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Post Office Department,

TOPOGRAPHER'S OFFICE,

Washington, D. C. Mar. 19. 1898.

Sir:

To enable the Topographer of this Department to determine, with as much accuracy as possible, the relative positions of Post Offices, so that they may be correctly delineated on its maps, the Postmaster General requests you carefully to answer the questions below, and furnish the diagram on the other side, returning the same as soon as possible, verified by your signature and dated, under cover to the Topographer's Office, Post Office Department.

Respectfully, &c.,

A. S. Mendenhall
Topographer P. O. Dept.

To POSTMASTER AT

River Bend
Colo.

The (P. O. Dept.) name of my Office is

River Bend.

If the town, village, or site of the Post Office be known by another name than that of the Post Office, state that other name here: *SE*

The P. O. is situated in the *SE* quarter of Section No. *5*, in Township

of *Elbert* (north or south), Range *57* (east or west), County

The name of the most prominent river near it is *Big Sandy.*

The name of the nearest creek is

This Office is *1/2* miles from said river, on the *North* side of it, and is

miles from said nearest creek, on the side of it.

My Office is on Mail Route No.

My Office is a Special Office supplied from miles distant.

The name of the nearest Office on my route is *Union Station*, and its distance is *4* miles, by the traveled road, in a *SE* direction from this, my Office.

The name of the nearest Office, on the same route, on the other side, is *Agate* and its distance is *15* miles in a *NW* direction from this, my Office.

The name of the nearest Office off the route is *Resolis*, and its distance by the most direct road is *3* miles in a *SW* direction from this, my Office.

The name of the nearest railroad is *K.P. Branch U.P.Ry.*

If on the line of or near the railroad, on which side and how far from the track is your Office located? *North Side - about 40 yards.*

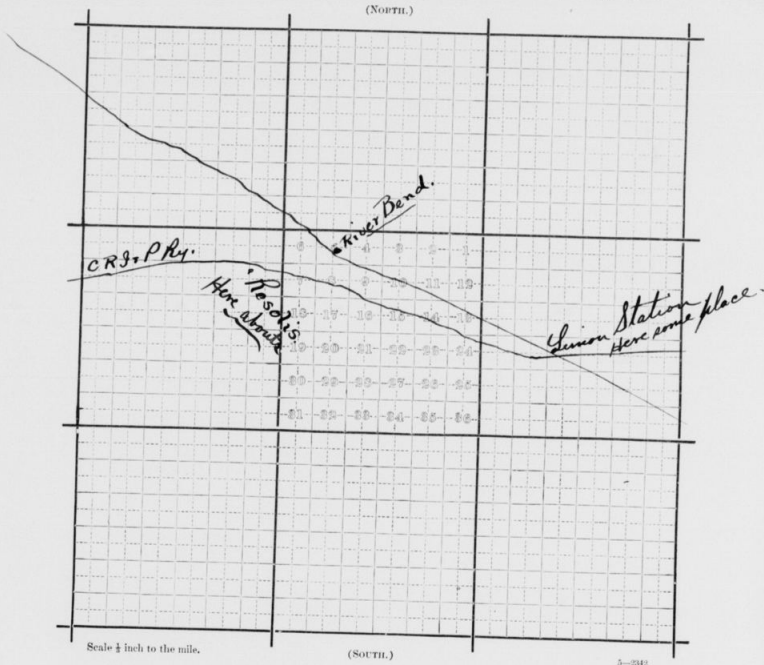
(Signature of Postmaster-)

F. R. McShenney.
(Date.) *March 23rd 1898.*

Diagram showing the site of the *River Bend* Post Office
 in Township - *9* - (N. or S.), Range *57* (E. or W.),
 of *Co.* Principal Meridian, County of *Elbert*, State
 of *Colorado*, with the adjacent Townships and Post Offices.

It is requested that the exact site of your Post Office, as also the roads to the adjoining
 Offices, and the rivers and creeks, be marked on this diagram, to be returned as soon as possi-
 ble to the Topographer's Office, Post Office Department. If on, or near a railroad, mark
 the railroad and adjacent Station accurately.

