

## Woosley, Tom

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**From:** Woosley, Tom  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 3, 2021 5:48 PM  
**To:** Chambers, Kevin; Welte, Jennifer; Edwards, Thais  
**Subject:** RE: OPEN RECORDS REQUEST: Lake Petit Dam Files (Submitted: January 31, 2021)  
**Attachments:** 0409\_001.pdf

A correction. I went back and pulled the file again and double checked correspondence since the file is all out of order. The inspection notice letter is in there. Copy attached. There was nothing else though.

Tom

**From:** Chambers, Kevin <Kevin.Chambers@dnr.ga.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 3, 2021 5:43 PM  
**To:** Woosley, Tom <Tom.Woosley@dnr.ga.gov>; Welte, Jennifer <Jennifer.Welte@dnr.ga.gov>; Edwards, Thais <thais.edwards@dnr.ga.gov>  
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Thanks again. I will send a formal reply tomorrow afternoon, so let me know if there are any other thoughts.

**From:** Woosley, Tom <Tom.Woosley@dnr.ga.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 3, 2021 5:33 PM  
**To:** Chambers, Kevin <Kevin.Chambers@dnr.ga.gov>; Welte, Jennifer <Jennifer.Welte@dnr.ga.gov>; Edwards, Thais <thais.edwards@dnr.ga.gov>  
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Submission of the report is handled either way (the owner or the consultant). There has only one letter issued since then that I know of. That is a notice of pending inspection by our staff. That is not in the file yet.

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**From:** Chambers, Kevin <Kevin.Chambers@dnr.ga.gov>  
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Thanks Tom. Assuming it exists, would the POA or their consultant submit the report to EPD? Also notice he requests all correspondence between EPD, POA and consultant since his last GORA request.

**From:** Woosley, Tom <Tom.Woosley@dnr.ga.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 3, 2021 5:09 PM  
**To:** Chambers, Kevin <Kevin.Chambers@dnr.ga.gov>; Welte, Jennifer <Jennifer.Welte@dnr.ga.gov>; Edwards, Thais <thais.edwards@dnr.ga.gov>  
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My records do not show us getting a report from Geosyntec in late 2020. We got one in March, 2020 and the requestor has that one. Note that dam owners have until April 30<sup>th</sup> to submit these inspection reports to us, so it is possible it has not been submitted to the Division yet. I did not see anything else in the file for late 2020. I responded via email to Mr. Hopkins on September 23, 2020 so I used that as a reference point. Thanks for catching I put the incorrect year in the file name.

Tom

**From:** Chambers, Kevin <[Kevin.Chambers@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:Kevin.Chambers@dnr.ga.gov)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 3, 2021 3:42 PM  
**To:** Woosley, Tom <[Tom.Woosley@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:Tom.Woosley@dnr.ga.gov)>; Welte, Jennifer <[Jennifer.Welte@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:Jennifer.Welte@dnr.ga.gov)>; Edwards, Thais <[thais.edwards@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:thais.edwards@dnr.ga.gov)>  
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Thanks Tom. His request is confusing, but I think we are still missing one item. He requested three items:

- Geosyntec seismic study-Dec.8, 1998 (it is attached, but the file name says 2018. I will fix it.)
- EPD letter-Dec.17, 2001 (it is attached and includes all 36 issues, so this one is complete.)
- Still missing-Geosyntec report (done the "latter part of 2020" according to the POA.)

Any insight on that 2020 report?

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I located the requested information and have attached scans here. Note that the Geosyntec report was so large I had to do it in three parts (to fit in copier and due to file size).

Let me know if you need anything else.

Tom

**From:** Welte, Jennifer <[Jennifer.Welte@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:Jennifer.Welte@dnr.ga.gov)>  
**Sent:** Monday, February 1, 2021 10:21 AM  
**To:** Woosley, Tom <[Tom.Woosley@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:Tom.Woosley@dnr.ga.gov)>; Chambers, Kevin <[Kevin.Chambers@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:Kevin.Chambers@dnr.ga.gov)>; Edwards, Thais <[thais.edwards@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:thais.edwards@dnr.ga.gov)>  
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Thanks, Tom. Sounds like we need to someone to do that on/before Thursday.

**From:** Woosley, Tom <[Tom.Woosley@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:Tom.Woosley@dnr.ga.gov)>  
**Sent:** Monday, February 1, 2021 9:11 AM  
**To:** Chambers, Kevin <[Kevin.Chambers@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:Kevin.Chambers@dnr.ga.gov)>; Welte, Jennifer <[Jennifer.Welte@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:Jennifer.Welte@dnr.ga.gov)>; Edwards, Thais <[thais.edwards@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:thais.edwards@dnr.ga.gov)>  
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I am not sure. This is a very large file. Someone will have to go through the file locate it. And unfortunately, at one point last year the file was all out of order after a GORA request. I will get staff to look for these items he requests.



