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The Searchary of the Interior. (Through the Commissioner of the General Land Office)

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On June 10, 1919, approval was given to the application of the County Court of Usatilla County, Oregon, for permission to open and establish a public highway known as the Old Oregon Trail, 60 foot wide and 16.43 miles in length, across certain Usatilla Indian lands in Oregon.

This road, it is understood, has now been designated as a Federal aid project, making it necessary to increase the width to 80 feet. In making this improvement certain changes in location were also necessary and the record shows that settlement for additional land taken has been made with the Indians in interest. The Superintendent of the Umatilla Agency recommends that the application now submitted of the Umatilla County Court covering the increased width and changed location of the road be approved.

In view of the facts presented it is respectfully recommended that the application herewith be approved provided the accompanying map of definite location is acceptable to the General Land Office. subject to the provisions of the Act of March 3, 1901 (31 Stat. L., 1053-1034); Department regulations thereunder; and subject also to any prior, valid, existing right or adverse claim; and with the understanding that the acceptance of this approval is to operate as a relinquishment on the part of the Unatilla County Court of all rights in and to those portions of the road covered by application approved June 10, 1919, not included in the amended location now approved.

It is recommended further that no damages be assessed on account of the suended location of the road in addition to those which the record shows have already been assessed and paid to the Indians through the Umatilla Agency Office.

Very truly yours,

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