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THE WHITE HOUSE

ACTION

WASHINGTON

Last Day - Saturday, January 4

January 2, 1975

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TO ARCHIVES

MEMORANDUM

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

KEN COLE

SUBJECT:

Enrolled Bill: Name changes, "Granger Dam and Lake" and Oc. Fisher Dam and Lake,

H.R. 11802 and H.R. 15322

### BACKGROUND

These bills change the names of two dams and lakes. No one objects to H.R. 11802 which would name the dam after the city of Granger, Texas.

H.R. 15322 would rename the San Angelo Reservoir after retiring Congressman O.C. Fisher.

### ARGUMENTS FOR SIGNING

Both bills reflect the will of Congress that these public works projects be renamed.

### ARGUMENTS FOR VETO

Department of Interior recommends that you veto H.R. 15322 because it violates a long standing policy against naming lakes after living persons. However, last month, you signed S. 1561 renaming a lake after Cecil Harden thus rejecting the Interior "living persons" argument.

### STAFF AND AGENCY POSITIONS

The following recommend signature of both bills:

Roy Ash (see attached enrolled bill memo)
Ken Cole
Max Friedersdorf
Phil Areeda (no objection)
Department of the Army
Department of Interior (H.R. 11802 only)

Interior recommends pocket veto of H.R. 15322 (O.C. Fisher Dam and Lake).

DECISION -	H.R.	11802	("Granger	Dam	and	Lake"	)
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Sign Pocket Veto
(Tab B) Pocket Veto
(Prepare Memorandum of Disapproval)

# EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

### OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

DEC 2 9 1974

### MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Enrolled Bills:

(1) H.R. 11802 - Name change: "Granger Dam and Lake"

Sponsor - Rep. Poage (D) Texas

Dam and Lake"
Sponsor - Rep. Poage

### Last Day for Action

January 4, 1975 - Saturday

### Purpose

Changes the names of two Corps of Engineers projects located in Texas.

### Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget

Approval

Department of the Army
Department of the Interior

Approval No objection (H.R. 11802) Disapproval (H.R. 15322)

### Discussion

H.R. 11802 would rename the Laneport Dam and Lake, now under construction on the San Gabriel River, Texas, after the city of Granger, the largest town in the vicinity and a future focal point for recreation and other activities associated with the project.

H.R. 15322 would rename the San Angelo Dam and Reservoir on the North Concho River as the "O.C. Fisher Dam and Lake." Representative Fisher, who retired at the end of this session, has represented the 21st District of Texas since 1943, and was a leading sponsor of the San Angelo Dam, which was completed in 1952.

Interior recommends disapproval of the second enrolled bill since it would conflict with the longstanding policy of the Board of Geographic Names against naming geographical features after living persons. While we respect Interior's concerns, we note that there are a number of precedents for naming of such projects after living persons.

(signed) Wilfred H. Rommel

Assistant Director for Legislative Reference

Enclosures

ACTION MEMORANDUM

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LOG NO .:

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Date:

December 30, 1974

Time:

5:00 p.m.

FOR ACTION:

Mike Duval

CC

cc (for information): Warren Hendriks

Jerry JOnes Jack Marsh

Max Friedersdorf Phil Areeda

FROM THE STAFF SECRETARY

DUE: Date:

Tuesday, December 31

Time:

5:00 p.m.

SUBJECT:

Enrolled Bills: H.R. 11802 - Name change "Granger Dam and Lake"

H.R. 15322 - Name Change: O.C. Fisher Dam and Lake

ACTION REQUESTED:

\_\_\_\_ For Necessary Action

\_\_\_\_For Your Recommendations

\_\_\_\_ Prepare Agenda and Brief

\_\_\_\_ Draft Reply

\_\_\_\_ For Your Comments

\_\_\_\_ Draft Remarks

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Warren K. Hendriks \_\_\_\_\_\_

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K. R. COLE, JR. For the President

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Warren K. Hendriks For the President

WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

WARREN HENDRIKS

FROM: //

MAX L. FRIEDERSDORF

SUBJECT:

Action Memorandum - Log No. 918

The Office of Legislative Affairs concurs with the Agencies that the enrolled bill should be signed.

Attachments



### DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20310

26 DEC 1974

Honorable Roy L. Ash Director Office of Management and Budget

Dear Mr. Ash:

This is in reply to your request for the views of the Department of the Army on enrolled enactment H.R. 15322, 93d Congress, to "Designating San Angelo Dam and Reservoir on the North Concho River as the "O. C. Fisher Dam and Lake."

The Department of the Army recommends approval of the enrolled enactment.

The purpose of the enrolled enactment is stated in its title. The San Angelo Dam and Reservoir was authorized by the Flood Control Act of 1941 to serve flood control and related purposes. Construction was completed in 1952.

The Honorable O. C. Fisher is the present Congressman from the Twenty-First District of Texas, and is a resident of the City of San Angelo. He has practiced law there, and has served as County Attorney, State Representative and District Attorney before being elected to the 78th and succeeding Congresses. Congressman Fisher has authored several laws creating major water conservation and flood control projects in his district and was instrumental in obtaining approval for construction of the San Angelo Reservoir. Congressman Fisher has announced his retirement upon the expiration of his present term in Congress.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Callaway Secretary of the Army



# United States Department of the Interior

# OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20240

DEC 27 1974

Dear Mr. Ash:

This responds to your request for the views of this Department on enrolled bill H.R. 15322, "Designating San Angelo Dam and Reservoir on the North Concho River as the 'O. C. Fisher Dam and lake'."

We do not recommend Presidential approval of this enrolled bill.

