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Lewis Partners

Dear Mr. Barnes -

I am writing to you today to express my grave concern over the future of Lake Almanor in Plumas County. I own a home on the lake, built in 2005, and treasure the peace and serenity, the bird life and pristine air and water I see when I am there with family, friends and neighbors.

I have grave concerns over the lake's cold water being flushed downstream for the uncertain benefits that are going to entail great expense to the taxpayer (of which I am one) for the largely unproven experiment of the so called "Thermal Curtain".

The only sure result will be, doubtless, the swift death of the fish population in the lake, "blooming algae", bird species deterioration resulting from the impact of diminished food supplies (including the Bald Eagles I see so often hunting there) and doubtless grave economic hardship for the residents of Plumas County, already one of the least prosperous regions of our state.

If these consequences of a poor decision on the implementation of the Thermal Curtain occur, you can be

sure the negative environmental impact will
engage citizens such as myself, who will
photograph, and advertise this lack of foresight
and ecological sensitivity. Lake Alvarado will
become, I fear, a dramatic embarrassment
for the State of California at a time of
drought challenges, climate change sensitivity
and governmental fiscal overreach.

Sincerely,

Mary Lewis