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Kimberly Bose, Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street, N.E., Rm 1A
Washington, D.C. 20428

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

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Dear Commissioners,

I am writing to express my concerns with the last minute requirement by the State Water Resources Board in Project 2105 to divert cold water from Lake Almanor to lower the downstream water temperature for fish hatcheries.

While I understand the goal, and certainly approve of helping the environment for fish, this particular requirement comes at an unacceptably high cost. I live at 714 Peninsula Drive on lake Almanor, and I have watched as rising temperatures have adversely affected the lake. Algae is now a problem when it wasn't in the past. Further increasing the water temperature of lake Almanor, even by a degree or two will exacerbate this issue enormously. Thousands of people use and depend on our beautiful lake Almanor, not only for recreation but for their livelihood. It seems unjust and unbalanced to try to solve one problem by creating a new, and much larger one. And the net negative impact to the fish in Lake Almanor will offset any benefit to fish downstream, so even the overall goal is suspect in this case.

I urge you ~~to~~ reject the proposed thermal curtain for Lake Almanor.

Sincerely,



Todd Sachs

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