

Timber is Sold on Five Allotments

Timber sales totaling \$301,710.50 on five Native allotments in the Port Graham area were recently finalized according to BIA Acting Area Director Clarence Antioquia. "The high prices paid for this timber will go directly to the individual allotment owners," he stated.

Kenai Lumber Company of Seward, Alaska was high bidder on the estimated 6,631,000 board feet of timber contained on 584 acres of land in the Port Graham vicinity.

The sale was conducted by the Bureau of Indian Affairs in the Anchorage Agency Office on Jan. 15, 1974. Sales receipts to individual allottees ranged from \$97,300 to \$17,722.

Antioquia explained that BIA is involved with sales of this nature because "Native allotments have restricted deeds. This type of deed makes the bureau responsible for preparation and administration of sales on land or natural resources such as timber."

Timber sales are made only at the request of the allotment owner," he continued. "We have a small staff of foresters who can do surveys, assess the value of the timber, evaluate the impact on the environment, and invite companies to bid on the lumber by advertising it for sale.

All Native allotment owners and prospective timber sale purchasers should be aware of this regulation. Anyone having questions or wishing more information should contact my office," Antioquia explained.

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