

area and fish spawning grounds. This superimposed project would require the inundation of another 12,180 acres, and for the 5-month period it would be operative, the whole project would form a lake of approximately 38,000 acres.

This temporary superimposed body of water would in no way affect navigation. The ORVA believes that the fish and wildlife interests should provide all of the additional flowage rights necessary for such a project. They indicate that this can and will be done.

The primary interest of the Ouachita River Valley Association in this case is navigation, and it hopes to avoid any unnecessary delay in the construction of the 9-foot channel project, by the same token, this Association wants to take full advantage of all possible secondary and regional expansion benefits that will accrue from the super-recreational pool.

Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee, thank you for hearing us today.

