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RE: FERC Project 2105, Upper North Fork Feather River Project

Dear Commissioners,

We are very opposed to the Water Board recommendation in the draft concerning Lake Almanor. It does not make sense to remove and export the majority of the cold water from Lake Almanor to possibly lower the temperature downstream in the North Fork of the Feather River. There is no proof that this outcome will be achieved. The only certainty is that it will have an adverse effect on the health of Lake Almanor's ecological system. It would be unfortunate to turn this beautiful lake into an algae infested body of water similar to Clear Lake. I would think that the water now flowing downstream has to be colder than the pre dam/lake flow of the past. In this era of climate uncertainty it seems completely contrary to sensible practice.

Some added concerns are the monetary cost to implement this project as well as the possible loss of revenue to local businesses from the deterioration of Lake Almanor as a prime recreational destination. It would seem that the perceived benefits would not offset these costs.

Hoping for your thoughtful consideration of our concerns for Lake Almanor.

Sincerely,

David S. Colby Susan B. Colby

Dave and Sue Colby: Property owners Lake Almanor, California

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