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FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Kimberly Bose, Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, N.E., Room 1A Washington, DC 20428

Re: FERC Project 2105, Upper North Fork

**Feather River Project** 

Dear Ms. Bose,

I am writing with the hope that you will look into Project 2105 in the Plumas County area in California. We live in the California Northern mountains. We have a beautiful lake surrounded by redwood, pine and other majestic trees. The water is beautiful and tranquil. Project 2105 is proposing a release of cold water from Lake Almanor, which would lower the level of our lake to even lower than it already is. This is being done in an effort to reduce water temperatures in the lower part of the Feather River basin. If this is done, it truly would be devastating for our community.

Our community barely made it through the Dixie fire, which gained national attention, last year. The economy was definitely hurt because of the fire near and around our community. Other communities not far from us were ruined. To have our lake drained would cause irreparable damage to our local economy as well as our local environment.

The current proposals of a thermal curtain and/or surge water releases is unacceptable. The current data that is being used is dated and not accurate. Please look into this because Project 2051 is not taking into account the current data, which would greatly impact our lake and consequently our community. I am tired of constantly not knowing if we will be adversely affected. This has been hanging over our heads for quite some time and it's really not fair to our community.

Draining our lake will greatly impact our fisheries as well as open our lake up to toxic algae. We have families from cities such as Reno, Nevada and Chico, California that come to enjoy the lake and having children and others swimming with algae would be neglectful and unhealthy. The Clean Water Act states that you cannot adversely affect the beneficial uses of water. Our community has suffered enough without having to lose our beautiful lake. Our community relies on tourism and doesn't need to deal with poor water quality and all the problems that go along with it.

I am requesting that you REJECT the thermal curtain and increased water surges to lower our water at Lake Almanor. I strongly encourage the State Water Board to only consider the PG&E project as submitted and approved in the Settlement Agreement of April 22, 2004 without additional release of

cold water from Lake Almanor. New data is needed for predictive models. Our lake will be ruined and so will our community.

Sincerely,

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