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From: KSDcomments KSDcomments[SMTP: KSDCOMMENTS@DFG. CA. GOV]  
Sent: Monday, December 12, 2011 9:18:30 AM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd  
Subject: Fwd: DAMS  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

>>> Duane Sands <[freedomusa7@earthlink.net](mailto:freedomusa7@earthlink.net)> 11/17/2011 8:58 PM >>>

Please do not remove the dams on the Klamath River. Why try to fix something when it is not broken?

Duane Sands Crescent City, Calif.

Comment 1 - Disapproves of Dam Removal

Duane Sands  
[freedomusa7@earthlink.net](mailto:freedomusa7@earthlink.net)  
EarthLink Revolves Around You.

**Comment Author** Sands, Duane  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 17, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1117_1140-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_WI\_1227\_1178

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From: [shumak13@aol.com](mailto:shumak13@aol.com)[SMTP: SHUMAK13@AOL.COM]  
Sent: Tuesday, December 27, 2011 9:03:23 AM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; [werner@wrinkledog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkledog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: designed lifespan  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: ken sandusky  
Organization: salmon liberation organization

Comment 1 - Other/General

Subject: designed lifespan

Body: These dams were meant to have passage from the beginning. The only allowance for our anadromous loss I can find was "clandestine." And no recompense ever applied. Now to keep these aged structures we will see our rates increase on top of the fiscal and social losses already endured? Seems right ridiculous to us... Salmon have immense value and we need ours back. We rely on natural resources in the NW. This one stolen lifetimes ago promises to help support a stronger service economy.

**Comment Author** Sandusky, Ken  
**Agency/Assoc.** Salmon Liberation Organization  
**Submittal Date** December 27, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1227_1178-1	<p data-bbox="435 1003 1175 1037">Master Response GEN-1 Comment Included as Part of Record.</p> <p data-bbox="435 1066 1203 1188">The Secretary of the Interior will consider this comment along with all others in making his determination relative to Klamath Hydroelectric Settlement Agreement (KHSA) and Klamath Basin Restoration Agreement (KBRA).</p>	No

Klamath Settlement



EIS/EIR PROCESS

# Comment Form

GP\_MF\_1102\_315

Please mail your comments to:

Ms. Elizabeth Vasquez  
Bureau of Reclamation  
2800 Cottage Way  
Sacramento, CA 95825

OR

Mr. Gordon Leppig  
California Dept. of Fish and Game  
Northern Region,  
619 Second Street  
Eureka, CA 95501

Email:  
KlamathSD@usbr.gov

Website:  
KlamathRestoration.gov

Fax:  
(916) 978-5055

All comments on the Draft EIS/EIR must be received by November 21, 2011

(Please print legibly)

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Name: Steve SanFilippo

Organization:

Title:

Address: PO Box 438 Yreka, Ca 96097

Email:

Comments:

Comment 1 - Disapproves of Dam Removal

I've lived and worked in Siskiyou county for 25 years and I would like to say, "I am opposed" to the removal of the dams.

Comment 2 - Costs

In these difficult economic times why should we be spending so much time and money to fix something that isn't broke. The dams provide green energy, are beneficial for agriculture and recreation which brings in a lot of revenue to our county.

I enjoy fishing and kayaking in the river, and I can really appreciate the way the flows are regulated with the help of the dams. Please

Do Not Remove them. Steve SanFilippo

10-26-11

Comment 3 - Disapproves of Dam Removal

omit personal information. If you decide to do so, please note that this information may be made publicly available at [redacted] withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

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**Comment Author** SanFilippo, Steve  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 02, 2011

<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_MF_1102_315-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No
GP_MF_1102_315-2	The Draft EIS/EIR identifies the purpose and need and project objectives for the alternatives development and impact analyses.  Master Response GHG-1 Green Power.  Section 3.15 evaluates economic impacts on agriculture and recreation. The Proposed Action would result in a net increase in fishing and recreation industries which will continue over the long term; effects on specific fishing and recreational activities (positive and negative) are described on p. 3.15-56 through 3.15-61. The Proposed Action would also result in a net increase in jobs relative to irrigated agriculture. Tables 3.15-56 through 3.15-58 summarize job effects relative to irrigated agriculture effects of the Proposed Action.	No
GP_MF_1102_315-3	EIS/EIR Section 3.20, Recreation, describes effects to recreation as a result of the Proposed Action.  The Secretary of the Interior will consider this comment along with all others in making his determination relative to the Klamath Hydroelectric Settlement Agreement (KHSA) and Klamath Basin Restoration Agreement (KBRA).	No

**Klamath Settlement**



EIS/EIR PROCESS

# Comment Form

GP\_MF\_1102\_314

Please mail your comments to:

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2800 Cottage Way  
Sacramento, CA 95825

OR

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California Dept. of Fish and Game  
Northern Region,  
619 Second Street  
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KlamathSD@usbr.gov

**Website:**  
KlamathRestoration.gov

**Fax:**  
(916) 978-5055

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**Name:** Teresa Santilippo  
**Organization:** property owner along river  
**Title:** Broker -  
**Address:** ~~803~~ P.O. Box 438 Yreka CA 96097  
**Email:**

**Comments:** Why are the votes of the people not worth anything? The people have voted to not remove the dams but I guess it doesn't really matter what the residents of Siskiyou County feel. Just another case of Bureau's mis spending, mis management and corruption.

*mmjfgio*

Comment 1 - General/Other

SCANNED

10-13-11  
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**Comment Author** SanFilippo, Teresa  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 02, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_MF_1102_314-1	Master Response GEN-1 Comment Included as Part of Record.	No

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From: Hyo Chung[SMTP: LEECHUNG@WI SC. EDU]  
Sent: Friday, December 16, 2011 3:34:10 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd  
Cc: Adena Rissman  
Subject: Klamath Dam Removal Public Recommendation Auto forwarded by a Rule

Hyo Sang Lee Chung  
454 W. Dayton St. Apt. 208  
Madison, WI 53703

December 8, 2011

Ms. Elizabeth Vasquez  
Bureau of Reclamation  
2800 Cottage Way  
Sacramento, CA 95825  
Dear Ms. Vasquez,

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal

First, I would like to appreciate your acceptance of public comment on such important policy like removing Klamath dams, and considering them as an important recommendation source. I as an environmental study and international study student of University of Wisconsin - Madison, would like to recommend you to consider removing Klamath dams even stronger in order to preserve Salmon species without worries about jobs and economic impacts because there are much more benefits than losses that are generated by natural river way, and such losses are negligible due to the followed benefits and alternatives from dam removal.

While reading the announcement of public hearing on Klamath dam removal, it seems like that the greatest concern about the dam removal can be identified into 3 sources: loss of some jobs, loss of electric supply, and loss of recreational opportunities. However, when evaluating those negative impacts, my personal idea is that losses will not outweigh benefits of dam removal because those problems have alternative solutions or even negligible, while alternative way to get benefits from removal requires meaningful amount of funding.

The opposing position's one of the strongest arguments would be the loss of around 50 jobs in Klamath dams. Indeed, removing dam means removing their place of work, so there would be serious concerns about job loss of current working forces. However, compensating those people would not excess the funding needed to build alternative fish pathways and reservoir water management. Furthermore, while there are around 50 job losses, there would be about 450 estimated job support annually from fisheries occurred by dam removal. Therefore, the problem of loss of jobs is negligible considering compensation cost and additional benefits from improved fisheries.

Another argument about dam removal is the loss of electric supply. While 70,000 homes are concerned about loss of an electric source, according to removal plan report, those households should have to be also concerned about transferred public cost of building fish passage over dam. Therefore, the increased rate of

electricity bill would be negligible because of even higher public cost of building fish passage.

Finally, the loss of recreational support of water reservoir can also be neglected because naturally formed river by dam removal will also bring similar recreational support. The most recreational support of water reservoir would be fishing and boating. While such recreation would be also available in rivers, it can be neglected. Although loss of recreational support is negligible, some people might argue that unlike water reservoir, the natural river is a flowing water. However, in such case of concerns, small force of safety and security management would be enough to manage and deal with safety issues.

Beside such negligible negative impacts, there is a significant positive impact on salmon species. While salmon is not widely renowned as endangered species (and some dispute over whether salmon is endangered species or not), it is widely renown that dams are seriously threatening salmon's habitat because of blockade of their way back to home during spawning season. Therefore, I strongly urge you to consider positively about dam removal not only because to increase the salmon fishery range, but also to protect salmon habitat and species.

Similar case of salmon habitat reconstruction can be found on Japan, 2010. Last year December, International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) recommended Japanese dam on Shiretoko peninsula with advice of preserving salmon habitat and species. While removal of some Shiretoko dam had high risk of flood, Klamath dam has relatively small risk of flood as reported on Red Lodge Clearinghouse. Moreover, the benefit of Salmon habitat restoring is expected greater than Shiretoko peninsula, I strongly support removing Klamath dam under proper compensation for possible job loss and security.

As described above, removing Klamath dam would bring some negative impacts, however, those impacts are negligible because of available compensation and even stronger reinforcement naturally followed after dam removal. Also, removing dam would bring improvement on Salmon habitat that would support improved fisheries and natural resource preservation. Furthermore, the cost of removing dam is expected as smaller than that of Shiretoko peninsula, I strongly support Klamath dam removal. The annexed link below is the report of Shiretoko peninsula, and hopefully, this would support your positive consideration of dam removal for natural preservation.

Again, thank you for your time for reading my recommendation and accepting public comments for such important policies.

Sincerely,

Hyo Sang Lee Chung

UW - Madison, Environmental study student.

