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JAMES F. WICKWIRE

November 21, 1955

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Dear Click:

Glenn and I both feel that it will be necessary for us to have a conference with you before any definite decision can be reached relative to the Wanapums.

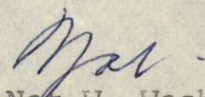
I must confess that I know very little about law relative to Indian rights. In order to discuss the whole problem intelligently, I will have to get briefed up somewhat on the possible right of the Yakimas and other Indians of the area. If you have copies of the various treaties, would you please send me the excerpts which show the basis of their possible contingent claims to damages resulting from Priest Rapids and the other upstream dams.

I assure you that it is our desire to do right by the Wanapums, since they have been so cooperative. There must be some legal basis, however, for any action we take. Since I have very little knowledge of the legal rights of non-treaty Indians, will you please give this particular point some thought and, if possible, organize your thinking and set it down on paper for my benefit.

In particular, I would like your thinking on the legal rights that the Wanapums have which would be dislocated by causing them to move their camp and religious ceremonial spot. I assure you we will also try to mix plenty of equity with the legal principles in arriving at a settlement. However, the necessity of some legal basis should not be overlooked. We can arrange the time and the place of our meeting by telephone.

Sincerely yours,

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April 6, 1956

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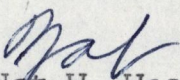
Enclosed is a rough draft of a proposed agreement with the Wanapum Band of Indians. Please feel free to go over it and make any corrections or changes which you feel would be beneficial. I do not intend to submit the agreement to the Bureau of Indian Affairs until the language has been approved by you and the Wanapums.

I have typed the rough draft in triple space to assist you in making the necessary corrections.

As you undoubtedly know, Glenn has been in the hospital for sometime. He was operated on last Wednesday and is now making a nice recovery.

Sincerely yours,

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