UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
WASHINGTON

July 29, 1935.

Hon. Carl Hayden,

United States Senate.

My dear Senator Hayden:

The Service has received your letter of July 9 enclosing a letter from Mr. Ed Hamilton of Grand Canyon, Arizona, with further reference to the condition of the road between Grand Canyon Village and Rowe's Well.

It is noted from Mr. Hamilton's letter that recent repairs have been made and the road is in favorable condition; however, the Superintendent of Grand Canyon National Park advises that the existing road, because of poor alignment, location, and drainage, must be replaced before it can be maintained in accordance with the standard for the park roads. Melting snow on the adjacent side hill keeps it muddy and almost impassable until the road and side hill have dried out.

Mr. Hamilton corresponds with this Service frequently with reference to the condition of the road and the purchase of his property.

There are no Federal funds available at this time for the acquisition of privately owned land within the Grand Canyon National Park and Superintendent Tillotson advises, in view of the circumstances, he feels it necessary to use his limited maintenance funds on the general service roads rather than concentrate on a side road used primarily to give access to a commercial auto camp located on private lands.

Copies of your letter and Mr. Hamilton's letter have been referred to the superintendent for consideration.

Mr. Hamilton's letter is returned for your files as requested.

Cordially yours, (SGD.) ARNO B. CAMMERER

Arno B. Cammerer, Director.

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