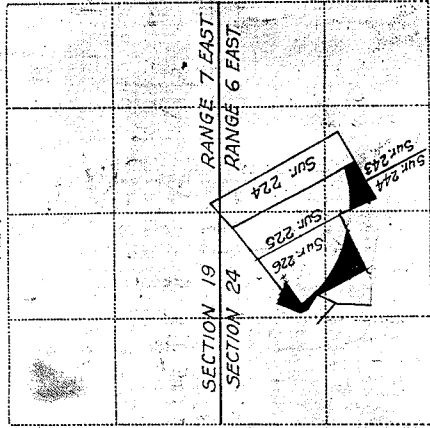
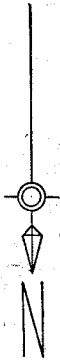


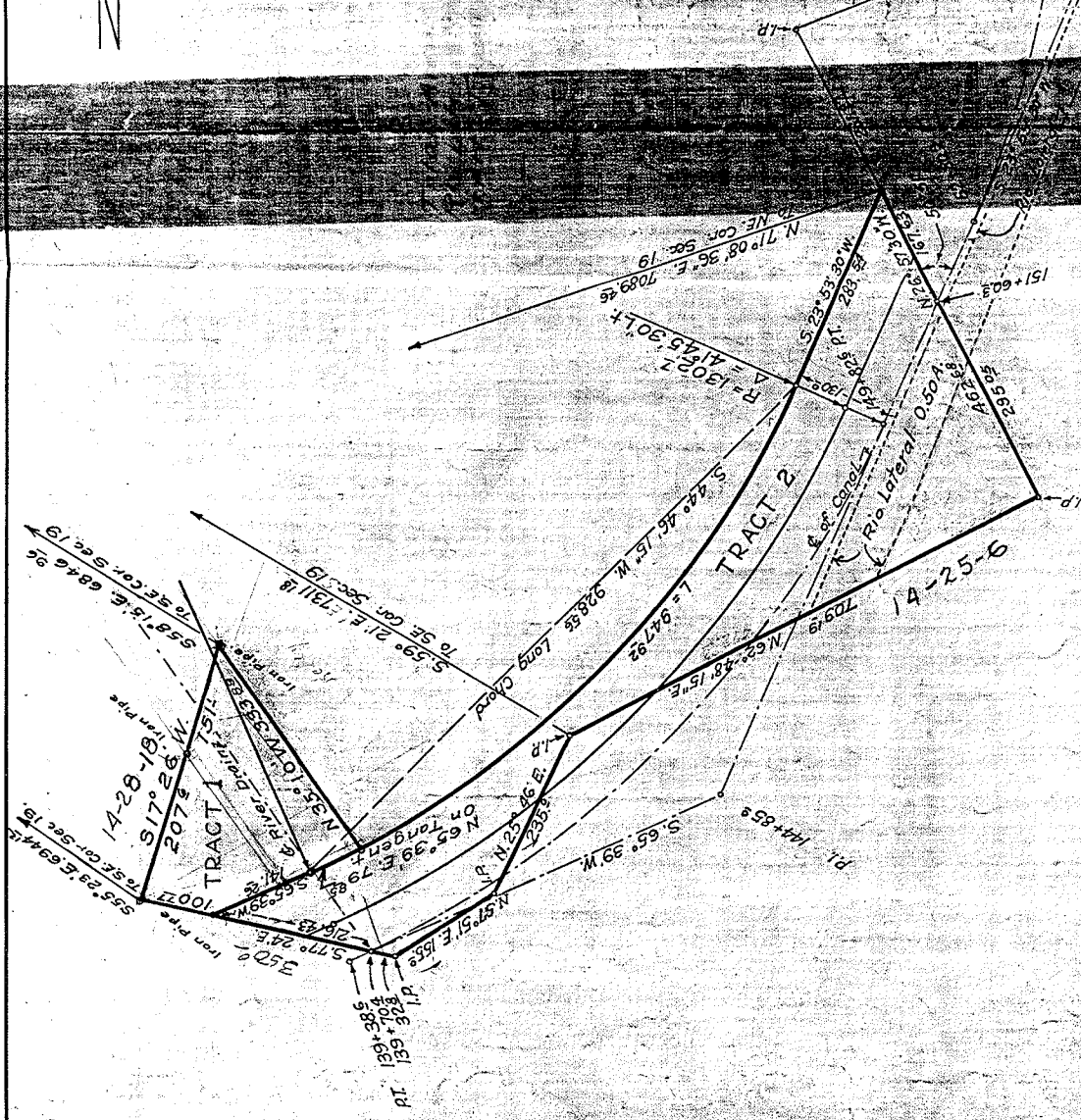
WATT, A. S. WARRANTY DEED RIVERSIDE CANAL (183)

0023-0680-0036

SCALE 1" = 2000'



LOCATION PLAT  
S. 24 " T. 32 S. " R. 6 E.



Owner - A.S. Watt

SOCORRO GRANT: SUR 224, 225, 226

TRACT No. AREA

1 4.71 ac.

2 2.76 "

3 7.70 ac.

Sub-Total 7.47 ac.

Less Rio Lat. R/W 1.70

Total to be acquired 6.77 ac.

