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It seems planning is focusing on solutions in the wide open flat land areas. These are going to be very expensive because of the size of any project. Why not consider a solution where the Junk ditch is more narrow? As an example, a wall or dam could be constructed where the Junk ditch flows under the rail road tracks just south of Jefferson blvd. This is already a natural choke point. The ground on either side of the ditch at this point is at least 20 feet high and stretches both directions for a considerable distance. The ditch is only 12-15 feet wide at this point so this would be a very economical project to complete. I can't imagine how any fish no matter how small could get around this type of structure. A pump, of whatever capacity deemed necessary, could be installed to even out ditch water levels on both sides of the dam. This project would also serve as a flood control measure for the area south of the project. I can't estimate the cost of some thing like this but I'm sure it would be a fraction of what the other proposals have been. I hope an idea like this will be considered.
Thank you, Kenneth Johns, Fort Wayne.