



223 East Spring Street
New Albany, IN 47150
(812) 727- 4837
info@inrivers.org
INRivers.org

Indiana Rivers, Inc. (IN Rivers) is a recently incorporated organization working to protect and restore Indiana's rivers and watersheds. Indiana Rivers views the proposed Mounds Lake Reservoir as **unnecessary and destructive**.

-- We view the impoundment as unnecessary because there has been no demonstrated need for additional water in Indiana; and if such a need were to be found, Citizens Energy Group lists 19 other means of extending water resources that would be less expensive and less environmentally destructive. Indiana Rivers believes that all of these alternatives should be fully implemented before there is any consideration of building another dam in Indiana.

-- Given the absence of need, we view the inundation of the Indiana State Nature Preserve in Mounds State Park as an unwarranted and unprecedented violation of the Indiana State Nature Preserves Act, destroying a high quality fen, which could never be replaced or mitigated.

Because the unnecessary and highly destructive nature of this proposed reservoir is in direct conflict with the Indiana Rivers mission of protecting Indiana's rivers and watersheds, we join Heart of the River in **opposing** the Mounds Lake Reservoir.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Flickner".

Jason Flickner, President