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The Honorable

The Secretary of the Interior.

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My dear Mr. Secretary:

There are transmitted herewith the papers relative to the application of the Umatilla County Court, for public highway right of way across various restricted allotments on the Umatilla Reservation.

The application states that the right of way will be 40 feet wide and extend through the reservation for a distance of 4 miles; and that it will eliminate a creek crossing and raise and straighten the route.

The Superintendent reports that the Indians will be greatly benefited by the road; that the advantages of same will offset any damages; and that the Indian owners have given their consent thereto without damages, as shown by signed statements in the file.

Under the circumstances, it is recommended that the application be approved without damages, subject to the provisions of the Act of March 3, 1901 (31 Stat. L., 1084), and departmental regulations thereunder; and subject also to any prior, valid, existing right or adverse claim.

Sincerely yours,

JOHN COLLIER

Commissioner.

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Approved:

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(Sgd.) OSCAR L. CHAPMAN

Assistant Secretary.