

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE

Consolidated Ute Agency,  
Ignacio, Colorado,  
August 22, 1928.

H. F. Robinson,  
Supervising Engineer,  
Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Dear Mr. Robinson:

I arrived at Ignacio late Monday evening. During the trip I covered the country from Shiprock by the way of Tes-Nas-Pas, Rock Point to Denehotso and Tuba City. The condition of Denehotso Dam has not changed since my last report. We have built a temporary dike above the dam to deflect the main current against the north end of the dam where the water will spill on solid rock. The Indians refuse to donate labor for this project. The traders, Mr. Ashcroft and Mr. Haas, our foreman practically built this dike themselves. I called on Superintendent Walker at Tuba City and visited the different projects on his jurisdiction. Mr. Walker would like to have us construct a new headgate at the Diversion Dam on the Moenocpi Wash. He contends that the present headgates are too far removed from the sluice gates and that they are put to a considerable expense in opening the channel to the present headgates. I will make an estimate of this work and recommendations to you at an early date. I told Mr. Walker there would be no funds available for this work during this fiscal year. Mr. Walker was very hostile and said that he felt that his jurisdiction was not getting proper treatment from the Fifth Irrigation District. On Sunday, in company with Mr. Walker, we looked over the Marsh Pass Diversion Dam. Mr. Walker has raised the crest of this dam approximately eighteen inches and during extreme floods the water has gone over the embankment. Mr. Walker was very much concerned over this and wants assistance in changing the river channel. As near as I can tell the river channel is in the same position that it was when the Diversion Dam was constructed, however, the area immediately north of the river channel and adjacent to the foothills has undoubtedly filled up some with blow sand. In order to properly protect the Diversion

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Dam and the present dike, it is necessary to construct two jetties. For this purpose I told Mr. Walker that if he would have Mr. Mangum do the work as outlined by me and send the pay roll to you, not to exceed \$100.00, that I was sure you would approve it.

Respectfully yours,



C. A. Burns,  
Assistant Engineer.

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