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Regarding: **FERC Project 2105-Lake Almanor**

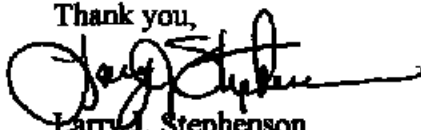
To Whom It May Concern:,

Please take time to listen to those of us with real concerns over the placing of a Thermal Curtain in Lake Almanor. After much study, I have not found that any fish are dieing the Feather River or that a real problem exists in that fishery. Lake Almanor is 80 years old and is one of the best trout lakes in California, and now if your decision is to go ahead with the Thermal Curtain it could all be ruined.

As you well know, Lake Almanor is a very shallow lake. By removing a substantial amount of the cold water from the lake especially on a dry year would devastate this fishery. And for what, a possible one degree temperature lowering in the Feather River. If it isn't broke don't fix it. Force's unknown to me must be pushing for this to happen, I know of no one that wants this project to happen.

Please use common sense as you make up your mind in this process. Help save Lake Almanor and Butt Lake.

Thank you,



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