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Dr. John B. Cornell Program Director for Anthropology National Science Foundation Washington, D.C. 20550

Dear Dr. Cornell:

Please excuse the tardy reply to your letter of May 21st regarding the proposal of Frank W. Eddy for the Chimney Rock Archaeological Project. I have been in Washington and Oregon for the past several weeks and just caught up with my mail.

This request has much merit for the use of such equipment for micro-analysis should be encouraged. The microscope is a necessary piece of equipment for studies pertaining to preparation of margins prior to flaking and for functional analysis. It is also a great aid in determining the direction of striations, use polish, and minute functional flake scars resulting from diverse working processes. It also helps distinguish the differences in techniques between polish and grinding of platforms prior to flake removal. This type of microscope can help reveal many diagnostic traits, methods of tool holding and chipping techniques - making an important contribution to lithic analysis.

I am happy to see this phase of archaeology investigated and certainly endorse this part of the program.

I do hope this delayed reply has not influenced a decision in awarding funds for the project.

Sincerely yours,

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