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Today we had a successful bidding of the Whiteface Mountain Atmospheric Sciences Research Laboratory. There were three bidders. Bids ranged from \$107,800. to \$158,446. The allocation for this project was \$120,500. Lowest bidder was H. Schickel Construction Company of Malone, New York at \$107,800. for the base bid. Several alternates were included and we shall work out which alternates are the more important in order to achieve as many of them as possible within the allocated amount.

It will probably take practically the full amount of time (thirty days) for the Construction Fund to evaluate and act upon this bid, but it seems fairly certain now that construction will be started this Spring and that this long-awaited Laboratory will become a reality. Owing to the short building season on Whiteface, it will probably not be completed this season, but the contract calls for it to be substantially complete by 30 June 1970 and 100% complete by 30 October, 1970.

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