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FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, N.E., Room 1A Washington, D.C. 20426

RE: Project 2105

Dear Secretary Bose:

I have deep concerns that Project 2105 will have a devastating negative impact on my community, the surrounding communities, the local economy, and the environment.

This area is my home, and I am OPPOSED to Alternatives one & two of SWRCB's 2014 draft, and now Alternative three of SWRCB's 2020 draft. All three of these alternatives are unreasonable and reckless. I strongly urge the State Water Board to only consider the PG&E project, as submitted and approved in the Settlement Agreement of April 22, 2004, without the additional release of cold water from Lake Almanor.

Project 2105 is a federally regulated and licensed hydro-electric project located in Northern California in Plumas County owned and operated by Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) under the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) license number 2105. A significant feature of the project is Lake Almanor, a large reservoir that provides water storage for the hydro project and important recreation benefits for residents and visitors.

Increased water temperatures, increased algae, and reduced fisheries will have a devastating impact on local wildlife, local economy, and local families, which are ALL dependent upon the Lake Almanor. Further damage to the lake will also exasperate declining tourism, which is already suffering. After considering all the negative impacts this project will have, will it also affect my community by losing needed services, such as our hospital, because of a worsening local economy? Will we lose the one thing that has brought us all here – the enjoyment and preservation of Lake Almanor?

My main issue with the Project 2105 is that there is little in the report regarding the impacts of this project and what the proposed alternatives will be. I strongly disagree with the statement that increasing the water temperatures of Lake Almanor will not have a "substantial impact."

Would you please strongly urge the State Water Board to only consider the PG&E project, as submitted and approved in the Settlement Agreement of April 22, 2004, without the additional release of cold water from Lake Almanor?

Sincerely.

Scott Holmes

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Veronica Holmes

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