

5 CLIFFORD, JAMES

CITIZENSHIP DEED CUADRILLA LATERAL

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19-(8) Texas

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THE STATE OF TEXAS.

COUNTY OF EL PASO.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: THAT

I, James Clifford

of the County of El Paso of Texas, for and in consideration of the sum of - - - - - One and no/100 (\$1.00) - - - - - DOLLARS,

to me in hand paid by The United States of America, pursuant to the Act June 17, 1902 (32 Stat., 388) and Acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto of the County of - - - - - and of - - - - -, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do by these presents Bargain, Sell, Release and Forever Quit-Claim, unto the said The United States of America, its

heirs and assigns all my right, title and interest in and unto that tract or parcel of land lying in the County of El Paso, and State of Texas, described as follows, to-wit:

A tract of land in the east half of the northeast quarter, Section twenty-five (25), township thirty-three (33) south, range seven (7) east, and the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter Section thirty (30), township thirty-three (33) south, range eight (8) east, United States Reclamation Service survey and in San Elizario Grant, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point, the most easterly corner of land of the grantor herein and the most northerly corner of the Cuadrilla Townsite, from which point the northwest corner of said Section 30 bears north 13°12' west, one thousand forty-five and three tenths (1,045.3) feet; thence along the boundary between land of the grantor herein and Cuadrilla Townsite, south 46°25' west, five hundred ninety-four and three tenths (594.3) feet to the east boundary of the San Elizario road; thence with said road, North 25° 29' west, sixty-three and one tenth (63.1) feet; thence North 46°25' east, five hundred forty-seven and nine tenths (547.9) feet to the north boundary of land of the grantor herein; thence with said boundary, south 67°41' east, sixty-five and seven tenths (65.7) feet to the point of beginning; said tract of land containing seventy-nine hundredths (0.79) acre, more or less; said land not being homestead property;

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD all my right, title, interest, estate and claim in and to the said premises, together with all and singular, the rights, privileges and appurtenances to the same in any manner belonging, unto the said The United States of America, its

heirs and assigns forever. WITNESS my hand this 7th day of November A. D. 19 19

Witness at Request of Grantor:

James Clifford

QUIT-CLAIM DEED

SINGLE AND WIFE'S SEPARATE

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

TO

Filed for record, this

day of 19, at

o'clock and minutes M.

Clerk.

By

Deputy.

ELLIS BROS. PRINTING CO., EL PASO

THE STATE OF TEXAS, }

COUNTY OF EL PASO.

Before me, Geo. W. Hoadley, a Notary Public

El Paso County, Texas, on this day personally appeared

James Clifford

known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

Given under my hand and seal of office, this 7th day of November, A. D. 1919

My Com. Ex. June 1st 1921,

Geo. W. Hoadley

Notary Public

THE STATE OF TEXAS, }

COUNTY OF EL PASO.

Before me, in and for El Paso County, Texas on this day personally appeared wife of

known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and having been examined by me privily and apart from her husband, and having the same fully explained to her, she, the said, acknowledged such instrument to be her act and deed, and declared that she had willingly signed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed, and that she did not wish to retract it

Given under my hand and seal of office, this day of A. D. 19

THE STATE OF TEXAS, }

COUNTY OF EL PASO.

I W. D. Greet Clerk of the County

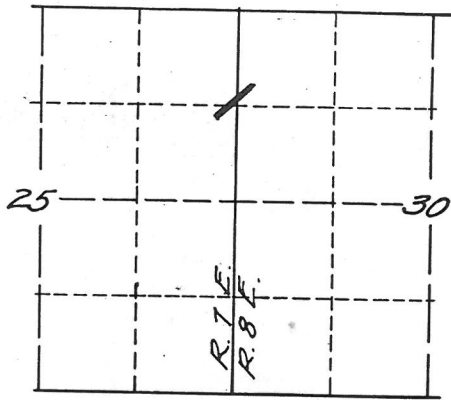
Court of said County, do hereby certify that the above instrument of writing, dated on the 7th day of Nov, A. D. 1919 with its certificate of authentication, was filed for record in my office this 15th day of Nov, A. D. 1919, at 9:06 o'clock A.M. and duly recorded the 20th day of Nov, A. D. 1919, at 1:15 o'clock P.M. in the records of said County, in Volume 209 on Pages 463

Witness my hand and the seal of the County Court of said County, at office El Paso, Texas, the day and year last above written.

