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To: Peter Barnes, Engineering Geologist State Water Resources Control Board Division of Water Rights, Water Quality Certification Program

Re: Draft Environmental Impact Report for Lake Almanor

Mr. Barnes,

I am writing you to express my complete opposition to the Water Boards staff recommendations in the Draft EIR.

The Environmental Impact Report clearly does not address the potential destruction to Lake Almanor and the ramifications that would stem from the removal of cold water from this lake. The devastation that these recommendations would produce can not be justified for the uncertain potential benefit of another resource.

The removal of cold water from Lake Almanor would have serious negative impacts on our fisheries, reducing salmon habitat greatly and threatening the vitality of this lake which is already experiencing reduced snow pack, less output from it's cold water springs and increased algae blooms. Lake Almanor can not afford to have any of it's cold water removed and none of the recommendations can be viewed as "reasonable" or viable in any way. Please do not allow this vital resource to be destroyed!

Sincerely,

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