



ODANAK

DESCRIPTION

The Odanak Reserve includes:

- lots 874, 875 and 880 of the parish of Saint François du Lac, seigniory of Saint François du Lac;
- lots 972, 1027 and 1217 (part) of the parish of Saint Thomas de Pierreville, seigniory of Saint François du Lac;
- lots 482 of the 2nd Concession, 482 of the 3rd Concession and 850 of the parish of Saint François du Lac, seigniory of Pierreville;
- lots 1218 of the 2nd Saint Jacques Concession and 1219 of the 3rd Saint Jacques Concession of the parish of Saint Thomas de Pierreville, seigniory of Pierreville.

The reserve covers an area of 561 hectares.

LOCATION

Abutting the municipality of Pierreville, the Odanak Reserve is located along the Saint François river, 32 kilometres east of Sorel.

LAND TITLE HISTORY

August 20, 1700 - REGISTRATION NUMBER 74363

Surrender of a part of the seigniory of Saint François du Lac by Mrs. Marguerite Hertel, widow of Jean Crevier, to the Abenakis and the Socokis.

May 10, 1701

Antoine de Plagnol and his wife cede a portion of the seigniory of Pierreville.

1701-1854

The Abenakis cede a portion of the seigniories of Saint François du Lac and Pierreville to a number of censitaires.

December 18, 1854

Proclamation of the *Act for the Abolition of Feudal Rights and Duties in Lower Canada* (18 Victoria, chapter 3). The new legislation gives the censitaires the right of ownership.

January 24, 1861

"Cadastrés abrégés" of a portion of the seigniories of Saint François du Lac and Pierreville. Compilation of the censitaires gaining the right of ownership in some part of the seigniories.

July 1, 1867 - REGISTRATION NUMBER X14591

The *British North America Act, 1867* (currently known as the *Constitution Act, 1867*) confirms the jurisdiction of the Canadian government over the Indians and the lands reserved for them.

July 4, 1868 - REGISTRATION NUMBER 74364

Surrender 114 by the Abenakis - Transfer to the Government of Canada of lands to be sold to white occupants.

September 4, 1868 - REGISTRATION NUMBER 74364

Government of Canada Order in Council accepting Surrender 114 of July 4, 1868.

February 25, 1905 - REGISTRATION NUMBER 74367

Government of Canada Order in Council 1905-270 - Acceptance of the sale, to the Department of Public Works, pursuant to 50-51 Victoria, chapter 33, section 5, of a portion of lot 1 covering 0.49 acre. See 1217-109, CLSR plan 56 093.

May 6, 1907 - REGISTRATION NUMBER 1643-25

Government of Canada Order in Council 1907-853 authorizing the sale of a portion of lot 1217 to the *Quebec, Montreal & Southern Railway Company*.

April 21, 1914 - ARTICLE NUMBER 47619

Government of Canada Letters Patent 17 146 - Sale of a portion of lot 1217 of the parish of Saint Thomas de Pierreville, seigniory of Saint François du Lac, to the *Quebec, Montreal & Southern Railway Company* in compliance with 1-2 George V, chapter 14, section 1. The area mentioned is 28.13 acres.

June 14, 1926 - REGISTRATION NUMBER 139733

Order in Council 1926-926 - The Government of Canada sells to the parish of Saint Thomas de Pierreville a portion of lot 1217 as an addition to the cemetery.

October 26, 1934 - REGISTRATION NUMBER X15519

Order in Council 1934-2636 - The Government of Canada transfers to the Québec Government the control and administration of a portion of lot 1217 of the parish of Saint Thomas de Pierreville, seigniory of Saint François du Lac, for road purposes. Area indicated: 0.08 acre.

July 2, 1936 - REGISTRATION NUMBER 74369

Order in Council 1936-1629 - The Government of Canada transfers to the Québec Government the control and administration of a portion of lot 1217 of the parish of Saint Thomas de Pierreville, seigniory of Saint François du Lac, for road purposes. The area mentioned is 6.06 acres.

November 1, 1962 - REGISTRATION NUMBER 74370

Government of Canada Order in Council 1962-1547 officializing the designation "Odanak reserve" instead of Pierreville #12.

July 10, 1987

The Odanak Band purchases from Louis-Mario Bouchard, physician, lot 1027 of the parish of Saint Thomas de Pierreville. The area indicated is 0.53 hectare.

December 13, 1991

The Government of Canada purchases from the Odanak Band Council lot 1027 of the parish of Saint Thomas de Pierreville, seigniory of Saint François du Lac. The acquisition is for the purpose of expanding the reserve. The area involved is 13.06 acres.

CHRONOLOGY OF BOUNDARY SURVEYS

- 1) **1896:** survey of reserve boundaries by Charles-C. Duberger;
- 2) **1904:** boundary determination minutes and plan for the reserve by Joseph-H. Houde;
- 3) **1911:** survey of lot 1218 in the 2nd Saint Jacques Concession and of lot 1219 in the 3rd Saint-Jacques Concession by Joseph-H. Houde;
- 4) **1949:** survey of the line between lot 911 of the village of Pierreville and the reserve boundary by Émery Houde;
- 5) **1962 to 1964:** survey of lot 1217 by André-D. Tétreault;
- 6) **1965:** survey of Île Ronde by André-D. Tétreault;
- 7) **1971:** resurvey of lots 482 of the 2nd and 3rd Concessions (woodlot) by Gilles Drolet;
- 8) **1972:** resurvey of lots 1218 and 1219 by Gilles Drolet;
- 9) **1990:** survey of lot 1027 for reserve expansion by Marc Gervais (reserve status still pending);
- 10) **1995:** resurvey of lots 1218, 1219 and 482 in the 2nd and 3rd Saint Jacques Concessions by Benoît Desroches;
- 11) **2001:** cleaning of the outer boundaries by Derrys Girard;
- 12) **2002:** resurvey of a part of the outer boundaries by Derrys Girard.