

Barnes, Peter@Waterboards

From: Tracey Mogan <ferristdf@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2015 8:32 PM
To: Barnes, Peter@Waterboards
Subject: Stop thermal curtains

Dear Peter Barnes,

I am forwarding you the letter below for several reasons. My family has been enjoying Lake Almanor for over 40+ years. This is the Lake I learned to fish in, not only myself, but my children and several other family members. We take pride in being owners at one of the last sacred places on this Earth. A place where a hand shake still exist. Have you ever visited or fished in this lake? Have you seen the thrill of a 3 year old when their eyes grow so big, smile so large, due to their first "catch." Don't take this away from us. We need the cold water in this Lake. The environment and lively hood of so many people rely on this. Be the voice, the hero that we need. Please listen to the people who live here, work here and visit here. Save our lake and avoid Thermal Curtains.

Always,

Tracey Mogan
(Since 1970 - 2nd generation owner)

p.s. I was once that 3 year, at this Lake and now my girls are enjoying the same thrills I did fishing, with their dad and grandpa, making memories! Isn't that what it is all about?!?

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RE: Draft EIR, PG&E Certification UNFFR Project NO 2105

Dear Mr. Barnes,

I thank you for providing me the opportunity to provide feedback on the above mentioned project. My concern is that Alternatives 1 and 2 will have a devastating negative impact on my community, the surrounding communities, the local economy, and the environment.

My main issue with the Draft EIR is that I find very little in the report regarding the impacts this project, and the proposed Alternatives, will have on the quality of my life. I strongly disagree with the statement that increasing the water temperatures of Lake Almanor will not

have a “substantial impact”. I live here and my personal experience has been contrary to your findings. With several years of drought I have seen firsthand the negative effects that an increase in water temperature has on the lake. We are experiencing more algae than in the past, which in turn reduces the clarity of the lake. I fear that any activity that further reduces cold water in the lake will greatly reduce the cold water fisheries that have made Lake Almanor one of the best fishing destinations in the State of California. My observations are supported by data in the final draft of the Lake Almanor Water Quality Report, 2015.

Increased water temperatures, increased algae, and reduced fisheries will have a devastating negative impact on the local economy, which is dependent upon tourism and already suffering. When I consider all of the negative impacts this project will have on the local economy and environment, I wonder what the impact will be on my quality of life and property value. Will more local businesses close? Will I lose needed services, such as our hospital, as a result of a worsening local economy? Will we lose the one thing that has brought us all here – the enjoyment of Lake Almanor?

In conclusion, I am OPPOSED to Alternatives 1 & 2, as described in the Draft EIR, and I believe that pursuing these Alternatives is unreasonable and reckless. I urge the State Water Board to only consider the PG&E project, as submitted and approved in the Settlement Agreement of April 22, 2004, without the additional release of cold water from Lake Almanor.

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