

heard Senator Schmit say that this structure would not be involved. Well, then we are not even helping the people up on the Willow Creek area which I received a tremendous amount of letters and response from. I would like to make a little comparison. I think there was some mention of the Maple Creek Project and I have got a letter on my desk here from the opposition or promoters of the bill that says Maple Creek doesn't want this. I can assure you that Maple Creek is dead. The local people spoke. They didn't want the project. There is no money allocated for this. It doesn't have a project design or nothing. It just was in the planning stage. The people spoke. The Board of Directors listened and the project will not go. Personally, I feel that was a good project and I can assure you that if I had been in that area I would have fought for it because we built a similar project in the area that I was responsible for and that is the North Oak Project which is in Saunders, Seward and Lancaster County. I can assure you that project is completed, other than one small structure which will be built this year, and the reason it wasn't built sooner was because we couldn't get the land treatment above it. Everyone of the projects that are built in these type of projects require seventy-five percent of the land be under treatment.

SENATOR CLARK: You have one minute left.

SENATOR SIECK: So you don't build a project until that time. I would like to make an example of a project that I was directly involved with just before I became a state senator and that is one just south of Valparaiso. I actually got the land rights and I tell you it wasn't easy but I can assure you that most of the people in that particular area I can face and shake their hands and be welcome. The prime individual on that project was a very wealthy individual and he got burned on the Branched Oak Project and he was very, very angry and here he was involved again and all he wanted was his private recreation area but the site was established and the site was established because there was recreation involved besides flood control and this was one of twelve structures and it was the largest of the total and it was involved at a hundred acres. I understand Schmit's amendment would take this out now.

SENATOR CLARK: Your time is up, Senator Sieck. Senator Remmers.

SENATOR REMMERS: Mr. Chairman, members of the body, I oppose Senator Sieck's amendment to kill 243. I think that 243 is an important bill that we need to pass in