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has two; one is the Lower Elkhorn South and the other...or Lower Elkhorn North and the other is the Lower Platte North. But those, we have...we've got a couple of projects in one of those Natural Resources Districts that is going to create a lake. It's the Maple Creek, what they call the Maple Creek Watershed, and they're just beginning on that, on that project, on the upper end of the Maple Creek, and it's very controversial, as all those types of projects are, because it's going to eliminate some land from certain people, and they get upset with that. But I'm thinking about the good things that the Natural Resources Districts do and whether, as we're discussing this bill, now whether that dam or watershed project is going to create a size of lake that could be used for recreational purposes. And I don't know how the Game and Parks go about designating a particular watershed project or lake to fall underneath the statutes of the determination whether Game and Parks would take that over. I don't see anybody, other than Senator Schrock, and he's busy right now, who is on the Natural Resources Committee, in how they determine that. Senator Hudkins, are you on the Natural Resources Committee? Could I carry on a little conversation with you. We can use the same microphone if you'd like to.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Would you yield, Senator Hudkins?

SENATOR HUDKINS: Yes.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Senator Hudkins, what is the procedure when...does there have to be a request for, say, a lake that they would like to turn over to the Natural Resources Commission for recreation purposes? If you know that, I'd appreciate your input here.

SENATOR HUDKINS: Well, Senator Janssen, I'm afraid I'm not going to be able to give you much input, because not only was I paying attention to your first remarks, I don't have any idea.

SENATOR JANSSEN: All right, thank you. Thank you, Senator Hudkins. But I...there is a situation that maybe that resources district does not want to maintain that lake. I don't believe that that is their particular job. I believe it is maintaining