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Notes on Big Meadow

Find no reference to wells on the Big Meadow property, either in appraisals or in Ketchum's report. Ketchum refers to deep alluvium within Big Meadow (100' or more), although on what basis this is stated is not known. If this depth of alluvium is present, the possibility of drilling wells having relatively large yields is very good.

There are wells in Foresta subdivision, and Ketchum has prepared a report on these. These wells are small & presumably tap the bedrock and would be, essentially, a different source from the creek & alluvium of Big Meadow.

12-3-63 Talked to Fred Kunkel who says a report will be finished soon. Whether this includes Big Meadow was not known.

Gordon;

Yesterday, Mr Lee mentioned that the Big Meadow property, Yosemite, probably would be purchased. You will recall that Mr. Dmrie asked us about prescriptive rights several months ago in connection with an appraisal.

Anyhow, the stream crossing the property is reported to go dry in summer and several wells produce during dry seasons. Question is whether the wells tap alluvium of stream or are a separated source.

Check our files and see what we have on them. Ketchum made a survey of wells in Foresta(?) but, I believe these

wells weren't much ~~at~~ and I don't recall any records of wells on the Big Meadow property. Appraisal should have a reference if there are any wells on the property.

I also believe Ketchum was scheduled to revisit the property but this should be checked. My own recollection is that the meadow could be underlain by alluvium & the wells, if they are there, could tap the alluvium & use the water stored there. This would be recharged each spring. It also could be that the wells tap the bedrock beneath the valley and this may or may not be an independent source.

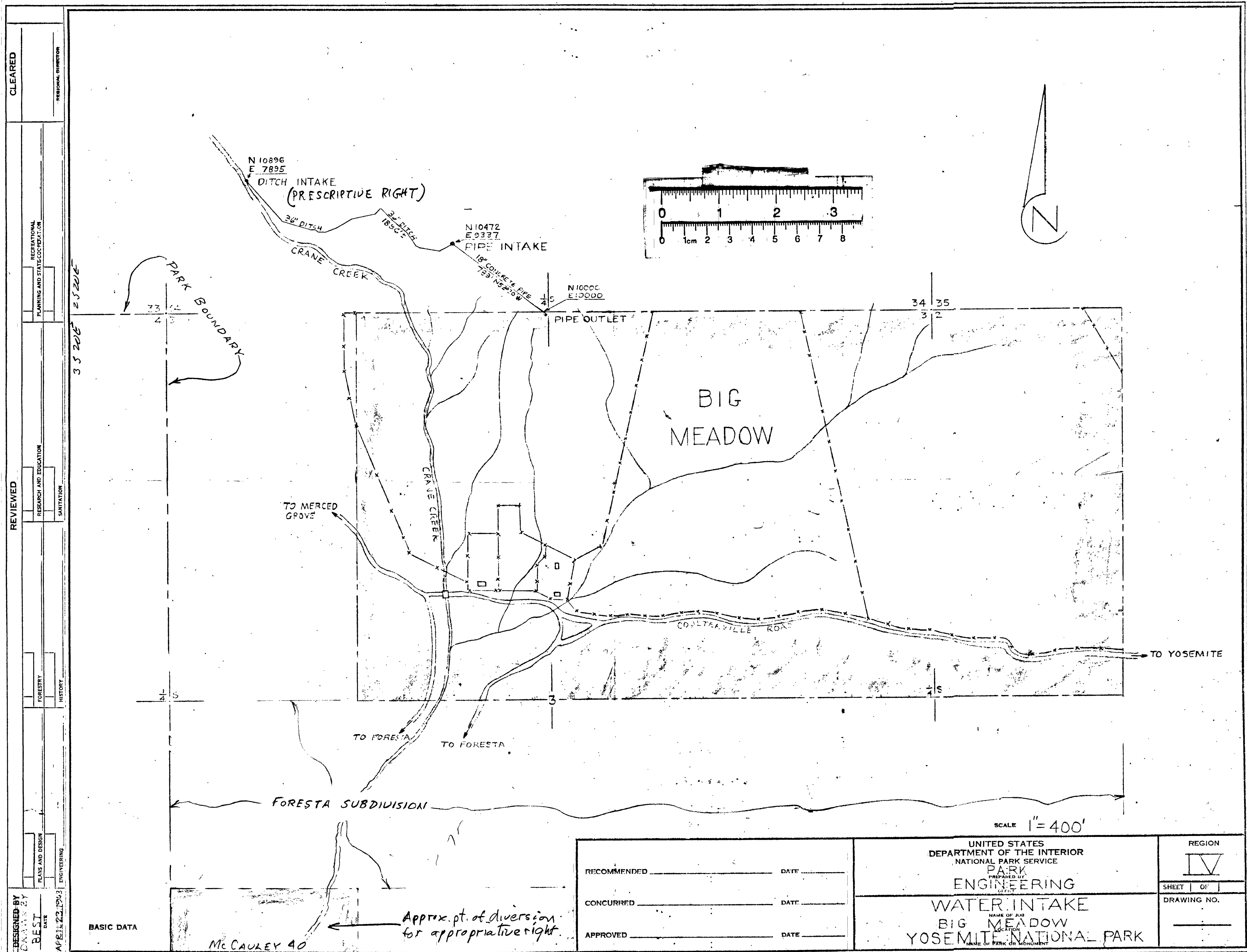
Please check into this next week and collect what info. is available so I can look at it when I return from Omaha.
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Maps and Miscellaneous Information



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