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Mr. Sidney Harrison, Sec'y.,
Model Land Company,
St. Augustine, Florida.

PROPOSED DRAINAGE ---
TOWNSHIP 58 RANGE 38:

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 5th in regard to the out-lined subject and as suggested by you have gone over this matter pretty thoroughly with Mr. Livingston.

Mr. Livingston, like myself, is of the opinion that the Company has a large acreage of first class farm lands lying in Township 58-38 and very likely a good deal in 59-37, with proper drainage. While Mr. Livingston has done some scouting in a general way in this territory he is not sufficiently informed to give an intelligent opinion or recommendation as to any drainage scheme, but he advises, (and I agree with him) that it is worth while to make a thorough investigation.

This of course, as you will appreciate, means the equipping of a party to take levels, soundings, etc, in order to determine just what canals would be necessary. It would not be expedient, of course, to send such a survey party out in the present rainy season, but Mr. Livingston states that there is certain valuable information that should be gotten while the water is at its highest, and he would suggest that as preliminary work to obtain valuable information towards laying plans for the regular survey party that he take a couple of men and spend about a week in this territory while the water is up, taking natural soundings and observing the course of the water to determine the flow, also placing at different points stakes on which the water level would be registered, all of which information you appreciate would be valuable in arriving at any drainage plans.

Mr. Livingston thinks this preliminary work can be done at an expenditure of about \$100.00. This would give us information for an opinion as to whether or not it is worth while to make a more complete survey.

A complete survey, such as would be required to make drainage recommendations would cost, Mr. Livingston thinks in the neighborhood of a couple of thousand dollars, but this work as above stated, should not be done until later on in the season when the water is at its lowest level.

Yours truly,

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