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To: Barnes, Peter@Waterboards
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Dear Mr. Barnes:

I am adamantly opposed to Alternatives 1 and 2 in that they will have a dramatic impact on Lake Almanor particularly with respect to warmer water temperatures, increased algae and their impact on the financial well being of the greater Lake Almanor/Chester community. We are in the 4th year of an epic drought in the west and as it is, this lake is drained down each and every year significantly to provide for the enjoyment of fishermen on the Feather River, the continued operation of PG & E Turbines further down in the Paradise area and ultimately provide water to refill Lake Oroville. These each represent scenarios that dramatically reduce annual lake levels, thus we should not implement either Alternatives 1 or 2, which would make it even worse, but rather consider only the PG & E project, as submitted in the Settlement Agreement of April 22, 2004, without the additional release of cold water from Lake Almanor.

Furthermore I would add that I have owned a vacation or secondary home located in the Lake Almanor Country Club. Over the last four (4) years or during the time that the drought in the West has had a significant impact on lake levels, I have seen my number of rental weeks during the summer season go from four weeks of rental activity in 2011 to zero weeks of rental activity in 2015. Let's not make this situation any worse by implementing Alternatives 1 and 2. I have also written letters to the State Assemblyman and State Senator representing the greater Lake Almanor area to make them aware of the Community's interest and efforts in opposing Alternatives 1 and 2 and our urging the State Water Resources Board to consider only the PG & E Proposal approved in the Settlement Agreement of April, 22, 2004.

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