

# State Asked to Build Reservoir

vide storage for AVEK's allotted portion of Feather River water. It is expected that recreational features will be established along the lake shore.

AVEK was formed in 1959 to provide an entity

for distributing supplemental water to a large part of Antelope Valley. The agency embraces a large area of land in Los Angeles and Kern counties and includes a small area in Ventura County.

LANCASTER — The Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency (AVEK) has formally asked the State Department of Water Resources to build a mammoth reservoir for the agency.

State officials have informally indicated that the state would probably build the reservoir as a part of the California Water Aqueduct project.

The lake would be called Butte Reservoir and would be located in the west end of Antelope Valley in the Fairmont area.

The size and time of construction of the reservoir have not been determined.

Two proposed sizes for the reservoir are 16,000 acre-feet and 25,000 acre-feet capacity.

Some state officials have indicated that it might be built in the early 1970s.

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