
PETITION.

To the Honourable the Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, in Parliament assembled:

We, the undersigned landowners in Township 16, Sumas Municipality, petition your honourable body that—

Whereas we do not want to be forced into a doubtful and expensive dyking scheme, viz.: the Sumas Reclamation Scheme, as our lands lie in such a position that we can protect all lands lying within the following boundaries from overflow by the annual rise of the Fraser River:—

Commencing at a point on the high land; thence along the flat to Roscoe's Ridge, 16 chains; thence along said ridge to westerly bank of Sumas River; thence along said river bank to the International boundary line; thence along said boundary to Huntingdon Hill; 2,500 (twenty-five hundred) acres, more or less.

K. L. Burnett, C.E., of Vancouver, has agreed to undertake the work and furnish the necessary machinery to do the pumping for \$10,000 (ten thousand dollars), dyke and floodgate to stand the test of one high water before receiving any money for said work.

Therefore we, your petitioners, ask your honourable body to exempt the district described above from the Sumas Reclamation Scheme, in order that we may proceed with the work as soon as possible. We can keep out the water of 1894 if allowed to go on.

And we, your petitioners, will ever pray.

S. G. CHAPMAN,
THOS. F. YORK,
ROBERT PARKER,
THOMAS MORAN,
A. ROSCOE,
S. J. RECORD,
T. ACKERMAN,
A. E. MANN.

Upper Sumas, B.C., Feb. 27th, 1894