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## Old Crow Medicine Show ''Half Mile Down''

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They come down from Washington City To our Blue Ridge Mountain home And across that crooked river To the valley down below

I was swimmin' in that water When they came up to the shore Sayin' sorry son this won't be Dry land here anymore

Chorus: Yes and my home town Is a half mile down It's a half mile o' water All around, all around My home town is a half mile down

First they started their surveyin' And makin' up their plans To flood that peaceful valley Just to build Watauga dam Oh they brought in their bulldozers And pushed our homes away And they handed me a shovel And sixty cents a day

Chorus:

Singin' my home town Is a half mile down It's a half mile o' water All around, all around My home town is a half mile down

So they stripped out all the timber And they leveled all the land And they drilled and dynamited 'Til they blew the mountains in I tore down my old homeplace And I dug up Daddy's grave And I relocated Momma to 14 miles away Now I look down on the water That rose up on that day By the banks of the old Watauga Where I once used to play

Yes I look out on that water Where they made their big mistake And covered up our hometown 'Neath the godforsaken lake

Chorus: Singin' my home town Is a half mile down It's a half mile of water All around, all around My home town Is a half mile down It's a half mile of water All around, all around My home town is a half mile down

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