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Mr. Jay Maher
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e-mail: jmaher@cnppid.com

Dear Mr. Maher:

I am concerned as to the dwindling use of public lands along Lake McConaughy's shoreline. If access is only limited, to daytime use, this would dramatically decrease the ability to enjoy what has been available to the public for so many years. I live in Boulder Colorado, but I grew up in Sterling. I've been coming to the lake since the sixties and every year there seems to be more restrictions on what can and can't be done. I hope there is an alternative to the 30 to 40 percent decrease in public lands. The lake was built by public funds, and it should be used as a public source for electric power, irrigation, and recreation. Please keep me in mind as to the developments in the proposed actions.

Sincerely

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May 18, 2000

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Jeffery Lake Board Members:
Jeffery Lake Legal Counsel:
Jeffery Lake Secretary:

Received 5-22-00 FCV.

This morning Kent Aden, Assistant Real Estate Administrator for CENTRAL, hand delivered to me a CULTURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT PLAN which is effective May 2, 2000. The impact of this plan is that any construction plans on CENTRAL property must be submitted for approval if there is reason to believe a "cultural resource" may be disturbed. According to Kent Aden, he was not aware of any cultural resource in the immediate area of the cabin locations on Jeffery Lake.

There were several other items discussed and Kent was very accommodating in answering questions concerning Jeffery Lake matters. Mr. Aden did state to me that all shore-line work must have a "404 Permit" from the Corp of Engineers. A copy of the "404 Permit" must be submitted to CENTRAL. Kent stated to me that their attorney is in receipt of a letter sent by Mr. Windrum with regard to "Centrals Permit for shore-line work" and that issue is being reviewed at the present time. Kent was not in a position to elaborate further on "Centrals Permit"

Kent also indicated to me that CENTRAL is reviewing and formulating a "Permit to Construct" on CENTRAL property. This "Permit" will be a requirement along with any building permit that is required by Lincoln County. Kent said that the "Permit to Construct" would most likely be in effect by January 1, 2001.

I stated to Mr. Aden that some rumors were going around concerning CENTRAL / Jeffery Lake Association on what the association could or could not do. I recommended that all communication or request from CENTRAL be in written form and sent to Steve Windrum or myself.

The reason for this correspondence is to keep the Jeffery Lake Board informed of upcoming issues that may need to be discussed with the individual cabin owners if questions arise. Feel free to contact me at anytime if you need to discuss issues concerning Jeffery Lake.

Respectfully,


Dave Vetter

cc: Jeffery Lake Board of Directors
Steve Windrum, Attorney at Law
Kent Aden, AREA

From: "Buchanan, Stacy" <buchanans@thedailycamera.com>
To: "jmaher@cnppid.com" <jmaher@cnppid.com>
Subject: Lake McConaughy
Date: Mon, 8 May 2000 14:34:24 -0400
X-Mailer: Internet Mail Service (5.5.2650.21)

Dear Mr. Maher,

I'm writing in opposition to the proposed restrictions of public access to Lake McConaughy. My family has enjoyed many summers at the lake and these restrictions would definately put a damper on our vacations. it saddens me that this lake is one of the few left in America that allows public access and freedom. If these restrictions were put in place we would find a new place of freedom to spend our summers.

Thank you,
Stacy Buchanan

LAKE McCONAUGHY LESSEES, INC.

a Nebraska corporation



Michael D. Welsh, President
Kathy Sizer, Secretary-Treasurer

POST OFFICE BOX 770
OGALLALA, NEBRASKA 69153

April 7, 2000

Frank Vetter, Real Estate Administrator
Central Nebraska Public Power & Irrigation District
P. O. Box 740
Holdrege, NE 68949

Frank,

Please be advised that the Board of Directors of Lake McConaughy Lessees, Inc. has no problem with Central's intent to have "no more and no less" restrictions on camping or motor vehicles than are now in effect at Lake McConaughy. That was Central's presentation at the Shoreline Management Plan informational meeting held Wednesday evening, March 15th at the Ogallala Ramada Inn.

