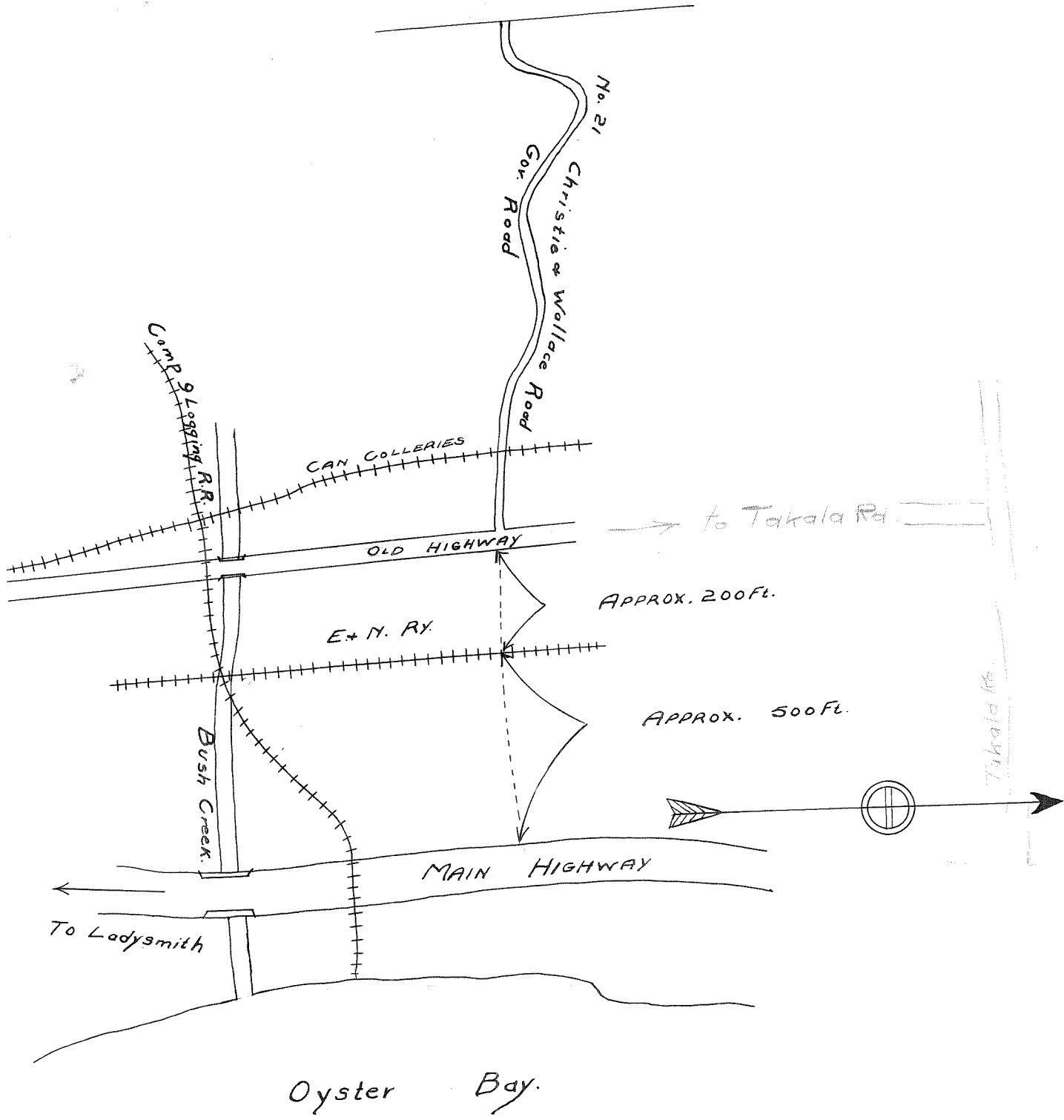
With reference to the enclosed copy  
of letter from <sup>s22</sup>, dated  
February 21st, and copy of sketch  
attached thereto, kindly let me have  
a report on matters referred to in  
order that I may be in a position to  
advise the Minister.

P. PHILIP

ENCLS.  
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This place formerly known  
as Christie's Ranch.





## PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

2012

<p>FROM Asst. Dist. Engineer Duncan, B. C. MAR 14 1931 VICTORIA, B. C.</p>	<p>TO Chief Engineer, Dept. Public Works, Victoria, B. C.</p>	<p>DATE March 12th, 1931. ELECTORAL DISTRICT Cowichan-Newcastle OUR FILE 8-20-21 YOUR FILE 2012</p>
<p>SUBJECT Application for improvement of road and application for new road. s22</p>		<p>REFERENCE YOUR LETTER Feb. 27th</p>

Attention Minister:

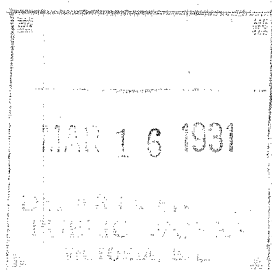
The Christie Road has been disused for some time as the properties served by it have been vacant.

Recent heavy rains have caused a little damage to what is only a narrow road but this will be remedied.

The request for continuation of the road directly east of the Island Highway appears unnecessary and would necessitate another railway crossing. Good access from the south is available and northerly to Takala Road (as pencilled) an alternative route can be improved if traffic warrants.

s22 ,is, I understand, the only user.

*John Bigwood*



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THE GOVERNMENT OF  
THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

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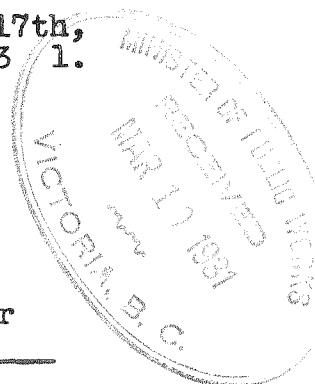
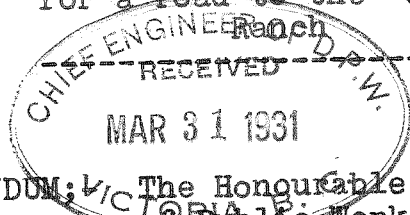
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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS  
VICTORIA

March 17th,  
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Application of  
for a road to the "Christie  
Ranch"

s22



MEMORANDUM; The Honourable R.W. Bruhn, Minister  
of Public Works, Buildings.

With reference to the letter from  
dated February 21st, requesting that the Government  
road to the property known as the "Christie" ranch  
be graded and ditched, I beg to advise that the  
Assistant District Engineer reports that recent heavy  
rains have caused a little damage to what is only a  
narrow road but this will be remedied.

s22

s22 also requests that a new road be cut  
through to the main highway. To carry out this work  
would necessitate building 700 feet of road and would  
involve the creation of another level railway cross-  
ing. There is, at present, good access from the south  
and an alternative route can be improved later if  
traffic warrants and s22 would be the only user  
of such a road.

P. PHILIP,  
Chief Engineer.

ICB:MIB

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March 31, 1931.

General <sup>s2</sup>Delivery,  
Ladysmith, B.C.

Dear Sir,-

In further reference to your letter of February 21st last, I am now in receipt of a report in connection with the matter, from which I find that the recent heavy rains have caused some damage to what is only a narrow road, but it is the intention of the Department to remedy this shortly.

In regard to your request that a new road be cut through to the main highway, to carry out this work would necessitate the building of 700 feet of road and would involve the creation of another level railway crossing. I understand that at present there is good access from the south and an alternative route can be improved later if traffic warrants.

Hoping this will prove satisfactory,  
I am,

Yours faithfully,

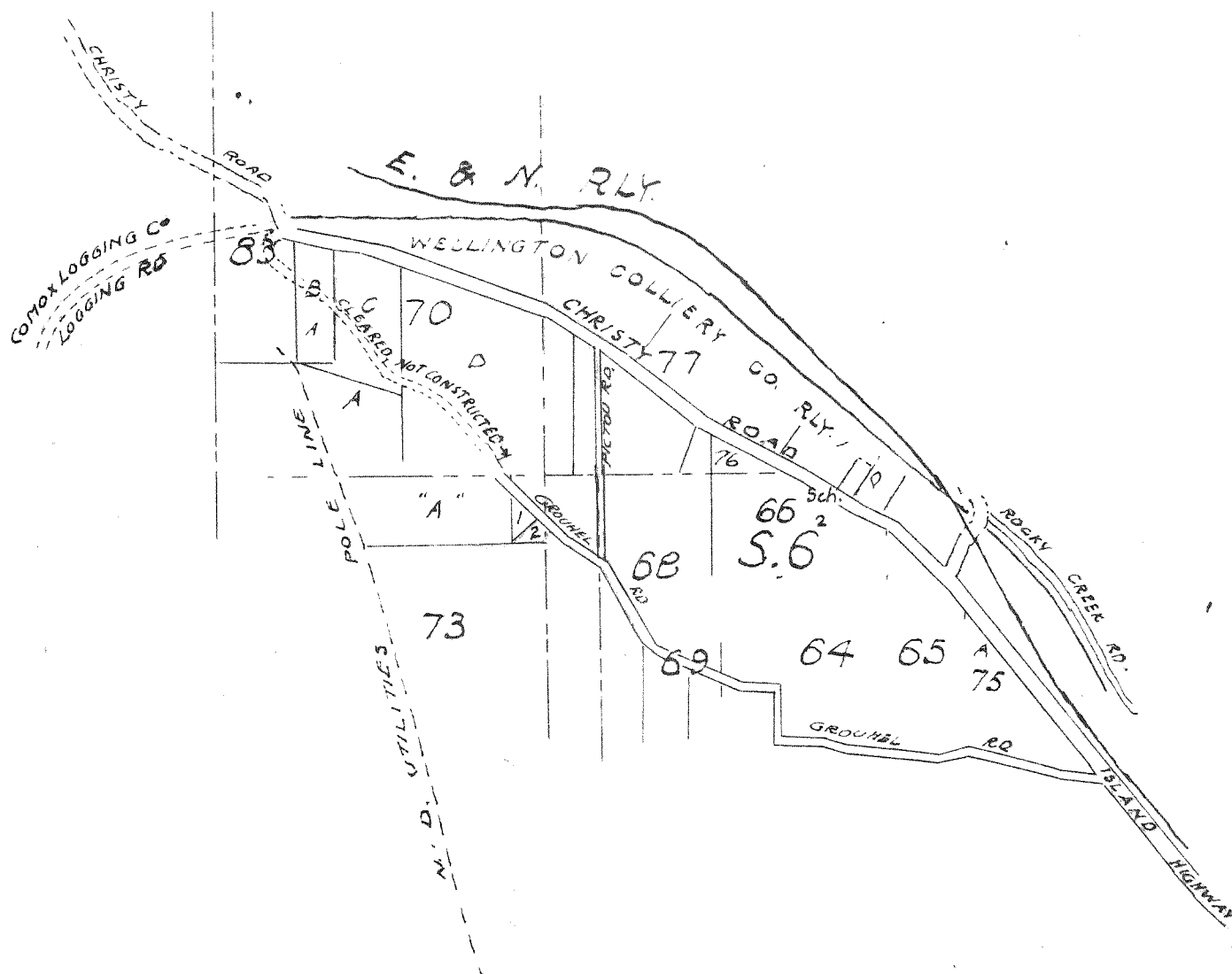
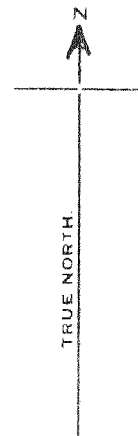
Minister.

# PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

SKETCH PLAN SHOWING GROUHEL ROAD AND PICTOU ROAD

OYSTER DISTRICT

Scale 1000' = 1"



Engineer.





Mrs. Elvi Gilson      F. Annonb  
Norman Gilson      F. Annonb

Mrs. H. G. Shepard      G. Shelton

Mrs. John Davis (H)      Mrs. Grace Shelton

E. M. Munkler      Van Shelton

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Edward Nairn      Robert Simpson

Mrs. d. Wicklund      Louisa Lowe

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Mrs. Dennis Grant      Julia Hedineau

Mr. James Pollock      J. B. Stukington

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Thomas Mayorsky

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Mrs R. Ivory -  
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Mrs Sadie Gold.  
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PROVINCE OF  
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VICTORIA, B.C.

MAR 12 1946

March 8, 1946.

Hon. H. Anscomb,  
Minister of Public Works,  
BUILDINGS.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing a petition from  
the residents of the Christie Road, Diamond  
Crossing, Ladysmith, asking for certain improvements.  
It is self-explanatory, so I need not say any more  
about it.

I know you will look into this as  
soon as you find it convenient.

Yours sincerely,

Samuel Guthrie, M.L.A.

SG:MEM  
ENC.

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D.E.

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March 11th, 1946.

Mr. S. Guthrie, M.L.A.,  
Parliament Buildings,  
Victoria, B.C.

Dear Mr. Guthrie:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 8th instant in which you enclose a Petition from residents on Christie Road asking that certain improvements be undertaken.

The matter will require to be referred to the District Engineer for investigation and report and, when this has been received, I will be glad to tell you what action, if any, we will be able to take.

Yours faithfully,

23 May 1946

Mr. O.W. Smith.  
Please let me have a report.  
A. Dixon.



Dist. Engr.,  
Victoria, B.C.

Asst. Dist. Engr.,  
P. O. Box 359,  
NANAIMO, B. C.

March 13, 1946.

Newcastle

2012

Re: Christie Road.

Mr. Samuel Guthrie, M.L.A. has forwarded a petition addressed to you dated Feb. 9th, 1946 and signed by <sup>28</sup> and about one hundred others, reading as follows:-

"Christie Road-The Diamond. Cowichan-Newcastle Dist.

We the undersigned residents and property owners on the Road generally known as the "Christie Road" respectfully request the attention of your department in respect to making a very desirable improvement from the junction of the Island Highway to the Junction of the Comox Logging & Railway Co.'s Road and beyond if found necessary and desirable, by way of having the road Hard-surfaced. In addition to the great inconvenience generally the present condition is very deleterious to the crops in the area. We sincerely trust that provision may be made for this work in the year's estimates and that work will proceed as early as possible. We also wish to include the Grouhel Road".

Please let me have your report with an estimate of cost.

O.W. Smith,  
District Engineer.

TFB:FM

## PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

2012

<b>FROM</b> Asst. Dist. Engr., Box 359, Nanaimo, B. C.	<b>TO</b> District Engineer, Victoria, B. C.	<b>DATE</b> March 25, 1946 <b>ELECTORAL DISTRICT</b> Cowichan-Newcastle <b>OUR FILE</b> 8-20-21 <b>YOUR FILE</b> 2012
<b>SUBJECT</b> Christie & Grouhel Roads.		<b>REFERENCE</b> March 13, 1946 <b>YOUR LETTER</b>

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PROV. PUBLIC WORKS DEPT.  
VICTORIA, B. C.

MAR 26 1946

ANSWERED.....  
NOTED.....  
DATE.....

FOR DEPARTMENTAL AND INTERDEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE ONLY

I beg to advise that the above road from the Island Highway to the Comox Logging Company's Railway Crossing is about 0.9 miles long and has a width varying from 14 to 18 feet. Some years ago, about 0.3 miles appears to have been hard surfaced with either a single or double spray. This has ~~so~~ deteriorated that there is little evidence of the surfacing left.

To put this road in condition for hard surfacing, would require reconstruction and reinforcing with crushed gravel. This, I estimate would cost as follows:-

Scarifying and reshaping	\$ 60.00
Ditching, etc.	100.00
1" Crushed gravel 4" deep, 16' wide	
950 cu. yds. at 1.20 in place.	1140.00
Cost of Reconstruction	\$1300.00

Hardsurfacing (Double Spray) 0.9 mile	
16' wide	1250.00
Total Estimated Cost	\$2550.00

This road serves a settlement of small farms and traffic conditions are very light. Unless it is the policy of the Department to inaugurate a program of hard surfacing farm roads, I cannot see how the work could be justified. I may say that there are a good many local and main roads that are not surfaced where traffic conditions are much worse: to name only one, Yellow Point Road.

Regarding Grouhel road, this is in the same locality. This road is ~~more or less~~ of a dirt road, meanders considerably. Before this could be hard surfaced, it should have to be widened, ditched and heavily gravelled. As a matter of fact, a survey should be made to see if it would be feasible to put the road in a better location, before any money is spent on improvements. There is a very expensive bridge on this road, and it might be found possible to eliminate this by a new location.

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FROM	TO	DATE ELECTORAL DISTRICT OUR FILE YOUR FILE
SUBJECT		REFERENCE YOUR LETTER

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In my opinion, the hard surfacing of roads should be done in order of their importance and volume of traffic using them, otherwise, it leads to charges of discrimination.

  
H.F. Bourne

HFB/MW

FOR DEPARTMENTAL AND INTERDEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE ONLY



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FROM  District Engineer Victoria	To  A. Dixon, Esq., Deputy Minister, Buildings.	DATE 14th May 1946.  ELECTORAL DISTRICT Cowichan- Newcastle  OUR FILE 2012  YOUR FILE 8-20-21
SUBJECT  Christie & Grouhel Roads		REFERENCE  25 Mar 46.  YOUR LETTER

VICTORIA, B. C.

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FOR DEPARTMENTAL AND INTERDEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE ONLY

With reference to letter dated March 8th from Mr. S. Guthrie, M.L.A., to the Hon. Mr. Anscomb relative to the petition from the residents of the Christie Road, Diamond Crossing, Ladysmith, asking for certain improvements, Mr. Bourne has reported on the matter under date of March 25th, from which you will note that the cost of hard-surfacing this road is estimated to cost \$2,550.00.

Probably it would run into a much greater expenditure having regard to the improvements required in this location. There are no funds in the present District appropriations to do this work as all available money is needed for more important roads.

Special funds will be needed to carry out this work and under the circumstances the expenditure does not appear to be justified.

OWS:CE

*O. W. Smith*  
O. W. SMITH,  
District Engineer.

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District  
Engineer  
Victoria

H. F. Bourne, Esq.,  
Asst. Dist. Engineer,  
Nanaimo, B.C.

23rd May 1946.

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Christie & Grouhel Roads

25 Mar 46.

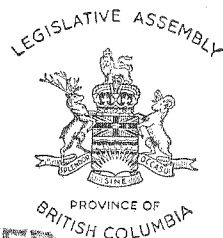
This matter was referred to the Chief Engineer for consideration, and he has instructed that the Petitioners be advised that the special funds needed to carry out this work are not available.

I note that this petition was addressed to you and you are therefore in a better position to advise the many petitioners as above.

O. W. SMITH,  
District Engineer.

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S. GUTHRIE, M.L.A.  
R.R. 1  
LADYSMITH, B.C.



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August 31st 1946

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NOTED.....  
DATE.....

Hon E. C. Carson,  
Minister of Public Works,  
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sir:

I have been instructed to write to you by the residents of the Diamond Crossing in regard to the condition of the Diamond Crossing Road.

A portion of this road was hardsurfaced some years ago but it is now badly broken up. The gravel part of the road is also in a bad condition, and they ask that some improvement be made as soon as possible.

Trusting you will look into this matter as soon as convenient and thanking you in advance.

Yours truly,

*Sam Guthrie*

Sam Guthrie,

DE:  
Please acknowledge.  
on behalf of residents  
+ look into matter.  
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Victoria, B. C.,  
Sept. 10, 1946.

Sam Guthrie, M.L.A.,  
R.R. 1,  
LADYSMITH, V.I., B.C.

Re: Diamond Crossing Road.

Dear Sir:

In the absence of the  
Honourable Minister of Public  
Works, I have been requested  
to acknowledge your letter to  
him dated August 31st.

An inspection will be  
made of this road and you will be  
advised of what action can be taken.

Yours very truly,

E. Smith,  
District Engineer.

ES:fm



30th Sept. 1946.

District  
Engineer  
Victoria

H. F. Bourne, Esq.,  
Asst. Dist. Engineer,  
Nanaimo, B.C.

Cowichan-  
Newcastle  
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Diamond Crossing Road

A letter has been received from Mr. Sam Guthrie, M.L.A., with regard to the condition of the above-named road, and he asks that some improvement be made as soon as possible.

Please let me have your report at the earliest possible date so that we can notify Mr. Guthrie as to what can be done.

E. SMITH,  
District Engineer.

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FROM Asst. Dist. Engr., Box 359, Nanaimo, B. C.	TO District Engineer, Victoria, B. C.	DATE Oct. 4, 1946  ELECTORAL DISTRICT Cowichan-Newcastle OUR FILE 8-20-21 YOUR FILE <del>1257</del>
SUBJECT Diamond Crossing Road (Christie Road)		REFERENCE YOUR LETTER

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DATE.....

This no doubt refers to Christie Road. I was over this road a few days ago. About 1/3 of this road was hard surfaced about 10 years ago (double spray). It has not been resprayed since and this section is badly pot holed, nothing dangerous, however. The rest of the road is gravelled, which is rough in spots. The surfaced portion will be patched as soon as the bituminous mixer comes back from Alberni, which I expect will be within a week or ten days, and the road will be graded as soon as a grader is available. As you know, the serious shortage of labor and equipment prevents us from maintaining the roads in the condition we would desire.

  
H.F. Bourne

HFB/MW

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File 2012

Victoria, B.C.,  
16th October 1946.

Re: Diamond Crossing (Christie) Road.

