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Subject: Klamath Dam Removal

To California State Water board,

The Klamath River's water quality both in Oregon and California is plagued by agricultural runoff and five dams and their reservoirs. Natural water systems used to allow for the free flow and fluctuation of water sourced from the Upper Klamath Basin in Oregon to the mouth in California. The structures of the dams are one of the key problems: reservoirs themselves slow and warm water, and create a perfect environment for toxic algae growth, oxygen deficiencies and high temperatures. No amount of technical mitigation can correct those problems. The same issues will persist and impact water quality downstream without removing the structures.

Please use your authority to enforce the Clean Water Act, support dam removal, and improve water quality for the long term in the Klamath River.

Thank You,

Mark Pringle