

Hopi



Albuquerque, N. M., April 12, 1917.

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

There has been allotted to this district from the fund "Support of the Indians in Arizona and New Mexico, 1917" authority No. 76027 the sum of \$10,000. This authority is "For purposes necessary for continuing the work of developing and improving the stock water supply on Indian Reservations in Arizona and New Mexico in your jurisdiction for building of dams, tanks, troughs and other necessary structures including pay of employees."

This money has been used for the development of water including well drilling on the Pueblo grants in New Mexico and for the under ground water development and the spring and well maintenance on the Hopi Reservation. The average expenditure has been about \$975 a month. It will amount, in the course of the year to a greater sum than the amount of the authority.

I would request that an additional of \$1,000 be given me to continue this work to the end of the fiscal year, otherwise it will be necessary for me to shut down the operation of the well drilling rig not later than the first of May in order to keep up the maintenance of the wells and springs in the Hopi country where it is very

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Respectfully forwarded to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, with the recommendation that it be approved by the Commission granted the authority requested. F. B. Hancock, Acting Ch. Engr.*

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necessary to keep every thing in running order, for if the maintenance is neglected for a period of a month a good many of the wind mills are liable to go out of commission and possibly be badly damaged. It is desirable to continue the well drilling operation among the Pueblos, but if either part of the work must stop it is preferable to call a halt on new developments than on the work already completed and in operation.

Yours very truly,



Superintendent of Irrigation.

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