

Mr. HARSHA. Thank you.

Mr. JONES. The committee will stand in recess until 12 o'clock. We have to answer a call.

(Whereupon, at 11:15 a.m., the subcommittee recessed until 12 noon of the same day.)

AFTERNOON SESSION

Mr. JONES. Mr. Harsha, you may proceed.

Mr. HARSHA. Colonel, let me ask you another question. You answered my question this morning concerning what would be the cost-benefit ratio without power. You said provided there is a pool, you carefully worded it so it was a pool.

Colonel SEIDEL. We studied other options too, other alternatives.

Mr. HARSHA. All right, what would be the maximum pool elevation that you would need for the flood control you have, without power?

Colonel SEIDEL. Sir, the minimum elevation of the pool to obtain the same flood control benefits would be elevation 213. At this elevation, however, there would be no salinity control and recreation would be reduced.

Mr. HARSHA. Now, what would be the cost-benefit ratio of the project with that elevation, and without power?

Colonel SEIDEL. Without power and salinity control and a reduction in recreation, it would be 1.8. I could not get the same recreation benefits.

Mr. HARSHA. You gave me the one 1.8 without power, but with the 240 elevation, what would the benefit-ratio be without power and without 240 elevation, just the 213 elevation that you use for flood control?

Colonel SEIDEL. It is still 1.8, sir, but I give up a little over \$1.1 million in recreation benefits.

Mr. HARSHA. Well, you say you give up how much?

Colonel SEIDEL. \$1,130,000 in recreation benefits.

Mr. HARSHA. Did you say \$1 billion?

Colonel SEIDEL. No, sir, \$1 million.

Mr. HARSHA. Now, as I understand it then, without the power project tentatively, the high of the project would be 2.3 but that would include all other benefits except a reduction in recreation.

Colonel SEIDEL. No, sir; it would also give up salinity control in the estuary.

Mr. HARSHA. Can you give me an elevation with just removing the power, that is all I am interested in, taking out the power?

Colonel SEIDEL. Yes, sir; we have an option at 220. However, there would be a reduction in the recreation benefits to obtain salinity.

Mr. HARSHA. Do you have an elevation without reducing the recreation, take out nothing but power?

Colonel SEIDEL. Yes, sir.

Mr. HARSHA. What is that?

Colonel SEIDEL. Elevation 240.

Mr. HARSHA. Elevation 240?

Colonel SEIDEL. Yes.

Mr. HARSHA. All right, and what would be the benefit-cost ratio under those circumstances?