Our Board does understand that some future restrictions may become necessary for the protection of endangered species, preservation from erosion, and the prevention of vandalism, but that other wise, restrictions will remain at they presently are. We also understand from information given at the March 15th meeting that Central has no plans of giving up jurisdiction on the south side of Lake McConaughy.

Sincerely yours,

Michael D. Welsh, President
Lake McConaughy Lessees, Inc.

Delivered-To: fixup-jmaher@cnppid.com@fixme
From: "Joseph Mattis" <racke@uswest.net>
To: <jmaher@cnppid.com>
Cc: <jlanka@lakemac.net>
Subject: A SENSIBLE ALTERNATIVE
Date: Wed, 5 Apr 2000 05:59:26 -0600
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X-Mailer: Microsoft Outlook Express 5.00.2314.1300
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Mr. Jay Maher
Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation District

Sir:

I feel that public access to public lands should only be limited after considerable study and significant public input and only for the following concerns:

1. The safety of the public is not addressed by the enforcement of current laws.
2. There is a legitimate and verifiable environmental or pollution concern.
3. The protection of established endangered species habitats is necessary.

I feel that this is a more sensible solution that allows for future modification to adjust for future lake developments as the situations change.

Thank you,

Joe Mattis

From: Hoolie7979@aol.com
Date: Wed, 29 Mar 2000 22:03:16 EST
Subject: Proposed Camping Restrictions at Lake McConaughy
To: jmaher@cnppid.com
CC: jlanka@lakemac.net
X-Mailer: AOL 5.0 for Windows sub 70

I was raised in Ogallala and have a great appreciation for Lake McConaughy. My family and I enjoyed many weekends at the lake, usually special occasions, which formed many lasting impressions on me.

Some of my favorite memories occurred at the lake, especially when I started camping there as a teenager with friends. I was fortunate enough to be chosen to work for the YCC (Youth Conservation Corp) during one summer while I was attending Ogallala High. This was a summer in which I learned a great respect for the lake and my responsibility in maintaining a balance between protecting the ecosystems, no tolerance for littering, etc., while still enjoying as much time as possible camping at "my favorite place in the world."

After high school I moved around the country, but always found the time to visit the lake, at least once or twice a year. Wherever I moved, new friends would listen to me tell them about how wonderful Lake McConaughy was, and a few of them were fortunate enough to actually spend some time there truly enjoying themselves.

A little over 2 years ago my husband and I moved to Colorado. This thrilled me because I knew I was closer to home, closer to the lake, and I would have a lot more opportunity to camp at the lake in the summers. And indeed I have, although it didn't take long to realize how crowded the north side of the lake has become, especially when the water is high, as it has been, in recent years.

I prefer to camp at Lakeview now, where it is less crowded and not paved. Camping weekends are the time to "get away from it all," relax and enjoy time with good friends and family. A close friend, who also lives in Colorado, purchased a pontoon boat from a gentleman, who resides at the lake, at the beginning of last summer (1999). Other friends have purchased cabins at Lakeview. We all spend a considerable amount of time and money at the lake during the summer season, often planning mini-reunions with friends and family who are spread across the country, but who all share an affinity with the lake.

You see I feel Lake McConaughy is one of the world's best kept secrets, and while I would like to keep it that way, the thought never occurred to me that perhaps, one day, even I wouldn't be allowed to spend precious moments like watching the sunset, laughing around the campfire, waking up to the smell of the fresh air and the sound of the lapping water, and yes, even the thrill of

riding out some of those surprise storms.

