

Public Comments

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: joseph.m.brabham@usace.army.mil
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 6:38 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Temporary Deviation/Waiver - Reduce WQ Release from Buford Dam

The Following Comments were submitted by James baker on 2/22/2008

Affiliation: Local Resident
Address: 5032 nichils dr.
City, St, Zip: Flowery Branch, Ga. 30542
County: Flowery Branch

Comments--->When we are in a drought, the flow of the hooch would also

Comments--->be

in that same drought condition. So why do you continue to keep the river in a condition as if there is no drought, you should match the flow the way it would be if the lake was not there. Does anyone at your office have any common sense to realise we MUST HAVE WATER IN HALL COUNTY TO LIVE! You should be fired for mismanagement, we the people are your boss so get your act together.

Jim Baker

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: joseph.m.brabham@usace.army.mil
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 8:16 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Temporary Deviation/Waiver - Reduce WQ Release from Buford Dam

The Following Comments were submitted by Joey Leverette on 2/22/2008

Affiliation: Local Resident
Address: 3911 Summit Chase
City, St, Zip: Gainesville, Georgia 30506
County: Hall

Comments--->I recently had a chance to tour Buford Dam and was very impressed with the staff, and the overall appearance and cleanness of the facility. The staff in charge of the operations of the dam were very capable and informatative.

During the discussions on the tour, it was clear that the normal, daily amount of water released in order to run the small electric turbine and to maintain the needed river flows at the current time, could be reduced slightly without any problems. The reduction of flows can easily be done.

This slight reduction will help Lake Lanier by retaining more storage and higher lake levels.

Your favorable consideration for this minor change in operations would be a wise consideration.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: joseph.m.brabham@usace.army.mil
Sent: Friday, February 22, 2008 7:59 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Temporary Deviation/Waiver - Reduce WQ Release from Buford Dam

The Following Comments were submitted by Clayton Shope on 2/22/2008

Affiliation: Local Resident
Address: 4509 Jim Hood Road
City, St, Zip: Gainesville Ga. 30506
County: Hall

Comments--->I'm retired and have been fishing here before the lake came up. I waded Wahoo creek with my Grandpa catching Bream and Cats. Over the years I have made many fishing friends and some have opened businesses to be able to work in their field of passion. I try not to think I know more than all the experts that control the release of water at Buford Dam but I have monitored the USGS discharge for several months and I can't find an answer to this Question: Why do the gates open on Lanier at the exact time rain is falling on our basin. The Lakes below us are also receiving rain (more rain) than the Lanier basin, they have much much larger basins than Lanier and they are full pool while Lanier hangs around 18 ft. below full pool. I fish when I like, a friend has a boat in the water and we go anytime we are well. Many of my friend and acquaintances can't fish and the ones with business related ventures are falling by the wayside and many are just hoping for a better bottom line next month. Your real test will come when all the people who make payments and pay insurance for 12 months and hope to come to Lanier 3 or 4 times a year and can't find an assigned parking place at the few ramps that will be opened. I'm sure your rangers will aid by issuing improper parking citations. My main Question is; Why does Lanier open the gates when the rain is falling to insure us that the winter rain's will be of little help. The graph on USGS pertaining to cfs release can be read as a release or it can be read as when water fell on the Lanier basin. Can you help me with pertinent information to sooth my lack of understanding?

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Robert Gerber [rgerber26@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, February 24, 2008 10:09 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: REDUCE LANIER OUTFLOWS

Please reduce the water outflows. I live on the lake and am on a well - I am deeply concerned we will run out of water in the very near water if something drastic is not done to protect the Atlanta area water supply. Another aspect not discussed often is the economic impact the water level is having on businesses in the area. Many cannot afford this long standing lack of business and are going out of business. Please help us!!

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Mike Allenbach [mallenbach@cmiservos.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 4:20 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lanier Outflows

I support the EPD's recommendation to reduce the outflows from Lake Lanier from the current rate of 750 CFD to 550 CFD.

Mike Allenbach
Lanier Stakeholder
404-307-5959
mallenbach@cmiservos.com
Sent from my PDA

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Albert [albert@fgmc.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 4:26 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier

Reducing the outflow is a temporary solution to an ongoing problem. I definitely support the reduction....a home owner on the desert (lake)

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Atlanta, Georgia 30328
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(404) 477-2280 (Fax)

albert@fgmc.net <mailto:albert@fgmc.net>

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: billshell1@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:05 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Emergency Request

Army Corps of Engineers, Lake Lanier Division,

Please abide by the emergency request by the Georgia EPD to reduce the outflow from Lake Lanier's Buford Dam to 550 CFM or less. This request needs the Corps immediate attention so that more of our precious water needed for a multitude of high priority purposes is not uselessly flushed into the Gulf of Mexico. Please do not delay!

Thank you for your action,

William U. Avirett
7525 Breeze Overlook
Cumming, GA 30041

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From: Scott Comcast [scottbarnaby06@comcast.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 10:33 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: reduction of flow from lake lanier

Dear Sirs:

I support the reduction of flow from lake lanier - from 750 to 550 cunic feet per second.
Please accede to the request from Ga EPD.

thank you,

scott barnaby
244 toto creek dr east
dawsonville, ga
cell 404-786-1046

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Ernie Bates [ernie@valuesource.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:37 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Drought 2008

Dear Corps of Engineers;

The upcoming drought is probably going to be more severe than the 2007 drought. Is there any way possible that you can reduce the out-flow of water down the Chattahoochee River.

With the lake levels presently at almost the record low I for see the lake level being lower than last year. This has such a great impact in the on the economy in the area that depends on Lake Lanier. Not only does it affect the businesses that depend on Lake Lanier but the value of the homes on Lake Lanier.

When the lake was at record low in the early 1980's the lake obtained full pool level the next year. Please help us with Lake Lanier obtaining full pool in 2008. Anything you can do will be appreciated. Thanks

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Jeffrey A Baughn [jeffrey.baughn@us.ibm.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 11:39 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support for Georgia EPD Request

To Whom it May Concern,

As a Georgian concerned about preserving Lake Lanier as a primary water source for the Atlanta area and as a property owner on Lake Lanier, I am writing to voice my support for the Georgia EPD's request to reduce the outflow from Lake Lanier at Peachtree Creek from 750 CFS to 550 CFS. We are fast approaching the summer months and the significant volume of water released during 2007 has put the lake at risk for sustaining the needs of North Georgia and the entire Chatahooche river system through the season of peak demand. We need immediate action to reduce the outflow in the short term in order to ensure adequate supply in the longer term.

Thanks in advance for your consideration,

Jeffrey A Baughn
6310 Indian River Drive
Norcross, GA 30092

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Mark Beachler [mab57@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 6:08 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier discharge reduction

As a Lake Lanier stakeholder, we support the decision to reduce the water flows from the lake as proposed. This will help replenish the lake levels going into the summer drought.

Mark Beachler
7350 Nichols Cove Dr
Dawsonville, GA
Permit #L-984

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Roy Beavers [egrbeav@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 10:08 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier Levels

I am in full support of your efforts to reduce the releases through Buford Dam. Lake Lanier is a valuable resource that needs to be carefully guarded against the political interests of all the down stream users. A comprehensive plan to develop more reservoirs in all three states needs to be aggressively pursued, since they have almost totally ignored the warnings of the Corps since the 1960s.

Also pressure needs to be applied to state and city governments all the way to the Gulf to maintain restrictions and avoid, not only frivolous uses of the water, but unnecessary delays in restoring the reservoir to its previous full pool level. I also support the possibility of increasing the full pool level of the lake to add additional capacity.

Roy Beavers

Gainesville, GA

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Gordon Benson [toursthatteach@mindspring.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 4:55 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support for decreasing Buford Dam flows from 750 to 550 CFS

To The Army Corp of Engineers,
I recently learned of a plan is being introduced by the Georgia EPD to reduce the flow of water from Buford dam from 750 CFS to 550 CFS. Due to increased rainfall throughout the Chattoohochee watershed area, this plan should be implemented and is a wise step in the right direction to help help increase the water levels of Lake Lanier in light of our current drought situation. Please note that my wife and I support such a temporary measure.

Sincerely,

Gordon (and Helen) Benson
2135 Pilgrim Mill Circle
Cumming, GA 30041
770-889-9659 Fax 770-889-8901
toursthatteach@mindspring.com

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Dale Bilthouse [dalebilthouse@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 6:35 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: REDUCED FLOW

I support the reduced flow at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

Dale Bilthouse

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: birchmore@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 7:26 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: WATER LAKE

HELLO,

PLEASE FILL UP THE LAKE WITH A LITTLE MORE WATER..... WE REALLY NEED IT.....

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: PatrickPB@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 4:22 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: The Flow

I am a Gwinnett county resident of 26 years. I implore you to reduce the flow from Lake Lanier from 750 to 550 CFS ASAP. I have been concerned about the management of the lake water for quite sometime. I strongly encourage you to take this opportunity to do the right thing for the residents of the Atlanta metro area.

Patrick Black
3564 White Sands Way
Suwanee, GA 20024

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: SAM BOGGS [samboggs2@hotmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 8:12 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM

It seems the association's position is reasonable and necessary!!!!!!!!!!Sam Boggs, member

Climb to the top of the charts! Play the word scramble challenge with star power. Play now! <http://club.live.com/star_shuffle.aspx?icid=starshuffle_wlmailtextlink_jan>

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Boone, Bill [Bill.Boone@alston.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 4:52 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support for reduced flows to Peachtree Creek

I fully endorse the reduced flow below Buford Dam to 550 which will help refill Lanier.

J. William Boone

A concerned citizen and taxpayer

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: mlb1 [mlb1@charter.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 10:55 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: LKa Lanier water flow

I support the reduced cfs from 750 to 550 and would ask that you implement it immediately, maintain it through April 2008 and reevaluate it then for continuation or further reduction to help increase pool level of Lake Lanier.

Thank you for your due consideration.

M.L Bumbalough
Z6026 Lake Lanier Hts. Rd.
Buford, Ga.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Brantley Burns [wbburns2@charter.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 7:23 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier GA EPD Proposal

I STRONGLY support the GA EPD proposal to reduce withdrawals from Lake Lanier. There has continued to be large amounts of rainfall in the Southeast Part of Ga as well as in South Alabama. You have never put back in the water you mistakenly drew down about a year ago. To reduce the outflow of water would not harm the water quality according to the EPD and it would greatly help all of us up here who are suffering MUCH greater financial and recreational hardships than the people of Alabama and Florida.

Brantley Burns

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Bustleiii@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 7:09 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: We support the EPD Request!

We are in full support of reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS so as to allow more water storage in Lake Lanier.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Chip and Nancy Bustle
6845 Hardwood Trail
Gainesville, GA 30506
Dock Permit #573

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Rob Capell [rcapell8@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 4:30 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: GA EPD request

Importance: High

This is to support the recent request by the GA EPD to reduce the flow at Peachtree Creek from 750 CFS to 550 CFS through April, 2008.

Thank you,

Rob Capell

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Jan Carlson [Jan.Carlson@polarismr.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 4:57 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier water flow changes

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

To whom it may concern:

As a homeowner on Lake Lanier and a member of the Lake Lanier Association, I strongly support the Georgia EPD's recommendation to reduce water flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFC and reduce the water flow releases from Buford Dam.

Thank you for your consideration,

Jan Carlson
7280 Collins Drive
Cumming, GA 30041

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Allison Carrington [allisoncarrington@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 7:04 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Please reduce the flow at Peachtree. Save our water in Lake Lanier for the tourist season.

Knowing we are still in a drought lets do the best we can now to manage appropriately. AC

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: susan.l.cheshire@accenture.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:32 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EPD Support

I support the Georgia EPD request that the US Army CORPS of Engineers reduce the water flow releases from Buford Dam on an emergency basis due to the current drought situation.

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Housingpat@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:04 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Cc: matthew.tallman@peoplenet-us.com
Subject: support of reduced flows at Peachtree Creek

I strongly support the Georgia EPD request that the flows at Peachtree Creek be reduced from 750cfs to 550cfs. I cross over the Chattahoochee River frequently in the Metro-Atlanta area and have been amazed to see that the river is nearly full yet Lake Lanier levels are alarmingly low. I understand there has been a drought but as a property owner on Lake Lanier the low levels of the lake are damaging my property and causing a significant decrease in the value of my property.

Pat Cordle

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: jack costello [jcostello@charter.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 6:08 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Buford Dam Water Flow

Corp of Engineers,

I support the temporary reduction in the downstream outflow from Lake Lanier.

I have driven to LaGrange and Westpoint, and also observed the levels of the Chattahoochee as it flows thru Atlanta - they are full!!

Please reduce the release from Lake Lanier!!

Jack Costello

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Rory Cunningham [rcunnin64@alltel.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 7:55 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: PLEASE REDUCE FLOW FROM LAKE LANIER

PLEASE REDUCE THE FLOWS FROM LAKE LANIER TO THE CHATTAHOOCHEE RIVER.
I SUPPORT THE RECOMMENDATION THAT THE EPD HAS RECOMMENDED TO 550 CFS .

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.
RORY CUNNINGHAM

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Suzette Daniels [suzettedaniels@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 9:25 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: In support of reduced flows at Peachtree Creek

I understand that it is under the advisement of the EDP that reduced flows from Lake Lanier have been requested of the USA Army Corp of Engineers. As a user and lover of Lake Lanier as well as a native Atlantan, I respectfully request that you agree with this request and immediately reduce water flow from Lake Lanier. This is the best and prudent thing to do during this spring time. We should take advantage of the blessing of the rains and utilize this opportunity to refill the lake.

I am one whose living is supported by the economy surrounding Lake Lanier. My family and I would appreciate your agreement on this issue. We fully support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

Thank you

Suzette Daniels

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: joseph.m.brabham@usace.army.mil
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:51 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Temporary Deviation/Waiver - Reduce WQ Release from Buford Dam

The Following Comments were submitted by H. Cullen Davis on 2/26/2008

Affiliation: Local Resident
Address: 7300 Collins Dr.
City, St, Zip: Cumming, GA. 30041
County: Forsyth

Comments--->PLEASE consider the Georgia EPD's request for reduced water releases from Buford Dam. The low lake level is destroying our community and causing a disproportionate sacrifice on our part. Thanks, Cullen Davis

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: hankdavis@adelphia.net
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:57 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Water Flow

PLEASE consider the Georgia EPD's request for reduced water releases from Buford Dam. The low lake level is destroying our community and causing a disproportionate sacrifice on our part. Thanks, Cullen Davis

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Judson Davis [davisjud1@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:49 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduced Water discharge from Lanier

Hello,

We appreciate your consideration to reduce the water discharge from Lanier request by the Georgia EPD. Reducing the discharges to minimum flows "when you are able to" is the best thing that the Corps can do for Lake Lanier. With South Ga's large rainfalls compared to North Ga's, this makes for a good balance.

We will all continue to pray for rain.

Many Thanks,

Jud Davis, Sheila Davis, Jackson Davis (9), and Lauren Davis (7)

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Terry and Peggy Donnenthirth [donnenthirth@comcST.NET]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:49 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier

I wholeheartedly support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS. Please consider this to be fair to all parties.

Thanks.

Peggy Donnenthirth
Dawson County resident

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Richard Drye [rdrye@cabinc.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 7:32 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: FW: Lake Lanier reduced flows

Please register my support for the request for reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS. Your help is greatly appreciated to assist the lake to recover as soon as possible.

Regards,

Richard Drye

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Richard Drye [rdrye@cabinc.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 7:30 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: FW: Lake Lanier reduced flows

Please register my support for the request for reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS. Your help is greatly appreciated to assist the lake to recover as soon as possible.

Regards,

Richard Drye

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: John Duggan [j-jduggan@charter.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 11:00 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Protecting Lake Lanier

Dear USACE Representative,

It is my understanding that the Georgia EPD has requested that the US Army Corps of Engineers reduce the water flow releases from Buford Dam on an emergency basis due to the current drought situation. EPD assessed the minimum flows at Peachtree Creek on the Chattahoochee in Fulton County and determined that 550 CFS (cubic feet per second), down from current minimum of 750 CFS can handle necessary requirements for dissolved oxygen and downstream flows due to substantial rain events below Buford Dam. EPD has requested that this flow reduction be implemented immediately and be maintained through April 2008, when it will be reevaluated. As a concerned citizen, I would like to convey my support for the recommendation of Georgia EPD and ask that their proposal be given serious consideration due to the current water crisis we face on Lake Lanier. It would only seem appropriate, since the other downstream reservoirs are at or near normal winter pool levels already.

Sincerely,

John Duggan

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Josh Duncan [joshduncan@mindspring.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 10:32 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EPD request

I support the request of EPD to reduce the outflow from Lanier into the Chattahoochee. If outflows in the past had been handled more carefully we would be in a better position than we find ourselves in now.

Josh Duncan

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Kyle DuPont [kyle.dupont@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 7:13 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduced flows from Buford Dam

Dear Sir:

This mail is in regards to the recent EPD assessment of minimum flows necessary as quoted below. I am emailing you to express my support for reduced flows at the Buford Dam site. As a large scale problem of this nature requires a collective response, I look forward to the Corps' cooperation with all lake stakeholders. Thank you for your time and effort as we combat this drought together.

Regards,

Kyle DuPont
kyle.dupont@gmail.com

"EPD assessed the minimum flows at Peachtree Creek on the Chattahoochee in Fulton County and determined that 550 CFS (cubic feet per second), down from current minimum of 750 CFS can handle necessary requirements for dissolved oxygen and downstream flows due to

substantial rain events below Buford Dam. EPD has requested that this flow reduction be implemented immediately and be maintained through April 2008, when it will be reevaluated. The Lake Lanier Association supports this request initiated by EPD. Although it will not fill the Lake, it will modestly increase the Lake levels as we get prepared for the summer continuation of the drought."

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Sherry Farhy [sherry@farhy.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 8:07 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support reduce flow

I'm writing to let you know I support the EPD's recommendation to temporarily reduce the water releases from Buford Dam. Since it has been determined that 550 CFS is sufficient to send down stream we hope you will follow this recommendation and implement immediately !!!

We spend a lot of time talking about the impact of the water flow to Alabama and Florida but I hear little about the impact the low water level at Lake Lanier is having on us who live near Lake Lanier and depend on it. Please reduce the flow and help us survive this drought.

Sherry Farhy
5966 Nachoochee Trail
Flowery Branch, GA 30542

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Ken Fields [nyse@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 4:27 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Water Flow

Reduce it.

Ken Fields
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Buford, Georgia 30518
770 309 1988

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: guy firor [guyfiror@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 7:36 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: warer flow

please decrease the flow from lake lanier, thank you, capt. guy firor

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: The French's Email [frenchq@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 7:54 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: reduce flows at Peachtree Creek

My husband and I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 cfs.

Thank you,
Jan and Jerry French

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Larry Fried [larry@ideaplace.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 8:15 PM
To: vbarnhorst@lakelanier.org
Cc: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: RE: [SPAM] Call to Action for Lake Lanier Stakeholders

Corp....

Please slow the flow until April 2008. I was just up camping this past weekend on Lake Lanier Islands, and even the deer are confused about the Lake being gone! I did pick up bottles, cans, and debris, so you can fill it back up. Thank you for your cooperation.

Larry Fried
SERVPRO of Chamblee/Dunwoody

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The best is yet to come!

----- Original Message -----

Subject: [SPAM] Call to Action for Lake Lanier Stakeholders
From: Vicki Barnhorst <vbarnhorst@lakelanier.org>
Date: Tue, February 26, 2008 5:11 pm
To: larry@ideaplace.com

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The Lake Lanier Association

Dear List Members,

The Georgia EPD has requested that the US Army CORPS of Engineers reduce the water flow releases from Buford Dam on an emergency basis due to the current drought situation. EPD assessed the minimum flows at Peachtree Creek on the Chattahoochee in Fulton County and determined that 550 CFS (cubic feet per second), down from current minimum of 750 CFS can handle necessary requirements for dissolved oxygen and downstream flows due to substantial rain events below Buford Dam. EPD has requested that this flow reduction be implemented immediately and be maintained through April 2008, when it will be reevaluated. The Lake Lanier Association supports this request initiated by EPD. Although it will not fill the Lake, it will modestly increase the Lake levels as we get prepared for the summer continuation of the drought.

The purpose of this CALL TO ACTION is to ask the Lanier Stakeholders to inform the CORPS that you support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

This will reduce the outflow at Buford Dam (Lanier) and allow more water storage in Lanier rather than sending it down stream unnecessarily. The input of Lanier stakeholders is due to the CORPS by close of business Thursday, February 28, 2008. A large response to this request will show the CORPS how many of us are concerned about their management of the water levels in Lanier

A brief note to the CORPS supporting the EPD request can be electronically transmitted using the following email address: cesam-pd-ea@usace.army.mil <mailto:cesam-pd-ea@usace.army.mil>

Drought information can be found on the Corps' Web site,

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The Corps' email and the letter from the EPD to the Corps of Engineers will be on our site tomorrow, <http://rs6.net/tn.jsp?e=0018kwmqwaXvofdrY9t2Si2dAxfUxLcMxWUlseMrXjZtkjt3i9SrlMmWDJ8AvWK_QYGj7acYUW4fuehRSvDqK0pfOU6liqYOhXsV2ViF7ujQcba7Tlw37C5sQ==> www.lakelanian.org

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Angela Furlong [afurlong@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 4:25 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: reduce the flows at Peachtree Creek

I support the EPD request to reduce the flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

Thank you,
Angela Furlong

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Steve Galberaith [aoa_sg@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 7:08 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Buford Dam Outflow

As a concerned property owner on Lake Lanier. I would like to express my support of the EPD's request to reduce the outflow of water from Lake Lanier to 555 CFS. Myself and my wife respectfully urge the CORPS to honor this request and implement such as soon as reasonably possible. Thank you.

Steve and Leslie Galberaith
380 Browns Point
Dawsonville, Ga.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Russ Garmon [russgarmon@comcast.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 10:11 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Please reduce outflow of water

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Sharon Germano [atgermano@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 4:45 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduction of flow at Ptree Creek

To the Corps:

As a landowner adjacent to Lake Lanier in Hall County, I fully support the reduction of flow at Peachtree Creek to 550 CFS from 750 CFS, as requested by the EPD. I hope you will take such action.

Sharon Germano
4910 Goodards Ford Road
Gainesville, GA 30504

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Magiambalvo@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 4:54 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Drought conditions

We would like to show our support for the reduced water outflow from Buford Dam as requested by the EPD. The current lake level at Lanier should be considered a disaster.

Marjorie and Bill Giambalvo
289 Julian Creek Road
Dawsonville, GA 30534

706-216-5482
404-313-0954 (cell)

Magiambalvo@aol.com

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: dlgin@charter.net
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:02 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: decrease out flow from Lake Lanier

This water is a precious gift that we cannot overlook. The current outflow is not needed due to the increase of rain downstream. We will need every drop of water in Lanier to prepare for the continuing drought. This summer will be upon us soon enough.

Please reduce the outflow to the EPD's suggestion.

Thanking you in advance,

David L. Ginn

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Thanking you in advance,

David L. Ginn

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: lesjgreen@aim.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 8:27 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier water releases

It is important to all of us who rely upon Lake Lanier that the water storage should be maximized, particularly during times of drought and it is vital that you avoid any unnecessary releases from Buford Dam. You are therefore asked to honor the request by Georgia EPD to reduce the minimum downstream flow at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 cubic feet per second.

L.J.Green

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Stacey Gross [staceygross@hotmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 4:24 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: I support...

...the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

Stacey Gross

staceygross@hotmail.com

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Michael Habeeb [habeeb@mindspring.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:58 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support for Reduced Flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS

Dear Corps of Engineers,

I wanted to send a quick note of support for the Georgia EPD's request for the Corps to reduce the water discharges from Buford Dam on an emergency basis due to the current drought situation.

As a Lake Lanier property owner, I strongly encourage and support the Corps' active management of Buford Dam discharge levels in an effort to refill the Lake Lanier reservoir as rapidly as possible.

Thank you for acting on the EPD recommendation in a timely manner.

Best Regards,
Mike Habeeb.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: James Hake [jameshake@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 7:02 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduced flow support

Dear Corp,

My wife and I support the position of reducing the flow of water from 750 CFS to 550 CFS from Peachtree Creek.

Thanks for helping!

Jim & Beth Hake

James Hake
Home: 770-887-5302
Cell: 678-485-3178
Office: 404-250-3901
jameshake@yahoo.com

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: bruce-hansen@mindspring.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:59 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: I support GA EPD 750 CFS to 550 CFS

I support Georgia EPDs request to lower the output of Buford dam from 750 CFS to 550 CFS.

Bruce Hansen
4380 Cedar Ridge Trail
Stone Mountain, GA 30083

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Jason Harrison [jasonha@comcast.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 4:51 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Peachtree Creek Water Flow

US ACE:

I am in favor of the recent recommendations by the GA EPD to reduce the water flow from 750 CFS to 550 at Peachtree Creek. As I walked the shores of Lake Lanier this weekend, I can every apparent that any measures to reduce the flow output is necessary.

Regards,

Jason Harrison

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Cliff Hill [chill@salesforceinc.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:04 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EPD REDUCTION PLAN

I want you to know I support the current EPD request to reduce outflows from Buford Dam to 550, to help Lanier to fill up.

