

Barnes, Peter@Waterboards

From: Dale Dawson <dale@dpb-law.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 25, 2015 4:08 PM
To: Barnes, Peter@Waterboards
Subject: Thermal Curtain

Dear Mr. Barnes,

As an owner of the Bidwell House, a bed and breakfast inn located in Chester California, I wish to state my objection to the finding that any finding that there are less than significant impacts on the fisheries, recreational resources, cultural resources, wildlife or water quality from the proposed thermal curtains is simply wrong. Lake Almanor and Butt Valley Reservoir are two of the most important fisheries in Northern California. Each of these fisheries is jeopardized by PG&E's proposal to withdraw "cold water" from Lake Almanor and deliver it to lower reaches of the Feather River. If any benefit were to be derived from these projects to the flora and fauna of the Feather River downstream, the benefit would be insignificant when compared to the irreparable damage it would cause to Lake Almanor and Butt Lake Reservoir and their fisheries. Moreover, the effect of losing these two important trout and coldwater fisheries would be devastating on the surrounding communities whose very existence depends on these resources.

Clearly PG&E wants to install these projects as the heavy water will increase their energy production, but that should not be any motivation for approval of the projects. It is hard to imagine how any impartial person could state there were no "significant" impacts from the projects proposed as the adverse impacts are so obvious. Please re-evaluate the findings in the EIR as to the lack of significant negative impacts of this project.

Very truly yours,

Jane L. Dawson