Securing a safe passage for salmon, (2010). International Union for Conservation of Nature. Retrieved from

[http://www.iucn.org/knowledge/focus/previous\\_focus\\_topics/next\\_steps/on\\_the\\_ground/?6689/Securing-a-safe-passage-for-salmon](http://www.iucn.org/knowledge/focus/previous_focus_topics/next_steps/on_the_ground/?6689/Securing-a-safe-passage-for-salmon)

**Comment Author** Sang Lee Chung, Hyo  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** December 16, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1216_1086-1	<p>Master Response GEN-1 Comment Included as Part of Record.</p> <p>Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.</p> <p>The Secretary of the Interior will consider this comment along with all others in making his determination relative to the Klamath Hydroelectric Settlement Agreement (KHSA) and Klamath Basin Restoration Agreement (KBRA).</p>	No

GP\_EM\_1109\_413

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From: [OLYMPIC45@aol.com](mailto:OLYMPIC45@aol.com)[SMTP:OLYMPIC45@AOL.COM]  
Sent: Wednesday, November 09, 2011 12:40:54 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd  
Subject: Re Dam Removal  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

Comment 1 - Disapproves of Dam Removal

I DO NOT WANT ANY DAM REMOVAL.. AT KLAMATH OR ANY WHERE ELSE..

CONCERNED CITIZEN  
CHRISTINE SARGENT

**Comment Author** Sargent, Christine  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 09, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1109_413-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_LT\_1011\_025

October 6, 2011

Bureau of Reclamation  
c/o CDM  
2295 Gateway Oaks Drive, Suite 240  
Sacramento, CA 935833

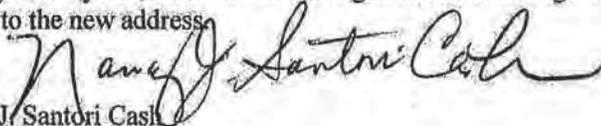
Re: **Change of Address for John P. and Jean O. Santori**  
**Property Owners: (COS Bond, Series A-C Copco Lake Unit 2, Lot 61, APN 4-392-611)**

Please change the address in your records for John P. and Jean O. Santori

**FROM:**  
43354 30<sup>th</sup> St W Apt 110,  
Lancaster CA 93536-5309

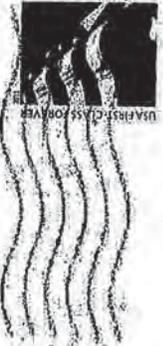
**TO:**  
**John P. and Jean O. Santori**  
4482 Via Amable  
San Diego, CA 92122

Thank you for your assistance in making the address change to assure all correspondence is mailed to the new address.

  
Nancy J. Santori Cash  
for John P. and Jean O. Santori

**John and Jean Santori**  
4482 Via Amable  
San Diego, CA 92122

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Bureau of Reclamation  
c/o CDM  
2295 Gateway Oaks Drive, Suite 240  
Sacramento, CA 935833

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**Comment Author** Santori Cash, Nancy  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 11, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_LT_1011_025-1	Data Base was updated to reflect this change of address.	No

11/09/2011 12:41 510-2354500

SARGENT FAX

GP\_LT\_1110\_473

11/9/11

Bureau of Reclamation

Comment 1 - Against Dam Removal

I do not want Dam Removal  
at Klamath dam. Save our future prosperity  
and welfare

Concerned citizen  
Wendine Sargent  
Richmond, CA 94805

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Classification	ENV 50-33
Project	12
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Date Input & Initials	11/10/2011 IN

**Comment Author** Sargent, Nadine  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 10, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_LT_1110_473-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_WI\_1120\_812

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From: [williamsavage@aol.com](mailto:williamsavage@aol.com)[SMTP: [WILLIAMUSAVAGE@AOL.COM](mailto:WILLIAMUSAVAGE@AOL.COM)]  
Sent: Sunday, November 20, 2011 3:10:30 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; [werner@wrinkledog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkledog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: Klamath Draft EIS/EIR: I support Alternative 2 Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: William Savage  
Organization: Cal Trout

Duplicate of GP\_WI\_1111\_503

Subject: Klamath Draft EIS/EIR: I support Alternative 2

Body: I support Alternative 2 of the Klamath Draft EIS/EIR proposal (full removal of the Iron Gate, Copco1, Copco2, and J.C. Boyle dams).

- \* These dams are decimating what used to be the west coast's third most productive steelhead and salmon fisheries, and strangling the area's economy
- \* Alternative 2 will help restore salmon runs (dramatically increasing steelhead populations), and ensure predictable water deliveries to irrigators
- \* The dams don't make economic sense: if upgraded to modern standards they'll actually operate at a \$20 million annual loss
- \* Even the owner (PacifiCorp) wants these privately owned dams taken out

I support healthy fisheries and a healthy local economy (dam removal brings many jobs to the area) -- and I support Alternative 2.

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal

**Comment Author** Savage, William  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 20, 2011

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Portions of this letter are verbatim duplicates of comments submitted in the comment author's submittal coded - GP\_WI\_1111\_503. Responses to those initial comments that were duplicated in this letter are presented in this EIS/EIR alongside GP\_WI\_1111\_503. Responses to comments provided in this letter that were not also submitted as a part of GP\_WI\_1111\_503 are listed below.

<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1120_812-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.  Master Response GEN-20 PacifiCorp Private Ownership of Hydroelectric Facilities.	No

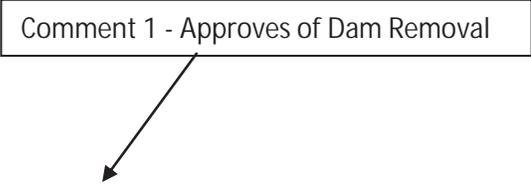
GP\_WI\_1111\_550

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From: [sawaske@gmail.com](mailto:sawaske@gmail.com)[SMTP:SAWASKE@GMAIL.COM]  
Sent: Friday, November 11, 2011 5:33:14 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-KlamathSD; [werner@wrinkledog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkledog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: Klamath Dams  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: spencer sawaske  
Organization:

Subject: Klamath Dams

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal



Body: I support Alternative 2 of the Klamath Draft EIS/EIR proposal (full removal of the Iron Gate, Copco1, Copco2, and J.C. Boyle dams).

**Comment Author** Sawaske, Spencer  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 11, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1111_550-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_MC\_1025\_299

KLAMATH DAM REMOVAL  
DRAFT EIS/EIR HEARING  
OCTOBER 25, 2011

PUBLIC TESTIMONY  
ORLEANS, CALIFORNIA

MR. SAXON: How are you doing? My name is Josh Saxon, J-o-s-h S-a-x-o-n. And I would like to echo the sentiments of the majority of the community here.

I would like to -- I'm a resident of Orleans. I was born here, raised here. And I think that

Comment 1 - Approves  
of Dam Removal

Alternative 2 is definitely the only option on the table that we support. It's going to contribute to the health of the river and the way that it needs to be restored back to the way it was.

You know, like BeaVi was saying, you know, the stories from the old people, from the old folks, was that at some times during the river runs, on some stretches of the river, you could walk right on the backs of the salmon all the way across. That's how plentiful the runs were here. And, obviously, that's not the case.

And the majority of the time, this river is not healthy. And I have three children. I have a fourth one on the way in March. And I feed my kids fish, but I typically only feed my kids fish from the mouth, because anything that goes up the river is just not as healthy. When it gets in this river, there's just too much going on. There's too much runoff. There's too much

chemicals. There's just way too much going on in the river for the fish to be healthy in it.

And I think that the economic impact could be huge for this area, not just for this area but for the upper river as well. I'm always confused about how the folks upriver, up in Yreka and Montague and those places, are so against dam removal, because it's going to benefit them so much with all the job creation that's up there. Their economy is not any better than ours.

So, I appreciate you guys being here. And I hope that the more people that read the EIS study and understand it will actually -- cooler heads will prevail and that we can get this thing done. Thank you.

MS. JONES: Thank you.

MR. LYNCH: Thank you, Josh.

**Comment Author** Saxon, Joshua  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 25, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_MC_1025_299-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_LT\_1122\_886

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam  
Removal

Date: 11/6/11



Dear Ms. Vasquez:

I support Klamath Dam Removal as described in Alternative 2 of the Draft EIS/EIR on Klamath Facilities Removal because:  
This alternative is the only one that will ensure that the following is treated as a special resource for water species and riparian species in the ecosystem.

Sincerely,

SCANNED  
Name (printed clearly) Jessica Vasquez  
Signature [Handwritten Signature]

**Comment Author** Saxon, Joshua  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 22, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_LT_1122_886-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

**Klamath Falls Hearing - 10-18-2011**

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STATEMENT PROVIDED BEFORE PUBLIC HEARING  
(Directly to Court Reporter)

MS. BELINDA SCALAS: My name is Belinda Scalas, S-c-a-l-a-s.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit my  
comments on the draft EIS this evening.

Building dams has been foundational to settling  
and reclaiming the West. However, not all dams were  
created equally nor were there long-term environmental  
impacts known upon siting and building them.

The four lower Klamath dams have served our

Comment 1 - General/Other

purpose and produced electricity during their useful life,

but the time has come when they have proved to be more of

a blight to the Klamath River than the benefit of their

presence is worth. This isn't a universal truth about all

dams but for these dams, it is a reality.

In negotiating the Klamath Agreements, parties  
from the entire Klamath Basin watershed came together and  
learned some real and lasting lessons about what it means  
to be a neighbor.

The Bible says, "Love your neighbor as  
yourself;" much easier said than done. But in working  
with neighbors to find agreement about how to manage our  
water resources together, I think we collectively found

that, excuse me -- that when you love your neighbor and

honor them, you love and honor yourself.

The Klamath Agreements are a perfect example

of the results of being a good neighbor. Tribes care

about agricultural water, farmers care about tribal

heritage, and we all care about being stewards and leaving

a healthy ecosystem for our children.

