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Honorable Henry Dworshak  
United States Senator  
Senate Office Building  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Henry:

I thought that you would be interested in the enclosed copy of a letter I have just received from Colonel James Beddow, of the Army Corps of Engineers at Walla Walla, which was written in response to my request of January 8 concerning several matters pertaining to Bruce Eddy. These items I have also written you about.

His letter brings out the thinking of the Army Corps of Engineers on the ownership and use of lakeside property. There seems to be a trend of more federal control and less opportunity for private development along the shoreline. The Colonel's letter seems a little tough on this subject and I am hopeful that we can work out some variances so that our timberland owners can develop the fullest use of the pool. Of course this would only be in a few places and certainly could be handled so as not to affect the beauty of the area in the slightest degree. Then too, we feel that private recreational development has its place and can also do a good job, besides pay a few tax dollars!

Everyone in this part of the country is getting quite excited about Bruce Eddy and there is a plan underfoot to send a couple, or perhaps three, to Washington later this spring when the Bruce Eddy Proposal is ready for consideration. I know that Herb West, in his testimony this week, has suggested  $3\frac{1}{2}$  million dollars as a start. This does not seem like very much for a two year period and I wonder what your thought might be in the way of money to go along with the authorization. The worst thing that could happen to us would be authorization and no money to get the project underway. I suppose we would stall along for a number of years if we just got authorization. Everyone here knows that you have been the spark plug on this project, even though your colleague seems to be taking more interest now with an election coming up this fall. I expect one should assume such.

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Hope to have any ideas the you may want to give us, and rest assured that we are anxiously awaiting action on our project.

Kind personal regards,

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A. B. CURTIS  
Mayor

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Enclosure

I hope that you would be interested in the enclosed copy of a letter I have just received from Colonel James Leake, of the Army Corps of Engineers at Falls Falls, which was written in response to my request of January 8 concerning several matters pertaining to Bruce Bay. These items I have also written you about.

The letter brings out the thinking of the Army Corps of Engineers on the ownership and use of lake-side property. There seems to be a trend of more Federal control and less opportunity for private development along the shoreline. The Colonel's letter went a little tough on this subject and I am hopeful that we can work out some variations so that our timberland owners can develop the fullest use of the pool. Of course this would only be in a few places and certainly could be headed so as not to affect the beauty of the area in the slightest degree. Then too, we feel that private recreational development has its place and can also do a good job, besides pay a few tax dollars!

Everyone in this part of the country is getting quite excited about Bruce Bay and there is a plan underway to send a couple, or perhaps three, to Washington later this spring when the Bruce Bay Proposal is ready for consideration. I know that Herb West, in his testimony this week, has suggested \$5 million dollars as a start. This does not seem like very much for a two year period and I wonder what your thoughts might be in the way of money to go along with the authorization. The worst thing that could happen to us would be authorization and no money to get the project underway. I suppose we would stall along for a number of years if we just got authorization. Everyone here knows that you have been the spark plug on this project, even though your mileage seems to be taking more interest now with an election coming up this fall. I expect we should name well.