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MacLeod 15<sup>th</sup> Sept 1900

Sir

I have the honour to report that I am at present engaged on the survey of a trail from MacLeod south and West to Fishburn in accordance with instructions received from the Indian Commissioner -

The fencing in of the old trail - known locally as the Black Spring Trail - between these points, where it crosses the Pegan River, caused great friction, and proved to give much trouble to the Department -

On the 31<sup>st</sup> of July a meeting was arranged between the Town Council of MacLeod, Mr. Haultain of the North West Government, Mr. McKeena and myself, at which it was agreed to leave the question of locating a road to myself -

After going over the country I submitted a report to the Deputy Commissioner of Public Works for the North West Government, suggesting the location of a road which, in my opinion, would best serve the districts most interested, and also suggesting that his government obtain permission from this Department for having the survey necessary to establish the road, made by myself -

I am pleased to be able to report that my suggestions have been approved and adopted -

To the Secretary  
Department of Indian Affairs  
Ottawa



Copy of correspondence  
attached H.W.P.