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LETTER

FROM

THE SECRETARY OF WAR,

RECOMMENDING

*An appropriation of \$5,000 for the completion of the road from Fort Bridger to Uintah Agency.*

APRIL 8, 1880.—Referred to the Committee on Military Affairs and ordered to be printed.

WAR DEPARTMENT,  
*Washington, City, April 7, 1880.*

SIR: I have the honor to state that the General of the Army, who is now in consultation, at Chicago, with Lieutenant-General Sheridan, as to the disposition to be made of the troops during the remainder of the present year, has reported that, "by reason of the Utes, we think it necessary to reoccupy Fort Bridger, and advise that you recommend to Congress to appropriate \$10,000 to build a road from Fort Bridger across the Uintah Mountains to the Uintah Agency, shortening the present road, which goes around by Salt Lake, by two or three hundred miles."

The completion of the road from Fort Bridger to Uintah Agency seems to be a measure of great economy, but I am of the opinion that the road can be completed for the sum of \$5,000, and I accordingly recommend that an appropriation of that sum be made for the purpose.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

ALEX. RAMSEY,  
*Secretary of War.*

The PRESIDENT  
*of the United States Senate.*

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