



Rockdale Project

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Information - The Alcoa Lake

The Alcoa Lake and Power Plant played a significant role in Rockdale's history by providing employment opportunities and contributing to the local economy. The power plant, owned by Alcoa, primarily produced electricity for the Alcoa aluminum smelting plant nearby.



The Alcoa Lake helped with

The Alcoa Lake and Power Plant were central to Rockdale's economy and development for several decades. The plant provided jobs to many residents and helped sustain the local community. Additionally, the creation of Alcoa Lake added to the town's recreational offerings, enhancing the quality of life for its residents.



Timeline

1950

The construction of the Alcoa Lake and Power Plant begins, marking a development in Rockdale's industrial landscape

1952

The Alcoa Lake is created as a result of damming Little Piver to provide cooling water for fishing and boating

1953

The power plant becomes operational, generating electricity to power the Alcoa aluminium smelting plant and contributing to the local power grid

70s-80s

The Alcoa Lake and Power Plant continue to play a vital role in Rockdale's economy, providing employment opportunities and supporting the local community

2008

Announces plans to close the Rockdale aluminium smelting plant due to economic factors, raising concerns about the future of the power plant and its impact.

2014

The Alcoa smelting plant officially closes, leading to uncertainties about the future of the power plant and the lake.