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# Engineers Plan Damsite Check Above Salmon

Boats will be busy several days this week carrying parties of geologists and Army engineers up the Snake River from Lewiston on field surveys beginning at the mouth of the Salmon River and continuing upstream in the general area of the Mountain Sheep damsite.

One group is aboard the Inland Navigation Co. mail and passenger boat, the Wenaha, this morning. The Wenaha is chartered again Friday morning and John Olney, pilot of the river packet, the Idaho, is scheduled to carry a group upstream Saturday.

Two geologists from the Bureau of Reclamation and Ivan Teuscher, an engineer transferred by the Bureau from Hungry Horse Dam in Montana, were scheduled to leave on the Wenaha this morning.

Teuscher, according to H. T. Nelson, regional director of the Bureau of Reclamation at Boise, has been assigned to make "a preliminary reconnaissance and geologic examination of the Snake River in the vicinity of the mouth of the Imnaha River."

## Interior Ordered Study

The regional director described the field surveys as "a feasibility type of investigation of damsites," to be made at the request of the Department of the Interior.

Geologists assigned from the Boise office to work with Teuscher are Clifford J. Okeson and Malcolm Logan, according to Nelson.

Teuscher has been assigned to make arrangements for transportation of "an engineering party and design personnel from the chief engineer's office who will be examining the site later," according to Nelson. Trips scheduled Friday and Saturday are to be made by engineering parties.

Nelson outlined Teuscher's assignment in a letter to John Shepard, chairman of the Waterways Committee of the Lewiston Chamber of Commerce.

## In Mountain Sheep Area

"At the request of the Department of the Interior, the Bureau of Reclamation is undertaking a feasibility type of investigation of damsites on the Snake River from the mouth of the Salmon River upstream in the general area of the Mountain Sheep site," Nelson's letter stated.

"Naturally, we are attacking this assignment with a great deal of enthusiasm because of our previous experience with this part of the river and the people of that area."

Teuscher is "one of our career engineers with particular experience on the Snake River," he added.