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Dear Don:

I've just returned from our meeting on the lithics laboratory proposal, and am glad to say things went better than expected. The Survey agreed to take up the slack that the grant would not cover. Now, there's the grant and the University to worry about. However, I feel confident that both the grant and the University will approve the lithics laboratory.

Your letter of the 23 of August was passed around in the meeting and all concerned felt that your backing and involvement in this laboratory would persuade the money holders to support the laboratory. I made the point that if we're going to set up this laboratory, why not have the best in the profession of lithics involved? You're the best, you've volunteered your help, so the Survey took advantage of the opportunity to have you as an associate of the laboratory. Needless to say, your association with the laboratory was the selling point as far as the Survey was concerned.

Now, what is the status of your summer flintworking school? I don't want to interfere with your existing obligations. Would you be available to come to the summer school here? Once again, you would be the drawing card. I don't mean to give you the impression that I would just using you, I most definitely would not be. What you know and can teach, well, there is no substitute for the best, it's as simple as that. So, your help is definitely needed and as far as I'm concerned, most certainly wanted.

What I'm saying; the laboratory looks as though it will become a reality and we (all of us here) want you to be a part of it. Once again, please, could you give me some idea of the degree you would obligate yourself.

Cooky also hopes that you will become involved with this project so she can meet Evelyn. She really admires anybody who suffers from being a flintknapper's widow such as she is.

Your student,

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