The Klamath River ties our communities

together. It is the main artery through which the pulse

of water courses. We have got some real issues happening

in our main artery: Poor water quality, blockage of

ESA-listed species, and a general lack of coordinated

water management.

The Klamath Agreements address all these issues

and more. The time has come to restore health to the

Klamath River, and when the main artery of this watershed

is healthy, our communities will also be healthy.

I urge Secretary Salazar to make a positive

Comment 2 - Approves of  
Dam Removal

determination in moving forward with implementation of the

Klamath Agreements, for the health of the Klamath River

and for our communities.

**Comment Author** Scalas, Belinda  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 18, 2011

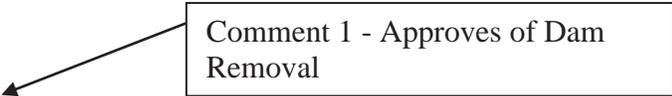
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GP_MC_1018_131-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No
GP_MC_1018_131-2	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_EM\_1117\_741

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From: Mark Scharff[SMTP:GRATEFUL1MARK@GMAIL.COM]  
Sent: Thursday, November 17, 2011 1:19:59 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd  
Subject: Dam Removal  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam  
Removal



Dear Ms. Vasquez,

As a lifelong citizen of Oregon, and the Earth I want to thank you for your work on the Klamath River. The theft of Native land, Water Rights and destruction of the Rivers lifeblood that is needed to sustain the wildlife native to this land has to end, not only is it morally right, it is one more step towards restoring then natural balance to an area long abused by ranchers, and farmers. For too many years "resorce extraction" has been the mantra of those who are so myopic that they won't look beyond their own pocket books and political power. May Mother Earth make you strong, and give you direction and wisdom as you continue to help reclaim our lands and help us begin to heal the scars left by those who want to destroy the Natives of our lands.

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Mark W. Scharff

**Comment Author** Scharff, Mark  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 17, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1117_741-1	Master Response GEN-1 Comment Included as Part of Record.	No

GP\_EM\_1120\_811

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From: [bj\\_109@att.net](mailto:bj_109@att.net)[SMTP:BJ\_109@ATT.NET]

Sent: Sunday, November 20, 2011 2:38:50 PM

To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd

Subject: Dam Removal - NO!!

Auto forwarded by a Rule

Comment 1 - Disapproves of Dam  
Removal



This is insanity! Absolutely NO on removing any of our dams!

You think the against wallstreet demonstrators are strong – just try this and see what happens.

Please reconsider.

Thank you.

Barbara Schell

109 Woodland Dr., Napa, CA 94558

**Comment Author** Schell, Barbara  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 20, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1120_811-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_WI\_1117\_742

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From: [sscher@opendoorhealth.com](mailto:sscher@opendoorhealth.com)[SMTP: [SSCHER@OPENDOORHEALTH.COM](mailto:sscher@opendoorhealth.com)]  
Sent: Thursday, November 17, 2011 1:29:41 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; [werner@wrinkledog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkledog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: klamath dam removal Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: Sarah Scher  
Organization:

Subject: klamath dam removal



Comment 1 - Approves of Dam  
Removal

Body: I am writing to support Alternative 2, full removal of the four dams on the Klamath River in CA and OR. I believe this is the best available solution to restore the river and the salmon population. Thank you.

**Comment Author** Scher, Sarah  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 17, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1117_742-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

Klamath Settlement



EIS/EIR PROCESS

# Comment Form

GP\_MF\_1128\_945

Please mail your comments to:

Ms. Elizabeth Vasquez  
Bureau of Reclamation  
2800 Cottage Way  
Sacramento, CA 95825

OR

Mr. Gordon Leppig  
California Dept. of Fish and Game  
Northern Region,  
619 Second Street  
Eureka, CA 95501

Email:

KlamathSD@usbr.gov

Website: 12

KlamathRestoration.gov

Fax: 707-546-7100

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Comment 2 - Alternatives

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(Please print legibly)

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IS: [initials] 11/28

Name: Eric Schmidt

Organization:

Title:

Address: P.O. Box 223 Orleans, CA 95556

Email: enschmidt@juno.com

Comments: Dear Mr Secretary of Interior,

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal

Thank goodness the United States Federal Government is finally recognizing the environmental and economic need of removing the four dams and restoring fish habitat on Northern California's Klamath River. I do not know about waiting nine more years to finally tearing down the dams though. I'll be almost 65 years old and probably too old to get one of the jobs helping to take down the dams. Must we wait that long? I wish there were some sort of executive order to move forward on dam removal. We needed the dams removed, the jobs created and the fish yesterday. Is it a vestige of our racist colonial past, like how it took a hundred years for civil rights to kick in after the end of slavery? To be honest it still feels

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“like “cowboys and Indians” up here sometimes.  
My father, a veteran and retired engineer who joined the Riverkeepers and wanted the dams removed told me before he died that they are “dragging their feet” because they don't really want to remove the dams or give some fish back to the Native Americans. I hope that isn't true. The Klamath River and fish belong to all Americans to enjoy anyway, so we are only hurting ourselves. The good economics for dam removal is clear. The good ecological science for dam removal is clear. The good ethics for dam removal is clear also. How future historians will remember our time and our deeds is in your hands now. Be visionary if you can and try to see the unmet challenges and problems. Go for the Glory of restoring the West's great fish runs, honoring promises and improving Native American relations. Correct a National injustice that was done by <sup>the</sup>ruining the Klamath river with dams, sediment and algae producing reservoirs. We all need to put our human needs aside for once and think of the fish first. In regards to the draft EIS/EIR, there are some problems that need to be addressed. Dam removal without reducing nutrient

Missing Text: Dam Removal without reducing nutrient...

Comment 3 - Water Quality

3) Flows from the Upper Klamath will not help the river or fish! The Upper Basin needs rehabilitation to make the river's ecology work. An "Everglades like" restoration and rebuilding of the original wetlands for the river's natural filtering program needs to be incorporated. This probably means that ranch and agricultural lands will be needed and will have to be bought up. The Native Americans and fisherman have sacrificed for many decades, now it is the farmers and ranchers who must sacrifice. No, just be bought out maybe by the Nature Conservancy or the United States Govt. Buy up Upper Klamath Basin devalued land and build a National Monument dedicated to the people of the Upper Basin who sacrificed their land, water and livelihood for restoration of the Klamath River and the salmon.

Comment 4 - ITAs

Also, you can not allow the desenting tribes such as the Hoopa to be cut out of the process for fifty years as in the BRA. That would be a social injustice to say the least. Thank you for your work on this issue. Sincerely, Eric Schmidt

**Comment Author** Schmidt, Eric  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 28, 2011

<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_MF_1128_945-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No
GP_MF_1128_945-2	Master Response ALT-3 Elimination of Alternative 13 - Federal Takeover of the Klamath Hydroelectric Project from Detailed Study.	No
GP_MF_1128_945-3	<p>Concern #1: Nutrient pollution will continue in the Klamath Basin and dam removal may help, but it will not be enough.</p> <p>Master Response WQ-16 Upper Klamath Basin Historically Productive but Land Use Exacerbates Problem.</p> <p>Master Response WQ-4 Hydroelectric Project Impacts to Water Quality Anticipated KHSA/KBRA Improvements.</p> <p>In most years (2011 being somewhat of an exception) water quality in Upper Klamath Lake and Keno is seasonably poor between June and October. During these periods, high water temperatures and low dissolved oxygen levels related to algae blooms can negatively impact fish. However, the Draft EIS/EIR provides substantial information to suggest that at other times of the year there is presently suitable habitat in Upper Klamath Lake to support reintroduction of steelhead and salmon. Once the weather cools down in the fall, salmonid species, which have evolved within this seasonal cycle in the Klamath Basin, can use the Upper Klamath Lake.</p> <p>Concern #2: An Everglades-like restoration program is needed to reduce nutrient pollution in the upper basin.</p> <p>The Everglades restoration program uses a variety of pollutant management / reduction techniques. Many of these same techniques are being contemplated for use as part of the Klamath River TMDL implementation program. Several water quality improvement activities have been recently funded through the Klamath Hydroelectric Settlement Agreement (KHSA) Interim Measures (Interim Measures 10, 11, and 15; see Draft EIS/EIR Section 3.2.4.1, p. 3.2-34 to 3.2-35). Projects currently being considered under IM 11 include water quality pilot projects for organic matter removal, sediment sequestration of nutrients, treatment wetlands, and natural wetland restoration, among others, to address nutrient over-enrichment in Upper Klamath Lake and the Klamath River reaches downstream of the lake. As stated in the Draft EIS/EIR, pilot scale projects are still in the data collection or planning stage, so an assessment of water quality impacts from these projects is not yet practical (see p. 3.2-25).</p>	Yes

**Comment Author** Schmidt, Eric  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 28, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_MF_1128_945-4	Master Response TTA-7 Tribal Involvement in Future Discussion of Water Management.	No

GP\_WI\_1027\_247

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From: hschmidt17@juno.com[SMTP:HSCHMIDT17@JUNO.COM]  
Sent: Thursday, October 27, 2011 4:33:19 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; werner@wrinkledog.com  
Subject: Web Inquiry: Klamath Settlement/EIS/EIR Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: Hermalee Schmidt  
Organization:

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal

Subject: Klamath Settlement/EIS/EIR  
Body: I am a home owner on this area. I support removal of all four dams.

**Comment Author** Schmidt, Hermalee  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 27, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1027_247-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_WI\_1217\_1081

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From: [tabula.rasa.ideology@gmail.com](mailto:tabula.rasa.ideology@gmail.com)[SMTP:TABULA.RASA.IDEOLOGY@GMAIL.COM]  
Sent: Saturday, December 17, 2011 8:25:15 AM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; [werner@wrinkledog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkledog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: Klamath River dam removal Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: Jen Schoener  
Organization:

Subject: Klamath River dam removal

Body: Please Support Alternative 2- Full Dam Removal. This alternative provides the greatest benefit to the Klamath River watershed, fisheries, and eliminates future tax payer dollars that would be needed to maintain parts of the aging dam infrastructure.

