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**Cabinet re-
thinks hydro
holding
reservoir
construction
site**

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Cabinet has conducted a brief overview of the pending construction of the holding reservoir for the second stage of the Macal River hydro electricity project. It has been decided, for environmental and other reasons, not to build the reservoir in the upper Rubber Camp area, but in the lower Chalillo area. It was also decided that all aspects of the project will be thoroughly examined on a constant and ongoing basis, with maximum input from Ministers of Tourism; Environment; Public Utilities; and from private sector organizations concerned with tourism, the environment and energy.

To this end, and in line with Government's policy of openness, all interested parties, including the general public, are invited to submit suggestions and particular or general, objections that may help Government fulfill its commitment to cherish and enhance Belize's natural resources and environment, and at the same time, provide constant energy at a lower cost to all Belizeans.

All submissions and inquiries should be addressed to the Cabinet Secretary, Office of the Prime Minister, New Administration Building, Belmopan. Public announcement of forum meetings, times and places will follow.

- press release -

***Coco yam seminar
this Friday***