Notice as to Areas in Otago and Southland Land Districts declared to be Fire Districts.

State Forest Service.

State Forest Service, Wellington, 29th December, 1924. PURSUANT to section 27 of the Forests Act, 1921–22, I do hereby notify that, on the recommendations of the Director of Forestry and the Land Boards of the districts, the areas described in the Schedule hereto are hereby declared by me to be fire districts; and I do further specify the period from the 15th day of November, in any year to the 15th day of April in the following year (inclusive), as the period during which it shall not be lawful for any person within the said districts, save pursuant to the written permit of a forest officer, to set on fire, or cause to be set on fire, any timber (whether standing or not), or any undergrowth, or any debris from forest operations or land-clearing operations, or any grass or other specially inflammable material without taking such precautions as may be prescribed by a forest officer.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT .--- RIMU FOREST FIRE DISTRICT. Total Area, 107,300 acres.

Portion I.

Southland-Otago Land District boundary, and running in an easterly direction generally by a right line parallel to the northern boundary of Provisional State Forest No. 37 (New Zealand Gazette, 1921, page 2617) to the bush edge; thence by the bush edge north of Athlone Hill and south of Catlins Cone to a point 40 chains from the most northerly point of Provisional State Forest No. 37, and continuing in an easterly direction generally by a line parallel to and 40 chains from the northern boundary of the aforesaid provisional State forest to its intersection with Catlins River; thence due north to the bush edge, Block VI, Catlins Survey District; thence by the bush edge to the western boundary of Section 10. Block VI, Catlins Survey District; thence in a south-easterly direction by the said boundary to a public road; thence crossing the road to the north-east corner of Section 5 Block VI, Catlins Survey District; thence in a south-easterly direction generally by a road forming the north-eastern boundary of Sections 5 and 6, Block VI, and of Section II, Block V, Catlins Survey District; thence in a south-westerly direction along the south-east boundary of the aforesaid section 11 to a public road; thence across and by that road to the north-eastern corner of Section 5, Block V aforesaid; thence by the eastern boundary of the last-mentioned section and in an easterly direction generally by the northern bound-aries of Sections 3 and 12, Block V, and Section 16, Block VII, Catlins Survey District; thence in a north-easterly direction generally by a public road and the western boundary of Section 19, Block VII aforesaid, to another public road; thence by that road to the south-west corner of Section 22, Block VII aforesaid; thence by the western and northern boundaries of the aforesaid Section 22, and the western boundary of Section 21, Block VII, Catlins Survey District; across and by a road to another public road and by that road to a closed road; thence in a south-easterly direction generally along the southern side of the closed road to the north-east corner of Section 36, Block I, Catlins Survey District; thence in a southerly direction generally to the south-west corner of Section 47, Block I aforesaid; thence by the south-western boundary of the said Section 47 and the south-eastern and boundary of the boundaries of Section 46, Block I aforesaid, to a public road; thence crossing the road and in a south-westerly direction generally by the south-eastern boundary of Section 57, Block I aforesaid, to a point in line with the north-eastern boundary of Section 58, Block I aforesaid; thence by the north-eastern, southern, and western boundaries of that section to the south-east corner of Section 4, Block VII, Catlins Survey District; thence in a westerly direction generally by the southern boundary of the said Section 4; thence crossing a south-western boundaries of Section 46, Block I aforesaid, public road and by the northern edge of that road to a point in line with the eastern boundary of Section 7, Block VII aforesaid; thence by the eastern and southern boundaries of Section 7 aforesaid, across a road, and the southern and western boundaries of Section 11, Block VII aforesaid; thence in a northerly direction to the south-east corner of Section 14, Block VII aforesaid; thence by the southern the eastern boundaries of Sections 19 and 16, Block XI,