I am, therefore, strongly opposed to the proposed camping restrictions. If there is any material, such as a map of specific designated areas being proposed for closure, or anything else pertaining to this matter, I would appreciate you forwarding that information either by e-mail or by mail to the following addresses:

Julie Ward Goertz
6952 Totara Place
Longmont, CO 80503

From: Marianhelm@aol.com
Date: Mon, 27 Mar 2000 18:44:18 EST
Subject: Please do not restrict public beaches on McConaughy
To: jmaher@cnppid.com
CC: jlanka@lakemac.net, FlatJo@aol.com, Fivepoint7@aol.com
X-Mailer: AOL 5.0 for Windows sub 101

Dear Mr. Maher,

It has come to my attention that there is serious talk of beach restrictions being contemplated on McConaughy. I cannot fathom why this being seriously considered. I can only guess this is coming from a serious push from a small special interest group. I seriously urge you to consider the big picture here and what is best for the economy of the people in this area, rather than conceding to a group that is pushing something that may result bankruptcy.

I can speak from both sides of the fence here, I was born and raised in Keith County, and grew up literally on both sides of the lake. I have ridden horseback, and herded cattle from Martin Bay to Otter Creek, and from Lakeview to Eagle Canyon. (When such things were allowed.) I have water skied, and swam and fished in this lake since I was born. I had to move from Keith County as it was clear that the ranch and farm operation I grew up on wasn't going to support more than one offspring, so I got my degree in social work and ended up in Fort Collins, Colorado. Now I am one of the dreaded "Greenies" who come and still use this beautiful lake. I own a trailer at Van's Lakeview and my family enjoys our summer vacation and weekends there. To restrict the beaches to daytime use and no overnight camping, or vehicular traffic is outrageous. It's not just the "greenies" that are going to be blocked out, the people that live in this area and have for years, and have enjoyed the lake are going to be sadly penalized by this as well.

The agriculture industry, which makes up nearly all of the surrounding area's income is struggling. Family farms and ranches are going under left and right. If you cut off the summer trade that comes through going to the lake, I can't imagine what is going to happen to the economy back there. The weather is too harsh to support people seriously contemplating living out on golf courses at the lake year around, this isn't Phoenix where the weather is balmy in the winter. Having lived in both worlds, I can tell you, you can't transplant a family or retired couple from Denver, or where ever these people are supposed to be coming from and have them be content to live in a community where there are no five star restaurants, or theater, or other sources of entertainment that they are accustomed to. They might come, but you can bet, not many will stay.

Once again, I strongly urge you to seriously consider what will be in the best interest of the surrounding area of the lake. The lake is well taken care of as it is. The only interests you will benefit is a small minority

who seem to have a pie in the sky notion of what that area needs. Or more to the point, a way to make a quick buck, that is certainly not very visionary, from my perspective.

Sincerely,

Beverly R. Harris
808 White Pine Drive
Bellvue, CO. 80512
Ph # 970-221-5679

Dear sir, please do not
close the beach. I
like to go camping
at Big Mac. I
have been camping
there since I
was 4 months
old. I would like
to learn to water
ski at Big Mac.

Thanks, Jonathon Napol

Date: Tue, 14 Mar 2000 21:20:35 -0700
From: "Reba J. Gies" <rgies@lakemac.net>
X-Mailer: Mozilla 4.5 [en] (Win95; I)
X-Accept-Language: en
To: jmaher@cnppid.com, jlanka@lakemac.net
Subject: Public Access

Dear Mr. Maher.

I have lived in Keith County and in particular the Lake McConaughy area for most of my life. I think the limiting of the public access to the lake is a bad deal. I enjoy fishing and hunting and visit the public areas of Lake McConaughy on a regular basis. It is one of the few places left in Keith County that you can go and hunt or fish that you do not have to pay a lease to use. I would like the lake to stay the way it is as a public place that can be enjoyed by all.

Please reconsider the public access limitations to the Lake McConaughy area.

Thank You

Kelly R Gies

03/13/00

Dear Mr. Jay Maher,

We are writing this letter in protest to designating portions of Big Mac as "daytime use only". We feel this will put a hardship on tourism and travel. It will cause a crowd problem on the North side of the lake. We have family and friends who like to come camp on the South side of the lake to get away from the crowds. They will not be camping at Lake Mac if their favorite beaches are closed! We also feel there will be an access problem if the beaches are closed to vehicle traffic. We bring our boat from the North side of the lake to the South side and like to drive the vehicle with our camping supplies. We won't be able to drive to our camping destination! We feel there must be a more sensible solution that will allow for future lake development.