Sir:

In connection with your letter of August 31st and my acknowledgment, in the absence of the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, on September 10th, I am now able to inform you that the matter of maintenance will be attended to in a very few days, when labour and equipment will be available.

Yours very truly,

E. SMITH,  
District Engineer.

Mr. Sam Guthrie, M.L.A.,  
R. R. 1,  
Ladysmith, B.C.

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## MEMORANDUM

REFER TO FILE No. 2012

CHIEF ENGINEER'S OFFICE

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

TO District Engineer,

Department of Public Works,

Buildings.

VICTORIA

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s22, Lot 51, Oyster Bay, wants cutoff from old Victoria Road over E.N. Ry. to connect settlers road with main highway at Bush Creek near water trough at Oyster Bay.

Kindly see what should be done if anything.

Fresh Ancones R.R., Ladysmith.

A.L. Carruthers

A.L. Carruthers,  
Chief Engineer.

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Encl.

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4th November 1946.

District  
Engineer  
Victoria

H. F. Bourne, Esq.,  
Asst. Dist. Engineer,  
Nanaimo, B.C.

Cowichan-  
Newcastle  
2012

Access to Lot 51, Oyster  
District.

The owner of Lot 51, Oyster Bay,  
wants cutoff from Victoria Road over  
E. & N. Railway to connect settlers road  
with main highway at Bush Creek near water  
trough at Oyster Bay.

Will you please let me have a  
report on this. For your information I am  
forwarding herewith a tracing which may be  
of some assistance. Please return same  
with your report.

E. SMITH,  
District Engineer.

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Encl.

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

<b>FROM</b> Asst. Dist. Engr., Box 359, Nanaimo, B. C.	<b>TO</b> District Engineer, Victoria, B. C.	<b>DATE</b> Nov. 14, 1946 <b>ELECTORAL DISTRICT</b> Cowichan-Newcastle <b>OUR FILE</b> 8-21-5 <b>YOUR FILE</b> 2012
<b>SUBJECT</b> Access to Lot 51, Oyster District.		<b>REFERENCE</b> 4 Nov. 46 <b>YOUR LETTER</b>

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I beg to advise that this is all wild logged off land and is served by Christie Road. At the present stage of development, I cannot see that it would be in the public interest to construct a cut-off road over the E. & N. Railway. I would recommend that the applicant be so advised.

  
 H.F. Bourne

HPB/MW

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 VICTORIA, B.C.

File 2012

Victoria, B.C.,  
18th November 1946.

Re: Access to Lot 51, Oyster District.

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Sir:

In connection with your recent visit to the Chief Engineer's Office in connection with cutoff from Victoria Road over E. & N. Railway to connect settlers' road with main highway at Bush Creek near water trough at Oyster Bay, this matter has been investigated and it is not in the public interest to carry out this work at the present time.

Yours very truly,

E. SMITH,  
District Engineer.

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Hon. E. C. Carson,  
Minister of Public Works,  
Parliament Buildings,  
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Mr. Carson:

The people living on the Christie Road have asked me to complain to you again about the condition of this road.

A portion of this road was hardsurfaced some years ago and is now so badly broken up that a number of car owners have had the springs of their cars broken while travelling over it.

You may recall that a delegation from the Diamond Crossing interviewed you with respect to the condition of this road a few months ago. You were unable to do anything about it at that time as nearly all the equipment and men of your department were employed on the Island Highway.

The Christie Road is one mile long and there are some fifty taxpayers living on it. I know it would be appreciated if you would see to it that some improvement is made on this road as soon as possible.

Thanking you in advance and hoping to hear from you at an early date.

Yours sincerely,

*Sam Guthrie*

Sam Guthrie,

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File 2012

Victoria, B.C.,  
Sept. 30, 1947.

Re: Condition of Christie Road

Sir:

Your letter of September 13th to the Honourable the Minister of Public Works has been referred to me in his absence.

I am procuring a report on the condition of the Christie Road and I will notify you what can be done when this report has been received.

It should be realized that we are still very short of equipment and labour.

Yours very truly,

E. SMITH,  
District Engineer

Mr. S. Guthrie, M.L.A.,  
R. R. #1,  
Ladysmith, B. C.

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District  
Engineer  
Victoria

H. F. Bourne, Esq.,  
Asst. Dist. Engineer,  
Nanaimo, B. C.

Sept. 30, 1947

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Condition of Christie Road

I am forwarding herewith copy  
of letter from Mr. S. Guthrie, M.L.A.,  
to the Honourable the Minister, in  
connection with the condition of the  
Christie Road.

Kindly look into this matter  
and let me have your report.

E. SMITH,  
District Engineer

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FROM Asst. Dist. Engr., Nanaimo, B. C.	TO District Engineer, Victoria, B. C.	DATE Oct. 6, 1947. ELECTORAL Cowichan- DISTRICT Newcastle OUR FILE 8-20-21 YOUR FILE 2012
SUBJECT Condition of Christie Road		REFERENCE YOUR LETTER


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I beg to advise that this road is in poor condition. It was hard surfaced and is beyond the patching stage. As soon as I can spare a grader from the Cowichan Lake project, I would have it scarified.

In the meantime, the worst holes will be gravel patched. This is the best that can be done under existing conditions.

  
H.F. Bourne.

HFB/MW

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File 2012

Victoria, B.C.,  
Oct. 9th, 1947.

Re: Condition of Christie Road

Sir:

Further to my letter to you of September 30th, our Assistant District Engineer will scarify and grade this road as soon as a grader can be spared from more important work.

In the meantime, the worst holes will be gravel patched. This is the best that can be done under existing conditions.

Yours very truly,

E. SMITH,  
District Engineer

Mr. S. Guthrie, M.L.A.,  
R. R. #1,  
Ladysmith, B. C.

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*M.M.C.*

*Christie Brown*

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 Mr. Dennis H. Grant  
 Mr. Fred. Fander  
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 Rev. P. Brock  
 Mrs. Sophia Grafton  
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### Foreword.

ON. GEORGE S. PEARSON,  
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1949, will be a great day in the development  
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rich and poor, married and single, employer

and employed.

This booklet tells you how much you will be asked to pay and what  
benefits you will receive in return. It clarifies the main points which  
will be of interest to you. It is not possible, of course, to set out all  
the details in such a short guide, but if you are in doubt on any matter,  
please contact your nearest local Hospital Insurance Office for help.  
These offices will be established as quickly as possible and you will be  
advised of their locations. In addition, you will find that local Govern-  
ment employees, such as public health nurses, Government Agents,  
and social assistance workers, are familiar with the plan and will be  
ready to help you.

Your registration form will be sent to you shortly with detailed  
instructions as to how it should be filled in and what you are to do  
with it.

Caring for the health of over a million people, the entire popula-  
tion of our Province, is not an easy undertaking. It involves much  
more than the collection and paying out of money. Its success depends  
upon the willing co-operation of everyone, and I am counting on your  
support.

Our greatest asset is the health and well-being of our population.  
Surely the most progressive way to preserve and improve this human  
resource is by supporting such a service, and so providing an example  
and inspiration for others.

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## *Foreword.*

*By HON. GEORGE S. PEARSON,  
Minister of Health and Welfare.*

THE 1st of January, 1949, will be a great day in the development of British Columbia's social services. On that day we shall see hospital insurance for everyone in full operation and the dread that surrounds hospital costs removed from the minds of British Columbia citizens. It clears the way to what we hope will eventually lead to a complete health insurance scheme for the entire Dominion.

From 1938, and particularly since the outbreak of war, we have been exploring the possibilities of a health insurance plan for this Province, but one obstacle after another has delayed its inauguration. Despite this, recent legislative action has placed British Columbia to the fore in providing hospital care for everyone.

There will be no exceptions: the service covers men, women, and children, young and old, rich and poor, married and single, employer and employed.

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Caring for the health of over a million people, the entire population of our Province, is not an easy undertaking. It involves much more than the collection and paying out of money. Its success depends upon the willing co-operation of everyone, and I am counting on your support.

Our greatest asset is the health and well-being of our population. Surely the most progressive way to preserve and improve this human resource is by supporting such a service, and so providing an example and inspiration for others.

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I,

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do solemnly declare:-

(1) That the total number of persons signing the foregoing petition, are residents of the Grouhel & Christie Roads of the Ladysmith Diamond District, the others, numbering are business men and Logging operators whose motor vehicles use the said roads.

(2) That I was personally present and did see the persons whose names are subscribed thereto sign the said petition.

(3) That each of the persons signing the said petition is qualified to do so by virtue of being a resident or a regular user of the roads mentioned.

(4) That each person signing the said petition before doing so was cognizant of the contents thereof.

AND I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of The Canada Evidence Act.

Declared at Ladysmith

24<sup>th</sup> day of August 1948

Before me:

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*W. A. Bayne*  
*Magistrate*

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

<b>FROM</b>  District Engineer VICTORIA	<b>TO</b>  Chief Engineer, BUILDINGS.	<b>DATE</b> September 1, 1948.  <b>ELECTORAL</b> <b>DISTRICT</b> Cow./New.  <b>OUR FILE</b> 2012 <b>YOUR FILE</b>
<b>SUBJECT</b>  Christie & Grouhel Roads-Ladysmith		<b>REFERENCE</b>  YOUR LETTER

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ANSWERED.....*W. M. C.*

NOTED.....*Sept 10/48*

DATE.....

In connection with the petition to the Minister letter #766462, this file; I am familiar with both roads mentioned and consider that the complaint about the dust nuisance is an exaggeration of the actual fact.

I cannot see that anything effective can be done this season but would recommend that bituminous surfacing be considered for the next fiscal year.



E. SMITH,  
District Engineer.

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A. C. E.

September 10, 1948

Chief Engineer.  
Victoria, B.C.

Mr. D.T. Willis,  
Surfacing Engineer,  
Vancouver, B.C.

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Christie & Grouhel Roads - Ladysmith.

A petition has been received from the residents of the Ladysmith District regarding surface treating the Grouhel and Christie Roads in that area. The District Engineer recommends that consideration be given to bituminous surfacing next year.

Please note this is for consideration when preparing next year's programme and in the meantime you might enquire from the District Engineer as to the adequacy of the base and what his recommendations are regarding the type of surface treatment.

H. C. Anderson,  
Chief Engineer.

by:

A. M. McCallum,  
Asst. Chief Engineer.

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September 10, 1948

<sup>s22</sup>  
Ladysmith, B.C.

Dear Sir:

I am directed to acknowledge receipt of petition signed by the residents of the Ladysmith District in which complaint is registered regarding the Christie and Grouhel Roads.

I am now in receipt of a report from the District Engineer regarding this and, as the petition was only received in this office on August 30th, and it is considered that the season is too far advanced to undertake any surface treatment work this year, consideration will be given to this request when the estimates are being prepared for next year's work.

