

Southern Navajo Agency,
Fort Defiance, Arizona
August 8, 1932.

Mr. Howard J. Smith,
State Land Commissioner,
Phoenix, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

My absence from headquarters is responsible for the delay in replying to your letter of July 22 relative to the use of certain State lands by the Navajo Indians, and particularly by Silversmith.

I have not had an opportunity to look into this situation, but I assure you that proper investigation will be made in the very near future, and if conditions are as you state, I shall be glad to recommend to our Department that the lands in question be leased for the use of the Navajos. You may expect to hear from me further in this regard at a very early date.

Very truly yours,

John G. Hunter,
Superintendent.

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