Sincerely,

Jackie Robinson	Ogallala
Megan Skinn	Keystone
Milane McCroden	Ogallala
Mindee Hilker	O'Neill
Mich Moaf	Ogallala
Shawne Moaf	Ogallala
Nick Robertson	Ogallala
Kevin Robertson	Ogallala
Jeff Brodbeck	Ogallala
Leslie Packard	Ogallala
Warren Packard	Boz
Dick Brussel	Ogallala
Greg Packard	Mount
Richard J. Packard	Ogallala

409 West O Street
Ogallala, NE 69153
March 13, 2000

Mr. Jay Maher
Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation DST.
P.O. Box 740
Holdrege, NE 68949

Dear Mr. Maher,

My letter is in concern to the closing of the beaches at Lake McConaughy. I believe that it would be a great loss to the people who like to camp and enjoy the sandy beaches if you were to take this privilege away. There is no other lake that has wonderful sandy beaches like ours! I really feel that the public should get to enjoy the lake as much as the landowners. Lake McConaughy is so beautiful and peaceful----please do not take that from us.

Sincerely,

Linda Tuttle

From: "John and Sheila" <jcturne@megavision.com>
To: <jmaher@cnppid.com>
Subject: Lake McConaughy
Date: Mon, 13 Mar 2000 09:07:42 -0700
X-MSMail-Priority: Normal
X-Mailer: Microsoft Outlook Express 4.72.3612.1700
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We are very concerned about what is happening to Lake McConaughy. We have lived here all our life, and recently the changes we have seen don't seem positive. It is disgusting to see all the trees that have been cut down. If you live in Western Nebraska; cut a tree if it is standing. If you live in Eastern Nebraska; leave it. The erosion is terrible since all the trees have been cut down. All the pavement, you'd think that it's supposed to be a park like Disney land. The natural effect is ruined. The Habitat has been chased to where? We was driving on a dirt road on a Sunday and there were two cars stopped in front of us waiting for a huge turtle to cross the road. Her home had been disrupted by all the trees that had been cut down and pulled out. Who knows, her eggs had probably been dredged out and crushed. When is there going to be a stop to all this eruption?

Now you want to limit the access to the lake. I feel that the party problems have finally been limited, which is a good thing. They let it go too long and now they are are going to severe extremes. There are a lot of people that like to park under trees to get out of the hot sun, and then there are some that like to camp at the beach. I think that when they pull in to the camper registration, give them a plastic bag or two or three. They will use it.

Please reconsider not shutting off the shorelines. Out here in Western Nebraska, what else is there to do, but enjoy the lake like we previously have, but please quit ruining it for us.

Thanks in advance.

March 13 2000

Dear Mr. Jay Maher:

I was born and raised on the north side of Lake McConaughy. I enjoyed it then as I do now and am 61 years of age. I lived in Co. for several years but spent a lot of time here in the summers with family and friends from Co.

I am sick and tired of government and big corporations taking our public land for private use. Why should we be restricted because someone wants to build a golf course or homes on the shore and take our public land for their private use? All they can see is dollar signs.

If we are not watchful, there will be more and more of this until we won't have any public land at the Lake. We do want tourists to be able to come to our part of the state and enjoy our fine Lake and hospitality. This will help our local towns prosper and do well.

A concerned NE citizen,
Carol Moser
Big Springs, Ne.

