

of eminent domain indiscriminately taking land away from their neighbors for various projects. Well I don't believe that. I don't think that is true. As a matter of fact, most of them that I know it is just about like pulling teeth for them to have to go through that process. They really hate to have to do it in any time when they have to. But I will submit to you that there are many people on this floor, many people in the State of Nebraska that stand up and say, what we need to do is build more storage projects. Well I come from a part of the state where we have got quite a few storage projects. I am proud of the Republican Valley. The Republican River is more controlled than any other....(mike went off).

SENATOR CLARK: Are you on?

SENATOR VICKERS: Yes. Okay.

SENATOR CLARK: All right.

SENATOR VICKERS: I guess I shut myself off. I was going to accuse you, Mr. President. But since this river is so fully developed, we recognize the benefits to be derived from it, but there's many people in this state that are saying what we need to do is have more storage projects. What they are really saying is, we want those storage projects to be built on somebody else's land, we don't want to give up our place. Obviously, that's true. Nobody wants the lake on their place, just like nobody wants the transmission line over their house and nobody wants the generating facility in their back yard, yet they have to be built some place. There is not a water project that I am aware of and we have a number of them, as I say, in my area that does not have some sort of recreational facilities. The fact of the matter is every weekend when I go home, there is a number of boats out there on the highway heading west toward Johnson Lake and many of the other lakes in central Nebraska. People like to go out and play on the water, they like to live around the edges. They like to fish in it. They like to swim, and I don't see how you can build a water storage facility which we desperately need in this state more and more of them without having recreational benefits, and how you are going to define those percentages, I defy anybody to do that. When they built the Tri-County system back in the thirties long before my time, I don't think anybody even considered the amount of recreational facilities that would be surrounding Johnson Lake, Jeffrey Lake, Lake McConaughy and many of those other lakes, but they are there now. How could you determine what the percentage was? I think it is