MEMORANDUM

To: R. L. Jennings

From: Ross D. Billings

Subject: Construction Progress information for Newspaper release

At the present time there is construction activity in the following locations on the Collbran Project.

Specifications No. DC-5155--1st Section Southside Canal

Butler Construction Company (Subcontractor)
Installing siphon pipe, backfilling, and concreting structures on Salt Creek Siphon.

The Refinery Engineering Company (Prime Contractor)
Concreting, backfilling on the Inlet and Outlet Structures of Grove Creek Siphon.
Concreting, backfilling, riprapping, and final grading on Oak Creek Siphon.
Backfilling and final grading on Little Creek Siphon.
Installing culverts downstream from Little Creek.

Specifications No. DC-5161--Power Plants and Penstocks

Butler Construction Company (Subcontractor)
Excavating for penstock and pipeline structures first mile above lower plant. This is over the steep rock cliffs coming down from Mormon Mesa.

John Brown Construction Company (Subcontractor)
Concreting on Upper Molina Powerplant (1st stage concrete).
Concreting Outlet Structure of Equalizing Reservoir.
Unwatering and backfilling and concreting at Lower Molina Powerplant.
Excavation and concreting Lower Molina Tailrace Turnout.
Preparation for concrete on the Equalizing Reservoir Inlet Structure.

Specifications No. DC-5218--2nd Section Southside Canal

A. S. Horner Construction Company, Inc. (Prime Contractor)
Establishing camp, setting up concrete batching plant, purchasing materials for structures.

Smith and Lucas Construction Company (Subcontractor)
Canal excavation on lower portions of job. This work is immediately
west of the Mesa-Grand Mesa road. Cleaning right-of-way and building access road to all but the upper portion of contract.

The Brazier Brothers Construction Company are operating a gravel processing and crushing plant midway between Molina and Collbran. Gravels produced are being used in various places on the project for road building, backfilling, riprap bedding, etc.

Specifications No. DC-5186--Bonham-Cottonwood Pipeline

No activity.

Specifications No. DC-5293--Leon-Park Feeder Canal and Diversion Dams


The Government field forces at Collbran have been kept busy all winter establishing final location and staking out about eighteen miles of the canals. Most of these surveys have been accomplished with the survey crews wearing snowshoes. The office forces have been performing computations for pay quantities and estimates for the vast amount of work on the Collbran Project.

The tempo of construction activity has been increasing slowly during March. April should show all contractors increasing their operations to full production, except perhaps, the work on Grand Mesa.

The pictures here are not good pictures for newspapers. You might look at Nos. P482-417-1111 and P482-417-1109. These pictures show pipe installation and backfill operations at Salt Creek. Another group of pictures are presently being developed in Grand Junction, which we haven't seen and which might have one or two worthwhile.