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Seaton Pledges New Try For Study Funds

NAMPA, Idaho (AP) — Secretary of Interior Fred Seaton said Friday the department will try again in the next session of Congress to get \$196,000 for making a study of the Pleasant Valley dam site on the Snake River.

Seaton, here to speak at a political rally in behalf of Republican congressional candidate A. B. Curtis, told a news conference the department had been prevented from making the study for the past two years.

Sen. Henry Dworshak (R-Idaho) tried again this year to obtain funds for the study, Seaton said, "but he was blocked in the House by the Democrats."

The Pleasant Valley dam site would be located on the Snake downstream from Hells Canyon, where public-vs. - private power controversy resulted in Idaho Power Co. receiving a license to build a series of three dams.

There have been proposals from both sides for development of the Pleasant Valley site.

Seaton repeated a charge that Democratic - controlled congresses have done "a better job of talking reclamation" than in providing appropriations.

Seaton said Democrats should make sure their criticism of foreign policy is constructive.

He said Democrats have loosed "a flood of carping criticism of Eisenhower administration policy on the Formosa straits, but added the policy had been spelled out in a resolution passed by the Democratically controlled Congress.

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