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I am expressing support for Alternative #3. Although none of your alternatives are balanced Alternative #3 is the only one which comes close to the needs and future of Grant County and the Mattawa area. I also support Representative Doc Hastings proposal for the National Academy of Sciences to "impartially" study all potential uses of the Wahluke slope. The most balanced and therefore the most "preferred" alternative is still the Wahluke 2000 proposal. In addition, I strongly feel that all future payment in lieu of taxes or PILT moneys should be based on "lost opportunity" costs, not current use assessments.

Sincerely, Douglas Merkle

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