

780.

PETITION

CLINT LATERAL

(034)

0023-0082-0011-00

~~See Clint Community Ditch 16-(11) Texas EPV~~

780.

State of Texas)
) ss
County of El Paso)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have signed our names and seals
day of WHEREAS: We, the undersigned, owners of land and water users
served with irrigation water by the Clint Lateral, have by previous
petition and deed released all our rights, title and interest in and
to the Clint Community Ditch, as then constructed and in existence,
in and for considerations of the benefits to be derived by reason of
the reconstruction, enlargement and improvement of and the operation
of the said Clint Lateral by the United States, pursuant to the Act
of Congress approved June 17, 1902 (32 Stat., 388) and acts amendatory
thereof and supplementary thereto, and

WHEREAS: the said Clint Lateral is now insufficient in capacity
to adequately irrigate the land thereunder and is still in need of
improvement and of renewal and enlargement of numerous structures,

NOW, THEREFORE, we petition through our duly organized El Paso
County Water Improvement District No. 1, that the Reclamation Service
be requested to proceed with the reconstruction and improvement of said
Clint Lateral, making it

KNOWN TO ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS that for and in consideration
of the benefits to accrue to us, respectively, by reason of the
reconstruction, enlargement, extension and improvement of the said
Clint Lateral to be performed by the United States, do hereby signify
our desire to cooperate and assist in its execution, by permitting
the reconstruction, enlargement, extension, and other improvements
to be accomplished in accordance with plans formulated by the Reclama-
tion Service, in general the improvements to consist of enlarging
the ditch to a uniform cross section of sufficient capacity, raising
and strengthening the banks to standard section, clearing the banks
of all trees, brush and other vegetation, making such minor changes
in alignment as deemed necessary for proper maintenance and renewing,
enlarging or installing all necessary structures, and in further
consideration of the benefits to be derived therefrom we agree to
convey to the United States or to the El Paso County Water Improvement
District No. 1 by quitclaim deed or other proper instrument, if
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Clint Lateral

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A PETITION
for the
RECONSTRUCTION OF UPPER CLINT LATERAL

STATE OF TEXAS)
COUNTY OF EL PASO)

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto affixed our hands
and seal this _____ day of _____ 1925.

W. P. Skar
Skar & Thomas
By W. P. Skar
Bullard Coedumer
W. J. ...
John B. ...
John B. ...
A. ...

Blasa A. Dagnano
L. L. Lee
G. B. ...
A. P. ...
...
A. H. ...
D. L. ...
R. F. ...

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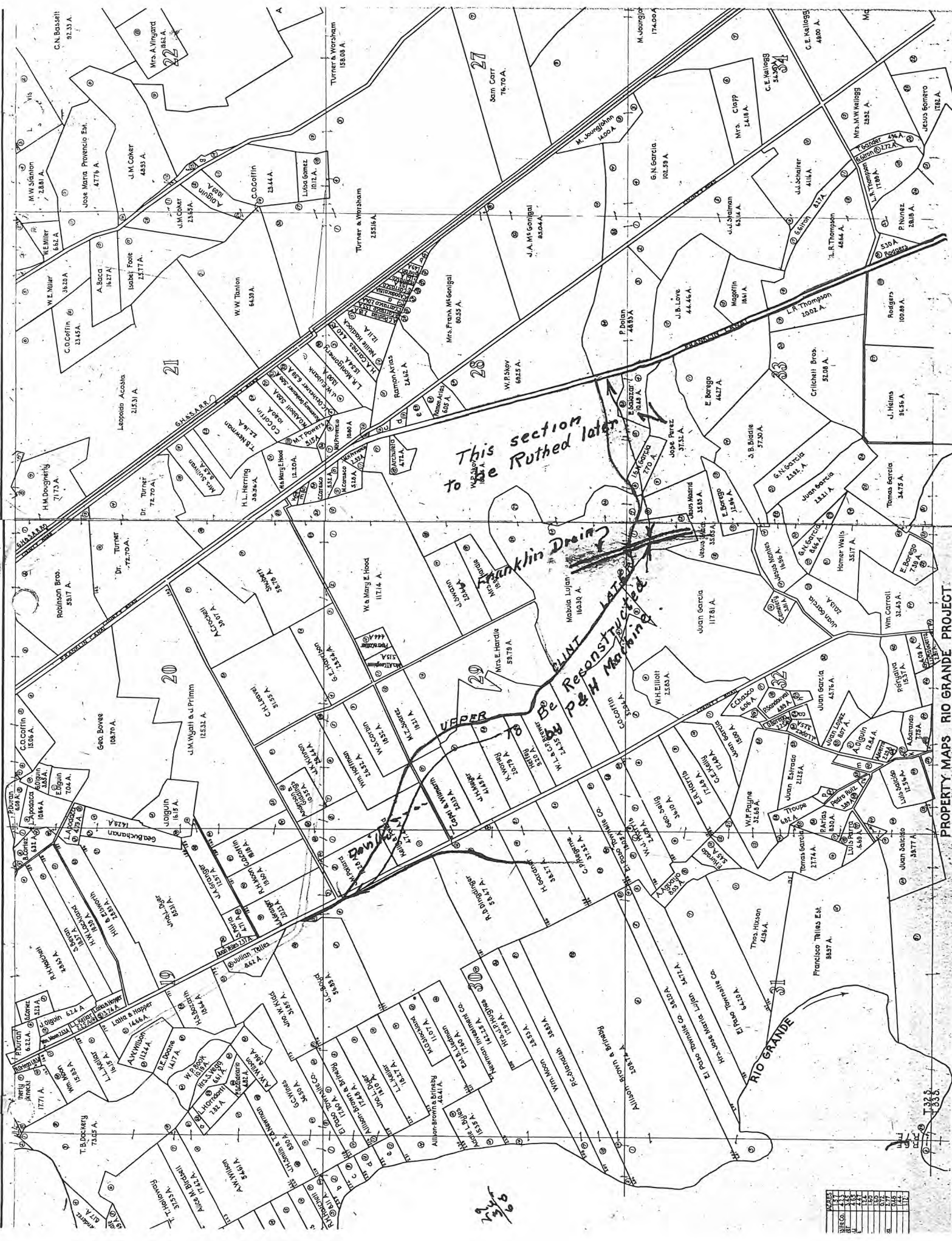
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List of Land Owners
on the
UPPER CLINT LATERAL.

