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Mr. Barnes,

I am writing you to express my opinion that I am opposed to the Water Boards staff recommendations in the Draft EIR.

The Draft EIR clearly didn't understand the potential devastation to Lake Almanor by removing cold water. Where is environment justice in damaging one area for the very questionable potential benefit of another?

There is no doubt the recommendations would clearly effect our fisheries and to suggest planting fish as a solution is unacceptable. Why not just plant the fish downstream? Isn't that the fishery in question now?

None of the recommendations pass any type of "reasonable" that the State Water Resources Control Board was asked to determine. Therefore, none should be utilized. Lake Almanor does not have enough cold water to share. Not a drop should be removed.

Please consider how many lives will be negatively impacted by this decision. It is not one being made for the greater good and could ruin Lake Almanor for all.

Sincerely,

Meagan Paulsen