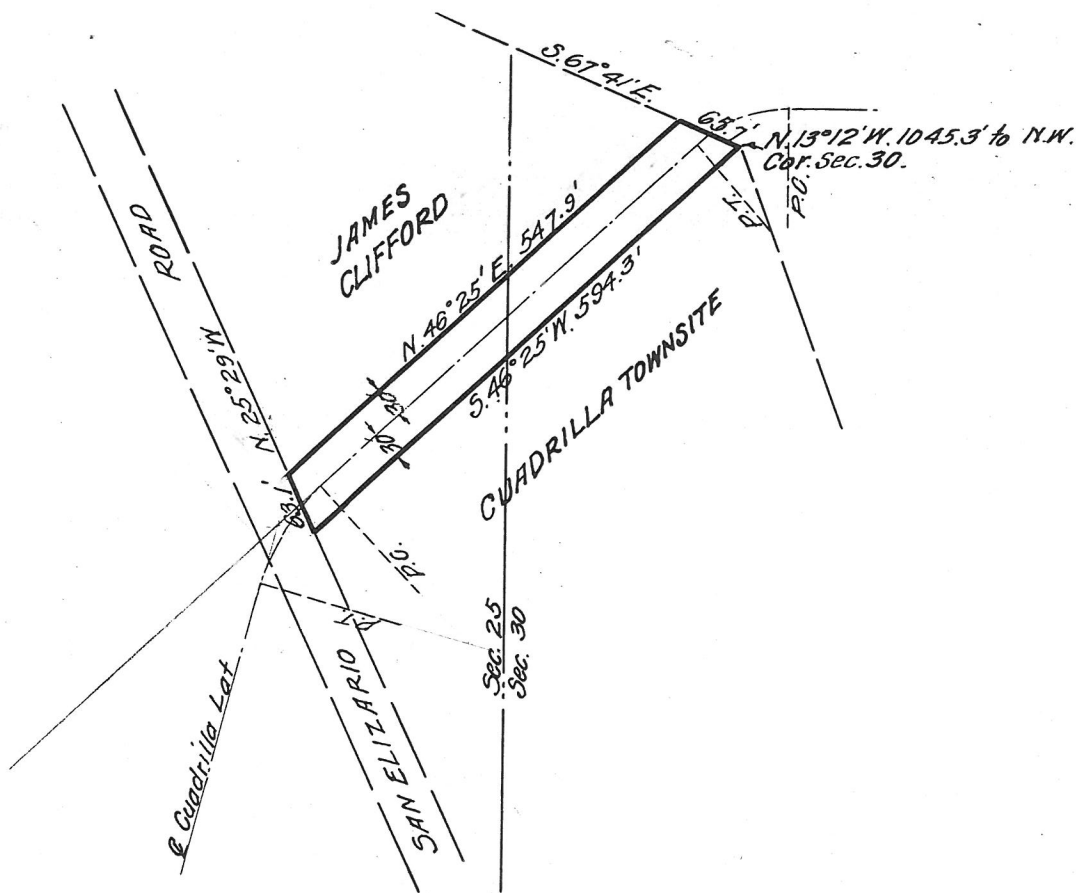
W D Greet

Clerk County Court, El Paso County, Texas.

By Florence C Rock, Deputy.



Location Plat



**JAMES CLIFFORD**

0.79 Acre, in the E. 1/2 of N.E. 1/4 Sec. 25, T. 33 S.  
 R. 7 E. and N.W. 1/4 of N.W. 1/4 Sec. 30, T. 33 S. R. 8 E. U.S.R.S.  
 Survey and in San Elizario Grant, El Paso Co. Tex.

