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It is disconcerting that this subject is constantly coming up. With all the information on how important that some of these fluctuations are to the community, environment, and to the river and its wild life with in and around it. This subject should be understood long before now. I have often looked at the river gauges. One thing I have seen is that there are numerous releases that occur through out the year above Pit 1. Unfortunately those releases happen in the middle of the night. Often people scream but have no solutions to many of these issues. So here is my voice with a possible solution.

Why not time many of the increased flows above Pit 1 for times that can be accommodating to many of the varied recreation industries in the area. If these releases are occurring anyway. Could it be timed to benefit a wider variety of the public. Much of this "power war" I see is not so much brought on by the power companies themselves. But appear to be spear headed by many of the fishing industry. I do not intend to get into a fight with them here. However, it is common knowledge among all rec. users outside of fishing that there lies an animosity to increasing flows from them. It simply baffles me that the Power Industry would buckle to the needs of this one group. Yet attempt to ignore a large percent of their energy using customers.

No one has asked that higher flows be a predominant feature of this river or any other river. But it should occur. We all know it is in the best interest of the health of the river itself. And that in turn is in the best interest of the community and all industries connected to it. This disconnect that the power companies are continually throwing out there. Will only lead to the end of their own company in the long run. So it stands to reason that the current governing people. Don't really care for the community in the long haul. It appears that they are only out to make what dollars they can now, and devil be hanged what happens after they retire.

Please keep the flows for Pit 1 and any other section of the Pit river system flowing. Changing a few time lines that these flows occur can and will be beneficial to all parties involved. This is a good thing for everyone.

Thank you for listening.
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