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**POOLE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY**  
LIMITED

CONTRACTORS AND ENGINEERS

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733 TEGLER BUILDING,  
EDMONTON, ALBERTA

March 9th, 1938.

*[Signature]*  
J. C. Caldwell, Esq.,  
Secretary,  
Department of Indian Affairs,  
Department of Interior,  
OTTAWA, Ontario.



Dear Mr. Caldwell:

Re: Creston

On February 14th I met Major McKay at Vancouver and discussed fully with him our proposal to reclaim Indian Land in Kootenay Valley at Creston. Found Major McKay had a very comprehensive knowledge of the land and conditions, and he appeared to be very optimistic of the benefit and results for the Indians and the Department.

Without a preliminary survey and levels, to find height of dyke and cubic yards of material to be used in dykes, it is not possible to state a lump sum amount for doing the work, but, in order to establish a basis at this time for executing the dyking, we submit proposal for doing the work on same basis as we did the work on Nick's Island for Dr. Bruner.

We will agree to supply all necessary equipment, materials and labor necessary to build and complete all dyking and core-ditching on entire project for 125¢ per cubic yard. Where trees and stumps are located in line of dyke we will do all clearing and grubbing necessary for dykes at \$85.00 per acre.

We will accept for all, or any portion of, our payment, land within the dyked area at valuation of \$65.00 per acre.

Are also willing, at our expense, to make preliminary survey and submit proposal stating amount of acreage we would accept in payment for entirely completing the project.

It would be necessary for the Department to make arrangements with the Indians and also with International Joint Committee, or other authorities, for permission to do the dyking.

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