Yours truly,

H. C. Anderson,  
Chief Engineer.

by:

N. M. McCallum,  
Asst. Chief Engineer.

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DISTRICT ENGINEER

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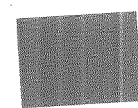
  
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S. GUTHRIE, M.L.A.  
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Hon. E. C. Carson,  
Minister of Public Works,  
Parliament Buildings,  
Victoria, B. C.

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DATE 12/12/48

Dear Mr. Carson:

I have been instructed to write to you by the residents of the Christie Road, Diamond crossing near Ladysmith, with regard to the deplorable condition of this road.

According to the report I have some repairs will have to be made soon or it will become impassable before the winter is over.

Perhaps I should tell you that there is very heavy vehicular traffic going over this road daily.

Will you please have something done to repair this road as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Sam Guthrie".

Sam Guthrie,

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December 16th, 1948.

Mr. S. Guthrie, M. L. A.,  
R. R. 1,  
Ladysmith, B. C.

Dear Sir:

I am directed to acknowledge your letter of the 11th instant with reference to the condition of the Christie Road and your comment in this regard has been carefully noted.

The District Engineer is being requested to have the circumstances checked up and thereafter take such action as may be considered fair and reasonable at this time to maintain the road in safe and passable condition.

Yours truly,

H. C. Anderson,  
Chief Engineer.

AD/CB

December 16th, 1948.

District Engineer,

Cow. - Newcastle

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Victoria, B. C.

Condition Christie Road.

Herewith for your attention, copy of letter received by the Minister from Mr. S. Guthrie, M. L. A., with respect to the condition of the Christie Road.

Will you please arrange to have the matter checked up and thereafter take such action as may be considered necessary and desirable having regard to all the circumstances involved.

H. C. Anderson,  
Chief Engineer.

AD/CB  
Encl.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

FROM  District Engineer VICTORIA	To  Chief Engineer, BUILDINGS.	DATE January 11th 1949  ELECTORAL DISTRICT Cow-New.  OUR FILE 8-20-21  YOUR FILE 2012
SUBJECT  Condition of Christie Road		REFERENCE  YOUR LETTER Dec. 16/48

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ANSWERED *R. Nesbitt* With reference to Mr. Guthrie's letter to the Honourable  
NOTED the Minister of December 11th, Mr. Nesbitt reports that  
DATE he is having the Christie Road gravelled insofar as the  
weather will permit.

This road broke up badly about a year ago and was scarified  
and reverted to a gravel road and it was found at that time  
that there was so little gravel on it that the grader cannot  
keep it in good condition.

Mr. Nesbitt will continue to gravel this road as conditions  
permit.

*O. J. Callagher*  
O. J. CALLAGHER,  
District Engineer.

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Christie Rd

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Dear Sir

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May 9<sup>th</sup> 49

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I got petition signed by  
every one on this rd & several  
residents last year to have it  
tared or oiled its awful to  
try live here for dust no  
I was promised it would  
be fixed this year so kindly  
give this your earliest  
attn I saw school child  
just miss car last week  
couldnt see second car coming  
for dust

Yours Truly

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May 13th, 1949.

<sup>s22</sup>  
Christie Road,  
LADYSMITH, V.I., B.C.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 9th instant, re road improvements in your locality, I wish to advise that your letter has been forwarded to our District Engineer who will see that the situation is checked up, and thereafter advise you direct of any plans he may have in mind to alleviate the condition of which you complain.

Yours very truly,

H.C. Anderson,  
Chief Engineer.

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Chief Engineer.

May 13, 1949.

District Engineer,  
VICTORIA, B. C.

2012

Road condition

Will you please have your Assistant look  
into the subject matter contained in the  
attached copy of letter received from  
s22 of Ladysmith, dated the 9th  
instant, and thereafter advise me  
direct as to any plans they have in  
mind to improve road conditions in the  
municipality to which he refers. You  
might advise me in due course what  
action is taken.

AD:ff  
encls.

H.C. Anderson,  
Chief Engineer.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

<b>FROM</b>  Divisional Engineer VICTORIA	<b>TO</b>  Chief Engineer, BUILDINGS.	<b>DATE</b> June 20, 1949.  <b>ELECTORAL DISTRICT</b> Cow.-New.  <b>OUR FILE</b> 8-20-21  <b>YOUR FILE</b> 2012
<b>SUBJECT</b>  Christie Road		<b>REFERENCE</b>  YOUR LETTER May 13 1949

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 VICTORIA, B. C.

JUN 21 1949

ANSWERED.....

NOTED.....

DATE..... June 23/49

With reference to your letter of May 13th enclosing a copy of <sup>2</sup> letter of May 9th, Mr. Nesbitt advises that he will try to get this road gravelled during the coming fall.

If this can be done it would be desirable that at least part of this road be surfaced next year, as it does carry a fairly heavy traffic from the Island Highway to the Comox Logging Company's private road.

Mr. Nesbitt has been so busy making good sections of road which broke up last spring that as yet he has not been able to start any definite program of gravelling on the side roads.

*O.G. Gallaher*  
 O.G. GALLAHER,  
 Divisional Engineer.

OGG:MB

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2012.

June 23rd, 1949

<sup>S22</sup>  
Christie Road,  
LADYSMITH, V.I.

Dear Sir,

Further to our letter of May 13th,  
I wish to advise that it is our intention to carry  
out a gravelling program on the Christie Road next  
fall, after which consideration will be given to  
carrying out Asphaltic Surfacing next year.

Yours very truly,

H.C. Anderson,  
Chief Engineer.

by:

E.S. Jones,  
Maintenance Engineer.

ESJ:MH



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VICTORIA, B. C.

JUN 28 1949

Dear Sir

ANSWERED

NOTED

DATE

Christie Rd  
Ladysmith  
B.C.

June 27<sup>th</sup> 49

The residents of  
Christie Rd & Gruel Rd  
are very disappointed you  
could least oil the  
road as dust is terrible  
one has to keep doors shut  
& that bad in hot weather  
it also stops people  
from painting houses  
& school has to be painted  
it needs more oil  
try to least oil it  
Yours Sincerely

S22

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MAINT. ENGR.

c.c. to Mr. Nesbitt and copy of E. Cozens' letter.

Our Files: 8-20-21  
2012

Divisional Engineer's Office

Victoria, B.C.,  
June 30, 1949.

<sup>s22</sup>  
Christie Road,  
LADYSMITH, B.C.

Re: Christie Road

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Dear Sir:-

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of June 27th regarding the Christie Road.

I am bringing this to the attention of the District Engineer and, if possible, he will try to assist you.

Yours very truly,

O.G. GALLAHER,  
Divisional Engineer.

OGG:MB

## PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

<b>FROM</b> Divisional Engineer, Victoria, B. C.	<b>TO</b> Chief Engineer, Victoria, B. C.	<b>DATE</b> July 13, 1949  <b>ELECTORAL DISTRICT</b> Cow-New  <b>OUR FILE</b> 8-20-21 <b>YOUR FILE</b> 2012
<b>SUBJECT</b> Christie Road.		<b>REFERENCE</b> YOUR LETTER May 13, 1949

RECEIVED  
 PROV. PUBLIC WORKS DEPT.  
 VICTORIA, B. C.

JUL 15 1949

ANSWERED *§*

NOTED *§*

DATE *§*

With reference to your letter of May 13th  
 and *§* letter to you of May 9th.

Mr. Nesbitt advises that he has done considerable gravelling on the Christie Road and has made repairs to the broken-up asphalt surface wherever possible, but the road is not yet in condition for surfacing and it will not be possible for him to do any surfacing on this road out of district funds. He will continue to gravel the roads in so far as his funds will permit him.

*O.G. Callahe*

O.G. GALLAHER,  
 Divisional Engineer.

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MAINT. ENGR.

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I, <sup>s22</sup> , of R.R.1, Ladysmith, B.C.

do dolemnly declare:-

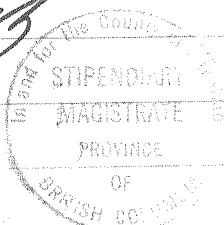
- (1) That the total number of persons in the area described in the attached petition, being holders or occupiers of land and resident thereon is *approx. 35*
- (2) That I was personally present and did see each of the *28* persons whose names are subscribed thereto sign the said petition.
- (3) That each of the *28* persons signing the said petition is qualified to do so by virtue of being the holder or occupier of land within the area mentioned and affected.
- (4) That each person signing the said petition before doing so was cognizant of the contents thereof.

AND I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the "Canada Evidence Act".

DECLARED at Ladysmith, B.C.  
this *9<sup>th</sup>* day of *November*  
1949

s22

*W. H. Bryant*



We, the undersigned, being proprietors of land and residents of the Ladysmith Diamond District and adjacent area North, hereby petition that the by-road leaving the Island Highway at a point approximately 100 yards North of the Oyster Bay Sawmill, district of Nanaimo-Oyster, and crossing the E. & N. Railway to connect with the old Victoria Highway and leading therefrom to the Diamond District of Ladysmith, be opened and maintained as a public road for the benefit of the residents in the said Ladysmith Diamond District area; to allow for better Rural Mail service and for direct access to the Island Highway to the North, and would draw attention that such road would be a convenient detour from the Diamond Bridge when required by repairs or other necessity.

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## PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

FROM

Divisional  
Engineer  
VICTORIA

To

Chief Engineer,  
BUILDINGS.

DATE

Dec. 8, 1949.

ELECTORAL  
DISTRICT

Cow.-New.

OUR FILE

~~8-20-21~~ 8-21-30

YOUR FILE

REFERENCE

YOUR LETTER

RECEIVED  
PROV. PUBLIC WORKS DEPT.  
VICTORIA  
SUBJECT C.

DEC 9 - 1949

Christie Road

ANSWERED

NOTED

DATE

FOR DEPARTMENTAL AND INTERDEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE ONLY

With reference to <sup>s22</sup> petition to the Honourable the Minister of November 9th, I attach herewith a sketch showing the location of the proposed connection.

This connection would require that we secure the land from the Department of Indian Affairs and also that we secure a public crossing over the C. & N. Railway.

I have directed Mr. Nesbitt to get in touch with the Indian Agent to ascertain what his requirements will be in this connection, but as the land is all wild there should be no charge; also, I have requested him to prepare the necessary plans for an application to the Railway Commission for a public crossing.

When the approach fill on the north side of the new Diamond Bridge is being made, a detour along the Christie Road and the proposed connection would be very desirable, as it would enable us to remove all traffic from the fill and avoid any interference during construction.

Bush Creek Bridge on the Island Highway is a low humpbacked bridge and during the recent freshet the water was flush with the deck of the bridge, and we might have trouble with it at any time until the bridge is eventually raised to a safe level and the road ramped as it should be.

This detour would provide a safe route for traffic should Bush Creek Bridge wash out.

