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I hope you will pass on to your sister chambers of commerce and organize a substantial delegation.

In the past three years, as you know, our organization has been very busy, not as the usual type of propaganda organization but in promoting construction in the sections where needed. My travels in OST territory have given me an extensive understanding of things that will come to pass in the next two years. The winter tourist traffic of the future will seek OST territory; its climatic, historical and resort attractions have always drawn the people. The highway development that is going on will easily feed, within two years, this traffic to every southern city on the OST. I am anxious th have you of the west should to shoulder with us in this work. To me this southern strip across the United States, this sunshine belt as it is so often called, is one natural playground and its interests should be worked out as an entirety.

I will be here for probably a week yet. If you have any advice or suggestion please telegraph me, Burlington Hotel, Washington. I am asking my office at San Antonio to keep you advised of all plans for the encampment. The roads are good all the way to Ft. Davis. I think El Paso plans to make the run from El Paso to the camp in one day.

With assurance of my kindest regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Managing Director Old Spanish Trail.