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July 29th 1907.

My Dear Prof Muir

Your letter of the 26th inst. is just received. It is not possible for me to give you maps of the reservoir, but I can give you a full description of each. In Lake Clear the dam will be about $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{3}$ mile below the outlet of the present lake & the surface of the lake when the dam is full during all months except late Sept. Oct. Nov. & Dec. will be about $\frac{1}{2}$ greater than present area. In Table Valley the dam will be in the gorge at lower end of valley and will back water nearly 3 miles with an average width of about $\frac{1}{4}$ mile covering I think 1700 acres. The maximum height will be nearly to the base of the falls on the north wall. The lake will be full or nearly so during those months when the mountaineers can visit the region. The dams should be of rustic quarry faced masonry & practically a part of the enclosing walls, in no way detracting from the surroundings & not reaching into back water. The great Cañon which is the feature of the region -

Sincerely yours
Marsden Manson.

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