Beaver Lake As A Resource

Public Water Supply

Four public water suppliers currently maintain water intakes on Beaver Lake for extraction, treatment and sale of water to municipalities and regional water associations. Beaver Water District, for example, sells water to Fayetteville, Springdale, Rogers and Bentonville. The four client municipalities resell the water to smaller communities and rural water associations. Each public water supplier makes an annual payment to the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers for the storage space allocated to it in the reservoir and for its pro rata share of the annual maintenance cost of the lake. It is important to note that the majority of the customers reside outside the Beaver Lake Watershed (Figure 22).

