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Hopi Indian Agency  
Keams Canyon, Arizona  
April 18, 1938

To Members of the Hopi Tribal Council:

I have been advised indirectly that the Soil Conservation Service is planning to do some work in the Hopi area and although this matter has not yet been taken up officially with this office I wish to inform you I understand that they are first planning to build a dam on Oraibi Wash at a point a short distance below the present bridge and the purpose of this dam is to prevent further deepening of the wash and to act as a silt retaining dam.

It appears to me and to others that I have discussed this matter with that this work should be approved by the Hopi Indians and Council as it will provide labor for the Hopi people and will certainly aid in the preservation of the area above the dam.

I will appreciate it if each of you would advise me as soon as possible as to your wishes on this matter and I think you should all approve of this work so that I can advise the Soil Conservation Service of your approval when they present the matter to me.

I will appreciate getting a reply from you. For your reply I am enclosing a self-addressed envelope which does not require a stamp.

Very sincerely,

A. G. Hutton,  
Superintendent.

Encl.

This letter was sent out in order to cooperate and be able to approve the project without any delay, however, their actions to date indicate that I was assuming too much to expect them to ask for approval.