Carol Moser

From: "Youngs" <youngs@inetnebr.com>
To: <jmaher@cnppid.com>
Cc: <jlanka@lakemac.net>
Subject: Camping
Date: Sat, 11 Mar 2000 16:54:09 -0600
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It is my understanding that you are proposing to use 30 to 40 percent of Big Mac's shorelines for daytime use only. Don't know where you are getting your information from but I have camped out there for over 25 years on the beach and I have seen very little daytime use only. I would guess that over 90 percent of the people I see are overnight campers. And I believe you have plenty of room for daytime users only at this time. There is not near enough room for the overnight campers when the water is high. But these are still the people that will spend the most money to help the revenue of the area and of the state. Daytime users bring what they need spend only enough to get to the beach and are gone. And I would also say that the daytime people are less likely to pickup after they leave. That is the one of the many pluses that overnight campers do. They spend the extra \$3.00 to stay overnight and take a little more pride in the lake and the area they are camping and as I see "Leave only their footprints" when they pull out.

Please do not take any more area from the people that love and take care of the lake and help the economy so much.

Thank you
Overnight Camper
Greg Young and family

From: "brian schilz" <jmschil@megavision.com>
To: <jmaher@cnppid.com>
Subject: jlanka@lakemac.net
Date: Fri, 10 Mar 2000 23:29:50 -0600
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Dear Mr. Maher,

I'm sure you have received some emails with concerns about the beaches at Lake McCounaughy. I would like to take this opportunity to also express a few of my views, concerns. I have lived in Nebraska my entire life, my family and I moved to Ogallala in 1983, we have enjoyed a wide array of what this great resevoir has to offer. I realize that with a constant growing number of visitors and users of the Lake that new restrictions or limits some-time need to be implemented. Case in point is the no alcohol consumption restriction, this I feel was a needed improvement in making the area safer and more enjoyable by giving enforcement personnel a stronger leg to stand on in helping things from getting out of hand.

I realize the State has taken great strides into developing the lake into a more user friendly recreation area with the addition of camping pads, toilets, paved roads, boat docks, etc. However the beach limiting proposals have me a little concerned. Take for example my family, we camp out at the Lake an average of once or twice a year, and mostly for that reason we use tents instead of a more expensive camper. It is great to be able to find a nice spot with some shade, close to the water so every-one can enjoy it, throw out some poles, and relax knowing you don't need to worry about packing up for the night since that is where camp is. We always leave the camp area better than we find it, and although the camping pads are nice, they are not really oriented for the tent camper. If you think about it, where is the adventure in pitching a tent in a sandbur infested "stall" hundreds of yards from the water, devoid of shade and surrounded by other campers. If that's the case we could just throw them same tents in our back yards next to our neighbors, at least we would be on the grass. thanks for your time. Brian Schilz

From: Kathy Nagel <jnc3130@creativeconsulting.com>
To: jmaher@cnppid.com <jmaher@cnppid.com>
Date: Wednesday, March 08, 2000 2:59 PM
Subject: Lake McConaughy

To: Jay Maher
Dear Sir,

I am writing this letter to express my feelings against the proposal to close the beaches at Lake McConaughy to overnight camping. My Wife and I and now our children have been coming to Lake McConaughy for almost 15 years. We have seen many changes in that time but, have always appreciated its beauty and uniqueness. Indeed in the past there were problems both in caring for its environment and in its safety. In fact in years past we have wished for more regulations. We feel these problems have been address and resolved with the increase in fees, patrols, garbage collections and the adding of entrance stations. It is my belief that any problems with pollution or destruction of the environment has been far overshadowed by the destruction caused by high water levels in recent years. I feel that closing the beaches to overnight camping will not help in past problems and will hurt the unique experience that is camping at "Big Mac". Not only will that spoil ours and our children's appreciation of a unique place in nature but, it will also harm irrevocably the economic security of many businesses and families in Ogalla that depend on ours and others tourism and contribution to local economy. I know that our current number of trips there (6-8 per year) will go down drastically if not stop altogether. I appreciate your consideration in this matter and sincerely hope you do not choose to end this unique and enjoyable experience!