W.D. 10/31/20

Rec. 11/6/20 - BK 498 74177

SCALE 1" = 200'  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
UNITED STATES RECLAMATION SERVICE  
RIO GRANDE PROJECT, NEW MEXICO, TEXAS  
**RIVERSIDE CANAL and  
RIO-INTERCEPTING DRAIN**  
RIGHT OF WAY  
FIELD WORK: CHECKED: G.W.H.  
DRAWN: E.E. APPROVED:  
32163-122 EL PASO, TEX.

4-24-18 & 25-c

of the County of El Paso, State of Texas, in consideration of the sum of  
**Six hundred and one and 50/100 (\$601.50) - - - - - DOLLARS**

ha ye ..... Granted, Sold and Conveyed, and by these presents do ..... Grant, Sell and Convey unto the said  
**The United States of America**

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ ~~XXX~~ ~~XX~~ ~~of~~ ~~the County of~~ ~~and~~ ~~of~~ ~~all that certain~~

tract or parcel of land lying in the County of El Paso and State of Texas and more particularly described as follows, to-wit: Three tracts of land lying and situate in El Paso County, Texas, and in the East half (E $\frac{1}{2}$ ) Section twenty-four (24) Township thirty-two (32) South, Range six (6) East, Bureau of Reclamation Survey, being also within surveys two hundred twenty-five and two hundred twenty-six (225) (226), Socorro Grant, and more particularly described as follows:

Tract No. 1. A tract of land lying and situate in Survey two hundred twenty-six (226) Socorro Grant. Beginning at a point, the northeast corner of survey two hundred twenty-six (226) Socorro Grant and from which point the Southeast corner Section nineteen (19) Township thirty-two (32) South Range seven (7) East bears South fifty-five (55°) twenty-three (23') minutes East six thousand nine hundred forty-four and twelve hundredths [6944.12] feet; thence South seventeen (17°) degrees twenty-six

(26') minutes west along the eastern line of survey two hundred twenty-six (226) Socorro Grant two hundred seven and six tenths (.0978) feet to an iron pipe; thence South seventy-seven degrees twenty-five (26' minutes West one hundred, fifty-one and one-tenth (151.1)) feet to the point from which the northeast corner Section nineteen (19) Township thirty-two (32) South Range seven (7) East bears North sixty-eight (68°) degrees fifteen (15') minutes East six thousand eight hundred forty-six and ninety five hundredths (6846.96) feet; thence North thirty-nine (39°) degrees East ten (10") minutes West three hundred eighty-three and eighth-pipe hundredths (383.89) feet; thence North thirty-two (32°) degrees thirty-nine (39) minutes East two hundred twenty-one and tenth-hundredths (221.1) feet to a point on the northerly line of survey two hundred twenty-six (226) ft. thence South seventy-seven (77°) degrees twenty-four (24') minutes East along the northerly line of survey two hundred twenty-six (226) feet one hundred and seventy-seven hundredths (100.77) feet to the point of beginning said tract containing one and twenty-five hundredths (1.25) acres more or less; fourty-five and no tenths (45.0) feet to a point the southwest corner survey two hundred twenty-five (225) and the northwest corner survey two hundred and Tract No. 227 a stratch of land lying side adjacent in survey Two Hundred Twenty-Six Town (226); Sodocro Grant Beginning at a point where Northwest Corner Survey Two (2) Hundred Twenty-Six (226) In Socorro County thence along the northerly line indicated by the hundred twenty-six (226) Sodocro Grant North thirty-two (32°) degrees forty-five (45') minutes (fifteen (15')) seconds East seven hundred nine and nine-tenths (709.9) feet to a point from which the Northeast corner Section nine-ten (19) Township thirty-two (32) South Range seven (7) East bears South fifty-nine (59°) degrees twenty-one (21) minutes East seven thousand three hundred (7300) eleven and eighteen hundredths (7318.18) feet to the North twenty-five (25°) West degree forty-six (46') minutes East two hundred thirty-third (233.3) feet; thence North fifty-seven (57°) degrees thirty-one (31) minutes East one hundred thirty-five and no tenths (135.0) feet; thence South seventy-seven (77°) degrees twenty-four (24') minutes East two hundred thirty-nine (239) and twenty-three hundredths (239.23) feet to a point thence South thirty-five (35°) degrees thirty-nine (39) minutes West one hundred forty-one and sixth-hundredths (141.16) feet thence to the eleventh section and third hundred and seventeen tenths (117.17) feet to radius curve (distance of nine hundred forty-seven and ninety-two hundredths (947.92) feet measured at the center thereof South twenty-three (23°) degrees fifty-three (53') minutes thirty (30") West two hundred eighty-three and fifty-four hundredths (283.54) feet to a point on the westerly line of survey two hundred twenty-six (226) Socorro Grant and from which point the northeast corner Section nineteen (19) Township thirty-two (32) South Range seven (7) East bears North seventy-one (71°) eight (08') minutes thirty-six (36") East seven thousand eighty-nine and forty-six hundredths (7089.46) feet; and the southwest corner survey two hundred twenty-six (226) Socorro Grant bears South twenty-six (26°) degrees fifty-seven (57') minutes thirty (30") seconds East two hundred fifty-one and seven hundredths (251.07) feet; thence North twenty-six (26°) degrees fifty-seven (57') minutes thirty (30") seconds West along the westerly line of survey two hundred twenty-six (226) Socorro Grant four hundred sixty-two and sixty-eight hundredths (462.68) feet to a point of beginning, said tract containing four and seventy-one hundredths (4.71) acres more or less, of which fifty hundredths (0.50) of an acre is occupied by Rio Lateral and Levee and is the property of the United States and the remainder, or four and twenty-one (4.21) hundredths acres is the part herein intended to be conveyed.

