

CLAIMANT
~~MINERALS~~
 NAME OF OWNER

#143 - Fox, E. B. - Agt. P.G. & B.C.

Number of Acres: 382

Location: Top of Blue Ridge north of Thornton Gap.

Roads: It is 1 mile over a rough road to the State Highway at Thornton Gap and thence 8 miles to Luray, the nearest shipping point.

Soil: The soil is a sandy loam of fair depth and fertility. It is very rocky except around the house where 50-60 acres is comparatively free of rock. The top of Mountain is gently rolling but the eastern slopes are steep.

History of Tract and condition of timber: The bark and other products were removed many years ago and there is no merchantable timber left. There has been little fire in recent years, and on the lower side there is some good locust, oak and poplar to 4" DBH. The grazing land is good but parts are rocky. There is some brush on the lower side. A part of the Page Co. side is brushy.

Improvements: One-- 6 room, 2 story frame house with metal roof, plastered in good condition-- one 6 room abandoned house, shingle and metal roof, frame and log, 1 log and frame barn, shingle roof, fair condition.

Acreage and value of types:

Types	Acreage		Value per acre	Total Value
Ridge: --	5	@	\$1.00	\$5.00
Slope: ---	221	@	3.00	663.00
Cove: --	17	@	5.00	85.00
Grazing Land: --	136	@	26.23	3567.28
Fields Restocking:				
Cultivated Land: ---	2	@	26.23	52.46
Orchard: --	1	@	50.00	\$4372.74
Minerals:	391			50.00
				<u>\$4422.74</u>
Value of Land: \$	4372.74			
Value of Improvements: \$	910.00			910.00
Value of Orchard: \$	50.00			<u>\$5332.74</u>
Value of Minerals: \$				
Value of Fruit: \$				
Value of Timber: \$				
Value of Wood: \$				
Value per acre for tract: \$	13.99			

Incidental damages arising from the taking of this tract: \$ None.

Part of tract in Page Co.

Geo. H. Pennington
 CLERK

Claim of E. B. Fox Agent
In the Circuit Court of Roanoke County, Virginia, No. 149, At Law.
The State Commission on Conservation and Development of the State of Virginia, Petitioner, vs. Clifton Aylor et al and 37400 acres

more or less, of land in Rappahannock County, Virginia, Defendants.
The undersigned, in answer to the petition of the State Commission on Conservation and Development of the State of Virginia, and in response to the notice of condemnation awarded upon the filing of said petition and published in accordance with the order of the Circuit Court of Rappahannock County, Virginia, asks leave of the Court to file this as his answer to said petition and to said notice.

My name is E. B. Fox Agent
My Post Office Address is Kinland, Va

I claim a right, title, estate or interest in a tract or parcel of land within the area sought to be condemned, containing about 396 acres, on which there are the following buildings and improvements: Two six room houses and beam granary and out buildings enclosed with a wire fence

This land is located about 7 miles from Beaman Virginia, in the Piedmont Magisterial District of said County.

I claim the following right, title, estate or interest in the tract or parcel of land described above: (In this space claimant should say whether he is sole owner or joint owner, and if joint owner give names of the joint owners. If claimant is not sole or joint owner, he should set out exactly what right, title, estate or interest he has in or to the tract or parcel of land described above).

E. B. Fox 1/2 interest P. B. Fox 1/4 interest
B. G. Fox 1/4 interest

The land owners adjacent to the above described tract or parcel of land are as follows:
North Sander Bros & J. J. Heister
South M. J. Menifer & James Ramey
East A. J. Clark & E. S. Miller
West B. G. Strickler & E. N. Hershberger

I acquired my right, title, estate or interest to this property about the year 1910 in the following manner:
from Elmer Eliser

I claim that the total value of this tract or parcel of land with the improvements thereon is \$ 17,820. I claim that the total value of my right, title, estate or interest, in and to this tract or parcel of land with the improvements thereon is \$ 8,910.00

I am the owner of _____ acres of land adjoining the above described tract or parcel of land but lying outside the Park area, which I claim will be damaged by the proposed condemnation of lands within the Park area, to the extent of \$ _____.

(In the space below should be set out any additional statements or information as to this claim which claimant desires to make; and if practicable he should also insert here a description of the tract or parcel of land by metes and bounds)

Remarks: We make this price to hold good for two years only this 7 June - 1930

(Continue remarks if necessary on the back).

