

CONDITIONS.

1. THE licensee shall pay to the Marine Department a rental, in advance each year, of 1s. per acre per annum for the first ten years, and 2s. 6d. per acre per annum for the last eleven years, of the period of twenty-one years during which this license is in force, the first of such annual payments to be made on the license being supplied with a copy of this Order in Council.
2. The licensee shall keep any stopbanks which he may construct for the purpose of reclaiming the land included in this license in good order and condition, and shall provide and maintain all necessary outlets for storm-water.
3. The licensee shall keep the land included in this license free from noxious weeds.
4. The licensee shall not assign, charge, or part with any right, power, or privilege granted by this license without the previous written consent of the Minister of Marine.
5. The rights, powers, and privileges conferred by this Order in Council shall continue in force for twenty-one years from the date hereof, unless in the meantime such rights, powers, or privileges shall be altered, modified, or revoked by competent authority.
6. If the licensee commits or suffers a breach of any of the conditions of this license, the license may be revoked and determined by the Governor-General in Council; and publication of a notice of such revocation in the *New Zealand Gazette* shall be sufficient notice thereof to the licensee, and to all persons concerned or interested in this license, that it has been revoked and determined.

F. D. THOMSON,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

*Timaru Borough Council declared a Leasing Authority under the Public Bodies' Leases Act, 1908.*

JELlicoe, Governor-General.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this 11th day of October, 1920.

Present :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the Timaru Borough Council is a body of persons having power to lease lands held in trust, reserved, or set apart for public purposes, and has requested the Governor-General in Council to declare it to be a leasing authority within the meaning of the Public Bodies' Leases Act, 1908 :

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, in compliance with such request, and in exercise of the powers in this behalf conferred by the above-mentioned Act, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby order and declare that the Timaru Borough Council is a leasing authority within the meaning of the Public Bodies' Leases Act, 1908.

F. D. THOMSON,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

*Commission.*

JELlicoe, Governor-General.

To all to whom these presents shall come, and to HORATIO JOHN HOOPER BLOW, Esq., I.S.O.; FREDERICK WILLIAM FURKERT, Esq., A.M.I.C.E., A.M.L.M.E., Engineer-in-Chief and Under-Secretary, Public Works Department; HERBERT BUXTON, Esq., Chief Traffic Manager, New Zealand Railways; and GORDON HURRELL MORLAND McCLURE, Esq., Commissioner of Crown Lands and Chief Surveyor for the Wellington Land District; all of Wellington.

WHEREAS it is desired to ascertain whether the tramway and timber rights of the Taupo Totara Timber Company (Limited) should be acquired by the Crown, or what action (if any) should be taken with respect thereto :

Now, therefore, I, John Rushworth, Viscount Jellicoe, Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, in exercise of the powers conferred by the Commissions of Inquiry Act, 1908, and of all other powers and authorities enabling me in this behalf, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, do hereby constitute and appoint you, the said

HORATIO JOHN HOOPER BLOW,  
FREDERICK WILLIAM FURKERT,  
HERBERT BUXTON, and  
GORDON HURRELL MORLAND McCLURE

to be a Commission for the purpose of inquiring by all lawful means into all matters connected with the Taupo Totara

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Timber Company's estate, rights, and interests, and in particular to report,—

- (1.) Whether the acquisition by the Crown of the tramway (or railway) constructed by the said company from Putaruru to Mokai would be in the best interests of the State. If so, at what price, and on what terms and conditions ?
- (2.) If the purchase of the whole of the tramway (or railway) is not recommended, is the purchase of part thereof deemed advisable, and (if so) what part ?
- (3.) If the purchase of the whole or part of the tramway (or railway) is recommended, what is the estimated cost of bringing it into such a condition as would render it suitable for incorporation into the general railway system of New Zealand ?
- (4.) If purchase of the tramway (or railway) is not deemed desirable, whether the Crown should continue to regulate the scale of charges thereover, and whether it should make any arrangement with the company as to the future control of the tramway, and (if so) on what basis ?
- (5.) Whether any advantage to the State would be gained by extending such tramway (or railway) beyond the present terminus at Mokai.
- (6.) Whether it would be in the public interests for the existing timber rights of the said company to be acquired by the Crown and worked by one or more of the State Departments.
- (7.) Whether any further timber rights or lands in the vicinity of the company's timber rights or tramway should be acquired by the Crown, and (if so) what particular areas or forests.
- (8.) What action (if any) should be taken by the Government to develop in the best manner the areas of Native and Crown land served by the said tramway that are considered suitable for settlement purposes.
- (9.) Whether any of the remaining rights of the said company over land or any other matter should be acquired by the Crown, and (if so) for what purpose and at what price.
- (10.) Generally, any other matter bearing on the development of settlement on the areas served by the said tramway or any proposed extension thereof.

And, with the like advice and consent, I do further appoint you, HORATIO JOHN HOOPER BLOW, to be the Chairman of the said Commission.

And you are hereby authorized to conduct any inquiries under these presents at such times and places as you deem expedient, with power to adjourn from time to time and place to place as you think fit, and to call before you and examine on oath (or otherwise) such persons as you think capable of affording you information as to the matters aforesaid, and to call for and examine all such documents as you deem likely to afford you information on any such matters.

And, using all due diligence, you are required to report to me under your hands and seals not later than the thirtieth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and twenty, your opinion on the aforesaid matters.

And you are hereby strictly charged and directed that you shall not at any time publish or otherwise disclose, save to me in pursuance of these presents or by my direction, the contents or purport of any report so made or to be made by you.

And it is hereby further declared that these presents shall continue in force although the inquiry is not regularly continued from time to time or from place to place.

And, lastly, it is hereby further declared that these presents are issued under and subject to the provisions of the Commissions of Inquiry Act, 1908.

Given under the hand of his Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand; and issued under the Seal of that Dominion, at the Government House at Wellington, this 11th day of October, 1920.

D. H. GUTHRIE, Minister of Lands.

Approved in Executive Council.

F. D. THOMSON,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

GOD SAVE THE KING !

*Amending the Description of a Reserve in the Auckland Land District.*

JELlicoe, Governor-General.

WHEREAS by the three-hundred-and-twenty-fifth section of the Land Act, 1908, it is enacted that where there has been any error of description made in any notification of any intended reserve, or where there appears a great discrepancy in the area of any intended reserve after the same shall have been surveyed, the Governor-General may cancel any notification that may have been made in respect of such reserve, and issue fresh notification in respect thereof, with amended particulars and description :