H.R. 15322 would honor retiring Congressman O. C. Fisher by renaming the San Angelo Reservoir "Fisher Lake" after him. The Board of Geographic Names has a long standing policy against naming lakes after living persons. In light of this policy, we recommend that the President not approve this bill.

Since ely yours,

Under Secretary of the Interior

Honorable Roy L. Ash Director Office of Management an

Office of Management and Budget Washington, D. C. 20503





# OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

DEC 2 9 1974

# MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Enrolled Bills:

- (1) H.R. 11802 Name change: "Granger Dam and Lake"

  Sponsor Rep. Poage (D) Texas
- (2) H.R. 15322 Name change: "O.C. Fisher Dam and Lake"
  Sponsor Rep. Poage

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### Last Day for Action

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# Discussion

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### O. C. FISHER DAM AND LAKE

NOVEMBER 19, 1974.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. Blatnik, from the Committee on Public Works, submitted the following

### REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 15322]

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 15322) designating San Angelo Dam and Reservoir on the North Concho River as the "O. C. Fisher Dam and Lake," having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

#### PURPOSE

The purpose of this bill is to designate the San Angelo Dam and Reservoir on the North Concho River, Texas, as the "O. C. Fisher Dam and Lake."

#### GENERAL

The San Angelo Dam and Reservoir was authorized by the Flood Control Act of August 18, 1941, and was completed and commenced

operation in 1952.

Representative O. Clark Fisher is a distinguished Member of Congress from the 21st District of Texas and a resident of San Angelo. It was there that he began his practice of law, and served as County Attorney, State Representative, and District Attorney before being elected to the 78th and succeeding Congresses. He has been a leading sponsor of legislative proposals creating major water conservation and flood control projects in his district and was instrumental in obtaining approval for construction of the San Angelo Reservoir. Representative Fisher will be retiring from the Congress at the conclusion of the 93d Congress. In view of his long and distinguished career, and his many years of outstanding service to the people of his district and to his country, it is fitting that the San Angelo Dam and Reservoir be named in his honor as the "O. C. Fisher Dam and Lake."

### COST OF THE LEGISLATION

Enactment of this legislation will not result in any cost to the United States. This estimate has been prepared pursuant to Rule XIII(7) of the Rules of the House of Representatives.

VOTE

The Committee ordered the bill reported by voice vote.

DESIGNATING SAN ANGELO DAM AND RESERVOIR ON THE NORTH CONCHO RIVER AS THE "O. C. FISHER DAM AND LAKE"

DECEMBER 19, 1974.—Ordered to be printed

Mr. Randolph, from the Committee on Public Works, submitted the following

### REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 15322]

The Committee on Public Works, to which was referred the bill (H.R. 15322) providing that the San Angelo Dam and Reservoir be known as the "O. C. Fisher Dam and Lake," having considered the same, reports favorably thereon without amendment and recommends that the bill as amended do pass.

### PURPOSE

The purpose of this bill is to designate the San Angelo Dam and Reservoir as the "O. C. Fisher Dam and Lake," in honor of the Honorable O. C. Fisher who is retiring at the end of this session as Congressman from the 21st District of Texas.

### GENERAL STATEMENT

- O. C. Fisher has represented the 21st District of Texas since 1943. The District which he has so ably served is subject to long droughts and torrential rainfall. It was these factors that made the construction of the San Angelo Dam and Reservoir a necessity. The need for the project was emphasized by the devastating flood of 1936. Authorized by the Flood Control Act of 1938, the project was completed in 1952. In the intervening years, it has served and will continue to serve a vital protective function as well as being a valuable recreational resource.
- O. C. Fisher served as lawyer, county attorney, State representative, and district attorney in the 21st District before being elected to the 78th and succeeding Congresses. He will retire at the end of the 93d Congress.

As a leading sponsor of the San Angelo Dam and Reservoir, it is entirely fitting that the project be named in his honor in view of his long and distinguished career and his years of outstanding service to

the people of the 21st District and to the Nation.

The committee recognizes that the renaming of this project for a sitting Member of Congress is a departure from the Committee's rules. However, the committee approves this action in this instance because of O. C. Fisher's long and distinguished career and in recognition of his imminent retirement.

### COST OF LEGISLATION

Section 252(a) (1) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1970 requires publication in this report of the committee's estimate of the costs of reported legislation, together with estimates prepared by any Federal agency. There is no cost to the Federal Government authorized by this legislation.

### ROLLCALL VOTES

Section 133 of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1970 and the rules of the Committee on Public Works require that any rollcall votes be announced in this report. During the committee's consideration of this bill, no rollcall votes were taken.

### CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW

In compliance with subsection 4 of rule XXIX of the Standing Rules of the Senate, it is reported that this bill effects no change in existing law.

# Minety-third Congress of the United States of America

# AT THE SECOND SESSION

Begun and held at the City of Washington on Monday, the twenty-first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and seventy-four

# An Act

Designating San Angelo Dam and Reservoir on the North Concho River as the "O. C. Fisher Dam and Lake".

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the San Angelo Dam and Reservoir, North Concho River, Texas, authorized by the Flood Control Act approved August 18, 1941, shall hereafter be known as the O. C. Fisher Dam and Lake, and any law, regulation, document, or record of the United States in which such project is designated or referred to shall be held to refer to such project under and by the name of "O. C. Fisher Dam and Lake".

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Vice President of the United States and President of the Senate.

### December 24, 1974

Dear Mr. Director:

The following bills were received at the White House on December 24th:

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Please let the President have reports and recommendations as to the approval of these bills as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Robert D. Linder Chief Executive Clerk

The Honorable Roy L. Ash Director Office of Management and Budget Washington, D. C.