

## **Barnes, Peter@Waterboards**

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**From:** egwing@frontiernet.net  
**Sent:** Monday, March 23, 2015 2:33 PM  
**To:** Barnes, Peter@Waterboards  
**Cc:** Ed or Greta Wing  
**Subject:** Upper North Fork Feather River Hydro Project DEIR

Dear Mr. Barnes,

My wife Greta and I have been full time residents at Lake Almanor for 25 years. It is unbelievable to us that the SWRCB after ten years of studies, meetings and public outcry is still trying to ram cold water removal from Almanor down our throats. I will list a few of our many objections:

1. There is no proof that the North Fork ever should have been classified as a 303d cold water river. In fact your own local Central Valley office wrote to you against this listing.
2. The studies done years ago concluded that in a dry year there was not enough cold water in Almanor to do any cooling forty miles down the river. Since that time Almanor temperatures have been rising and last year there was more algae than I have seen in the past. It is ridiculous to think that removing over half of the cold water pool will not damage Lake Almanor and Butt Valley Reservoir.
3. The SWRCB has ignored all of the public input and even FERC and your local office. You have ignored the devastating cost to the Almanor Basin businesses and property value and the harm to the Mountain Maidu history.
4. The cost is huge, over one billion dollars, during the next fifty years of the PG&E new license with no benefit at all.
5. Since it is apparent that the SWRCB is going to push ahead with this insane project, I will now donate my time to fund raising for our lawsuit which will inevitably follow.

Sincerely,

Ed Wing, 313 Lake Almanor West Drive, Chester, CA 96020