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Mrs. Florence G. Gawald
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Dear Mrs. Gawald:

Your letter of July 26, addressed to the Department of the Interior, regarding the present condition of Lake Elsinore, Riverside County, California, has been referred to this Service for reply.

Under long established policies this Service is authorized to administer only such areas as are of national significance from the viewpoint of superb scenery, geological, biological or historical interest to the general public. It would also be necessary that the land be free from private ownership as there are no Federal funds available to this Department for their purchase.

From the information submitted in your letter, it is assumed that any recreational values which the lake may have might be more logically developed and administered as a local or state enterprise.

Sincerely yours,

Conrad L. Wirth
Assistant Director

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Menneth B. Simmons
Deputy Assistant Director

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