Mr. Nesbitt estimates that it will cost \$2,500.00 to widen and improve Christie Road and reconstruct this short connection, in order to provide a detour during the Diamond Bridge construction. I wish to recommend that the Department approve of this idea and that a Work Order for \$2,500.00 be furnished to enable him to carry out the work.

I have acknowledged <sup>s22</sup> s letter and petition.

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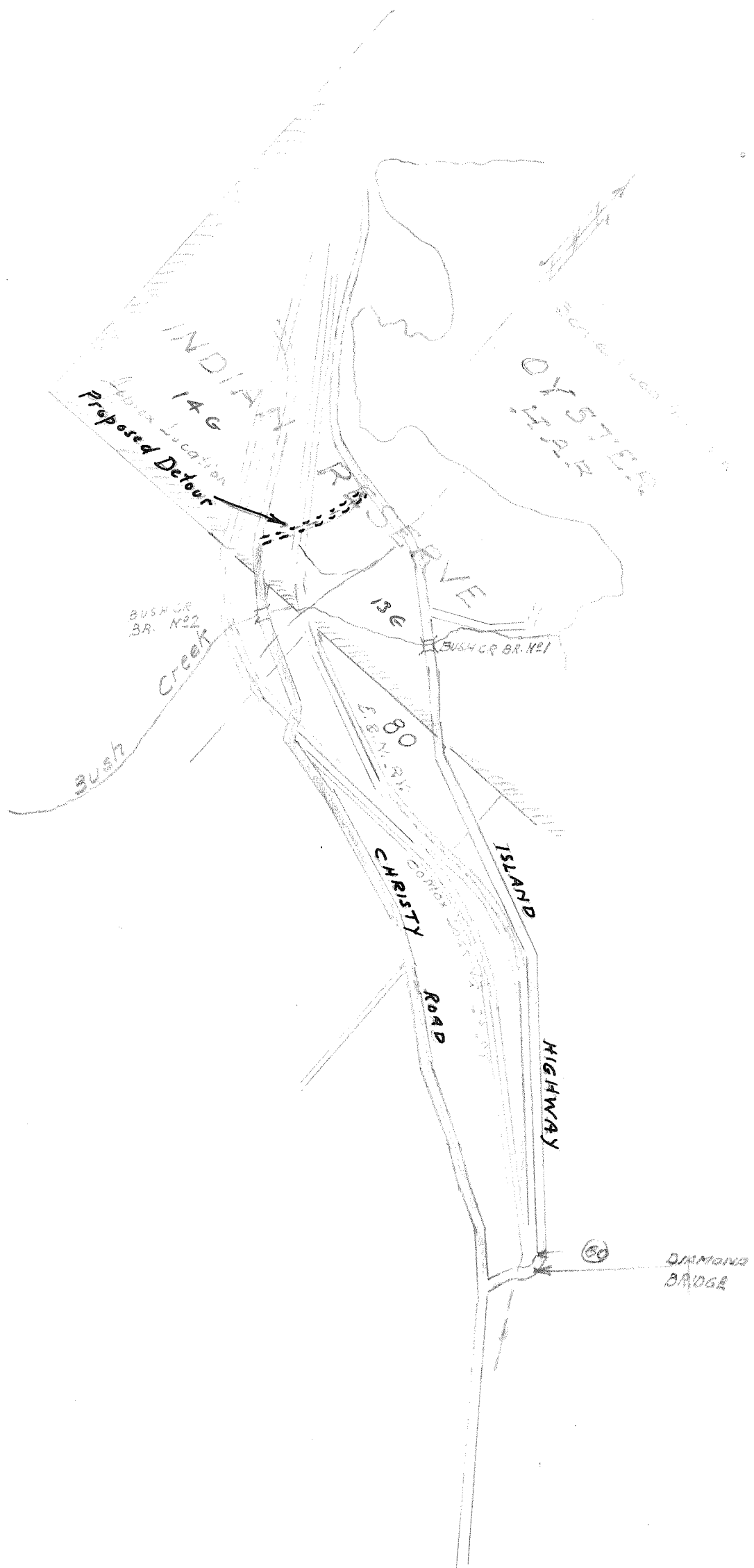
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Mr. Nesbitt's letter attached

O.G. GALLANTER,  
Divisional Engineer.





Divisional Engineer,  
Victoria, B.C.

January 26th 1950.  
Cowichan-Newcastle

2012  
8-21-30

Christie Road

December 8th

Apparently requests have been received from time to time regarding betterment of Christie Road and from your report it would appear to be a desirable alternate connection from the south end of the Diamond Crossing to the Island Highway.

I regret, however, that no funds are available at this time to undertake this work but please bring this to our attention immediately after the beginning of the fiscal year.

H.C. Anderson,  
Chief Engineer.

by:

N.M. McCallum,  
Asst. Chief Engineer.

NMM:MM

Mr. J. W. Morris,  
District Superintendent,  
Nanaimo, B. C.

Victoria, B. C.,  
August 24, 1965.  
Cowichan-Newcastle  
2012

s22

Christie Road and Road  
to Thistle Mine.

With reference to our telephone conversation of today's date, enclosed please find two copies of Gazette Notice dated June 22nd, 1904, establishing the road to Thistle Mine. I can find no record of a Gazette Notice closing this road or a plan showing the area gazetted.

The Christie Road is shown on a 1949 Road Register as No. 21 Christie (Old Victoria). The initial point is given as Diamond Bridge, Lot 21, Section 6, Oyster District, and the terminal point as Takala, District Lot 11, Bright District, a distance of 3.0 miles, and reference is made to Plan 4510. I can find no record of this road having been gazetted, but there is correspondence between 1946 and 1950 regarding improvements to this road, also referred to as the Diamond Crossing Road.

There is also a Board Order dated May 27th, 1960, covering the E. & N. Railway Crossing at Mileage 60.92, Victoria Subdivision.

All this would tend to confirm that this road allowance has been regarded as a public road.

APPROVING OFFICER,

CRH:om

Per: 

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

FROM Right-of-Way Agent, Vancouver, B. C.	TO Asst. Dist. Engineer, Duncan, B. C.	DATE Sept. 24/30.  ELECTORAL DISTRICT  OUR FILE  YOUR FILE
SUBJECT		REFERENCE  YOUR LETTER

- 3 -

s22      Lot 17, Map 1684  
          One large bearing apple tree..... \$ 30.00  
          Chicken house & work-shop ..... 400.00  
          Land ..... 20.00

TOTAL COMPENSATION..... \$450.00

s22      Lot 45, Plan 965 A. This property has a 300-foot  
          frontage on Gifford Road along which there is a  
          cedar hedge fully developed. The boundary of the  
          right-of-way comes within the verandah of s22  
          house, and it will be necessary to move  
          same to a new position, the estimated cost of  
          which will be \$500.00. I have secured an option  
          from s22 , the consideration to cover all  
          claims herein being \$1000.00, made up as follows:

300-foot frontage .....\$ 300.00  
   Estimated cost of moving house ..... 500.00  
   4 fruit trees, garden and 300 feet  
   of cedar hedge ..... 200.00

TOTAL COMPENSATION\$1000.00

s22      , Lot 51, Plan 965 A, 16½ feet frontage  
          (cleared) ..... \$100.00  
          2 large bearing cherry trees and  
          flower garden ..... 200.00

TOTAL COMPENSATION ..... \$300.00

s22      Lot 52, 16½ feet frontage (cleared)..... \$100.00

TOTAL COMPENSATION ..... \$100.00

Name and details of highway or incidental works ISLAND HIGHWAY

ST. JOE HI. DIVERSION

Description of property Lot 51; Map 965 A of Suburban Lots 13 - 19.

Name, title, etc., of party to whom compensation is recommended to be paid s22

DETAILS OF COMPENSATION, PAYABLE IN TERMS OF SECTION 16 OF THE "HIGHWAY ACT."

	\$	c.	\$	c.
A. For Improvements on the lands taken (subsec. 1a).				
Roads				
Buildings				
Structures				
Fences				
Clearing & Grading			50	00
Planting & Cultivating			200	00
Grading				
Cultivation				
Other improvements (to be stated)				
B. For Lands taken (subsec. 1b).				
Compensation for the area of lands taken in excess of one-twentieth of the total area comprised in the original Crown grant, OR compensation for the area of lands taken in excess of one-twentieth of the total area of the lands comprised in the section, block, lot, or parcel into which the lands are subdivided by any registered plan or subdivision.	Total A	-		
	Total B	-		
State area of original grant, lot, etc. ....acres.				
State area of portion taken 0.037 acres.			50	00
C. For materials taken from improved lands (subsec. 4). (Note: Quantities to be stated.)				
Gravel				
Sand				
Stone				
Timber				
Other materials				
	Total C	-		
Gross total amount of Compensation recommended	-	-	-	
D. Deduction for increased value due to construction, etc. (subsec. 3).				
Deduction for increased value, beyond increased value common to all lands in the locality, due to the construction of the highway, or of works incidental thereto.	Total deductions D	-		
Net total amount of Compensation recommended	-	-	-	350 00

I hereby certify that this statement is in accordance with the provisions of section 16 of the "Highway Act."

I hereby recommend that compensation be paid accordingly.

Right-of-way Agent or District Engineer.

District Engineer.

(APPROVED.)

Chief Engineer or Asst. Chief Engineer.

(DEALT WITH.)

Chief Accountant.

NOTE.—Use back of form for remarks or sketch.

FORM 118 A  
FOR DEPARTMENTAL AND INTERDEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE ONLY  
50M-930-7659

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

598

FROM Asst. Dist. Engineer Duncan, B.C.	TO Chief Engineer, Dept. Public Works Victoria, B. C.	DATE Dec. 20th, 1930 ELECTORAL DISTRICT Cowichan-Newcastle OUR FILE 8-20-132 YOUR FILE
SUBJECT Stewarts Hill Diversion		REFERENCE YOUR LETTER JAN 9 1931 DISTRICT ENGINEER, V. I. Dept. of Public Works, VICTORIA, B. C.

Under separate cover I am forwarding complete plan of above diversion showing all properties affected, also P.W. Form 120 in triplicate as completed by the Right of Way Agent as relating to the following properties:-

Lot 30		\$100.00
31		100.00
32 & 33		200.00
34		100.00
36		100.00
37		100.00
45		1000.00
51	s22	300.00
52		100.00
54		100.00
55		110.00
57		100.00
58		100.00
60		100.00
DL 101 &		
Lots 28 & 63	s22	1100.00
L 3 & 4 DL 43	s22	2000.00
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		\$ 5710.00

Accompanying Plan No. 1924  
Road Surveys.  
Dept. Public Works.

