

REPORT IS MADE ON POWER AND ROADS IN CRATER NATIONAL PARK

The following report on proposed hydro-electric power and roads in the Crater Lake national park has been made to the secretary of the interior:

Federal Building, Spokane, Wash. September 17, 1910.

Sir: In accordance with your verbal instructions of August 30, 1910, the following preliminary report of the proposed hydro-electric power development, and roads in the Crater Lake national park, Oregon, is respectfully submitted:

Hydro-Electric Power Developments.

The water supply for the proposed power development will be taken from Anna creek, which has its source in a large spring issuing from a hill which forms the base of the Crater Lake rim, near Camp Arant. The spring is approximately 5 miles from the camp at Crater Lake.

The writer visited Anna creek during, perhaps, the extreme low water, (September 3 and 4) and estimates the flow at that time to be approximately 6 second-feet. By going down the stream approximately 1500 feet a head of about 80 feet may be attained. With a flow of 6 second-feet, and an 80-foot head, these will produce approximately 54.5 theoretical horsepower. With an efficiency of 70 per cent the output of such a plant is approximately 38.1 horsepower.

One electrical horse power is equal to one mechanical horse power, which is equal to 746 watts. As the common 110-volt lamp consumes approximately 56.1 watts, one horse power will furnish light for 13.3 lamps. Therefore a plant of 38.1 horse power will operate 56 110-volt, 16-candle power lamps.

Mr. Alfred L. Parkhurst, manager of the Crater Lake company, informs me that his company will need about 300 110-volt, 16-candle power lamps. Such a plant as described above would operate the 30 lamp and supply in addition approximately 15.5 horse power for power purposes. It will be seen that such a plant would be useful only for lighting purposes, and this on a very small scale.

If such a plant is constructed it will take all the water from Anna creek, and convert a very pretty little stream, crossed by the main road to the lake proper, into a dry gulch. By throwing an artistic dam across Anna creek a very pretty little lake could be formed in Anna creek canyon, and the small reservoir would be an advantage in the operation of such a plant.

The evil of depriving Anna Creek of its waters at this point can be overcome and a plant of larger capacity can be built at the falls of Anna creek, about five or six miles below Camp Arant. Numerous springs which enter Anna creek between its head and the falls materially increase the discharge of the stream at the falls. I did not gauge the stream at the falls (because I did not have this information until I was leaving the park, not having seen Superintendent Arant before). Superintendent Arant told me that the fall at this point on Anna creek is between 60 and 70 feet, and that the discharge is five or six times that of the spring at the head of Anna creek. This would give a low-water discharge of about 30 or 40 second feet. With a head of 60 feet, and a discharge of 30 second feet, a plant of this point would develop approximately 265 theoretical horsepower; with an efficiency of 70 per cent the output of such a plant would be approximately 145-horse power, or an increase in the output of the plant over the one at Camp Arant of 107 horsepower.

The plant at the falls on Anna creek would require a transmission line five or six miles longer than a plant located at Camp Arant, but the falls or near the falls is the logical point for such a plant, and I recommend that any further investigation of such a project be made at the falls of Anna creek and not at Camp Arant.

Before permission is granted to this company to install such a plant it should submit to the secretary for his approval complete plans and specifications and the report of the engineer who prepared them. During the progress of the work a representative of the department should be on the ground to see that the work is properly done in accordance with plans and specifications, or else occasional inspection trips should be made by the department's representative.

Roads.

At the present time there are only a few bridges over the above roads within the park limits. I think only two or three. While these are serviceable, they are unsightly, shaky and should be replaced as soon as possible by artistic structures. A small sawmill should be installed in the park to saw up the ripe timber for the construction of bridges, buildings, etc., within the park.

Future Plans.

At the last session of congress an appropriation of \$10,000 was made to be expended under the direction of the secretary of war, by the chief of engineers, United States army, for a preliminary survey of roads and trails in the park. On September 3 and 4, when the writer was in the park, a corps of civilian engineers were engaged in locating the road around the rim of Crater lake. This road should be a first-class macadam or oiled macadam road, and should keep the lake in view even at considerable additional expense for construction. These surveys are being made under the personal supervision of Major J. J. Morrow, corps of engineers, United States army.

While these road surveys are in progress it would be economy to have a general plan for a sewer system, water supply system and road sprinkling system worked up at the same time, and make the future villages and camps conform themselves to these general plans. There is no better time to do these things than at present.

