

said Black Hills National Forest prior to survey, determined as aforesaid, and the said report has been approved by the Secretary of Agriculture; and

WHEREAS, It appears that the public interest would be promoted by modifying the proclamation effective July 1, 1911, by which the boundaries of the Black Hills National Forest were changed and the Harney National Forest created, and also the proclamation of June 30, 1911, by which the boundaries of the Sioux National Forest were changed, so as to allow the State of South Dakota, in furtherance of the aforesaid agreement, to make selection of the lands designated by the Board as aforesaid as indemnity in satisfaction of the aforesaid portions of its common school grant;

*Ante*, p. 1706.

Boundaries of Black Hills, Harney, and Sioux National Forests, modified for school lands selections by South Dakota. Vol. 30, p. 36.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the power in me vested by the Act of Congress approved June fourth, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, entitled "An Act Making Appropriations for Sundry Civil Expenses of the Government for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1898, and for other purposes," do proclaim that the proclamations effective July 1, 1911, changing the boundaries of the Black Hills National Forest and creating the Harney National Forest, and also the proclamation of June 30, 1911, changing the boundaries of the Sioux National Forest in South Dakota, are hereby modified so as to admit of immediate selection of lands within the boundaries of said forests, by the State of South Dakota as indemnity in partial satisfaction of its common school grant and in furtherance of the before-mentioned agreement of January 4, 1910, and not otherwise:

*Ante*, pp. 1680, 1706.

Selected lands eliminated.

*Provided*, That all selections by the State of South Dakota hereunder must be filed within ninety days from the date of this proclamation, or within ninety days from the approval of the official plat of survey of any unsurveyed land embraced in said report of the Board named under said agreement, and the lands embraced in selections made by the State of South Dakota hereunder, to the extent that such selections receive the final approval of the Secretary of the Interior, be, and the same are, hereby, declared eliminated from the said Harney and Sioux National Forests, such eliminations to become effective from the date of such approvals.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington this fifteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and [SEAL.] twelve, and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and thirty-sixth.

WM H TAFT

By the President:  
HUNTINGTON WILSON  
*Acting Secretary of State.*

February 15, 1912.

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

#### A PROCLAMATION.

Flathead Indian Reservation, Mont. Preamble.

WHEREAS, it is believed that the following described land, to wit: Lot three of section two, in township twenty-two north, of range twenty-four west, of the Montana Meridian, in the State of Montana, is a natural and prospective center of population:

Lot reserved for townsite in. Vol. 33, p. 302.

NOW THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the power in me vested by the Act of Congress entitled "An Act for the survey and allotment of lands now embraced within the limits of the Flathead Indian Reservation in the State of Montana, and the sale and disposal

of all surplus lands after allotment", approved April 23, 1904 (33 Stats. 302), and by sections 2380 and 2381 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, do hereby declare and make known that the land above described is hereby reserved as a townsite, to be disposed of by the United States under the terms of the Statutes applicable thereto.

Rev. Stat., secs. 2380, 2381, p. 436.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington, this fifteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and [SEAL.] twelve, and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and thirty-sixth.

WM H TAFT

By the President:  
HUNTINGTON WILSON  
*Acting Secretary of State.*

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

February 27, 1912.

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS an Executive Order dated July second, nineteen hundred and eight, directed that the Little Belt, Little Rockies, Highwood Mountains, and Snowy Mountains National Forests should constitute the Jefferson National Forest; and

Jefferson National Forest, Mont. Preamble.

WHEREAS it appears that the public good will be promoted by eliminating from the Jefferson National Forest certain lands within the State of Montana;

Now, therefore, I, William H. Taft, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the power in me vested by the Act of Congress approved June fourth, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, entitled "An Act Making appropriations for sundry civil expenses of the Government for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and for other purposes," do proclaim that the boundaries of the Jefferson National Forest are hereby changed and that they are now as shown on the diagram forming a part hereof.

Area diminished. Vol. 30, p. 36.

This proclamation shall not prevent the settlement and entry of any lands heretofore opened to settlement and entry under the Act of Congress approved June eleventh, nineteen hundred and six, entitled "An Act To provide for the entry of Agricultural lands within forest reserves."

Agricultural lands. Vol. 34, p. 233.

The lands herein eliminated from the Jefferson National Forest are hereby withdrawn under the Act of June twenty-fifth, nineteen hundred and ten (36 Stat., 847), for classification, and will, when compatible with public interests, be restored to settlement and entry under the laws applicable thereto on such dates as shall be fixed by the Secretary of the Interior and after such notice as he may deem advisable.

Eliminations withdrawn for classification, etc. Vol. 36, p. 847.

It is not intended by this proclamation to release any land from reservation except the areas indicated on the diagram as eliminated, nor to reserve any land not heretofore embraced in a National Forest.

Area affected.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the city of Washington this twenty-seventh day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and [SEAL.] twelve, and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and thirty-sixth.

WM H TAFT

By the President:  
HUNTINGTON WILSON  
*Acting Secretary of State.*