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APPROVAL—TWO CERTAIN CANAL LAND LEASES FOR THE RIGHT TO OCCUPY AND USE FOR FISH PROPAGATION PURPOSES AND RECREATION PURPOSES LOCATED IN FALLS AND GOODHOPE TOWNSHIPS, HOCKING COUNTY, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, May 3, 1934.

HON. T. S. Brindle, Superintendent of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIRS—You have submitted for my examination and approval two certain canal land leases in triplicate executed by you as Superintendent of Public Works and as Director of said Department to the Division of Conservation of the Department of Agriculture of the State of Onio. By these leases, which are each for a stated term of fifteen years and which call for an annual rental of fifteen dollars and twelve dollars, respectively, there are leased and demised to the lessee above named the right to occupy and use for fish propagation and recreation purposes certain portions of the abandoned Hocking Canal including the full width of the bed and embankments thereof, located respectively in Falls and Goodhope Townships, Hocking County, Ohio, which parcels or tracts of said abandoned canal lands so leased are more particularly described in said lease instruments.

Upon examination of said leases, I find that the same have been properly executed by you as Superintendent of Public Works and by the Division of Conservation acting by the hand of the Conservation Commissioner pursuant to the authority of a resolution of the Conservation Council.

Upon examination of the provisions of these leases and of the conditions and restrictions therein contained, I find that the same are in conformity with the statutory provisions relating to leases of this kind and the same are accordingly hereby approved as to legality and form, as is evidenced by my approval endorsed upon the leases and upon the duplicate and triplicate copies thereof, all of which are herewith enclosed.

Respectfully,

JOHN W. BRICKER,

Attorney General.

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APPROVAL—RESERVOIR LAND LEASE TO ONE HOWARD E. SMITH OF LEWISTON, OHIO, FOR THE RIGHT TO OCCUPY AND USE FOR GENERAL BUSINESS AND COTTAGE SITE PURPOSES AT INDIAN LAKE, WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP, LOGAN COUNTY.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, May 3, 1934.

Hon. Earl H. Hanefeld, Director, Department of Agriculture, Columbus, Ohio

DEAR SIR:—This is to acknowledge the receipt of a communication over the signature of the Chief of the Bureau of Inland Lakes and Parks of the Division of Conservation in your Department, submitting for my examination and approval a reservoir land lease in triplicate executed by the State of Ohio, through the Conservation Commissioner, to one Howard H. Smith of Lewiston,