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AIR MAIL

The Honorable A. B. Curtis Mayor, City of Orofino Orofino, Idaho

Dear Bert:

Replying to your letter of June 7, I am happy that you are watching developments affecting Bruces Eddy. It does appear that everything is progressing in an orderly manner, but the real test will come when a project is included in the omnibus bills in both the House and Senate. I am sure that the Senate will approve the project, but I have no way of forecasting how the House will react. It is possible the Wildlife Federation may plan opposition and lobby the House Public Works Committee against the project.

In reference to sending representatives to Washington to testify for the project, I would think that when the House considers the Omnibus bill, it would be appropriate. I have been advised that the bill will originate in the House this year; and, if favorable action is taken there, I anticipate no trouble in the Senate. Likewise, if the bill contains authorization of Bruces Eddy, I should be able to get an appropriation to start construction before the end of this session.

I certainly hope that no controversy will arise over details of the authorization. As you will recall, Frank Church released some publicity several weeks ago, indicating that some restrictions on distribution of power and other facilities on the reservoir, will be sought. I also hope that you and the local group are able to work with the Army Engineer Corps at Walla Walla, Washington, to reach agreement on several aspects of the project.

Sincerely yours,

Henry Dworshak

United States Senator