

RESOLUTION NO. 73-24

WHEREAS, the City of Bloomington, Indiana is dependent upon Lake Monroe Reservoir for 64% of its water supply, and

WHEREAS, The City of Bloomington, prior to the creation of Lake Monroe Reservoir, had a history of severe water shortage because the condition of the underlying limestone makes impoundment impractical if not impossible, and

WHEREAS, surveys conducted by the Army Corps of Engineers of similar reservoirs, experiencing increased land use in their watersheds, are suffering alarming sedimentation rates which greatly decrease the projected life of these reservoirs, and


WHEREAS, sediment pollution is considered by the Army Corps of Engineers to be more critical than sewage or industrial pollution, and

WHEREAS, the Army Corps of Engineers is behind in its surveys of reservoir sedimentation rates and may not conduct a full study of Lake Monroe for four or five more years, and

WHEREAS, in lieu of a full study a preliminary survey would at least provide the critical information which will be needed to guide development in the Lake Monroe watershed,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Common Council of the City of Bloomington take cooperative action with Monroe County to urge the Army Corps of Engineers to make a reconnaissance survey of the sedimentation rate of Lake Monroe at its earliest possible opportunity in view of the probable effects of the proposed developments around Lake Monroe.


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