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Community News

Where does everyone go to find out what is happening in Powell County? The Powell County Patriot!!

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"SWORD"

to yield progress, with some leaders, including U.S. Senator John Sherman Cooper openly pushing back and resisting their efforts to avenge construction. When the group petitioned him directly, his response was simply that nothing could be done, and the decision was final. This sentiment was repeated on multiple occasions throughout the conflict. The Sierra Club coordinated with locals and other sympathetic, environmentally friendly groups to organize mass-mailing campaigns, targeting key political figures and individuals that could assist them in their effort. Thousands of letters were sent, drawing varying levels of sympathy, but it wasn't until one letter (postcard, to be exact) reached the desk of an influential conservationist and government official, Supreme Court

Justice, William Douglas. Justice Douglas had offered open support for environmental causes prior to the conflict on the Red River and sent a reply to the Sierra Club, accepting their offer to visit the Gorge and bear witness to the area that was slated to be destroyed. On November 18th, 1967, Justice Douglas landed at Bluegrass Airport and was transported to the Gorge where he joined members of the opposition in a hike through the area, including a reporter from the New York Times who was present to document the occasion. Following the hike, Justice Douglas described the Gorge as "one of the great wonders of America" and offered his open support to the activists who extended the invitation. This would prove to be one of the most consequential events in the dam saga, leading to widespread media attention across the nation and abroad.

State and federal politicians immediately took notice and were taken aback by the sudden and large-scale outcry, as the swift and fervent campaign led by the Sierra Club was able to gain so much influence in mere months with their efforts successfully drawing support within the "highest court in the land." They later, Governor Breathitt organized a meeting with the USACE where the group conceded that an alternative site was possible but would come at a higher cost. While this wasn't the outcome desired by the Sierra Club, it bought them some time to strategize and plan their next move. When Governor Louie Nunn was elected in 1967, he would speak out against construction of the dam in its original location and would only advocate for support if it were moved downstream in an area with less impact to the environment of the Gorge. As the conflict

entered the new decade, those opposed to the dam were empowered by a new found focus on environmental policy and federal legislation in support of conservation efforts, with the Nixon administration overseeing the implementation of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the formation of the EPA in 1970. Changes occurring at the federal level would bolster the efforts of the Sierra Club and its partners, expanding their arena to include the courts and effectively weaponize the legal system to aid in their fight. Their successes up to that point had caused a pause in construction activities and forced the Army Corps of Engineers to reevaluate their plans, relocate the site of the dam, and draft a thorough Environmental Impact Statement to gauge the long-term impact of the project. The proposal of the new location, however,

would activate a contingent of the opposition that would make history for their intense and passionate civil resistance, preparing to go any length in protection of their home. The group, Save Our Red River, was formally organized and mobilized in 1975 to provide official representation in the public space to contest the USACE and those in support of the project. SORR was comprised of family, friends, and neighbors, all coming together in defense of the 55 families set to be displaced by the alternative site identified for construction. On July 14th, 1973, at a required public hearing of the USACE, over 700 people crammed into the gymnasium of Powell County High School in what became a highly contentious meeting that would infamously go down in history, immortalized by the compelling and suggestive label to which it was branded, "Bastille Day."

"They had a big pow-wow down at the old high school, where the post office is now, it was right funny in a way, the stuff that was said," Jimmy Skidmore recalled, explaining the mounting tension between the supporters and the opposition, adding that the escalation to physical conflict was a growing concern and potential reality, hanging in the background, between the locals and the USACE personnel on the ground on North Fork. SORR became instrumental in the efforts to fight the project, marching at the Capitol Building in Frankfort and making trips to Washington DC, providing high visibility for the plight of the local families to garner support in the fight which, until that point, had been spearheaded by out-of-towners and those with no personal at stake. The group would also host fundraising and events to draw both material and physical support. "A friend of mine I used to know, Congressman, and local groups on both sides of

Notice is hereby given that Powell's Valley Water District expects to file an application with the Public Service Commission on or about January 9, 2023, seeking approval of a proposed adjustment to its rates for water service. The proposed rates shall not become effective until the Public Service Commission has issued an order approving these rates or six (6) months from the date of the filing of the application, whichever occurs first.

COMPARISON OF CURRENT AND PROPOSED MONTHLY RATES
POWELL'S VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
WATER DIVISION

CURRENT RATES		PROPOSED RATES		DIFFERENCE		PERCENTAGE	
Rate	Volume	Rate	Volume	Change	Volume	Change	Volume
Residential	10,000 gal	\$ 28.17	10,000 gal	\$ 28.17	10,000 gal	\$ 0.00	0.00%
Commercial	20,000 gal	\$ 56.34	20,000 gal	\$ 56.34	20,000 gal	\$ 0.00	0.00%
Industrial	50,000 gal	\$ 140.85	50,000 gal	\$ 140.85	50,000 gal	\$ 0.00	0.00%
City of Powell	100,000 gal	\$ 281.70	100,000 gal	\$ 281.70	100,000 gal	\$ 0.00	0.00%

SEWER DIVISION


CURRENT RATES		PROPOSED RATES		DIFFERENCE		PERCENTAGE	
Rate	Volume	Rate	Volume	Change	Volume	Change	Volume
Residential	10,000 gal	\$ 1.50	10,000 gal	\$ 1.50	10,000 gal	\$ 0.00	0.00%
Commercial	20,000 gal	\$ 3.00	20,000 gal	\$ 3.00	20,000 gal	\$ 0.00	0.00%
Industrial	50,000 gal	\$ 7.50	50,000 gal	\$ 7.50	50,000 gal	\$ 0.00	0.00%
City of Powell	100,000 gal	\$ 15.00	100,000 gal	\$ 15.00	100,000 gal	\$ 0.00	0.00%

If the Public Service Commission approves the proposed water rates, then the effect on the average monthly bill for each customer class is set out in the table below:

Class	Current Rate	Current Volume	Proposed Rate	Proposed Volume	Change	% Change
Average Residential	\$ 28.17	10,000 gal	\$ 28.17	10,000 gal	\$ 0.00	0.00%
Average Commercial	\$ 56.34	20,000 gal	\$ 56.34	20,000 gal	\$ 0.00	0.00%
Average Industrial	\$ 140.85	50,000 gal	\$ 140.85	50,000 gal	\$ 0.00	0.00%
Average City of Powell	\$ 281.70	100,000 gal	\$ 281.70	100,000 gal	\$ 0.00	0.00%

This application may be examined at the Utility's office located at 31 Adams Ridge Road Clay City, KY 40312, telephone (606) 663-2670. The rates contained in this notice are the rates proposed by the utility. However, the PSC may order rates to be charged that differ from the proposed rates contained in this notice. A person may examine this application at the Public Service Commission office located at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm or through the PSC website at www.psc.ky.gov. Comments regarding the application may be submitted to the PSC through its website or by mail to the Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 613, Frankfort, KY 40602. You may contact the Public Service Commission at (502) 564-2640. A person may submit a timely written request for intervention to the Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 613, Frankfort, KY 40602, establishing the grounds for the request including the basis and interest of the party. If the Public Service Commission does not receive a written request for intervention within thirty (30) days of the initial publication of this notice, the Public Service Commission may take such action on the application.

ADOPT A PET!!



Meet Zena
Zena is a year and a half old. She is spayed with vaccines. She is a spirited playful shepherd mix with sparkling eyes. Her size is about 60 lbs and she has lots of good energy and athleticism. She needs a fenced yard and is good with both cats and dogs. She is always happy and willing to play. Other dogs would need to tolerate her playfulness.

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