Witness my signature (or my name and mark attached hereto) this 7 day of June, 1930. E. B. Fox Agent

STATE OF VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF Page, To-wit:

The undersigned hereby certifies that E. B. Fox Agent the above named claimant personally appeared before him and made oath that the matters and things appearing in his above answer are true to the best of his knowledge and belief, this 7 day of June, 1930.

my com Et Aug 13-1932 E. N. Hershberger
Clerk of the Court, or Special Investigator or Notary Public, or Justice of the Peace.

County: Rappahannock
 District: Piedmont

#143 - E. B., P. G., & B. C. Fox.

<u>X</u> <u>Acreage Claimed:</u>	396	Assessed:	390.90	Deed: 390.89
<u>Value Claimed:</u>	\$17,820.00	Assessed:	\$1664.00	Deed: \$3906.40

Area:

Location: Top of the Blue Ridge north of Thornton Gap.

Incumbrances, counter claims or laps: The area claimed by J. W. Ramey overlaps this tract at the southeast corner to the extent of nine acres, for which a separate report has been prepared.

Soil: The soil is a sandy loam of fair depth and fertility. It is very rocky except around the house where 50-60 acres is comparatively free of rock. The top of the mountain is gently rolling, but the eastern slopes are steep.

Roads: It is one mile over a rough road to the State Highway at Thornton Gap and thence eight miles to Luray, the nearest shipping point.

History of tract and condition of timber: The bark and other products were removed many years ago and there is no merchantable timber left. There has been little fire in recent years and on the lower side there is some good locust, oak, and poplar to 4" DBH. The grazing land is good, but parts are rocky. There is some brush on the lower side. A part of the Page County side is brushy.

Improvements: Dwelling: Occupied by J. H. Armentrout a tenant. Frame, 16x32', with 14x16', L, weatherboarded, metal roof, 2 story, 6 rooms, plastered walls and ceilings, with only board partitions, unpainted, good condition - valued at ----- \$400.00

Unoccupied house: 24x36', with 16x20', addition, weatherboard over log, 2 big rock chimneys, dilapidated and run down, used by owner as camp, metal and shingle roof, 6 rooms, 2 unfurnished -100.00

Barn: 18x48', log and frame, pole rafters, 12x38' shed, shingle roof, in fair condition. 200.00

Spring house: Log, shingle roof, 10x12' - 25.00

Smoke house: Frame, 8x10', shingle roof 15.00

Hen house: Frame, 8x14' -- 10.00

Corn crib: Log, 8x10', shingle roof - 10.00

Granary: Frame, 18x18', shingle roof. 50.00

\$810.00

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Improvements: Cont'd --

Orchard: There are 50 neglected apple trees of mixed varieties.
Fences: The fences are of woven wire and barbed wire and the place is cut up by a number of interior fences.

<u>Buildings:</u>	\$2000.00
<u>Fences:</u>	250.00
<u>Clearing:</u>	400.00
	<u>\$2650.00 - Total</u>

Area and value of land by types:

Rappahannock County

<u>Type</u>	<u>Acreege</u>	<u>Value per acre</u>	<u>Total Value</u>
Ridge	5	\$1.00	\$5.00
Slope	226	3.00	678.00
Cove	17	5.00	85.00
Grazing land	136	35.00	4760.00
Tillable land	2	35.00	70.00
Orchard	1	50.00	--
	<u>387</u>	Land	<u>\$5398.00</u>
		Improvements & orchard	<u>860.00</u>
		Total for Rappahannock	<u>\$6458.00</u>

Page County

<u>Type</u>	<u>Acreege</u>	<u>Value per acre</u>	<u>Total Value</u>
Slope	66	\$3.00	\$198.00
Grazing Land	40	25.00	1000.00
	<u>106</u>		<u>\$1198.00</u>

Summary

<u>Type</u>	<u>Area</u>	<u>Value per acre</u>	<u>Total Value</u>
Ridge	5	\$1.00	\$5.00
Slope	292	3.00	876.00
Cove	17	5.00	85.00
Grazing land	176	25&35	5760.00
Tillable land	2	35.00	70.00
Orchard	1	50.00	--
	<u>493</u>		<u>\$6796.00</u>

Average land value per acre -- \$13.59.