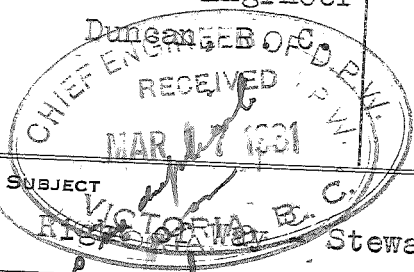
*John S. Sigwood*

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(APPROVED.) \_\_\_\_\_  
Chief Engineer or Asst. Chief Engineer.  
  
(DEALT WITH.) \_\_\_\_\_  
Chief Accountant.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

598

FROM Asst. Dist. Engineer Duncan B. O.C. 	TO Chief Engineer, Dept. Public Works, Victoria, B. C.	DATE March 16th, 1931 ELECTORAL DISTRICT Cowichan-Newcastle OUR FILE 8-20-132 YOUR FILE
SUBJECT Stewarts Hill Diversion.		REFERENCE YOUR LETTER

Reports on properties, as noted below, received from the Right of Way Agent are submitted for approval.

Lot 2 Plan 2478	includes 75' for y.	s22	0.075 AC	150.00	
DL 101	Trees + Buildings				
Lots 28 & 63	Plan 965A includes 100 ft clearing	s22	no comp. for land	900.00	0.57 AC
35	includes 50' for clearing		0.076 AC	200.00	
53	includes 25' for trees	s22	0.037 AC	100.00	
39	includes 50' for trees		0.037 AC	450.00	125.00
43	"	s22	0.037	150.00	
43	includes 50' for trees	s22	0.037 AC	100.00	
Lots 5 & 6	Plan 965A)	s22	0.037	130.00	
and Lot 16	Plan 1684)				
Lot 15	Plan 1684	s22	0.220 AC	1200.00	
14	"		0.027	700.00	
17	"		0.044	650.00	
11	"	s22	0.006	375.00	
			0.006	75.00	
				5180.00	

Previously submitted:

Lots 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 36, 37, 45, 51, 52,  
54, 55, 57, 58, & 60 Plan 965A

4610.00

Awaiting report for

Lots 29, 62, 61, 59, 56, 38, 40, 41 & 50.

Right of Way plan forwarded under separate cover. Will you please advise whether two tracings are required for the Land Registry Office.

The money to pay these claims is not yet available.

*W. B. Sigwood*

O. E.

year and



## STEWART HILL DIVERSION.

Description of property..... Lot 51; Map 965 A of Suburban Lots 13 - 19.

Name, title, etc., of party to whom compensation is recommended to be paid.....

s22

## DETAILS OF COMPENSATION, PAYABLE IN TERMS OF SECTION 16 OF THE "HIGHWAY ACT."

## A. For Improvements on the lands taken (subsec. 1a).

	\$	c.	\$	c.
Roads .....				
Buildings .....				
Structures .....				
Fences .....				
Clearing & Grading .....			50	00
Planting & Cultivating (2 large bearing cherry trees \$150.00) .....			200	00
Grading flower garden & lawn (\$50.00) .....				
Cultivation .....				
Other improvements (to be stated) .....				

## B. For Lands taken (subsec. 1b).

Compensation for the area of lands taken in excess of one-twentieth of the total area comprised in the original Crown grant,  
OR compensation for the area of lands taken in excess of one-twentieth of the total area of the lands comprised in the section, block, lot, or parcel into which the lands are subdivided by any registered plan or subdivision.

State area of original grant, lot, etc.....acres.

State area of portion taken.....0.037.....acres.

## C. For materials taken from improved lands (subsec. 4).

(Note : Quantities to be stated.)

Gravel .....				
Sand .....				
Stone .....				
Timber .....				
Other materials .....				
Total C .....				

Gross total amount of Compensation recommended -

## D. Deduction for increased value due to construction, etc. (subsec. 3).

Deduction for increased value, beyond increased value common to all lands in the locality, due to the construction of the highway, or of works incidental thereto.

Total deductions D

Net total amount of Compensation recommended -

\$300 00

I hereby certify that this statement is in accordance with the provisions of section 16 of the "Highway Act."

Right-of-way Agent or District Engineer.

I hereby recommend that compensation be paid accordingly.

District Engineer.

(APPROVED.)

Chief Engineer or Asst. Chief Engineer.

(DEALT WITH.)

Chief Accountant.

NOTE.—Use back of form for remarks or sketch.

February 16th, 1931.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

FROM Right-of-Way Agent at Vancouver, B. C.	TO H. L. Swan, Esq.	DATE April 30, 1931.  ELECTORAL DISTRICT  OUR FILE  YOUR FILE
SUBJECT Debart's Hill-Ladysmith Sub.		REFERENCE YOUR LETTER

-2-

I hope that the above gives you all the information you require and that payment of these claims will proceed.

*R. J. Wark*  
Right-of-Way Agent

RJW:ER

RJW/RW

(APPROVED.)

Chief Engineer or Asst. Chief Engineer.

(DEALT WITH.)

Chief Accountant.

NOTE.—Use back of form for remarks or sketch.

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

598

FROM Right-of-Way Agent Court House, Vancouver, B. C.	TO H. L. Swan, Esq., Dist. Engineer,, Public Works Dept., Parliament Bldgs., Victoria, B. C.	DATE April 30, 1931.  ELECTORAL DISTRICT  OUR FILE  YOUR FILE
SUBJECT Stewart's Hill-Ladysmith Subdivision		REFERENCE  YOUR LETTER



I am in receipt of your letter of the 27th instant, and as requested I have amplified the details of our recommendations for payment of compensation for right-of-way of Stewart's Hill-Ladysmith Div. of Island Highway, in respect to the following claims:

s22

In the remainder of the recommendations which you returned to me, the information is as complete as we can give.

As you are doubtless aware, final settlement of these claims is generally made on the basis of a lump sum, arrived at after we have made our estimate of the details.

Would it be possible to get payment of  
s22 claim of \$2000.00 made in the  
near future? s22 has become very im-  
patient at the delay and will probably make  
an additional claim. s22 points out that s22  
has lost the monthly rent from the small  
dwelling house, the tenants having moved out  
owing to the property being rendered useless  
to them on account of the deep cut close to  
the house. s22 also, contends that s22 should  
receive interest on the \$2000.00 owing from the  
date of ~~entry~~ entry on s22 property and the date  
of ~~which~~ payment will be made.

312230

Dist. E.

RJW/RW

(APPROVED.)



LOTS 13 G AND 14 G

OYSTER DISTRICT

LADYSMITH

Lot 14-G

Lot 12 G

LOT

13-G

14

L. 51

L. 80

Esquimaux & NANA MO RAILWAY

Island Highway

Bushy Creek

Sec. 25 E

4000

5592

Old IP

22 956

38 790

589°35'W

79 180

40 300



13 G AND 14 G  
R DISTRICT.

LADYSMITH

HARBOUR

Lot 14-G

Lot 12-G

LOT

13-G

L. 51

L. 80

L. 18 A

Edward B. Foster  
B.C.L.S.  
March 1942.

Newcastle District.

MEMORANDUM OR TELEGRAM FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS ENGINEER.  
TELEGRAMS SUBJECT TO USUAL TERMS ON COMPANY'S FORMS.

Date 29th November, 1909

J. G. C. Wood,

Road Superintendent; Ladysmith, E. O.

Take immediate steps to repair any bridges that may  
be washed out.

Pub. Works.

# Canadian Pacific Railway Company's Telegram

R. S. & B.



## NEWCASTLE DIST.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

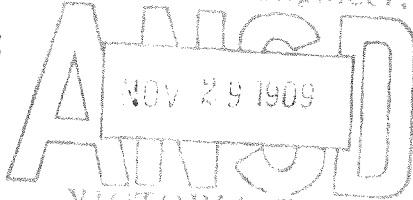
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J. WILSON, Supt., Vancouver, B.C.  
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JAS. KENT,  
Manager Telegraphs, Montreal

Public Work Engineer,



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L S 28

Ladysmith, B C Nov 29 1909

Gamble,

Provincial Public Works Dept.,

Victoria

idge No 3 eighty seven feet gone out bush creek  
idge seventy feet gone am starting repair work  
ce if O K Ladysmith is out off in both sides.

J G Wood.

35 p m



11 R. S. & B.  
NEWCASTLE DIST.



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GOVERNMENT AGENT'S OFFICE.

December 1-29 190

P.C. Gamble Esq.,

Public Works Engineer

Victoria, B.C.

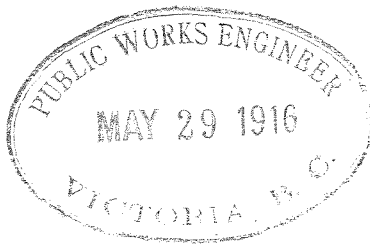
Sir:-

I beg to report on the damage done to Bush Creek bridge on Victoria Campbell River Road, north of Ladysmith. The bed of this Creek was changed by the Wellington Colliery Company about two years ago, which Company also built the bridge on the Government Road. This bridge is entirely washed out and a hole in the road 60 feet wide. The timbers are now being got out and the road will be open by the end of the week, by a temporary bridge. A temporary bridge can not be finished until the water goes down.

Yours truly,

*J. G. Elwood*

Road Supt.



THE GOVERNMENT OF  
THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

ROAD SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE.

Ladysmith B.C. May 27th. 1916

Newcastle District.

R. S. & B.

NEWCASTLE DIST.

J. E. Griffith Esq.

Deputy Minister & Public Works Engineer.

Victoria. B. C.

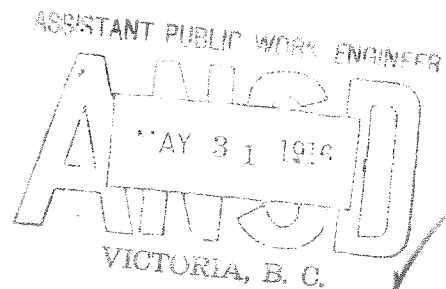
Dear Sir,

I beg to report that the planking on Bush Creek Bridge No. 3 has started to break up, and should be renewed immediately. New cover and repairs to railing would cost about one hundred and twenty-five dollars, for labor and material.

I would like to hear from you soon as convenient, as I have had no instructions regarding Bridge Work this year.

Yours obediently,

*D. Nicholson*  
Road Superintendent.



1730.

May 31, 1916.

Newcastle District.

Re Bush Creek Bridge.

Sir:-

I am in receipt of your letter of the 27th instant, re the necessity of replanking the above bridge,- and hereby authorize you to have the necessary repairs made at a cost of \$125.00.

Yours obediently.

Deputy Minister &amp; Public Works Engineer.

D. Nicholson, Esq.,

Road Superintendent.

Ladysmith, B.C.