- 18.78 ~~J. M. Pollard, First Nat'l. Bank Bldg., El Paso~~ ✓
- 18.79-
- Tract 1 ~~J. M. Pollard,~~ " " " " " " ✓
- " ~~2 Lot 1-2 Kelly & Pollard, El Paso, Texas~~ ✓
- " ~~17 Lot 1-2-3-4 Kelly & Pollard, El Paso, Texas, Jesse K. Kinmon,~~
Care J. W. Eubank
- " ~~16 Jesse K. Kinmon, c/o J. W. Eubank, Box 8, Clint, Texas~~ ?
- " ~~13 Lot 1-2 - dosada~~
- " ~~15 No record W. F. Cummins - OK~~
- " ~~4-1-2-3-4 A. Davila, R.F.D.#1, Box 50, Ysleta~~
- " ~~14-1-2-3-4 No record C. C. Brown~~
- 18.79-
- Tract 5, 1-2-3-4 ~~G. T. Chamberlin, Clint, Texas~~
- " ~~13, 1-2-3-4 Mrs. G. E. Hemmway, c/o Seth B. Orndorff~~
- " ~~6, W. J. Harris, 418 Trust Bldg., El Paso, Texas~~ ✓
- " ~~12, A. P. Krause, P.O.Box 1472, El Paso, Texas~~
- " ~~7, W. J. Harris, 418 Trust Bldg., El Paso, Texas~~ ✓
- " ~~11, A. P. Krause, P.O.Box 1472, El Paso, Texas~~
- " ~~8, Mrs. Mary Longuemare, El Paso, Texas, L. L. Lee, R.1.Box 56, Ysleta~~
- " ~~10, A. P. Krause, P.O.Box 1472, El Paso, Texas.~~
- 18.80 Mary V. Page, c/o W. F. Payne, City
- 18.81 ~~G. O. Coffin, Clint, Texas.~~ 162 Lrc
- 18.82 L. L. Lee, R. 1, Box 56, Ysleta
- 18.83 J. W. Gibbs Estate, 1722 Arizona St., City D. L. W.
- 18.84 Julia A. Rhodes, R. 1, Box 58, Ysleta
- 18.85 ~~Belwell Colwell, City~~ ✓
- 18.86-1 " " " " ✓
- 18.86-2 R. H. Moon, 550 Ridge St., St. Louis, Mo.
- 18.86-3 Unknown Owner
- 18.93 ~~Seth B. Orndorff, City~~
- 17.31-1 ~~W. P. Skov, Clint, Texas~~ ✓
- 17.33-3 ~~Thomas & Skov, Clint, Texas.~~ ✓
- 17.35 J. L. Bell, Clint, Texas.
- 17.36 ~~Field & Travis, Clint, Texas.~~ ✓
- 17.37 ~~Hilario Salazar, San Elizario, Texas. Sold~~ ✓
- 17.58-1 17.36



PROPERTY MAPS, RIO GRANDE PROJECT.

NO.	AREA	OWNER
1	1.00	...
2	1.00	...
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El Paso, Texas, June 29, 1917.

Mr. Jack Hollingsworth,
Dona Ana, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Hollingsworth:

Pursuant to my conversation with you and Mr. Taylor a few days ago and agreeable to your request, I herewith enclose copy of form of quit-claim deed taken by the United States from the Clint Community ditch system in the El Paso valley (this being executed by the commissioners), and form of release and disclaimer executed by the individual owners of rights in the San Elizario system. We have taken over eight systems in the El Paso valley and used the same form of papers in each. I send you these merely because I have extra copies available for the purpose without making copies of the others.