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S. H. MARSH, SUPERVISOR
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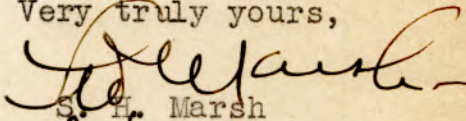
August 7, 1931

Mr. M. A. Price, Chairman
Board of Appraisal Commissioners
Rappahannock County

Dear Sir:

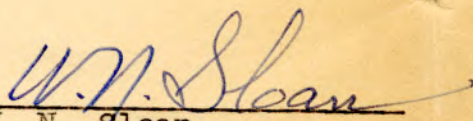
I have checked the map of the E. B.,
P. G. and B. C. Fox Tract #143, submitted by
B. C. Strickler to substantiate his claim that
the tract contains 583.62 acres, and find that
the area of the map submitted is only 502 acres.
Apparently an error was made in the calculation.

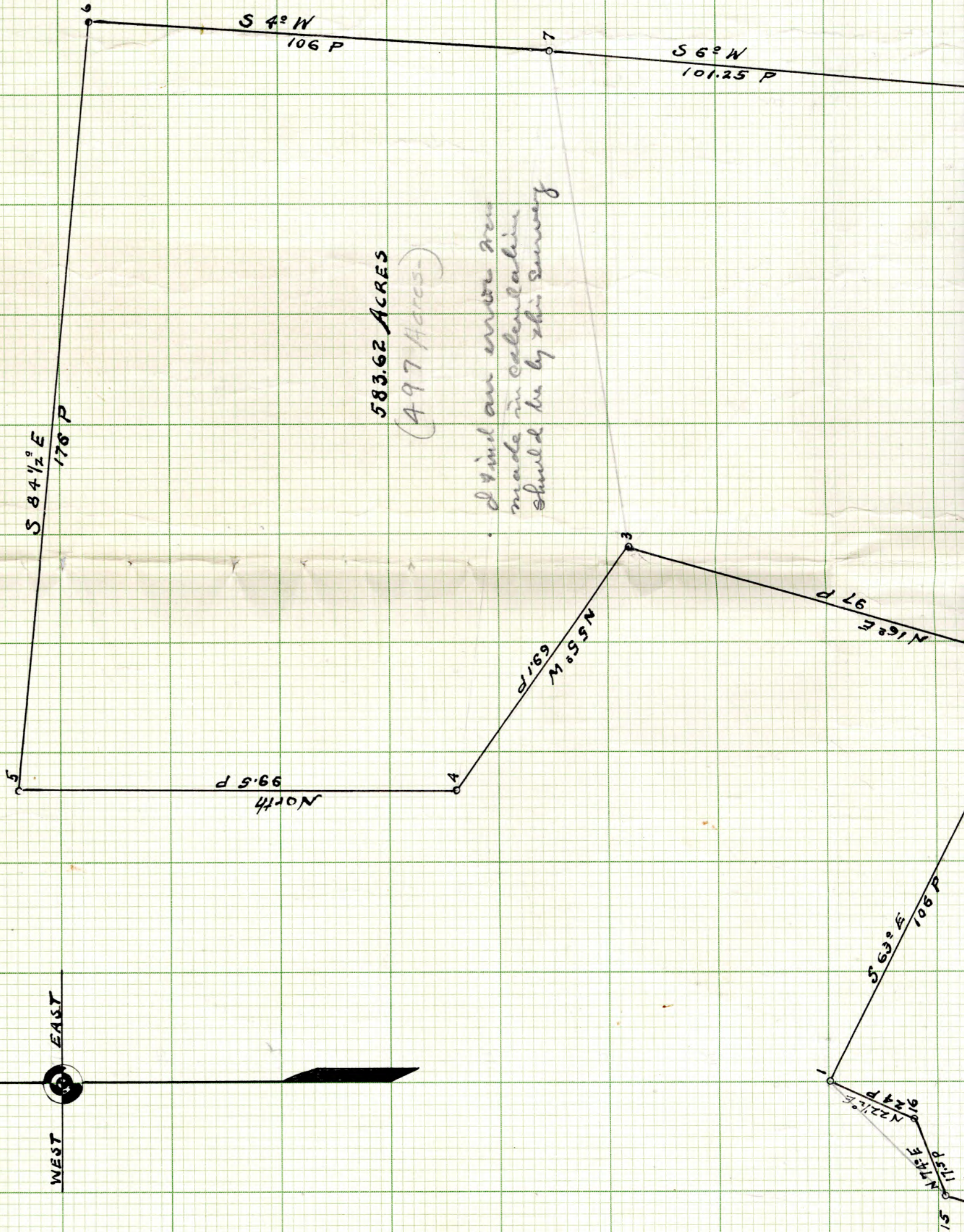
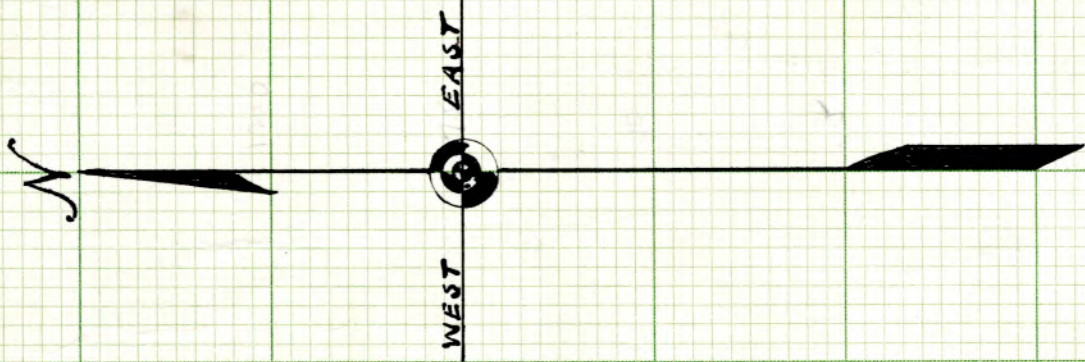
Very truly yours,


