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### US Dept of Interior (NPS) Hovenweep National Monument Square Tower Group: Hovenweep Memorandum

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UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

*Reed EDR*  
*copy sent Mesa Verde copy of answer*  
*In reply refer to: K3819 HOVE*  
*12/13*  
*File*

December 8, 1949

Memorandum

To: Regional Director, Region Three  
From: Chief of Information  
Subject: Information sheet on Hovenweep

We have received and noted Regional Archeologist Reed's memorandum of December 1 to the Superintendent of Mesa Verde, commenting on the information sheet your office is producing on Hovenweep National Monument. Our copy of Mr. Reed's memorandum was accompanied by the Hovenweep material.

In reading over the letter I note the following omissions:

Except in the heading there is no mention in this material of the National Park Service, nor any statement to the effect that Hovenweep is a part of the National Park System.

Though the second paragraph dwells briefly on the character of the roads leading to the monument, nowhere is there specific information as to the route to be followed by those visitors who are interested in visiting it in spite of transportation difficulties.

My <sup>third</sup> ~~first~~ point is a very minor one. In the second paragraph on Page 2, there is a statement, "The Square Tower Canyon cluster has 19 different buildings." Unless the adjective is meant to indicate specific differences in character among the 19 buildings, I wonder why the word is needed in there at all.

Your office issues a number of mimeographed information sheets about the less visited areas in Region Three. I would be interested in knowing about what quantity of these mimeographed publications is used annually. I am inclined to believe that we might be justified in the case of some of them in putting them out in print, perhaps in a smaller format than our typical folders and without illustrations, in order to keep the cost down. I would greatly appreciate an expression of opinion from you on this matter.

*Herbert Evison*

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Chief of Information