Tract No. 5. A tract of land lying and situate in survey two hundred twenty-five (225) Socorro Grant, Beginning at a point the Northwest corner Survey two hundred twenty-five (225) Socorro Grant, thence North sixty-nine (69°) degrees two (02) minutes thirty (30") seconds East along the northwesterly line of survey two hundred twenty-five (225) three hundred seventy-three and forty-five hundredths (373.45)



Single Acknowledgment.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
COUNTY OF EL PASO.

BEFORE ME,

Geo. W. Hoadley

A Notary Public

in and for El Paso County, Texas,

on this day personally appeared.

A. S. Watt, a single man,

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 31st day of October A. D. 19 28

Geo. W. Hoadley,

Notary Public.

Wife's Separate Acknowledgment.

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

Certificate of Filing.

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 13 day of Oct. A. D. 19 28, with its certificate of authentication, was filed for record in my office

this 2 day of Nov. A. D. 19 28, at 4:25 o'clock P. M.

and duly recorded the 6 day of Nov. A. D. 19 28, at 1:20 o'clock P. M.

in the records of said County, in Volume 498 on Pages 177

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 A. A. Osborne Deputy.

COMPALED 20924 INDEXED

A. S. WATT

TO

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

WARRANTY DEED

Single and Wife's Separate Acknowledgment

Filed for Record the 2nd

day of November 1928, at 4

o'clock and 25 minutes P. M.

W. D. Greet

Clerk County Court, El Paso County Tex.

L. A. Malone

Deputy.

10/31/28 498/177

7. State how much of the land is under cultivation, to what kind of crops, with area of each crop cultivated, and how much is not cultivated but is capable of being brought under cultivation, as well as the general character of such land; also the condition and kind of improvements, if any. Give a detailed estimate of the value of all important improvements on the land, such as buildings; *also the amounts and values of the several classes of land.*

**Not at present in cultivation**

8. If any portion of the land is irrigated, state what water rights go with the land and how much of the cultivated and how much of the uncultivated land is capable of irrigation.

**All capable of irrigation under the San Elisario Canal**

9. State the selling price of similar land in the vicinity.

**\$90.00 to \$125.00 per acre.**

10. State fully any other matters relative to the land or to the purchase that may be of interest to the Government, especially concerning possible injury or benefit to other portions of this tract.

**The Riverside Canal will serve as a protection from flood waters in the Rio Grande. The Intercepting Drain will intercept the seepage from the canal and river.**

Dated **October 9th**, 192**8**

(Signature) **Geo. V. Headley**

Approved:

(Title) **Junior Engineer.**

*In Charge of Negotiations.*

**L. R. Fieck**  
**Acting Superintendent.**

Approved:

*Project Manager.*

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE



## DIRECTIONS

**1. IN GENERAL.**—This form takes the place of letters of transmittal, and furnishes a record, on a single sheet, for each interested office of the Bureau of Reclamation, of the steps taken in connection with the execution of each formal contract originating in the field. Approval clauses in contracts are eliminated, and contracts bear but one signature on the part of the United States. A contract is signed on behalf of the United States only by the officer who makes it effective. All blanks in the form are to be filled in. Symbol and number are to be inserted by the office in which the contract is executed, except as to contracts made by district counsel and engineers in charge of secondary investigations, when the symbol and number are to be inserted by the Denver office. Where it is necessary for the Government to perform work as a part of the consideration, an estimate of the cost thereof shall be given under "Remarks." Any special matter too long to write on the form shall be set out in a separate statement, certificate, or letter. If a contract is to be recorded, statement to that effect, with request for return of the contract is made under "Remarks."

**2. NUMBER OF COPIES OF FORM.**—Copies of this form are prepared by the office in which the contract originates as follows:

(a) For contracts prepared and executed in the project office or office of engineer in charge of secondary investigations, there shall be prepared original and three copies (four in all): (a) Original for commissioner, (b) copy for superintendent, or engineer in charge of secondary investigations, as the case may be, (c) copy for district counsel, and (d) copy for Denver office.

(b) For contracts prepared in the project office or office of engineer in charge of secondary investigations, and executed in Denver, there shall be prepared original and five copies (six in all): (a) Original for commissioner, (b) copy for superintendent, or engineer in charge of secondary investigations, as the case may be, (c) copy for district counsel, (d) copy for Denver office, and (e) two additional copies for return by Denver office, to superintendent, or engineer in charge of secondary investigations, as the case may be, and district counsel, notifying of execution of contract.

(c) For contracts prepared in the project office or office of engineer in charge of secondary investigations, and executed in Washington, there shall be prepared original and six copies (seven in all): (a) Original for commissioner, (b) copy for superintendent, or engineer in charge of secondary investigations, as the case may be, (c) copy for district counsel, (d) copy for Denver office, and (e) three additional copies for return by Washington office to superintendent, or engineer in charge of secondary investigations, as the case may be, district counsel, and Denver office, notifying of execution of contract.

(d) For contracts prepared and executed in Denver there shall be prepared original and one copy (two in all): (a) Original for commissioner, and (b) copy for Denver office.

(e) For contracts prepared in Denver and executed in Washington, there shall be prepared original and two copies (three in all): (a) Original for commissioner, (b) copy for Denver office, and (c) one additional copy for return by Washington office to Denver office, notifying of execution of contract.