O.C.D. 11/7/19  
 Recorded 11/20/19  
 Book 209 Pg 463

Scale: 1" = 200'

Department of the Interior  
 United States Reclamation Service  
 RIO GRANDE PROJ. N.M.-TEX.  
 Cuadrilla Lateral  
 RIGHT OF WAY.

Drawn A.O.D. Recommended  
 Checked Approved

1348 L57 El Paso, Tex. Jan - 1918

CLIFFORD, JAMES

QUITCLAIM DEED

QUADRILLA LATERAL

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THE STATE OF TEXAS, }  
COUNTY OF EL PASO, }

*Clifford Bros*

Know all Men by these Presents:

THAT I, James Clifford

of the County of El Paso, State Texas for and in consideration of the sum of One and no/100 (\$1.00) - - - - - DOLLARS,

to me in hand paid by the United States of America in pursuance of the provisions of the Act of June 17, 1902 (32 Stat. 398) - - - - -

of the County of \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do by these presents Bargain, Sell, Release and Forever Quit-Claim unto the said

The United States of America and its - - - - -

heirs and assigns all my right, title and interest in and unto that tract or parcel of land lying in the County of El Paso, and State of Texas, described as follows, to-wit:

A tract of land in the east half of the northeast quarter of section twenty-five (25), township thirty-three (33) south, range seven (7) east, United States Reclamation Service survey, and San Elizario Grant, and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the west boundary of the San Elizario Road, being the northeast corner of land of the Grantor herein and from which point the northeast corner of said section twenty-five bears north 32°45' east, 1062.8 feet; Thence with the boundary of said road south 25°29' east, 629.5 feet to a concrete post which is the north corner of land of A. Zuniga; Thence south 12°58' west, 579.7 feet to a concrete post which is the southeast corner of Grantor's tract of land; Thence with the property line between land of Grantors herein and J. Cobos, North 67°49' west, 20.5 feet to a point on the center line for the Cuadrilla Lateral and from which point the northeast corner of said section twenty-five bears north 12°39' east, 2069.5 feet; Thence north 67°49' west, 40.5 feet; Thence north 13°01' east, 494.3 feet; Thence to the left along the arc of a 247.94 feet radius curve, a distance of 165.4 feet based on 100-foot chords; Thence north 25°29' west, 511.6 feet to the property line between land of Grantors herein and A. Maye; Thence with said property line north 84°16' east, 42.5 feet to the point of beginning; said tract of land containing 1.39 acres, more or less.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD all my right, title, interest, estate and claim in and to the said premises, together with all and singular, the rights, privileges and appurtenances to the same in any manner belonging, unto the said The United States of America and its

heirs and assigns forever.

WITNESS my hand this the 23d day of October, A. D. 1918

James Clifford

Witnesses at Request of Grantor

QUIT-CLAIM DEED

SINGLE AND WIFE'S SEPARATE  
ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

to

Filed for record, this

day of 191, at

o'clock and minutes M.

Clerk.

Deputy.

By

El Paso

THE STATE OF TEXAS, }  
COUNTY OF EL PASO,

Before me, Geo. W. Hoadley

in and for

El Paso County, Texas, on this day personally appeared

James Clifford

known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

Given under my hand and seal of office, this 23d day of October, A. D. 1918

My Com. Ex. June 1st, 1919.

Geo. W. Hoadley  
Notary Public

THE STATE OF TEXAS, }  
COUNTY OF EL PASO,

Before me,

in and for

El Paso County, Texas on this day personally appeared

wife of

known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and having been examined by me privily and apart from her husband, and having the same by me fully explained to her, she, the said acknowledged such instrument to be her act and deed, and declared that she had willingly signed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed, and that she did not wish to retract it.

Given under my hand and seal of office, this day of A. D. 19

THE STATE OF TEXAS, }  
COUNTY OF EL PASO,

I, Clerk of the County

Court of said County, do hereby certify that the above instrument of writing, dated on the

day of, A. D. 19 with its certificate of authentication, was filed for record in my

office this day of, A. D. 19, at o'clock M.

