

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE

Kawishiwi

REPLY TO: 2720 Use on Restricted Lands

November 15, 1977

SUBJECT: Volunteer Services - Dorothy Molter

TO: District Ranger, Kawishiwi RD



On Tuesday, November 1, 1977, accompanied by Dan Kincaid and Paul Smith, I went to Knife Lake to continue closing out Dorothy Molter's extra "guest" cabins.

I discussed with her the proposed closure of the cabins, as outlined in Ranger Ray Chase's letter dated September 23, 1977. She said that it was not a pleasant task for her but she would do it if it had to be done. I asked her if the specific buildings proposed for closure were still the appropriate ones from her standpoint, or would she prefer some other combination. She replied that Ray's original proposal was still the best.

Jointly with Dorothy and her sister Ruth we proceeded as follows:

1. We completely emptied the cabin on the middle island. Some of the furnishings were discarded, others stored in the emergency cabin in the west end of the large island. We locked the empty cabin with a USFS padlock and posted it with a "Government Property" sign.
2. We removed the beds, bedding, and some of the other furnishings from the small cabin behind her winter cabin. A pile of mattresses was left in one corner. Dorothy intends to burn these after snowfall. She will be transferring most of the contents of the tool shed (the leaning old structure next to the cabin) into this cabin.
3. The two bedroom cabin at the west end of the large island was left open for her use as emergency quarters. We completely filled one of the two bedrooms with extra furniture. Two kitchen ranges and extra chairs were stored on the porch. The kitchen (with its wood stove) and one of the bedrooms (with one double bed) were left intact with original furnishings. She asked that this cabin not be marked as "Government Property" as long as it still contained her furniture.

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