

New Terminus spillway on target

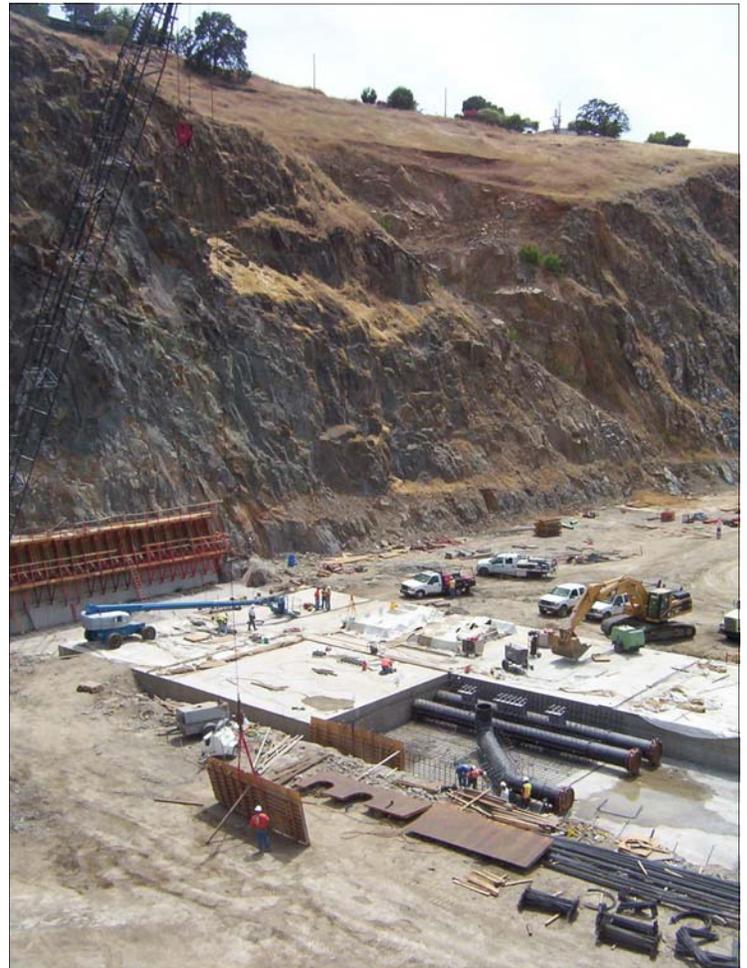
The enlargement of Lake Kaweah is more than just a construction project, it is the culmination of years of planning, research, cooperation and hard work on the part of multiple government agencies and individuals.

More importantly, it is having a far-reaching, positive affects throughout the Kaweah River Basin.

While flood control continues to be its primary purpose, the project is also welcomed for the additional benefits including water storage, water conservation and environmental enhancements.

By raising the spillway at the dam, the lake will increase its capacity by nearly 30 percent.

The project is estimated to cost about \$47.8 million, divided among the federal government (\$27.8 million), state government (\$13.4 million) and local agencies (\$7.3 million), including Kaweah Delta Water Conservation District, city of Visalia, Tulare and Kings counties and the Tulare Lake Basin Storage District.



Construction of six concrete Fusegates are underway at Lake Kaweah. The Fusegates are 21-feet high and 38-feet wide.

Taxes

Congressman Nunes co-sponsored H.R. 8, the Death Tax Repeal Permanency Act. This bill would make the repeal of the Estate Tax (otherwise known as the Death Tax) permanent.



- Gloria Morales, Businesswoman/Farmer in Fresno
- Daniel G. Nelson, Executive Director of the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority
- Marc E. Christopher,

Policy Advocate for the Friends of the River

- Thomas Clark, General Manager of the Kern County Water Agency

- and Keith Watkins 2nd Vice President for the Tulare County Farm Bureau

Among the representatives who attended were: Mr. Nunes (R-Tulare), Resources Committee Chairman Richard Pombo (R-Tracy), Sub-

committee Chairman Ken Calvert (R-Riverside), as well as Reps. George Radanovich (R-Mariposa), Dennis Cardoza (D-Modesto) and Subcommittee Ranking Member Grace Napolitano (D-Santa Fe Springs).

“San Joaquin Valley continues to face a water crisis in which our water supplies have become inadequate to meet expanding needs,” Mr. Nunes said in the letter to Chairman Pombo and Subcommittee Chairman Calvert. “Demands by domestic users, industry, and environmental needs continue to grow with no relief in sight.”