Cliff Hill

SalesForce Inc.

Cell: 404-667-9996

Phone: 770-339-0096

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Carolyn Hollis [2carolyn@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 7:41 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduce Water Flow from Lake Lanier

To whom it may concern:

We would like to support reduced water flow from Buford Dam on a temporary basis. Hopefully, it will not take 2 years to rewrite the manual. We would also like to support reduced flows of Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS. If you could do this, we feel like, with good rainfall, we might could get Lake Lanier to a better starting level for the Summer of 2008. This could also help to make up for the accidental release of too much water last year.

Thank you so much for your consideration from a concerned Lake Lanier property owner.

Sincerely,

Wayne and Carolyn Hollis
9015 Knoll Drive
Gainesville, Ga. 30506
770-889-2491

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: sayjay@bellsouth.net
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:44 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Cc: sayjay@bellsouth.net; vbarnhorst@lakelanier.org
Subject: Support of Georgia EPD

Please consider this my support for the Georgia EPD to reduce the amount of water released from Buford Dam. Why release more water than what's necessary? It's time to for the Corps to start being more pro-active in managing our water supplies, especially in lake lanier.

Best regards,

Jay Hufnagel
4660 Lambton Cir
Suwanee, GA 30024

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: hunter_F@bellsouth.net
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 6:57 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM

I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

Terry Hunter

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Hunter, Matt [Matt.Hunter@allstate.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:52 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Release of Water- Lanier

Please reduce the release of water downstream so that we may continue to enjoy the benefits of the lake. I thank you for your assistance extending ramps on the lake- however it seems that the continued release of water at it's current rate will only be detrimental in the future..

Thank you for your time.

Matt Hunter

Senior Claims Service Adjuster

Southeastern Property MCO

Allstate Insurance Company

404-307-0419 cell

678-482-5365 fax

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Mark Hynes [hynes@digi-net.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:01 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support for reduced flows

Hell, as a concerned Georgia citizen I would just like you to know that I strongly support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

Thank you.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: JWInglis@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 4:17 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier water flow

I urge you to consider and approve of the Georgia EPD's request to lower the rate of water flow out of Lake Lanier to the 550 CFS limit.

James Inglis
4719 Green River Court
Marietta, GA. 30068

770-5096898

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Terri Jondahl [tjondahl@cabinc.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 6:40 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support of Reduced Flows at Peachtree Creek

Please register my support for the request for reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS. As you know we need all the help we can get in helping Lake Lanier to recover from its current low levels.

Thanks.

Terri Jondahl
CEO
CAB Incorporated
Oakwood, Georgia

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: leslie kane [kanega@mindspring.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 4:54 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier lake levels

To whom it may concern: As a Lake Lanier homeowner I wanted you to be aware that I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS. This positive action for the short period of time will greatly appreciated by all! Thanking you in advance, Leslie Kane

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Jim King [jimk@planning.nu]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 7:09 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: REDUCE FLOWS FROM LAKE SIDNEY LANIER, GEORGIA

Just a brief message to let you know that I support Georgia EPD's recommended reduced flows from Lake Lanier that will allow a reduction at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

jim king
Landmark Design Associates, LLC
4460 Commerce Drive
Buford, Georgia 30518
t: (678) 546-1675 x 203
f: (678) 546-1676

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Threekings3@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:43 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Buford Dam/lake lanier & Peachtree Creek

We support the reduced flows from 750 CFS to 550 CFS ... anything you can do to stop flow of water downstream unnecessarily is good for everyone!!

We are so concerned about the management of the water levels at Lake Lanier -- it is and will continue to be an economic drain on our county and our state... Thank you for striving to solve this problem for now and in the future..

E. King
Member Lake Lanier Association
Resident of Hall County
Buford, GA

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Barbara Kovacic [barbek777@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:06 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: saving Lake Lanier

Dear Corps: We appreciate anything you can do to save Lake Lanier, especially during this horrible drought.

Reducing the flow out of the lake at Peachtree Creek will surely help. We applaud your efforts to save this very important natural resource. Thanks, Barbara Kovacic

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: dlancaster1@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 9:15 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM

Please help us prepare for the continuation of our dreadful drought by reducing the flow of our water out of Lake Lanier.

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Scott Leonard [scott@cebotics.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 4:37 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: In support of reducing outflow of Lake Lanier

This is just a brief note to inform you that I strongly support the request for reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS to help preserve the water levels in Lake Lanier.

Thank You,
Scott Leonard

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Liberman [libermh@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 7:37 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier

I am a property owner on Lake Lanier in Gainesville, Georgia and a resident of Atlanta. I am requesting that you do all that is possible to reduce the rate flow of water out of our lake. I am doing all that I can to reduce the water useage in both of our homes. Our dock is not able to be used and our watercraft is gorunded. Although we miss the use of our lake house, we are more fearful of the effects of the drought on water in our city. Please do what is right and enact the decrease in outflow of our lake. We are and will continue to do our part in conservation. Dr. Henry and Rebecca Liberman

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Mike Luker [lukerm@mindspring.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 7:39 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS

We support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek as noted in the subject. We understand that EPD assessed the minimum flows at Peachtree Creek on the Chattahoochee in Fulton County and determined that this flow can handle necessary requirements for dissolved oxygen and downstream flows due to substantial rain events below Buford Dam.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Mike & Nancy Luker
Lawrenceville, GA
770-995-3006

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Fran Lyons [flyons@scoringsolutions.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 10:26 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Cc: Fran
Subject: Reduce water releases from Buford Dam

February 26, 2008

To: U.S. Army Corp of Engineers

Dear Sir:

I am in support of reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 cubic feet per second and request that this be implemented immediately due to the current drought situation. This will reduce the outflow at Buford Dam rather than sending it down stream unnecessarily. We need to make this change now in hopes that it will preserve water for the longer term.

Thank you for your timely consideration.

Regards,

Fran Lyons
3360 Shady Cove Rd.
Cumming, GA 30041

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: CWSNUGGLES@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 6:50 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: lake lanier

To the Army Corps of Engineers:

We, as landowners, firmly support the reduction of water release from Lake Lanier for the next year until April of '09 from 750 CFS to 550 CFS . With the low lake levels we need to conserve and manage the water of this valuable resource for the northern region of Georgia. We understand that the water needs to be released to support the watershed but maybe not in such large quantities during a level 4 drought .

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

James R Magbee
4135 Pilgram Mill Rd.
Cumming ,Ga.

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Valeria Maier [vmaier@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 4:55 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support EPD request to reduce flow releases from Buford Dam

It is my understanding that the Georgia EPD has determined that flows can be reduced from 750 CFS down to 550 CFS at Peachtree Creek in Fulton County and handle necessary requirements for dissolved oxygen and downstream flows because of recent substantial rains below Buford Dam. As property owners on Lake Lanier, we support this request. Our property is in an area which usually has ten to 12 feet of water, so we are now on a very shallow (maybe 1" deep), broad creek. We hope all possible measures will be taken to provide a usable lake this summer as well as ensure the metropolitan area's water supply.

Thank you for all you do.

Valeria Maier

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Douglas Mannheimer [dmannheimer@broadandcassel.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 4:17 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Hello. Hope you will concur with EPD and reduce outflow of Lake Lanier. Let's store water in the lake! thanks

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Douglas Mannheimer

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: JAYBYRDE@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 9:34 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Buford Dam Waterflow

To Whom it may Concern,

This letter is generated in support of the EPD assessment to reduce the flow from 750 CFS to 550 CFS from the Buford Dam, in order to conserve our much needed water. Their study suggests that 550 CFS is sufficient for dissolved oxygen requirements in the Chattahoochee River.

This flow reduction should be implemented immediately in order to preserve what water we have and not simply waste it unnecessarily.

Thank you for your help and attention,

Jay Martin
(770) 967-2591

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: 24diving@charter.net
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 7:04 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduce the flow out of Buford Dam

To Whom It May Concern:

I am in support of the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

Thank you
Bill and Jill Mashburn
Flowery Branch, GA

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Tom Minnich [xraytom1@charter.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 7:36 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Release rate request

Please reduce the flow from Buford dam to the requested 550 cfm.

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Tom Minnich
2603 Bridgewater Circle
Gainesville, GA 30506
770-536-3490

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Neil Morrisroe [nmorrisroe@mclain-merritt.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 4:10 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: RELEASES

I am in support of reducing the releases from the Lanier Dam.

Neil S. Morrisroe

McLain & Merritt, P.C.

3445 Peachtree Road

Suite 500

Atlanta, Ga 30326

(O) 404-365-4540

(fax) 404-364-3134

nmorrisroe@mclain-merritt.com

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Sheryl Morriss [samorriss@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 6:31 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier Levels

As Lake Lanier residents, we support the decision to reduce the flow of water at Peachtree Creek from 750 CFS to 550 CFS. We greatly appreciate any efforts of the Corp of Engineers that will help us to fill and maintain a level of the lake that will benefit everyone.

Jack and Sheryl Morriss
7715 Bamby Road
Cumming, Georgia 30041

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: big j [j.muenchen@comcast.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:19 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support Your Position On Reducing Drainage

Thanks. John Muenchen

Remember GOD loves You

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: JNorris209@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 4:13 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduction of outflow

Thank you Thank You Thank you. It is a start.

Jeff Norris

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: pank24@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 6:22 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier water release

Please consider drastically reducing the water release from Lake Lanier. I would encourage you to consider a permanent reduction in water release.

Sincerely,

Eileen Pankow

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: pank24@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:32 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support Of EPD

We strongly support the request of the GA EPD to slow the flow of water through Buford dam. Their request is responsible, prudent and justified. Please act positively on this request or provide a good reason for disagreement.

Steve Pankow

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Holly Parker [hollamonster@mac.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 7:59 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: reduce the flow

We fully support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Robert Parker [rtparker@mac.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:22 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier Water Flows

Dear Sir,

I'm writing my letter in support of the EPD's request to reduce water flows. While many of the lakes initially affected by the drought have recovered to a degree significantly better than Lanier, Lake Lanier remains largely a disaster. I ask for your most serious consideration in lowering the outflows from Lanier and allow other areas to help until Lanier can recover more before the summer starts.

Sincerely,
Robert Parker
(404) 805-1174

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: KAPeoples@comcast.net
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:16 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduced outflow

As a Lake Lanier Homeowner, I respectfully request that you honor the request for reduced outflow from Buford Dam. With the substantial rainfall south of the dam, I think it is a request that could and should be honored.

I appreciate you taking the time to read my request, and would greatly appreciate you taking it into favorable consideration.

Thank You,
Kim & Bill Peoples

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Carl Peterson [chp@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 9:03 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS

<EOM>

Thank you!!

Carl Peterson

8945 Bay View Court

Gainesville, GA 30506

770-205-2958

Fax-770-205-2360

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: D. Peterson [diannapeterson@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 4:19 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: SUPPORT GA EPD Request to reduce flow

I support the Georgia EPD request for the US Army CORPS of Engineers to reduce the water flow releases from Buford Dam on an emergency basis due to the current drought situation.

Thank you,

Dianna Peterson

Gainesville, GA

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Betty Piper [bpiper@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 8:08 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: re: reduced water flow

I support reducing the water flow from Lake Lanier during the drought. Thank you for watching over this precious resource, Betty Piper (Lake Lanier Association Member)

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: S. Powell [rspnhp@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:20 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Georgia EPD support

To Whom it May Concern at the US Army CORPS of Engineers:

We totally and whole heartedly support the Georgia EPD request to reduce from 750 CFS to 550 CFS the water flow releases from Buford Dam on an emergency basis during this current drought and hope you will take this action as soon as possible.

Best Regards,

Scott & Nancy Powell

Residents of Gainesville, Georgia

Members of Lake Lanier Association and Upper Chattahoochee Riverkeeper.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Susan Puhr [mediaven@alltel.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:48 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduced flows at Peachtree Creek

This email is to ask your cooperation in complying with the state EPD's request to reduce the flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

This will reduce the outflow at Buford Dam and allow more storage in Lake Lanier as we enter the summer season.

I am very concerned about the management of water levels in Lanier and appreciate your support of this.

Sincerely,

Susan Puhr

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Robert Puhr [adhoc@alltel.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:38 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduced flows at Peachtree Creek

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This will reduce the outflow at Buford Dam and allow more storage in Lake Lanier as we enter the summer season.

I am very concerned about the management of water levels in Lanier and appreciate your support of this.

Sincerely,

Robert Puhr

Tel: +1 770 294 1965

Fax: +1 866 556 9277

adhoc@alltel.net <mailto:adhoc@alltel.net>

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Srmrransom@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 6:47 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: PLEASE STOP THE DRAINING OF OUR LAKE!!

We support the reduced flows!!

URGENT and pray for more rain!

Sue Ransom
Lake Lanier Property Owner

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Onlakelanier@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 8:55 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Peachtree Creek

As a property owner on Lake Lanier I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS. The property owners are united in this goal as well as anyone who enjoys this resource Tim Reardon
770-704-9237

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: FRobbe@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 6:30 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EPD Request

We support the requested outflow reduction proposed by the EPD. We are very disappointed that Lake Lanier is so far from returning to normal levels.

Also, we support the proposal to increase the full pool level by 2 feet

Fred & Sally Robbe
Dawsonville and Atlanta

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Rob Robinson [erobrob@earthlink.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 10:01 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduce Peachtree Creek flow to 550 CFS

Dear Army Corp,

As a property owner on Lake Lanier. I am asking that you please reduce the flow to 550 CFS on Peachtree Creek through the summer or until we get through the drought.

Sincerely

Rob Robinson

3725 Chattatee Pass Circle | Gainesville, GA | 30506

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: onlaket@mindspring.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 4:59 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EPD Reduced Flow Request

We strongly support the EPD's request for reduced flows from Buford Dam. We urge you to honor this request as soon as possible to allow the lake levels to recover as much as possible.

Thanks,

Tony Schlich
Sue Marmon

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Diana [todi222@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:37 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Georgia EPD Request to Reduce Water Flow Releases

To Whom It May Concern,

The purpose of our email is to inform you that we support the Georgia EPD request to the US Army CORPS of Engineers to reduce the water flow releases at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS. We hope you will accept their request and reduce the water flow releases.

Sincerely,

Todd and Diana Schmidt
Roswell, Georgia

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Scot Schoeppler [s.schoeppler@comcast.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:57 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Water Flow

Dear Sirs:

I just wanted to go on record as supporting the reduced flow of water at Peachtree Creek. I would farther like to say that it strikes me as abject stupidity the way water resources in Georgia and particularly in Lake Lanier are managed. I hope sanity prevails soon.

Scot Schoeppler

11490 Donnington Dr

Duluth Ga

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Doug Schuster [dschuster@alltel.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 7:06 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Georgia EPD Request for Water Flow Reduction

To the US Army Core,

Please be advised that as a Lake Lanier resident, I am in agreement and support the Georgia EPD request that the US Army CORPS of Engineers reduce the water flow releases from Buford Dam on an emergency basis due to the current drought situation. EPD assessed the minimum flows at Peachtree Creek on the Chattahoochee in Fulton County and determined that 550 CFS (cubic feet per second), down from current minimum of 750 CFS can handle necessary requirements for dissolved oxygen and downstream flows due to substantial rain events below Buford Dam. EPD has requested that this flow reduction be implemented immediately and be maintained through April 2008, when it will be reevaluated.

Respectfully,

Doug Schuster

Doug Schuster

cell: (404) 915-3310

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: joseph.m.brabham@usace.army.mil
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:40 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Temporary Deviation/Waiver - Reduce WQ Release from Buford Dam

The Following Comments were submitted by Ronald Seder on 2/26/2008

Affiliation: Local Resident
Address: 6355 Barberry Hill Place
City, St, Zip: Gainesville, GA 30506
County: Forsyth

Comments--->February 26, 2008

I am writing to support the GA-EPD Request (11 Feb 2008) to reduce the minimum flows at USGS 02336000 (Peachtree Creek Gauge) from 750 cubic feet per second (cfs) to 550 cfs. The proposal shows very little impact downstream, while improving Lake Lanier's level by more than one foot if hydrology conditions of the year 2000 are duplicated, which still allows Lanier to rise no higher than ten feet below the full pool level.

Lanier is now still below the low level (1055.61) of the 2000 drought, causing a destructive impact on all who use, enjoy and rely on Lanier for financial asset value and income. If the Lake Lanier watershed continues to experience low rainfall conditions, as some are forecasting, recreation will be devastated during the prime season causing severe hardship to many.

I believe the proposal does not go far enough to give Lanier proper consideration. I think there should also be a concentration on Buford Dam releases, which have been running around 600 cfs for the past few days.

There are not many days when the flow at the Peachtree Creek Gauge is at the minimum 750 cfs because with Buford Dam releases at 600 cfs there is enough runoff into the Chattahoochee between Buford Dam and the Peachtree Creek Gauge to raise the flows well above the 750 cfs.

Therefore, there should be a further reduction of releases at Buford Dam when the flows at the Peachtree Creek Gauge are well above the established minimum. Currently there is no need to augment downstream flows. West Point Lake is at 1031.69, about three feet above its seasonal full pool.

Lake George is at 189.01, a foot above its seasonal full pool. The Apalachicola River flow at USGS 02358000 (Chattahoochee, Florida) is 52,000 cfs, (47,250 cfs above its minimum flow).

As can be seen from the facts, everything below Buford Dam on the ACF is having great success while Lake Lanier is still almost seventeen feet below the seasonal full pool level. Lake Lanier suffers most because it has a small watershed for the size of the lake. So, for a given amount of rain across the entire ACF watershed Lanier recovers very slowly while the downstream reservoirs and rivers experience abundance from their relatively larger watersheds.

Perhaps a better comparison would be between Lake Lanier and Lake Allatoona (on the ACT) geographically close to each other. For approximately the same rainfall the Lake Allatoona level rises much more than Lake Lanier. Lake Allatoona is now at a level of 830.97, one foot above its seasonal full pool level, and twelve feet above its lowest level during the past five months. Lanier is at 1053.34, almost seventeen feet below its seasonal full pool, and only two and one half feet above its lowest level during the past five months. Why? Allatoona is about one third the size of Lanier while having a similar size watershed.

Therefore, the same watershed runoff for both lakes has a much more dramatic positive impact on Lake Allatoona levels.

In summary, I support the Peachtree Gauge minimum 550 cfs flow, but urge more action in

reducing Buford Dam releases to lessen the negative impact on Lake Lanier levels. Without more action to improve Lake Lanier it will suffer a hugely disproportional drought penalty than other ACF locals.

Ronald Seder

ronseder@mindspring.com

February 26, 2008

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Ronald Seder

ronseder@mindspring.com

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: geosexton@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:13 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduced Flow from Lake Lanier

Army Corps of Engineers,

I support EPD's request to reduce to flow of water to 550 CFS. Their study indicated it would not be harmful downstream. Obviously the lake will not refill this summer but the reduced flow will help.

Thank you

George Sexton
9270 Bayhill Dr
Gainesville, GA 30506
770-205-0846

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: lakebud@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:22 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: support

I support the lower release of water down the hooch.
Thank you,
Rissa Shapiro

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Steve [steve@govesiebold.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 6:40 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EPD Request

Dear Friends at the Corps,

Please pass the EPD request to reduce water flow from Lake Lanier. The lake needs help to recover from the drought, or this will go on for years to come.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Steve Siebold

Gainesville, Ga.

Homeowner on Lake Lanier

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Charles Smith [cmsassociates@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 7:48 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Flow Reduction From Lake Lanier

Gentlemen,

Please reduce the flow from Lake Lanier to the recommended level by the Georgia EDP from 750 to 500 CFS.

Thank you.

Charles Smith 96 Overlook Ct.
Dawsonville, Ga.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Mitchell Spruill [spruillmw@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 7:04 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EPD Request

To whom it may concern:

This letter is a request to the US Army Corps of Engineers that the EPD recommendations for an emergency reduction of water release from Buford Dam be followed. Lake Lanier is a precious resource that needs to be carefully protected. The people of Georgia are at risk on a number of levels as a result of the drought, and we will truly appreciate your accommodation of that request.

Sincerely,

Rachel Spruill

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Stafford, Phil [Phil.Stafford@AIG.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 4:29 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: GA EPD request to reduce Water release from Buford Dam

As a property owner on Lake Lanier and a resident of Atlanta, I support the GA EPD request to reduce the current water release from Buford Dam down to 550 CFS.

Phil Stafford

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Steve Stevens [steveandjanstevens@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 6:34 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: In support of Ga. EPD request

Dear Sir, I support the The Georgia EPD request that the US Army CORPS of Engineers reduce the water flow releases from Buford Dam on an emergency basis due to the current drought situation.

EPD assessed the minimum flows at Peachtree Creek on the Chattahoochee in Fulton County and determined that 550 CFS (cubic feet per second) down from current minimum of 750 CFS can handle necessary requirements for dissolved oxygen and downstream flows due to substantial rain events below Buford Dam. EPD has requested that this flow reduction be implemented immediately and be maintained through April 2008, when it will be reevaluated. Please make these adjustments in the flow of water immediately.

Regards, Stanley Stevens of Cumming, Ga.

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Davene Strawser [dmstrawser@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:21 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: water

Thanks. Davene M. Strawser

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: sstutts [sstutts@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 7:40 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support reduced flow from Lake Lanier

As homeowners on Lake Lanier, we completely support the decision to decrease the flow out of Buford Dam. We remain in mud and have renamed our "Lake Home" on Lake Lanier a "Mountain House" reiterating that, we feel this is extremely important for the future of the lake.

Clyde and Suzy Stutts

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: tab [tabtool@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 8:39 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: YES!!! We support reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS to reduce the outflow at Buford Dam (Lanier)!!!!

We support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS. Please enact this ASAP to reduce the outflow at Buford Dam (Lanier) and allow more water storage in Lanier rather than sending it down stream unnecessarily. Please also consider further reducing the low to less than 500 CFS for a period adequate enough to make up for the COE's drastic error in the late Summer\early Fall of 2006 when the measurement devices were inexplicable misread thus allowing the lake to go down an extra 8 feet. This needs to be reclaimed!!

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Martin Taylor [taylormartin@comcast.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 8:39 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support EPD Request to Reduce Water Flow From Buford Dam

To Whom It May Concern (Army Corps of Engineers):

I strongly support the Georgia EPD request to reduce the amount of water flow release from Buford Dam from 750 CFS to 550 CFS until further evaluation is completed in April 2008. This should be done due to the current emergency situation due to the drought conditions. This reduced flow should the requirements for dissolved oxygen and downstream flows due to substantial rain events below Buford Dam. I fully support the Georgia EPD assessment of this situation and urge you to give this request full consideration.

Sincerely,

Martin Taylor

Bald Ridge Creek

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Chris Theus [chris.theus@amerapaint.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 4:29 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EPD Request

I support the Georgia EPD request to reduce flows at Peachtree Creek.

Chris Theus

COO

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: bobthomas99@comcast.net
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 6:38 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EPD

I support the EPD request to reduce water flow releases from Buford Dam.

Bob Thomas
678-849-3410

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: cindy tomblin [crttomblin@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 9:18 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: reduced outflow

We need to keep our water levels to a point where EVERYONE is able to exist..... PLEASE reduce the outflow!!!!

CTomblin
50 Oakmont Dr
Dawsonville, GA 30534

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Della Twite [laketwite@charter.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 7:19 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Water Flow

We strongly support the Georgia EPD request to reduce the water flow release from the Buford Dam on an emergency basis due to the drought situation.
Steven and Della Twite

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Jim L. Underwood [JUnderwood@T-U.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:37 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Georgia EPD Request

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Please accept this as my support of the request from the Georgia EPD to reduce the flow rate from Buford Dam immediately. As a property owner on the lake as well as a consumer of water in Gwinnett County, I continue to be alarmed by the inability of the recent rain to make any meaningful impact on lake levels. This is due, in part, to the continuing releases of more water than is required through the dam. This is exacerbated by the extraordinary releases last spring which dropped the lake at a more rapid rate than I had observed previously during the last 30 years. Unless the lake is refilled to at least some reasonable level the risk of more dire consequences if the drought continues and the lake begins to drop again are hard to imagine.

Sincerely,

James L. Underwood, CPA/PFS, CFP®

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Ray and Margaret Valley [valee9000@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 4:58 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: from ray and margaret valley

Dear Sir/Ms. Please be aware that the people who live on Lake Lanier would appreciate a lesser flow of water from our beautiful lake. As the spring and summer approach, it would be very beneficial to reduce this flow in order that the lake levels can rise so that we can use our docks and boat ramps. Thank you for considering keeping more water in our lake.

Sincerely Margaret and Ray Valley valee9000@yahoo.com

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: George Verdier [george@sugarloafcrafts.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 4:40 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduced Flow at Buford Dam

Dear Corps of Engineers

I am a resident on Lake Lanier and I want to express my support for the reduced flows from Buford Dam as recently requested by EPD. Specifically I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS through April 2008 and hopefully beyond. Continuing to build the storage of Lake Lanier now will give us more resources to deal with the expected continuation of the drought this summer.