(f) For contracts prepared and executed by district counsel, there shall be prepared original and two copies (three in all): (a) Original for commissioner, (b) copy for district counsel, and (c) copy for Denver office.

**3. NUMBER OF COPIES OF CONTRACT, AND BOND, IF ANY.**—Copies of the contract, and bond, if any, are prepared by the office in which the contract originates, as follows:

(a) For contracts originating in the field (including Denver office but excluding district counsel) six (6) impressions shall be made, to wit: (a) Original for General Accounting Office, (b) copy for Returns Office, (c) copy for commissioner, (d) copy for Denver office, (e) copy for superintendent, or engineer in charge of secondary investigations, as the case may be, and (f) copy for district counsel. Additional copies may be made if desired, including copy for contractor.

(b) If bond is required in connection with a contract under subparagraph (a), five (5) impressions shall be made, to wit: (a) Original for General Accounting Office, (b) copy for commissioner, (c) copy for Denver office, (d) copy for district counsel, and (e) copy for superintendent, or engineer in charge of secondary investigations, as the case may be. Additional copies may be made, if desired, including copy for the contractor.

(c) For contracts originating in the office of district counsel, five (5) impressions shall be made, to wit: (a) Original for General Accounting Office, (b) copy for Returns Office, (c) copy for commissioner, (d) copy for Denver office, and (e) copy for district counsel. Additional copies may be made, if desired, including copy for contractor.

(d) If bond is required in connection with a contract under subparagraph (c), four (4) impressions shall be made, to wit: (a) Original for General Accounting Office, (b) copy for commissioner, (c) copy for Denver office, and (d) copy for district counsel. Additional copies may be made if desired, including copy for contractor.

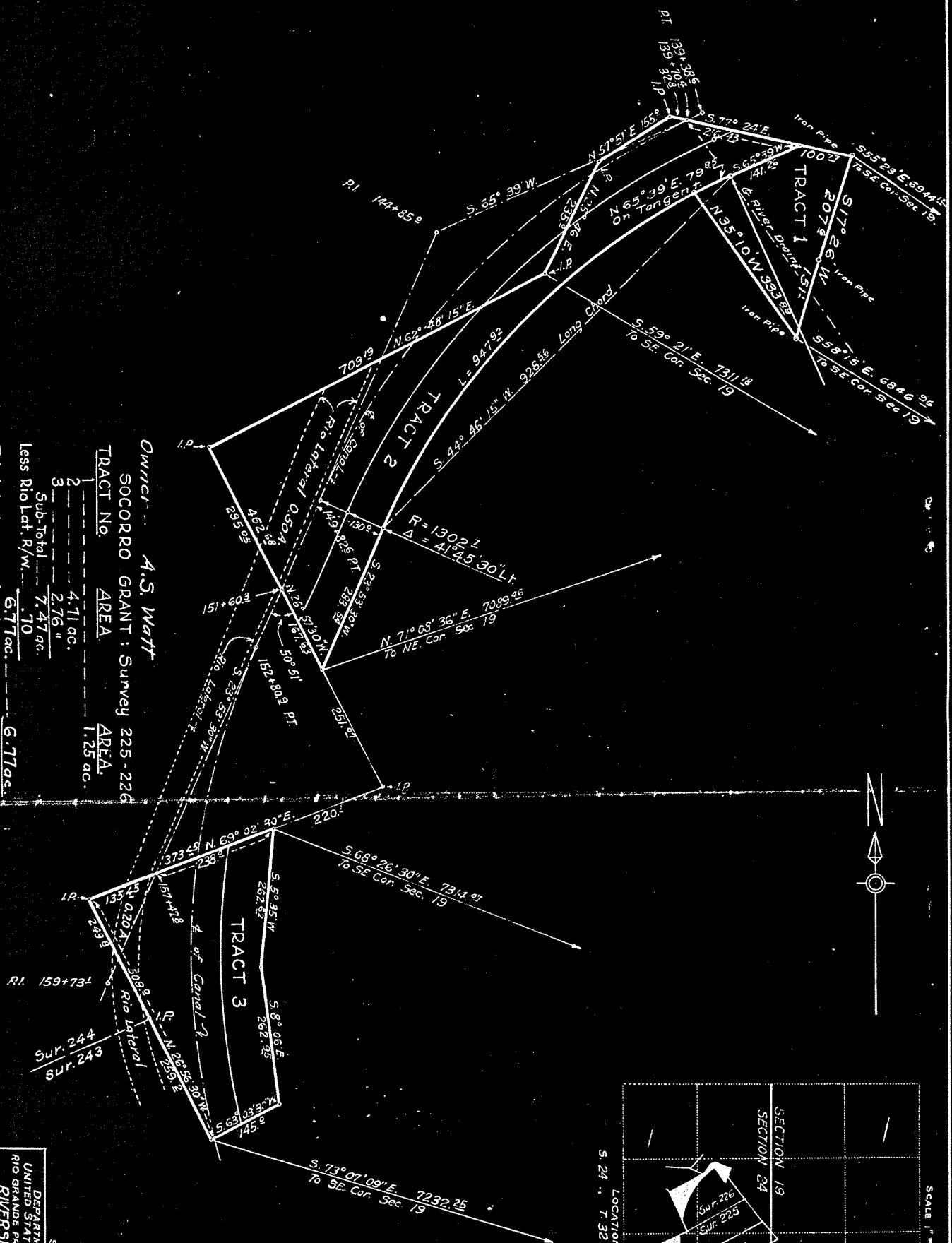
**4. DISPOSITION OF CONTRACT AND FORM.**—The office in which the contract originates retains a copy of the contract, and bond, if any, and a copy of this form, and forwards the remaining papers for consideration, in the order indicated on the face of the form, and in accordance with the requirements of the Manual. Each office, after taking action on the contract and filling in the form, retains a copy of the contract, and bond, if any, and a copy of this form, and forwards the remaining papers. The office executing the contract (other than the project office, the office of engineer in charge of secondary investigations, or the Denver office, when the contract is prepared and executed there) notifies the offices indicated on the form by return of copies of the form.