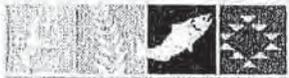
Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal

**Comment Author** Schoener, Jen  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** December 17, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1217_1081-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

# Klamath Settlement



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# Comment Form

GP\_MF\_1019\_071

Please mail your comments to:

**Ms. Elizabeth Vasquez**  
Bureau of Reclamation  
2800 Cottage Way  
Sacramento, CA 95825

OR

**Mr. Gordon Leppig**  
California Dept. of Fish and Game  
Northern Region,  
619 Second Street  
Eureka, CA 95501

**Email:**  
KlamathSD@usbr.gov

**Website:**  
KlamathRestoration.gov

**Fax:**  
(916) 978-5055

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(Please print legibly)

**Name:** Cameron Scott

**Organization:** Writer in Residence / Chiloquin High School

**Title:**

**Address:**

**Email:** tucannon river 000@gmail.com  
zeros

**Comments:**  Comment 1 - Approves Dam Removal

#2. Remove the dams.

Thanks.

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**Comment Author** Scott, Cameron  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 19, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_MF_1019_071-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_EM\_1118\_765

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From: longcanyon tds.net[SMTP:LONGCANYON@TDS.NET]  
Sent: Friday, November 18, 2011 10:45:38 AM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd  
Subject: Save the Klamath River  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

Duplicate of GP\_EM\_1116\_729

**An estimated 22 million cubic yards of toxic sediment will sludge its way down the Klamath River destroying salmon runs, mucking up the environment affecting water clarity and purity! This amount of sediment will sterilize the river for 100 years.**

We are against the waste of the taking down of the Damns. This is one more waste of taxpayers money as well as way to harm our food supply of Scott Valley.

John R. Scott

Comment 1 - Disapproves of Dam Removal

**Comment Author** Scott, John  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 18, 2011

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Portions of this letter are verbatim duplicates of comments submitted in the comment author's submittal coded -GP\_EM\_1116\_729. Responses to those initial comments that were duplicated in this letter are presented in this EIS/EIR alongside GP\_EM\_1116\_729. Responses to comments provided in this letter that were not also submitted as a part of GP\_EM\_1116\_729 are listed below.

<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1118_765-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal and Others Oppose Dam Removal.  Master Response HYDP-1 Reservoir Water Rights.	No

GP\_WI\_1116\_713

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From: gseegs@hotmail.com[SMTP:GSEEGS@HOTMAIL.COM]  
Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2011 1:52:43 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; werner@wrinkledog.com  
Subject: Web Inquiry: Un-Dam the Klamath Dams Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: Galena Seeger  
Organization:

Subject: Un-Dam the Klamath Dams

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam  
Removal

Body: To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing to express my support to un-dam the 4 dams on the Klamath River. These dams are endangering the lives of the Salmon which at first glance may seem less important than other factors but at a closer look are a critical link to the ecosystem and the native communities living along the Klamath. In greater context will we forever be remembered as the generation that made choices that allowed these species of fish to die out to extinction? With this letter I say no. Please choose the long view and make the choice to tear down the dams, restore this habitat and allow generations of people to experience this amazing ecosystem. The time is now and I encourage you to make the right choice.

**Comment Author** Seeger, Galena  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 16, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1116_713-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_WI\_0930\_015

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From: [ljsees@hughes.net](mailto:ljsees@hughes.net) [SMTP: LJSEES@HUGHES.NET]  
Sent: Friday, September 30, 2011 10:00:40 AM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; [werner@wrinkledog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkledog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: Klamath Dam Removal Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: Larry & Joan Sees  
Organization:

Subject: Klamath Dam Removal

Comment 1 - Disapproval of Dam Removal

Body: We are very strongly against the removal of the 4 dams along the Klamath River. In a time of energy crisis removing dams that supply power to a minimum of 70,000 homes is insane. No one in their right mind would sign a blank document, but that is what is being asked of the off-project farmers. No one can give any definite answers about anything. Anytime you ask a question the answer is "that hasn't been determined yet".  
So "NO", no dam removal until all questions are answered completely.

Comment 2 - Hydropower

**Comment Author** Sees, Larry & Joan  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** September 30, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_0930_015-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No
GP_WI_0930_015-2	Comment noted.  Master Response GEN-1 Comment Included as Part of Record.	No

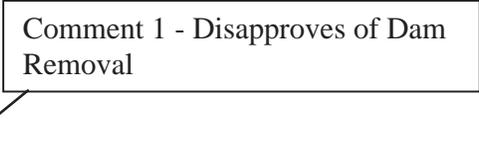
GP\_EM\_1106\_388

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**From:** jeanselbach@comcast.net  
**To:** klamthsd@usbr.gov  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 6, 2011 8:58:08 AM  
**Subject:** SAVE THE DAMS

MRS. VASQUEZ  
OR  
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Comment 1 - Disapproves of Dam  
Removal



WE VERY STRONGLY OBJECT TO THE REMOVAL OF THE  
KLAMATH RIVER DAMS. WE HOPE YOU WILL LISTEN TO  
THE CONCERNS OF THOSE CITIZENS WHO WILL BE  
DIRECTLY EFFECTED AND HARMED IF THE DAMS ARE  
DESTROYED.  
SINCERELY,

WILLIAM AND JEAN SELBACH  
ORINDA, CA

**Comment Author** Selbach, William & Jean  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 06, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1106_388-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_WI\_1107\_391

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From: chipsharpe@sbcglobal.net [SMTP: CHIPSHARPE@SBCGLOBAL.NET]  
Sent: Monday, November 07, 2011 10:17:14 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-KlamathSD; werner@wrinkledog.com  
Subject: Web Inquiry: Remove Klamath dams Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: Charles Sharpe

Organization:

Subject: Remove Klamath dams

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal

Body: Restoration of river flows requires removal of all Klamath dams. Dam removal should proceed as quickly as is feasible.

**Comment Author** Sharpe, Charles  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 07, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1107_391-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

**Klamath Settlement**



EIS/EIR PROCESS

# Comment Form

GP\_MF\_1019\_054

Please mail your comments to:

**Ms. Elizabeth Vasquez**  
Bureau of Reclamation  
2800 Cottage Way  
Sacramento, CA 95825

OR

**Mr. Gordon Leppig**  
California Dept. of Fish and Game  
Northern Region,  
619 Second Street  
Eureka, CA 95501

**Email:**  
KlamathSD@usbr.gov

**Website:**  
KlamathRestoration.gov

**Fax:**  
(916) 978-5055

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(Please print legibly)

**Name:** Chris Shaw

**Organization:** self

**Title:**

**Address:** 7221 Harpold Rd., KF 97603

**Email:** Chris.jtshaw@gmail.com

**Comments:**

The Dams were built for 3

Reasons 1) power generation 2) irrigation  
3) flood control. They are being removed  
because of fish & greed.

Comment 1 - Alternatives

Build fish ladders for the fish. ←

leave the dams in place to do the jobs  
they were meant to do!

← Comment 2 - Disapproves of Dam Removal

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**Comment Author** Shaw, Chris  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 19, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_MF_1019_054-1	Master Response GEN-1 Comment Included as Part of Record.	No
GP_MF_1019_054-2	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

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EIS/EIR PROCESS

## Speaker Card

Please fill out this card and hand it to someone with a name tag if you would like to make a verbal comment of up to three minutes. Your verbal comments will be recorded by a court reporter. All recorded verbal comments, along with written comments, received by November 21, 2011, will become part of the official record. Verbal and written comments are weighted equally. To submit written comments, see reverse side of this card.

Name (please print)

Chris Shaw

Representing

Klamath Falls

Notes:

1) Irrigation

2) flood control

3) power generation

leave the dams in place!

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\*Please read the speaker guidelines on the back side of this card

GP\_MF\_1019\_094

**Comment Author** Shaw, Chris  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 19, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_MF_1019_094-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_MC\_1018\_110

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STATEMENT PROVIDED BEFORE PUBLIC HEARING

(Directly to Court Reporter)

MS. CHRIS SHAW: Chris Shaw, S-h-a-w, and I'll

keep this really short, okay.

There were three reasons for building the dams:

Power generation, irrigation, and flood control. And I

realize that the flood control will only go back a foot or

two -- you know, the Mississippi Valley people would

really appreciate the flood control -- ; build the area

where the fish can get around the dams and keep the dams

in place.

Thank you.

Comment 1 - Alternatives

**Comment Author** Shaw, Chris  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 18, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_MC_1018_110-1	The Draft EIS/EIR analyzes an alternative that would leave the dams in place but add fish passage at each facility (Alternative 4, Fish Passage at Four Dams).	No

GP\_EM\_1111\_546

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From: Lindsey Shere [[SMTP: LINDSEY@SHERE.ORG](mailto:LINDSEY@SHERE.ORG)]  
Sent: Friday, November 11, 2011 5:49:26 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd  
Subject: I Support Alternative 2 - Full Removal of 4 Dams Auto forwarded by a Rule

Dear Secretary Salazar:

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal



I support alternative 2 within the draft dam removal EIS/EIR – full removal of four Klamath River dams. The draft EIS/EIR correctly shows that alternative 2 is the best option for fisheries restoration, job creation, and the reduction of toxic pollution. Option 2 is supported by a growing body of scientific research and best serves the public interest.

