

Transcription of Letter from Luis Mesa to Mexican government requesting original title to land (1841):

Jurisdiction of Monterey, 1841

Proceedings

Instituted by the citizen Luis Mesa, petitioning for the place, known by the name of corral de Tierra.

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Third Seal, Two Reales.

Personally authorized by the Maritime Custom House of the Post of Monterey, in the Department of the Californias, for the years 1840 & 1841.
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To the Prefect of the 1st District, I, Luis Mesa, a native of this Alta California, before your Honor, represent; That having a small quantity of stock, cattle and horses, which I desire to increase; I therefore apply to your Honor asking you to grant me the tract of land, from the Arroyo of the Corral de Tierra, and the boundaries of the late Don Rafael Gomez, as is shown by the map, which is herewith presented; which place has no express name, and is only suitable for stock raising, since it has no agricultural lands.

Wherefore, I pray your Honor, to be pleased to grant me the said tract of land, if the same may be considered as just, in which I will receive favor.

Monterey March 19th, 1841