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### WATER SUPPLY AND STORAGE CONTRACTS ON PAPAGO INDIAN RESERVATION AWARDED

Award of two contracts totaling \$59,370.47 to complete the storage tank rehabilitation and the range-water supply phases of the Indian Bureau's development program on the Papago Indian Reservation, Arizona, was announced today by the Department of the Interior.

The \$29,509 storage tank rehabilitation contract provides for pneumatically placing concrete linings in seventeen storage tanks and stock troughs presently in need of repair. The tanks will provide storage of stockwater in the foothills areas of the reservation that are now lacking stockwater developments. Successful low bidder was the M. M. Sundt Construction Company, Tucson, Arizona.

The second contract, of \$29,861.47, provides for furnishing and installing 19 windmills and nine towers mostly in the foothills areas. Nine of the windmills will replace worn-out and obsolete structures. The contract was awarded to the Arizona General Supply Company, in Prescott.

The foothills regions of the Papago Reservation are some of the better forage-producing areas and completion of the projects will result in more proper utilization of forage and more uniform distribution of livestock.

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