

## **Barnes, Peter@Waterboards**

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**From:** MJB <mjb4452@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, February 20, 2015 4:01 PM  
**To:** Barnes, Peter@Waterboards  
**Subject:** Thermal Curtain at Lake Almanor

Dear Mr. Barnes,

I am a property owner in Warner Valley, near Chester. My wife and I live there about 5 months a year. I am not what anyone would call "politically active", but I feel obligated to comment about the proposal to take the cold water from the bottom of Lake Almanor. I love the environment I live in at the Chester address. The access to all the lakes and rivers is terrific.

It appears that some "experts" have done an environmental impact study about this project. It looks like they are speculating that this change will help the environment downstream from us. This lake did impact the environment 70 years ago when it was built. However, it has now established its own eco-system; one that supports abundant fish populations and supports the economy of the Chester Area communities. To the local population the ecological environment is stable and very desirable.

Why disrupt the existing desirable environment we have at Lake Almanor? There may be a hope of some upside for the project, but the risk seems very high that this will do no good, and the costs are very high.

I hope the Water Board Staff will consider the disruption that will occur in the environment and in the economy in the Lake Almanor Area if this project proceeds.

Sincerely,

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