Role-Playing Cards



Representative of Farmer's Coalition: the coalition is interested in the dam's potential for protecting crops from floods, as well as in its ability to provide water for irrigation.

Lobbyist for Power Company: the municipal electrical power company is interested in developing the dam.

Bird Club President: the local bird club has organized eagle-watching trips to the river every winter for the past 15 years.

Sporting Goods Store Owner: a local sporting goods storeowner and avid fisherperson who is concerned with the loss of migration routes for the fish on the river.

Local Species Activist: the president of the "Save Our Native Plants and Wild Animals" organization.

Archaeology Expert: an archeology professor from the local university who has done extensive research on the archeological sites of Native American fishing camps along the river.

Director of Municipal Water Agency: the agency is responsible for providing quality drinking water for the city. It believes in the dam's potential for providing a reservoir of high-quality water for the long, hot summers.

Homeowner Association Representative: a representative of all homeowners in the river valley below the dam who would like to see more flood control.

Sheriff: the local Rocksburg sheriff concerned about maintaining police protection, peace, health, and safety with only a one-person staff as the sole legal authority in the region.

Lumber Company Owner: the owner of a lumber company whose land would be inundated by the reservoir.

Fly-fishing Enthusiast: a long-time resident who champions the purity of fly-fishing and insists on pristine habitat, noting the necessity of whitewater riffles.

Owner of Water Recreation Company: the company uses the river for commercial rafting. Concerned about loss of the "best 7 miles of the river," the owner argues that the lake would submerge the best rapids.

Vetern Water Skier: an avid water skier who sees the new lake as a real boon to skiing interests.

Avid Kayaker: kayaker concerned with loss of the whitewater stretch for canoeing and kayaking.

Senior Citizen Advocate: a local representative of the Sociable Seniors, a group of retired people who are concerned about any rise in power bills.

Angler: an older fisherperson who enjoys throwing the boat on the top of the car and putting in at the closest float spot—especially lakes!

President of Moose Conservation Organization: the president of "More Moose Now," who believes that the lake will provide more moose habitat.

Scientist: a respected biologist who is prepared to testify about potential effects on wildlife from the building of the dam.

Sales Representative: a salesperson for motor boats, water skis, and other recreational equipment.

Forest Manager: a trained forester who has worked in the area woods for more than 50 years.

Local Tribal Authority Leader: a tribal leader who is concerned about the loss of native heritage from flooding the region for the dam.

Entrepreneur: a local businessperson who is concerned about the long-range business potential of the area.

Land Developer: a wealthy land developer who has architects working on designs for lakeside condominiums and resort homes.