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Subject: response to State Water Plan

Dear Mr. Roberts:

I am opposed to the draft of the State Water Plan as presently written. In particular, I oppose the creation of 14 major new reservoirs.

As I understand, Region D (Northeast Texas) omitted Marvin Nichols Reservoir from their regional plan. Yet it appears on the list. My understanding is that control of water issues is to come from the bottom up. The new plan appears to come from the top down.

The language in the plan notes that because of federal meddling in Texas business the proposed Fastrill Reservoir will be preempted by a national wildlife refuge unless court challenges are successful. It appears that when Dallas interests lost their potential hold on Region I resources, they pressured to get a foothold in Region D resources.

I hope that the plan will be rejected as now written and a more equitable plan that emphasizes conservation will be substituted. The sections on conservation and environmental concerns need to be given priority in a new plan.

Sincerely,

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