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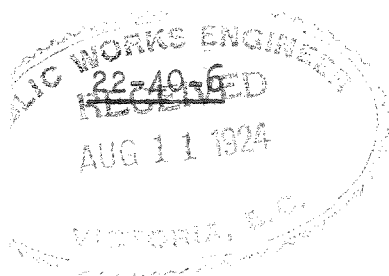
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THE GOVERNMENT OF  
THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS  
(DISTRICT ENGINEER'S OFFICE)

Duncan, B.C. Aug 8th 1924



PUBLIC WORK ENGINEER

ANSWERED  
AUG 16 1924

Bridge No 22-6

Bush Creek No 2, over  
Bush Creek. 70 ft long.

VICTORIA, B. C.

Sir:

The above Bridge required repairs consisting of repairs to Bents, requiring the following timbers,-

8	Pcs of	12	x	12	x	10
2	"	12	x	12	x	20
2	"	12	x	12	x	18
4	"	4	x	12	x	22

I estimate the cost of the above including labour at \$115.

This work is very necessary, particularly so because this Bridge will be carrying the heavy traffic of the Island Highway, because during the completion of the roadway and fill which is being substituted for the old bridge the traffic will be temporarily diverted and have to cross the above bridge.

Yours obediently,

*C. Philip*

Assistant District Engineer.

P. Philip, Esq.  
Public Works Engineer.  
Parliament Buildings,  
Victoria, B.C.

CD/BG

Recommended  
A.E.  
B.E.

August 16th, 1924.

Newcastle District  
Bridge #22-6 Bush Creek

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Sir:

Replying to your letter of the  
8th inst. file 22-40-6, you are authorized  
an expenditure of \$115.00 from Vote 251 -  
Bridges to repair the above bridge.

Yours obediently,

Public Works Engineer.

Copy sent to Nanaimo  
Government Agent.

C. Donnelly, Esq.,  
Assistant District Engineer,  
Duncan, B. C.

AH:AR

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PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS


FROM Asst. Dist. Engr., Nanaimo, B. C.	TO District Engineer, Victoria, B. C.  <b>RECEIVED</b> PROV. PUBLIC WORKS DEPT. VICTORIA, B. C.	DATE Mar. 4/48  ELECTORAL DISTRICT Cow-New.  OUR FILE 8-40-10 YOUR FILE
SUBJECT Bush Creek Bridge #2		REFERENCE YOUR LETTER

MAR 5 - 1948  
ANSWERED  
NOTED  
DATE

I beg to advise that during the last heavy rain, the centre bent and the wooden cribbing on the south end of the above bridge was washed out. I have therefore found it necessary to close the bridge to all traffic. The bridge only serves two residents, who have access by Christie Road north to Takala Road, thence to the Island Hy. This involves an extra distance of about two miles to Ladysmith. This bridge and cribbing is so rotten, that in my opinion it is not worth repairing.

By lowering the grade, a much smaller bridge would serve the purpose.

As soon as I can spare Hallen, I will have a survey made and will then submit a further report.

  
H.F. Bourne

HFB/MW

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FROM Dist. Engr., Mo, B. C.	TO District Engineer, Victoria, B. C.	DATE Apr. 14/48  ELECTORAL DISTRICT Cowichan-Newcastle  OUR FILE 8-40-10  YOUR FILE
CT #2 Bush Creek Bridge, Ref. #10 <b>RECEIVED</b> PROV. PUBLIC WORKS DEPT. VICTORIA, B. C.		REFERENCE  YOUR LETTER

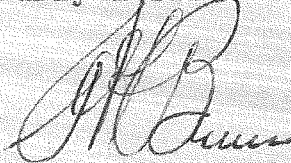
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ANSWERED.....  
NOTED.....  
DATE..... Apr. 17 - 48

In looking over this bridge, it appears that nothing can be done to improve the location or the height. As stated in my previous report, this bridge is in such a condition that it is behind repair. I estimate the cost of replacing with a 3 span pile trestle will be about \$2000.00. I would therefore be glad if a Work Order could be issued for this amount.

This bridge has of necessity been closed to traffic for some considerable time, and the few people who use it are complaining about the length of time it has been closed.

I would therefore appreciate early instructions to proceed with the work.

  
H.F. Bourne.

HPB/MW

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<p style="text-align: center;">FROM</p> <p>District Engineer Victoria</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">TO</p> <p>Chief Engineer, BUILDINGS.</p>	<p>DATE April 19, 1948</p> <p>ELECTORAL DISTRICT Cow.-New.</p> <p>OUR FILE 1730</p> <p>YOUR FILE</p>
<p>SUBJECT</p> <p>#2 Bush Creek Bridge, Ref. #10.</p>		<p>REFERENCE</p> <p>YOUR LETTER</p>

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*W.O. # 28892.*

ASSIGNED *1/48.*  
NOTED *April 21*  
DATE

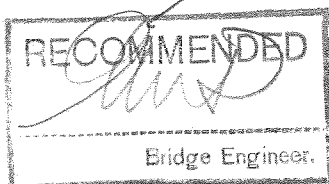
I am forwarding herewith report from Assistant District Engineer Bourne, letter #750382 this file.

We are receiving a number of letters in connection with this bridge, which has been used by a number of people.

I wish to recommend that authority be granted to proceed with the work and a Work Order be provided in the amount of \$2,000.00.

ES:ME

*E. SMITH,*  
District Engineer.



*Apr 24 1948*

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*Urgent as Mr Bourne wants to get his bridge crew on the job next week.*

*CE*

*B.E.*

April 26th, 1948.

Cowichan-Newcastle.

1730.

Victoria,  
B. C.

District Engineer,  
Victoria,  
B. C.

Re: 1948-49 Work Order  
#2 Rush Creek Bridge - \$2,000.00

Please be advised that Work Order No. 28892  
in the amount of \$2,000.00, charged to Vote  
213A Bridges (Unclassified) has been issued  
for the above noted and will be forwarded to  
you in due course.

H.C. Anderson,  
Chief Engineer.

by:

A.W.E. Pitkethley,  
Departmental Comptroller.

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ment of the Province of British Columbia  
 PARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

# WORK ORDER

Victoria, B.C., April 26th, 1948.

Nº 28892

Orders covering work hereby authorized must quote the No. of this Order.

file.

## COWICHAN-NEWCASTLE DISTRICT

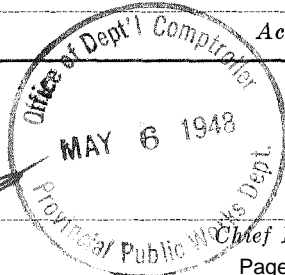
#2 Bush Creek Bridge

\$2,000.00

(Letter from D.E., Victoria, dated April 19th/48-File No. 1730)

te 213A Bridges (Unclassified), 1948-49.		Cash raised - - \$ _____ Appropriation - - - - - \$ 1,200.00.00 Previously authorized \$ 1,200.00.00 This order - - - - - 2,000.00 Total amount authorized - - - - - \$ 2,000.00.00 Unencumbered balance - - - - - \$ 796.70.00 Certified correct _____
ended.	Entered.	Accountant.
	Control a/c.	Ledger a/c.

District Engineer,  
 Victoria, B.C.



Chief Engineer.  
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#2 Bush Creek Bridge

RAILWAY  
TRESTLE

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SHOWING

BUSH CREEK BRIDGE N°2, CHRISTY ROAD  
OYSTER DISTRICT

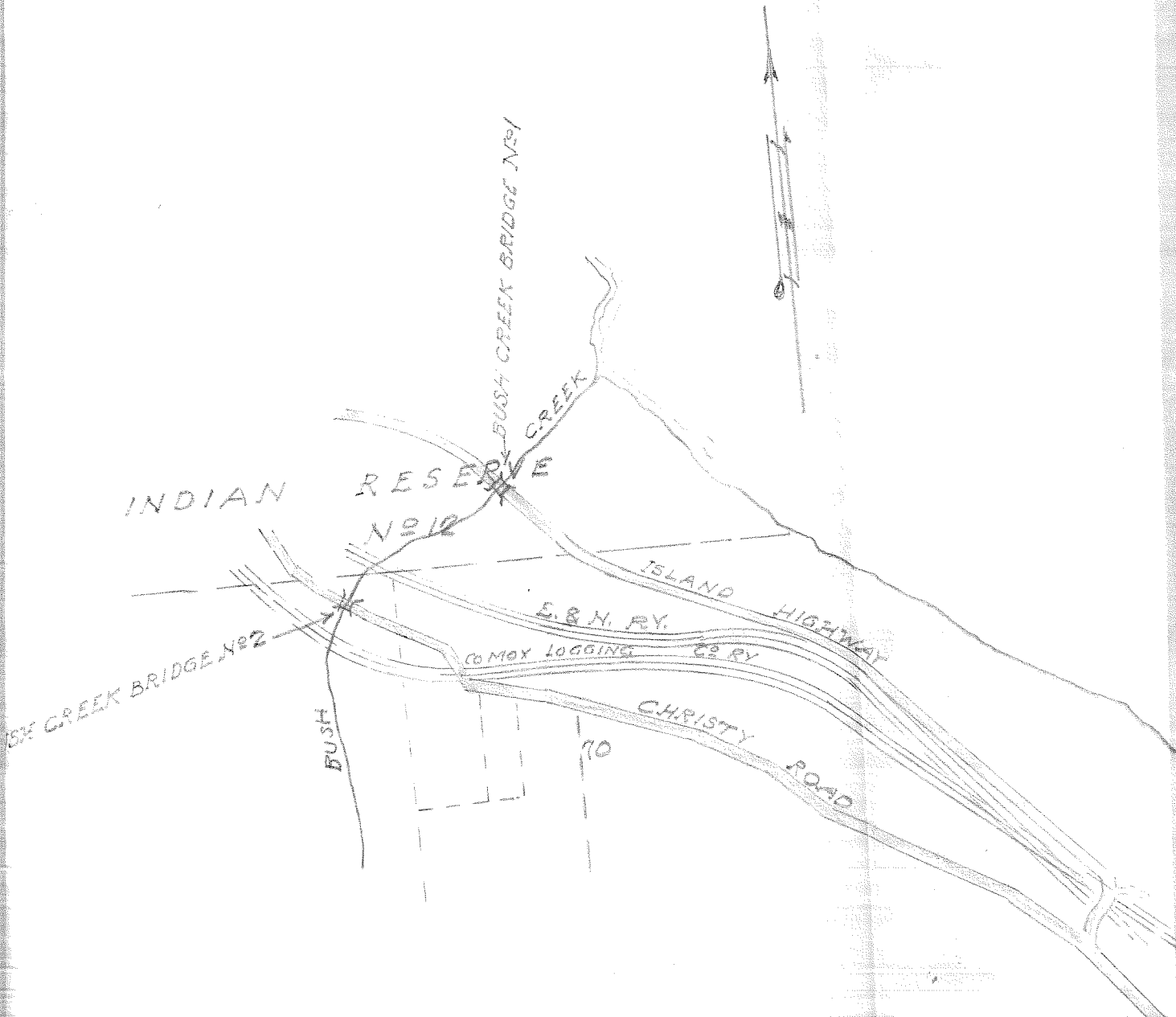
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# Writings

Assist. District Engineer

File 1730



KEY PLAN

SCALE: 1000 FT. = 1 inch



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FROM Asst. Dist. Engr., Nanaimo, B. C.	TO District Engineer, Victoria, B. C.	DATE June 4/48  ELECTORAL Cow-New. DISTRICT  OUR FILE 8-40-10  YOUR FILE
SUBJECT Bush Creek Bridge #2. <i>CHRISTY ROAD</i>		REFERENCE YOUR LETTER


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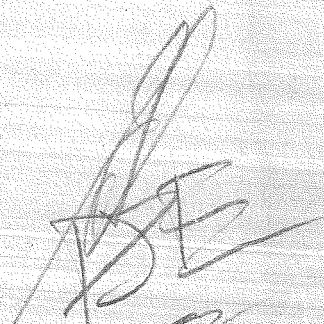
I attach hereto plan showing the conditions above the above-noted bridge.

