

Jimi Case
(Mushie)

3/1/79 Phone conversation with Tim Vollman Solicitor's office

February 1 Jim Perkins sent a progress report indicating that 100,000 acres of land have been identified and are offered for sale. Indicated that hoped to have appraisals completed by March 1.

An additional 100,000 acres has also been identified, assumption is landowners will sell.

Most confusing part of joint memorandum of understanding concerns the issue of land status. Although lands are to be held in trust, land is to be subject to all laws of the state of Maine. Tubie is willing to concede criminal and civil jurisdiction (at least for a time)

Some Tubie members have been downgrading the proposed settlement.

Sewall has been hired by tribes to appraise the land.

No meeting has been conducted yet between the Governor and the tribes on the issue of jurisdiction. Seems to be the critical hang-up in the negotiations.

Administration will undoubtedly recommend that the identical language of Massachusetts be used in the Maine settlement.