On a long term solution, I also support raising the target full pool level by two feet to 1073 ft. The additional water that can be stored in Lanier could be the equivalent of building another reservoir. Your ongoing study will shortly identify the issues involved with this interim solution to the long term water needs of the growing Atlanta region. Of course, this solution can only be implemented once normal rainfall rates return, but it will help us all be more prepared for the next drought.

Thank you for your efforts to preserve a dynamic Lake Lanier while managing multiple and often conflicting priorities from diverse areas in the SE US.

Sincerely,
George Verdier
3555 Mill Road
Gainesville, GA 30504

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: csv1@alltel.net
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 4:34 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM

We support the GA EPD in regard to Lake Lanier.

Carl Volk

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Linh Vu [vlinh25@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 7:54 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: lake lanier water mismanagement

please acknowledge this request to reduce the flow of water out of lake lanier.

signed, linh vu
concerned resident of lake lanier.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: dennisward@cfl.rr.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:27 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier Outflow

I would like to voice my concern about the dramatically low level of the lake and the fact that anything that can be done to help replenish it to normal levels would be greatly appreciated. I believe I grasp the concept of downstream needs for water flows. I also understand the urgency of lake users and Atlantans to dramatically change their water usage patterns.

I greatly appreciate the Corp's support of reducing flows from 750 cfs to 550 cfs and monitoring the situation to see if there are any downstream detrimental effects to the oyster business near the gulf.

Thank you for your continued efforts to help restore the lake to full capacity.

Sincerely,
Dennis Ward

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: probear@gmail.com on behalf of Donald Ward [donaldbward@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 4:23 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier Water Release

Gentlemen,

This is a short note to let you know that I support the decrease in water flow as suggested by the Georgia EPD from 750 to 550 CFS. All conservation efforts must still be maintained since we are far from being over this drought.

Thank you,

Donald B. Ward
Gainesville, Georgia

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Corinne White [ccgarey@charter.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 9:00 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier Level

CORP of Engineers,
To whom it may Concern:

I support the request of the EPD to reduce the output of Lake Lanier until April. It is imperative that we reserve as much of this precious rainfall as possible and if the rivers downstream of the lake are full (do to local weather) then please use your powers to reduce the output of the lake.

Thank you,

Sincerely,
Corinne White, Resident of Hall County

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Williams, Matthew D. [Mdw@caseygilson.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 4:34 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: I support the request from the Georgia EPD

I understand that the Georgia EPD has requested that the US Army CORPS of Engineers reduce the water flow releases from Buford Dam on an emergency basis due to the current drought situation.

EPD assessed the minimum flows at Peachtree Creek on the Chattahoochee in Fulton County and determined that 550 CFS (cubic feet per second), down from current minimum of 750 CFS can handle necessary requirements for dissolved oxygen and downstream flows due to

substantial rain events below Buford Dam. EPD has requested that this flow reduction be implemented immediately and be maintained through April 2008, when it will be reevaluated. I and the Lake Lanier Association support this request initiated by EPD. Although it will not fill the Lake, it will modestly increase the Lake levels as we get prepared for the summer continuation of the drought. Thank you for your consideration of this issue.

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Susan Zweig [suezweig@bellsouth.net] on behalf of arnzweig@bellsouth.net
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 7:04 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Out flow from Lanier

Please reduce the outflow from Lanier to 550 CSI as proposed.

Arnold Zweig, M.D.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Susan Zweig [suezweig@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 7:02 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Flow out of Lanier

I am sending this to let you know that as a property owner on the Lake as well as the Chattahoochee River down stream My husband and myself support the reduction of outflow from 750 CFS to 550 CFS

Thank you

Susan Ellman Zweig

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: williamcabraham [williamcabraham@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:12 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM

Please be advised that I without hesitation support a reduced flow out of Lake Lanier. I live on the Lake up Bald Ridge Creek and my cove is now reduced to a creek. Anything you can do to stem the out flow is greatly appreciated.

Bill Abraham

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Jan Olivia Albitz [joalbitz@mindspring.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 4:13 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduction in flow

I am in support of reducing flow from Lake Lanier untill April 2008.

Jan Olivia Albitz
joalbitz@mindspring.com
EarthLink Revolves Around You.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Wrecker Nazi [wreckernazi@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:18 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM

I am in support of the decreasing of the water flow from Buford Dam, due to the drought situation. We are in serious trouble. Thank you for your support and help.

Sincerely,
Delores P. Almand

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: tamidon@osacompany.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:49 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EPD Request

As a resident of the Lake Lanier area I support the request by the EPD to reduce the flow out of Lake Lanier and into the Peachtree creek from 705CFS to 550 CFS.

Sincerely,

Tim Amidon
9095 Bethel Road
Gainesville, Ga 30506

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Calvin Asbury [clasbury@us.ibm.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 10:56 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EPA Deviation

Sirs:

I own a home at 3405 Banks Mountain Drive in Gainesville, Georgia on Lake Lanier. I have monitored the water levels, US Army Corps News Releases, and media accounts of our current status with the continuation of the drought. I have a strong bias in support of the Georgia EPD's request to lower the flow of water to 550cfs from Lake Lanier. I marvel at the depth of the Chattahoochee River most days when 100" of coves at Lanier sit dry. My support of the Georgia EPD's Position is fueled not just as a lake home owner, and boat owner but as one that is very concerned about our ability to have clean, sufficient and safe drinking water.

While I do understand that there are other stake holder with in the ACF Basin who's interest are also a consideration, I can't help but liken this situation to the New Orleans Katrina Flood where Federal and State Officials knew they needed to take actions but allowed themselves to be mared in red tape and waited to take action to the detriment of the people.

There are those that theorize that "Water Tomorrow" will be like "Oil Today" precious, expensive and in short supply.
Let's get out in front of the issues and reduce releases to the Chattahoochee River now.

Calvin Asbury
Business Development Executive
The Coca-Cola Company/System
IBM Global Technology Services

4111 Northside Parkway (Maildrop: H07A01) Atlanta, GA 30327
770-268-4456

404-428-9087 (cell)
404-238-2052 (fax)
clasbury@us.ibm.com

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Avirett, Todd W. [Todd.Avirett@GAPAC.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 7:22 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Emergency Request

Army Corps of Engineers, Lake Lanier Division,

Please abide by the emergency request by the Georgia EPD to reduce the outflow from Lake Lanier's Buford Dam to 550 CFM or less. This request needs the Corps immediate attention so that more of our precious water needed for a multitude of high priority purposes is not uselessly flushed into the Gulf of Mexico. Please do not delay!

Thank you for your action,

Todd W. Avirett

5171 Timber Trail South

Atlanta, GA 30342

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Patty Baggett [patty.baggett@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 11:57 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support of EPD Request!!!

Me and my family support the EPD request to decrease the amount of water being released from Lake Lanier. Please keep as much water in the lake as possible!

Thank you,
The Baggett Family

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Joe Ballard [joe121@peacocksales.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 9:08 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Flow Reduction

This is in support of the reduction of flow at Peachtree Creek to be reduced to 550 CFS. As a property owner on Lake Lanier I am very concerned about the level of the lake and what may happen this summer if the drought continues. We need to retain as much water above Buford Dam as is possible before summer.

Joe Ballard
Peacock Sales Company, Inc.
3683 North Peachtree Road
Atlanta, GA 30341
770-451-7905
joe121@peacocksales.com

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Susan Banasik [susanbanasik@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 5:29 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduced Flows at Peachtree Creek

Hi

This is to inform you that I support the CORPS decision to reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

Susan Banasik

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Theresa Barber - Franchoice [tbarber@franchoice.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 7:50 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support of reducing flow

We support the reduce of flow at Peachtree Creek, of 550 CFS or less.

Thank you,
Concerned citizens,
Dan and Theresa Barber

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Lisa [MSbarks@earthlink.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 7:52 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier EPD request

Dear Colonel Jorns,

I am writing in support of the February 11, 2008 request by the Georgia EPD to reduce the water flow releases from Buford Dam on an emergency basis due to the current drought situation.

I am a stakeholder in Lake Lanier.

Sincerely,

Melissa Barks

280 East Smoketree Terrace
Johns Creek, Georgia

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Cliff Barlow [cbar@mindspring.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 7:18 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EPD Request

Jeanne and Cliff Barlow, property owners at Lake Lanier, support the EPD request. To do other than what the EPD requests would be irresponsible. Thanks, Jeanne & Cliff

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Perry and Tracy Barnett [barnett01@charter.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 3:12 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Georgia EPD request

We would like you to know that we support the EPD request to reduce the flow of water out of Lake Lanier. As a homeowner on Lanier I walk down to our dock every couple of days and the lake is still almost 20 feet down. We all need to be doing everything we can to conserve our water in preparation for the dry months ahead.

Thanks,

Perry, Tracy, Kathryn, Andrew, and Merrie Barnett
1173 Antioch Campground Road
Gainesville, Georgia 30506

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Char Baxter [cbaxter@charbaxter.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:42 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Please Reduce the Flow!

We support the Georgia EPD's request to reduce the water flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 CFS to 550 CFS and appreciate the ongoing efforts of the Corps in protecting our Lake Lanier!

Char and Dennis Baxter
3365 Dawsonville Hwy
Gainesville, GA 30506

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Sheila Beam [sbeam@earthlink.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 6:03 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Cc: Chuck Beam
Subject: Lake Lanier Releases

Dear Corps of Engineers,

This is a brief email to support the Georgia EPD's request to reduce flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

I realize that much of this is legislated and currently playing out in the Courts in Florida but where the Corps has authority for reductions, please know that we appreciate anything you can do.

Sheila Beam
Suwanee, Georgia

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: BeckerJoAEstes@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 9:33 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Buford Dam Flow to Florida

As a Georgia family served by Lake Lanier water supplies, we urge the Corps to stop water being released to serve Florida which at present has no demand.

Sincerely,

Jo Anna, Mark, Sarah & Emily Becker
3971 Northlake Creek Drive
Tucker, GA 30084

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Tammy B. Bennett [tbennett@na.ko.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 6:33 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Please reduce the water flow out of Lanier

As a resident of Lake Lanier and concerned citizen, we ask that you PLEASE reduce the flow of water from our lake, as recommended by the EPD. Obviously the residents of Lanier, as well as Atlanta, are suffering from the drought conditions; the people to the south of Atlanta, relying on our water from Lanier, have to learn to live with less water as well. Thank you for your consideration.

Tammy B. Bennett
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Coca-Cola North America
Office 404.676.2979
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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: BobBittinger@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 7:29 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: I Support EPD Request

EPD has requested reduced flow of water from Buford Dam. I support that request.

Robert Bittinger
2519 Venture Cir
Gainesville, Ga 30506

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<<http://living.aol.com/video/how-to-please-your-picky-eater/rachel-campos-duffy/2050827?NCID=aolcmp00300000002598>>

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Bitzerle@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:10 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier

US Army Core of Engineers:

I am asking that you reduce the water flow release from Buford Dam from 750 CFS to 550 CFS.

I understand that Georgia EPD is also asking this to happen immediately and be maintained through April to allow the lake to recover before we face the summer months.

Please do not take this request lightly, this is a major concern and affects more than just us who live on the lake.

As a member of the Lake Lanier Association and your partner of the Lake I ask that you take action on this issue.

Thanks for your understanding.
Lee Bitzer

Lee and Linda Bitzer
6545 Smith Cove Way
Cumming, Georgia 30041
Home 770-889-0069
Cell 770-894-3044

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Todd Bitzer [tbitzer@sfmpl.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:48 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Cc: Bitzerle@aol.com
Subject: Flow reduction from Lake Lanier

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to request that the US Army CORPS of Engineers reduce the water flow releases from Buford Dam on an emergency

basis due to the current drought situation. It is my understanding that the Georgia EPD assessed the minimum flows at Peachtree

Creek on the Chattahoochee in Fulton County and determined that 550 CFS (cubic feet per second), down from current minimum of

750 CFS can handle necessary requirements for dissolved oxygen and downstream flows due to substantial rain events below Buford

Dam. It is also my understanding the the Georgia EPD has requested that this flow reduction be implemented immediately and be

maintained through April 2008, when it will be reevaluated. As a member of the Lake Lanier Association, I support this request initiated

by the Georgia EPD. Although I realize that this will not fill the Lake, it will modestly increase the Lake levels as we get prepared for the

summer continuation of the drought.

I realize that this is a complex issue and that there are many groups interested in this water supply. Please know that as a home owner on

Lake Lanier I am directly affected in many ways by the water level in the lake. We depend on this water for both drinking water, irrigation,

and recreation.

Please do not take this situation lightly! This is a major concern for members of the Lake Lanier Association. We are asking for your

help in trying to resolve the water shortage that is currently plaguing the region.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and help.

Todd A. Bitzer

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Bob & Janey Boyles [boyles_bob_janey@comcast.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 3:16 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduction of water flow releases from Buford Dam

This email is in full support of the reduction in water flow at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

Janey Boyles

1730 Williams Circle

Cumming, GA 30041

404-569-1236

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: gab33308@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:35 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM

To Whom It May Concern"

We support the request to reduce the flow of water at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS effective immediately.

Sincerely,
Tom and Geraldine Braatz
Crestwood Peninsula
'Flowerly Branch, GA

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Gordon Brand [gbrand@floortechinc.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 10:15 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Rduced flow

We support the reduced flow at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS which will allow more storage in Lake Lanier.

Gordon & Jeannette Brand
120 Poplar Trail
Dawsonville, GA 30534

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: linda_buckner@bellsouth.net
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:11 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier - Pechtree Creek

Good Morning...

First... thanks for ALL you do to keep Lake Lanier healthy, vibrant and a wonderful place to spend with my family. It is a big job and you have many there that serve it well... Just got my dock permit renewal in the mail - yes, another bill to pay but money well spent.

I just wanted you to know I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS and keeping more water in the lake without adverse effects downstream.

Thanks again for ALL you do. I know sometimes you are in a lose lose situation and can't make everyone happy... Just in your heart - do what is best for the lake. Thank you for protecting this resource.

Sincerely,

Linda Buckner
605 Hidden Forest Drive
Chattanooga, TN 37421 ... with a quaint cottage on Sams Road in Dawsonville... smile

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Lou Bunte [lbunte@peachtreepres.org]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 12:31 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support for reduced flows from Lake Lanier

Dear Sir,

I am very much in support of reducing the flows from Lake Lanier from 750 CFS to 550 CFS. This should be an action that the Corps would take without any input from the public. How can Lake Lanier be the ONLY lake in the ACF group that is very low in the Zone 4 level and all the other lakes are above Zone 1? Drought can only explain part of the answer. A Large amount of responsibility goes to mis-management by the Corps. With 3 full lakes between Lanier and Florida there is plenty of water for the endangered species. Lanier needs to be allowed to refill before summer or there will be major problems for millions of people in the north Georgia area. Your own policy states that droughts should be shared by all the lakes in the system. Why is Lanier the only one at this time that is so severely low????? Thank you for doing a better job in the future in managing this precious resource.

Lou Bunte
Marietta, GA

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Joe Calhoun [jcalut1970@cox.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 4:26 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduced Flows from Lake Lanier

Gentlemen:

As a Lake Lanier property owner, boater, and avid fisherman, I heartily support the proposed reduction in flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFM.

Joseph D. Calhoun
5562 Hidden Harbor Landing
Gainesville, GA 30504

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Helen Campbell [svccampbell@comcast.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:17 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EDP request to reduce water flow

To: The US Army CORPS of Engineers

We heartily support the EDP recommendation in their report that the water flow from Lake Lanier should be reduced from 750 to 550 CFS at Peachtree Creek while still serving downstream requirements. Please consider this release rate change immediately and reevaluate it again in April, 2008.

Thank you,

Sam & Helen Campbell
3655 Looper Lake Point
Gainesville, GA

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Carlson, Al [acarlson@mingledorffs.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 7:01 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier

I fully support the review of the release requirements from Lake Lanier.

Allen Carlson

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: christine chidgey [c_chidgey@hotmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 11:11 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM

We are very much in support of reducing the water output from 750 CFS to 550 CFS especially after having driven through Alabama down to Florida this past weekend. The lakes were cresting, the rivers filled to their banks and the ditches overflowing with water. Some roads were closed due to flooding. We were told by the locals that they have had more rain this year than usual. Why are we sending down so much water when they have more than they can handle right now?

**THOMAS V. CHOREY, JR.
2 ARDEN MOOR, NW
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30305**

February 27, 2008

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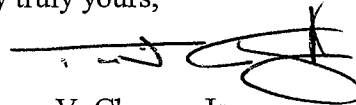
Army Corps of Engineers
cesam-pd-ea@usace.army.mil

Dear Sir or Madam:

It is my understanding that the Georgia EPD has requested that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers reduce water flow releases from Buford Dam on an emergency basis due to the current drought situation.

As a long time citizen of Atlanta and Fulton County, I want you to know that I strongly support the Georgia EPD's request on this matter, and I urge that you respond positively to it.

Very truly yours,



Thomas V. Chorey, Jr.

TVC/lmd

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Carl Cliche [Carl@clichouse.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 7:38 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EPD Request to reduce the flow out of Lake Lanier

To the Army Corps of Engineers,
Please follow the request by the Georgia EPD to reduce the flow out of Lake Lanier. We do not have sufficient build up to last through this summer and we may be facing a disastrous amount of property damage.
Georgia has a right to the water too.

Carl Cliche
678-936-0806

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Peter Collins [dandpcollins@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 10:06 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: We support the EPD request

Please know that we support the EPD request to reduce the flow of water out of Lake Lanier to 550 CFS (cubic feet per second), down from current minimum of 750 CFS. This disastrous situation has gone on TOO long. It's about time common sense be used!

Diane Collins and Peter Collins

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: rcondon@bellsouth.net
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:38 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Cc: vbarnhorst@lakelanier.org
Subject: Lake Lanier water flows

Gentlemen, I strongly support the Georgia EPD request to lower the flows of water from Lake Lanier from the current figure of 750 to the proposed level of 550. We've seen far too much water go over the Buford Dam needlessly and wastefully, and this small and temporary correction will make a positive difference to us Georgians, and not harm anyone needing water down-line. I urge you to implement the asked-for changes immediately as a safeguard to what we may have to face this summer.

Respectfully,

Ron Condon
8930 Beaver Trail
Gainesville, Ga. 30606

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Conti, Shelia [Shelia.Conti@turner.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 6:39 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier

Dear USACE,

I am in favor of the proposed reduction of the amount of water currently being released from Lake Lanier at Buford Dam. I support the measure to reduce the flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

Thank you.

Shelia Conti

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: MaryAnn Cook [macook51@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 12:42 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EPD request

As a property owner in DeKalb and Dawson counties, we wholehearted support the request from the EPD to reduce the water flow released from Lake Lanier from 750 CFS to 550 CFS, based on the assessment of flows at Peachtree Creek.

Mary Ann and Richard Cook

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: chris cook [ccook9773@earthlink.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 6:51 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EPD recommendation

PLEASE agree to reduce the amount of water taken from Lake Lanier to the level recommended by the EPD. As a government environmental watchdog, it has a neutral opinion that is based on facts. This reduction will help prepare the lake for the troubling months to come.

Thanks,
Chris Cook

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Jeff Coombs [jcoombs@amssoftware.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 6:28 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier water release rate

To the US Army Corps. Of Engineers:

It is my understanding that the Georgia EPD has assessed the minimum flows at Peachtree Creek on the Chattahoochee in Fulton County and determined that 550 CFS (cubic feet per second), down from current minimum of 750 CFS can handle necessary requirements for dissolved oxygen and downstream flows due to substantial rain events below Buford Dam. EPD has requested that this flow reduction be implemented immediately and be maintained through April 2008, when it will be reevaluated.

As a Dawson County resident and an avid recreational boater as well as a guardian of our precious water resources, I would like you to know that I support this request initiated by EPD. Although it will not fill the Lake, it will modestly increase the Lake levels as we get prepared for the summer continuation of the drought.

Jeff Coombs

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Steven Cornelius [stcornelius@corneliusmcg.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 1:38 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Water release from Buford Dam

Dear Sir or Madam,

It is my understanding that the Georgia EPD has requested that the US Army CORPS of Engineers reduce the water flow releases from Buford Dam on an emergency basis due to the current drought situation. EPD assessed the minimum flows at Peachtree Creek on the Chattahoochee in Fulton County and determined that 550 CFS (cubic feet per second), down from current minimum of 750 CFS can handle necessary requirements for dissolved oxygen and downstream flows due to substantial rain events below Buford Dam. EPD has requested that this flow reduction be implemented immediately and be maintained through April 2008, when it will be reevaluated.

I support the reduction in flow consistent with downstream water quality and conservation of watershed resources for summer 2008 usage.

Sincerely,

Steven Cornelius

Atlanta, GA

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Wayne Crigler [wcrigler@crigler.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 12:05 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lanier water conservation

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Clearly, the facts show we can store more water in Lake Lanier at this time.

The people affected downstream have been blessed with sufficient rain to raise their storage.

Now is the time to take this opportunity, however brief, to improve our defenses against a continuation of the drought this summer, and improve the quality of the lake, and the economy that depends upon it

550 CFS just makes sense.

Wayne Crigler,
Dock permit # F569

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Rory Cunningham [Rcunnin64@alltel.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 6:46 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier - Reduce Water Flow Release from Buford Dam

Lake Lanier needs more water storage, please reduce the water flow release from Buford Dam immediately. The lake needs to be filled now through May, 2008. South of the Dam has received substantial rain.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Barbra Curtiss [barbra@barbracurtissrealty.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:23 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EPD request for water release from Lake Lanier

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To Whom It May Concern.

Being a Lake Lanier resident, I am in favor of slowing down the outflow at Buford Dam and support the request initiated by EPD to reduce the water flow releases from Buford Dam for as long as possible to restore the lake level so as to remove some of the dangers to boaters and wildlife in and around the Lake.

Respectfully,

Barbs digital signature

Barbra Curtiss

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Steve Darsie [sdarsie@scoringsolutions.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:42 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduced flows at Peachtree Creek

I support the Georgia EPD's recommendation for reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

Steve Darsie
Roswell, GA

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Tom Daughtry [tom@coastandvalley.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 6:33 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier Discharge

Good Morning,

We would like to voice our support for the Georgia EPD's recent request to reduce the discharge from Lake Lanier to 550 cfs thru April 2008. We believe that this action is absolutely necessary to insure adequate water supply for the summer months.

Thank you for your consideration.

Tom & Suzanne Daughtry

Cumming GA

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Jan DeSalvo [jdesalvo@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:10 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Water Flow Out of Lake Lanier

To Whom It May Concern:

I support implementation of the decreased water flow out of Lake Lanier, the request of which was initiated by the Environmental Protection Agency according to its assessment:

EPD assessed the minimum flows at Peachtree Creek on the Chattahoochee in Fulton County and determined that 550 CFS (cubic feet per second), down from current minimum of 750 CFS can handle necessary requirements for dissolved oxygen and downstream flows due to substantial rain events below Buford Dam. EPD has requested that this flow reduction be implemented immediately and be maintained through April 2008, when it will be reevaluated.

It is senseless to allow water that is not needed downstream to leave Lake Lanier, where it is much needed.

Sincerely,

Jan DeSalvo

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Lorie Donaldson [LDonaldson@ctflegal.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 2:27 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Important Email Attachment from Tom Chorey

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: cdrake [cdrake0057@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 6:10 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier Flow

I am a resident of Forsyth County and until the drought situation improves, I am requesting that you reduce the water flow released from the Buford Dam to 550 CFS (cubic feet per second), down from the current minimum of 750 CFS.

Thanks for your cooperation,

Chris Drake

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: stephanieeallen@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 7:25 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS

Please consider reducing the flow in order to preserve our water levels at Lake Lanier.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: DEKERAY@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 10:38 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EPA Request to reduce flow from Lanier

I do believe that this action should be taken immediately. This will offset the maybe to some degree of the earlier release which was done in error.

God Bless
Deacon Ray Egan
Archdiocese of Atlanta
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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Charles Farrahar [cfarrahar@judicialservices.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 12:24 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EPD request on Chatthoochee river flow

As a resident living on the Chattahoochee river near GA-20, I SUPPORT the EPD request to reduce flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS. If one reviews the historical flows of this river prior to Buford Dam being constructed, they often went significantly below the 750 CFS currently supported, and I do not see a need to keep flows at an artificially high level, especially during times when excess water is not needed downstream.

Sincerely,

Charles Farrahar

730 River Cliff Ct

Suwanee GA 30024.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Fleming, Bill M. (KNA) [Bill.Fleming2@alcoa.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 3:23 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support EPD

Greetings Engineers,

As a Lake Lanier homeowner (Weekend only), professional environmental engineer and long time Georgia resident, I wholeheartedly support the reduced flow at Peachtree Creek (from 750 to 550 CFS). Please support and help implement this proposal.

Thanks for your help.

William M. Fleming P.E.
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Roswell, GA 30075
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Work 770-840-6473
Cell 404-314-7444
Home E-Mail - bill.fleming@charter.net

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Lamar Fletcher [rlfletch@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 9:09 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduced flows from Lake Lanier

I am a Gainesville resident, living on Lake Lanier and I strongly support the reduction in flows at Peachtree Creek to 550 cfs.

Thank You.