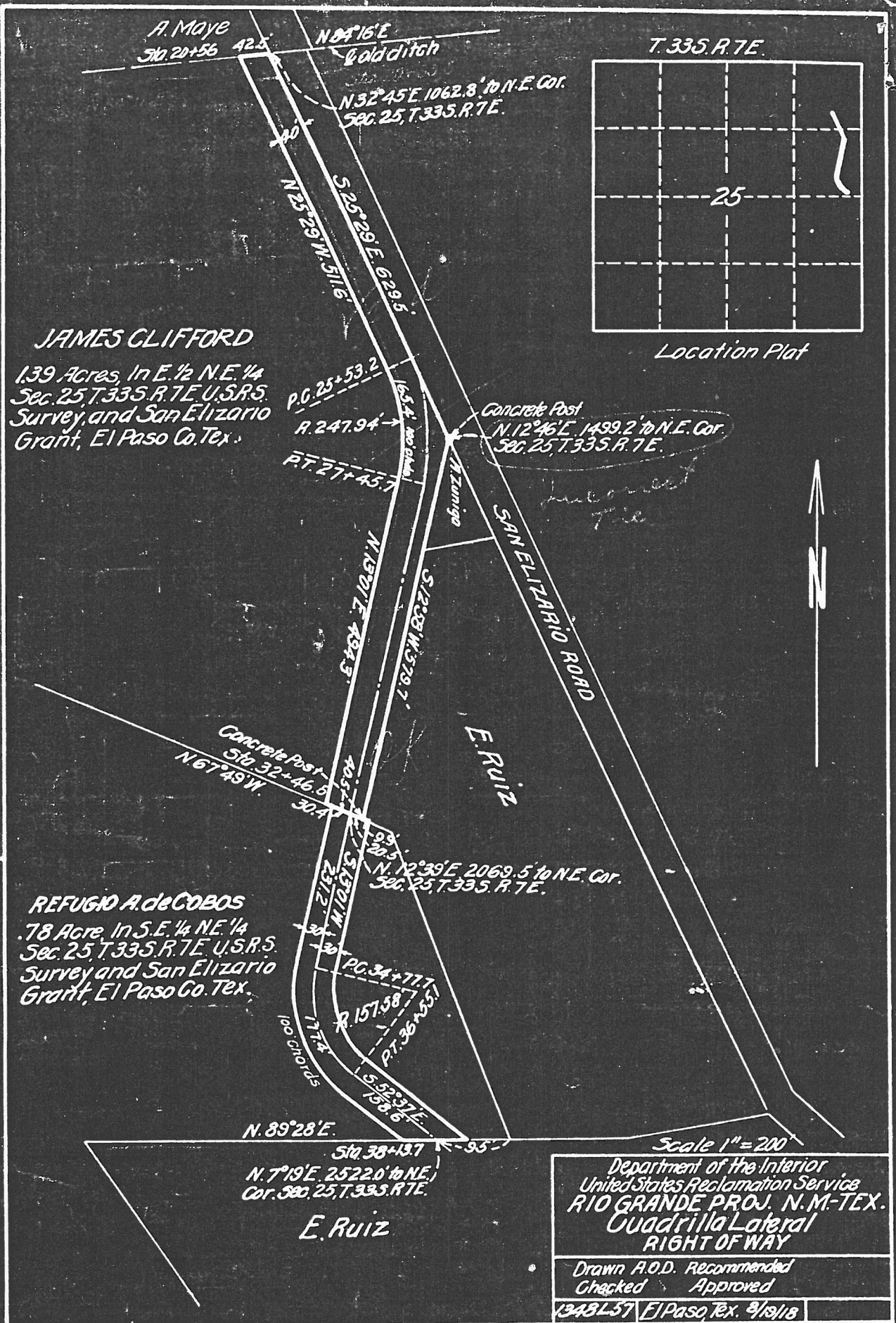
and duly recorded the 4 day of Nov., A. D. 1918, at 11:25 o'clock A. M.

in the records of said County, in Volume 320 on Page 617

Witness my hand and the seal of the County Court of said County, at office El Paso Texas, the day and year last above written.

