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My family members and I own a lakeside house at Copco Lake, additionally my husband and I own an improved lot across the cove on the Lake. As a result we are seriously worried about how KRRC is addressing or not addressing issues of major concern to us.

--Both properties have somewhat shallow wells that will be impacted. Who is going to be responsible for drilling new wells once the Lake is drained?

--We have very large Ponderosa pines on the home property and large oaks on the lot, obviously they will be impacted. Who will be responsible for removal when they die? I've paid as much as \$1,200 to fell just one Ponderosa, there are several on the Lake property.

--What impact will draining the Lake have on the stability of the sloping land? Our house is two story and on a significant hill down to the Lake. Is KRRC taking this into consideration when our house settles and the foundation is impacted?

--We are boaters. We have had this property in the family for 50 years and have accumulated numerous sail boats, kayaks, etc and other water toys that will become useless with no Lake. Two questions, how will we be reimbursed for the loss of value of these boats and equipment and what type of recreational opportunities will be made available to the area after the Lake is gone?

--We have two lakeside properties, who will own the land in front of our properties and how will it be maintained?

--Then we have the suckerfish debate, protected in Oregon and not across the border. Interesting. I'm also worried about the flocks of protected white pelicans that call Copco Lake their home.

--Last and most recently demonstrated is the value of the lakes, Irongate and Copco, in fire suppression for the area. Our home is in the south Ashland hills so we were exposed on two fronts. This whole area is extremely exposed to fire given the nature of the terrain, the undergrowth, and the draught conditions we've been experiencing. Eliminating two large sources of water from Northern California seems short sighted on many levels.

Thank you for your time and consideration. There are no easy answers here.

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