

SEC. 2. That if any claim or claims be submitted to said courts, they shall settle the rights therein, both legal and equitable, of each and all the parties thereto, notwithstanding lapse of time or statutes of limitation, and any payment which may have been made upon any claim so submitted shall not be pleaded as an estoppel, but may be pleaded as an offset in such suits or actions, and the United States shall be allowed credit for all sums heretofore paid or expended for the benefit of said tribe or any band thereof. The claim or claims of the said tribes or band or bands thereof may be presented separately or jointly by petition, subject, however, to amendment, suit to be filed within five years after the passage of this Act; and such action shall make the petitioner or petitioners party plaintiff of plaintiffs and the United States party defendant, and any band or bands of said tribe the court may deem necessary to a final determination of such suit or suits may be joined therein as the court may order. Such petition, which shall be verified by a petitioner or an attorney employed by said petitioner, tribes of any bands thereof, shall set forth all the facts on which the claims for recovery are based, and said petition shall be signed by the attorney or attorneys employed, and no other verification shall be necessary. Official letters, papers, documents, and public records, or certified copies thereof, may be used in evidence, and the departments of the Government shall give access to the attorney or attorneys of said tribe or bands thereof to such treaties, papers, correspondence, or records as may be needed by the attorney or attorneys for said tribes or bands of Indians.

SEC. 3. That upon the final determination of such suit, cause, or action the Court of Claims shall decree such fees as it shall find reasonable to be paid the attorney or attorneys employed therein by said tribe or bands of Indians, under contracts negotiated and approved as provided by existing law, and in no case shall the fee decreed by said Court of Claims be in excess of the amounts stipulated in the contracts approved by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the Secretary of the Interior, and no attorney shall have a right to represent the said tribe or any band thereof in any suit, cause, or action under the provisions of this Act until his contract shall have been approved as herein provided. The fees decreed by the court to the attorney or attorneys of record shall be paid out of any sum or sums recovered in such suits or actions, and no part of such fee shall be taken from any money in the Treasury of the United States belonging to such tribes or bands of Indians in whose behalf the suit is brought unless specifically authorized in the contract approved by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the Secretary of the Interior as herein provided: *Provided*, That in no case shall the fees decreed by said court amount to more than 10 per centum of the amount of the judgment recovered in such cause.

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CHAP. 69.—An Act To add to the Oregon, Siuslaw, and Crater National Forests in Oregon certain lands that were revested in the United States pursuant to the decision of the Supreme Court of the United States in the case of the Oregon and California Railroad Company against the United States, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That such portions of the lands hereinafter described as shall be deemed necessary by the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture for the conservation and protection of the water supplies of the cities of Oregon City, Dallas, Corvallis, and Ashland, Oregon, and which are within the limits of the grant by the United States to the Oregon and California Railroad Company, that were revested in the United States

Statutes of limitations not a bar.

Presentation of claims.

Verification of petition.

Evidence admitted.

Attorneys' fees.
Restrictions on.

To be paid from sums recovered.

Proviso:
Amount limited.

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Oregon, Siuslaw, and Crater National Forests, Oreg.
Revested Oregon-California Railroad lands added to.

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Oregon National Forest.

Description.

To protect Oregon City water supply.

Siuslaw National Forest.

Description.

To protect Dallas water supply.

To protect Corvallis water supply.

Crater National Forest.

Description.

To protect Ashland water supply.

Timber sales permitted.

Use of proceeds.

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Proviso.
Disposal of eliminated lands.

pursuant to the decision of the Supreme Court of the United States in the case of the Oregon and California Railroad Company against the United States (two hundred and thirty-eight United States Statutes, page 393), and an Act of Congress approved June 9, 1916, be, and the same are hereby, reserved and set aside as parts of the Oregon, Siuslaw, and Crater National Forests, subject to all laws affecting national forests, as follows:

As part of the Oregon National Forest, south and east of the Willamette meridian, Oregon:

Township five south, range four east, section one, all; section eleven, all; section thirteen, all; section fifteen, north half southeast quarter, southwest quarter and north half; section twenty-three, all; section twenty-five, all; township four south, range five east, section nineteen, all; section twenty-seven, northeast quarter; section twenty-nine, northwest quarter northwest quarter; south half northwest quarter, and south half northeast quarter; section thirty-one, all; section thirty-five, east half, for the protection of the water supply of Oregon City, Oregon.

As part of the Siuslaw National Forest, south and west of the Willamette meridian, Oregon:

Township seven south, range six west section twenty-one, northeast quarter southeast quarter, west half southeast quarter and southwest quarter; section twenty-nine, northeast quarter and south one-half; section thirty-three, north half northeast quarter, northwest quarter and southeast quarter, for the protection of the water supply of Dallas, Oregon.

Township twelve south, range seven west, section fifteen, south half southwest quarter, northwest quarter southwest quarter, and southwest quarter southeast quarter; section twenty-one, southeast quarter, and north half; section twenty-three, southwest quarter northwest quarter, and west half southwest quarter; section twenty-seven, all; section thirty-five, north half, for the protection of the water supply of Corvallis, Oregon.

As part of the Crater National Forest, south and east of the Willamette meridian in Oregon:

Township thirty-nine south, range one east, section nineteen, east one-half; section twenty-one, east one-half of west one-half, and east one-half, for the protection of the water supply of Ashland, Oregon.

SEC. 2. That when the Secretary of Agriculture finds that merchantable timber may be cut from the above-described lands without detriment to the purity of or depletion of the water supply, said Secretary is hereby authorized to dispose of such merchantable timber on the lands added to said national forests by section 1 hereof in accordance with the regulations of the Secretary of Agriculture for the national forests and the entire proceeds of any sale there shall be deposited in the Treasury of the United States in a special fund designated as "The Oregon and California land-grant fund," referred to in section 10 of the said Act of June 9, 1916, and be disposed of in the manner therein designated: *Provided*, That in the event any of said lands are eliminated from said forests as not necessary for the purposes for which this reservation is made they shall be disposed of in the manner provided for by said Act of June 9, 1916.

Approved, February 11, 1920.

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Fort Douglas Military Reservation.

CHAP. 70.—An Act Granting certain rights of way and exchanges of the same across the Fort Douglas Military Reservation in the State of Utah.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby granted