

Barnes, Peter@Waterboards

From: Gigi Acker <gigi@nutritioninsights.com>
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Subject: Lake Almanor

Dear Mr. Barnes,

I am opposed to the Water Board staff recommendation in the draft EIR.

Exporting Lake Almanor's cold water pool to achieve a marginal benefit far downstream is not a sustainable solution and would be an ecological disaster.

- * Where is the environmental justice in damaging one area, Lake Almanor, for a questionable improvement elsewhere?
- * How can there be "no significant impact" on Lake Almanor when its cold water fishery is dramatically reduced?
- * How can the State Water Board justify such a sweeping proposal without providing a cost estimate and a cost-benefit analysis?

The proposed plan provides no accountability to the people impacted by Water Board decisions. The ramifications on the major environmental habitat that is Lake Almanor would be devastating.

Reducing the cold water pool in Lake Almanor will result in a warmer lake and increased algae blooms, impacting both fish and humans.

In an era of climate change concerns, intentionally increasing the temperature of Lake Almanor is completely contrary to sensible practice.

Best,

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