



Office of the Governor
State House
Phoenix, Arizona

January 24, 1951

Mr. John A. McCone
Acting Secretary of the Air Force
Washington, D. C.

THROUGH: The Phoenix Real Estate Field Office
210 West Adams
Phoenix, Arizona

Gentlemen:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter date January 18, 1951 from the Department of the Air Force taking the title to the land conveyed to the State for the Game and Fish Commission and possession of a portion of the land conveyed to the National Guard being the military Reservation and to a limited area comprising approximately 4,200 acres lying immediately East of the National Guard Area in the Southwest corner of the artillery range.

In accordance with the terms of the two deeds, we hereby acknowledge that the title to the land conveyed to the State for the Game and Fish Commission has reverted to the United States and that full possession, control and use of the premises described in your letter of January 18, 1951 being a portion of the property conveyed to the State for the use of the National Guard is now in the United States of America. We, therefore, recognize the right of the Department of Defense, particularly the Air Force to take possession of this property without further right of entry.

I might say, however, that this may work a hardship on parties involved such as those who have been allowed to leave buildings purchased on the premises, for the Fort Huachuca Enterprises, Incorporated and numerous others particularly including the Game and Fish Commission and the National Guard of the State of Arizona. It is believed that during the transition period of taking possession that if the wishes of the Air Force could be immediately made known by a personal contact with the Governor or such representatives as he might designate, that the above hardships could be lessened.

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I therefore request that a representative of the Air Force, authorized to speak for its present and future needs of Fort Huachuca, be immediately dispatched to confer with the Governor of the State of Arizona and such others as he may designate.

I might point out that the cemetery and the access road was deeded to the State of Arizona and no mention has been made of taking this over thus far.

An immediate reply is requested in order to inform all concerned of the action necessary to be taken.

Sincerely

Howard Pyle
GOVERNOR

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John McCone:
Acting Sec of Air Force -
This acknowledges receipt you ~~of~~ Jan 18
notification requesting transfer of title
on ~~public~~ Fort Huachuca to Army
the ~~State~~. Since our deed provides
reversion to Sec of Army would like
waiver or consent from Army for transfer
to Air Force. ~~Also would like approval~~
~~of postmaster~~ To have handlip on families
required to vacate area and to clarify
status certain fish and game problems
including some 250 head buffalo suggest

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