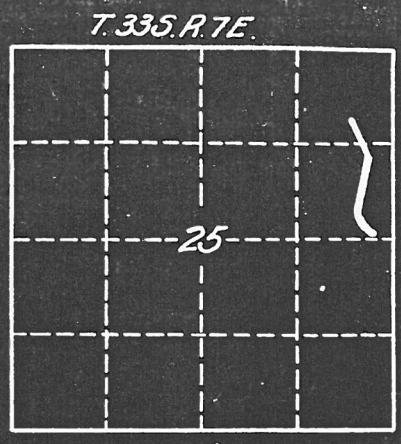
Clerk County Court, El Paso County, Texas.

By, Deputy.



**JAMES CLIFFORD**  
 1.39 Acres In E. 1/2 N.E. 1/4  
 Sec. 25, T. 33 S., R. 7 E. U.S.R.S.  
 Survey and San Elizario  
 Grant, El Paso Co. Tex.

**REFUGIO A. de COBOS**  
 .78 Acre In S.E. 1/4 N.E. 1/4  
 Sec. 25, T. 33 S., R. 7 E. U.S.R.S.  
 Survey and San Elizario  
 Grant, El Paso Co. Tex.



Location Plat

Scale 1" = 200'  
 Department of the Interior  
 United States Reclamation Service  
 RIO GRANDE PROJ. N.M.-TEX.  
 Cuadrilla Lateral  
 RIGHT OF WAY

Drawn A.O.D. Recommended  
 Checked Approved

1348 L57 El Paso, Tex. 9/19/18



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
UNITED STATES RECLAMATION SERVICE

1918

Project Manager to the Director and Chief Engineer (~~through Chief Engineer~~  
~~Construction~~)

Subject: Forwarding ~~contract for approval~~ quitclaim deed for acceptance and filing.

The ~~contract~~ deed described below is forwarded herewith.

~~Contract~~ Deed Agreement dated **October 23, 1918** **Rio Grande** Project.

Executed by **James Clifford**

~~With~~ **To United States of America**

Estimated amount involved, \$ **0** (See Reverse, Par. 3.)

Purpose of agreement: **Donation of right of way for Cuadrilla Lateral**

Inclosures listed on reverse. (See Par. 5.)

Advise Chief of Construction, Denver, Colo., and Project Manager  
at **El Paso, Texas** and **District Counsel**  
at **El Paso, Tex.** of the approval of the above.

Project Manager

Denver, Colo., , 19

It is recommended that the above-described contract be approved

Inclosures:

\_\_\_\_\_ copies of contract.  
\_\_\_\_\_ copies of form letters of transmittal.

Chief of Construction.

**Original quitclaim deed**  
**Original certificate of title**  
**1 blueprint.**

Washington, D. C., **JAN 13 1919**  
**Accepted**

~~Contract (and bond, if any), was approved by~~ **MORRIS BIEN,**  
Assistant to the Director.  
on

**DEC 20 1918 90138**

Certificate.

I hereby certify, with reference to the following described land:

A tract of land in the east half of the northeast quarter of Section Twenty-five(25), Township Thirty-three(33) south, Range Seven (7) east, United States Reclamation Service survey, El Paso county, Texas, more particularly described in quitclaim deed dated October 23, 1918, running from James Clifford to the United States of America:

That the tax records of the said county indicate James Clifford, the reputed owner, to be the actual owner; that the land is not homestead property; that there are no unsatisfied mortgages or other liens existing against the said land; and that the said land is not occupied adversely to the reputed owner.

Assistant District Counsel.

El Paso, Texas.

October 23, 1918.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
UNITED STATES RECLAMATION SERVICE

*Rio Grande* Project *Rio Grande El Paso, Texas* DEC 22 1919  
(Place) (Date)

Project Manager to Chief of Construction, thru District Counsel.

