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**To:** Barnes, Peter@Waterboards  
**Subject:** Save Lake Almanor

This letter is in regards to my concerns to remove cold water from Lake Almanor. As a land owner in Lake Almanor: 701 E. Mountain Ridge Rd and 675 E. Mountain Ridge Rd. I am opposed to the Water Board staff recommendation in the draft EIR.

Exporting most or all of Lake Almanor's cold water pool to achieve a marginal benefit far downstream would be an ecological travesty.

Where is the environmental justice in damaging one area, Lake Almanor, for a questionable improvement elsewhere?

How can there be "no significant impact" on Lake Almanor when its cold water fishery is dramatically reduced:

Reducing the cold water pool in Lake Almanor will result in a warmer lake and increased algae blooms, impacting both fish and humans.

In a year of climate change concerns, intentionally increasing the temperature of Lake Almanor is completely contrary to sensible practice.

Only 7% of Lake Almanor is considered cold water. We just simply don't have enough to share! Our fisheries and the overall health of our lake is in jeopardy.

Thank you for your time in this matter.

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