The Dam Song

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(Joe Irving Jr.)

1. There's seven wonders in this world, their names are known quite well
   From Babylon Gardens to the Sphinx, the ancient stories tell.
   But now the greatest wonder is the folly in our land
   They sold us down the river with the new High Arrow Dam.

2. Four miles up from Castlegar, the Columbia will be dammed
   And the water that they store in there controlled by Uncle Sam.
   This sets my mind to wondering just what the fate will be
   Of the big Columbia River from the Rockies of BC.

3. We could divert the Kootenay into Columbia Lake
   By way of Thompson River and on down through Hell's Gate
   We could build a mighty complex of factories and dams
   And manufacture Canada's ore instead of Uncle Sam's.

4. It's not that we're ungrateful, we've never been before,
   Been trying to stand up by ourselves since 1864
   But now upon this issue, we all must take a stand
   Canada for Canadians! it's our God-given land!

   Is this land your land or is it their land?
   This land was made for you and me.

by Joe Irving, Jr. of Castlegar, BC to variant of "Wabash Cannonball" tune
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