Thank You for your time,

John Nagel
537 N. 76th Street
Boulder, CO

From: WENDYMCGR@aol.com
Date: Fri, 3 Mar 2000 21:00:40 EST
Subject: Lake McConaughy
To: jmaher@cnppid.com, jlanka@lakemac.net
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I would like to vote "NO" on the bill to buy out the properties at Lake McConaughy and make condominiums and have no public beaches.
Thank You,
Wendy

From: "Schallert, Dave" <DSchallert@unipac.com>
To: Jay Maher <jmaher@cnppid.com>
Subject: RE: DuTuerk's One-sided Agenda
Date: Fri, 3 Mar 2000 16:22:05 -0700
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Dear Mr. Maher,

I am disheartened to learn of the meeting date of March 15th. I am literally out of the country from March 8th through March 19th.

I ask that you please keep me informed and that the views presented below be used in whatever fashion desired to help add to the input regarding the shore use plan. Please help me to not get lost in the shuffle.

Again,
Dave Schallert

PS. Please respond in the future to dschallert@mindspring.com and not use a direct reply to this e-mail. This e-mail account is located at a business office that I'm rarely at. Thanks!

-----Original Message-----

From: Jay Maher [mailto:jmaher@cnppid.com]
Sent: Friday, March 03, 2000 3:06 PM
To: Schallert, Dave
Subject: Re: DuTuerk's One-sided Agenda

Mr. Schallert,

There will be a meeting regarding the shoreline management plan at Ogallala on the 15 th of March. This meeting was organized so that Central's staff can respond to some of the misinformation that moves by rumor and "shock statements" through the community. I believe the meeting will be held @ 7:00 A the Ramada Limited.

As I have stated before, at this point in time there is no draft plan, only a need to collect information, identify issues and then develop a balaced shoreline management plan. Your involvement and attendance at the meeting is appreciated.

Jay Maher

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>I wrote you recently from Littleton, CO to voice my opinion with regards to
>Lake Mac land and shoreline use and the plan you must put together.
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John
>DeTuerk is at it again with his one-sided arguments in favor of complete
>unrestricted use of and public access to shoreline around Lake Mac.
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>I'm writing to ask you to please add me to any e-mail listings you might
>have setup to keep me informed about future public meetings on this
subject.
>Based on the rhetoric and snide comments by DeTuerk, I feel it is necessary
>for me to drive from Colorado and be present at future meetings to help add
>some "balance" to the shoreline use arguments currently being put forth by
>DeTuerk, the Lake Mac Assn., The Sportsman's Club, and the Ogallala Chamber
>of Commerce.
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>As I've stated before, I'm asking for consideration of some type of
>overnight camping restrictions in areas where newcomers (who contrary to
Mr.
>DeTuerk's apparent position, do in fact have the same rights as "old
timers"
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>opposed to public access to shoreline areas near homes during daylight
>hours. I don't consider these views as even related to "currying favor
with
>developers" as DeTuerk so arrogantly terms it. Those evil developers are
>simply building homes for "real" people like myself who will be living
>there...as though the homes of folks that already live around the lake just
>magically appeared on the land without being built by someone.
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>It is very easy for large groups of people with a common agenda (Lake Mac
>Assn., Sportsman's Club, Chamber of Commerce) and a person in power to
>spearhead that agenda (John DeTuerk) to overwhelm the concerns of others
>(such as myself) who don't live there YET and aren't "in the loop" locally
>in Ogallala. How easy it must be when no opposition or variety of
>viewpoints are presented on the shoreline use plans.
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>If it weren't for the Keith County News, I wouldn't know about ANY of these
>meetings, the one-sided rhetoric, and easily-counteracted and exaggerated
>arguments being presented in favor of no shore restrictions by DeTuerk and
>their self-proclaimed "Sensible Alternative" to public access.
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>Well, I consider my arguments and views to be sensible as well....and I
>intend to have them heard. Please do what you can to keep me informed

>(using the e-mail address below) of this very important matter so that I
may

>actively participate.

