

Updated: Tampa Reservoir Failure Lawsuit Heats Up

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[Update 4/13/12] A verdict in favor of HDR was reached earlier this week. They have been exonerated of the charges and will pay no damages to Tampa Bay Water District. Read more on [this GeoPrac.net post](#) . **[/Update]**

The failure of a reservoir in Tampa has led to a lawsuit by the Tampa Bay Water utility alleging a faulty design on the part of HDR engineering. The damages could reach nearly \$100 million. The rebuilding of the reservoir is expected to cost over \$160 million. The attorneys for TBW claim that the faulty design is allowing water pressure to build in the embankment when the water is drawn down. [Source: [ENR: Engineering News](#) . Image: [ENR](#)]