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Consideration should be given when an action can jeopardize a Commercial Industry in an area around a Nuclear plant. The practice of Commercial fishing in the Lake Erie area would be seriously limited or eliminated if a Nuclear plant contributes to destroying the shoreline of Lake Erie and Brest Bay.

If the NRC would look at the man-made boundaries of Territorial waters of Ohio and Canada, the NRC would realize that Michigan Commercial fishermen operate in a much smaller area than the International border suggests. It is the OHIO/MICHIGAN border that severely constrains the area in which a Michigan fishing permit can be used.

The OHIO border extends directly across from the Fermi 2 plant and towards the Detroit River at about 41.57.535N to 83.06.775W. This means that the available fishing area for Michigan is sandwiched between shoreline and the OHIO border and what is not an OHIO border is an International border.

As water levels may drop, shoreline may expand and what is navigable can easily change. As a shallow lake to begin with, much of the water is not deep enough for boating and weeds prevent navigation. Add in algae or oxygen deprivation and there simple may not be enough good water for the Michigan side of the Lake Erie basin.

Elimination of some of the thermal load would improve the Lake. Restrictions on discharge for existing sources should at least be implemented. While coal plants are being closed in areas with less to no thermal effect on water, there is no reason to ignore our Lakes because someone is squeeking about "air quality". At least air scrubbers can do the job, but we have no solution to the effects of Global Warming on water resources. END

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