Conclusions and Recommendations.

It is recommended that the Crater Lake company be permitted to develop power on Anna creek, and that the plant be located near the falls such permit to be granted when the company submits complete plans, specifications and the engineer's report. Said installation to be under the direction of the department's representative.

Roads.

At the present time the principal route to Crater Lake National park are from Medford, Or., on the Southern Pacific railroad, by automobile stage or team (distance from Medford to Crater lake is approximately 84 miles), and by way of Klamath lake. The trip via Klamath is as follows: From Weed, on the Southern Pacific railroad, to Klam-

ath Falls, Or., by rail; from Klamath Falls to Agency Landing by boat; from Agency Landing to Crater lake by automobile, stage or team, distance approximately 34 miles. There is also a steam railroad under construction from Medford, Or., to Crater lake.

The road from Medford, Or., to the park boundary has long, steep grades, many chuck holes and in places is much too narrow. Generally speaking, it is a very poor road. At the time I was there (September 3 and 4) the state had grade stakes set for a regrade of the old road to the park boundary. On this part of the road, approximately .75 miles from Medford to the lake, is by far the most difficult construction. From the park boundary to a point a short distance beyond Camp Arant, approximately six miles, the present road is narrow and winds among the trees, making transportation by automobile slow, but it is in very good condition and traverses practically level, smooth country, through which a good road can be very cheaply constructed. From Camp Arant to the lake, approximately four miles, the country traversed is very steep and hilly, but if the road is carefully selected easy grades can be established and the construction is not difficult.

For about the first five miles of the road material for macadam can not be obtained close to the road, and it will probably have to be hauled some distance. There is plenty of rock for macadam close to the present road, and for the five miles from Camp Arant to the lake. The best available rock for the macadam is the basalt, some of which is very hard and will make very good road metal. By careful selection suitable material can be found for macadam. Little or no money should be expended on these roads until a complete and comprehensive road plan for the entire park is worked out.

In estimating the cost of macadam road or oiled macadam roads in this vicinity, I think \$1.25 per square yard can be relied on to cover the macadamized part. The cost of the grading, of course, depends upon the topography.

Very respectfully, E. A. KEY,
Special Inspector
The Secretary of the Interior.

REGISTRATION OF LAND TITLE.

In the Circuit Court State of Oregon for the County of Jackson.

In the matter of the application of Roguelands Incorporated to register the title to the following described premises, situated in the county of Jackson, State of Oregon, to-wit:

Lots one (1) to forty (40) inclusive of the Roguelands irrigated orchard tracts excepting that portion of lot six (6) described as follows:

Commencing at the southeast corner of Donation land claim number fifty-five (55), township thirty-six (36), south range two (2) west of the Willamette meridian, and from said point running thence south 1.54 chains; thence west 4.35 chains; thence north 1.54 chains; thence 4.35 chains to the place of beginning.

vs.

All who it may concern, defendants.

TAKE NOTICE.

That on the 16th day of November, 1910, an application was filed by said Roguelands Incorporated in the circuit court of Jackson county for initial registration of the title of the land above described.

Now, unless you appear on or before the 24th day of December, 1910, and show cause why such application should not be granted, the same shall be taken as confessed and a decree will be entered according to the prayer of the application, and you will be forever barred from disputing the same.

W. R. COLEMAN,
Clerk of the Circuit Court.
By M. B. TOWNE, Deputy.
NEFF & MEALEY, Attorneys for applicant.

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In the matter of the application of Roguelands Incorporated to register the title to the following described premises, situated in the county of Jackson and state of Oregon, to-wit:

Lots 41-70 inclusive; lots 72-162 inclusive, and lots 164-193 inclusive in the Roguelands irrigated orchard tracts.

vs.

Mr. James W. Conkley, Louis Conkley, Aaron H. Meagley, Franklin Wertz, M. L. Forbes, K. S. Forbes, Elizabeth McLaughlin, Thomas Stottler, Margaret Holmes, C. R. Ray, Desert Oil Company, an Oregon corporation, Mount School District, No. 1, and all whom it may concern, defendants.

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That complete and comprehensive plans and specifications be prepared and approved for the entire park before any extensive construction is undertaken.

J. E. ENYART, President. J. A. PERRY, Vice-President.

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NEFF & MEALEY,
Attorneys for Applicant.

Date of the first publication of this summons is November 21, 1910.

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