

From: Mark Johnson
To: wendysbutler@hotmail.com
Cc: Amanda Schnabel
Subject: FW: Reply regarding: Roseau Lake Rehabilitation
Date: Tuesday, July 27, 2021 8:32:45 AM

Dear Ms. Butler:

Thank you for your email of July 26, 2021 and your comments. I will forward them to the LSOHC council members.

Regards,

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From: Wendy Butler <wendysbutler@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, July 26, 2021 4:59 PM
To: Isohc mailbox <Isohc@Isohc.leg.mn>
Subject: With all due respect

Hello,

I am a Roseau resident and I am 100% opposed to the Roseau Lake Rehabilitation Project. With all due respect, there have been MANY ridiculous ideas and projects funded by the DNR, but this one may just take the cake!

I have been a resident of Roseau county for nearly my entire life and it would be difficult to find someone in this county who has NOT been affected by the DNR's practice of stealing land from residents. I am so discouraged to hear that you have donated millions of dollars to this project when it only hurts the people in my beautiful town!

Instead, the DNR's overreach continues with the theft of land. This is a misguided public works project with virtually no public benefit, that threatens the livelihoods and farms of over 50 farmers and landowners and approximately 6,000 acres of farmland.

I have visited with these farmers. I have heard their stories and I trust they have a lot more common sense than ANYONE at the DNR! I stand with them against this project and I find it abhorrent that the government continues to use my tax dollars in order to cover up their theft.

It is truly unfathomable. A licensed hydrologist said the flood plan will only result in a 5% reduction in flooding, and not where Roseau is hit hardest. The project will not create a habitat for wildlife. It will create a stagnant bog, typically only 6" high and sometimes up to 18". If you've never visited this area in the summer, I hope you will! You will realize that the

last thing ON EARTH that we need is more mosquitoes!

Thank you for your time. You have a chance to do something respectable. Saying, "I think we were wrong about this" and stopping your donations to this ridiculous project would be that respectable act!

Sincerely,
Wendy Butler