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I have lived in Chester for 32 years and retired from the US Forest Service as a Wildlife Biologist. I understand that this all started when some fly fisherman wanted colder water downstream of the Dam. I am also a fisherman that fishes quite regularly at Lake Almanor and know that in the summer the trout are under stress already as the thermocline is very narrow and that is what your agency wants to take. I could see there would be some merit in doing this if there were Steelhead or Salmon we were talking about. As far as what is downstream there are Brook Trout, Browns and Rainbows. Brook Trout and Browns are non native and it is very rugged country that I don't think to many people will visit. This whole thing does not make sense to destroy a very unique cold water fishery at the expense of a few elitist people. Not to mention the economic degradation of the Lake Almanor Basin for tourism and jobs etc. I am strongly opposed to this proposal. Thanks for your time. Don