

NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY

STATE OF WASHINGTON  
VALUATION SECTION NO. 22  
NACHES BRANCH.

PRE-INVENTORY INFORMATION  
GENERAL OUTLINE AND HISTORY OF THE WORK.

This is a single track branch line running from North Yakima to Naches.

Was constructed in the years 1905 and 1906 by the North Yakima and Valley Railway Company.

The general work of grading and building bridges and culverts was done by a number of station men and small contractors to whom the Railway Company let the contract direct. Part of the Construction work was done by Thomas Dingle under his contract dated November 13th, 1905, by Allen, Mathison and Dingle under Contract of October 19th, 1905, by Henry Fairbrian under contract of October 25th, 1905, and by George T. Auxillier under contract of March 5th, 1906. Copies of all the above mentioned contracts are submitted with the inventory. Copies of all the final estimates incurred under these contracts have not been found but as many as have been are filed with the inventory together with some of the intermediate estimates.

It seems also that considerable grading work, as well as track-laying and surfacing, was done by the Railway Company with its own forces.

This line runs up the Naches River Valley for the entire distance. The country is irrigated and much work has been required on account of the irrigation ditches.

The subsideance of the roadbed will be developed at time of Government Inventory.