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Dear Mr. Soule:

This answer to your letter has been delayed a long time, but there seemed to be little sense in writing until I could give you something concrete in the way of information about the work of Miss Lange.

In your letter of the 23rd you suggested a possible itinerary for Miss Lange, and I was much interested in your eight suggestions regarding the things which she should photograph. These, I imagine, could be included in a trip which would take her down through California and on through New Mexico and Arizona. En route she could stop in El Monte and make us a good set of photographs of that project. Undoubtedly there will be other things in California which you and Dr. Taylor are anxious that she should cover. I am suggesting that you, Miss Lange and Dr. Taylor get together and arrange an itinerary which would give us the maximum return from this expenditure. Let me have an estimate of what you think it will cost in travel expense and per diem. If possible, we should try to get Land Utilization, Management and Rural Resettlement to participate in this expense insofar as they will directly benefit by any of the work which she will do. We are able under the present three months' budget to carry most of the travel and per diem expense of a trip which would not be too long.

I wonder if you folks would get together as soon as possible and let me have this information so that we can get the proper authorization here, check upon the budget and get Miss Lange started. If there is any great rush about getting her started, I will wire her approval as soon as the papers get through.

Very truly yours,

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Chief, Historical Section
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