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>Sincerely,

>Dave Schallert

>Current Lake McConaughy Property Owner

>Littleton, CO

>dschallert@mindspring.com

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Jeremiah L. Maher

Environmental Resources Manager

Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation District

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I'm writing to ask you to please add me to any e-mail listings you might have setup to keep me informed about future public meetings on this subject. Based on the rhetoric and snide comments by DeTuerk, I feel it is necessary for me to drive from Colorado and be present at future meetings to help add some "balance" to the shoreline use arguments currently being put forth by DeTuerk, the Lake Mac Assn., The Sportsman's Club, and the Ogallala Chamber of Commerce.

As I've stated before, I'm asking for consideration of some type of overnight camping restrictions in areas where newcomers (who contrary to Mr. DeTuerk's apparent position, do in fact have the same rights as "old timers" who have lived in the area for a longer period of time) will be living and making their homes primarily on the south shore. I am not in any way opposed to public access to shoreline areas near homes during daylight hours. I don't consider these views as even related to "currying favor with developers" as DeTuerk so arrogantly terms it. Those evil developers are simply building homes for "real" people like myself who will be living there...as though the homes of folks that already live around the lake just magically appeared on the land without being built by someone.

It is very easy for large groups of people with a common agenda (Lake Mac Assn., Sportsman's Club, Chamber of Commerce) and a person in power to spearhead that agenda (John DeTuerk) to overwhelm the concerns of others (such as myself) who don't live there YET and aren't "in the loop" locally in Ogallala. How easy it must be when no opposition or variety of viewpoints are presented on the shoreline use plans.

If it weren't for the Keith County News, I wouldn't know about ANY of these

meetings, the one-sided rhetoric, and easily-countered and exaggerated arguments being presented in favor of no shore restrictions by DeTuerk and their self-proclaimed "Sensible Alternative" to public access.

Well, I consider my arguments and views to be sensible as well....and I intend to have them heard. Please do what you can to keep me informed (using the e-mail address below) of this very important matter so that I may actively participate.

Sincerely,
Dave Schallert
Current Lake McConaughy Property Owner
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Dear Mr. Jay Maher-

I recently heard of the concerns of the properties at Lake McConaughy and how they were to be turned into condominiums and other "high expense" properties and am highly against this proposal. As a past resident of Ogallala and a reoccurring visitor I feel that this will only damage our beautiful lake and the wonderful people who visit their. I vote No on this movement! Thank you for you time. Kyra McBee

2-28-2000

Dear Mr. Maher,

Please do not attempt to fix something that is not broken!

With the control of alcohol & disorderly groups at the lake, we again have a family atmosphere to enjoy. The thousands of overnight & daytime use campers would suffer greatly with any proposed restrictions on beach area use. Please leave public access to the shores of the state's most beautiful recreation area alone!

Thank you —

James Wenzel
Galena, IL

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Mr. Maher

it has come to my attention via the Big Mac Sports Club that CNPPID is considering restricting 30 to 40 percent of Lake McConaughy's beaches to day use only. I wanted to write and say that I am opposed to these measures. What are the reasons for doing this?? Has there been a problem that doing this will solve?? Has there been destruction of the lake or environmental issues that have come to this solution? I have not heard much about this issue, so I am appealing to you for some answers. By closing the beaches to camping, you create overcrowded situations at the lake and I feel there will be more problems that will arise out of this than good. I have been a user of the lake and I buy a park entry permit to have access to the lake. I along with others who use the lake and the beaches want some answers to these questions. I am a member of the North Platte Valley Sportsman's Club and I will be informing my fellow members of this issue. Without a valid explanation to my questions I will strongly oppose this measure. I have witnessed this type of situation before at enders reservoir where they closed the sand beaches to camping, and now campers are forced to cram themselves into limited camping areas, causing more problems than before. I urge you to address these concerns. If a valid reason that has been researched, and public input has been considered and this is the best solution, only then will I change my opinion.

thank you for your time

Jason Spady, Lewellen Nebraska