

1 14 June 2006

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3 Magalie Roman Salas

4 Secretary

5 Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

6 888 First Street, NE

7 Washington, DC 20426

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9 **RE: Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Baker River Hydroelectric**
10 **Project (P-2150-033)**

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12 Dear Madame Secretary;

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14 I am the author of www.skagitriverhistory.com – a website dedicated to the truth about the flood
15 history of the Skagit River supported by documentation and analysis. I went to the Baker River
16 Hydroelectric Project and took pictures to photographically document the scale of flood control
17 pool elevation requested by Skagit County and other local governments interested in adequate
18 flood control to save American taxpayers from over a billion dollars in recovery costs and
19 environmental rehabilitation if current flood control measures fail.

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21 I sincerely hope the attached PowerPoint is part of the difficult dialogue in the relicensing
22 process. As renowned American documentary photographer Dorothea Lange said once,
23 “Photography takes an instant out of time, altering life by holding it still.”

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25 Very sincerely yours;

26 *Larry Kunzler*

27 Larry Kunzler, author of www.skagitriverhistory.com

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Lower Baker Dam/Lake Shannon (NAVD 88)


Full Pool: 442.35'

Flood Control: 428.55' with drawdown to 423.66'

Minimum Generating Pool: 373.75'



Full pool to
drawdown of 423.66'



County requested flood
control pool (442.35'-
428.55') – 29,426 acre ft.

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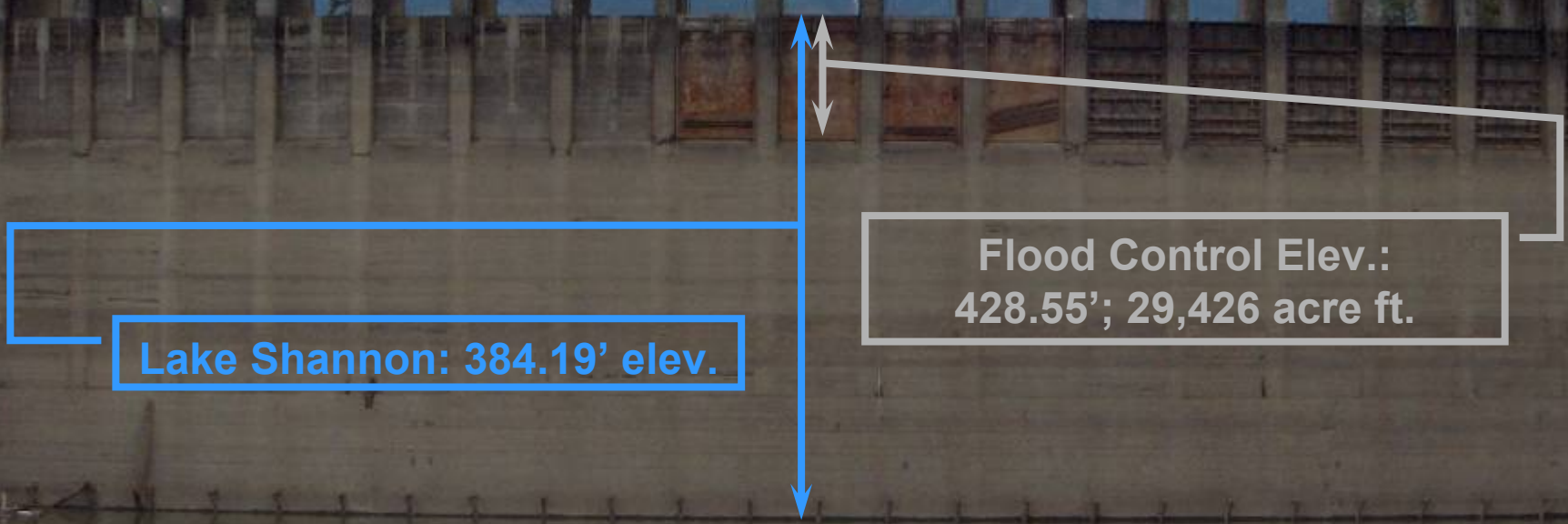
Lake Shannon: 384.190' elevation

Lower Baker Dam/Lake Shannon (NAVD 88)

Full Pool: 442.35'

Flood Control: 428.55' with drawdown to 423.66'

Minimum Generating Pool: 373.75'



Lake Shannon: 384.19' elev.

Flood Control Elev.:
428.55'; 29,426 acre ft.

Lower Baker Dam/Lake Shannon (NAVD 88)

Full Pool: 442.35'

Flood Control: 428.55' with drawdown to 423.66'

Minimum Generating Pool: 373.75'

June 4, 2006 8 AM Lake Shannon
Forebay Elevation: 431.3'

County requested flood control pool
(442.35'-428.55'): 29,426 acre ft.

