

Barnes, Peter@Waterboards

From: Cortney Working <cworkingbhhs@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 22, 2015 9:29 PM
To: Barnes, Peter@Waterboards
Subject: NOT A DROP OF OUR COLD WATER!

Dear Mr. Peter Barnes

I am highly opposed to your recommendation to take our cold water from Lake Almanor. I have lived in this area all my life, therefore I have had the privilege to see how much this Lake has a powerful influence on our wildlife, fish and community. People from all over the United States come to visit our stunning lake and to take hikes to the top of Lassen to view Lake Almanor. Our community thrives off of the recreation that this lake provides. The tiny town of Chester would be a complete ghost town with only a Mill to support us if we did not have Lake Almanor. For instance; Majority of my family and our friends are Contractors, my Father has been able to support his family with a majority of the money he makes from LAKE VIEW homes, or homes with LAKE ACCESS. Some of the most powerful and influencing women in our community are Real Estate Agents, in our area Agents get the most leads in the summer time from individuals visiting from out of the area whom have had their breath taken away from the beauty and relaxation that Lake Almanor provides to them and their families. I understand that you feel as though your plan is completely justified, but frankly the State Water Resources Control Board is using bad judgment with the use of outdated science and pure stupidity due to your poor analysis. Where do you get the justice environmentally to ruin our small area just to *possibly* improve another area? Why is there no cost estimate or cost benefit proposal and analysis being provided? In case you are unaware due to your lack of research; if you were to reduce our cold water in Lake Almanor even just a little bit it would result in a warmer lake and the increasing amount of algae which would impact fish and humans. I would hate to see this happen to our gorgeous Lake and wildlife. Please be sensible, take our community into consideration!!!

I am Cortney and I am completely opposed to the Water Board staff recommendation in the draft EIR!!!

Thank You For Your Consideration.