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GRAND ETANG FOREST RESERVE ACT

An Act to provide for the preservation of forest growth in the vicinity of the Grand Etang as a forest reserve for the benefit of Grenada.

[1st June, 1906.]

Whereas it is of vital importance for the conservation and promotion of the rainfall and water supply of the island that the forest growth in the vicinity of the Grand Etang should be maintained and preserved:

And whereas divers boundary surveys have from time to time been made of the Crown Lands in this vicinity but, being disconnected one with the other, doubts and disputes have arisen as to the extent and limits of such lands:

And whereas it has been deemed expedient, for enabling the Government to more readily prevent encroachments being made in the forest growth that a well defined and compact area or block of land should be constituted as a forest reserve and that the same should be demarcated and delimited by one surrounding boundary line consisting so far as possible of mountain ridges or else the nearest natural boundary marks:

And whereas the Governor accordingly ordered that a complete map or plan of survey of such an area in this locality should be prepared for record and that any private lands or lands claimed or owned by private individuals lying within such natural boundary line should be acquired for the purposes of incorporating the same within the proposed forest reserve:

And whereas in pursuance of the said orders the map or plan of survey with a report thereon has been prepared by the Crown Lands Commissioner and Surveyor which map or plan and report were on the twenty-second day of May, 1906, laid on the table of the Legislative Council and were subsequently on the same day by direction of the Council lodged for record in the Deeds and Land Registry:

And whereas the said plots of land described in Schedule C to the said report were at the date of the said report the only private lands comprised within the boundaries of the proposed forest reserve but the said plots of land have on the twenty-second day of May, 1906, been duly declared by resolution of the Legislative Council to be selected and required for public purposes under the provisions of the Public Lands Acquisition Act:

And whereas consequent upon such resolution the whole of the lands comprised within the boundary line delineated on the said plan may now hereafter be regarded and treated as belonging to the Crown, which fact is attested to and stated in the report aforesaid.

1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the Grand Etang Forest Reserve Act.

2. Creation of “The Grand Etang Forest Reserve”

The lands depicted, defined and delineated in the map or plan of survey as aforesaid and referred to in the report thereto attached, shall be hereafter known and preserved as “The Grand Etang Forest Reserve”.

3. Purposes of the Reserve

All the lands aforesaid shall forever hereafter form part of Government land and shall be strictly reserved and set apart for the public purposes of forest conservation.