8 AM Lake Shannon Forebay Elevation: 431.3;
Flood Control Requested Level: 428.55

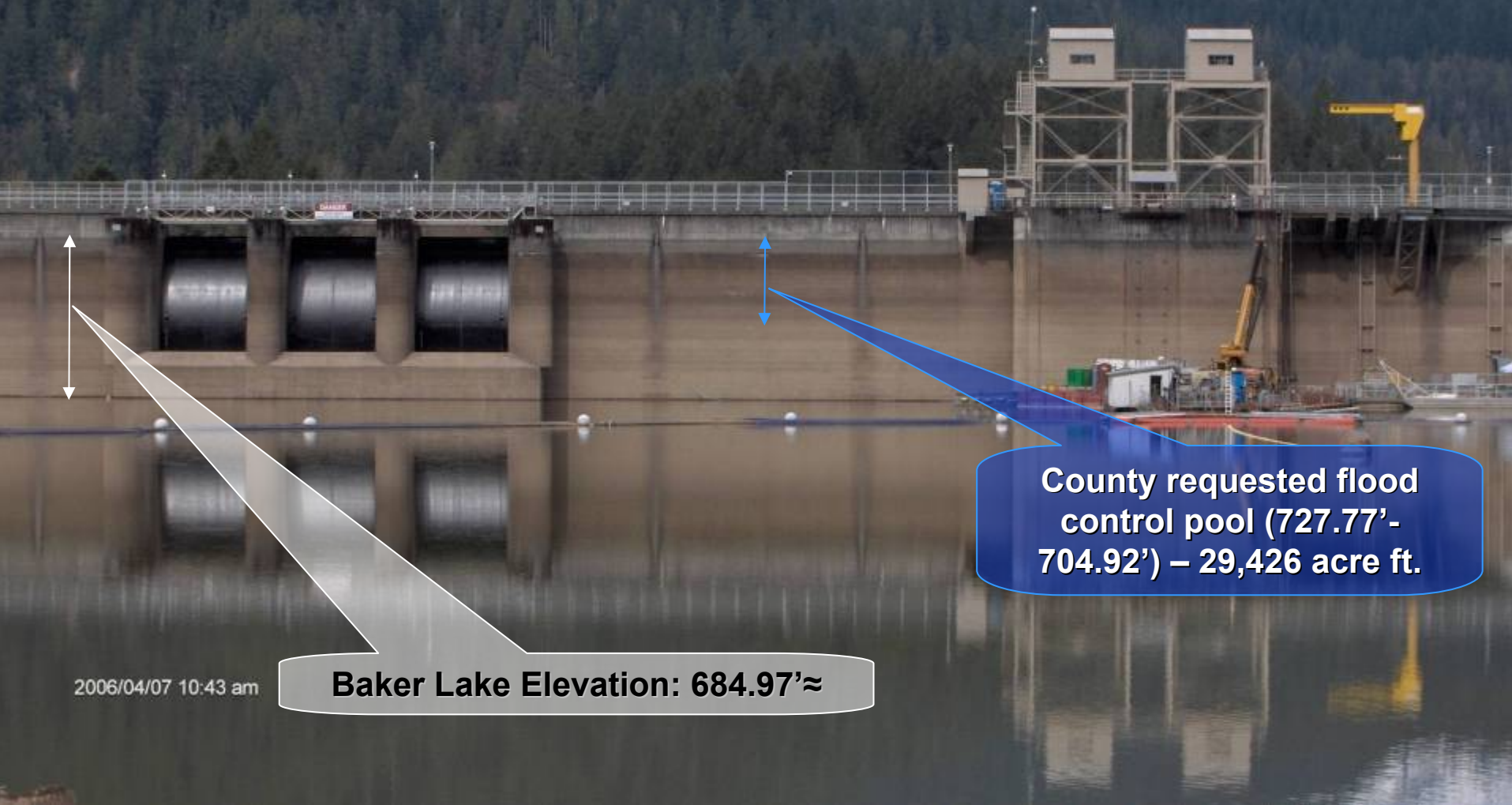
(2.75 foot difference)

Upper Baker Dam/Baker Lake (NAVD 88)

Full Pool: 727.77'

Skagit County Proposed Flood Control: 704.92'

Minimum Generating Pool: 677.77'



County requested flood control pool (727.77' - 704.92') - 29,426 acre ft.

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Baker Lake Elevation: 684.97'≈

Submission Contents

Letter on PSE relicensing showing pictures of reservoir levels and flood control elevations.

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