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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
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Dear Ms. Bose,

FEDERAL ENERGY  
REGULATORY COMMISSION

The re-licensing Project 2105 has been going on for a long time. Some issues supposedly have been resolved, but the last-minute requirement by the State Water Resources Control Board to divert cold water from Lake Almanor to lower the downstream water temperature for the fish through the use of a thermal curtain is of great concern. The lake has a large surface and a shallow depth, thus the lake water is relatively warm in the summer. The diversion of colder lake water would cause great damage to the Lake Almanor ecosystem. The lake in front of our house has had algae blooms in 2020 and 2021. An increased lake temperature would contribute to this problem.

I have a home on the peninsula on Lake Almanor, 1277 Lassen View Drive. Our family has owned this land and house since 1967. Lake Almanor has had the reputation of being one of the best lakes for fishing in California. Over the years our family and friends have enjoyed the swimming, kayaking and boating on the lake. We have seen the lake go up and down over the years, but lately the lake has gone down more than in the past. We have also seen fires during the years, but due to global warming the fires are different and more destructive. The Dixie Fire last year was especially threatening. There was fire all around the lake and two nearby cities, Greenville and Canyon Dam, were destroyed.

The thermal curtain would possibly benefit the downstream fisheries but would significantly harm the lake's fish populations, the recreational use of the lake and the local economy. I ask that you reject the proposed thermal curtain for Lake Almanor.

Sincerely,

Joan Rhodes

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