Lamar Fletcher

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Eamon Foley [efoley@parkregencyatl.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 9:26 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: peachtree creek lower flow levels

Please reduce the flow of water levels at Peachtree creek ASAP. Any additional conservation measures now will only help maintain what little water is left in Lake Lanier before the summer season begins.

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: mforan@windstream.net
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:11 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM

I agree with the EPD decision.

Mike Foran

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Edward Fowler [EdwardFowler@dstile.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 4:30 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: pulling water

5 million Atlantans depend on the water supply in Lake Sidney Lanier. We ask that you slow the pulling of water until the level returns back to normal. The problem with the gauge combined with the drought has decimated our useable water supply. Please help us secure a healthy future for our city.

Thank You

Edward Fowler

President

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: gary.freas@cummins.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:04 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Water flow

Dear Sirs,

Please accept the EPD's request to reduce the water flow from Lake Lanier with the hope we will be able to have the lake level returning to full pool for our drinking water & be able to safely use the lake this season.

Gary Freas

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Chuck Fritz [chfritz@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:59 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Georgia EPD Request - Reduced Flows at Peachtree Creek

To: US Army Corp of Engineers
From: Charles H. Fritz, GA Resident

Please be advised that I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS, which will allow more water storage in Lanier. Please stop sending water down stream unnecessarily!! Thank you.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Dan [danmxgrp@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 4:01 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: reduce the flows at Peachtree Creek

I support the EPD request to reduce the flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

Thanks
Dan Furlong
Home owner Lake Lanier

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Gallagher, Dan (AT - Atlanta) [Dan.Gallagher@autotrader.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:14 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Cc: dschuster@alltel.net
Subject: Lake Lanier water level management

Release from the Lake should be maintained at a minimum level to support downstream critical activities. Given the past trend and future outlook, I think critical should be defined as anything more important than maintaining adequate water flow needs for residential consumption purposes. That would mean that anything related to commerce, lawns, protecting jobs or downstream needs of fish get put on permanent hold until we are sure that we, and the downstream residents, continue to have water flowing into our homes. Everything else is not critical, and should be suspended. We have already put the nursery industry out of business, so let's not talk about job protection, because sparing any other industries becomes a matter of political choice and influence. If they need 300 CFM to feed the municipal water intakes between Atlanta and the Gulf Coast, then that should be the flow, increased and decreased daily based on downstream rain and runoff. If you don't have that information on an on-going basis, what in the hell are you waiting for to get the information you need to manage your business. Those fish will be dead when the water stops anyway. The Rio Grande is completely, 100% consumed. Every drop of freshwater that runs off into the Gulf is a wasted drop of water that we can't get back. Get your head out of your ass and show some stewardship and responsibility for the people dependent on the existing water.

Dan Gallagher PMP, CPIM, CIRM

Air Traffic Control System

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Jim Gallow [jfgallow@comcast.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 7:27 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: In support of EPD's request to lower water flow to 550 cfs

Dear Colonel Jorns,

I hope you will agree with the GDNR and the EPD that the current drought demands immediate action to decrease Lake Lanier's minimum release of water.

Unless we take action to refill the lake today, it will require more drastic measure later that will have a great impact on everyone affected by the Georgia drought, including the citizens of Georgia, Florida and Alabama who utilize the water stored and released from Lake Lanier.

Sincerely,

Jim Gallow

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Jonathan Galucki [Jonathan@playbacknow.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:34 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier Reduced Flow

I support the Georgia EPD request that the US Army CORPS of Engineers reduce the water flow releases from Buford Dam on an emergency basis due to the current drought situation. EPD has assessed the minimum flows at Peachtree Creek on the Chattahoochee in Fulton County and determined that 550 CFS (cubic feet per second), down from current minimum of 750 CFS can handle necessary requirements for dissolved oxygen and downstream flows due to substantial rain events below Buford Dam. EPD has requested that this flow reduction be implemented immediately and be maintained through April 2008, when it will be reevaluated. Although it will not fill the Lake, it will modestly increase the Lake levels as we get prepared for the summer continuation of the drought. This will reduce the outflow at Buford Dam (Lanier) and allow more water storage in Lanier rather than sending it down stream unnecessarily.

JG
Jonathan Galucki
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Fax: 770-349-2004

Mail:
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3159 Campus Dr
Ste 500
Norcross, GA 30071

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Reg Girdharry [rgirdharry@charter.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 6:24 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduced Flows from Lanier

As a Stakeholder in Lake Lanier, I want to express my support for the Georgia EPD's request for reduced water flows at Peachtree Creek. Going into the dry summer months with Lanier at extremely low levels will require the Corps to manage the remaining water with great care. As homeowners on and users of the lake, this is a very high interest item for us. Thank You !!

Reg & Mary Jo Girdharry
3440 Banks Mtn Place
Gainesville, GA 30506

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Bill Glass [whglass@windstream.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 1:34 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduced flow of Lake Lanier

Please note that we endorse the reduced flow from 750 to 550 CFS of Lake Lanier.

Bill & Joyce Glass

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Garth Goodrich [ggoody2shoes@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 5:23 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support for action

Just wanted to take a minute to add my support and appreciation for the Corps decision to reduce the outflow from Lake Lanier to 550 cfs. This drought will hopefully be behind us in a few more months. Your current action will make the interim period more satisfactory.

Thank You,
Garth Goodrich

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Julie [abobjulie@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 11:55 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduce flow from Lake Lanier

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We are fully in support of maintaining the water levels in our state's largest reserve - Lake Lanier by reducing the flow at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

Julie Gordon

9165 Mainsail Drive

Gainesville, GA 30506

P: 678-947-9897

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Greenberg, Allen L. [ALGreenberg@duanemorris.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 11:45 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EPD Request

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I support and recommend your agreement with the EDP request to reduce water flow from lake Lanier.

Thank you for your consideration
Allen Greenberg

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Fran Bonner [fran.bonner@mindspring.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 7:56 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support for Reduced Flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS

Dear Corps of Engineers,

I wanted to send a quick note of support for the Georgia EPD's request for the Corps to reduce the water discharges from Buford Dam on an emergency basis due to the current drought situation.

As a Lake Lanier property owner, I strongly encourage and support the Corps' active management of Buford Dam discharge levels in an effort to refill the Lake Lanier reservoir as rapidly as possible.

Thank you for acting on the EPD recommendation in a timely manner.

Best Regards,
Fran Bonner Habeeb.

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Chuck Hall [sgtbarefoot@hotmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 9:04 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: In favor of slowing the outflow at Buford Dam

I am in favor of slowing down the outflow at Buford Dam for as long as possible to restore some of the lake level so as to remove some of the dangers to boaters and wildlife in and around the lake.

Chuck Hall
336 Barker Rd
Dawsonville, GA 30534
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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Cheryl Hardin [cheryl_hardin@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 9:44 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier Outflow

Dear Corps of Engineers,

As a Gainesville resident who is very concerned by our extended drought conditions, I wish to express my support for the recent EPD recommendation that the current water flow at Peachtree Creek be reduced from 750CFS to 550CFS in order to assist in conserving the water in Lake Lanier.

Thank you.

Regards,

Cheryl Hardin
3554 Montgomery Drive
Gainesville, GA 30504
cheryl_hardin@bellsouth.net

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Harris, James (GA400) SEA [james.harris@siemens.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 7:26 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier - reduced water flow request

As an Atlanta resident, my family and I believe that adjusting the water flow out of Lake Lanier to increase the amount of water stored there would be the prudent thing to do. Overall, the city and state are well served by the Corps activities, however, a increase in the regularity that the flow out of Lanier is reviewed and adjusted may be required to best serve all the people that rely on the Chattahoochee water system.

Jim, Deb, Chris and James Harris
11825 Windbrooke Way
Johns Creek, GA 30005

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Kimberly A. Hembree [kahembree@mindspring.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 9:15 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduced flows at Peachtree Creek are supported

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to let you know that I am a Lake Lanier property owner & that I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS. Although this step will not fill the lake, I am confident that it will modestly increase the lake levels as we get prepared for the summer continuation of the drought. This is a step that we desperately need right now.

Sincerely,

Kim Hembree

1185 Dixon Circle

Gainesville, GA 30501

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Johnny Hembree [johnny.hembree@poharchitects.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 7:54 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Release Reduction

This e-mail is to indicate my support of the water release reduction from 750cfs to 550cfs. I am a homeowner on Lake Lanier, and support all efforts that the Corp can implement to further the filling of the lake, especially during this time of drought.

Johnny C. Hembree, AIA
Principal
Pieper O'Brien Herr Architects
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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: llboater@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 3:21 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: lake lanier

I would like to express my support for the EPD request that the flow reduction from Buford Dam be implemented immediately and be maintained through April 2008, when it will be reevaluated.

thank you for your consideration.

Kerry Herrig

Lake Lanier Association, member

llboater@aol.com

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: James Hesser [jameshesser@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 11:33 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM

I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: KayHibbard@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 9:57 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier

I support the Georgia EPD request to reduce flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS. I also support their request to implement this flow reduction immediately.

Sincerely,
Kay Hibbard
Forsyth County Resident

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<<http://living.aol.com/video/how-to-please-your-picky-eater/rachel-campos-duffy/2050827?NCID=aolcmp00300000002598>>

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Hinshaw, Mary (Gexpro) [Mary.Hinshaw@gexpro.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 6:51 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support for reduced flows

I want the corp to know as a property owner on Lake Lanier I support the EPD recommendation for reduced flows downstream.

Mary Hinshaw

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Judy Hogan [dalejhogan@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 9:15 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lanier water flow

We support the reduced water flow from Lake Lanier because of increased rain fall south of the lake. We live in Alabama, but are moving to Lake Lanier.

Sincerely,

Dale and Judy Hogan

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Hollers, Roxanne [roxy_hollers@gspnet.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 11:11 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support

To whom it may concern,

I just wanted to give you my full support for the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS. We need your help so desperately.

Thank you,

Roxy Hollers

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Mike Howell [mhowell@LRogersElectric.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 1:52 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: FW: support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to

Mike Howell

Vice President - Construction

Rogers Electric

Phn: 770/772-3459

Fax: 1-866-592-9162

I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS. This will help reduce the outflow at Buford Dam (Lanier) and allow more water storage in Lanier rather than sending it down stream unnecessarily.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Mike Howell

Lake Lanier Stakeholder

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Lisa Howell [mkhmkt@comcast.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 1:43 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to

I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS. This will help reduce the outflow at Buford Dam (Lanier) and allow more water storage in Lanier rather than sending it down stream unnecessarily.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Lisa Howell

Lake Lanier Stakeholder

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: hutchirap [hutchirap@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 9:17 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier water releases

Dear Sir or Madam,
Please give serrious ccosideration to the Georgia EPD emergency request for reduced flows from Buford dam through April.
Thank you.
Ron Hutchinson & Family

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Personal Office [rjasion@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 10:43 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: I am in support of reduced flows from Lake Lanier

Dear Army Corp of Engineers,

I am in support of the proposed reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

Sincerely,

Bob Jasion

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Gregg Johnson [sgjii@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 7:48 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduced Chattahoochee Flow

Gentlemen,

I want to voice my support for the Georgia EPD recommended Lanier flow reduction from 750 CFS to 550 CFS until April 2008 when the required reduced flow rate would be re-evaluated.

The downstream river system and reservoirs have received much more rain than the Lanier basin, and are not in need of this higher flow rate at this time. Moreover, the proposed reduced rate will allow increased storage in Lanier in the likely event that the current drought continues through the remainder of 2008. It is very important that any available water be retained now to provide flow later in the year during the summer and fall of 2008.

Thank you for your consideration of this very important and realistic request by the EPD.

Gregg Johnson
sgjii@yahoo.com
678-654-2295

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: gjohn103@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 10:17 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Please reduce the flow from Lake Lanier

Please reduce the flow of water. I also have a home in Bay County, FL and last week there was over 10" of rain. The thing that bothers me most is that I can not even wash my car at my home on Lake Lanier, but come here and not only can I wash my car, but they have sprinklers running constantly and most of the time the street is wet from them. They (downstream) need to ration their use and save some of the water to help flow back into the river or at least re-cycle all of the water they are using to water their common areas and to wash their cars.

My car is clean, because I am in Bay County...

Sincerely,
Gary Johnson
7860 Scenic Drive
Cumming, GA 30041

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Panama City Beach, FL 32408

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Lisa Johnson [john3303@mac.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 6:25 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduced flows at Peachtree Creek

To Whom It May Concern:

I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS. However that is not nearly enough to rectify this situation we face from the excess water that was released over time. We are concerned about the management of Lake Lanier water levels and will be watching closely how this is handled.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Ted King [TKing@nspi.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 6:58 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM

Please reduce the water flow recommended by the EPD. We must all be good stewards with the water and make accurate decisions on the flow. I cannot help but feel there have been flaws in the past based upon incorrect information. You must make every effort to use only the amount of water we need and hold as much as possible in reserve.

Thank You,

Ted King

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Larry King [larry@HelpingHandsRE.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 9:55 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduce water flow releases

To whom it may concern:

The Georgia EPD has requested that the US Army CORPS of Engineers reduce the water flow releases from Buford Dam on an emergency basis due to the current drought situation.

EPD assessed the minimum flows at Peachtree Creek on the Chattahoochee in Fulton County and determined that 550 CFS (cubic feet per second), down from current minimum of 750 CFS can handle necessary requirements for dissolved oxygen and downstream flows due to

substantial rain events below Buford Dam. EPD has requested that this flow reduction be implemented immediately and be maintained through April 2008, when it will be reevaluated.

Please act per the request of Georgia EPD.

Larry King

678-485-0336

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: jan king [jtheb@comcast.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 7:32 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduction of water flow

To: Army Corps of Engineers

I join in the request of the Georgia EPD to request that flows be reduced at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS allowing more water storage in Lake Lanier.

Janis H. King
Cumming, GA 30041

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Chris Kitchens [ckitchens@pib-cmk.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:17 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EPD reduction in flow - Lake Lanier

Members of the Corp of Engineers;

It is my understanding that the EPD has requested that the Corps of Engineers reduce the water flow from Buford Dam from 750 CFS to 550 CFS. I support this reduction in flow would appreciate your considering this course of action.

I am concerned that if we do not have substantial rain this spring we could face serious consequences later in the summer. I think it is important to accumulate as much volume as possible while we can.

Thank you;

Chris M Kitchens

C. M. Kitchens Construction Co.

office - 678-473-9290

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Harmon Koeltz [woodenuff@charter.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 5:32 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lanier Outflo

Hello

I support the EPD's request to reduce the outflow from Lake Lanier. Please help to ensure this happens.

Thankyou

Harmon Koeltz

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Rich Koenig [rwkoenig@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 7:13 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier flows

We support the Georgia EPD's request to reduced flows from Buford Dam from 750 to 550 CFS.

Thank You,

Richard & Beverly Koenig

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Kopp, Jenna [Jenna.Kopp@Merial.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 3:44 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Peachtree Creek Flow

The following message is being sent on behalf of Robert G. Kopp, residing at 6661 Woodlake Drive, Flowery Branch, GA

Mr. Kopp supports the reduced flow at Peachtree Creek from 750 CFS to 550 CFS, effective immediately.

Regards,

Jennifer Kopp

(Daughter to Mr. Robert G. Kopp)

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: John Kovacic [johnmk777@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:14 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: We support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to

To Whom It May Concern,

We understand there are requirements downstream that are tying you hands when it comes do slowing the flow of water out of Lake Lanier. However, it has come to our attention that the current flows at Peachree Creek can be lowered from 750 CFS to 550 CFS at this current time, while still reaching downstream requirements.

We have also been informed that if the flow is reduced, there will be a revaluation period in late April/early May to see if the flow would need to be increased again at this time. This will go a long way to helping us prepare for the predicted drought this summer, yet there should be no downstream affect with this reduction due to current rainfall levels.

Please consider our request for the reduction of water to 550 CFS.

Thanks,

John Kovacic

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Paul Kreutzer [phk@kielpharm.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 7:22 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lanier Flow

Please be informed, I support the reduction in flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

Paul Kreutzer

5570 Ashmoore Ct

Flowery Branch, GA

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Kronitz, Andrew [Andrew.Kronitz@morganstanley.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:54 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: lake lanier

I strongly support the reduced flows out of Lake Lanier.

Thanks,
Andrew

Andrew G. Kronitz
Morgan Stanley
Senior Vice President
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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: seacurejfk@bellsouth.net
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 12:57 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Water release at Buford

Dear Corp of Engineers,

We support the release of LESS water from Buford Dam, immediately. We check your web site daily for the depth of Lake Lanier and it very much saddens us that our lake is being destroyed.

Sincerely,

Frank and Judith Kump

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Keith Landers [klanders@omnilinksystems.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 3:14 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM

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The purpose of this email is to express support of the proposal to reduce flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS in order to responsibly conserve water levels at Lake Lanier.

The reduced outflows at Buford Dam will allow more water storage in Lanier rather than sending it down stream unnecessarily.

Sincerely,

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: jhlayman@bellsouth.net
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 4:24 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Cc: vbarnhorst@lakelanier.org

Gentlemen & Ladies:

Please reduce the flow at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550cfs. Summer is coming and we need the water more than the fish in Florida.

Thank you:

John Layman

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Aaron Leibovic [aaronl@healthadvocates.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 1:59 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EMERGENCY REQUEST

Please consider this as a formal request to the US Army CORPS of Engineers to reduce the water flow released from Buford Dam on an emergency basis due to the current drought situation.

We believe that the EPD assessed the minimum flows at Peachtree Creek on the Chattahoochee in Fulton County and determined that 550 CFS (cubic feet per second), down from current minimum of 750 CFS can handle necessary requirements for dissolved oxygen and downstream flows due to substantial rain events below Buford Dam. We agree with the EPD has request that this flow reduction be implemented immediately and be maintained through April 2008, when it will be reevaluated.

This will reduce the outflow at Buford Dam (Lanier) and allow more water storage in Lanier rather than sending it down stream unnecessarily.

Thank you for your consideration of this emergent request.

Aaron and Sheila Leibovic

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Paul W LeMay [pwlemay@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 10:57 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: CORPS supporting the EPD request

To the CORPS

As the head of a family of 4 and a resident of Roswell for over 22 years, I want to thank the CORPS for taking the first step in what I hope will be a path that will bring a resolution to one of the most serious problems we have face in many years. I fully support the reduced flow at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS. which will reduce the outflow at Buford Dam (Lanier) and allow more water storage in Lanier rather than sending it down stream unnecessarily

I and my fellow neighbors as concerned residents have been following very closely the condition of what has once been conceded the most Famous and Beautify lake in the South. Hopefully with your direction and concern my children and grand children will be able to enjoy a part of Georgia that has no comparison. Actually this is one of the reasons my wife and I moved our family to Georgia so we could experience the beauty and well managed area in all of the south.

Please keep up the good work in bringing Lake Lanier back to us not only as a Critical Water Supply but also as a Wonderful place to visit and bring your family and friends.

God Bless

Paul W LeMay

12190 Wexford Club Dr

Roswell GA 30075

Resent property owner in Forsyth county

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Jeanette Lewis [jedwardslewis@mindspring.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 12:34 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Please reduce flows

This is to communicate to you that my family and I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS, in accord with the EPA recommendations.

Jeanette Lewis, Realtor
RE/MAX 400 North
Cell: 404-433-5564
FAX: 678-669-2911

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Paul [paulathome@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 9:41 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Cc: vbarnhorst@lakelanier.org
Subject: Reduced Flow

I am in support of the reduced flow to 550 CFS (cubic feet per second), down from current minimum of 750 CFS. Thank you for your interest in our lake./

Sincerely

Paul K. Lucas

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: lucile33 [lucile33@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 1:20 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EPD

I SUPPORT THE EPD!!!!!!

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Bruce Macgregor [bmacgregor@maamail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 6:14 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier

As a resident of Lake Lanier and Atlanta, I urge you to consider slowing the release of water from Lanier. If we continue to drain Lanier, what will happen if the drought continues through 2008? Yes, Atlanta must conserve water, but to continue the excessive release of water from Lanier and put the city that drives the southeastern region of the US at stake from economic disaster, would be a serious mistake.

Thank you for taking the time to read this.

J. Bruce Macgregor, AIA

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: David Magee [dgmagee@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 1:45 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EPD request

Dear Sirs:

I'm writing you today in support of the Georgia EPD request to slow down releases from Lake Lanier.

Thank you,

David Magee (homeowner on Lanier)

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Kelly Magee [kfmagee@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 10:22 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support Flow Reduction

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,

As as Gainesville/Lake Lanier home owner, I am writing to show my support for the EPD's proposed 550 CFS flow reduction out of Buford Dam.

Thank you!

Kelly Magee

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Tom Maier [tom.maier@usg.edu]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:47 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support for the Georgia EPD Request to reduce Lanier outflow.

Dear Sirs:

I am writing in support of the EPD request to reduce the outflow from Lake Lanier so that we can replenish the stored reserve in the lake by taking advantage of more than ample downstream rainfall totals. My concern is that the forecast projects a continuation of the severe drought and so we need to take whatever opportunities we have to address the extremely low levels in the lake at a time when a lower level of flow through the Buford dam will not adversely affect areas downstream.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

- Tom Maier

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: l.manini@comcast.net
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 3:41 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Save Lake Lanier!

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Sharon Martin [sharon_martin58@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 12:03 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: in support of reducing water flow releases

Dear US Army CORPS of Engineers,

We are homeowners on the shores of Lake Lanier. We do support this request for Flow reduction as explained below:

The Georgia EPD has requested that the US Army CORPS of Engineers reduce the water flow releases from Buford Dam on an emergency basis due to the current drought situation. EPD assessed the minimum flows at Peachtree Creek on the Chattahoochee in Fulton County and determined that 550 CFS (cubic feet per second), down from current minimum of 750 CFS can handle necessary requirements for dissolved oxygen and downstream flows due to substantial rain events below Buford Dam. EPD has requested that this flow reduction be implemented immediately and be maintained through April 2008, when it will be reevaluated. The Lake Lanier Association supports this request initiated by EPD. Although it will not fill the Lake, it will modestly increase the Lake levels as we get prepared for the summer continuation of the drought.

Sincerely,

Terry and Sharon Martin

10 Lakeshore Circle

Dawsonville, GA 30534

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: wfmcbride@comcast.net
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 2:18 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM

I understand that the Georgia EPD has assessed the minimum flows at Peachtree Creek on the Chattahoochee below Buford Dam and has determined that 555cfs can handle the necessary requirements for dissolved oxygen and downstream flows due to the rains we have experienced during the last few weeks. The reservoirs below Buford Dam seem well on their way to being filled.

I support immediately reducing the flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550cfs and that the reductions be maintained through April 2008 when it will be reevaluated. I feel that it is important to refill the Lake Lanier Reservoir as much as possible this spring in anticipation of further demands on the River System this summer and in preparation for a continued drought through the fall of 2008.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Bill Mc Bride

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Sheri McKenzie [sherimckhair@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:06 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM; Sheila Brown; Larry Davis; Wiener Moor; Mary Richerdson; Carrie S
Toro

we support the reduction flows at peachtree creek from 750 to 550 cfs.

jeff & sheri mckenzie

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Carolyn McLeod [camcleod@comcast.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 7:08 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Save our Lake!

US Army CORPS of Engineers,

Please reduce the water flow releases from Buford Dam down from current minimum of 750 CFS to 550 CFS. EPD of Georgia has determined the minimum flows at Peachtree Creek on the Chattahoochee in Fulton County can handle necessary requirements for dissolved oxygen and downstream flows due to substantial rain events below Buford Dam. Please implement this flow reduction immediately and maintain through April 2008. Although it will not fill the Lake, it will modestly increase the Lake levels as we get prepared for the summer continuation of the drought.

Sincerely,

Robert W. McLeod

Alpharetta, GA 30004

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Carolyn McLeod [camcleod@comcast.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 10:01 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduction in Flow

We support the reduction in flow at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Rrmcneill40@cs.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 12:38 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduced Flows

I strongly support the reduction of flows at Peachtree Creed from 750 to 550 CFS.

Dick McNeill

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: phil mees [phil.mees@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 6:13 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Cc: Vicki Barnhorst
Subject: Lake Lanier Minimum Releases

I understand that GaEPD has determined that less water than currently being released from Lake Lanier will satisfy dissolved oxygen requirements downstream and has requested that the minimum release from Lake Lanier be reduced from 750 cfs to 550 cfs.

As a water professional for over 30 years, I am glad to see science being applied in addressing the flow requirements in the Chattahoochee River basin. Hopefully all stakeholders can support good science in the management of our water resources.

On that basis, I fully support EPD's request to reduce unnecessary water release from Lake Lanier.

Philip H. Mees, Georgia Certified Wastewater Operator, Class I

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Kathy Mello [kathymello@excite.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 11:42 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support for EPD

To the Army Corps of Engineers,

I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to
550 CFS.

EPD has assessed the minimum flows at Peachtree Creek on the Chattahoochee in Fulton
County

and determined that 550 CFS (cubic feet per second), down from current minimum of 750 CFS
can handle necessary requirements for dissolved oxygen and downstream flows due to
substantial rain events below Buford Dam. EPD has requested that this flow reduction be
implemented immediately and be maintained through April 2008, when it will be reevaluated.

