

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

July 25th
1924

Dear Mr. Eakin:

Referring to your letter of May 31st regarding the item in the current Interior Department appropriation act authorizing the purchase of the Bright Angel Toll Road and Trail, I am inclosing herewith copy of a memorandum dated July 18, 1924, approved by First Assistant Secretary Finney, covering the procedure to be followed in negotiating for the purchase of this toll road and trail.

The estimate suggested by Congressman Hayden covering the construction of the approach road has been changed to \$100,000, as approved, and included in the tentative estimates for the fiscal year 1926 submitted to the Bureau of the Budget by this Department.

Director Mather has given instructions for you to take up with the proper officials of Coconino County the matter of the purchase of the road and trail at the earliest practicable date on the basis of the inclosed memorandum and to keep this office and Field Assistant Albright fully advised of the progress of the negotiations. While Director Mather is in the field this office will keep him telegraphically advised of the progress of these negotiations as reported by you.

A copy of this letter, together with inclosures, is being forwarded to Congressman Hayden for his information and such assistance as he may be able to give.

Mr. J. R. Eakin,
Superintendent,
Grand Canyon National Park,
Grand Canyon, Arizona.

Cordially yours,
(Sgd) ARNO B. CAMMERER.

Acting Director.

Inclosure #21603

c/s Mr. Mather - Cong. Hayden