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From: vdhall <vdhall@aol.com>
Sent: Friday, March 20, 2015 11:08 PM
To: Barnes, Peter@Waterboards
Subject: Stop the Curtains and Save Lake Almanor and Butt Valley Reservoir !!

Mr. Barnes,

First let me thank you for the opportunity to express my opinion regarding the implementation of thermal curtains in hopes of reducing the downstream water temperatures of the North Fork Feather River.

I was in attendance, with you at the February 11, 2015 meeting in Chester and I'm sure you could see the concern by local citizens and small business owners.

The fisheries at both Lake Almanor and Butt Valley reservoir are two of the finest trophy fish lakes in California. The withdrawal of the coldest water from both these lakes will surely denigrate the environment now existing for these fish. And this is all in hopes of possibly lowering downstream temperatures by a few degrees. The cost vs. return of these alternatives seems to be completely skewed. When the cost to the local (already struggling) economy is factored in, this project makes absolutely no sense. To say that these alternatives will have "no significant impact" is truly and act of denial or ignorance.

I ask that you please take this letter to the Water Board and express my thoughts along with the many other outdoorsmen, citizens and business owners that have responded and "Stop This Curtain Alternative".

I know this is a daunting job for you and truly respect your position and your responsibility. Thank you for being in attendance at the Chester meeting and listening to the many comments brought forward. But please take the time to consider all the responses and try to persuade the board members that this proposal is an extremely poor idea and terrible waste of rate payers money.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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