



INNUE ESSIPIT

DESCRIPTION

The "Innue Essipit" territory consists of lots A-1 (part) and 44 of Range A, according to the cadastre of the township of Escoumins.

It covers 86.5 hectares.

LOCATION

This Innu territory is located on the north shore of the Saint Lawrence River, not far from the Escoumins village, and 40 kilometres northeast of Tadoussac.

LAND TITLE HISTORY

November 19, 1881 - Registration Number X14720

In the township of Escoumins, upon the request of the Superintendent of Indian Affairs, surveyor Elzéar Boivin delineates a piece of land occupied by the Indians, but supposedly belonging to Théodore-J. Lamontagne, merchant. The land in question covers 97 acres, more or less.

July 22, 1886 - Registration Number X14721

Land title search - Mandate issued on March 18, 1883

Mandate for land title search requested by the federal Department of Justice, and entrusted to notary François-Xavier Gosselin, for the piece of land occupied by the Indians in the township of Escoumins. The notary's report confirms the validity of Lamontagne's title.

July 23, 1892 - Registration Number X14722

The Government of Canada purchases the land belonging to Théodore-J. Lamontagne, as mentioned in Elzéar Boivin's surveying minutes.

NOTE - Since the land was purchased from a private owner, the Province of Québec has no right to repossess.

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June 21, 1904 - REGISTRATION NUMBER X14723

Surrender 496 by the Indians of the Escoumins to the Government of Canada.

The Indians surrender a portion of lot A-1 in the township of Escoumins for road purposes. The area indicated is 1.87 acre.

July 23, 1904 - Registration Number X14723

Government of Canada order in council approving Surrender 496.

February 4, 1988

The *Société de gestion PRP Inc.* (corporation of the Bande montagnaise Essipit) purchases lots 10A-46 (part) and 11A-20 of Range A, cadastre of the township of Escoumins.

March 25, 1993 - REGISTRATION NUMBER 213769

Privy Council Order 1993-1061 - The order confirms that lot A-1 of the township of Escoumins, making abstraction of the parcel given away for road purpose (according to Surrender 496, dated June 21, 1904), will be the Réserve indienne des Escoumins.

September 28, 1994 - Registration numbers 226104 (September 28, 1994) and 228960 (December 6, 1994)

The Department of Indian Affairs accepts that the Réserve indienne des Escoumins changes its name to "Communauté montagnaise Essipit".

December 16, 1994

The Société de gestion PRP Inc. (corporation of the Communauté montagnaise Essipit) purchases lot 11-11-1 (part) of Range A, cadastre of the township of Escoumins.

December 8, 1997

The *Société de gestion PRP Inc.* surrenders to the Government of Canada the lands bought in 1988 and 1994.

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May 14, 1998 - Registration Number 262917

Privy Council Order 1998-855 - Lot 44 of Range A, cadastre of the township of Escoumins, is added to the territory of the Communauté montagnaise Essipit.

August 7, 2003 - REGISTRATION NUMBER 310930

The Departement of Indian Affairs accepts that the Communauté montagnaise Essipit changes its name to "Innue Essipit".

CHRONOLOGY OF BOUNDARY SURVEYS

- 1) **1882**: determination of the reserve boundaries by Elzéar Boivin;
- 2) 1958: resurvey of the reserve boundaries by Pierre Landry;
- 3) 1978 : resurvey of the reserve boundaries by Michel Paquet;
- 4) **1988**: purchase of lots 10A-46 (part) and 11A-20, Range A, for reserve expansion purposes;
- 5) **1991**: restoration of lot A-1 boundaries by band members;
- 6) 1994: purchase of lot 11-11-1 (part), Range A, for reserve expansion purposes;
- 7) **1997**: replacement of lots 10A-46 (part), 11A-20 and 11-11-1 (part) by lot 44 in Range A;
- 8) **1997**: survey of lot 44, Range A, by Rodrigue Tremblay for reserve expansion purposes.