**5. EXCEPTIONS.**—Where money is neither to be expended nor collected, the original contract, with bond, if any, goes to the commissioner, and not to the General Accounting Office, and a copy of same for the commissioner is not required. Where a contract does not relate specifically to a project, or where for any reason a file of contracts is not kept in the district counsel's office, the copies of papers described in paragraphs 2 and 3 are correspondingly lessened in number.

DEVELOPMENT OF THE IRRIGATION

Owner: **A.S. Watt**  
 SOCORRO GRANT: Survey 225-226

TRACT No.	AREA	AREA
2	4.71 ac.	1.25 ac.
3	2.76 "	
Sub-Total	7.47 ac.	
Less Rio Lat. R/W	1.70	
Total to be acquired	6.77 ac.	8.02 ac.



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
 UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE  
 RIO GRAND DIVISION, NEW MEXICO, TEXAS  
**RIVERSIDE CANAL and**  
**RIO INTERCEPTING DRAIN**  
 RIGHT OF WAY

Scale: 1" = 200'

Field Work: **G.M.H.**  
 Checked: **G.M.H.**  
 Approved: **G.M.H.**  
 3261-122 EL PASO, TEX.

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Form 7-276  
Approved by the Department of the Interior  
June 12, 1923  
(April, 1925)

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

Rio Grande

IRRIGATION PROJECT New Mexico-Texas

LAND PURCHASE CONTRACT

THIS CONTRACT, made this 17th day of September, 1928, in pursuance of the act of June 17, 1902 (32 Stat., 338), and acts amendatory thereof or supplementary thereto, between the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, hereinafter styled the United States, ~~represented by the contracting officer executing this contract,~~

~~Superintendent, Bureau of Reclamation,~~  
thereunto duly authorized, and subject to the approval of the proper supervisory officer thereof,  
and A. S. Watt, a single man

~~and~~

~~his wife, hereinafter styled Vendor,~~

of El Paso, County of El Paso, State of Texas

2. WITNESSETH, That for and in consideration of the mutual agreements herein contained, the parties hereto do covenant and agree as follows:

3. The Vendor shall sell and by good and sufficient General warranty deed, (General warranty, covenant against grantor, or quitclaim) convey to the United States, free of lien or encumbrance, the following-described real estate which is

h is property, situated in the County of El Paso  
(Homestead, community, separate)  
Texas

State to wit:  
Three tracts of land lying and situate in El Paso County, Texas, and in the East half (1/2) Section twenty-four (24) Township thirty-two (32) South, Range six (6) East, Bureau of Reclamation Survey, being also within surveys two hundred twenty-five and two hundred twenty-six (225) and (226), Socorro Grant, and more particularly described as follows:

Tract No. 1. A tract of land lying and situate in Survey two hundred twenty-six (226) Socorro Grant, beginning at a point, the northeast corner of survey two hundred twenty-six (226) Socorro Grant and from which point the Southeast corner Section nineteen (19) Township thirty-two (32) South Range seven (7) East bears South fifty-five (55°) twenty-three (23') minutes East six thousand nine hundred forty-four and twelve hundredths (6944.12) feet; thence South seventeen (17°) degrees twenty-six (26') minutes west along the easterly line of survey two hundred twenty-six (226) Socorro Grant two hundred seven and six tenths (207.6) feet to an iron pipe; thence South seventeen (17°) degrees twenty-six (26') minutes west one hundred fifty-one and one tenth (151.1) feet to a point from which the southeast corner Section nineteen (19) Township thirty-two (32) South Range seven (7) East bears South fifty-eight (58°) degrees fifteen (15') minutes East six thousand eight hundred forty-six and ninety-six hundredths (6846.96) feet; thence North thirty-five (35°)

<sup>1</sup> Strike out clause regarding approval of supervisory officer if not applicable



ten (108) minutes West three hundred thirty-three and eighty-nine hundredths (333.89) feet; thence North sixty-five (65°) degrees thirty-nine (39') minutes East two hundred twenty-one and eleven hundredths (221.11) feet to a point on the northerly line of survey two hundred twenty-six (226); thence South seventy-seven (77°) degrees twenty-four (24') minutes East along the northerly line of survey two hundred twenty-six (226) one hundred seventy-seven hundredths (100.77) feet to the point of beginning, said tract containing one and twenty-five hundredths (1.25) acres more or less.

