

ORDER REVISING BOUNDARY OF THE NORTH FORK NOOKSACK RESEARCH NATURAL AREA

By virtue of the authority vested in me by the Secretary of Agriculture under Regulation 36 CFR 251.23, I hereby order that the lands described in the following report by Cal Dunnell dated January 8, 1973, be designated as the North Fork Nooksack Research Natural Area.

MAR 5 1973

Date



Associate Chief

REVISION OF ESTABLISHMENT REPORT  
FOR NORTH FORK NOOKSACK RESEARCH NATURAL AREA

The North Fork Nooksack Research Natural Area is described in the Establishment Report dated April 10, 1934. It is located on the Glacier Ranger District, Mt. Baker National Forest, Whatcom County, Washington.

In order to provide for greater public safety in the management of this Natural Area, the boundary along the north side of the Mt. Baker Highway 542 should be relocated 225 feet from the centerline of the road.

This would remove a 200 foot strip from the Natural Area lying in parts of Sections 33, 34, 35 and 36, Township 40 North, Range 8 East, and Section 2, Township 39 North, Range 8 East, Willamette Meridian containing 88 acres. Revised acreage of Natural Area is 1,407.

The purpose in removing this strip from the area is to exclude lands where activities which will directly modify ecological processes are necessary from the standpoint of public safety.

The area within the strip will be managed in a manner which will exert a minimum of influence on the ecological conditions present in the Natural Area and to retain a strip that resembles the Natural Area as closely as possible. To accomplish this, the following practices will be followed:

1. Timber Management will be confined to removing trees only when they are considered a danger to the highway users. Logging within the roadside strip will be entirely by cable methods.
2. Commercial sales will be used when sufficient funds can be collected to accomplish debris disposal.
3. If item 2 is not possible, Washington State Highway Department will be permitted, after Forest Service review and approval, to remove danger trees and dispose of the debris.
4. Special use permits, parking areas, trail heads and signing which would tend to attract casual visitors will not be permitted.
5. Existing parking areas and foot paths will be left as is.

1/8/73  
Date

Submitted: *Cliff Darnell*

Recreation Assistant, Mt. Baker  
National Forest

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Date

Recommended: *Ode Bondley*  
Acting

Forest Supervisor, Mt. Baker  
National Forest

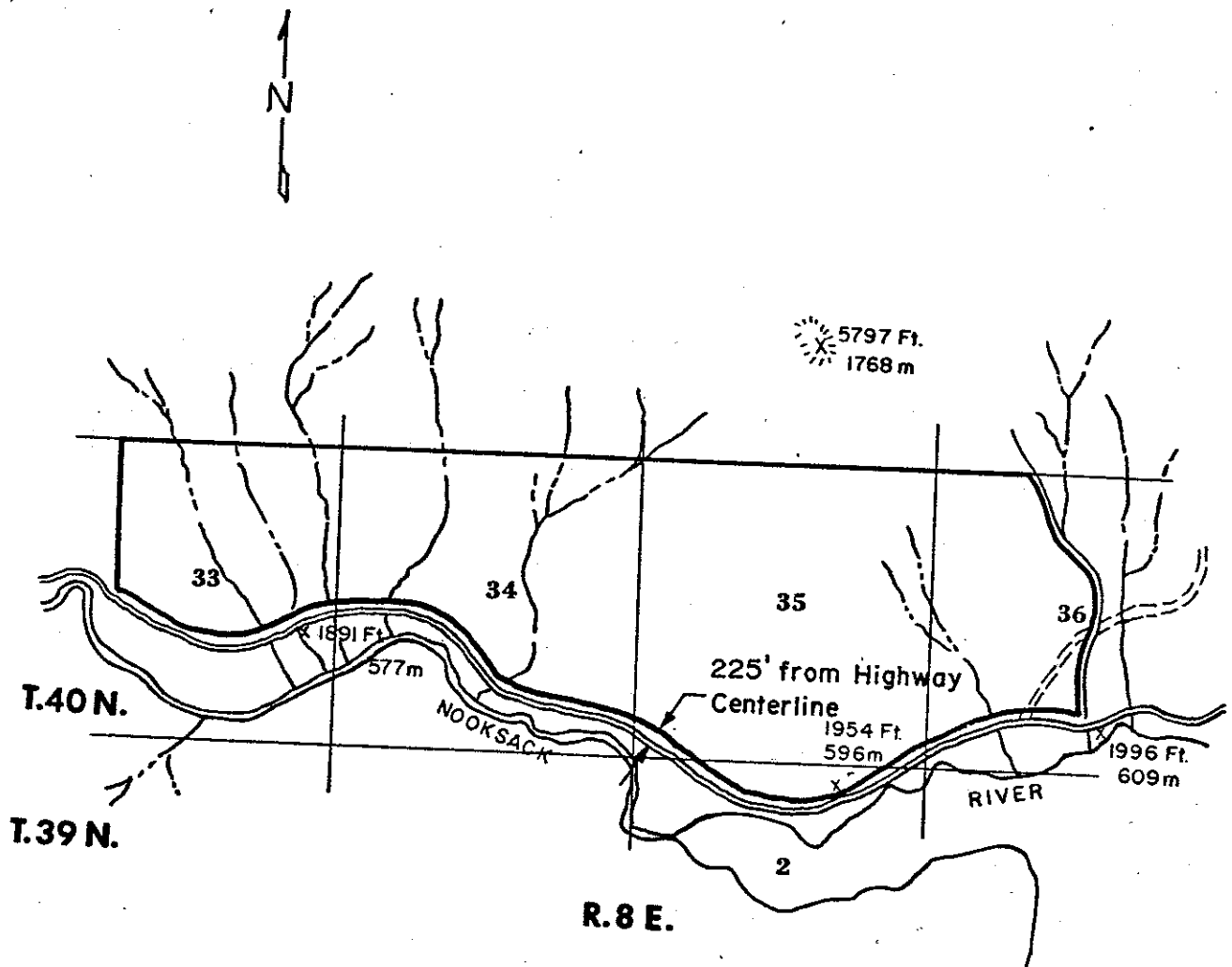
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Date Recommended: Robert F. Jarant  
For Director  
PNW Experiment Station

Feb. 5, 1973  
Date Recommended: Robert H. Torheim  
Acting Regional Forester  
Region 6

Feb 26, 1973  
Date Approved: Floyd Bond  
Director  
Division of Recreation

MAR 2 1973  
Date Approved: R. Keith Grindl  
Deputy Chief  
Research

MAR 5 1973  
Date Approved: L. H. ...  
Associate Chief



LEGEND

- BOUNDARY, NORTH FORK NOOKSACK RESEARCH NATURAL AREA
- SECTION LINE
- STREAM
- HIGHWAY
- SPUR ROAD
- BENCH MARK

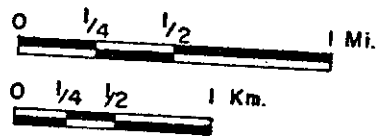


Figure NF-1.- North Fork Nooksack Research Natural Area, Whatcom County, Washington.

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