

# WHAT DO THE INDIAN-OWNED FORESTS REPRESENT TO THEIR OWNERS?

## VOLUME AND VALUE OF INDIAN-OWNED TIMBER CUT DURING FISCAL YEAR 1966 IN THE PORTLAND AREA (CONTRACT AND PAID PERMIT ONLY)

<u>Reservation</u>	<u>Volume MBM</u>	<u>Stumpage Value</u>
Spokane	10,674	\$ 147,984
Colville	134,133	2,572,288
Northern Idaho	4,193	54,531
Umatilla	2,553	49,133
Warm Springs	73,238	1,560,545
Quinalt	167,720	2,475,749
Makah	8,035	115,915
Other Western Washington	1,291	58,535
Yakima	<u>147,571</u>	<u>2,907,012</u>
Totals	549,408	\$9,941,692
Totals State of Washington	469,424	\$8,277,483
Totals Oregon and Idaho	79,984	1,664,209



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### 1. Basic Data

#### Total Area Commercial Forests

Washington.....	1,600,000 Acres (79.8%)
Oregon.....	350,000 Acres (17.5%)
Idaho.....	<u>55,000 Acres ( 2.7%)</u>

Total Portland Area..... 2,005,000 Acres

#### Total Volume Sawtimber

Washington.....	16.6 Billion Bd. Ft. (81.8%)
Oregon.....	3.4 Billion Bd. Ft. (16.7%)
Idaho.....	<u>0.3 Billion Bd. Ft. ( 1.5%)</u>

20.3 Billion Bd. Ft. (100.0%)

The total value of the 16.6 billion board feet of timber in the State of Washington, if sold on a liquidation basis, might approach a quarter of a billion dollars!

But let us look at the true maximum value of these forests to the Indian people (see next pages).



2. Perpetual Annual Payments from Sales of Stumpage

Under sustained-yield management, the Indian-owned forests in the State of Washington produced a total of \$8,277,483 in stumpage payments during Fiscal Year 1966. After making the administrative deductions, the Indian owners received approximately \$7,500,000 in payments.



3. Job Opportunities

Each million board feet of logs cut and sawed into finished lumber provides an average of 7 yearlong jobs. Thus, the 469 million board feet of timber cut from Indian lands in the State of Washington during Fiscal Year 1966 provided yearlong employment for about 3,300 persons.

The annual payroll generated by these positions amounts to about \$18,000,000, or 2.2 times the total price paid for stumpage. *(a minimum)*.

Contracts for sale of Indian-owned timber provide for the preferential hiring of an Indian to fill a job vacancy if he is qualified and willing to work (and applies for employment in the job that is vacant).

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#### 4. Stabilized Industries

It is estimated that the 469 million board feet of logs cut from Indian lands in Washington during Fiscal Year 1966, if all processed into finished lumber, would have produced a total sales value of about \$38,000,000. This total product value would pay for the following:

- (1) The \$8,277,483 in stumpage payments.
- (2) The \$18,000,000 in salaries required to produce it.
- (3) The annual payments required to pay for the construction cost of the plant and equipment.
- (4) The annual cost of maintaining the plant in modern, efficient operating condition.
- (5) The services and supplies that are needed to (a) keep the machinery and equipment working, and (b) to transport the finished product to point of use. It is estimated that for each job in direct employment there will be approximately two jobs in the secondary activities required for such services and supplies.
- (6) The taxes which support both Federal and local governments. Local taxes also provide revenues for schools, libraries, roads, welfare services, and other community benefits.
- (7) Net operating profit to the owners.