In some cases we secured release and disclaimers from practically all of the individual owners, while in others we got only a large percentage, probably about 80 per cent. I think in cases of this kind individual releases should be executed by at least $2/3$ or more of the persons interested and of course a large percentage of the acreage should indicate in this manner their assent to the turning over of a system. The government of course would not desire to take over a system unless a considerable majority of the people interested are agreeable.

The laws of New Mexico are somewhat different from those of Texas governing community ditches, and we realize that in your

state by this procedure we would not secure absolutely good title, but it is my belief that if any one objects to a procedure of this kind their objection would have to be timely, otherwise they would be estopped from coming in after the lapse of considerable time and voicing any objection, or at least in invoking the aid of the courts in overturning the arrangement.

As you probably know, we took over a portion of the combined Las Cruces-Mesilla ditch and have been operating the same for almost two years. We also did the same thing in connection with the building of the West Side canal, where we used parts of the San Miguel and Chamberino systems. In all these cases we took merely quit-claim deeds from the commissioners of the systems involved. We have had no difficulty in connection with these matters and do not anticipate any at this late date. Technically, according to lawyers who are strict constructionists, these things cannot be done, but practically and in fact we know they have been done. Of course there is a possibility that any such attempt as this might be tied up, at least temporarily by injunction, or other legal process, but where no money is being paid for the systems and there is no great risk involved, the government is willing to take a chance, where this appears desirable or necessary to work out the development of the project.

You will understand that I am speaking now solely with reference to the legal aspects of this matter from my point of view, and I can not give you any assurance that your system

will be taken over as a matter of policy. These are matters to be passed upon by the Project Manager, the Chief of Construction and the Reclamation Commission. I would suggest that the proper way to get this matter started would be for your commissioners to write to the Project Manager, stating that you would like to turn the system over, if this is true. The matter could then be referred to the officials at Denver and Washington, and in case they were agreeable to the plan, the matter might be consummated in the manner herein outlined. In the meantime there would be no necessity for publicity in regard to the proposed plan, if you think it advisable that such publicity be not had.

If there is any further information I can give you please command me.

Very truly yours,

District Counsel.

encs.

QUIT CLAIM DEED

THE STATE OF TEXAS,)
 COUNTY OF EL PASO.)

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That we, Homer Wells, Howard Coffin and (S) S. D. Blair, duly elected, qualified and acting Commissioners of the Clint Community Ditch, of the County of El Paso, State of Texas, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to us in hand paid by the United States of America, acting pursuant to the Act of Congress of June 17, 1902, (32 Stat., 388) and other good and valuable considerations, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do by these presents bargain, sell, release and forever quit claim, unto the said United States of America, its successors and assigns, all the right, title and interest of the said Clint Community Ditch in and to that certain portion of the Clint Ditch lying in the County of El Paso and State of Texas from the point of its diversion from the San Elizario Ditch to the point of its intersection with the Franklin Canal, more particularly described in blue print hereto attached and made a part hereof; also all interest of said Clint Community Ditch in and to that portion of the San Elizario Ditch system used jointly by the Clint, San Elizario and Salitral Ditches. To have and to hold all the right, title, interest, estate and claim of the said Clint Community Ditch 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 United States of America, its successors and assigns forever; Provided: That nothing herein contained shall be construed as a conveyance, interference with or in any wise affecting the vested right of any holder of rights in the said Clint Ditch to the use of water from the Rio Grande.

This deed shall become effective to transfer the above described property and rights upon the approval of the Secretary of the Interior or the Director and Chief Engineer of the U. S. Reclamation Service.

Witness our hands this the 9 day of January, A. D. 1917.

Witness at Request of Grantor:-

Homer Wells,

Howard Coffin,

S. D. Blair,
 Commissioners of the Clint
 Community Ditch.

Approved _____

STATE OF TEXAS,)
)
 OF EL PASO.) Before me, James E. Bowen, a Notary Public in and for El Paso County,
 of this day personally appeared S. D. Blair, Homer Wells, and Howard Coffin Commis-
 sioners of the Clint Community Ditch, and acknowledged that the foregoing instrument was
 executed by them on behalf of the said Clint Community Ditch by authority upon them duly
 conferred, and the said S. D. Blair, Homer Wells and Howard Coffin, Commissioners of the
 said Clint Community Ditch, acknowledged said instrument to be the free act and deed of
 said Clint Community Ditch.

Given under my hand and seal of office, this 9 day of January, A. D. 1917.

James E. Bowen,
 Notary Public,
 El Paso Co., Texas.

(Seal)

My Commission expires June 30, 1917.

*This space was occupied by
 Blue Point Maps
 now on file in my office*

Filed For Record Oct. 4, 1917 at 1:25 P. M.) W. D. Creet, County Clerk.
 And Recorded Oct. 5, 1917 at 11:33 A. M.) By *[Signature]* Deputy.