Lindsey Shere

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**Comment Author** Shere, Lindsey  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 11, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1111_546-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_EM\_1110\_477

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From: Lauryn Sherman[[SMTP:LJSHERM@GMAIL.COM](mailto:SMTP:LJSHERM@GMAIL.COM)]  
Sent: Thursday, November 10, 2011 10:05:40 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; [KSDcomments@dfg.ca.gov](mailto:KSDcomments@dfg.ca.gov)  
Subject: Public Comment Period for the Draft EIS/EIR: I Support the Removal of all Dams in  
the Klamath Region  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

To Mr. Ken Salazar, Secretary of the Interior,  
Ms. Elizabeth Vasquez at the Bureau of Reclamation,  
Gordon Leppig at the California Department of Fish & Game,  
and Whomever This May Concern:

I spent this past summer hiking, rafting, and swimming in the Klamath, Trinity, and Smith rivers of the Klamath region. The area is magical to say the least. It is somewhere that I believe should be protected indefinitely for both its beauty and biological diversity.

The coho and the chinook are amazing components of the ecosystems of the area and there are far too few of them left. It is clear that the removal of the dams would assist these species in coming back in greater numbers, and the urgency of this task couldn't be greater.

Therefore, I support the complete removal of all dams in the Klamath region. I also support the restoration of all historic wetlands and marshes in the upper Klamath basin, including Lower Klamath Lake, Tule Lake and Upper Klamath Lake. I support improving the conditions for salmon on the Scott and Shasta Rivers, and I support upholding the Endangered Species Act as well as policies which institute a sufficient minimum water flow for fish.

The water flowing through these rivers should stay in these rivers. This is how it once was, and how it should be again.

As a concerned citizen, I request that you uphold your duties to "protect America's natural resources and heritage," and support the removal of all dams on the Klamath river and its tributaries.

Sincerely,  
Lauryn Sherman

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal

**Comment Author** Sherman, Lauryn  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 10, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1110_477-1	<p>Master Response GEN-1 Comment Included as Part of Record.</p> <p>Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.</p> <p>The Secretary of the Interior will consider this comment along with all others in making his determination relative to the Klamath Hydroelectric Settlement Agreement (KHSA) and Klamath Basin Restoration Agreement (KBRA). .</p>	No

GP\_EM\_1104\_352

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From: busycherie@comcast.net[SMTP:BUSYCHERIE@COMCAST.NET]  
Sent: Friday, November 04, 2011 2:08:43 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd  
Subject: Klamath Dams  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

Comment 1 - Disapproves of Dam Removal

Please do not tear down the Klamath dam system!!!

Thanks so much,  
Richard and Cherie Shetler and family

**Comment Author** Shelter, Richard & Cherie  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 04, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1104_352-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_EM\_1111\_495

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From: Bruce Shoemaker [SMTP: BSHOE@BI TSTREAM. NET]  
Sent: Friday, November 11, 2011 1:01:36 AM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd  
Subject: Comment on Proposed Dam Removal on Klamath River Auto forwarded by a Rule

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal

Dear Secretary Salazar:

I am a landowner on a tributary of the Shasta/Klamath River watershed in the vicinity of Black Butte, CA. I support alternative 2 within the draft dam removal EIS/EIR – full removal of four Klamath River dams. The draft EIS/EIR correctly shows that alternative 2 is the best option for fisheries restoration, job creation, and the reduction of toxic pollution. Option 2 is supported by a growing body of scientific research and best serves the public interest.

Despite the rhetoric of some people in our county (Siskiyou) I believe that dam removal will be in the best long-term interest of the vast majority of county residents.

Thank you for your consideration of this comment.

Bruce Shoemaker  
800 Black Butte Road  
Weed, CA 96094

Bruce Shoemaker

96094

**Comment Author** Shoemaker, Bruce  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 11, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1111_495-1	Comment Noted.  Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_WI\_1207\_974

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From: [shum.mike@yahoo.com](mailto:shum.mike@yahoo.com) [SMTP: SHUM.MIKE@YAHOO.COM]  
Sent: Wednesday, December 07, 2011 3:24:22 AM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-KlamathSD; [werner@wrinkledog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkledog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: dams  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: michael shum  
Organization: oregonian

Subject: dams

Body: The bullying of private land owners must stop. Destroying the dams will cause unimaginable damage to the fisheries. Stop this madness.

Comment 1 - Disapproves of Dam Removal

**Comment Author** Shum, Michael  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** December 07, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1207_974-1	<p>Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal and Others Oppose Dam Removal.</p> <p>Master Response GEN-20 PacifiCorp Private Ownership of Hydroelectric Facilities.</p> <p>Master Response AQU-5 Will Benefit all Salmonids.</p>	No

GP\_WI\_1111\_543

From: [msill@juno.com](mailto:msill@juno.com)[SMTP: [MSILL@JUNO.COM](mailto:MSILL@JUNO.COM)]  
Sent: Friday, November 11, 2011 7:13:09 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; [werner@wrinkledog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkledog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: Klamath River restoration Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: Marjorie Sill  
Organization: many

Subject: Klamath River restoration

Body: I totally support Alternative 2, the removal of the dam on the Klamath River. We need to restore the important steelhead and salmon fishery.



Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal

**Comment Author** Sill, Marjorie  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 11, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1111_543-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

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From: KSDcomments KSDcomments[SMTP: KSDCOMMENTS@DFG. CA. GOV]  
Sent: Monday, December 12, 2011 10:21:34 AM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd  
Subject: Fwd: Klamath Dam  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

>>> Linda Sills <[linjete@gmail.com](mailto:linjete@gmail.com)> 11/28/2011 9:25 AM >>>  
Please do Not remove the dam. The stupid and crazy nonsense that the EPA and the  
other enviro-whackos are perpetrating on the good people of this country, will  
not be tolerated any more.  
You uneducated, Fabian Socialist progressives are destroying this country and her  
freedoms.  
We will fight you every step of the way. We will Not allow you to be tyrants over  
us.

Comment 1 - Disapproves of Dam Removal

**Comment Author** Sills, Linda  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 28, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1128_1043-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_EM\_1128\_914

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From: Linda Sills[SMTP:LINJETE@GMAIL.COM]  
Sent: Monday, November 28, 2011 10:23:22 AM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd  
Subject: Klamath Dam  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

Comment 1 - Disapproves of Dam  
Removal

Please do NOT remove the dam. This Agenda 21 stuff is evil. The encroachment on private property, normal activities and basic freedoms is unacceptable. We the people will fight you every step of the way on this "sustainable development" garbage. Everything the enviro-whackos are doing is the antithesis of liberty and our American way of life.  
I do not expect that you have read The Road To Serfdom by Hayek. But I suggest that you do. The people of these United States will NOT allow you to be tyrants over us.

**Comment Author** Sills, Linda  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 28, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1128_914-1	Master Response GEN-23 Agenda 21.	No

GP\_EM\_1128\_919

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From: [Mcgraw50@aol.com](mailto:Mcgraw50@aol.com)[SMTP:MCGRRAW50@AOL.COM]  
Sent: Monday, November 28, 2011 1:39:16 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; [KSDcomments@dfg.ca.gov](mailto:KSDcomments@dfg.ca.gov)  
Subject: Klamath Dams - do not destroy them  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

For the sake of our country, please do not destroy the Klamath Dams.

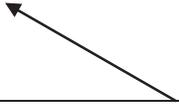
The dams improve our water quality and provide essential power.

Please rethink this issue.

Thanks,

Don Silver

Comment 1 - Disapproves of Dam Removal



**Comment Author** Silver, Don  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 28, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1128_919-1	Master Response HYDP-2 Power Production at the Four Facilities.	No

GP\_EM\_1128\_899

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From: [denise@freedom-walker.com](mailto:denise@freedom-walker.com)[SMTP:DENISE@FREEDOM-WALKER.COM]  
Sent: Monday, November 28, 2011 6:01:30 AM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd  
Subject: Klamath River Dam Removal Project Auto forwarded by a Rule

To Whom it may concern:

Comment 1 - KHSA

Comment 2 - Fish

It is unbelievable to me that 40,000 residents impacted by this "sustainable development" decision were not invited to meetings regarding the removal of their energy source. This sure looks like a forced land/resource grab on the way for the furthering of Agenda 21, let's face it that really is what "sustainable development" is anyway. So why won't you just come out of the shadows and say it out loud? Why is the Coho Salmon (non-native to the area) being placed ahead of the needs of the natural born law-abiding land owner citizens?

Comment 3 - Hydropower

Comment 4 - Water Rights/Supply

Comment 5 - Sediment Toxicity

How are you going to replace their source of energy? Lemme guess, and in the words of your king "energy costs will naturally skyrocket". What will the farmers in the area do for irrigation? Won't the built up sediments pollute the river and shores once the dams are removed? Do you realize that this decision will hurt many and likely drive them from their homes and properties? Isn't that really the whole point of the decision anyway?

Comment 6 - Out of Scope

What gives you the right to do such a thing? How about refocusing your efforts on "sustainable retention" of the Constitution. How about pulling your noses out of the Klamath River dams and focus on the corrupt liberty & US Constitution usurpers in legislature? How about stopping the misappropriation of tax payer dollars to further unspoken agendas which will damage already economically hurting citizens? How about scaling back collective government rights encroaching policies and refrain from the Dam removal on Klamath River altogether! That, of course, would be the RIGHT thing to do.

