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Yeah, I know that fisherman and rafting companies and ACE have been at each other for quite some time. I am wondering if anyone knows where a structural engineering report is for the capacity limit of pool height 1370. I am just wondering how much water that dam can safely store. I mean, it looks like an enormous structure, but I have no idea what an earthen, boulder monstrosity like that can safely hold back.

I think the Corps gets paid for some level of water retention right? Anyway, I am primarily concerned with where the 1370 number comes from. It just seems to me that if that number goes up higher, then rafters and fisherman will be working with a concerted effort for more storage as opposed to who gets the water and when it comes out.

This fisheries friendly flow in May and April does not seem like a large concession to me by the rafting companies. Who is going to run customers down that river when the water is 40 degrees. I am sure some kayakers would run it with wet/dry suits, but the bulk of business comes from the weekend family excursion.