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Mr. Charles E. Erdmann Regional Geologist Conservation Division U. S. Geological Survey Post Office Box 1827 Great Falls, Montana

Dear Charles:

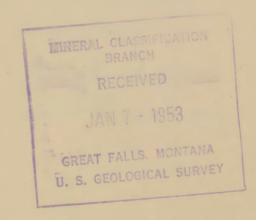


Enclosed is a copy of a map and report entitled, "Geology of the Big Sandy quadrangle, Montana," by R. M. Lindvall. This report was recently released by press notice number 52450 and is being sent to you as requested in previous correspondence.

Sincerely yours,

Edwin B. Eckel, Chief Engineering Geology Branch

Enclosure





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Mr. Charles E. Erdmann, Regional Geologist, Conservation Division, 417 Electric Bldg., P. O. Box 1827, Great Falls, Montana.

Dear Mr. Erdmann:

A map and report on the geology of the Big Sandy quadrangle, Montana is enclosed. This report, which has been prepared by the U. S. Geological Survey as a part of the Interior Department's program for the development of the Missouri River Basin, is now in open file and will be released later as a formal Geological Survey publication.

The map and report describes an area of about 200 square miles in the Lower Marias Irrigation Project now under construction in north-central Montana. This constitutes a part of a geologic study to furnish pertinent basic geologic data for the development of the region. In addition, considerable exploration for oil and gas is being undertaken in this area, and the geology herein described should contribute to this phase of the work.

The report, which includes a geologic map, geologic cross-section, coal sections, data on depth to bedrock, and brief engineering descriptions of all the deposits will be of value in planning land utilization in the area. Foundation condition, sources of construction materials, and possible sources of water supplies are also shown on the map and discussed in the text.

Sincerely yours,

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Missouri Basin Coordinator

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