Respectfully Annoyed,

Cheryl Denise Simmons  
[denise@freedom-walker.com](mailto:denise@freedom-walker.com)

**Comment Author** Simon, Daniel  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 28, 2011

<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1128_899-1	<p>Master Response GEN-16 Public Involvement.</p> <p>Master Response GEN-20 PacifiCorp Private Ownership of Hydroelectric Facilities.</p> <p>Master Response KHSA-1 Negotiations of KHSA and KBRA.</p> <p>Master Response GEN-23 Agenda 21.</p>	No
GP_EM_1128_899-2	<p>Master Response AQU – 4 Coho are Native.</p> <p>The comment, as submitted, provides no evidence to support the claim that coho salmon are not native to the Klamath River.</p> <p>Master Response AQU – 5 Will Benefit all Salmonids.</p> <p>Master Response AQU – 6 Expert Panel Coho, Steelhead and Chinook.</p> <p>Master Response AQU – 7 Expert Panel Uncertainty Likelihood of Success.</p>	No
GP_EM_1128_899-3	Master Response GHG-3 Replacement Power.	No
GP_EM_1128_899-4	Master Response WSWR-1 Effects on Agricultural Water Supply.	No
GP_EM_1128_899-5	Master Response WQ-1 Sediment Deposits Behind the Dams and Potential Contaminants.	No
GP_EM_1128_899-6	Master Response GEN-1 Comment Included as Part of Record.	No

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE KLAMATH DAM  
REMOVAL DRAFT EIS/EIR  
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YREKA, CALIFORNIA  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2011

MR. DANIEL SIMON: I'm Daniel Simon, D-a-n-i-e-l S-i-m-o-n.

Yeah, I -- I am a professional civil engineer

and I also do environmental consulting.

I want to talk a little bit about arsenic. And

I actually had a rather pleasant conversation with

Chauncey Anderson, who I call a specialist -- um, I'll get

to that.

Comment 1 - Disapproves of Dam Removal

There are many options on the table and I am

for anything but dam removal. I'd like to see the dams

stay, if we can.

Comment 2 - Sediment Toxicity

But, um, back in the spring of 2009, um,

Christopher Liles, who was the mayor of Etna at the time,

he communicated in a meeting with the North Coast Regional

Water Control Board that there was an arsenic problem in

the past. And what the problem was, is there was a, um,

tributary or a stream up Copco that was, um, feeding a

small fishery, and when there were heavy rains, the fish

kept dying.

And they finally did a bio assay and they found

out it was arsenic that was basically coming from the

sedimentation, onto, um, onto the fisheries. Um, in

talking to Chauncey Anderson, he communicated how arsenic, um, was sampled in the EIR.

I drew up a little diagram here. What happened was -- I'll just kind of draw this -- there were samples taken along the river course, you can kind of see it, kind of where the old stream -- the Klamath River basin -- the Klamath River, um, bed was. They took several samples, 77, over a number of -- over a number of, um, dam locations, but that could be half a mile per sample. Um, what was going on, though, is in the past, what Christopher Liles communicated, if you can see this, this fishery had sediment that was -- yeah -- the sediment was from the tributary, and that hasn't really been looked into.

And so what I'm going to ask is if any locals here know of that fishery, the stream that was feeding it, or anybody who worked there, come talk to me afterward because it will be mandated by CEQA to investigate that location for our high arsenic concentrations. Come talk to me, if you know.

Thank you.

**Comment Author** Simon, Daniel  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 20, 2011

Comment Code	Comment Response	Change in EIS/EIR
GP_MC_1020_217-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No
GP_MC_1020_217-2	<p>In mid-November 2011, a number of State and Federal agencies working in the Klamath Basin, including USFWS, USEPA, NOAA, USFS, USGS, USBR, ODEQ, CDFG, and NCRWQCB, were contacted regarding any knowledge of fish kills occurring on Fall Creek and general arsenic issues in the Klamath Basin. None of the staff contacted were able to find any documented information on a fish kill in Fall Creek. The CDFG reviewed all their fish kill files and found no fish kill records for Fall Creek or any location in the Klamath Basin. The NCRWQCB checked the California Surface Water Ambient Monitoring Program (SWAMP) database, 303(d) List supporting data, and local basin coordinators. No arsenic data were found for Fall Creek or documentation on any fish kills occurring or other arsenic issues.</p> <p>A USGS groundwater hydrologist who has studied and modeled the Klamath Basin groundwater system, was asked about the Fall Creek and whether it is likely to carry high arsenic concentrations. His assertion, based largely on the local geology and hydrology, is that Fall Creek is a “High Cascades” groundwater dominated system (the most westward such basin in the Klamath system, in fact) and therefore is likely to have relatively low levels of arsenic. However, he was unaware of any locally specific data that could be used to verify this assertion.</p> <p>Master Response WQ-1B-G Sediment Deposits Behind the Dams and Potential Contaminants.</p> <p>Arsenic was included in the set of analyzed metals. Arsenic was detected in reservoir sediments at levels that did exceed human health screening levels but not the primary marine or freshwater sediment screening levels (i.e., Pacific Northwest Sediment Evaluation Framework sediment screening levels [“PNW SEF SL1-MS” or “SL1-FWS”], see CDM [2011b]).</p> <p>Arsenic levels may still exceed human health criteria after mixing and dilution for the first 2 years of the Proposed Action, but the lower Klamath River and Estuary are not drinking water sources, so human exposure to the arsenic will be limited. Arsenic was also found in the tissue of laboratory invertebrates and resident fish. Only the levels found in the resident fish tissue exceeded screening levels used to assess the safety of fish for consumption by humans (CDM 2011b).</p> <p>These results indicate arsenic has the potential for minor or limited adverse effects to humans that consume the fish from the existing</p>	No

**Comment Author** Simon, Daniel  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 20, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
	reservoirs and will not pose any significant impacts under the Proposed Alternative (see p. 3.2-71 to 3.2-76 and 3.2-118 to 3.2-125). If the reservoirs remain, future monitoring may be proposed to identify the source of the arsenic which may involve sampling surface soils, nearby groundwater, the water quality of Fall Creek and other tributaries during wet and dry events, and sediments near the mouths of tributaries to identify arsenic levels.	

GP\_LT\_1116\_722

**Daniel F. Simon, P.E.**

Civil & Environmental Engineering

Siskiyou County, California

Chauncey Anderson- Water Quality Specialist  
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2130 SW Fifth Avenue  
Portland Oregon, 97201

11/03/2011

via e-mail: [chauncey@usgs.gov](mailto:chauncey@usgs.gov)

Re: Arsenic Sediment Potential;  
Iron Gate & Copco Reservoirs

Thank you for your time at the EIR hearing on October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2011. I wanted to bring to your attention Arsenic concerns upon aquatic life.

You may remember me as the environmental consultant/ civil engineer discussing Arsenic, and the fish hatchery that was closed due to fish dying from Arsenic impacted sedimentation; the cause of death (by Arsenic) was determined by a bioassay of the fish..

You received well this information by saying, “That is the first I heard of this.”

At this time, the information I have received is “legend”; or more “local legend.” A few people have discussed this fish die-off with other elderly people. These elderly people have confirmed it, but from a professional position, it is all still legend. I am searching for and awaiting first-hand accounts of this legend.

More specifically, according to “legend”, a fish hatchery receiving water from Fall Creek had multiple fish die-offs; this after heavy rains. This hatchery is now non-operational. In summary, Arsenic laden sediment eroded into the Fall Creek and killed fish at the hatchery.

I did find out that the California Fish and Game did operate a fish hatchery supplied by Fall Creek, and it is presently NOT IN OPERATION. There may be several factors in the non-operational status. Some factors may be budget, water quality (other than Arsenic), etc.... or that the fish hatchery was indeed shut-down due to the Arsenic problem. At this time, I can not determine the cause of the “NON-OPERATION” status.

If the above possibility proves true, then there could be substantial quantities of Arsenic impacted sediment behind the dams. These will be released/ eroded when the dams are removed –impacting aquatic life.

**Further Information:** From the USGS topo map Fall Creek has a reach of ~9 miles, and a drainage area of 12+ square miles (Crude quick estimate.) The City of Yreka gets its main water supply from Fall Creek through an intake structure (24”pipe to Yreka).

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412 S. Main St., Suite 2, Yreka, California 96097 530-598-9671

The City looked back to 2002 for Arsenic, and did not find Arsenic (non-detect levels were 2 ug/l – or 2 ppb). However, in discussion with Rob Tailor (sampler/ water quality monitoring City of Yreka), he stated that they only sample ever 9 years. In addition, sampling is most likely performed on a sunny day, and not on a rainy day.

Rob Tailor and Steve Neil (City Engineer, City of Yreka) from their concerns of city water supply commented that it would be a good idea to sample during a rainy day, when the water is cloudy, or with high turbidity. Should a “hit” of Arsenic be detected, this could confirm (somewhat) this information.

At this time, I’m communicating the above “Lightly”, as I understand environmental sites could have infinite samples taken, and nothing appears. Hence a focus of sampling efforts needs careful consideration due to cost and time.

← Comment 1 - Sediment Toxicity

**Again, Main Concern:** If there is a history of Arsenic impacted sediment eroding from rainstorms, then ending up behind the dams, there could be substantial impacts upon aquatic life, should the dams be removed, and sediment released with Arsenic.

**Recommendations:** I do recommend the following:

1. Contact California Fish & Game inquiring if they know of the above fish-die-off “legend”/ closed hatchery;
2. Utilize the USGS data base to determine if surface soil types may contain Arsenic;
3. Identify locations where Arsenic may occur naturally in the groundwater. (Hint, wells drilled on the north side of Copco lake have high Arsenic concentrations);
4. Sample a few tributaries feeding the Klamath River; **this during heavy rain storms**. Of course other constituents of concern should be analyzed as well, like Chromium, Mercury, Copper, turbidity, suspended & dissolved solid(s) concentrations;
5. Sediment samples analyzed for same (#4 recommendation above) near the mouth of Fall Creek, or any other tributary of known/discovered concern;
6. If Arsenic impacted sediment is discovered near the mouth of Fall Creek, determine if this material would end up in the old river channel of the Klamath River; meaning would it work its way down the natural slope to the Klamath River channel? (I suspect not); If it does reach the main channel, has this area had sediment samples taken?
7. If Arsenic impacted sediment is discovered, quantify the quantity of impacted soil by further sampling and re-evaluate the EIR w/r to impacts from a sediment release; &
8. Of course, use appropriate scientific methods and professional levels of care in your evaluations. From your openness at the meeting and “response” of “That is the first I heard of this”, it appears you carry these levels of care.

