

Walker River Agency
Schurz, Nevada
April 25, 1930

Mr. John E. Anderson,
Examiner of Inheritance,
Box 494,
Carson City, Nevada

My dear Mr. Anderson:

With reference to the case of Joe McLaughlin which you spoke to me about while in Yerington on April 24, I am enclosing herewith a copy of the letter received from the Commissioner which upholds your decision in the case.

Hoping that you made your trip to Las Vegas without any further trouble, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Aug. W. Parrett,
Superintendent

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OPTION

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This OPTION made this 20th day of January, 1923, by and between Joe McLaughlin, an Indian, residing in Mono County, State of California, Seller and the Sierra Construction Co, a corporation, Buyer.

Received of the Sierra Construction Co. \$50.00 as part payment, for the following described lands; and water-rights in Mono County, California.

East half of the Northeast quarter of sec. 9, and the West half of the Northwest quarter of sec. 10, Township 1, South Range 26 East, N.D.E. and M., together with all water, water-rights and riparian rights appertaining thereto or part thereof. The price to be \$2800 (twenty eight hundred) and the balance of \$2750, (twenty seven hundred and fifty dollars) to be paid upon the approval of the sale of said lands, by Government authorities and upon payment of which balance, the undersigned agrees to convey by good and sufficient conveyance, all of said property to said Sierra Construction Co., or if assigning of this OPTION dated Mono Lake, California, January 20th 1923.

E. J. North
R. L. Lovell
Witnesses

Joe McLaughlin
Seller
Sierra Construction
Buyer *by Co. Sec.*

Attest:

DESCRIPTION CHECKED AND APPROVED

Joe McLaughlin

Bishop, California. Feb. 13. 1923.

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:-

There is enclosed herewith, a "Petition For the Sale of Land by Original Allottee", signed by Joe McLaughlin, Indian of this jurisdiction, of the Mono Lake Band.

On account of McLaughlin and his wife being advanced in years, and on account of the severely cold winters, the high altitude and consequently short seasons, I believe it to the best interests of this Indian to dispose of his allotment, and in lieu thereof that he be re-located in the vicinity of Bishop or elsewhere in the Owens Valley where conditions are more favorable for a home and garden.

The allottee has expressed his desire to be re-located in such a manner.

The Petition is submitted in duplicate form for consideration by the Office, but before the remaining papers in connection with the report can be made, I wish to make a detailed personal investigation of the premises.

It will be noted that I have made an estimated valuation of the property based on its water right, as \$3200., whereas an offer has been submitted by the Southern Sierra's Construction Company of \$2800. I consider the offer as made as being a good one, but I would not wish to approve of same until more thoroughly investigated.

The water and water rights of the Mono Lake Basin are in demand by both the Sierra Construction Company, which is an adjunct of the Southern Sierra's Power Company, and the City of Los Angeles Power and Water Company, which are two separate and distinct companies. While it is of course the desire of the Sierra Company in submitting their offer, that the sale be considered a private sale, whereas I am of the opinion that the matter might advantageously be submitted to open bid.

Should the Office approve of the consummation of sale in this manner, I will proceed to invite
Very truly yours.

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ADDRESS ONLY THE
COMMISSIONER OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

REPLY TO THE FOLLOWING:

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
WASHINGTON

at

MAR -3 1923

Mr. Ray R. Parrett,
Supt., Bishop School.

My dear Mr. Parrett:

In reply to your letter of February 13, 1923, you are advised that you may advertise the allotment of Joe McLaughlin at \$3,200. for 60 days, giving special notice to the Sierra Construction Company, Southern Sierras Power Company and the City of Los Angeles Power and Water Company.

The two copies of petition for sale submitted with your letter are returned. The original is to accompany the sale papers when they are forwarded.

Very truly yours,



Chief Clerk.

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The Southern Sierras Power Company

Bishop, Calif.
March 19th, 1923.

OUR FILE NO.

YOUR FILE NO.

Mr. Ray A. Parrett, Superintendent,
United States Indian Service,
Bishop, Calif.

Dear Mr. Parrett:-

In confirmation of my verbal statement to you on March 18th, 1923, I herewith bid, on behalf of the Sierras Construction Company and The Southern Sierras Power Company, either one or both, the sum of \$5200.00 for the Joe McLaughlin allotment of 160 acres on Rush Creek in Mono County, California.

This offer is made in response to your letter of March 14th, 1923, which states in the third paragraph that "In accordance with instructions, this is to be advertised at this price, for a period of sixty days".

This offer will be guaranteed within the next week by a substantial cash payment to you on behalf of Joe McLaughlin.

Yours very truly,

C. H. Hardy
Engineer.

cc Mr. J. S. Bordwell,
Riverside, Calif.

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ADDRESS ONLY THE
COMMISSIONER OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

REFER IN REPLY TO THE FOLLOWING:

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

WASHINGTON

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Mr. Ray R. Parrett,
Supt., Bishop School.

My dear Mr. Parrett:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 12, 1923, reporting the receipt of an offer of \$3200 from The Sierra Construction Company for the allotment of Joe McLaughlin appraised at that amount.