Thank you,

Kathleen Mello

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: westpark [westpark@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 12:43 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduced flows at Peachtree Creek

Dear List Members,

The purpose of this is to ask the CORPS to reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

The Georgia EPD has requested that the US Army CORPS of Engineers reduce the water flow releases from Buford Dam on an emergency basis due to the current drought situation. EPD assessed the minimum flows at Peachtree Creek on the Chattahoochee in Fulton County and determined that 550 CFS (cubic feet per second), down from current minimum of 750 CFS can handle necessary requirements for dissolved oxygen and downstream flows due to substantial rain events below Buford Dam. EPD has requested that this flow reduction be implemented immediately and be maintained through April 2008, when it will be reevaluated. The Lake Lanier Association supports this request initiated by EPD. Although it will not fill the Lake, it will modestly increase the Lake levels as we get prepared for the summer continuation of the drought.

Respectfully,

Rebecka Mendenhall
Property owner on Lake Lanier
Lanier Stakeholder

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Rickmilleremail@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 11:51 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Cc: vbarnhorst@lakelanier.org
Subject: Please reduce the flow

My family supports the Georgia EPD and the Lake Lanier Association in their efforts to reduce the flow of water out of lake lanier. We live on the lake and our dock is high and dry and we feel these problem are due to poor management of our water supply and by the lack of common sense in the management of our resources. What happened, and I it saw first hand, in a 2 month period last fall should be a crime. The lake dropped dramatically and the water was wasted needlessly. Please use common sense and reduce flows now and in the future.

The Miller Family
Flowery Branch, Georgia

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<<http://living.aol.com/video/how-to-please-your-picky-eater/rachel-campos-duffy/2050827?NCID=aolcmp00300000002598>>

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: homes@diannemiller.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 11:37 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier water flow

I support the reduction of water discharge out of Lake Lanier from 750 cfs to 550 cfs. A greater reduction is needed but this we hope will help.

Dianne Miller, Gainesville, Ga.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Linda Mock [linda.mock@metrobrokers.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 1:25 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS

I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS. I live on Lake Lanier near Thompson Creek in Dawsonville. Just to let you know how disappointed it makes me to think that there was ONCE water in the lake by my home. And every time I drink a glass of tap water I so wonder.

The finest compliment I can receive is a referral from my friends and clients. Thanks.

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Sharon Moore [Sharon@juravelcpa.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:06 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduction in Flow Rate at Peachtree Creek

I strongly urge you to approve the proposal to reduce the minimum outflow of water from Lake Lanier as measured at Peachtree Creek on the Chattahoochee in Fulton County, Georgia below Buford Dam from the current 750 CFS to 550 CFS. Lake Lanier is a vital resource that must be saved. The current drought conditions are threatening the livelihoods of many who depend on the Lake and the visitors who flock there to enjoy sun and water sports every year.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Tom & Carol Murphy [murp1660@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 2:42 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Comments on Proposed Water Release

My understanding is that the Ga. Environmental Protection Division is proposing a reduction in the water release from Buford Dam/ Lake Lanier as a temporary measure in view of recent rains and cold weather. As a resident of Forsyth County with a home on Lake Lanier and a member of the Lake Lanier Association, I support this temporary measure that would permit a slight recovery of the lake level while maintaining the downstream flow requirements. I encourage you to capitalize on any opportunity to retain water in the Lake using offsetting factors including the rains effecting the flows in the downstream tributaries. We all know about the futility of closing the barn door after the horse has escaped and that lesson certainly applies to water from Lake Lanier.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Keith murphy [keith@trucksforless.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 3:07 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier

Please consider the recommendation of the EPD to reduce the water flow down stream temporarily to 550 CFS for the sake of the reservoir and our local economy.

Thank you,

Keith Murphy

Truck for Less, Inc.

439 Hwy 81 East

Suite 101

McDonough, GA 30252

770-957-5284 off.

770-957-5638 fax

404-547-0405 cell

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Murray, Robin SEA [Robin.Murray@siemens.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 7:58 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Cc: Kim K Sak; Jim Murray
Subject: GA EPD Recommendation

US Army Corps of Engineers,

This email is in support of the recent recommendation from the Georgia EPD to reduce the water flow releases from Buford Dam on an emergency basis, due to the current drought situation in North Georgia.

The Georgia EPD has determined that a reduction from the current minimum of 750 CFS to 550 CFS is sufficient to meet the necessary requirements for dissolved oxygen and downstream flows, due to substantial rain events below Buford Dam. The Georgia EPD has requested that this flow reduction be implemented immediately, and be maintained through April 2008, when it will be reevaluated.

Please give thoughtful consideration to the EPD's recommendation, and its immediate implementation.

Robin Murray
Strategic Business Planning Consultant
Corporate Marketing - Strategic Planning & Program Office SIEMENS ENERGY & AUTOMATION
770-751-2257

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Najjar, Mark [CONUS] [MNajjar@conus.jnj.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 3:05 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Proposals to Reduce flows from Buford Dam

The purpose of this email is to express support of the proposal to reduce flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS in order to responsibly conserve water levels at Lake Lanier.

The reduced outflows at Buford Dam will allow more water storage in Lanier rather than sending it down stream unnecessarily.

Sincerely,

Mark Najjar

5450 Williams Shores Drive

Cumming, GA 30041

Ph. 678-641-1522

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: NALLASSOC@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 7:13 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Please reduce water discharge at Buford Dam

Please reduce the discharge at Buford Dam in response to the Georgia EPD request. Presently the Appalachicola River is inundated with high water levels and we need to seize this opportunity to retain as much water as possible for impending future needs.

Thank you for your consideration,
Andrew M. Nall

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Beth de Neergaard [coolcord@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 5:00 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier

Please note that we are in favor of the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS. We are anxious to have water in our backyard again. We are very concerned about the water level - we have been property owners since 1989 and my father has been since 1964. I have never seen the conditions this bad before and hope to never see it again.

We built our retirement home on this lake, so like everyone else around here, we have a lot at stake regarding our quality of life, property values, etc. We are also concerned about the welfare of the small businesses that rely on support from the boaters and fishermen in Lanier.

Thank you for any help in this situation.

Regards,

Beth & Pete de Neergaard
5562 Bourbon Drive
Gainesville, GA 30506

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Mary Nelson [5nelsons@adelphia.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:22 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier

Dear US Army CORPS of Engineers,

I hope that you will be able to reduce the water releases from Buford Dam as requested by the Georgia EPD on an emergency basis due to the current drought situation. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Mary and Mike Nelson

2820 Lake Court

Cumming, GA 30041

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: david nickola [nickola5060@hotmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 2:33 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM

THE reduction in outflow at buford dam makes total sense. Please continue such. David & Carol Nickola

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: rnicosia1@comcast.net
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 6:29 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reducing flows from Lake Lanier

This note is in support and appreciation of the reduced flows from Lane Lanier from the current 750 CFS to 550 CFS.
ThankYou very much.

Rich Nicosia

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: joseph.m.brabham@usace.army.mil
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 4:00 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Temporary Deviation/Waiver - Reduce WQ Release from Buford Dam

The Following Comments were submitted by Patrick Norton on 2/27/2008

Affiliation: Local Resident
Address: 8145 Rocky Ridge Road
City, St, Zip: Gainesville, GA 30506
County: Forsyth

Comments--->I strongly support the reduction of water outflows from Lake Lanier.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Patrick Norton [pjmorton@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 4:05 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support for EPD Reduced Water Flow

I own a lake home and support the EPD request to reduce the flow of water from the lake. While I understand and appreciate the reasons to allow water out of the lake, it seems the multi-billion dollar economy of the lake area itself has been afforded little consideration. The local business people who will rely on a busy lake season would like to feel that after years of supporting the growth of the area and the lake economy that now they will be as big a priority as the shell fisherman in Florida.

Respectfully,

Patrick Norton

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: jimpal@bellsouth.net
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 7:55 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM

To whom it may concern:

As a resident in the lake community of Bay Estates I am particularly concerned about the drought and resulting water levels in lake.

The purpose of this email is to express support of the proposal to reduce flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS in order to responsibly conserve water levels at Lake Lanier.

The reduced outflows at Buford Dam will allow more water storage in Lanier rather than sending it down stream unnecessarily.

Sincerely,

James Palestrini
3300 canon Bay Dr.
Cumming, GA 30040

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: rmparsons@bellsouth.net
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 6:26 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: lake level

As a property owner on Lake Lanier, I am concerned with the distribution of the water from the lake. Please give earnest consideration to the EPD recommendations in this regard. Adjustments can always be made when there is more water available.

Sincerely,

Rose M. Parsons
8870 Athens Park Road
Gainesville, Ga.
30506

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: jpearson6433@charter.net
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 4:33 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier

This e-mail is sent in support of the Georgia EPD's request to reduce flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS. As homeowners on Lake Lanier we are very concerned about the management of water levels.

Ray and Jo Ann Pearson

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Fred Pember [fpember@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 6:22 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduction of Flow from Lake Lanier

I am am a member of the Lake Lanier Association and I am writing in support of the EPD recommendation for reduction of flow from Buford dam from 750 CFS to 550 CFS. Through April.

Fred Pember
e-mail at: fpember@yahoo.com

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: perkinswilliams [perkinswilliams@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 5:32 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier, Reduced Flows

I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS. I live on the Lake and see it every day! We are truly on the edge of disaster.

Bill Perkins
Buford, Ga. 30518

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: david pierce [hdpierce@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 5:15 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lanier Reduced Flow

PLEASE APPROVE AND HONOR THE REQUEST BY THE Georgia EPD TO REDUCE THE WATER FLOWS THRU THE DAM SO OUR LAKE CAN START THE RECOVERY PROCESS AS TO INCREASED WATER LEVELS.
David Pierce 770 530-2771

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Holley Powell [hp@nglg.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 5:55 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: reduced flows

My husband and I own The Dam Store, Inc. and we definitely support the recommended reduced flows @ Peachtree Creek. This drought has caused a great deal of economic harm to so many lake based businesses and this would be a great start to revive business for the Spring. Thank you.

Holley Powell
Uptown Realty, Inc.
10360 Medlock Bridge Road
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Duluth, Georgia 30097

cell: 770-289-2095
tel: 770-623-9950
fax: 678-474-098

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Leonard Powell [lpowell@mindspring.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 11:53 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS

We support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS requested by the Georgia EPD.

We are lakefront property owners in Georgia and Florida residents. We spend some of our summer months in Georgia and enjoy the beauty and recreation Lake Lanier provides.

We feel it is extremely unfortunate that the states of Georgia, Florida and Alabama can't come to agreeable terms on water supplies and how they are handled, but are glad to hear there may be a possible partial restoration to lake levels.

Leonard & Kathy Powell

36 Sunrise Court

Dawsonville, GA 30534

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: joseph.m.brabham@usace.army.mil
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 1:41 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Temporary Deviation/Waiver - Reduce WQ Release from Buford Dam

The Following Comments were submitted by Anthony Prevost on 2/27/2008

Affiliation: Local Resident
Address: 792 Drewry Street
City, St, Zip: Atlanta, GA 30306
County: Fulton

Comments--->I was wondering if there is a mechanism in place to lower

Comments--->the

required minimum flow from a reservoir for maintaining endangered species habitat in the event of a drought and subsequent lower flows into the reservoir than the required minimum flow. Is the purpose of the reservoir to maintain endangered species habitat in drought conditions or to just not neglect the species in times of plenty?

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Patti Price [patti@firstsunrise.us]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:37 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support for flow reduction

Dear Corps of Engineers,

I support the EPD request to decrease the minimum flow at Peachtree Creek on the Chattahoochee to 550 CFS and to re-evaluate the situation at the end of April 2008. I know that you have a very difficult job to do. I think that this is a prudent action at this time.

Sincerely,

Patricia Price
3966 Secluded Circle
Lilburn, GA 30047

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Proels, Alexander SEA [alexander.proels@siemens.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:40 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: FW: GA EPD Recommendation

US Army Corps of Engineers,

This email is in support of the recent recommendation from the Georgia EPD to reduce the water flow releases from Buford Dam on an emergency basis, due to the current drought situation in North Georgia.

The Georgia EPD has determined that a reduction from the current minimum of 750 CFS to 550 CFS is sufficient to meet the necessary requirements for dissolved oxygen and downstream flows, due to substantial rain events below Buford Dam. The Georgia EPD has requested that this flow reduction be implemented immediately, and be maintained through April 2008, when it will be reevaluated.

Please give thoughtful consideration to the EPD's recommendation, and its immediate implementation.

Regards,

Alex Proels

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Anita.Pursley@quebecorworld.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:35 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier water flow

To whom it may concern:

I strongly support reducing the water flow from 750 CFS to 550 CFS as recommended by the Georgia EPD. It appears to be a win-win solution in these severe drought conditions. Thank you for considering this request.

Anita

Anita Pursley
Vice President Postal Affairs
Quebecor World
Phone: 770-234-6374

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Tammy Quick [tammy.quick@marinemax.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 9:34 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduced water flow

I support the Reduced water flow currently requested by Georgia EPD At Peachtree Creek from 750 tp 550 CFS.

Tammy Quick
Parts Manager
Marine Max of Georgia
1860 Bald Ridge Marina Rd
Cumming, GA 30041
Ph.770.781.5290 Ext. 10940.
Fax.770-205-0740

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: jracanelli@ups.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 12:34 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier Water Level and Daily outflow

Please know that as a citizen of Georgia I am extremely concerned about the management of water levels at Lake Lanier.

The severe drought, coupled with the excessive outflows the past fall & winter have contributed to a potentially devastating condition for Georgia.

Water restrictions and lake water levels are having a negative impact to the local and regional economies.

More importantly, the current outflows must be reduced to the absolute minimal acceptable amounts.

I am very concerned that if the USACE and Georgia governmental agencies do not do everything possible to conserve the available water supply, the state could suffer Extreme economic and human devastation this summer and beyond.

Please do everything possible to ensure the water levels are managed even more conservatively.

Thank you,

Joe Racanelli

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Sandy Rahn [rahnmic@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 3:06 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduce flows at Paechtree Creek

We understand that the EPD has requested that the US Army Corps of Engineers reduce the water flow releases from Buford Dam on an emergency basis due to the current drought situation. We support this request and hope that you will be able to work this situation out. We are very very concerned about the past and future situations that the lake is in at this point. We hope that the importance of Lake Lanier and surrounding business' will be a consideration in the water levels of the lake. We heard about so many business and wildlife species in Alabama and Florida. We also need to realize that this Lake can also be in jeopardy and its surrounding business also. I hope that we can see less flow out of Buford Dam this year. It would be wonderful if everyone conserves in everyway possible and if we have a good year of rain.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter of such importance.

Sandy Rahn

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Lakebug114@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 3:10 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Water in Lake Lanier

As a property/homeowner on Lake Lanier I feel it is important that we not release any more water out of the lake to allow the water levels to get back to safe levels.

Eve Reardon
Admiral Point Circle
Marker 5TH

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: reedtheiii@juno.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 2:03 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support of reduced flow from 750 to 550

I support the reduced flow at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

This will reduce the outflow at Buford Dam (Lanier) and allow more water storage in Lanier rather than sending it down stream unnecessarily.

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: johncrhodes@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 6:27 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier Water Releases

Dear Sirs,

I understand the Georgia EPD has asked you to reduce the water output from Lake Lanier from 750cfs to 550cfs. I just wanted to let you know that whatever you can do to keep more water in Lanier it will be greatly appreciated. Yes, I know we have had a drought, but I drive over the Chattahoochee river every day and the river looks like we are having a rain surplus. Does it really make sense to artificially keep a river flowing when there is such a shortfall of rain?

Sincerely,

John Rhodes

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Richards, Terry [Terry.Richards@spsx.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 5:46 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support for EPD request of Army Corps

Dear Sir,

I am writing to document my support for the current EPD request that the Army Corps reduce the outflow of water from Lake Lanier. It appears that many of the concerns about oxygen levels, flow rates, lake levels down stream of Lake Lanier, rainfall rates throughout the ACF river chain are, at least for the time being, alleviated. As both a Lake Lanier home owner and Metro Atlanta resident, dependent on water from Lake Lanier, I think this request is very timely and prudent.

It is my hope that the Army Corps agrees with the logic and sound reasoning that went into this request and will agree to the request.

Sincerely,

Terry A. Richards
3424 Banks Mountain Place
Gainesville, GA 30066

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Mary Richardson [allscript3@alltel.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 7:36 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier

I support the reduction of water release downstream. We've had no water at our dock since June 2007.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: John Richardson [john@johnrichardsonandco.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:34 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EPD Request to reduce flow from Lanier

As a very concerned citizen, and resident of Forsyth County I would like to strongly urge you to carefully consider the request of the GA EPD to reduce the flow from Lake Lanier from the 750cfm level to the 525 proposed. It is clear to most that we have allowed a bureaucracy of rules and regulations to overcome good judgment and practicality. I am particularly concerned that in addition to all of the legal and regulatory "traps" you have to navigate, our Governor has now recommended a relaxation in some of the conservation measures. With the forecasts from the NWS and NOAA, it is incomprehensible to me that we can continue down the current path and provide the water resource needed for GA citizens who depend upon Lake Lanier. I am even more concerned about the time when we reach the dead pool level and then try to figure out the balance between downstream industrial needs, wildlife needs, and human consumption. We need both a current short term emergency action plan and concurrently must adopt a long range plan to deal with the water resource. The latter seems to evade our state government. Hopefully however there are concerned managers of our water resources who will act responsibly for both the short and long term.

In view of the above, please accept the EPD proposal and act accordingly.

Sincerely,

John H. Richardson
Cumming, GA

John H. Richardson
Founder/Principal
John Richardson & Company, Inc.
12600 Deerfield Parkway Suite 100
Alpharetta, GA 30004

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Fax 678/566-3551

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: RTRiggle@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 5:45 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Buford Dam Releases

Please give full consideration and approve the proposed reduction in water releases from Buford Dam from 750 CFS to 550 CFS. Lake Lanier is a real mess and it's not coming up fast enough to be full any time soon. In a dry summer, which we normally have, it will be worse in 2008 than it has been in 2007, if reductions are not put in place. I think that all releases from Buford Dam should be stopped immediately until the lake reaches full pool. Then only release the amount of water that comes in. That would be the natural flow for all users.

I'm an older guy and it is a laborious chore for me to keep chasing the water front with my dock. I mean, it's a hell of a lot of work each time I have to move it. It's that or risk damage to my dock and boats.
Thank you,

Tom Riggle
4789 Propes Dr.
Oakwood, GA 30566

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: JanisEMR@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 9:11 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EPD request

I urge you to support the recent request of the EPD in reducing the outflow of water at Buford Dam. I know you realize the crisis at Lake Lanier and I feel this is one solution that can help the situation, even though it won't solve the problem.

Thank you for your consideration.

Janis Rodriguez

Homeowner Deer Creek Shores

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: bmwm6@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 11:29 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier

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Edward J. Rogers

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: mwrohde@gmail.com on behalf of Matthew Rohde [matt@e-rohde.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 9:37 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Georgia EPD - minimum flow of the Chattahoochee River

Dear Sir or Ma'am:

I am writing in support of the Georgia EPD's February 11, 2008 recommendation to lower the minimum flow of the Chattahoochee River at Peachtree Creek to 550 cfs through April 2008.

Thank you,

Matthew Rohde

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Wilton Rooks [wrooks@omnemail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 1:01 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Cc: ccouch@dnr.state.ga.us
Subject: 550 cfs Lake Lanier discharge

Gentlemen:

I want to fully support the GA EPD request to reduce discharges from Lake Lanier to 550 cfs. Based on the water conditions downstream of Buford Dam, this reduction seems to be fully justified and in fact, the CORPS would be remiss if it did not reduce the discharge from the lake to the absolute minimum.

The lakes storage must be recharged as rapidly as possible in order to fulfill its role as a water resource for the entire ACF.

Thank you.

Wilton Rooks
6345 Barberry Hill Drive
Gainesville, GA 30506

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: mike ross [mijaro11@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 11:47 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier level

To whom it may concern

I am a home owner on lake lanier,being that we are in an exceptional drought ,the low lake levels are somewhat understandable. However theArmy corp of engineers inadvertantly let several feet of water out, due to a faulty gauge. It occurs to me that if for no other reason ,the water flow should be temporarily reduced, to make up for this error.

It is also disconcerting that while I am under water restrictions the residents downstream enjoy normal watering priviledges.

Several of my nieghbors no longer have water at thier docks ,so in effect they no longer have lake homes, yet they still are obligated to pay taxes as if they do.

It is my hope that you will reconsider the amount that is discharged from Lake Sidney Lanier until it can be replenished to an acceptable level.

Thank You for your consideration

Regards

Michael Ross

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Kim Sak [kimksak@comcast.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 10:02 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier

Dear Colonel Jorns,

I support the 2.11.08 request from the Ga. EPD to reduce the water flow releases from Buford Dam on an emergency basis due to the current drought.

I currently own property on Lake Lanier. I also owe property downstream in Atlanta, Ga.

Sincerely,

Kim K. Sak
kimksak@comcast.net

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: john sblendorio [johndorio@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 3:56 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: reduced flows

I do support reduced outflows from lake Lanier . especially if water is not needed down river at this time. at this time any water keep in storage,will probably be needed this summer.
john sblendorio

johndorio@bellsouth.net

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: ronscalzo@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 4:42 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier

Army Corp of Engineers:

I am writing to inform you that I strongly support reducing flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

Best Regards,
Ron Scalzo
(770-329-7418)

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: alstrs@bellsouth.net
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 1:55 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Water releases

We support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 - 550 cfs.
Thank you,
Amy & Tim Schick

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: mrtltrtl@bellsouth.net
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 10:17 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM; CESAM-PD-EA SAM

I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

Thank you,

Muriel R. Schurke
1856 Blackthorn Way
Roswell, GA 30075

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Schurke,Robert H [RSCHURKE@travelers.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 7:24 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM

Folks:

Please know that I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS. Actually, I would like to see it even lower for the remainder of 2008.

Bob Schurke
1856 Blackthorn Way
Roswell, GA 30075

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Michael Scully [mmscully@alltel.net]
Sent: Thursday, January 01, 1970 1:19 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Draining the lake

To whom it may concern,

As both a home owner and someone who living depends on a healthy lake lanier, and a full lake lanier, I strongly support the release of less water from the lake!!!

Thank you,

Michael Scully

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: aseg007@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 2:14 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Cc: jzibrida@bellsouth.net
Subject: Lake lanier Water Levels

Dear Sir:
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Re: Lake Lanier Water Levels

As a resident of Lake Lanier for the past 10 years I have seen the fluctuation of water levels due to our drought conditions. Currently, I am very concerned for the future of available water for drinking for the Atlanta metro area. While I understand that the Corp of Enginners is mandated for certain outflow activities I would encourage the Corp to request by any means necessary to restrict the outlflow of water from Lake Lanier according to current Georgia EPD recommendations. The recommended outflow is 550CPS. I fully support keeping Lake Lanier at the fullest possible levels in anticipation of continued exceptional drought conditions.

I also support any collaborative effort by the Corp of Engineers to enlist the State of Tennessee to properly mark their border so that water from the Tennessee River can be accessed by pipeline to support water needs for the ACF basin and metro Atlanta area.

Sincerely,

Alan Segrave
5266 Trudy Circle
Gainesville, GA 30504
770-532-4433

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Mary Alice Smith [masmith@uga.edu]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 4:24 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Request to reduce flow from Lake Lanier

Hello,

I support EPD's request to reduce the outflow from Buford dam from 750 to 550 CFS. This will help retain badly needed water in Lake Lanier, and help prepare the lake for the continuation of this drought.

Sincerely,

Mary Alice Smith

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Smith, Mike (Controls) SEA [RMike.Smith@Siemens.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 5:55 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Buford Dam

Please know that I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS

Regards,
Mike Smith
Ph. 770-326-2273
Fax 770-326-2353

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: csokol2980@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 7:50 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Water releases

Dear Sirs:

I am writing as a long time Lake Lanier homeowner and concerned citizen regarding the release of water from Lake Lanier. I hope this letter will work to influence the Army Corps of Engineer's decision.

Recently, the Georgia EPD has requested that the US Army CORPS of Engineers reduce the water flow releases from Buford Dam on an emergency basis due to the current drought situation.

EPD assessed the minimum flows at Peachtree Creek on the Chattahoochee in Fulton County and determined that 550 CFS (cubic feet per second), down from current minimum of 750 CFS can handle necessary requirements for dissolved oxygen and downstream flows due to substantial rain events below Buford Dam. EPD has requested that this flow reduction be implemented immediately and be maintained through April 2008, when it will be reevaluated. I whole heartedly support this request and hope the Corp will indeed reduce the flow.

Governor Perdue recently eased water restrictions after just a few rain falls. I believe this was a politically motivated move to appease certain constituencies and timed to benefit his position with certain groups. We can remove Governor Purdue from office but really need to work with the Corps as you truly influence the reserve, livelihood, economy and values of homes in and around Lake Lanier.

I pray common sense prevails.

Sincerely,
Chester M. Sokolowski Sr.
T Moore Road, Oakwood Georgia
Flat Creek 9

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: jackstansbury@bellsouth.net
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 9:21 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM

To Whom It May Concern,

As a home owner on Lake Lanier I would appreciate any help that can increase the amount of water that is retained in the lake.