In localities not surveyed by the U. S. Land Office, a *sketch* map is requested.



(No. 12.)



Post Office Department, APPOINTMENT OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, Dec 15, 1892

SIR:

Before the Postmaster General decides upon the application for a new post office at River Bend, County of Elbert, State of Colorado at which you are recommended for postmaster, he requires that the blanks in the following statement be filled, and the questions carefully and correctly answered, verified by your signature, certified by a neighboring postmaster, and returned to this Department, addressed to me. The contractor should be informed of this application; and if the site of the proposed office be off the mail route, you will forward his certificate as to the practicability of supplying it, and also as to the increase of distance. If the proposed office is not on any route now under contract, it can only be established as a "Special Office," to be supplied without expense to Department other than net proceeds. Do not want do not.

Be careful to designate the post offices by their true official names; and answer the subjoined queries fully and accurately, or the case will not be acted upon.

Respectfully, your obedient servant,

JAMES W. MARSHALL,
First Assistant Postmaster General.

To Mr. Wm. B. Moore,

Care of the Postmaster of _____, who will please forward to him.

STATEMENT.

The proposed office will be called River Bend

(The name of the candidate for postmaster should not be applied as the name of a post office. It is preferable to have some LOCAL or PERMANENT name, which must not be the name of any other office in the State; and you should aim to select a name not appropriated to any office in the United States.)

It will be situated in the SE quarter of Section 5, Township 9Range 57 W, in the County of Elbert, State of Colorado

It will be on or near route No. _____

to Denver, on which the mail is now carried 7 times per week.The contractor's name is Kans Pac RailwayWill it be directly on this route?—Ans. yes

If not, how far from and on which side of it?—Ans. _____

How much will it INCREASE the travel of the mail one way each trip?—Ans. noneWhere will the mail leave the present route to supply the proposed office?—Ans. River Bend stationWhere intersect the route again?—Ans. River Bend stationWhat post office will be left out by this change?—Ans. noneThe name of the nearest office to the proposed one, on the same route, is Hugo
its distance is 21 miles, in a SE direction from the proposed office.The name of the nearest office on the same route, on the other side, is Byers
its distance is 40 miles, in a W direction from the proposed office.The name of the nearest office to the proposed one, is Hugo
distance by the most direct road is 21 miles, in a SE direction from the proposed office.The name of the most prominent river near it is Big SandyThe name of the nearest creek is Big SandyThe proposed office will be 1/2 miles from said river, on the North side of it, and will be 15 miles from said nearest creek, on the North side of it.If near a railroad, state on which side the office will be located, how far from, and the name of the station or depot.—Ans. North side 200 yards from River Bend station.If it be a village, state the number of inhabitants.—Ans. 40Also, the population to be supplied by proposed office.—Ans. 200

A diagram, or sketch from a map, showing the position of the proposed new office, with neighboring river or creek, roads, and other post offices, towns, or villages near it, will be useful, and is therefore desired.

A correct map of the locality might be furnished by the county surveyor, but this must be without expense to the Post Office Department.

ALL WHICH I CERTIFY to be correct and true, according to the best of my knowledge and belief, this 22nd day of December, 1892.

Wm. B. Moore
Postmaster of }
Hugo

I CERTIFY that I have examined the foregoing statement, and that it is correct and true, to the best of my knowledge and

Belief.

William A. Bill
Postmaster of }
Hugo

Diagram showing the site of the River Bend Post Office
 in Township 9 Range 5 West of Principal
 Meridian, County of Albert, State
of Colorado, with the adjacent Townships and Post
 Offices.

*River Bend.
 Albert Co.*

It is requested that the exact site of the proposed, or existing
 Post Office, as also the roads to the adjoining offices, and the larger
 streams or rivers, be marked on this diagram, to be returned as soon
 as possible to the Post Office Department.

