

July 17, 1962

Honorable Gracie Pfost
United States Representative
Old House Office Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Gracie:

I thought I would drop a note to see what is new on our Bruces Eddy situation. The people here are getting very worried and deeply concerned about the matter. I realize that Congress is operating slow and that legislation is pretty well bogged down, and this undoubtedly is the answer for the Omnibus Bill and our Bruces Eddy Project.

Every time I get out on the street people are asking me what is happening. I know that you are fully aware that the economic condition of this area, as well as other parts of northern Idaho, is at a very low ebb. Actually, people are moving away from northern Idaho because there is nothing for them to do. The lumbering industry is in very serious trouble with the Canadian situation and when the lumberjacks are out of work they can't help but hurt. Bruces Eddy is the real booster that we must have and I think that it is of the utmost importance at this time more than ever before. Please advise me of any development so that we can plan accordingly. It doesn't make much difference when it is introduced so long as we get it in this session. Maybe September would be fine if Congress goes for a long session.

Kind personal regards, and I hope that you can be helpful to us.

Sincerely yours,

A. B. CURTIS
Mayor

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