

A PROCLAMATION

Blue Mountains Forest Reserve, Oreg. Preamble. Vol. 33, p. 2331. *Asfs*, pp. 3194, 3066. Vol. 26, p. 1103.

WHEREAS, the Blue Mountains Forest Reserve and the Maury Mountain Forest Reserve, in the State of Oregon, have been heretofore established by proclamations, under the provisions of the act of March third, eighteen hundred and ninety-one, entitled, "An act to repeal timber-culture laws, and for other purposes;"

And whereas, it appears desirable that the areas embraced in said forest reserves, with certain additions thereto, in the State of Oregon, should be included in one reserve and be distinguished by one name; and it appears that the public lands in the State of Oregon, which are hereinafter indicated, are in part covered with timber, and that the public good would be promoted by setting apart the same as a public reservation;

Consolidation of the Maury Mountain Forest Reserve with the Blue Mountains Forest Reserve, Oreg. Vol. 30, p. 36.

Now, therefore, I, Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the power in me vested by the Act of Congress, approved June fourth, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, entitled, "An Act Making appropriations for sundry civil expenses of the Government for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and for other purposes," do proclaim that the proclamations heretofore issued respecting said forest reserves are hereby superseded, and the Blue Mountains Forest Reserve is hereby enlarged to include all of the said lands, with boundaries as shown on the diagram forming a part hereof;

Lands excepted.

Excepting from the force and effect of this proclamation all lands which are at this date embraced in any legal entry or covered by any lawful filing or selection duly of record in the proper United States Land Office, or upon which any valid settlement has been made pursuant to law, and the statutory period within which to make entry or filing of record has not expired; and also excepting all lands which at this date are embraced within any withdrawal or reservation for any use or purpose to which this reservation for forest uses is inconsistent: Provided, that these exceptions shall not continue to apply to any particular tract of land unless the entryman, settler, or claimant continues to comply with the law under which the entry, filing, or settlement was made, or unless the reservation or withdrawal to which this reservation is inconsistent continues in force; not excepting from the force and effect of this proclamation, however, any land within the boundary herein described, which has been withdrawn to protect the coal therein but this proclamation does not vacate any such coal land withdrawal; and provided that these exceptions shall not apply to any land embraced in any selection, entry or filing, which has been allowed or permitted to remain of record subject to the creation of a permanent reservation.

Coal lands.

Reserved from settlement.

Warning is hereby given to all persons not to make settlement upon the lands reserved by this proclamation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington this 2d day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seven, and of [SEAL.] the Independence of the United States the one hundred and thirty-first.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT

By the President:
ELIHU ROOT
Secretary of State.

