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Dear Don,

I hope this letter finds you and Evelyn well. I recently returned to Eugene after a busy summer. I spent most of the time working at a rock shelter on the Owyhee River in southeastern Oregon. My hand healed in about a week and I was able to do some percussion work in about two weeks. I was sorry to have missed the last week of the school. I have been practicing the various flaking techniques that I learned at the flintworking school and was able to identify various techniques based on waste stone and artifacts that we excavated this summer on the Owyhee. I feel that I learned more from you and the others in one month than I had in my previous twelve years of knapping. I got so many ideas about different projects and experiments that I would like to do that I'm afraid that I won't have enough time to complete all of them.

I have been analyzing a collection of artifacts from a site on the Deschutes River in Central Oregon and plan to use much of what I learned from you to interpret technological processes which were taking place there in the past. I am interested in experimentally replicating some early point types from the Columbia River and the Great Basing. and I plan to do some more experimentation with heat treatment was of various flaked stone tools so as to examine wear and breakage patterns. I am also interested in the production of diagnostic waste products by particular tools and techniques. Eventually I hope to find a job which will include these types of activities as part of my duties.

I did not get to see Dr. Daugherty when I was in Moscow this summer so I don't know the status of the proposed lithic lab. Have you heard anything more about it? I'll keep you informed of my whereabouts.

Sincerely,

P.S. Thank you again for your time and concern this summer. Your flintworking school has been the most meaningful experience I have had in all my years of schooling. I feel fortunate to have been able to work with you.

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