

Parenthetically, stumpage sold in fiscal year 1960 is now being harvested; raw logs that go to Japan certainly do not aid our national economy, as the Forest Service represented to Congress, through such trade channels as our mills, processing in manufacturing plants, transportation, retail outlets and use in final construction.

In January 1960, the Forest Service asked Congress for a further increase in funds for national forest administration, stating:

Forest Service Budget
Justification, fiscal
1961

National Forest timber
essential to meet needs
of nation's expanding
population and economy,
keep mills in operation,
provide economic stability.

"Continued expansion in the level of national forest timber sales is necessary to keep pace with market demand. Increasing population and a rising economy, coupled with a growing scarcity of timber generally, points to the fact that the national forests must produce a steadily increasing amount of timber under the Forest Service sustained-yield program to help meet the needs of the country. Meeting these needs from the national forests will require increased funds to finance the administration of existing sale contracts, enter into new contracts, and do advance preparation work on sufficient future sales to assure having them ready to offer at appropriate times.

"In addition to helping meet the country's wood needs, national-forest timber sales are needed to keep wood-processing plants in operation and provide economic stability." (emphasis supplied)

Hearings, Senate Subcommittee on Appropriations, 86th Congress, Second Session, on H.R. 10401, a Bill to Provide Appropriations for the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies for Fiscal Year 1960; page 218.

POINT IV - O & C LANDS

The basic O & C Act of 1937 provides that:

" * * * the timber thereon shall be sold, cut and removed in conformity with the principle of sustained yield for the purpose of * * * contributing to the economic stability of local communities and industries * * *." (emphasis supplied) (43 USC 1118a)