



INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARY AND WATER COMMISSION
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UNITED STATES SECTION
 EL PASO, TEXAS

AIR MAIL

August 15, 1947

Miss Laura Gilpin,
 Box 1173,
 Santa Fe, New Mexico.

My dear Miss Gilpin:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of August 11, 1947 which requests certain information in connection with the acreage under irrigation along the Rio Grande in Texas and Mexico, and the bridges along the international Rio Grande.

Approximate figures for 1945 show the irrigated acreage from the Rio Grande and its tributaries to be about as follows:

Between Caballo Reservoir in New Mexico and El Paso, there are about 100,000 acres irrigated (all in the United States). About 11,200 acres of this are in Texas. Starting with that acreage, the acreage by river reaches downstream is as follows:

		United States	Mexico	
11,200	State line to El Paso	11,200	-	
71,000	El Paso-Juarez Valley	71,000	52,100	52,100
4,900	Ft. Quitman to Presidio Valley	4,900	18,900	18,900
	Rio Conchos	-	173,500	
	Pecos River (in Texas) about	45,000	-	
	Del Rio to Roma	43,800	41,900	41,900
	Rio Salado	-	112,400	50,500
	Roma to Gulf	547,400	50,500	163,400
	Rio San Juan	-	102,600	
	Sub-totals	723,300	551,900	
	Total -		1,275,200	

The figures given include primary irrigation only. In addition, there are other areas in Mexico which receive supplemental water.

There is attached a list of the bridges across the Rio Grande between El Paso and the Gulf of Mexico.

Very truly yours,

L. M. Lawson

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 Commissioner

Enclosure: As stated above

173,500
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 388,500