Thanks,

Jack Stansbury

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Lee Steigele [lsteigele@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 7:28 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier Levels

I support the CORPS' action to reduce flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS. Lake Lanier levels are dangerously low and we still have had no substantial rainfall.

Sincerely,
Lee Steigele
5428 Sherri Drive
Gainesville, GA 30504

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Michael Stevens [mikestevens@mac.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 9:35 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support for the EPD request

I Support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

Michael Stevens

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Bob Stiehler [bob_stiehler@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 9:42 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier Outflow Rates

Dear Corp of Engineers,

As a Gainesville, GA resident and given our extended drought conditions, I wish to express my support for the recent EPD recommendations that the current water flows at Peachtree Creek be reduced from 750CFS to 550CFS in order to conserve water in Lake Lanier.

Thank you.

Bob Stiehler
3554 Montgomery Drive
Gainesville GA 30504
bob_stiehler@bellsouth.net
Home: 770-297-0432
Cell: 678-936-2970

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: jane svoboda [svoboda2@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 3:34 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Levels

Dear Corp's,

Please consider the idea of lowering the water release level for Lake Lanier. We live in Gainesville and pass over bridges on our way into and out of town. The lake looks terrible and we fell that it is very dangerous to our community to be moving into the summer with so little water. It will take years to fill!

Thank you for your consideration of this important matter.

Jane and Conrad Svoboda

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Svoboda, Conrad [Conrad.Svoboda@delta.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 3:07 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduction of flow from lake lanier

Dear sirs / Madam

I am in wholehearted agreement with the EPD request to reduce flow from Buford dam to 550 cfs Vice 750 cfs. My wife and I have moved up to Gainesville after living in Marietta for 19 years. I also work as senior meteorologist for Delta Airlines at Hartsfield-Jackson international airport, and understand the effects of drought patterns and their effects on the limited water resources of north Georgia. Demand will become much greater beginning in April 2008 on water supplies for an increasing Atlanta population----and while 1 or 2 tropical storms dumping precipitation would add greatly to the Lanier water table...that is just too random and beyond the forecasting mechanisms of mere mankind to predict. As of late February 2008..the ground is mostly saturated with recent rainfalls, so any further precip goes directly into building reservoir volume..probably along a 1-4 Or 1-5 ratio...1 inch precip for 4/5 inch rise in lake height..

Please accept this request as encouragement from not only the people who live on the lake and enjoy its resources...but also people who depend on the lake for livelihood..economically and recreationally. It will probably take 14-18 months of normal rainfall to regain full pool..much more than that under drought conditions.

Sincerely,

Conrad Svoboda
Senior meteorologist..turbulence Delta Airlines
3428 Robinson Road
Gainesville Ga 30506

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: chris svoboda [svoboda525@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 9:44 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Dam flow

Please lower the Buford dam flow to 550 CFS from the current of 750 CFS.

Thank you,

Concerned Citizen

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Matthew Tallman [matthew.tallman@peoplenet-us.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 7:10 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier Reduced Flows

I strongly support the Georgia EPD request that the flows at Peachtree Creek be reduced from 750cfs to 550cfs. I cross over the Chattahoochee River frequently in the Metro-Atlanta area and have been amazed to see that the river is nearly full yet Lake Lanier levels are alarmingly low. I understand there has been a drought but as a property owner on Lake Lanier the low levels of the lake are damaging my property and causing a significant decrease in the value of my property.

Matthew S. Tallman
President
PeopleNet, Inc.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: curtthayer@comcast.net
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 12:07 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier Water Release Amount

Concerned Citizen,

I understand that the Georgia EPD has assessed the minimum flows at Peachtree Creek on the Chattahoochee in Fulton County and determined that 550 CFS can handle necessary requirements for dissolved oxygen and downstream flows due to rain events below Buford Dam.

I support IMMEDIATELY reducing flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS and that the reduction be maintained through April 2008, when it will be reevaluated.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Curt Thayer
5337 Bay Circle
Cumming, GA 30041

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Tomlinson, Stephen W. [stephen.tomlinson@nscorp.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 6:52 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: CFS reduction

USACE-

I write to say, I am in support of the EPD's emergency recommendation that will reduce the CFS flow at Buford Dam on a temporary basis until April 2008.

Sincerely yours,

Stephen Tomlinson
4867 Habersham Ct.
Gainesville, GA 30504

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Harold Trip [hondo4@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 9:17 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake water release

For God's sake think about the people that depend on Lake Lanier. If given the choice of quality of life for people or saving the mussels I vote for the people. Please reduce the out flow of water as indicated by the EPA.

Thank you

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: philuzzo [philuzzo@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 4:45 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake level

To Whom it may concern,

I would like to commend all of the officials with Georgia EPD who recommended that we reduce the water released from Lake Lanier. It can only help the lake, wildlife, fish, and the people who live on the lake as I do. Thanks again.

Phil Uzzo
1910 Tapawingo Dr.
Gainesville, Ga. 30501
2-27-08

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Tuszynski family [twoshinski260@bytehead.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 7:33 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier lake levels

Hello, we live on Lake Lanier and also travel to south Georgia and Florida. We are very discouraged, no change that to incensed, that we are not seeing the levels increase in Lake Lanier while rivers and lakes down stream are full. I know that you have had a new manager over the last few years, maybe you have to go back to your records to see how the lake used to be managed. But letting out more water than comes in to the lake will only lead to devastation. You simply are not doing the job you were doing years ago. Please pay attention and start holding back water or we will see lake levels 10 to 15 feet below where we are now. When we get rain we must treat it as a blessing and not waste it by sending it downstream where they don't need it. The rain is here today, the last two years has to show you that it may not rain again for a long, long time.

Marilyn and Dave Valent
Point West Dr. Oakwood

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: marie anne vandevall [mavandevall@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 1:59 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support EPD rewuest

Dear US Army CORPS of Engineers,

We are supporting the EPD request to reduce the water flow releases from Buford Dam on an emergency basis due to the current drought situation. Please, assess the minimum flows at Peachtree Creek on the Chattahoochee in Fulton County from 750 to 550 CFS.

Best reagrds,

Leo and MArie Anne Van e Vall (770-664-1757)

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Brandon Vining [bvining@alliancehealthcard.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 10:23 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Georgia EPD request of the US Army CORPS of Engineers to reduce the water flow from Buford Dam down from 750 CFS to 550 CFS.

To whom it may concern:

Please accept this email confirming my support for the Georgia EPD request of the US Army CORPS of Engineers to reduce the water flow from Buford Dam down from 750 CFS to 550 CFS.

Best Regards,

BV

Brandon A. Vining
Cumming, Georgia

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Wade, Drew [DWade@alpharetta.ga.us]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 2:34 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Water Flow reduction

This is sent in support of the EPD to reduce the outflow of water from Lake Lanier. We MUST take action now before the summer months

Thanks

D. Wade

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Stacy Wade [stacywade@alltel.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 11:41 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: I support

The reduced flow of the water downstream...

Stacy Wade

Prudential Georgia Realty

Dawsonville

706-344-6700 (Main Office)

706-344-6721 (Direct Line)

678-548-2582 (Cell)

678-336-7522 (Fax)

www.stacywade.com

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: steve warlick [stevewarlick@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 6:59 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM

Please decrease the flow----We need the water to raise the lake so that when boating season comes it will not be deadly.

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: john webb [webb1952@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:41 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier

Please use Best Management Practices to conserve water in the Lake Lanier Basin. I am in favor of slowing the growth of the Metro Atlanta area so that our Children might be able to see a bright future for themselves in this wonderful part of the United States.
Sincerely, John E. Webb

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: lynneleo@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 10:02 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduced flow

Dear Corp of Engineers,

I support the action to reduce the flow at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

Thank you.

Leo C Whalen
2457 Basin Drive
Gainesville GA 30506

770-535-2415

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Sherrye Willett [sherrye.willett@usg.edu]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 12:19 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier

To whom it may concern,

I have enjoyed going to Lake Lanier for many years and am concerned about the lake levels there. I am writing to support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 500 CFS. This will give the lake a modest increase which will help.

Regards,
Sherrye Willett

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Ron Williams [ron@shoretrading.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 7:36 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduced Flow

Strongly support the reduced flow from Lake Lanier through April. Praying for more rain and more consideration for Lake Laniers importance to metro Atlantas future.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Bob Williams [nelnbob@comcast.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 6:17 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Flow Reduction - Buford Dam

I am a resident of Lake Lanier and belong to the Lake Lanier Association. I support the EPD request that water flow be reduced from Buford Dam.

Robert A. and Nel B. Williams

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: cindy wilson [cwilson132@hotmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 7:56 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

As a Lake Lanier property owner, I want to express my concern about the current and future lake levels. I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

Climb to the top of the charts! Play the word scramble challenge with star power. Play now! <http://club.live.com/star_shuffle.aspx?icid=starshuffle_wlmailtextlink_jan>

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Gene Wysocki [grwysocki@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 4:46 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier

Please do what you can to help preserve what water is left in Lake Lanier. It does not appear that the lake will fill much at all this winter and we need to take whatever measures we can to minimize outflow.

Gene Wysocki grwysocki@bellsouth.net

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Southeast Truck Sales [setrucksales@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:20 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Revised Flow Levels

Dear Corp of Engineers,

I strongly support the reduction of the flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.
Thank you for your support of Lake Lanier.

Charles E. Yost
6315 Barberry Hill Place
Gainesville, GA 30506

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Brabham, Joseph M SAM Contractor
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 11:42 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Temporary Deviation/Waiver - Reduce WQ Release from Buford Dam

The Following Comments were submitted by lane allen on 2/28/2008

Affiliation: Local Resident
Address: 4102 willow trace
City, St, Zip: gainesville, GA 30506
County: hall

Comments---> I support the Peachtree Gauge minimum 550 cfs flow, but
Comments---> urge
more action in reducing Buford Dam releases to lessen the negative impact on Lake Lanier levels. Without more action to improve Lake Lanier it will suffer a hugely disproportional drought penalty than other ACF locals.

It is unfair practices by the Corps of Engineers, not considerate of the needs and concerns of Lake Lanier residents and businesses, strongly suggesting favoritism to the needs of our neighbors in Florida and south Georgia. Please stop the unfair releases and consider a better balance to all concerned.
Thank you,

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Barks, B. (Bradley) [Bradley.Barks@us.ing.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 12:21 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: RE: Lake Lanier EPD request

Dear Colonel Jorns,

I am writing in support of the February 11, 2008 request by the Georgia EPD to reduce the water flow releases from Buford Dam on an emergency basis due to the current drought situation.

I am a stakeholder in Lake Lanier.

Sincerely,

Brad Barks

280 East Smoketree Terrace
Johns Creek, Georgia

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Susan and Eric Baum [thebaums@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 8:48 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduction of output of water

I am writing in support of the Georgia EPD's request to reduce the release of water from Lake Lanier from 750 to 550 CFS. Please reduce the flow so that the Lake can refill itself and be restored to a reasonable level.

Thank you for your consideration.

Susan Baum
344 Tom McGinnis Rd.
Dawsonville, GA

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: John Beem [jr.beem@ix.netcom.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 7:32 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier

We spend months in Panhandle Fla,. and on Lake Lanier wher we live.It is interesting that while being in Fla. over last month,they received 15 inches of rain.....including into their part of the Chatahoochee River!!!.....for their oysters. In traveling back and forth through Alabama and Ga., all their lakes....West Point, Eufala, have been almost full pool, as is ther flow of the Chatahoochee.

DOES NOT SOMEONE MONITER THE RAIN AND POOLS OF THESE LAKES AND RVERS AFTER RAIN SO THE FLOW OUT OF LANIER CAN CEASE WHEN ALL THE RAIN IS SOUTH OF LANIER AND SUFFICIENT FOR THE LAKES AND CHATAHOOCHEE SOUTH OF NO> GA>???????

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Brabham, Joseph M SAM Contractor
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 2:51 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Temporary Deviation/Waiver - Reduce WQ Release from Buford Dam

The Following Comments were submitted by Steven Bernaski on 2/28/2008

Affiliation: Local Resident
Address: 6565 AC Smith Rd
City, St, Zip: Dawsonville, GA 30534
County: Forsyth

Comments--->Please lower the amount of water released. Not looking

Comments--->behind

us...but the management of this resource has been monumentally mishandled....we need clean water and also we need to support local industry...I am sure that you are getting many responses...none of which add one single gallon to the lake...that is your job...conserve but be creative with our 'friends' downstream...we are counting on you...not elected officials.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Mary Bishop [bishop_m@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 5:59 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: FW: Proposed Temporary Deviation From Current Water Management Operations at Buford Dam to Reduce Water Quality Releases

Attachments: Reduced Chat flows 2258.docx



Reduced Chat flows
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I agree with the proposal sited in this e-mail.

Mary Bishop

From: jillbaugus@bellsouth.net [mailto:jillbaugus@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 9:36 AM
To: johnbaugus@bellsouth.net
Subject: FW: Proposed Temporary Deviation From Current Water Management Operations at Buford Dam to Reduce Water Quality Releases

If you have time, please send an email to the below address by end of day today. Pass this on to anyone else you know that may send a letter. Thanks for making a difference!

FYI....Janie

Val/Jackie/Bill/Rick: Important Matter:

Attached* is the response from Ron Seder to the US Corps in support of a request from the State of Georgia to the Corps to reduce flows from Buford Dam. Ron Seder's response is well written and easy to understand. Would greatly appreciate, if you and your respective Boards review this document ASAP. It would be supportive and influential, if your organizations adopt this letter or one similar to it. Please send you response to both the Corps management and to Dr.Couch and Governor Perdue, time is of the essence. Please provide all comments not later than close of business, Thursday, 28 February 2008.

In order to expedite receipt of comments, electronic copies of comments may be forwarded to the following email address:

cesam-pd-ea@usace.army.mil

Electronic comments may also be provided on the Mobile District web site at the following location:

<http://www.sam.usace.army.mil> <<http://www.sam.usace.army.mil/>>

As follows, a summarization of the Corps request for stakeholder reply to reduced Buford Dam out flows:

The Corps of Engineers is given discretion to manage its reservoirs by the Flood Control Act of 1944 Stakeholders: Corps is requesting written comments from Federal, State and local agencies, Tribes, affected industries, organizations, other stakeholders and the public regarding potential affects of the proposed reduction in flows for the purpose of conducting environmental evaluation and obtaining stakeholder input which will assist in a determination on the request for a temporary deviation from the Reservoir Regulation Manual.

Mobile District has received a request from the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (GA-EPD) that a reduction be made in releases from Buford Dam/Lake Lanier to meet the water quality requirement on the Chattahoochee River at Atlanta, Georgia, as a temporary drought contingency measure.

The current minimum flow requirement for assimilation of return flow at Atlanta (750 cfs) is incorporated in the current Buford Dam Reservoir Regulation Manual, as measured on the Chattahoochee River above the confluence with Peachtree Creek. GA-EPD requests that a reduction in the water quality required flow to 550 cfs be considered. This request would therefore require a temporary deviation from current water management operations.

GA-EPD's request represents a proposed temporary drought contingency measure in response to drought conditions experienced this past year and forecasts for continued drought conditions in 2008. The proposed reduction in flows is based on water quality criteria at Atlanta and seeks to conserve storage in Lake Lanier (Buford Dam) by reducing the amount of release necessary to meet State water quality standards during cooler months.

Thank you very much for your prompt consideration and continuing action in another effort to save, one of this State's

most valuable resource, Lake Lanier

Respectively,

Jim H.

Jim Hazelwood
StoneHenge Consultants
770-886-2532 - off/fax
404-680-9476 - cell
haze@mindspring.com

----- Original Message -----

From: Ron Seder <<mailto:ronseder@mindspring.com>>

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Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 6:44 PM

Subject: Re: Proposed Temporary Deviation From Current Water Management Operations at Buford Dam to Reduce Water Quality Releases

For your information, attached is my response to the Corps.

Ron

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From: Val Perry <mailto:valperry@bellsouth.net>

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The Corps of Engineers is given discretion to manage its reservoirs by the Flood Control Act of 1944. The procedures for water management actions at Corps projects is set out in Engineer Regulation 1110-2-240 (33 C.F.R. 222.5), which states as follows in regard to droughts:

"Continuous examination should be made of regulations schedules, possible need for storage reallocation (within existing authority and constraints) and to identify needed changes in normal regulation.

should be placed on evaluating conditions that could require deviation from normal release schedules as part of drought contingency plans (ER

1110-2-1941)."

Engineering Regulation 1110-2-1941 requires water managers to re-examine procedures and reservoirs to determine whether improvement can be made during low water periods within current authorities.

This notice is requesting written comments from Federal, State and local agencies, Tribes, affected industries, organizations, other stakeholders

and the public regarding potential affects of the proposed reduction in flows

for the purpose of conducting environmental evaluation and obtaining stakeholder

temporary input which will assist in a determination on the request for a

deviation from the Reservoir Regulation Manual. Information provided in response to this notice will be considered by the Mobile District and

South Atlantic Division in determining whether or not to implement a temporary deviation and to what extent. Please communicate this information to

any other interested parties.

The decision on the proposed temporary deviation or variance in water management operations will be based on an evaluation of the probable

impact, including cumulative impacts, of the proposed activity on the public interest. Written comments are requested on specific impacts to other

users and operations that occur within the basin. That decision will reflect

the national concern for both protection and utilization of important

resources. The benefit which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal must

be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered, including the

cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general

values, environmental concerns, wetlands, cultural values, fish and wildlife

erosion flood hazards, flood plain values, land use, navigation, shoreline

and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food production, and in general, the needs and

welfare of the people. Potential consequences of this proposed temporary

deviation include impacts on pool elevations at West Point and Walter F. George,

on river stages at various water intakes below Buford Dam, and on in-stream water quality criteria. In addition, the proposed flow reduction may

impact individual discharge permit holders downstream of Buford Dam. The

reduced flow may also impact the trout hatchery downstream of Buford Dam and/or

the fishery associated with that facility. There may be additional

consequences or impacts for which we solicit your input.

This topic is scheduled to be discussed during the bi-weekly ACF Basin

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Drought Teleconference scheduled for Thursday, 28 February 2008, 1
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be type in the passcode 6076350 followed by the # sign. Oral comments will
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Written comments should be directed the District Engineer, U.S. Army
Engineer
District, Mobile, Post Office Box 2288, Mobile, Alabama 36628-0001,
Attention: Planning and Environmental Division, Inland Environment Team
time to be received not later than 28 February 2008. In order to
receipt of comments, electronic copies of comments may be forwarded to
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cesam-pd-ea@usace.army.mil

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Please provide all comments not later than close of business, Thursday,
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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: rogerburgess@vzw.blackberry.net
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 10:42 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

Thank you.

Roger Burgess
Sent from my Verizon Wireless BlackBerry

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Brabham, Joseph M SAM Contractor
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 1:11 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Temporary Deviation/Waiver - Reduce WQ Release from Buford Dam

The Following Comments were submitted by Philip Burton on 2/28/2008

Affiliation: Industry/Commercial
Address: 2145 Dawsonville Hwy
City, St, Zip: Gainesville Ga 30501
County: Hall

Comments--->I am in favor of a reduction to 550cfs. for as long as possible till we can get Lanier at a level where it can survive the upcoming summer demands.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Brabham, Joseph M SAM Contractor
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 2:15 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Temporary Deviation/Waiver - Reduce WQ Release from Buford Dam

The Following Comments were submitted by Eddie Carlan on 2/28/2008

Affiliation: Local Resident
Address: 24 LION CT
City, St, Zip: DAHLONEGA, GA 30501
County: LUMPKIN

Comments--->I live near lumpkin county park and have worked on lake

Comments--->lanier

for 30+ years. This draw down has effected me very much. I am in favor of reducing the water relese from lake Lanier.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Brabham, Joseph M SAM Contractor
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 2:19 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Temporary Deviation/Waiver - Reduce WQ Release from Buford Dam

The Following Comments were submitted by BRENDA CARLAN on 2/28/2008

Affiliation: Local Resident
Address: 24 LION COURT
City, St, Zip: DAHLONEGA,GA 30533
County: LUMPKIN

Comments--->I AM IN FAVOR OF REDUCED RELEASES OF WATER FROM LAKE

Comments--->LANIER.I

HAVE WORKED ON LAKE LANIER FOR CLOSE TO THIRTY YEARS. THE LOWER LEVELS HAVE EFFECTED ME BOTH IN MY PROFESSIONAL AND PERSONAL LIFE. I FEEL THE LAKE IS A BENEFIT TO OUR COMMUNITY AND STATE.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Sue Choate [SChoate@choateco.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 3:12 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EPD request

US Army Corps of Engineers:

As stakeholders in the future of Lake Lanier, we support the EPD request to reduce the flow of water from the lake.

Sincerely,

Wm. & Susan Choate

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: creel [cjcreel@charter.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 5:05 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek

As a homeowner on the shores of Lake Lanier, I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

Thank you for your support,

Janet Creel

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Tyler DuPont [tdupont36@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 3:06 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: SUPPORT for reduced flows at Peachtree Creek

To whom it may concern:

As a homeowner living on Lake Lanier in Dawsonville and a member of the Lanier Stakeholders, I want to applaud the EPD call for the US Army Corps of Engineers to reduce the flows at Peachtree Creek in Fulton County.

As the report states, the reduction of flows from 750 CFS to 550 CFS can handle necessary requirements for dissolved oxygen and downstream flows as a result of substantial rain events below Buford Dam. I support the EPD request that this reduced flow be immediately implemented and maintained through at least April 2008.

The reduction of flows is absolutely crucial to maintaining Lake Lanier as a premier recreation area for the people of Georgia and your efforts are greatly appreciated! I hope that the you all at the US Army Corps of Engineers will implement the reduced flows as soon as possible!

Thank you,
Tyler DuPont

Chestatee Circle
Dawsonville, GA 30534

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Easter, Teresa SEA [teresa.easter@siemens.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 7:35 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduced flow from Buford Dam

CORPS, Please help at this difficult time. I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.
This will reduce the outflow at Buford Dam (Lanier) and allow more water storage in Lanier rather than sending it down stream unnecessarily.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Dawn E [dawne@alltel.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 12:53 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: In favor of slowing outflow to 550cfs

I support the GA-EPD's request to slow outflow from Buford Dam to 550 cfs and support this request for as long as possible. This will protect the Lake Sydney Lanier environment from further damage to its environment. Lanier's ecosystem is already harmed and has been damaged exponentially over the last year. Reduced outflow will also improve the safety of people boating on Lake Lanier due to current dangerous conditions.

The request from the GA-EPD is reasonable.

Dawn Echols
Dawsonville, GA

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Pete Edwards [pete@onlanier.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 8:40 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: FW: Proposed Temporary Deviation From Current Water Management Operations at Buford Dam to Reduce Water Quality Releases

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From: Sheila Davis [mailto:davissheila1@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 7:55 AM
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If you have time, please send an email to the below address by end of day today. Pass this on to anyone else you know that may send a letter. Thanks for making a difference!

Sheila Davis

Thank you for your Referrals!

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Date: Wed, 27 Feb 2008 23:42:27 +0000

FYI...Janie

From: Jim Hazelwood [mailto:haze@mindspring.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 12:00 PM
To: Jackie Joseph; 'Bill Sommerfield'; 'Philip Burton'; Rick Albrecht; Val Perry
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Val/Jackie/Bill/Rick: Important Matter:

Attached* is the response from Ron Seder to the US Corps in support of a request from the State of Georgia to the Corps to reduce flows from Buford Dam. Ron Seder's response is well written and easy to understand. Would greatly appreciate, if you and your respective Boards review this document ASAP. It would be supportive and influential, if your organizations adopt this letter or one similar to it. Please send you response to both the Corps management and to Dr.Couch and Governor Perdue, time is of the essence. Please provide all comments not later than close of business, Thursday, 28 February 2008.

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Thank you very much for your prompt consideration and continuing action in another effort to save, one of this State's most valuable resource, Lake Lanier
Respectively,
Jim H.

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Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 6:44 PM

Subject: Re: Proposed Temporary Deviation From Current Water Management Operations at Buford Dam to Reduce Water Quality Releases

For your information, attached is my response to the Corps.

Ron

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Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2008 9:08 AM

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Subject: Proposed Temporary Deviation From Current Water Management
Operations at Buford Dam to Reduce Water Quality Release s
Importance: High

ACF Stakeholders:

Mobile District has received a request from the Georgia Environmental
Protection Division (GA-EPD) that a reduction be made in releases from
Buford
Dam/Lake Lanier to meet the water quality requirement on the Chattahoochee

River at Atlanta, Georgia, as a temporary drought contingency measure. A copy of the GA-EPD request by letter dated 11 February 2008 is attached for your reference and review. The current minimum flow requirement for assimilation of return flow at Atlanta (750 cfs) is incorporated in the current Buford Dam Reservoir Regulation Manual, as measured on the Chattahoochee River above the confluence with Peachtree Creek. GA-EPD requests that a reduction in the water quality required flow to 550 cfs be considered. This request would therefore require a temporary deviation from current water management operations.

