[illegible] part of the reserve will be under construction within [illegible] days and the Company is desirous of starting construction [illegible] that portion of it crossing the Reserve with as little delay [illegible] possible.

We will be pleased to attend the Council on one day's notice which you may give us by wire if you so desire [illegible] I have the honor to be [illegible] Sir [illegible] Your obedient servant,

Douglas Humphry

[illegible] of the Indians [illegible] the portion lies on the Sarcee Reserve at Bearhorn's creek. The ditch will be [illegible] the [illegible] permitting the waters of Bearhorn's creek [illegible] to that portion of the Reserve lying to Bow River. The distance from point of diversion to point where ditch reaches Bobs Flat is approximately [illegible] miles, the ditch line is slightly under eight miles to accomplish the same distance. After reaching Bobs Flat the ditch turns west and runs across the reserve to the eastern boundary [illegible] by the [illegible]. A plan to implement of the proposed works is herewith inclosed [illegible] the plan on which the Company proposes to carry out the work by Mr. Barnes the Company's Chief Engineer.

The ditch will be five and one half feet wide in the bottom and two and one half feet deep.

I understand that it is necessary to hold a Council of the Indians to obtain their consent to the proposed works and I beg to request that you will call such council as soon as possible. The Company under the [illegible] contract has only a limited time to get five hundred acres under irrigation and construction must be pressed forward from date date, with all dispatch to make sure that this condition will be complied. All preliminary arrangements have now been completed by the Company and that portion of

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