



HEADQUARTERS  
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER  
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Honorable Carl Hayden  
Chairman, Committee on Appropriations  
United States Senate

Dear Senator Hayden:

I enjoyed our visit together on 1 December 1959, and in accordance with your request am furnishing as an inclosure hereto additional information on some of the items which we discussed. We will keep in mind your suggestion on the use of Arizona companies for the Electronic Environmental Test Facility.

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "R. T. Nelson", is written above the typed name.

R. T. NELSON  
Major General, USA  
Chief Signal Officer

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Construction Data

USFH-00001413

CONSTRUCTION DATA  
Ft Huachuca

GREELY HALL

The request to increase the scope of Greely Hall by excavation under the auditorium to provide an additional 7,016 square feet for a film laboratory and processing facility was submitted by us 9 Sept. 59. The Department of Army recommended approval of the request but it was disapproved by the Office of the Secretary of Defense. A careful review of space requirements at Fort Huachuca will be made and in the event this facility cannot be provided within existing construction, a project will be included in a future construction program.

WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

The Secretary of the Army has concurred in the improvement of the Water Distribution System at Fort Huachuca as an urgent-type project which qualified for inclusion in the FY 60 Military Construction, Army program in the amount of \$165,000. The Commanding General, Fort Huachuca has been requested to submit necessary detailed design and supporting data which will be forwarded to the Secretary of Defense who has approval authority for this type project. It is anticipated that this approval will be obtained and that funds for this purpose will be provided within the next six months.

LIBBY ARMY AIR FIELD

A Signal Construction Requirement Review Committee meeting is scheduled for 11 January 1960 for the purpose of establishing the FY 62 Signal Construction Program. This project will be considered along with our other requirements at that time.

NUCLEAR POWER PLANT

The proposal to provide nuclear power for Fort Huachuca has been furnished to the Chief of Engineers who has been assigned the responsibility by Department of Army for making studies to determine the desirability and economic feasibility of constructing such power plants.

FAMILY HOUSING

We are exploring all means at our disposal to provide adequate housing for our personnel at this installation. The following are specific actions that have been taken:

a. 200 units of Capehart Housing were requested and authorized in the FY 60 construction program. It is anticipated that this project will be placed under contract within the next six months.

b. 344 units of Capehart Housing for Fort Huachuca were requested for FY 61 but the Department of Defense has included only 100 units of this requirement in the FY 61 Construction Budget which will be presented to Congress.

c. Upon our request the Assistant Secretary of the Army has certified the need for 125 units under Section 809 of the National Housing Act to be insured by the FHA in order to provide off-post family housing for essential civilian employees at Fort Huachuca.

d. The Commanding General, Fort Huachuca has requested approval of 500 units of off-post rental housing under Section 810 of the National Housing Act. This request however, cannot be processed at this time since the Department of Defense and the Federal Housing Agency are still working out the detailed controls and procedures to be followed in the implementation of this law.

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