Subject: Bullock Pen Water District's (BPWD) Plans

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To Whom It May Concern

- 1. The purpose of this letter is to express concern about the Bullock Pen Water District's (BPWD) plans to build a new water plant on Bullock Pen Lake. As a property owner who is directly affected by this action I have several concerns.
- 2. Bullock Pen is one of the few public waters available in northern Kentucky. Any construction that affects the natural beauty or threatens its continuation poses a direct threat to the resident families' quality of life and that of the many other users in the area. The additional proposed water draw (based on outdated studies) will drastically affect the shoreline and the aquatic growth along it. This affects fishing and other activities as well as the appearance and maintenance of property. For many, it poses new problems such as additional erosion, new water hazards, loss of use or reconstruction of docks, new access stairs, additional shore reinforcement, and other maintenance issues. It has a direct impact on property values as its lights and sounds change the nature of our neighborhood. The proposed construction poses significant environmental questions and risks and unconsidered private costs.
- 3. I am concerned that a proper analysis be completed so that the rights of all residents receive proper consideration and the best solution for the area is found. The existence of this project has apparently been ongoing for some time without public scrutiny. I see no reason why a very wide public notice was not made as it also potentially affects water rates as well as the lake and its users. With such awareness issues and concerns could be better understood and addressed. Furthermore, a more long-term economically and environmentally friendly solution may be readily available through Ohio River water purchase and this option has not been thoroughly examined. It should be as part of reasonable and prudent decision-making. Use of public resources and funds must clearly be in accordance with both regulations and good stewardship.

I am concerned that my interests have not been fully considered and obviously appropriate procedures have not been followed.

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