Tract No. 2, a tract of land lying and situate in survey two hundred twenty-six (226) Socorro Grant. Beginning at a point the northwest corner of survey two hundred twenty-six (226) Socorro Grant; thence along the northerly line of survey two hundred twenty-six (226) Socorro Grant North sixty-two (62°) degrees forty-eight (48') minutes fifteen (15") seconds East seven hundred nine and nineteen hundredths (709.19) feet to a point from which the southeast corner Section nineteen (19) Township thirty-two (32) South, Range seven (7) East bears South fifty-nine (59°) degrees twenty-one (21') minutes East seven thousand three hundred eleven and eighteen hundredths (7311.18) feet; thence North twenty-five (25°) degrees forty-six (46') minutes East two hundred thirty-five and no tenths (235.0) feet; thence North fifty-seven (57°) degrees fifty-one (51') minutes East one hundred fifty-five and no tenths (155.0) feet; thence South seventy-seven (77°) degrees twenty-four (24') minutes East two hundred forty-nine and twenty-three hundredths (249.23) feet to a point; thence South sixty-five (65°) degrees thirty-nine (39') minutes West one hundred forty-one and twenty-six hundredths (141.26) feet; thence to the left along one thousand three hundred two and seven tenths (1302.7) feet radius curve a distance of nine hundred forty-seven and ninety-two hundredths (947.92) feet measured on the arc; thence South twenty-three (23°) degrees fifty-three (53') minutes thirty (30") West two hundred eighty-three and fifty-four hundredths (283.54) feet to a point on the westerly line of survey two hundred twenty-six (226) Socorro Grant and from which point the northeast corner Section nineteen (19) Township thirty-two (32) South Range seven (7) East bears North seventy-one (71°) degrees eight (08') minutes thirty-six (36") East seven thousand eighty-nine and forty-six hundredths (7089.46) feet; and the southwest corner survey two hundred twenty-six (226) Socorro Grant bears South twenty-six (26°) degrees fifty-seven (57') minutes thirty (30") seconds East two hundred fifty-one and seven hundredths (251.07) feet; thence North twenty-six (26°) degrees fifty-seven (57') minutes thirty (30") seconds West along the westerly line of survey two hundred twenty-six (226) Socorro Grant four hundred sixty-two and sixty-eight hundredths (462.68) feet to a point of beginning, said tract containing four and seventy-one hundredths (4.71) acres more or less, of which fifty hundredths (0.50) of an acre is occupied by Rio Lateral and Levee and is the property of the United States and the remainder, or four and twenty-one (4.21) hundredths acres is the part herein intended to be conveyed.

Tract No. 3. A tract of land lying and situate in survey two hundred twenty-five (225) Socorro Grant. Beginning at a point the Northwest corner survey two hundred twenty-five (225) Socorro Grant, thence North sixty-nine (69°) degrees two (02') minutes thirty (30") seconds East along the north-

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westerly line of survey two hundred twenty-five (225) three hundred and seventy-three and forty-five hundredths (373.45) feet to a point from which the southwest corner survey two hundred twenty-six (226) Socorro Grant bears North sixty-nine (69°) degrees two (02') minutes thirty (30") seconds East two hundred twenty and one tenth (220.1) feet; and the southeast corner Section nineteen (19) Township thirty-two (32) South Range seven (7) East bears South sixty-eight (68°) degrees twenty-six (26') minutes thirty (30") East seven thousand three hundred fourteen and seven hundredths (7314.07) feet; thence South five (5°) degrees thirty-five (35') minutes west two hundred sixty-two and sixty-two hundredths (262.62) feet; thence South eight (8°) degrees six (6') minutes East two hundred sixty-two and ninety-five hundredths (262.95) to a point on the southeasterly line of survey two hundred twenty-five (225) and the northwesterly line survey two hundred twenty-four (224) Socorro Grant; thence South sixty-three (63°) degrees three (03') minutes thirty (30") seconds West along said line one hundred forty-five and no tenths (145.0) feet to a point the southwest corner survey two hundred twenty-five (225) and the northwest corner survey two hundred twenty-four, and from which point the southeast corner Section nineteen (19) Township thirty-two (32) South, Range seven (7) East bears South seventy-three (73°) degrees seven (07') minutes nine (09") seconds East seven thousand two hundred thirty-two and twenty-five hundredths (7232.25) feet; thence North twenty-six (26°) degrees fifty-six (56') minutes thirty (30") seconds West along the southwesterly line of survey two hundred twenty-five (225) and the northeasterly line of survey two hundred forty-three (243) Socorro Grant two hundred fifty-nine and two tenths (259.2) feet to a point the northeast corner survey two hundred forty-three (243); thence North twenty-six (26°) degrees fifty-six (56') minutes thirty (30") West along the southwesterly line of survey two hundred twenty-five (225) and the northeasterly line of survey two hundred forty-four (244) Socorro Grant two hundred forty-nine and eight tenths (249.8) feet to the northwest corner survey two hundred twenty-five (225) and point of beginning of the tract herein described, said tract containing two and seventy-six hundredths (2.76) acres more or less of which twenty hundredths (0.20) of an acre is occupied by the Rio Lateral and Levee and is the property of the United States and the remainder, or two and fifty-six hundredths (2.56) acres is the part herein intended to be conveyed, according to plat attached hereto and made a part hereof.

This contract shall be binding upon the heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns of the Vendor, and the successors and assigns of the United States.

9a. As a further consideration there shall be constructed by the United States a farm bridge of the standard design adopted and now being used on the said project, at a cost to the United States of \$200.00. Such bridge shall be constructed at or near station 141, of the Riverside Intercepting Drain. Work thereon shall be commenced and completed within a reasonable time after excavation of said drain at the point mentioned. Upon completion of the bridge the same shall become the property of the contractor, but the United States, its successors and assigns, shall have the right to use the same in the operation and maintenance of said drain. The contractor, his heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns, shall keep said bridge in such condition as to be suitable for such use by the United States, its successors and assigns, and so as not to interfere with the proper operation and maintenance of

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10. 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 Vendor hereby releases the United States from all liability due to the failure of Congress to make such appropriation.