**Note:** The City of Yreka, should have additional “base-line” data from their intake sampling of Fall Creek. Again, these samples were probably sampled during sunny days (low turbidity), as field crews don’t like to work in the rain, and only sampled every 9 years.

**Closing:** Mr. Anderson, you requested that I contact you “the sooner the better”, and at this point all I can do is communicate the limited information I have received. As I find out more, I will be in contact with you. I still believe the above recommendations should be pursued in the protection of aquatic life; whether or not one is for/ against dam removal.

Sincerely,

Daniel F. Simon, P.E.  
BS/MS Civil (Environmental) Engineering, Calif. RCE#58237

PS: Nice talking on the phone today, and it appears you are concerned about the potential of Arsenic, and its impacts over the first few years of dam removal.

**PPS: Shear speculation introduced:** There are two arguments as to where Salmon migrated; ie... how far up the Klamath River. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers determined no further than Iron Gate; hence the dam location. Local Native Americans claim that their forefathers caught Salmon much further upstream than Iron Gate Reservoir. **Speculation Hypothesis: Arsenic impacts may explain these different opinions.** Different years yielded different rainfall intensities. Some years, the rains were low and steady (substantial groundwater feeding of the Klamath), hence the Arsenic may not have impacted water quality, therefore Salmon went along way upstream (past the dams). Other years, frequent intense rains (higher Arsenic from erosion) during spawning season prohibited the Salmon from migrating very far upstream.

**Comment Author** Simon, Daniel  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 16, 2011

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GP_LT_1116_722-1	<p>In mid-November 2011, a number of State and Federal agencies working in the Klamath Basin, including USFWS, USEPA, NOAA, USFS, USGS, USBR, ODEQ, CDFG, and NCRWQCB, were contacted regarding any knowledge of fish kills occurring on Fall Creek and general arsenic issues in the Klamath Basin. CDFG records indicate that in September 2003, there was an accidental shut-off of water in Fall Creek and most of the fish in the Fall Creek rearing facility died. That was the last year that the Fall Creek facility was operated; it was subsequently closed for funding reasons. CDFG records also indicate that in 2010 there was a chlorine spill at the water supply area for the Yreka Municipal Drinking Water facility that resulted in a fish kill in Fall Creek (Radford 2011). The NCRWQCB checked the California Surface Water Ambient Monitoring Program (SWAMP) database, 303(d) list supporting data, and local basin coordinators. No arsenic data were found for Fall Creek or documentation on any fish kills occurring or other arsenic issues.</p> <p>Additionally, Fall Creek is a “High Cascades” groundwater-dominated system and is therefore likely to have relatively low background levels of arsenic (Anderson 2012). The City of Yreka routinely tests for arsenic in its drinking water quality. The 2010 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report indicates that arsenic was not detected.</p> <p>Master Response WQ-1B-G Sediment Deposits Behind the Dams and Potential Contaminants.</p> <p>Arsenic was included in the set of analyzed metals. Arsenic was detected in reservoir sediments at levels that did exceed human health screening levels but not the primary marine or freshwater sediment screening levels (i.e., Pacific Northwest Sediment Evaluation Framework sediment screening levels [“PNW SEF SL1-MS” or “SL1-FWS”], see CDM [2011b]).</p> <p>Arsenic levels may still exceed human health criteria after mixing and dilution for the first 2 years of the Proposed Action, but the lower Klamath River and Estuary are not drinking water sources, so human exposure to the arsenic will be limited.</p> <p>Arsenic was also found in the tissue of laboratory invertebrates and resident fish. Only the levels found in the resident fish tissue exceeded screening levels used to assess the safety of fish for consumption by humans (CDM 2011b).</p> <p>These results indicate arsenic has the potential for minor or limited adverse effects to humans that consume the fish from the existing reservoirs and will not pose any significant impacts under the</p>	No

**Comment Author** Simon, Daniel  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 16, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
	<p>Proposed Alternative (see p. 3.2-71 to 3.2-76 and 3.2-118 to 3.2-125). If the reservoirs remain, future monitoring may be proposed to identify the source of the arsenic, which may involve sampling surface soils, nearby groundwater, the water quality of Fall Creek and other tributaries during wet and dry events, and sediments near the mouths of tributaries to identify arsenic levels.</p> <p>If there is an affirmative Secretarial Determination, there is the potential for additional studies. Sampling for arsenic in sediment or groundwater near Fall Creek as suggested by the comment author could be undertaken if there is sufficient evidence to suggest that it is warranted.</p>	

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From: Ruth Simpson[SMTP:SUPERGIRL@FINESTPLANET.COM]  
Sent: Saturday, November 05, 2011 11:56:16 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd  
Subject: save the dams  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

Comment 1 - Disapproves of Dam Removal

Ms. Vasquez, Siskiyou County has voted to save the dams. Why is there still a movement to remove the dams? We are the People, and we have voted to retain the dams. Thank you for listening. I am a long-time resident of Siskiyou County, California.  
Ruth Simpson

**Comment Author** Simpson, Ruth  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 05, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1105_387-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

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From: [suzanne.simpson.litzky@gmail.com](mailto:suzanne.simpson.litzky@gmail.com)[SMTP: SUZANNE.SIMPSON.LITZKY@GMAIL.COM]  
Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2011 2:23:44 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; [werner@wrinkledog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkledog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: Klamath River Dam Removal Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: Suzanne Simpson  
Organization:

Subject: Klamath River Dam Removal

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam  
Removal



Body: It is imperative for the health of the Klamath River and the fish that migrated up that river for centuries that the dams be removed asap. Time is of the essence. We must stop the extinction of our fish

**Comment Author** Simpson, Suzanne  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 16, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1116_710-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

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OFFICE OF THE  
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT

Secretary Ken Salazar  
Department of the Interior  
1849 C Street, N.W.  
Washington DC 20240

Good Morning Secretary,

RE: Klamath economic Restoration Act  
Klamath River Dam Removal

Reported is your support for the \$1.1 Billion dollar cost and removal of the Klamath River dams. In view of the following, please don't allow this to happen?

← Comment 1 - Hydropower

1. Overburdened home owner utility rate payers and tax payers are or will be paying three times for electricity; First, the original cost of building the dams by COPCO; second for the cost of their removal; and third for the cost of replacing the generating capacity that is abandoned. My Pacific Power bill currently shows 6.3 mills per KWH charge for Boyle, Copco and Iron Gate dam removal. SHAME! I remember in the late 1940's when the entire electrical bill was 8 mills. What happens to the money collected if the dams are not removed?
2. If the hydro electricity from dam removal is replaced by the alternative energy sources of wind or solar, the additional cost is dramatic. I am told that the hydro generating cost at Toketee, Klamath River and Bonneville is between 2 and 3 cents per KWH. Compare this to the 1,000% increase to 20 cents per KWH for wind or solar electrical generation. OUCH!
3. Dam removal will eliminate the electricity generated and probably cause that deficit to be replaced by oil imported from unfriendly overseas countries. The hundreds of billions of dollars paid for this oil (money that should stay at home) would be increased and increase the United States trade deficit.
4. Carbon from Coal or Oil generated electricity, if used to replace the hydro power, will further degrade the environment, which all are committed not to do.

5. If minimum stream flow is a consideration, will dam removal moderate that? Dams don't increase or diminish the flow of water in a river, they just control the timing of it. Would not the answer be to build more winter rain storage which could be used to decrease runoff in the winter and increase it during the dryer periods? Would this not make more water available for irrigation and fish runs?

← Comment 2 - Fish

Comment 3 - Fish

Comment 4 - Alternatives

6. If the fishery is a consideration, grocery stores have an ample supply of salmon on the shelves today.

7. The number of fish killed because of low stream flow a few summers ago was nothing compared to the 1,000,000 eggs produced by each spawning salmon. Build another "Rock Creek" hatchery on the Klamath.

Comment 5 - Economics

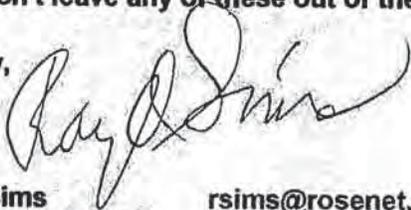
8. The reported 4,600 jobs created by removal is incidental compared to the costs indicated in items number 1 through 3 above.

Comment 6 - Hydropower

9. Pacific Power's 20 year long range plan proposes the construction of several more coal fired generating plants, a cost to be spread out to the rate payers. Is part of this to replace that produced by the dams?

Klamath Basin farmers do need water for irrigation, and electricity is demanded for home owners and businesses throughout Oregon and California. Considering all the above it appears that too much emphasis has been given to the fishery and not enough to the Rate Payers, the Tax Payers and to the National Debt. Please don't leave any of these out of the equation.

