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To Whom It May Concern,

As I write, the current elevation of Hinckley Reservoir at the dam is 1,202 feet, which is 23 feet below the top of the dam. So the age old question that always comes to my mind when I see tree stumps and forever growing sandbars, is "how low can it go"? There is no doubt in my mind that the constant rise and fall of the water has a negative effect on wildlife and the precious eco-system in and around the lake. I do believe as others that a study should be done to address the effects.

I have lived in this area my entire life. I have raised my family here and have a business that takes advantage of recreation on Hinckley during every season. It has become evident that within the past 12-15 years or more, that water levels have fluctuated significantly. So much so, that it has left boats and docks grounded within just a 24 hour time period. So again, how low can it go? And how many more entities can tap into this relatively small reservoir of water before it significantly impacts our local economy, wildlife and recreation?

This past summer it came to our attention that our own State Park on Hinckley did not employ a full time lifeguard. Why? Because of the loss of income from guests who arrive to spend the day at the beach only to discover that the sandy beach they are accustomed to has turned to muck due to the water level being so low? Are we in jeopardy of losing our State Park due to the consistent drop in water levels through the summer months?

I understand that the weather plays a significant part on the flow of water into the reservoir. However, even during the driest of seasons, the West Canada and the Black Creek continue to flow. So, as water continuously flows in, how much flows out? It's time to take into consideration all that is really at stake here, first and foremost the environmental impacts; lastly are those who profit from the hydroelectric project.

I think I can speak for the majority of property owners around Hinckley Reservoir when I say we are looking for the same resolution; consistent water levels that help sustain wildlife in our area, as well as recreation that helps bring economic stability and growth to the area that we all love and call home.

Respectively,

Elizabeth Daws
Property and Business Owner on Hinckley Reservoir _____