Subject: ~~Forwarding for approval~~ ~~contract dated~~ ~~Acceptance~~  
~~Donation Deed dated Nov. 7, 1919.~~  
~~Running from James Clifford to The United States of America~~

Estimated amount involved, \$ 0 Authority No. 5-0-7  
Accompanied by bond and 2 copies or Clearing Acct.  
(Insert "Yes" or "No" bond) No Bond

Purpose: Donation of right of way for 0.79 acres for Cuadrilla Lateral.  
(Land is not homestead property)

Advise Project Manager at El Paso, Tex. (Post office and State)  
District Counsel at El Paso, Tex. (Post office and State)  
and Chief of Construction, Denver, Colorado.  
of the approval of the above, using extra copy hereof.  
Inclosures listed on the reverse

NOTE: Before submitting contract see that the instructions on reverse hereof have been FULLY complied with. See also par. 16, Page 205, Vol. 1 of Manual. J. H. Lawson (Signature)

Denver, Colo.  
The above described contract and bond, if any, approved  
by \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_  
Chief of Construction.

Denver, Colo. December 31, 1919.  
**Acting** Chief of Construction to Director:  
It is recommended that the above described ~~contract be~~  
~~executed~~ deed be accepted,  
approved and bond if any approved.  
Inclosures:

- Orig. & 3 copies of form letter,
- " recorded deed dated Nov. 7, 1919,
- " certificate re taxes,
- Blue print 1347 L 57, January 1919.

S. F. WALLER  
(Signature)

executed Washington, D. C. JAN 5 1920  
Contract approved and bond, if any, ~~approved~~ by Morris Bies  
on \_\_\_\_\_ Acpt. Assistant to the Director  
JAN 5 '20. 6370

1. This form is devised to render unnecessary the writing of various routine letters in reference to contracts. If the agreement submitted is not of the class for approval in Denver (see par. 3a-h, pp. 201-2, Vol. I of manual), the chief of construction will forward with his recommendation to Washington for appropriate action.
2. The office in which the contract originates will transmit *two* (2) copies of this form in excess of the number of offices to be advised of approval or execution. For example, in the usual case where the project manager and district counsel are to be advised, four (4) copies and one (1) original (5 in all) should be sent to the Denver office.
3. With every contract submitted, involving an expenditure, the authority number (Form 7-681) or clearing account to which charges under the contract will be made, must be given in the space provided on this form letter. (See par. 41, p. 213, Vol. I of manual.) The amount of probable expenditure or collection must also be shown (see par. 11, p. 204, Vol. I of manual). Any other special matter or information relative to the contract too long to write on this form should be set out in a statement or certificate and submitted with contract.
4. Reference should be made to previous correspondence of importance, especially if form of contract was approved in advance, *giving dates*, stating whether a telegram or letter, and from and to whom.
5. The office in which this contract originates should list all inclosures in the space above.
6. With this form appropriately modified quit claim or donation deeds (see par. 47, p. 265, Vol. I of Manual) shall be transmitted through the Denver Office to Washington for acceptance and filing, a copy of such deed with related papers being furnished for the files of the Denver office.
7. This form appropriately modified should be used to transmit informal earthwork contracts (Specifications Form 7-201) executed in project offices to the Denver office for acceptance, with copy of contract and related papers to be forwarded to Washington office by the Chief of Construction.

## INSTRUCTIONS.

Remarks:

Inclusures:  
 Original and Original and  
 4 copies of form letter of transmittal.  
 1 copy of contract as to file.  
 2 Blueprints.

Form 7-523  
Form approved by the Secretary of the Interior  
September 13, 1915  
(Reprint July, 1919)

CONTRACT  
(Disbursement)  
6-6024

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

UNITED STATES RECLAMATION SERVICE

Rio Grande PROJECT

THIS AGREEMENT, made the 7th day of November, nineteen hundred and nineteen

in pursuance of the act of June 17, 1902 (32 Stat., 388), and acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, between THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA hereinafter styled the United States, by L. A. Lawson

Project Manager

United States Reclamation Service, thereunto duly authorized, and subject to the approval of the proper supervisory officer of the United States Reclamation Service, and

James Clifford and Herminio Ruiz

hereinafter styled Contractor, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns.

