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San Diego, Calif. Feb. 7, 1922

Mr. F. E. Weymouth, Chief of Construction,
U. S. Reclamation Service,
Denver, Colorado.

Would it be possible for you to make a personal examination and report to city water commission or city council, giving your opinion best location and type of dam also estimate of cost on San Diego River to be built by San Diego City. All field surveys are completed at each proposed site and core drillings completed at all damsites excepting one. Any detailed information could be secured for you by someone you might select, and under your direction. We need unbiased information from responsible source and feel sure you can help us out. I am member of city water commission. Hoping for favorable reply at my expense and if possible giving me some idea of your compensation

F. M. WHITE

Mr. F. O. Weymouth,
Chief of Construction,
U. S. Reclamation Service,
Denver, Colorado.

My dear Sir:

Will it be possible, either thru the City Water Commission, or on the invitation of the committee of private citizens to get you to come to San Diego, investigate local conditions relative to a comprehensive development of the waters of the San Diego River, and give us the benefit of your expert opinion in relation thereto.

We have a number of engineers' reports on the subject which we can turn over to you for your information. We would be glad to see you are put to no expense whatsoever in the matter, and you will be doing the City of San Diego a service - to give us an unbiased opinion as to the advisability of building a dam, or dams on the San Diego River where they should be built, and an estimate of cost.

If you are allowed to take outside work, and accept pay therefor, please let us know what your charges would be. I am a member of the City Water Commission and writing you at the present time as a private individual desiring information as to best method of securing your services, if possible.

Yours very truly,

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
UNITED STATES RECLAMATION SERVICE

TRAMWAY BUILDING
DENVER, COLORADO

June 21, 1922.

Mr. F. M. White,
Benson Lumber Co.,
San Diego, California.

Dear Sir:

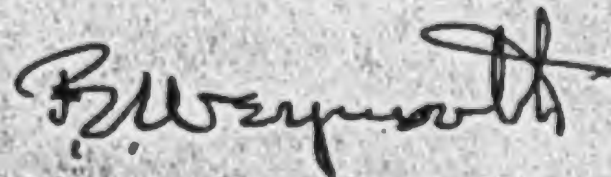
I have just returned to Denver and find your letter of May 27th relative to the possibility of my coming to San Diego to review its water supply situation and make a report thereon.

I have recently returned from Porto Rico where I made a report on an irrigation project for the Porto Rican government, having been granted leave of absence without pay in order to permit me to do that work. In order to go to San Diego it would be necessary for me to obtain similar permission.

I do not know the time that would be required in investigating and studying your problem thoroughly but I would be willing to undertake the work for a fee of \$1,000 for the first ten days of time and \$75 per day thereafter plus actual and necessary expenses from the time I would leave Denver until I returned. It is likely that much of the work could be done by some assistant at a less cost per day, and if so, I would so arrange as it would make it cheaper for the city and would not require so much of my time.

If formal request is made for my services, I could ask for permission to take up the work.

Very truly yours,



F. E. WEYMOUTH,
Chief Engineer.

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July 29, 1922.

Mr. F. E. Weymouth, Chief, of Construction,
U. S. Reclamation Service,
Denver, Colorado.

My dear Mr. Weymouth:

Mr. F. M. White is in the East, but
your letter to him of June 21st will be answered as
soon as he returns if he has not answered it already.

You can make up your mind to it that
we are going to have you here to make your report on
the San Diego River, and I will be glad to see you
again. You can render a great service to this com-
munity by putting the unvarnished facts before them,
and it will puncture the plans of a bunch of politicians.

With kind personal regards,

Very sincerely yours,

EF:AH

*Please keep
return when I get
from F. M. White*

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