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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS Fort Berthold Agency Elbowoods, North Dakota May 23, 1951

Senator William Langer

Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Langer:

Our Road Engineer, Ralph M. Shane, accompanied a delegation working on a proposed road connecting Lost Bridge and Killdeer; this delegation met briefly with you at the Patterson Hotel in Bismarck on Monday, May 14. A copy of the Road Replacement Program in the Relocation Plan for the Fort Berthold Reservation was used in connection with our meeting with you, but it is believed that a copy of the program was not left with you.

It is our pleasure to forward this copy of the program to you for your information and reference, and we will appreciate anything you may be able to do in the way of securing the necessary appropriations to carry out this program.

In connection with the meeting with Governor Brunsdale and North Dakota State Highway Commissioner, Mr. Thompson, during the afternoon of May 14, we found them quite impressed with the value of that connection to the State Highway System, and with the humanitarian standpoint of the large area which is more or less inaccessible and the large number of families who will be more or less isolated without road improvement as suggested. It was agreed that something must be done, either through Federal Funds or through State and Federal Funds.

Very truly yours,

H. Tobias

Acting Superintendent

Enclosure

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