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Tom
Dear Mr. Ferns:

I am submitting my personal comments on the Revised Draft EIS for the HRA/EIS/Land Use Plan. I favor the Counties and Cities Alternative for Land Use. It is obvious to me that the Clinton Administration preempted the possibility of useful public involvement in this matter by the Secretary of Energy's early announcement to place the entire Wahluke Slope in the hands of the federal Fish and Wildlife Service as a refuge. I feel this is an unjustified power grab and an insult to Grant County as well as the former landowners and homesteaders who were forced to give up their land for a vital wartime mission.

I hope that the DOE will give serious consideration to providing a suitable park area and memorial in honor of the Native American Tribes and U.S. citizens who resided in the Hanford, White Bluffs and Wahluke areas.

Sincerely,

Gordon Rogers