11. The Vendor warrants that the Vendor has not employed any person to solicit or secure this contract upon any agreement for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee. Breach of this warranty shall give the Government the right to annul the contract, or, in its discretion, to deduct from the contract price or consideration the amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fees. This warranty shall not apply to commissions payable by contractors upon contracts or sales secured or made through bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the Vendor for the purpose of securing business with others than the Government.

12. No Member of or Delegate to Congress, or Resident Commissioner, after his election or appointment or 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 of company, as provided in section 116 of the act of Congress approved March 4, 1909 (35 Stat., 1109).

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

Witnesses:

P. O. Address: \_\_\_\_\_

P. O. Address: \_\_\_\_\_

P. O. Address: \_\_\_\_\_

P. O. Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

(Date) \_\_\_\_\_, 1928

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
L. R. Flock

By

*Wet.* Superintendent, Bureau of Reclamation.

OCT 9 1928

Vendor.

Vendor.

Vendor.

P. O. Address

*Post office  
E. J. Bass, Tex.*

# CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STATE OF TexasCOUNTY OF El Paso

ss:

Strike out (b) in case the law does not require examination of wife  
apart from her husband in conveyance of the kind of property described  
in Article 3 hereof.

(a) I, Geo. W. Hoadley, a Notary Public

in and for said county, in the State aforesaid, do hereby certify that

A. S. Watt, a single man

who is personally known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that he signed, sealed, and delivered said instrument of writing as h free and voluntary act, for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

(b) I further certify that I did examine the said separate and apart from her husband, and explained to her the contents of the foregoing instrument, and upon that examination she declares that she did voluntarily sign, seal, and acknowledge the same without any coercion or compulsion, and does not wish to retract the same.

Given under my hand and official seal, this 17th day of September, 1929

[SEAL]

Geo. W. HoadleyMy commission 6/1-29 Notary Public in and for El Paso County,  
Texas.

## CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY RECORDER

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

ss:

I hereby certify that this instrument was filed for record at

my office at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M., \_\_\_\_\_, 192

and is duly recorded in Vol. \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

Page No. \_\_\_\_\_

By \_\_\_\_\_

Fees, \$ \_\_\_\_\_

County Recorder.

## AFFIDAVIT OF DISINTERESTEDNESS

STATE OF TexasCOUNTY OF El Paso

ss:

(Execute only on Returns Office copy)

I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that the copy of contract hereto annexed is an exact copy of a contract made by me, personally, with A. S. Watt that I made the same fairly without any benefit or advantage to myself, or allowing any such benefit or advantage corruptly to the said A. S. Watt, or to any other person or persons; and that the papers accompanying include all those relating to the said contract, as required by the statute in such case made and provided.

Acting Superintendent Bureau of Reclamation.Subscribed and sworn to before me at El Paso, Texasthis \_\_\_\_\_ day of October, A. D. 1929Geo. W. Hoadley  
6/1-1929

[OFFICIAL SEAL]

My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

9a. As a further consideration there shall be constructed by the United States a farm bridge of the standard design adopted and now being used on the said project, at a cost to the United States of \$200.00. Such bridge shall be constructed at or near station 141, of the River-side Intercepting Drain. Work thereon shall be commenced and completed within a reasonable time after excavation of said drain at the point mentioned. Upon completion of the bridge the same shall become the property of the contractor, but the United States, its successors and assigns, shall have the right to use the same in the operation and maintenance of said drain. The contractor, his heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns, shall keep said bridge in such condition as to be suitable for such use by the United States, its successors and assigns, and so as not to interfere with the ~~proper~~ proper operation and maintenance of said drain.



EL PASO, TEXAS. Nov. 2nd 1928

FEES \$ \_\_\_\_\_

RECEIVED FOR RECORD THE FOLLOWING INSTRUMENT:

NO. 20923 Thomas I Hallaway to A. S. Watt - Rel 25  
20924 A. S. Watt to Y. S. A - MD (No. 25)  
encl 4 US 13

W. D. GREET, COUNTY CLERK

BY L. A. Malone DEPUTY

45766-A S Watt.  
RETURN THIS RECEIPT

El Paso, Texas, November 20, 1928.

From: District Counsel  
To: Superintendent, Rio Grande project, El Paso, Texas  
Subject: Acquisition of land - Opinion of title to land described in contract dated September 17, 1928, with A. S. Watt, a single man, area 8.02 acres; consideration \$601.50, for Riverside Canal and Intercepting Drain - Rio Grande project.

1. Title to the land described in the above named contract now appears to be satisfactorily vested in fee simple in the United States free of liens and encumbrances, except accrued taxes in the sum of \$134.97 for the years 1924 to 1928 inclusive, as shown by certificate of guarantee of title Booked 8766 of the Pioneer Abstract and Guarantee Title Company, dated November 2, 1928 and warranty deed from the grantor dated October 31, 1928.

2. Article 7 in the contract provides for deduction from the consideration named in the contract of amounts necessary to remove liens and encumbrances. Payment of the sum of \$134.97 to the County Tax Collector, El Paso County, Texas will remove the tax lien and leave a clear title in the United States to the property involved.