**From:** Chambers, Kevin <[Kevin.Chambers@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:Kevin.Chambers@dnr.ga.gov)>  
**Sent:** Monday, February 1, 2021 8:54 AM  
**To:** Woosley, Tom <[Tom.Woosley@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:Tom.Woosley@dnr.ga.gov)>; Welte, Jennifer <[Jennifer.Welte@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:Jennifer.Welte@dnr.ga.gov)>; Edwards, Thais <[thais.edwards@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:thais.edwards@dnr.ga.gov)>  
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His request seems to be very specific. For example he references an attachment to a letter that he says was missing. If it's just a few pages then they could be emailed. Tom, any insight as to whether the referenced pages are in the file?

**From:** Woosley, Tom <[Tom.Woosley@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:Tom.Woosley@dnr.ga.gov)>  
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My concern here is if he does not come into the office, then there is a chance we do get all of what he is asking for. As he noted, Kimberly was very helpful and copied everything he asked for (the entire file). So I am not sure what happened here. His latest newsletter indicates he is writing letters to the Director and the Governor to complain.

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Thanks, Kevin. Thais, Tom's group is the only group that will have records on this.

I'm a little confused about whether Mr. Hopkins is wanting all records, or just those specified in his PDF request. I believe it's just those specified, in electronic format – and if we can't provide it to him electronically, and we ask him to visit the file room again, then he wants all. If that your reading as well, Kevin?

**From:** Chambers, Kevin <[Kevin.Chambers@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:Kevin.Chambers@dnr.ga.gov)>  
**Sent:** Monday, February 1, 2021 8:10 AM  
**To:** Welte, Jennifer <[Jennifer.Welte@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:Jennifer.Welte@dnr.ga.gov)>; Edwards, Thais <[thais.edwards@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:thais.edwards@dnr.ga.gov)>; Woosley, Tom <[Tom.Woosley@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:Tom.Woosley@dnr.ga.gov)>  
**Subject:** FW: OPEN RECORDS REQUEST: Lake Petit Dam Files (Submitted: January 31, 2021)

Please see the forwarded open records request. I believe a response will be due by close of business Thursday. Thanks.

**From:** [themtnsvoice@aol.com](mailto:themtnsvoice@aol.com) <[themtnsvoice@aol.com](mailto:themtnsvoice@aol.com)>  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 31, 2021 12:59 PM  
**To:** Weglewski, Linda <[Linda.Weglewski@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:Linda.Weglewski@dnr.ga.gov)>; Jones, Annise <[Annise.Jones@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:Annise.Jones@dnr.ga.gov)>  
**Cc:** Woosley, Tom <[Tom.Woosley@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:Tom.Woosley@dnr.ga.gov)>; Chambers, Kevin <[Kevin.Chambers@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:Kevin.Chambers@dnr.ga.gov)>  
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Greetings,

Please find attached a 3 page PDF copy of a new Open Records Request for documents related to the Safe Dams Program, specifically Petit Lake Petit Dam.

I am copying Tom & Kevin because during my initial ORR, I was provided what I was told at the time to be the ENTIRE AND COMPLETE file on Lake Petit Dam. The woman in charge of records was extremely helpful and professional. With her assistance, absolutely EVERYTHING in the files was copied by me - with the exception of a small portion of technical review that was part of the original design from the 70's. At the time I didn't feel it necessary to obtain that single small portion, but I repeat, I got a copy of EVERYTHING else in the files, and have repeatedly reviewed my copies, and have discovered substantial omissions of content.

Before more of my money and time is wasted, I am requesting that the files be searched, and ALL appropriate records be forwarded to the Records Dept, if indeed you are going to insist that go back down to the Floyd Building and hand pull and copy the records, instead of simply emailing me the files I am seeking in electronic format (as the law allows).

I want to repeat... that the files I was provided was NOT reflective of the entire record. This is borne out by substantial reference in the documents I did receive - pointing to the existence of documents to which I was not provided access, such as the documents listed in Requests #1, and #2 in this ORR.

Thank you for your attention in this matter. I believe that this is most likely oversight. I realize that you run a big division with limited budget and manpower. I am simply alerting you to the fact that the Records are complete, and in this situation may require your Department to go the extra mile, so to speak, to ensure that the main records department has everything they need in order to legally comply with this Open Records Request.

Peace,

- david hopkins / publisher

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