

June 4, 1929.

Mr. C. W. Smith, Pres.,  
Dry Gulch Irrigation Co.,  
Roosevelt, Utah.

Dear Sir:

RE: MONTEZ CREEK DIST.

Your letter of May 29 with reference to a commissioner on Dry Gulch Creek and Montez Creek came duly to hand and I have given the matter some study.

I would be very glad to appoint Mr. Galloway commissioner once the necessary legal formalities are complied with, except for the fact that I have had much difficulty in the past with reference to the collection of assessments. In your last paragraph you speak of your company defraying the expense but expecting to be reimbursed for their cash outlay.

On the well organized systems there is not much difficulty in collecting distribution assessments but my experience on Montez Creek has not been wholly satisfactory and in some of the districts the water users refuse to pay and collection by suit is a long and expensive process.

In order that we may proceed further with this matter I suggest that you have Mr. Galloway send me a list of the water users who would be assessed and I will prepare a tentative assessment list so that we can come to some sort of an idea as to how expenses would be pro rated and the chances of collection. I should also like to be advised as to the compensation which Mr. Galloway expects and the length of service so that I may know the total amount of the budget.

Yours very truly,

State Engineer.

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