WITNESSETH: The parties covenant and agree that—

2. ~~The Contractor will~~

2. WHEREAS, Under even date herewith a quitclaim deed was executed by the contractor herein, releasing and quit-claiming to the United States of America for Canal right of way for the Rio Grande Project a certain tract of land in the east half of the northeast quarter Section twenty-five (25), township thirty-three (33) south, range seven (7) east, and the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter Section thirty (30), township thirty-three (33) south, range eight (8) east, United States Reclamation Service survey and in San Elizario Grant, in the County of El Paso, State of Texas, containing seventy-nine hundredths (0.79) acres, more or less; and

3. WHEREAS, the United States desires immediate possession of the land herein described for use in the construction of the Cuadrilla Lateral Canal; and,

4. WHEREAS, the contractor is the owner of the improvements on said described land:

5. NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One hundred thirty-seven and 50/100 (\$137.50) Dollars the value of said improvements, to the contractor in hand paid by the United States, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, the contractor hereby waives, and releases the United States from, any and all claims of whatever

Correct as to Engineering Data A.C.D.

of whatever nature by reason of the damage that the contractor has suffered or may hereafter suffer as a result of the operations of the United States Reclamation Service on said tract of land as described in the quitclaim deed herein referred to.

6. It is understood and agreed that the United States, its agents, officers, and employees shall at all times have the right to go upon said described land for the purpose of surveying, constructing, repairing, operating and maintaining said Cuadrilla Lateral Canal and other operations of the Reclamation Service incident thereto, and any cause of action arising from damage to crops or other improvements thereon belonging to the contractor that may result in consequence of such entry is hereby waived by the contractor as hereinabove provided.

BY THE CONTRACTOR,

WITNESSED AND APPROVED:

\_\_\_\_\_

7. The contractor expressly warrants that he has employed no third person to solicit or obtain this contract in his behalf, or to cause or procure the same to be obtained upon compensation in any way contingent, in whole or in part, upon such procurement; and that he has not paid, or promised or agreed to pay, to any third person, in consideration of such procurement, or in compensation for services in connection therewith, any brokerage, commission, or percentage upon the amount receivable by him hereunder; and that he has not, in estimating the contract price demanded by him, included any sum by reason of any such brokerage, commission, or percentage; and that all moneys payable to him hereunder are free from obligation to any other person for services rendered, or supposed to have been rendered, in the procurement of this contract. He further agrees that any breach of this warranty shall constitute adequate cause for the annulment of this contract by the United States, and that the United States may retain to its own use from any sums due or to become due thereunder an amount equal to any brokerage, commission, or percentage so paid or agreed to be paid: *Provided, however,* It is understood that this covenant does not apply to the selling of goods through a bona fide commercial representative employed by the contractor in the regular course of his business in dealing with customers other than the Government and whose compensation is paid, in whole or in part, by commissions on sales made, nor to the selling of goods through established commercial or selling agents or agencies regularly engaged in selling such goods.

~~Where the operations of this contract extend beyond the current fiscal year it is understood that the contract is made contingent upon Congress making the necessary appropriation for expenditures thereunder after such current year has expired. In case such appropriation as may be necessary to carry out this contract is not made, the contractor hereby releases the United States from all liability due to the failure of Congress to make such appropriation.~~

For and in consideration of the faithful performance of this contract, the Contractor shall be paid

No interest in this agreement shall be transferred by the contractor to any other party, and any such transfer shall cause annulment of the contract so far as the United States is concerned; all rights of action, however, for breach of this contract are reserved to the United States, as provided by section 3737, Revised Statutes of the United States.

It is further stipulated and agreed that in the performance of this contract no persons shall be employed who are undergoing sentences of imprisonment at hard labor which have been imposed by courts of the several State or Territories or municipalities having criminal jurisdiction.

No Member of, or Delegate to Congress, or Resident Commissioner, after his election or appointment, either before or after he has qualified and during his continuance in office, and no officer, agent, or employee of the Government, shall be admitted to any share or part of this contract or agreement, or to any benefit to arise thereupon. Nothing, however, herein contained shall be construed to extend to any incorporated company, where such contract or agreement is made for the general benefit of such incorporation or company, as provided in section 116 of the act of Congress approved March 4, 1909 (35 Stat. L., 1109).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have hereto signed their names the day and year first above written

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

By \_\_\_\_\_  
L. M. Lawson  
Project Manager U. S. R. S.