GA-EPD's request represents a proposed temporary drought contingency measure in response to drought conditions experienced this past year and forecasts for continued drought conditions in 2008. The proposed reduction in flows is based on water quality criteria at Atlanta and seeks to conserve storage in Lake Lanier (Buford Dam) by reducing the amount of release necessary to meet State water quality standards during cooler months.

The Corps of Engineers is given discretion to manage its reservoirs by the Flood Control Act of 1944. The procedures for water management actions at Corps projects is set out in Engineer Regulation 1110-2-240 (33 C.F.R. Part 222.5), which states as follows in regard to droughts:

"Continuous examination should be made of regulations schedules, possible need for storage reallocation (within existing authority and constraints) and to identify needed changes in normal regulation. Emphasis should be placed on evaluating conditions that could require deviation from normal release schedules as part of drought contingency plans (ER 1110-2-1941)."

Engineering Regulation 1110-2-1941 requires water managers to re-examine procedures and reservoirs to determine whether improvement can be made during low water periods within current authorities.

This notice is requesting written comments from Federal, State and local agencies, Tribes, affected industries, organizations, other stakeholders and the public regarding potential effects of the proposed reduction in flows for the purpose of conducting environmental evaluation and obtaining stakeholder input which will assist in a determination on the request for a temporary deviation from the Reservoir Regulation Manual. Information provided in response to this notice will be considered by the Mobile District and South Atlantic Division in determining whether or not to implement a temporary deviation and to what extent. Please communicate this information to any other interested parties.

The decision on the proposed temporary deviation or variance in water management operations will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact, including cumulative impacts, of the proposed activity on the public interest. Written comments are requested on specific impacts to other users and operations that occur within the basin. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered, including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, cultural values, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, flood plain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food production, and in general, the needs and welfare of the people. Potential consequences of this proposed temporary deviation include impacts on pool elevations at West Point and Walter F. George, on

river stages at various water intakes below Buford Dam, and on in-stream water quality criteria. In addition, the proposed flow reduction may impact individual discharge permit holders downstream of Buford Dam. The reduced flow may also impact the trout hatchery downstream of Buford Dam and/or the fishery associated with that facility. There may be additional consequences or impacts for which we solicit your input.

This topic is scheduled to be discussed during the bi-weekly ACF Basin Drought Teleconference scheduled for Thursday, 28 February 2008, 1100-1200 E ST (1000-1100 CST). The call-in number is 866-916-8488. At the prompt, type in the passcode 6076350 followed by the # sign. Oral comments will be heard at that time, but you are requested to submit written comments to assure your concerns are fully considered.

Written comments should be directed the District Engineer, U.S. Army Engineer District, Mobile, Post Office Box 2288, Mobile, Alabama 36628-0001, Attention: Planning and Environmental Division, Inland Environment Team in time to be received not later than 28 February 2008. In order to expedite receipt of comments, electronic copies of comments may be forwarded to the following email address:

cesam-pd-ea@usace.army.mil

Electronic comments may also be provided on the Mobile District web site at the following location:

<http://www.sam.usace.army.mil> <<http://www.sam.usace.army.mil/>>

Please provide all comments not later than close of business, Thursday, 28 February 2008.

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February 26, 2008

I am writing to support the GA-EPD Request (11 Feb 2008) to reduce the minimum flows at USGS 02336000 (Peachtree Creek Gauge) from 750 cubic feet per second (cfs) to 550 cfs. The proposal shows very little impact downstream, while improving Lake Lanier's level by more than one foot if hydrology conditions of the year 2000 are duplicated, which still allows Lanier to rise no higher than ten feet below the full pool level.

Lanier is now still below the low level (1055.61) of the 2000 drought, causing a destructive impact on all who use, enjoy and rely on Lanier for financial asset value and income. If the Lake Lanier watershed continues to experience low rainfall conditions, as some are forecasting, recreation will be devastated during the prime season causing severe hardship to many.

I believe the proposal does not go far enough to give Lanier proper consideration. I think there should also be a concentration on Buford Dam releases, which have been running around 600 cfs for the past few days. There are not many days when the flow at the Peachtree Creek Gauge is at the minimum 750 cfs because with Buford Dam releases at 600 cfs there is enough runoff into the Chattahoochee between Buford Dam and the Peachtree Creek Gauge to raise the flows well above the 750 cfs.

Therefore, there should be a further reduction of releases at Buford Dam when the flows at the Peachtree Creek Gauge are well above the established minimum. Currently there is no need to augment downstream flows. West Point Lake is at 1031.69, about three feet above its seasonal full pool. Lake George is at 189.01, a foot above its seasonal full pool. The Apalachicola River flow at USGS 02358000 (Chattahoochee, Florida) is 52,000 cfs, (47,250 cfs above its minimum flow).

As can be seen from the facts, everything below Buford Dam on the ACF is having great success while Lake Lanier is still almost seventeen feet below the seasonal full pool level. Lake Lanier suffers most because it has a small watershed for the size of the lake. So, for a given amount of rain across the entire ACF watershed, Lanier recovers very slowly while the downstream reservoirs and rivers experience abundance from their relatively larger watersheds.

Perhaps a better comparison would be between Lake Lanier and Lake Allatoona (on the ACT) geographically close to each other. For approximately the same rainfall the Lake Allatoona level rises much more than Lake Lanier. Lake Allatoona is now at a level of 830.97, one foot above its seasonal full pool level, and twelve feet above its lowest level during the past five months. Lanier is at 1053.34, almost seventeen feet below its seasonal full pool, and only two and one half feet above its

lowest level during the past five months. Why? Allatoona is about one third the size of Lanier while having a similar size watershed. Therefore, the same watershed runoff for both lakes has a much more dramatic positive impact on Lake Allatoona levels.

In summary, I support the Peachtree Gauge minimum 550 cfs flow, but urge more action in reducing Buford Dam releases to lessen the negative impact on Lake Lanier levels. Without more action to improve Lake Lanier it will suffer a hugely disproportional drought penalty than other ACF locals.

Ronald Seder

ronseder@mindspring.com

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: David Eisman [daveeisman@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2002 8:06 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier/Buford Dam

Please reduce water discharge downstream at Buford Dam as per the Georgia EPD recommendation. Your assistance in this matter is vital to reduce the magnitude of our present drought disaster in the Atlanta area.

Sincerely,
David Eisman

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Conrad Ferrara [seaeff13@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 7:27 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Cc: Eric Greene; Jean M. Ferrara
Subject: Saving Lake Lanier

Please reduce water flow form the dam to 550CFS, an amount sufficient for the needs of our neighboring states AL and FL.

Thank you.

Conrad and Jean Ferrara
Homeowners on the lake
Cherokee Trail
Gainesville, GA

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: rollerama@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 12:37 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier

To: US Army Corps of Engineers

I am a fellow Lake Lanier property owner. Let us support this EPD regulation regarding reduced flow and SAVE OUR LAKE, please, from further damage and erosion. The silt-in on the shorelines from the drastic water reduction of the past year is threatening to irreparably ruin this once-beautiful area.

Please support the EPD water reduction plan.

Elizabeth Weller Fiman,
Gainesville GA

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Brabham, Joseph M SAM Contractor
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 3:33 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Temporary Deviation/Waiver - Reduce WQ Release from Buford Dam

The Following Comments were submitted by Brenda Fraser on 2/28/2008

Affiliation: Local Resident
Address: 7045 Oakcreek Trace
City, St, Zip:
County: Forsyth

Comments---->

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: pgrice396@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 5:43 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Water Flow From Lake Lanier

In light of the recent rain, please reduce the water flow from the Lake to preserve the current water.

Paul Grice

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Craig Grier [crgrier@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 6:11 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Water Flow

Please, please reduce the flow to 550cfs. Every little bit will help.

Craig Grier

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Grussing Family [grussings@charter.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 9:01 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reducing Required Outflow From Buford Dam

USACE

I just got an E-mail regarding outflows from Lake Sidney Lanier at Buford Dam. I was asked to just pass it on to express my views. I don't process and recommend in that fashion.

However, I do recommend limiting outflow to that quantity required to make up what the river system needs to meet historical downstream uses and to keep the river healthy. If the drought continues into next year, the entire river system needs to share the pain. Not just Lake Lanier. Keep in mind, if Lanier didn't exist and we had the same level of drought, the down stream users would have access to much less water.

When the excess rains return and the lake is again at a pool level where it can be operated normally including the yearly drawdown for flood control, then the extra water can benefit all downstream users.

Sincerely,

Donald Grussing, F. ASCE

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: lhudek@bellsouth.net
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 7:38 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduced Flow - Lake Lanier

Good Morning! This is just to add my support to the reduced flow at Peachtree Creek from 750 cfs to 550 cfs.

Thank you.

Linda

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: joseph.m.brabham@usace.army.mil
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 7:48 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Temporary Deviation/Waiver - Reduce WQ Release from Buford Dam

The Following Comments were submitted by Arlene Ingram on 2/28/2008

Affiliation: Local Resident
Address: 3230 Caqnon Bay Dr
City, St, Zip: Cumming, GA
County: Forsyth

Comments--->Dear District Engineer,

I as so many in the Lake Lanier area are suffering from lack of business directly resulting from the unprecedented drought we are experiencing her is north Georgia.

We believe that our area is unfairly being singled out to endure more hardship than other communities also effected is some ways from this record drought.

I would ask that great consideration be taken to insure that Lake lanier, the jewel in the crown of the water systems in Georgia, be given a fair shake and indeed, the entire plan for the rivers system and it's lakes in Georgia be re-written to reflect the many stresses and changes which have befallen our Lake Lanier since the last plan was written. In the interim, we must decrease the water flows now from Lanier to allow it to recover.

I would also submit that to save countless dollars building a new reservoir that would not only take years to do but billions of tax dollars to finish, that we add at least 2 feet to the full pool level of Lanier to allow for a minimum of 25 billion gallons of water to be held in reserve here. This would displace few and benefit many...quickly.

This completely plausible idea is just one of the reservoir projects or adaptations that are long overdue in Georgia.

Respectfully,

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Arlene Ingram, Lake Lanier Specialist [arlenei@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 7:57 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduce waterflows now

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District Engineer, U.S. Army Engineer
District, Mobile, Post Office Box 2288

Mobile, Alabama 36628-0001

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Respectfully,

Arlene Ingram

Lake Lanier

Cumming, GA

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Steve James [spjcdc@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 12:00 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support GA EPD recommendation

I support the GA EPD recommendation to reduce the outflow from Lake Lanier from 750 cfs to 550 cfs, on an emergency basis, to remain in effect through April 2008.

I understand that this recommendation is based on the fact that there has been substantial rainfall recently below Buford Dam, decreasing the need for water release from Lake Lanier.

Steve James

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: mikeypigdog@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 7:06 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Water release

To whom it may concern,
I am in favor of diminishing the amount of water released from Lake Lanier.
Consideration should be given to decreased releases until the lake is at pool.
Regards,
Mike Jayson

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Roger_Johns@Gwinnett.k12.ga.us
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 10:20 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: reduced flow from 750 to 550

To whom it may concern:

This note is in support of reducing the current water flows of Lake Lanier from 750 CFS to 550 CFS at the monitoring point of Peachtree Creek.

Your support of this matter is greatly appreciated.

Roger Johns
Concerned Citizen

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Jim and Carol [got2shag@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 1:04 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: reduced water flow

Sir,

It has come to my attention that the EPD has requested that the U.S.Army Corps of Engineers reduced the water flow at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS, thereby allowing more water to remain in Lake Lanier instead of sending it downstream.

As a year-round boater on Lake Lanier, I am concerned about the management of these water levels especially during this drought period. This is the time that we should be preparing for the upcoming summer months when more demands are placed on our lake waters due to the continuing drought conditions, summer watering usages as well as recreational use by the public.

I hope that you will consider these requests, which I fully support.

Thanking you in advance for your attention to these matters.

Sincerely,

Carol Jordan
Atlanta Sail & Power Squadron

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Jackie Joseph [jjoseph@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 1:44 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Cc: vbarnhorst@lakelanier.org; valperry@bellsouth.net
Subject: Reduction in the discharges from Lake Lanier

For the economy and future viability of this valuable resource it is imperative that the reductions in releases from Lake Lanier be implemented as soon as possible.

Jackie Joseph, President
Lake Lanier Association, Inc.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: KAUTEN@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 6:41 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Outflow at Buford Dam

US Army Corps,

We support the proposed reduction of water flow release reduction at Buford Dam.
Jim & Deanna Kauten
4438 Flagship Drive
Gainesville, GA 30506

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Stephen King Hill [kinghill@charter.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 9:50 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support Letter for USACE Reduction of Lake Lanier Flow

To Whom it may concern: I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 cfs. Thank you, Stephen K Hill, 6300 Woodlake Dr, Buford, Ga. 30518

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: LaBranche [labranch@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 6:20 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier - Reduce Flows to 550 CFS

I ask the Lanier Stakeholders to inform the CORPS that I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

Carol LaBranche, ABR, e-PRO and Associate Broker

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: John LaMay [jlamay@siuins.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 12:06 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support of Georgia EDP Request

I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS as requested by the Georgia EDP. The request seems like a win / win for everyone since it would provide the necessary flow for down stream concerns and help preserve water for Georgia. Additionally, I do not see much risk since the change requested would be for only a limited period.

Thanks for listening,

John LaMay

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Brent Laws [blaws@entecsys.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 10:31 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier / Urgent

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Respectfully

Brent Laws
Entec Systems Inc.
770-931-0800 Office
770-931-2010 Fax

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Lins, David [David.Lins@sungardhe.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 8:25 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: I strongly support the reduction of outflow at Buford dam as proposed by the GA EPD

Thank you.

David.

David Lins
General Manager, Technical Consulting
SunGard Higher Education
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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Teresa Longo [tlongo@nspi.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 4:47 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EPD/Lake Levels

As a resident of Lake Lanier and concerned citizen, we ask that you PLEASE reduce the flow of water from our lake, as recommended by the EPD. Obviously the residents of Lanier, as well as Atlanta, are suffering from the drought conditions; the people to the south of Atlanta, relying on our water from Lanier, have to learn to live with less water as well. Thank you for your consideration. Teresa Longo

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: lukerc@bellsouth.net
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 4:38 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Cc: vbarhorst@lakelanier.org
Subject: Peachtree Creek

We support GA EPD to reduce the flow on Peachtree Creek from 750 CFS to 550 CFS. We are stake holders on Lake Lanier.

Cal & Carolyn Luker
lukerc@bellsouth.net

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Elizabeth Macgregor [ezmac@charter.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 12:04 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: request for Peachtree Creek flow reduction

Corps of Engineers:

As a homeowner in Atlanta as well as on Lake Lanier, I sincerely hope that you, the Corps, will be judicious in your decisions relative to Lake Lanier outflow and water levels. Much political power is in play, however you have the ability to use prudence in the use of our valuable water resources. Our Atlanta drinking water is in jeopardy and our Lake Lanier property now overlooks mounds of clay and more than 100 feet of new beach (and, yes, with dead mussells and shells too...)

My husband and I support the EPD request for the reduced flow of Peachtree Creek.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Z. Macgregor

Elizabeth Z. Macgregor
4424 Woodland Brook Drive
Atlanta, GA 30339

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Brabham, Joseph M SAM Contractor
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 3:42 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Temporary Deviation/Waiver - Reduce WQ Release from Buford Dam

The Following Comments were submitted by Robin L. Marlin on 2/28/2008
Affiliation: Employed at Lake Lanier
Address: P. O. Box 1761
City, St, Zip: Jasper, GA 30143
County: Pickens

Comments---->PLEASE SLOW DOWN THE WATER RELEASE. IT IS AFFECTING MY
LIVELYHOOD.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Sandra Martin [msandra@us.ibm.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 5:23 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Supporting reduced flows at Buford Dam

As a Hall County and Lake Lanier resident, I support the EPD request to reduce the flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS thus preserving water in Lake Lanier for use later.

Regards,

Sandra Martin
MBPS Business Controls
Telephone: 770-536-7981, Tie Line:
Voice Mail or Fax: t/l 255-2091 External: 919-517-2091 Internet Address:
msandra@us.ibm.com

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Ron May [rmay@spsco.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 11:45 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support of GA-EPD Request. of Feb 11 2008.

Attachments: Reduced Chat flows 2258.docx



Reduced Chat flows
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Please take the time to read my comments regarding the above.

Thanks,

Ron May | President, C.O.O.
SPS
6025 Shiloh Road, Suite A | Alpharetta, GA 30005
678-455-8877 | Fax 800-288-5607

Feb 28, 2008.

I am writing to support the GA-EPD Request (11 Feb 2008) to reduce the minimum flows at USGS 02336000 (Peachtree Creek Gauge) from 750 cubic feet per second (cfs) to 550 cfs. The proposal shows very little impact downstream, while improving Lake Lanier's level by more than one foot if hydrology conditions of the year 2000 are duplicated, which still allows Lanier to rise no higher than ten feet below the full pool level.

Lanier is now still below the low level (1055.61) of the 2000 drought, causing a destructive impact on all who own homes, use the lake to make a living, or for recreation. If the Lake Lanier watershed continues to experience low rainfall conditions, as some are forecasting, **recreation will be devastated during the prime season causing severe hardship to many.**

I believe the proposal does not go far enough to give Lanier proper consideration. I think there should also be a concentration on Buford Dam releases, which have been running around 600 cfs for the past few days. There are not many days when the flow at the Peachtree Creek Gauge is at the minimum 750 cfs because with Buford Dam releases at 600 cfs there is enough runoff into the Chattahoochee between Buford Dam and the Peachtree Creek Gauge to raise the flows well above the 750 cfs.

Therefore, there should be a further reduction of releases at Buford Dam when the flows at the Peachtree Creek Gauge are well above the established minimum. Currently there is no need to augment downstream flows. West Point Lake is at 1031.69, about three feet above its seasonal full pool. Lake George is at 189.01, a foot above its seasonal full pool. The Apalachicola River flow at USGS 02358000 (Chattahoochee, Florida) is 52,000 cfs, (47,250 cfs above its minimum flow).

As can be seen from the facts, everything below Buford Dam on the ACF is having great success while Lake Lanier is still almost seventeen feet below the seasonal full pool level. Lake Lanier suffers most because it has a small watershed for the size of the lake. So, for a given amount of rain across the entire ACF watershed, Lanier recovers very slowly while the downstream reservoirs and rivers experience abundance from their relatively larger watersheds.

Perhaps a better comparison would be between Lake Lanier and Lake Allatoona (on the ACT) geographically close to each other. For approximately the same rainfall the Lake Allatoona level rises much more than Lake Lanier. **Lake Allatoona** is now at a level of 830.97, **one foot above its seasonal full pool level**, and twelve feet above its lowest level during the past five months. **Lanier is** at 1053.34, almost **seventeen feet below its seasonal full pool, and only two and one half feet**

above its lowest level during the past five months. Why? Allatoona is about one third the size of Lanier while having a similar size watershed. Therefore, the same watershed runoff for both lakes has a much more dramatic positive impact on Lake Allatoona levels.

In summary, I support the Peachtree Gauge minimum 550 cfs flow, but **urge more action in reducing Buford Dam releases to lessen the negative impact on Lake Lanier levels.** Without more action to improve Lake Lanier it will suffer a hugely disproportional drought penalty than other ACF locals.

I hope you give this your utmost consideration.

Regards,

Ron May

9315 Raldon Rd.

Gainesville, Ga 30506

678-455-0375

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Bert Miller [bert_miller@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 4:11 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support EPD Request

Attachments: Erosion04.JPG



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KB)

I face the potential of a very expensive repair to my dock.

Please let the lake level come up.

Thank you,

Bert and Patti Miller
1585 Green Forest Trail
Cumming, GA 30041

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: MILLS, RUDOLPH W (RUSTY), ATTOPS [rmills@att.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 9:42 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Chattahoochee flow reduction

As a Lake Lanier stakeholder I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

Thanks

Rudolph (Rusty) Mills
Account Manager
AT&T Business Services
* 404-929-0860 (V)
* 281-664-5241 (F)
* rmills@att.com

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: redelephant@ellijay.com
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 5:25 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Water Levels in Georgia's Lake Sidney Lanier

To whom it may concern,

Please notice and comply with the EPD request to restrict the water release at Lake Lanier from 750 cfs to 550 cfs. The water level is at a critical stage and I am concerned for the summer dry months upcoming. If this year is like last, the water levels could drop to 25 and possibly over 30 feet below full pool. When is Alabama and Florida going to realize when we're out, they'll be out too. Please help save us a little water by complying with the request.

Thank you

Thomas Morgan

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: ClydeMorris [clydemorris@charter.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 10:54 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: GA EPD proposal to reduce Buford Dam releases

I support the proposal to reduce Chattahoochee flow levels at Peachtree Creek from 750 cfs to 550 cfs by way of smaller releases from Buford Dam. During times when sufficient inflow to the Chattahoochee below Buford Dam from other tributaries and runoff is occurring, releases from Buford Dam should be reduced to the lowest level possible when those other inflows contribute to the flows necessary at Peachtree Creek for various purposes.

In addition, I urge the Corps to adopt on a permanent basis the proposed minimum flow level at Peachtree Creek of 550 cfs rather than the current 750 cfs, to be applied whenever possible taking into account all appropriate factors such as DO; the purpose of this proposal is to help avoid the kinds of low Lake Lanier water levels that have occurred during droughts. Not only the water supply, but the diverse economy that depends on recreation on and around Lake Lanier, are essential to the livelihoods, well being, and prosperity of thousands of people in the region, and should be preserved and protected through implementation of all reasonable means.

Clyde Morris
2375 Whippoorwill Lane
Gainesville, GA 30501

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Larry Ness [larryness@comcast.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 9:52 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lanier- Buford Dam reduction in releases

To whom it may concern:

I live on the lake and sell a high volume of real estate on Lanier. Please consider reducing the flow out of the lake temporarily to allow the lake to significantly raise it's water level. Not only has real estate suffered due to the lake condition, I have feedback from a variety of present and potential clients that the long term reputation of Lanier is now irreversibly affected due to the present condition. "It will never return to it's former quality."

There is now a "fear factor" regarding Lanier that it will never regain it's reputation as a world-class resource and that investing there in real estate could cause economic disaster to those investing in lakefront property.

Please, please reduce the flow to assist in raising the water level towards full pool now.

Thank you,

Larry Ness
770-641-0983

www.LanierHomesRealEstate.com

Heritage Real Estate Brokers, Inc.
3632 North River Road
Gainesville, GA 30506

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Drbob1111@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 11:28 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM; Rollerama@aol.com
Subject: Reduced Outflow from Lake Lanier

I've noticed a tremendous increase of silt-in along the banks of Lanier as a result of recent rains causing erosion of unprotected (unvegetated) shoreline. I'm sure that the Corps of Engineers is delighted to take advantage of the EPD guidelines, so as to allow the lake to rise and prevent this unnecessary and damaging accelerated silt-in. This is indeed an opportunity for the Corps to protect its investment!

Robert S. Neyman,

B.S.C.E.

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: PJNUFER@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 5:48 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EPD Request

Please reduce the water flow, as requested by the EPD.

Thank you,
Heidi Nufer

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Paul Parrish [Paul.Parrish@infor.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 7:40 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support for reduced release of water from lake lanier

I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS. I am a home owner on Lake Lanier

Paul M. Parrish | SVP and Controller, Infor | 13560 Morris Road, Suite 4100,
Alpharetta, GA 30004 | office: 678-319-8536 | cell: 404-386-5425 | fax: 678-319-9369 |
paul.parrish@infor.com

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: BRENT PEARSON [bpearson@parkmarine.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 11:37 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Water release proposal

Speaking on behalf of Port Royale Marina, we would be very much in favor of the proposed reduction in release. With the expected rain over the next 60 days, this would be a way to conserve more of that water and hold it in Lake Lanier, bringing the level up, in preparation for the summer. That should improve chances of keeping a safe & usable water level in Lanier this summer boating season, which of course is crucial to all of our business activities.

Brent Pearson

Op Mgr, Traina Enterprises, Inc.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: kjppdol@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 12:58 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM

We support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS. Please enact this ASAP to reduce the outflow at Buford Dam (Lanier) and allow more water storage in Lanier rather than sending it down stream unnecessarily. Please also consider further reducing the flow to less than 500 CFS for a period adequate enough to make up for the COE's drastic error in the late Summer\early Fall of 2006 when the measurement devices were inexplicably misread thus allowing the lake to go down an extra 8 feet unnecessarily. This needs to be reclaimed!!

Ken Pfeifer
410 750-2942
202 693-5045

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: David Polstra [davidpolstra@earthlink.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 11:35 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Please reduce flows

Dear Corps,

Please reduce flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 CFS to 550 CFS.

Dave Polstra
710 Apsley Way
Alpharetta, GA 30022

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Bill Price [bprice@newsalem.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 9:56 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: I Support GA EPD request

I support the GA EPD recommendation to reduce the outflow from Lake Lanier from 750 cfs to 550 cfs, on an emergency basis, to remain in effect through April 2008.

I understand that this recommendation is based on the fact that there has been substantial rainfall recently below Buford Dam, decreasing the need for water release from Lake Lanier.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Waine Ratliff [wratliff@freshens.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 9:56 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier Water Flow Reduction

I have a sailboat docked on Lake Lanier and I'm very effected by the water level of the lake. I believe that the water flow needs can be met down stream when rain from other areas (Al, FL, S. GA) increase the flow in the Chattahoochee. At these times please reduce the flow from Lake Lanier so that the water will not be used unnecessarily.

