

Barnes, Peter@Waterboards

From: Jennifer Browne <jenn.browne@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, March 20, 2015 10:23 AM
To: Barnes, Peter@Waterboards
Subject: Lake Almanor Thermal Curtains

Dear Mr. Barnes,

I am writing to you today to express my concern regarding the water board staff recommendation in the draft environmental impact report and voice my opposition. My husband and I own a residence at Lake Almanor and all of our immediate family lives in the towns surrounding the lake. I believe that this plan will be detrimental to the health of the lake. As I'm sure you are aware this reservoir does not only benefit PG&E and the electric resources of the State of California, but it is also the life blood of this community attracting tourism and fisherman throughout the year.

In large part the main concern regarding the proposed plan is the possible environmental impact. How can damaging one area be justified when the suggested benefits to the river downstream are not proven? Also, I am at a loss to understand why the water board would insist "that no significant impact" would occur to Lake Almanor when it's cold water fishery would be reduced. Also, a consistent rise in the temperature of our lake will lead to algae that could impact animals and humans. Lastly, given the fact that we are now in our 4th year of significant drought in this area I believe it would be irresponsible for the water board to approve the removal of any water from any reservoir in the state for such an unproven purpose.

My hope is that you take the concerns of the community and all those that care about Lake Almanor into consideration and see the folly in the proposed plan.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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