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Estabrook Dam comments

I believe the old dam should be removed only, no new dam, no impoundment. I'm against replacing the Estabrook Dam with a new dam as too expensive and environmentally harmful and feel that the only solution that makes sense is to just remove the dam. It would cost millions more to replace and maintain it, and the only ones to benefit would be a few land owners bordering the river between Hampton Ave and Bender Road in Glendale. The greater risks of damage from higher water levels, the new polluted silt accumulating behind any new dam or impoundment, the increased possibility of lawsuits and the possibly of winter damaging a new dam would impose on tax payers too much cost and too much risk, for too little summer recreation for too few people.

The waste collected at the dam at Estabrook Park is unsightly, unsafe and possibly a fire or pollutant hazard. Such a site has no business within a public park and removing the dam would probably remove the collecting of any more waste there.

We've had 8 years to see the effects of a free flowing Milwaukee River at that location yet I cannot find any Environmental impact studies for the effects of that free flowing river there during any of that time.

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