In a letter of March 3, 1923, you were given permission to advertise the land for sixty days, giving special notice to The Sierra Construction Co., The Southern Sierras Power Company, and the City of Los Angeles Power and Water Company. Under the regulations and instructions from the Office the land should have been advertised for sixty days and no bids opened until the end of that time. It is probable that the other companies, and possibly some private individuals may wish to bid, and believe they have sixty days from the date of the advertisement to submit their bids. You may continue the advertisement for full sixty days, or even extend the same for another ten days if the advertisement has been withdrawn. If the Sierra Construction Company submitted an open bid, you may return the same and call their attention to the regulations which require that all bids "shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope which must be marked by the bidder 'Bid for Indian Land', and state the date of opening, but the description of the land shall not be noted on the envelope".

Also please note the instructions on page 9 of the enclosed copy of the Rules and Regulations.

Very truly yours,



Chief Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE
OF THE
CITY OF LOS ANGELES
LEGAL DEPARTMENT

W. E. MATHEWS
SPECIAL COUNSEL

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May 31, 1923.

Mr. Ray R. Parrett,
Superintendent,
Bishop Indian Agency or School,
Bishop, California.

Dear Sir:-

Re: Purchase of Joe McLaughlin
Indian Allotment No. 94.

This communication is written for the purpose of making formal bid, under seal, of \$4320.00 for the purchase of Joe McLaughlin Indian Allotment consisting of,

East half ($E\frac{1}{2}$) of Northeast quarter ($NE\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Nine (9); and West half ($W\frac{1}{2}$) of Northwest quarter ($NW\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Ten (10), Township One (1) South, Range twenty-six (26) east, M.D.M., Mono County, California.

Attached hereto please find demand on the City Treasurer of the City of Los Angeles in the sum of \$4320.00 in favor of Superintendent, Bishop Indian Agency, which is hereby tendered as payment in full for the hereinbefore described premises, with the exception of the necessary incidental expenses connected therewith.

Yours very truly,

BOARD OF PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSIONERS
OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES,

By R. H. Del Valle President,
And Jack Brown Secretary.

FNH:LM

Allot.	Allottee.	Appraised Value.
94.	Joe McLaughlin.	\$3200.

Description.

E-1/2 of the NE-1/4 of Sec. 9. and the W-1/2 of the NW-1/4 of Sec. 10 in Twp. 1-S, R. 26-E. M.D.M., California., containing 160 acres.

FORM OF BID RECOMMENDED.

I hereby submit a bid on the allotment of Joe McLaughlin, Allottee No. 94. described as (insert description).

My bid on this land is \$_____.

A certified check for 10 per-cent \$_____ is enclosed herewith.

Sign full name and give post office address.

*Adm in R O. and Twp Co Register
June 20.*

PUBLIC SALE OF INDIAN LAND.

AT BISHOP INDIAN AGENCY-----BISHOP, CALIFORNIA.

JUNE 30, 1923.

Sealed bids for the tract of Indian land as listed below, will be opened at 4:00 P.M. June 30, 1923, at the Indian Agency, Bishop, California. Bidders, owners and interested parties may be present. Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check, draft, or certificate of deposit on some solvent bank payable to the order of the Superintendent, Bishop Indian Agency, for ten, (10) per cent of the amount offered. If the bid is accepted and the successful bidder shall fail to comply with the terms of his bid within thirty (30) days after due notice of acceptance such check or exchange will be forfeited for the use of the owner of the land. All bids or offers should be marked and enclosed in a sealed envelope, plainly indicated on the envelope "Bid for Indian Land, to be opened June 30, 1923". The description of the land should not be indicated on the envelope. In no case shall a bid be ~~accepted~~ less than the appraised valuation of the land. Cost of advertising and conveyances, if any, must be paid by the purchaser at \$1.50 if sale price is less than \$1000., \$2.00 if sale price is more than \$1000. and less than \$2000., and \$2.50 if sale price is more than \$2000.

In conformity with Indian Office Regulations of June 15, 1920, approved by the Assistant Secretary, June 24, 1920, made under the Indian Appropriation Act of February 14, 1920, Public No. 141-66th Congress, the purchaser will be required to deposit with the Superintendent of the Bishop Agency, Bishop, California, in addition to the consideration for the land, the sum of \$20.00, such amount to be paid when the purchaser is notified that he is the successful bidder, this amount to be in addition to the cost of conveyances and advertising fees under the regulations governing the sale of allotted and inherited Indian lands.

The award is made to the highest bidder. The right to reject any and all bids is reserved to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs. There will be no sale until approved by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs. Lands sold will be conveyed direct to the purchaser by Patent in Fee simple from the United States.

Each patent issued will contain the following clause: "And there is reserved from the lands hereby granted a right of way thereon for ditches or canals constructed by the authority of the United States".

Terms of Payment are as follows: Ten percent (10 percent) of purchase price with the bid and balance of ninety (90 per cent) percent within thirty (30) days after notice of acceptance of bid by the heirs or allottees.

Additional information can be given upon request of the Superintendent Indian Service, Bishop, California.

May 1, 1923

Ray E. Barrett.
Superintendent.

Bishop, California. July.3.1923.

Sierras Construction Company,
C/O A.S.Cooper, Asst Treasurer.
Riverside, California.

Dear Sir:-

The bids received on the sale of the Joe McLaughlin land are as follows:

Sierras Construction Company-----	\$3250.00
C.H.Rhudy-----	4300.00
City of Los. Angeles-----	4320.00

The bid submitted by the City of Los. Angeles is is therefore the highest bid received.

Certified check no. 1986 for \$325. representing 10% of the amount Bid is herewith returned, payable to your order.

Please sign and mail the enclosed card acknowledging receipt.

Very truly yours.

Superintendent.

Enc.