3. There should accordingly be deducted from the stipulated consideration of \$601.50 the sum of \$134.97, to be paid to the County Tax Collector, and the sum of \$17.75 to be paid to the Pioneer Abstract and Guarantee Title Company on account of title certificate and recording charges paid by the company which the contractor under the agreement is obligated to pay. The balance of the consideration after such deductions, being the sum of \$448.78 may be paid to the contractor.

4. Original and two copies of deed, certificate of guarantee of title, and all title papers are transmitted herewith.

cc- Denver  
Washington

H. J. S. Devries,

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

OFFICE OF  
DISTRICT COUNSEL

El Paso, Texas, November 19, 1928.

Mr. A. S. Watt,  
# 6, Brazos Apartments,  
El Paso, Texas.

Dear Mr. Watt:

Reference is made to the contract of purchase by the United States dated September 17, 1928 for three small parcels of land for right of way for a consideration of \$601.50, the land having been conveyed by you by deed dated October 31, 1928. We are now in receipt of title certificate from the abstract company by which it appears there are delinquent taxes from 1924 to 1928 inclusive upon the tract of land out of which this is taken in the sum of \$134.97. It also appears that the abstract company's bill for title certificate, recording release, and taxing certificate amounts to \$17.75.

As you doubtless know it is not possible for the government to accept title and make payment until all existing liens such as the taxes are removed. Kindly arrange to make payment of the taxes and abstract company's bill and advise us so that we may present the matter for payment. If you prefer it, perhaps we could deduct the \$134.97 taxes and the \$17.75 and state payment to you of \$448.78, being the balance of the \$601.50 stated in the contract after deducting the amounts above mentioned.

11/20-128 Please advise us as to your wishes in this matter.

Very truly yours,

*H. J. S. Devries*  
H. J. S. Devries,  
District Counsel.



PIONEER ABSTRACT & GUARANTEE TITLE CO.

EL PASO, TEXAS

TITLE DEPARTMENT

PRELIMINARY OPINION

October 16, 1928.

IN REPLY PLEASE REFER TO

NO. 5766

EXAMINER AGF.

TO Mr. A. S. Watt,  
Apt. #6, Brazos Apt.  
El Paso, Texas.

IN RE: sale to U. S. A.

PROPERTY: Part of Surveys 225, and 226, of the Socorro Grant, El Paso County,  
Texas.

INSTRUMENTS EXAMINED: None.

RECORD TITLE IN: A. S. Watt.

SUBJECT TO:

TAXES: No investigation made.

PAVING: None.

A Vendor's Lien was retained in a warranty deed dated July 28, 1924, filed for record and recorded in Book 427, page 615, of the Deed Records of El Paso County, Texas, from Thomas T. Holloway to A. S. Watt, securing the payment of six notes of even date therewith as follows: Notes Nos. 1 and 2, each being for the sum of \$180.00, both due 1 year after their date; notes Nos. 3, 4, 5, and 6, are each for the sum of \$360.00 due 2, 3, 4, and 5 years after their date, respectively, bearing interest from date at the rate of 8% per annum, interest payable semi-annually, and containing the usual 10% attorney's fee and accelerating maturity clauses.

Very truly yours,

  
For Manager.

:MF.

Copy of report made this day to Mr. A. S. Watt,

RELEASE UNDER Vendor's Lien

STATE OF Texas

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

WHEREAS, on the 28 day of July, A. D. 1924,

Thomas T. Holloway

of \_\_\_\_\_

County of \_\_\_\_\_, State of Texas, did execute,  
acknowledge, and deliver to A. S. Watt

of El Paso, County of El Paso

State of Texas, a certain warranty deed

duly recorded in the records of El Paso County, Texas

in Book 427, page 615, all that certain tract or parcel of land, lying and being  
in the County of El Paso, in the State of Texas,

described as follows, to-wit:

Surveys 225 and 226 of the Socorro Grant, El Paso County,  
Texas, and more particularly described in said warranty deed  
dated July 28, 1924, recorded in book 427, page 615 Records  
of El Paso County, Texas.

AND WHEREAS, by agreement dated September 17, 1928, between the United States of America and A. S. Watt the said A. S. Watt agree to convey a certain tract or parcel of land for a canal right of way for the Rio Grande Project free of all existing liens or encumbrances, which land is described as follows:

NOW, THEREFORE, KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That Thomas T. Holloway

for and in consideration of the premises and of One Dollar (\$1.00) to him in hand paid, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do ~~es~~ hereby remise, set over, release, and reconvey unto the said A. S. Watt his heirs and assigns, all and singular, the property and premises herein last above described, forever free and quit of the above named encumbrance, expressly reserving, however, all rights under the lien ~~said vendor's~~ lien against all the remaining described land in the same manner and effect as if this release had never been executed.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Thomas T. Holloway has

hereunto

subscribed his name this, the October day of October, A. D. 1928.

Signed, sealed, and delivered in the presence of—

STATE OF Texas }  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ } ss.

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of October, 1928.

before me personally appeared Thomas T. Holloway

to me known

to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that

he executed the same as his free act and deed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year in this certificate first above written.

Notary Public.

My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_

RELEASE UNDER

THOMAS T. HOLLOWAY

TO

A. S. WATT.

State of

County of

ss:

I hereby certify that this instrument was

filed for record on the

day of , A. D. 191 ,

at o'clock M., and duly

recorded in book

page , of the Records of Deeds and

Mortgages of said county.

County Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder.

Deputy.

Fees, \$