boundary of that section and the eastern boundary of Section 1, Block V, Catlins Survey District, to the Catlins River; thence crossing the aforesaid river; thence in a south-easterly direction generally along the northern and eastern boundaries of Section 8, Block V, Woodland Survey District, across a public road, by the northern and eastern boundaries of Section 6, Block V aforesaid; again, crossing a road, by the northern, eastern, and southern boundaries of Section 17A and the eastern boundary of Section 18, Block V aforesaid. to a public road; thence by the northern side of the aforesaid road to a road-junction at the north-east corner of Section 1, Block V, Woodland Survey District; thence, crossing the road, along the eastern and southern boundaries crossing the road, along the eastern and southern boundaries of the said Section 1; thence by the eastern and south-western boundaries of Section 29, Block XIV, Rimu Survey District; and, crossing a road, by the southern boundary of Section 31 and the south-eastern and southern bound-aries of Section 32, Block XIV, Rimu Survey District; thence due south across the Maclennan River and its ringrigan recovers to the northern boundary of Section 10 riparian reserves to the northern boundary of Section 19, Block XIV, Rimu Survey District; thence by the northern and western boundaries of the aforesaid Section 19; and thence by the north-eastern and north-western boundaries of Section 9, Block XIV, Rimu Survey District; thence by the north-western boundary of Section 8, Block XIV aforesaid; across and by a public road to the south-western boundary of Section 9, Block XIII, Rimu Survey District; thence by the last-mentioned boundary and the eastern boundaries of Sections 7 and 19, Block IX, Rimu Survey District, to the river-bank reserves of the Tahakopa River; thence, crossing the aforesaid river and its reserves to the northern boundary of Section 1, Block II, Tautuku Survey District, in an easterly direction generally by the Survey District, in an easterly direction generally by the last-mentioned boundary to a public road, and in a southerly direction generally by the aforesaid public road and across another public road to the north-west corner of Section 6, Block III, Tautuku Survey District; thence in a south-easterly direction generally by the northern boundaries of Sections 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12, Block III aforesaid, and Sections 16, 18, 21, 22, and 24, Block IV, Tautuku Survey District; thence in a southerly direction generally by the eastern boundary of Section 24 and the north-eastern Survey District; thence in a southerly direction generally by the eastern boundary of Section 24 and the north-eastern boundaries of Section 30 to a public road and the eastern boundaries of Sections 7 and 6, Block IV, Tautuku Survey District; thence in a westerly direction generally by the southern boundaries of Sections 6 and 5, Block IV aforesaid; thence, across a public road, by the northern boundary of Section 24, Block VIII, Tautuku Survey District; thence by the western boundary of Section 28, across a public road, the southern boundary of Section 34, by the eastern and southern boundaries of Section 33, the southern boundary of Section 32, and the southern and western boundaries of Sec-tion 31. and the southern and western boundaries of Sec-, and the southern and western boundaries of Section 37, all of Block VIII, Tautuku Survey District; thence crossing a public road and the Fleming River with its reserves on both banks to the south-eastern corner of Section 11, Block VIII, Tautuku Survey District ; thence by the southern boundaries of Sections 11, 9, and 8, Block VIII aforesaid, and Section 21, Block X, Tautuku Survey District, to the south-east corner of Section 20, Block X aforesaid; thence by the left bank reserve of the Tautuku River to the shores of an affluent creek which flows more or less centrally through Section 20, Block X, Tautuku Survey District; thence in a southerly direction generally across the Tautuku River and its riparian reserves, and across the Riverside Road, to the north-east corner of Section 3, Block X, Tautuku Survey District; thence by the whole of the eastern boundary of the aforesaid Section 3; thence in a westerly direction generally by the southern boundary of the aforesaid Section 3 and across the Hukihuki Road at its junction with the Pokuku Road; thence across the Pokuku Road and by the Hukihuki Road to the south-east corner of Section 5 (scenic reserve), Block X, Tautuku Survey District; thence by the southern bound-ary of the aforesaid Section 5; thence across the Waipati Beach to the northern end of the bridge across the Waipati Estuary; thence in a south-easterly direction generally across the estuary and the estuary bank reserve to the north-east corner of Section 2, Block XIV, Tautuku Survey District; thence by the eastern and southern boundaries of the afore-said Section 2 and the southern and western boundaries of Section 6, Block XIII, Tautuku Survey District, to the Potiki Road, across the aforesaid road, and by the western boundary of Section 10 (road reserve), Block XIII aforesaid, across the Waipati Road and the Waipati River and its riparian reserves; thence by the reserve on the left bank of the last-mentioned river to the north-western corner of the aforesaid Section 6; thence in an easterly direction generally by the north-western and eastern boundaries of the said Section 6 the northern boundary of Section 21,