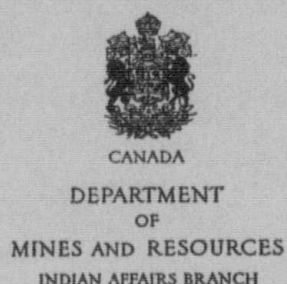


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PLEASE QUOTE
FILE 1-1-7.

New Westminster, B. C.
June 6th 1946

Major D. M. MacKay, Indian Commissioner for B. C., Vancouver

Please find enclosed a resolution from the Langley Band of Indians requesting expenditure of monies to their credit for purpose of purchasing a tractor, farm equipment, four well pumps, cement cribbing for the four wells (quotations for above attached), and for house and road repair.

This reserve has a very poor supply of water. Sand points plug up. There is a good supply of water to a depth of 20 feet. The plan is to dig wells, put in cement cribbing, and use pumps. The four wells should serve the whole reserve.

With reference to the road into the reserve, this is in such bad state that the milk truck driver refuses to collect the milk cans from the Indian dairy farmers. A quotation on the cost of repairing this road has been requested from the Langley Municipality and will be forthcoming soon. Verbal estimates on this work amount to \$1500. The municipality has agreed to do the work using their own machinery. This includes grading and gravelling.

In the past, funds have been voted from the Trust Account for houses. Clarence Fillardeau has requested a new house, and the Band has agreed to allow him \$500 towards a new house. Thomas Fillardeau has also need for shingles to the extent of \$100.

No quotation can be had with reference to building materials, however, permission is requested for this expenditure so that the necessary materials can be purchased as soon as it is available.

These Indians have made several attempts at cultivating a larger portion of their reserve land but feel that they are at a disadvantage when they see their white neighbours using power equipment.

Expenditures for farm a tractor and equipment amounts to \$1925, less 5%; on well pumps to \$154, less 10%; and on cement cribbing to \$152, making a total of \$2119.75. To this should be added the probable expenditure for road and house repairs amounting to \$1900.

I would recommend that the above expenditures be made on behalf of the Langley Indians.

J. Gillett, Indian Agent.

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