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The Honorable Laura Miller
Mayor, City of Dallas
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Dear Mayor Miller:

Recently, proposed reservoirs have been brought to my attention. These reservoirs would help fill the water needs of the greater Dallas area, and the placement of the Marvin Nichols and Fastrill Reservoirs would be located in Northeast Texas. I would like to voice some reservation about these proposed projects.

I know that some of my constituents share the same concerns with the districts in Northeast Texas who will be affected by the proposed reservoirs. They fear the loss of their private property due to the water needs of our Texas Metropolitan areas. Along with other State Representatives and Senators, I believe it my duty to make sure we approach projects like these only after careful deliberation.

I would simply ask that while the Dallas Metroplex is trying to fulfill the needs of its growing population, they also show the utmost level of concern for their fellow Texans in rural areas. I believe it is necessary that if Texans are to lose land and resources which they have depended on for several generations, they are shown that the measures taken are necessary and will cause the smallest amount of disruption possible within their community.

In conclusion, I'd ask that Dallas and other cities take all necessary steps to guarantee that projects such as these reservoirs are approached in a slow and prudent manner. I thank you for this chance to share my concerns. If you would like to further discuss this matter, please call. I remain

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "Jim".

Jim

c.c. Dallas City Council