James Clifford  
Herminio Ruiz Contractor.

\* By \_\_\_\_\_

P. O. Address El Paso, Tex. Box. 132

† Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

(Date) \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_

\* See pars. 6 and 7, Instructions, over.  
† Approval of this contract is not required when executed by the Chief of Construction, except in cases covered by regulations on pages 201-203 of the Manual.

~~For and in consideration of the faithful performance of this contract, the Contractor shall be paid~~  
the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars, to be paid in \_\_\_\_\_ installments of \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars each, as follows:  
1. \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars on \_\_\_\_\_  
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars on \_\_\_\_\_  
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars on \_\_\_\_\_  
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars on \_\_\_\_\_  
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars on \_\_\_\_\_  
6. \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars on \_\_\_\_\_  
7. \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars on \_\_\_\_\_

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have hereto signed their names the day and year first above written

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

By \_\_\_\_\_  
U. S. R. S.  
Project Manager

James Clifford  
Herminio Ruiz Contractor

\* By \_\_\_\_\_

P. O. Address \_\_\_\_\_ El Paso, Tex. Box. 132

† Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

(Date) \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_\_

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El Paso, Tex. DEC 22 1919

From District Counsel  
To Director and Chief Engineer, Washington, D. C.  
Subject: Contract dated November 7, 1919 with James Clifford and  
Herminio Ruiz - Rio Grande Project, New Mexico - Texas.

1. Herminio Ruiz joined in the above described contract for the reason that he had an informal arrangement with James Clifford, who is the owner of the land, whereby he, Ruiz, has worked upon the land and thereby secured an interest in some of the crops, which represent the improvements to be paid for. This arrangement between these parties has now terminated but the interest in Ruiz had accrued at the time the construction work was undertaken. Ruiz has no title or interest in the land itself and therefore was not joined in the quit claim deed referred to in the contract in settlement for improvements and upon which the contract is founded.

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P. W. Dent

CC- P. M. El Paso.

*John C. of C.*

El Paso, Tex.  
Nov. 11, 1919.

County Recorder for El Paso, County,  
El Paso, Tex.

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for official record <sup>is</sup>  
donation deed dated Nov. 7, 1919 running from James  
Clifford to the United States.

Very truly yours

C. F. Harvey

Asst. District Counsel.

CERTIFICATE.

I HEREBY CERTIFY, with reference to the following described land;

A tract of land in the east half of the northeast quarter, Section twenty-five (25), township thirty-three (33) south, range seven (7) east and the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter Section thirty (30), township thirty-three (33) south, range eight (8) east, United States Reclamation Service Survey and in San Elizario grant, El Paso county, Texas, more particularly described in quitclaim deed dated November 7, 1919 running from James Clifford to the United States of America;

That the tax records of said county indicate James Clifford, the reputed owner, to be the actual owner; that the land is not homestead property; that there are no unsatisfied mortgages or other liens existing against said land; and that the land is not occupied adversely to the reputed owner.



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Asst. District Counsel.

El Paso, Tex.

Nov. 7, 1919.

CERTIFICATE

I HEREBY CERTIFY That the rights and property described in the agreement dated Nov. 7, 1919 with James Clifford and Herminio Ruiz are required for purposes authorized by the Act of June 17, 1902 (32 Stat. 388), namely, as right of way for the Cuadrilla Lateral Canal a part of the Rio Grande project; that the consideration to be paid thereunder, \$137.50 ( which amount is for stand of alfalfa on .5 acre which is \$150.00 per acre, \$75.00 and damage to asparagus on .29 acre at \$215.50 per acre , \$62.50), is reasonable and the lowest that could be obtained; and I recommend that the contract be approved.

L. H. Lawson

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Project Manager.

El Paso, Texas.

Nov. 7, 1919.