

SUPERINTENDENT OF IRRIGATION.

Subject:

Positions and salaries for fiscal year ending June 30, 1909.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE,

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The Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of June 17, 1908, Education 31697- '08, I would state that it is almost impossible to make an estimate of positions and salaries on work under my supervision for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1909.

The nature of the work is such, that for the most of it, will make up an outfit for the particular work which will last for a few weeks to a much longer period of time, and at the end of the work the personnel of the party may entirely change before going on new work. I have three separate parties at work now, and I hope to make them permanent.

They are the ones on the Zuni work, and two parties doing smaller work on the Navajo and Moki Reservations and for the Pueblos.

There will be larger works, which the Chief Engineer has directed me to take up later in the season, viz. at Tuba and in the Northern Navajo near Shiprock. For these two works will need to put separate outfits in the field, whose term of service will last while the work in question is under way. These I will later give an approximate list of.

It is also proposed to put another outfit in the field with a well drilling rig to prospect for water in the Navajo and Moki country.

This matter has been under discussion and contemplated for a number of years past, and as soon as practicable I am directed to take this up also.

Commissioner 2.

The following is a list of the positions and salaries as near as I am able to make up at this time.

Headquarters.

Foremen		150.00
Draftsman	(about)	90.00

Zuni.

1 Assistant Engineer		150.00
1 Rodman		90.00
1 Chainman		65.00
1 Chainman		60.00
1 Foreman		100.00

Will need for short periods, stone masons, wood pipe expert blacksmith and other skilled labor which it is impossible to list as they will be employed on irregular pay roll as needed.

For miscellaneous work. Navajo-Moki and Pueblos.

First party. Now at Leupp on survey of Reservoir site etc.

1 Assistant Engineer	\$ 125. to	135.00
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Started him in at \$125 with promise of raise if he "made good".

2 Rodmen	(each)	75.00
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When put on construction work will need skilled labor at various times and for short periods.

Second party. Now in interior of Navajo Res.

1 Foreman (Engineer)	\$110.00 to	125.00
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see note above.

The above will probably be permanent positions if sufficient funds are available for work contemplated.

The following for the specified work.

Tuba.

1 Assistant Engineer		125. to	150.00
2 Rodmen	(about) each		75.00

Some skilled labor as required.

Shiprock.

1 Assistant Engineer		125. to	150.00
2 Rodmen	(about) each		75.00
1 Foreman	"	100.00 to	125.00

Some skilled labor as required.

Well drilling rig.

1 Driller-foreman @ probably \$5.00 per day, and balance of complete crew.

Very respectfully,
 F. Robinson.
 Superintendent of Irrigation.