The banks and the highfill of the Comox Logging Railway are supported by wooden cribs, which are so rotten that they are liable to collapse. Should this occur during a heavy flood, the debris would wash down and endanger Bush Creek Bridge #1 on the Island Highway. I would recommend that an inspection of this be made by the Bridge Engineer and the Chief Engineer of the Comox Logging Co. as soon as possible. In the meantime, construction of Bush Creek Bridge #2 will proceed as soon as the material is delivered.

  
H.F. Bourne.

HFB/MW  
encl.

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D.E.

## MEMORANDUM

TO Mr. N.M. McCallum, **RECEIVED**  
 PROV. PUBLIC WORKS DEPT. FROM  
 VICTORIA, B. C.

Chief Engineer,

Construction Engineer,

Buildings.

MAR 1 - 1951

February 28, 1951

ANSWERED

NOTED

DATE

Re: Bush Creek Bridge #10

I have the Chief Forester's letter re disposition of above bridge, old roadway and ramps leading to new construction work.

I have discussed the matter of the old right-of-way with s22 and am advised it is still intact.

I would therefore recommend that ramps be left as at present and that portion of the old highway within the limits of Ivy Green Park, together with above bridge, be added to the park area and become the responsibility of the Forestry Department.

*O.J. Wilkie*  
 O.J. Wilkie,  
 Construction Engineer.

OJW/wh

Mr. Oldham's letter #867671 returned herewith.

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CHIEF ENGR.





VICTORIA, B.C.

February 17th., 1951

File: 0179935

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VICTORIA, B. C.

FEB 20 1951

ANSWERED

NOTED

Chief Engineer,  
Department of Public Works,  
Parliament Buildings.

Dear Sir:

In the process of formulating plans for the development of Ivy Green Park, situated some three miles north of Ladysmith, our personnel have had reason to observe the work being carried out in connection with the re-location of the Island Highway in that vicinity and we are now concerned with your plans for the old bridge over Bush Creek.

Presumably your new permanent structure will be ready for use in the near future and we have encountered rumours to the effect that it is proposed to remove the old timber bridge at that time.

At this time it appears that our development of Ivy Green Park will be very much simplified if the old bridge and the ramps leading from the new highway to the old right-of-way are left intact and, perhaps, added to the park area.

Your kind consideration of such a possibility and assistance toward that end will be very much appreciated.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, likely belonging to E.G. Oldham.

E.G. Oldham,  
Forester,  
Parks & Recreation Division

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Chief Forester,  
Buildings.

March 7th 1951.

Your File No. 0179935

Attention: Mr. E.G. Oldham,  
Forester,  
Parks & Recreation Division

With reference to your letter of February 17th in connection with Ivy Green Park, please be advised that the old bridge and the ramps leading from the new highway will be left intact as suggested by you.

We are looking into the matter of transferring that section of the road within the park boundary to the park area proper, which would, I understand, make the maintenance of the old bridge your responsibility.

After I have discussed this matter with the District Engineer I will advise you further.

N.M. McCallum,  
Chief Engineer.

NMM:MM

March 7th 1951.

District Engineer,  
Nanaimo, B.C.

Cowichan-Newcastle

1730

road and bridge to Ivy Green Park

I am enclosing for your information copy of letter from the Forest Service and copy of my reply thereto.

Please let me have your recommendation regarding the transferring of the section of the old highway within the park boundaries to the Forestry Branch so that the maintenance of the bridge and roadway would be their responsibility.

N.M. McCallum,  
Chief Engineer.

NNM:MM  
Encl.

c.c. Divisional Engineer,  
Victoria, B.C.

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<b>FROM</b>  District Engineer  Nanaimo, B. C.	<b>TO</b>  Mr. N.M. McCallum Chief Engineer Parliament Buildings VICTORIA, B. C.	<b>DATE</b> March 9, 1951  <b>ELECTORAL DISTRICT</b> Cowichan-Newcastle  <b>OUR FILE</b> 8-20-14  <b>YOUR FILE</b> 1730
<b>SUBJECT</b> Road and Bridge to Ivy Green  Park.		<b>REFERENCE</b>  <b>YOUR LETTER</b> March 7, 1951.

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ANSWERED

NOTED

I can see no reason why we should not transfer that section of road within the Park to the Forestry Branch.

We have always had to post two or three men on the bridge every high water to clear away log jams, otherwise, we would have lost this bridge long ago. It was for this reason why we intended to move the bridge upon completion of the new structure.

Possibly, the Forestry Branch should be advised that it is unlikely that the bridge will long remain without steady attention.

*M. C. Nesbitt*  
M. C. NESBITT  
District Engineer

MCN/ew

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CHIEF ENGR

Chief Forester,  
Buildings.

March 20th 1951.

Your File No. 0179935 - Road and Bridge to Ivy Green Park

Attention: Mr. E.G. Oldham,  
Forester,  
Parks & Recreation Division

Further to my memorandum of March 7th with reference to the above, there would appear to be no reason why we should not discontinue and close the old road within the park boundary when the new Island Highway is in operation.

The District Engineer points out, however, that in the past he has always had to post two or three men on the bridge during high water to clear away log jams as otherwise the bridge would have been lost.

If you so wish upon completion of the new highway and the opening of the road we will take the necessary steps to abandon the old road through the park.

N.M. McCallum,  
Chief Engineer.

NMM:MM

Assistant Engineer:

To note.

  
N.M. McCallum,  
Chief Engineer.

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VICTORIA, B. C.

March 22nd., 1951

File: 0179935

MAR 28 1951

ANSWERED. *11/2/51*

NOTED. *11/2/51*

DATE *24/3/51*

Mr. N.M. McCallum, Chief Engineer,  
Department of Public Works,  
Parliament Buildings.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of your memo  
of the 20th. instant which concerns the road and bridge into  
Ivy Green Park.

It is noted that in the past it has been  
necessary to station two or three men on the bridge during  
high water to clear away log jams.

In this regard we have to advise we are prepared  
to accept this responsibility and under the circumstances we  
would appreciate it very much if you would take the necessary  
steps to abandon the old road through the park in order it may  
be turned over to us and included in Ivy Green Park.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "E. G. Oldham".

E.G. Oldham,  
Forester,  
Parks & Recreation Division

871679

CHIEF ENGR.



Assistant Engineer,

Department of Public Works,

Buildings.

March 29th 1951.

Re: Letter No. 871679, attached.

Will you please note the attached correspondence. After the new highway is completed will you please arrange to close the old road as a public highway within the park limits. This can then be transferred to the Forest Service who will undertake to maintain it as a park road.

N.M. McCallum,  
Chief Engineer.

NMM:MM  
Attach.

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AUG 31 1951

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR

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report:

SEP 6 1951  
DEPARTMENT OF  
PUBLIC WORKS  
VICTORIA, B. C.

THAT pursuant to Order-in-Council 736 approved April 7, 1949, all that part of Lot 130, Oyster District, which lies between Bush Creek and the V.I. & N. Company's old railway right-of-way, containing 40 acres, more or less, was constituted as Ivy Green Park.

## FURTHER TO REPORT

THAT following the re-location of that part of the Island Highway which traversed Ivy Green Park, the old Highway through the park was discontinued and closed as a public road.

THAT the old road can be incorporated to advantage within the development plan for Ivy Green Park.

## AND TO RECOMMEND

THAT under authority of Section 123 of the Forest Act, being Chapter 128, Revised Statutes of British Columbia 1946, and subsequent amendments, the following described parcel of land, now being vacant Crown land, be constituted a part of the said Ivy Green Park:

All that part of the old Island Highway, 80 feet in width as shown on official plan of Lot 240, Oyster District, deposited in the provincial department of Lands and Forests at Victoria, B.C., and extending from the centre line of Bush Creek; thence northwesterly 600 feet, more or less, to the extension southerly of the easterly boundary of the 66-foot-road allowance at the westerly boundary of said Lot 240.

DATED this 31st day of August A.D. 1951.

"E.T. Kenney"

Minister of Lands and Forests.

APPROVED this 31st day of August A.D. 1951.

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"Byron I. Johnson"

Presiding member of the Council.  
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C O P Y

Victoria, B.C.,

FOREST SERVICE

November 19th., 1951

File: 0179935

Your File: 8-20-14

Mr. H.F. Bourne,  
Divisional Engineer,  
Department of Public Works,  
Parliament Buildings.

Dear Sir:

Re: Ivy Green Park (Old Island  
Highway Bridge)

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Replying to your letter of the 14th. instant which concerns the bridge across Bush Creek and which, for the most part, lies within our Ivy Green Park.

Please be advised that we accept the responsibility for the maintenance of this bridge and at this time can advise that we have already undertaken a certain amount of maintenance in this regard by rocking the piers.

Yours very truly,

E.G. Oldham,  
Forester,  
Parks & Recreation Division.

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<p style="text-align: center;">FROM</p> <p>Divisional Engineer, VICTORIA</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">TO</p> <p>Chief Engineer, BUILDINGS.</p>	<p>DATE Nov. 20, 1951</p> <p>ELECTORAL DISTRICT Cow.-New.</p> <p>OUR FILE 8-41-16</p> <p>YOUR FILE</p>
<p>SUBJECT</p> <p>Ivy Green Park Bridge No. 9</p>		<p>REFERENCE</p> <p>YOUR LETTER</p>

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VICTORIA, B. C.

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DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Attached please find copy of Mr. Oldham's letter of 19th November, in which he accepts full responsibility for the bridge on the old Island Highway over Bush Creek north of Ladysmith.

Will you please cancel this bridge from your Bridge Register.

  
 H.F. BOURNE,  
 Divisional Engineer.

TFB:mtm  
Encl.-1

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