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I am opposed to the draft of the State Water Plan as presently written. In particular, I oppose the creation of major new reservoirs until the cities that request them have shown that they have done everything possible to conserve the water they have. We should look at such things as dredging lakes already in existence or increasing their size if possible. It is unconscionable for the Water Board to let Dallas continue to waste water at the expense of East Texas landowners, wildlife, and forests. More reservoirs will also destroy even further the bay and estuary system and the livelihoods of many people along the Gulf Coast.

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 are to come from the bottom up. The new plan appears to come from the top down. How can one region control what happens in another?

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