S. H. Marsh
Park Supervisor.

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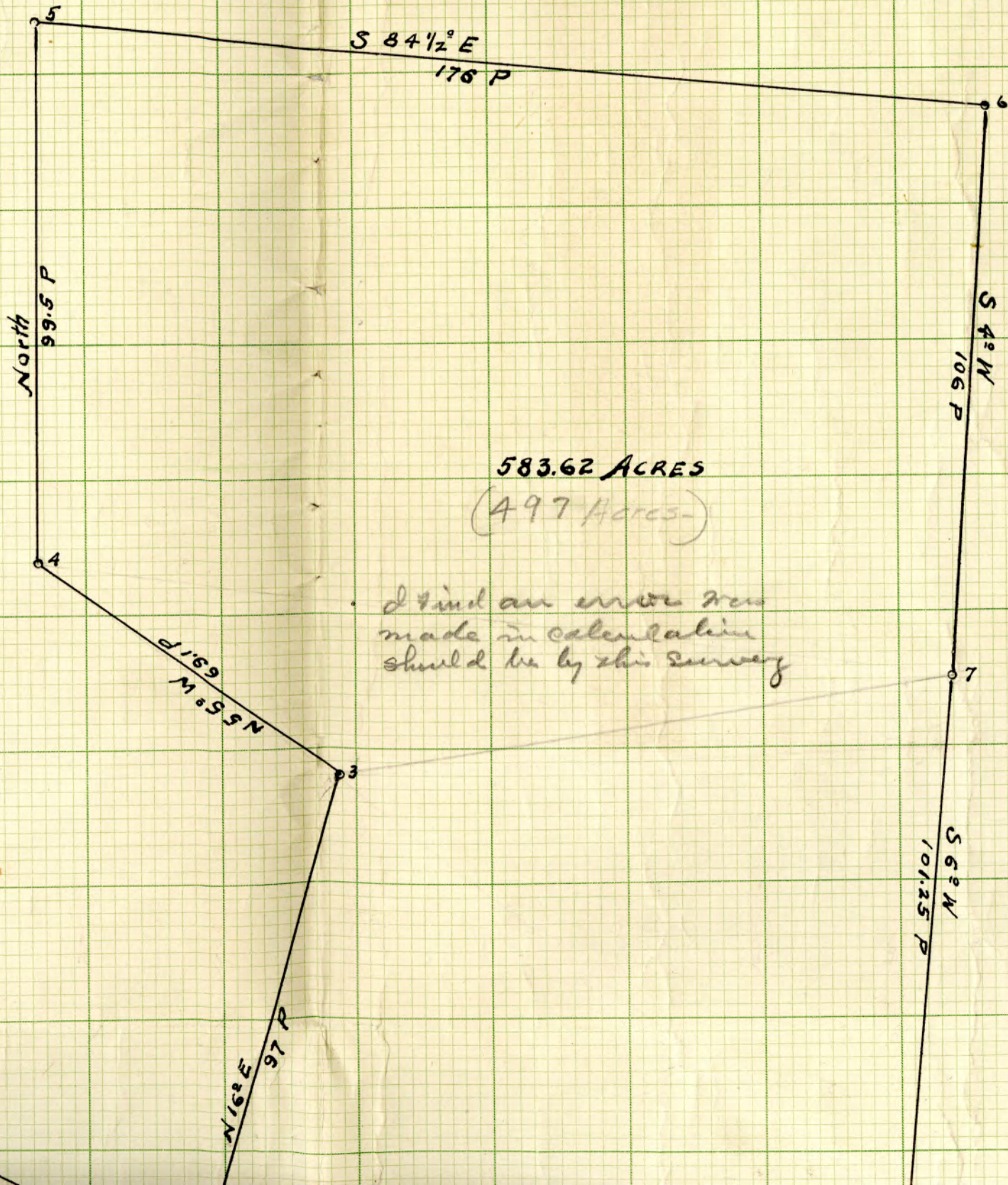
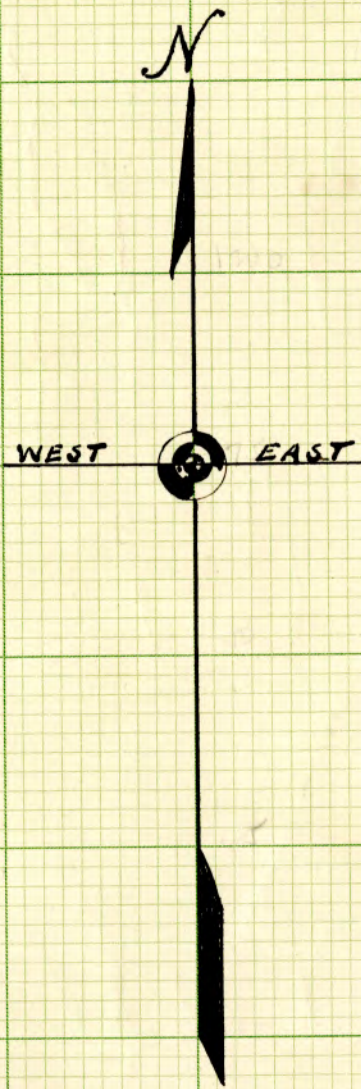
I have computed the acreage of the attached map of
E. B. and M. H. Fox tract, and find that the tract contains,
according to this map, 497 acres.