Thanks,

Waine Ratliff
Freshens Quality Brands
Ph: 678-627-5440
Fx: 678-627-5454

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Mark Reeves [Mark820@comcast.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 12:27 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: YES!!! We support reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS to reduce the outflow at Buford Dam (Lanier)!!!!

We support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS. Please enact this ASAP to reduce the outflow at Buford Dam (Lanier) and allow more water storage in Lanier rather than sending it down stream unnecessarily. Please also consider further reducing the flow to less than 500 CFS for a period adequate enough to make up for the COE's drastic error in the late Summer\early Fall of 2006 when the measurement devices were inexplicably misread thus allowing the lake to go down an extra several feet unnecessarily. This needs to be reclaimed!!

Thanks

Mark Reeves

6740 Canter Glen

Cumming, GA 30040

678.521.7820 Cell

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Revitsky@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 10:55 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduce Flow at P'tree creek

To Whom It my concern,

Please support the EPD request to reduce flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550CFS.
Michael Revitsky

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Brabham, Joseph M SAM Contractor
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 1:56 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Temporary Deviation/Waiver - Reduce WQ Release from Buford Dam

The Following Comments were submitted by Steve Rhodes on 2/28/2008

Affiliation: Lake Property Owner & Principle source of income from business on Lake Lanier

Address: 130 Cornfield Road
City, St, Zip: Dawsonville, Ga 30534
County: Dawson

Comments--->The low lake levels have been devistating to our business on Lake Lanier and based on previous experience with low lake levels the effects will last for years after we return to normal levels. The ripple effect go so far beyond the immediately obvious of local jobs lost the businesses they deal with to our suppliers who lose revenue.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Charlie.Rood@Regions.com
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 8:47 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support of Georgia EPD Reduced Lanier Outflow Request

Please accept this email as support of the Georgia EPD has requested that the US Army CORPS of Engineers reduce the water flow releases from Buford Dam on an emergency basis due to the current drought situation. EPD assessed the minimum flows at Peachtree Creek on the Chattahoochee in Fulton County and determined that 550 CFS (cubic feet per second), down from current minimum of 750 CFS can handle necessary requirements for dissolved oxygen and downstream flows due to substantial rain events below Buford Dam. EPD has requested that this flow reduction be implemented immediately and be maintained through April 2008, when it will be re-evaluated. Although it will not fill the Lake, it will modestly increase the Lake levels as we get prepared for the summer continuation of the drought.

Charlie Rood
Vice President, Construction Lending
Regions Bank
515 Atlanta Road
Cumming, Georgia 30040
Telephone 770-781-2498
Fax 770-781-2483
Mail Code: GACG62200G

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Mike Rottmann [m_rottmann@charter.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 2:42 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier Water Flow

Good day,

I am dropping a note in support of water flow reductions from Lake Lanier during the drought. I recognize the time limit to express myself and have intentionally limited this communications.

Best regards,

Mike Rottmann
3854 Silver Brook Lane
Gainesville, Ga 30506

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Sak, Ted E. [TSak@heery.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 6:00 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EMERGENCY REQUEST

Please consider this as a formal request to the US Army CORPS of Engineers to reduce the water flow released from Buford Dam on an emergency basis due to the current drought situation.

The EPD has assessed the minimum flows at Peachtree Creek on the Chattahoochee in Fulton County and determined that 550 CFS (cubic feet per second), down from current minimum of 750 CFS can handle necessary requirements for dissolved oxygen and downstream flows due to substantial rain events below Buford Dam. The EPD has requested that this flow reduction be implemented immediately and be maintained through April 2008, when it will be reevaluated.

This will reduce the outflow at Buford Dam (Lanier) and allow more water storage in Lanier rather than sending it down stream unnecessarily.

Ted Sak

P Please consider the environment before printing this e-mail

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: tannasavage@bellsouth.net
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 12:04 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support!!!!

We support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS. Please enact this ASAP to reduce the outflow at Buford Dam (Lanier) and allow more water storage in Lanier rather than sending it down stream unnecessarily. Please also consider further reducing the flow to less than 500 CFS for a period adequate enough to make up for the COE's drastic error in the late Summer\early Fall of 2006 when the measurement devices were inexplicably misread thus allowing the lake to go down an extra several feet unnecessarily. This needs to be reclaimed!!

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Christopher Seely [seaseely@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 8:50 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduced flow from Lake Sidney Lanier, Georgia

February 28, 2008

District Engineer, U.S. Army Corp of Engineers Mobile District, Post Office Box 2288,
Mobile, Alabama 36628-0001

Attention: Planning and Environmental Division, Inland Environment Team

Dear District Engineer:

Please implement the plan for reduced flows from Lake Lanier, Georgia. Though the southeast has received a fair amount of precipitation over the last month or so, much of that rain has fallen south of the Lanier watershed. If there is to be any significant recover for Lake Lanier, it must occur soon. As of now, the only meaningful prospect is for the U. S. Army Corp of Engineers to reduce the flow out of Lake Lanier. Until significant rain develops that will actually begin filling the lake, reducing the outflow is the only logical decision to be made.

Thank you for your time in this matter.

Christopher and Anna Seely
Roswell, GA.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Perry Serwitz [Perry.Serwitz@fox.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 2:07 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS to reduce the outflow at Buford Dam (Lanier)!!!!

Please support the recommendation to reduce flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS.

Please enact this ASAP to reduce the outflow at Buford Dam (Lanier) and allow more water storage in Lanier rather than sending it down stream unnecessarily. I can not understand why the USACE would not reduce the outflow at Buford Dam despite the recent heavy rain south of Lanier. Certainly the river flow/level was increased during this period thus allowing for a reduced outflow at the dam so the lake level could further increase.

Please also consider further reducing the flow to less than 500 CFS for a period adequate enough to make up for the COE's drastic error in the late Summer\early Fall of 2006 when the measurement devices were inexplicably misread thus allowing the lake to go down an extra several feet unnecessarily. This needs to be reclaimed!!

Perry Serwitz

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: warrendrywallinc@windstream.net
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 6:30 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: water flow

Please be attentive to the volumes of water released from the Lake Lanier Dam this season. When the Florida basin is receiving ample water from rain storms, please reduce the volume released down stream.

Many Thanks,

Donna R. Shaw

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Brabham, Joseph M SAM Contractor
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 3:48 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Temporary Deviation/Waiver - Reduce WQ Release from Buford Dam

The Following Comments were submitted by Wayne Sigmund on 2/28/2008

Affiliation: Local Resident
Address: 765 Kilough Church Rd.
City, St, Zip: Dawsonville, GA 30534
County: Dawsonville

Comments---->

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Brabham, Joseph M SAM Contractor
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 3:49 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Temporary Deviation/Waiver - Reduce WQ Release from Buford Dam

The Following Comments were submitted by Judy Sigmund on 2/28/2008

Affiliation: Local Resident
Address: 765 Kilough Church Rd.
City, St, Zip: Dawsonville, GA 30534
County: Dawsonville

Comments---->

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Larry W. Simmons [lwsimmons@mindspring.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 7:48 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier

Please accept this email as support of the request that has been made by GA - EPD to reduce water flow from Buford Dam in order to improve water quality and to ensure an adequate supply of drinking water for those of us that rely on Lake Lanier as a source of drinking water. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Larry W. Simmons

568 Dogwood way

Dawsonville, Ga. 30534

Home office: 706-216-3232

Cell: 404-281-9080

Email: lwsimmons@mindspring.com

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Jeff Smith [jsmith@facecake.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 3:46 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: reduced Buford Dam outflow

I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS. We need to reduce the outflow at Buford Dam (Lanier) and allow more water

storage in Lanier rather than sending it down stream unnecessarily.

Thanks,

Jeff Smith

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Brabham, Joseph M SAM Contractor
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 2:54 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Temporary Deviation/Waiver - Reduce WQ Release from Buford Dam

The Following Comments were submitted by Jeff Smith on 2/28/2008

Affiliation: Local Resident
Address: 13428 Marrywood Court
City, St, Zip: Alpharetta, GA 30004
County: Fulton

Comments--->Lake Sidney Lanier discharge. I would like to remind the

Comments--->Corp

of Engineers they started this mess when they let out millions of gallons of water by their own mistake in the spring of 2007. Although people around the lake were calling in and asking why the lake is dropping. Their reply was it is normal. The lake was at full pool and that was the greatest amount of water.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: John K. Snellings [jsnellings@mindspring.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 8:26 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Water Flow

We urge you to put in place the new reduced water flow plan! We are property owners on Lake Lanier in Forsyth County. This will be an excellent plan for us and the water user below the lake!

John and Beverly Snellings

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Brabham, Joseph M SAM Contractor
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 3:58 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Temporary Deviation/Waiver - Reduce WQ Release from Buford Dam

The Following Comments were submitted by Bill Sommerfield on 2/28/2008
Affiliation: Nongovernmental Organization
Address: 6700 Holiday Road
City, St, Zip: Buford, Ga 30518
County: Hall

Comments--->I am in favor to reduce the releases out of Buford, Dam.

Bill Sommerfield
President-Marine Trade Assoc. of Metro Atl.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Brabham, Joseph M SAM Contractor
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 4:00 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Temporary Deviation/Waiver - Reduce WQ Release from Buford Dam

The Following Comments were submitted by Bill Sommerfield on 2/28/2008

Affiliation: Industry/Commercial
Address: 6700 Holiday Road
City, St, Zip: Buford, Ga 30518
County: Hall

Comments--->As V.P. of Lazy Days Marina, I am in favor to reduce the releases of Buford Dam to meet water quality standards at Atlanta.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Brabham, Joseph M SAM Contractor
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 4:01 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Temporary Deviation/Waiver - Reduce WQ Release from Buford Dam

The Following Comments were submitted by Alan Sommerfield on 2/28/2008

Affiliation: Local Resident
Address: 6436 Millstone Cove Drive
City, St, Zip: Flowery Branch, GA 30542
County: Hall

Comments--->I am in favor to reduce the releases out of Lake Lanier

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: David Stephens [DavidStephens@dstile.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 1:42 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier Water Management

Attachments: Reduced Chat flows 2258.docx



Reduced Chat flows
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Please take the attached views into consideration. I fully support reducing the amount of water released from the Lake Lanier Reservoir.

Thank you,

David Stephens

February 26, 2008

I am writing to support the GA-EPD Request (11 Feb 2008) to reduce the minimum flows at USGS 02336000 (Peachtree Creek Gauge) from 750 cubic feet per second (cfs) to 550 cfs. The proposal shows very little impact downstream, while improving Lake Lanier's level by more than one foot if hydrology conditions of the year 2000 are duplicated, which still allows Lanier to rise no higher than ten feet below the full pool level.

Lanier is now still below the low level (1055.61) of the 2000 drought, causing a destructive impact on all who use, enjoy and rely on Lanier for financial asset value and income. If the Lake Lanier watershed continues to experience low rainfall conditions, as some are forecasting, recreation will be devastated during the prime season causing severe hardship to many.

I believe the proposal does not go far enough to give Lanier proper consideration. I think there should also be a concentration on Buford Dam releases, which have been running around 600 cfs for the past few days. There are not many days when the flow at the Peachtree Creek Gauge is at the minimum 750 cfs because with Buford Dam releases at 600 cfs there is enough runoff into the Chattahoochee between Buford Dam and the Peachtree Creek Gauge to raise the flows well above the 750 cfs.

Therefore, there should be a further reduction of releases at Buford Dam when the flows at the Peachtree Creek Gauge are well above the established minimum. Currently there is no need to augment downstream flows. West Point Lake is at 1031.69, about three feet above its seasonal full pool. Lake George is at 189.01, a foot above its seasonal full pool. The Apalachicola River flow at USGS 02358000 (Chattahoochee, Florida) is 52,000 cfs, (47,250 cfs above its minimum flow).

As can be seen from the facts, everything below Buford Dam on the ACF is having great success while Lake Lanier is still almost seventeen feet below the seasonal full pool level. Lake Lanier suffers most because it has a small watershed for the size of the lake. So, for a given amount of rain across the entire ACF watershed, Lanier recovers very slowly while the downstream reservoirs and rivers experience abundance from their relatively larger watersheds.

Perhaps a better comparison would be between Lake Lanier and Lake Allatoona (on the ACT) geographically close to each other. For approximately the same rainfall the Lake Allatoona level rises much more than Lake Lanier. Lake Allatoona is now at a level of 830.97, one foot above its seasonal full pool level, and twelve feet above its lowest level during the past five months. Lanier is at 1053.34, almost seventeen feet below its seasonal full pool, and only two and one half feet above its

lowest level during the past five months. Why? Allatoona is about one third the size of Lanier while having a similar size watershed. Therefore, the same watershed runoff for both lakes has a much more dramatic positive impact on Lake Allatoona levels.

In summary, I support the Peachtree Gauge minimum 550 cfs flow, but urge more action in reducing Buford Dam releases to lessen the negative impact on Lake Lanier levels. Without more action to improve Lake Lanier it will suffer a hugely disproportional drought penalty than other ACF locals.

Ronald Seder

ronseder@mindspring.com

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Brabham, Joseph M SAM Contractor
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 3:44 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Temporary Deviation/Waiver - Reduce WQ Release from Buford Dam

The Following Comments were submitted by Jon M. Stovall on 2/28/2008

Affiliation: Owner Manager of Bald Ridge Manrina
Address: 3987 Sweet Bottom Drive
City, St, Zip: Duluth, GA 30096
County: Gwinnett

Comments--->Please slow down the water release. It is affecting the livleyhoods of myself and my employees. It is also adveserley affecting my tenants.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Brabham, Joseph M SAM Contractor
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 2:16 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Temporary Deviation/Waiver - Reduce WQ Release from Buford Dam

The Following Comments were submitted by Paul G. Stovall Jr. on 2/28/2008

Affiliation: Local Resident
Address: 131 Grand Ave
City, St, Zip: Suwanee GA 30024
County: Forsyth

Comments--->I work on Lake Lanier and this water level is killing us.

Comments--->Also

it looks to me like when they have a lot of rain below Buford Dam they could cut releases even more.

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Bttoomey@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 7:38 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: REQUEST TO REDUCE WATER FLOW AT THE BUFORD DAM

Gentlemen:

Regarding the petition below, please consider reducing the flow from the Buford dam downstream. Florida and Alabama are not in a state of crisis. They have no water restrictions on their population and use our water like there is no tomorrow. Where is the crisis there? Let's be fair about this!

Bart & Rita Toomey
6618 Westerly Lane
Gainesville, Ga. 30506

Mobile District has received a request from the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (GA-EPD) that a reduction be made in releases from Buford Dam/Lake Lanier to meet the water quality requirement on the Chattahoochee River at Atlanta, Georgia, as a temporary drought contingency measure. A copy of the GA-EPD request by letter dated 11 February 2008 is attached for your reference and review. The current minimum flow requirement for assimilation of return flow at Atlanta (750 cfs) is incorporated in the current Buford Dam Reservoir Regulation Manual, as measured on the Chattahoochee River above the confluence with Peachtree Creek. GA-EPD requests that a reduction in the water quality required flow to 550 cfs be considered. This request would therefore require a temporary deviation from current water management operations.

GA-EPD's request represents a proposed temporary drought contingency measure in response to drought conditions experienced this past year and forecasts for continued drought conditions in 2008. The proposed reduction in flows is based on water quality criteria at Atlanta and seeks to conserve storage in Lake Lanier (Buford Dam) by reducing the amount of release necessary to meet State water quality standards during cooler months.

The Corps of Engineers is given discretion to manage its reservoirs by the Flood Control Act of 1944. The procedures for water management actions at Corps projects is set out in Engineer Regulation 1110-2-240 (33 C.F.R. Part 222.5), which states as follows in regard to droughts:

"Continuous examination should be made of regulations schedules, possible need for storage reallocation (within existing authority and constraints) and to identify needed changes in normal regulation. Emphasis should be placed on evaluating conditions that could require deviation from normal release schedules as part of drought contingency plans (ER 1110-2-1941)."

Engineering Regulation 1110-2-1941 requires water managers to re-examine procedures and reservoirs to determine whether improvement can be made during low water periods within current authorities.

This notice is requesting written comments from Federal, State and local agencies, Tribes, affected industries, organizations, other stakeholders and the public regarding potential affects of the proposed reduction in flows for the purpose of conducting environmental evaluation and obtaining stakeholder input which will assist in a determination on the request for a temporary deviation from the Reservoir Regulation Manual. Information provided in response to this notice will be considered by the Mobile District and South Atlantic Division in determining whether or not to implement a temporary deviation and to what extent. Please communicate this information to any other interested parties.

The decision on the proposed temporary deviation or variance in water management operations will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact, including cumulative impacts, of the proposed activity on the public interest. Written comments are requested on specific impacts to other users and operations that occur within the basin. That

decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources.

The benefit which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered, including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, cultural values, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, flood plain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food production, and in general, the needs and welfare of the people. Potential consequences of this proposed temporary deviation include impacts on pool elevations at West Point and Walter F. George, on river stages at various water intakes below Buford Dam, and on in-stream water quality criteria. In addition, the proposed flow reduction may impact individual discharge permit holders downstream of Buford Dam. The reduced flow may also impact the trout hatchery downstream of Buford Dam and/or the fishery associated with that facility. There may be additional consequences or impacts for which we solicit your input.

This topic is scheduled to be discussed during the bi-weekly ACF Basin Drought Teleconference scheduled for Thursday, 28 February 2008, 1100-1200 E ST (1000-1100 CST). The call-in number is 866-916-8488. At the prompt, type in the passcode 6076350 followed by the # sign. Oral comments will be heard at that time, but you are requested to submit written comments to assure your concerns are fully considered.

Written comments should be directed the District Engineer, U.S. Army Engineer District, Mobile, Post Office Box 2288, Mobile, Alabama 36628-0001, Attention: Planning and Environmental Division, Inland Environment Team in time to be received not later than 28 February 2008. In order to expedite receipt of comments, electronic copies of comments may be forwarded to the following email address:

cesam-pd-ea@usace.army.mil

Electronic comments may also be provided on the Mobile District web site at the following location:

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Mack Treece [mack.treece@teliris.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 9:27 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: <no subject>

I support the reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS. Please do this for the benefit of the lake.

Thanks,

Mack E. Treece
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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: bryan weaver [bryan805@comcast.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 10:16 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Support for Georgia EPD Proposal for Lake Lanier

As a citizen of Atlanta, consumer of the public water system sourced from the Lake Lanier reservoir and recreational user of Lake Sidney Lanier. I fully support the proposal of the Georgia EPD to reduce the flow of freshwater from Lake Lanier.

I urge you to consider this request and to take action to be proactive in efforts to rebuild Lake Lanier to normal levels ASAP.

Thank you for your consideration and the opportunity to share my thoughts.

Sincerely,

Bryan Weaver

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: allisonwayne2@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 5:57 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM

I support the EPD request regarding Lake Lanier.

Thank you.
Allison Wildenburg

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Sherleen [ssz806@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 3:23 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM

We feel that the EPD request to lower the outflow of Lk Lanier to 550cfm should be done immediately to help our lake. Thanks you for your consideration.

SP and SS Zehner
Lake owners

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Carey Childrey [cmc2550@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Friday, February 29, 2008 11:04 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier Water Level

Dear Sirs:

I support the GA EPD recommendation to reduce the outflow from Lake Lanier from 750 cfs to 550 cfs, on an emergency basis, to remain in effect through April 2008.

I understand that this recommendation is based on the fact that there has been substantial rainfall recently below Buford Dam, decreasing the need for water release from Lake Lanier.

In Christ,

Carey

Carey Childrey
PARACLETE
678.985.5590

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Allen Dupont [adupont@freshens.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 1:24 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduce the flow from Lake Lanier

As a concerned citizen and a property owner on Lake Lanier, I feel it is imperative to reduce the flow from Lake Lanier in accordance with the Ga. EDP recommendations. Please make it known to the Army Corps. of Engineers that we must reduce the flow now!

Regards,

Allen DuPont
782 Chestatee Cir.
Dawsonville, GA

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: follyboat@aol.com
Sent: Friday, February 29, 2008 9:28 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: water release @ Buford Dam

To whom it may concern,

I urge you to maintain the lowest possible discharge of water from Lake Lanier as the impoundment of this water is the lifeblood of Atlanta.

The citizens of Georgia are much more important than a few mussels downstream. (They were here when there was only a river and they survived droughts then)

Atlanta uses a lot of water, and leaks a lot too. (almost 20% of it's intake) This needs to be fixed now!

Low flow fixtures etc. are important but you are losing 1/5 of the water you take from the river.

That being said, if there is not enough water in the lake it really won't matter.

Lake Lanier is a part of Georgia, the other states should build their own reservoir to meet their needs and leave us alone.

Regards,
JimHixson

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Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: joelaramsey [joelaramsey@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Friday, February 29, 2008 8:22 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: EPD REquest

We support the EPD request to reduce the water flow releases from Buford Dam to 550 CFS down from current minimum of 750 CFS. Please reduce. Thank you

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Scott Carper [scott@scottcarper.com]
Sent: Saturday, March 01, 2008 10:02 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Georgia EPD Request to reduce water flow releases from Buford Dam

I support the Georgia EPD's request to reduce the water flow releases from Buford Dam on an emergency basis due to the current drought situation.
Please honor the request and help out Lake Lanier!

Thank you.

Scott Carper
10190 Timberstone Rd
Johns Creek, GA 30022

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: J Edwards [jime1@charter.net]
Sent: Saturday, March 01, 2008 2:57 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduced flows at Peachtree Creek from 750 to 550 CFS

I would really appreciate it if The Corps would do everything possible to reduce the outflow of Lake Lanier. I feel that this is critically important for all residents of Metro Atlanta and, indeed, those downstream. I support the reduction in flow from 750 to 550 CFS & other common sense measures to help the drought situation and help prepare for a long dry summer.

Sincerely;

Jim Edwards
5759 Harbor North
Gainesville, GA

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Jeffrey Pine [drpoppop@mindspring.com]
Sent: Saturday, March 01, 2008 9:18 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier water release

Dear Sir,

Clearly any reasonable scientific approach should be based on the necessary requirements of water flow distal to the Buford Dam. The Georgia EPD has recommended reducing the outflow to 550 CFS which will meet the requirements needed for oxygenation, etc. in view of current rainfall. The continued problem with the Army Corps of Engineers is the inability to respond quickly to take advantage of the climatic changes. Namely, the flow should be immediately adjusted (currently should be reduced) to take advantage of the current rainfall. Failure to do so exacerbates the effects of the drought and potential to save water and protect all species as well as human needs. Poor management has been detrimental to all and often due to political and bureaucratic issues. Please immediately push to do the right thing!

Thank you,

Dr Jeffrey Pine

663 Royer Court

Atlanta, GA 30322

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: ladybeth@bellsouth.net
Sent: Sunday, March 02, 2008 5:37 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Cc: 'Vicki Barnhorst'
Subject: Water in Lake Lanier

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We support LLA and the EPD in their request to diminish the flow to the river below the dam. Florida has had several severe storms in the last month and the additional water should be enough to protect the endangered and threatened species.

People who own small businesses are going bankrupt. Some of our marinas are closing their doors. Our property values are sinking. You can't sell your house when your dock is sitting on the mud. The \$50 billion annual economy generated by activities on and around Lake Lanier is suffering greatly. When spring comes, the mud everywhere on and around the lake, will hatch hundreds of thousands of mosquitoes. What will happen if we get an epidemic of yellow fever and malaria caused by Florida's actions?

The Corp has dredged the Apalachicola for years, creating sloughs and causing the water in the river to pool instead of running on down to the coast. Florida allows "deadheading", retrieving century-old cypress logs lying on the river bottom creating more sloughs for pooling. Both of these activities create clouds of silt and sand which smother the mussels and possibly the sturgeon. They also alter the levels of the river, affecting shell fish (like mussels) and other creatures who thrive in clear shallow water. These actions are causing severe habitat destruction. Lake Lanier is being emptied for false reasons.

It has also been said that the "Group of 100", politicians, developers, and others with a stake in continuing Florida's rampant growth, are restrained only by the availability of water, and luckily for them, there are some animals suffering from the destruction of their habitat over a long number of years. I can assure you that this fight for water is not about the animals. It is about money - as it always is.

The people of North Georgia and on down to South Georgia below Buford dam, should not be required to sacrifice our businesses, the value of our homes, and our right to Georgia's drinking water, in order to "keep Florida growing". There is no more water.

Elizabeth

Morris, Flowery Branch, Georgia

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: Craig Grier [crgrier@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:49 PM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Lake Lanier

Please reduce the flow to 550 cf as recommended.

Sent from my iPhone

Zettle, Brian A SAM

From: gtottens@bellsouth.net
Sent: Wednesday, March 05, 2008 8:11 AM
To: CESAM-PD-EA SAM
Subject: Reduce Flow out of Lake Lanier

We support any reduction in the flow of water coming out of Lake Lanier. In times of drought, "water in should be greater than or equal to water out" of Lake Lanier. Please help us get an endangered species listed for Lake Lanier.

Kathy Totten
Cumming, Georgia
770-887-8296