W. N. Sloan
Chief Engineer, Park Service



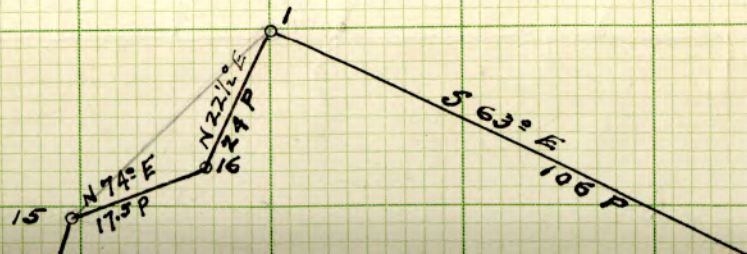
583.62 ACRES
(497 ACRES-)

I find an error was made in calculation should be by this survey



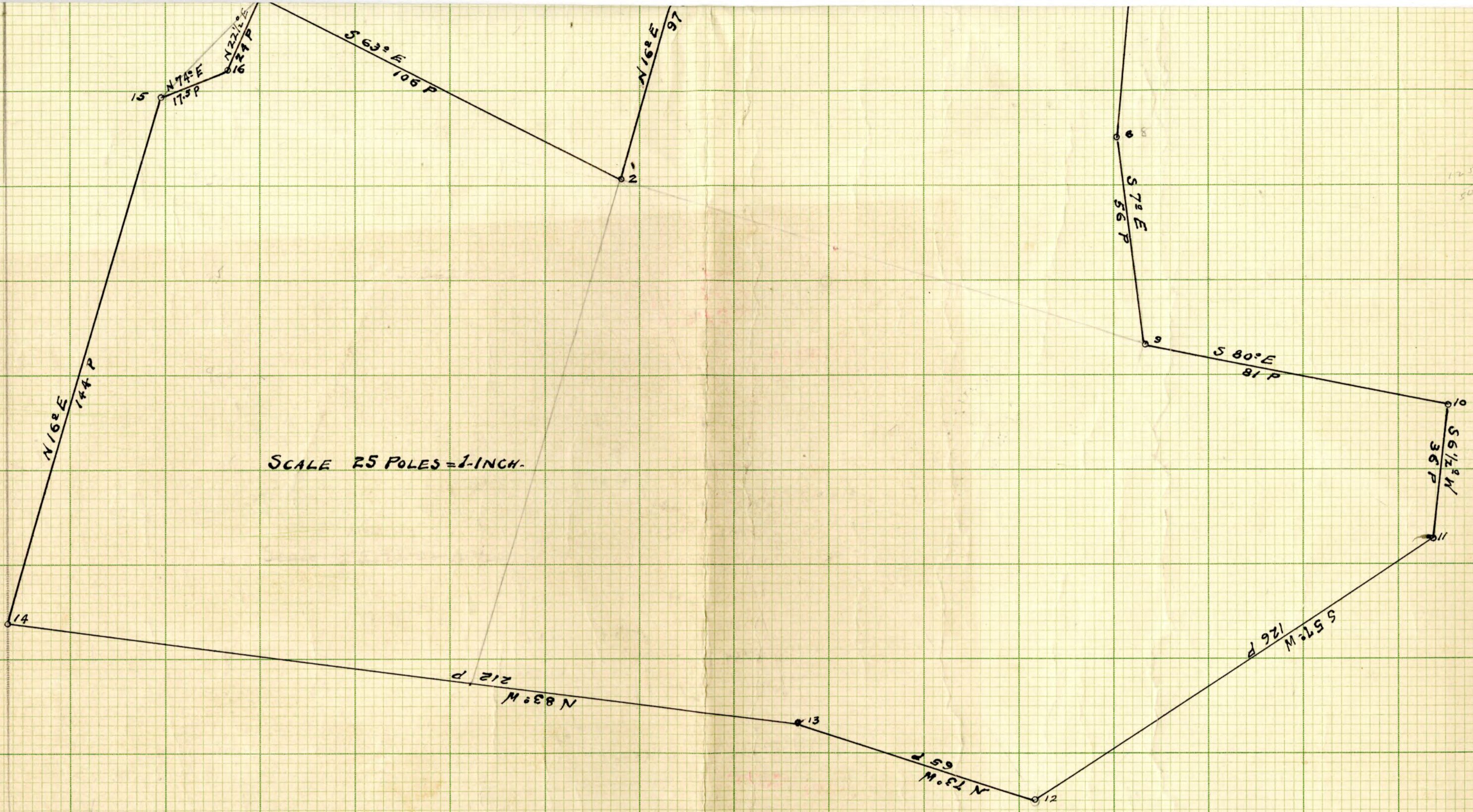
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B.C. Truckler



STANDARD CROSS SECTION. 10 x 10
 KEUFFEL & ESSER CO. NEW YORK

B.C. Truckley

- Fox Survey -

County Realty Company, Incorporated;

In testimony whereof, the said Rappahannock County Realty Company, Incorporated, has hereunto cause its Corporate Seal to be hereto affixed, and this deed to be signed and acknowledged by Clarence J. Miller, its President, and attested by R.L. Massie, its Secretary, this the 25th day of February, 1927.

Rappahannock County Realty Co. Inc.
By Clarence J. Miller, President.

(Corporate Seal)
Attest; R.L. Massie, Secretary.

State of Virginia, County of Rappahannock, to-wit; I, D.D. Miller, a Notary Public in and for the County of Rappahannock, in the State of Virginia, do certify that Clarence J. Miller, whose name as president of the Rappahannock County Realty Company, Incorporated is signed to the foregoing writing, bearing date on the 25th day of February, 1927 and R.L. Massie whose name as Secretary of the Rappahannock County Realty Company, Incorporated, is signed to the foregoing writing, bearing date as aforesaid, personally appeared before me this day in my said county and in the name and on behalf of the said Rappahannock County Realty Company, Incorporated, acknowledged the said writing as the act and deed of the said Rappahannock County Realty Company, Incorporated and made oath that they are respectively the President and Secretary of the said Corporation, and that the seal affixed to said writing is the true corporate seal of said Corporation, and that it has been affixed thereto by due authority given by the Stockholders of said Corporation at a duly convened meeting and by the Board of Directors of the said Corporation at a duly convened meeting. My commission expires on the 15th day of April 1929.

Given under my hand this 25th day of February, 1927.

D.D. Miller, Notary Public.

Virginia: Clerk's Office of Rappahannock Circuit Court, Feb. 25, 1927.
This Deed of Bargain and Sale was this day received in the said office and together with the annexed certificate admitted to record at 3 o'clock P.M.

Teste: Elizabeth H. DEBergh, Deputy Clerk.

A-Copy; Teste:

Jas. M. Settle, Clerk.