Sincerely,



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**Comment Author** Sims, Ray  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** December 20, 2011

<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_LT_1220_1231-1	<p>1. Comment noted.</p> <p>2. As noted in Master Response GHG-2 Rate Increase, rate increases will be used to fund a portion of the Proposed Action, if approved, or the cost of relicensing, if it is not approved. Additional detail on the use of these funds with or without an Affirmative Determination is presented in Oregon PUC Order #10-364.</p> <p>3. Master Response HYDP-2 Power Production at the Four Facilities.</p> <p>Master Response GHG-2 Rate Increase.</p> <p>4. Comment noted.</p> <p>5. Master Responses GHG-1 Green Power.</p> <p>Master Response GHG-3 Replacement Power.</p>	No
GP_LT_1220_1231-2	Master Response AQU – 11 NMFS BO, ESA and KBRA Water Management.	No
GP_LT_1220_1231-3	<p>Different species of salmon, including coho are raised by commercial aquaculture businesses for the specific purpose of meeting the demand for fresh, frozen and canned salmon. Commercial fisheries also supply a source for fresh, frozen and canned salmon to consumers. In California all coho salmon stocks are listed as Threatened or Endangered under State and Federal Endangered Species Acts. However, not all stocks of coho salmon, or other salmon species, are listed as such. There are several populations of coho salmon in other places such as coastal Alaska, as well as other salmon species whose populations are considered to be stable and capable of being harvested as a food source.</p> <p>Removal of the Klamath River Dams as proposed in Alternatives 2 (the Proposed Action) and 3 is intended to benefit all salmonid species. Section 3.3.4.3 of the Draft EIS/EIR addresses the likely impacts of each alternative on aquatic habitat and various fish species.</p>	No
GP_LT_1220_1231-4	Master Response ALT-9 Hatcheries.	No
GP_LT_1220_1231-5	Master Response GEN-1 Comment Included as Part of Record.	No
GP_LT_1220_1231-6	As noted in Master Response GHG-3 Replacement Power, new sources of power, demand side management, and power purchases will be needed to meet the increasing demand in	No

**Comment Author** Sims, Ray  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** December 20, 2011

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	PacifiCorp's service area in the near future, and is unrelated to the Proposed Action. However, as noted in Master Response GHG-1 Green Power, the loss in renewable power production is expected to be offset by California requirements on power retailers that 33% of their power portfolio be provided from renewable power sources by 2020.	

GP\_WI\_1219\_1099

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From: [Lynne\\_siodmak@patagonia.com](mailto:Lynne_siodmak@patagonia.com)[SMTP:LYNNE\_SIODMAK@PATAGONIA.COM]  
Sent: Monday, December 19, 2011 3:43:18 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; [werner@wrinkledog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkledog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: Klamath Dam Removal Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: Lynne Siodmak  
Organization: Patagonia

Subject: Klamath Dam Removal

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal

Body: I support the removal of the Klamath Dam.



**Comment Author** Siodmak, Lynne  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** December 19, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1219_1099-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_WI\_1107\_390

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From: hsi z emore@ncoi nc. org[SMTP: HSI ZEMORE@NCOI NC. ORG]  
Sent: Monday, November 07, 2011 10:09:59 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Kl amathsd; werner@wri nkl edog. com  
Subject: Web Inquiry: Kl amath River Dam  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: Hel en Siz emore  
Organization: North Coast Oppor tuniti es

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal

Subject: Kl amath River Dam  
Body: Restore the watershed - remove the Kl amath River Dam.

**Comment Author** Sizemore, Helen  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 07, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1107_390-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_EM\_1107\_384

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From: Craig Sjoberg[SMTP: CSJOBORG@SBCGLOBAL.NET]  
Sent: Sunday, November 06, 2011 10:03:32 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-KI amathsd  
Subject: DO NOT DESTROY OUR RANCH AND FARM DAMS - PLEASE

The dams you propose to destroy / "remove" are A VITAL PART OF THIS MORE ARID LANDS PRODUCTIVITY.... AND THE LIVELIHOOD OF THIS COMMUNITIES MORE THAN HARD WORKING RANCHERS / FARMERS...

In the LAST SERIOUS RECESSION aka STAGFLATION OF THE LATE 70's I witnessed the audacity of the "Spotted Owl Worship" that truly SHUT DOWN FOR THE LAST 40 YEARS THE MAJORITY OF THE LUMBER INDUSTRY IN THE ENTIRE NORTHWEST. Your actions in tearing down dams and controlling these and any other resources by fiat or emotional politics have a VERIFIABLE HISTORY OF TERRIBLE CONSEQUENCES TO THE AREA'S INDUSTRIES AND ENTIRE ECONOMIES OF REGIONS OF A STATE.

Comment 1 - Economics



I PERSONALLY WITNESSED THE IRREPARABLE ECONOMIC AND EMOTIONAL DAMAGE TO THREE GENERATIONS OF TIMBER HARVESTING FAMILIES IN NORTHEAST CALIFORNIA. THE OVERFLOW OF THAT DID ALSO DESTROY MY SMALL FAMILY DENTAL BUSINESS TOO !!

HAVE YOU EVER LIVED IN A 50 % UNEMPLOYED SMALL TOWN??

PLEASE DO NOT TAKE AWAY THIS MOST NEEDED NATURAL RESOURCE ( WATER USES OF ALL KINDS ) FROM ANY PORTION OF ANY STATE'S LAKES, STREAMS AND RESERVOIRS.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH,

Comment 2 - Disapproves of Dam Removal



DR. CRAIG C SJOBORG, BS DDS

c/o 663 Orofino Ct. Pleasanton, CA 94566 (and Nampa Idaho)

**Comment Author** Sjoberg, Craig  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 07, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1107_384-1	Master Response GEN-1 Comment Included as Part of Record.	No
GP_EM_1107_384-2	Master Response GEN-1 Comment Included as Part of Record.	No

GP\_EM\_1119\_1152

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From: KSDcomments KSDcomments[SMT: KSDCOMMENTS@DFG. CA. GOV]  
Sent: Monday, December 12, 2011 9:33:10 AM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd  
Subject: Fwd: dam saving  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

Comment 1 - Disapproves of Dam Removal

>>> Scott Skinner <scottskinner@me.com> 11/19/2011 5:46 PM >>>

Any Look at the history of how the settlers found the land will tell you that without the dams there was no Klamath River. It ran every winter and dried up. Do not let any one lie to you and do not destroy the Environment that has been given us.

Our fathers sweat and blood has increased the water table by those dams. By destroying the dams you destroy the water tables.

Comment 2 - Groundwater

**Comment Author** Skinner, Scott  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 19, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1119_1152-1	Master Response GEN-1 Comment Included as Part of Record. Master Response GEN-29 River Drying Up.	No
GP_EM_1119_1152-2	Master Response GRO-1: Groundwater Use.	No

GP\_EM\_1116\_704

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From: Dr Greg Skiptis[SMTP:G1STORK@PACBELL.NET]  
Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2011 5:40:54 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd  
Subject: dams  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

Please do not destroy our Klamath water basin by removing these dams. The removal will not be helpful and will waste taxpayor dollars, DO not remove the dams.

Gregory Skiptis M.D.



Comment 1 - Disapproves of Dam Removal

**Comment Author** Skiptis, Greg  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 16, 2011

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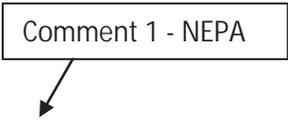
<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1116_704-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_WI\_1019\_048

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 From: asmith@klamathnews.net[SMTP:ASMI TH@KLAMATHNEWS.NET]  
 Sent: Wednesday, October 19, 2011 6:25:08 PM  
 To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; werner@wrinkledog.com  
 Subject: Web Inquiry: No: Dam Removal  
 Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: A. Smith  
 Organization:

Comment 1 - NEPA



Subject: No: Dam Removal

Body: EIR/EIS has far too many opinions and not enough science. While there is a lot of science gathering data, the problem lies in that there there are opinions of what that data means.

That is called a hypothesis. Unless you can repeat the results over and over with certainty, it's a hypothesis, not science.

We don't want experimentation on the cleanest form of power for the Basin for maybe a chance of fish runs returning to "mythical normal".

Models don't count. We have all sorts of sophisticated models for weather forecasting, hurricane forecasting, etc... none of them are accurate to be called science. They are best guesses.

We don't want best guesses from people who, if wrong, will not face any consequence other than "oops". Let's say if this does go through and we know for certain we have no power and the fish don't return to the guesses estimated, that then the people who made the guesses pay for new dams to be built.

Accountability. There is none, none, none in this entire approach. None.

**Comment Author** Smith, A.  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 19, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1019_048-1	Master Response GEN-3 Best Available Information.	No

GP\_WI\_1202\_960

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From: [humboldtarearestoratonteams@gmail.com](mailto:humboldtarearestoratonteams@gmail.com)[SMTP: HUMBOLDTAREARESTORATIONTEAMS@GMAIL.COM]  
Sent: Friday, December 02, 2011 9:57:29 AM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; [werner@wrinkledog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkledog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: dam free klamath  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: das smith  
Organization: HART

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal

Subject: dam free klamath  
Body: one day the river will flow free to the sea. remove the dams one rock at a time.

**Comment Author** Smith, Das  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** December 02, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1202_960-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_WI\_1110\_485

From: [ragga@frontiernet.net](mailto:ragga@frontiernet.net) [SMTP: RAGGA@FRONTIERNET.NET]  
Sent: Thursday, November 10, 2011 7:49:02 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; [werner@wrinkledog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkledog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: draft EIS/EIR Klamath River Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: Donald Smith  
Organization:

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal

Subject: draft EIS/EIR Klamath River

Body: I am writing to support the quick removal of all dams on the Klamath River and its tributaries.

This urgently needed to restore wild fish populations, improve water quality and renew the river to its former glory, as well as to the Scott and Shasta Rivers.

Actions are needed to restore wetlands and marshes, increase water flows, especially at the Iron Gate dam and the Trinity River.

As someone who lives in close proximity to the area, this has great importance to me, my family and many friends who find the area to have vast importance for purposes of recreation.

Beyond this, the area is in crucial need of restoration to bring back wild populations of salmon, so important to so many of us who live in the Pacific Northwest.

**Comment Author** Smith, Donald  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 10, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1110_485-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_WI\_1114\_635

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From: [edwebnetjds@yahoo.com](mailto:edwebnetjds@yahoo.com)[SMTP:EDWEBNETJDS@YAHOO.COM]  
Sent: Sunday, November 13, 2011 11:59:51 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; [werner@wrinkledog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkledog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: UnDam the Klamath  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: James Smith  
Organization: The Old Growth Organization  
Subject: UnDam the Klamath

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal



Body: I join with thousands of other concerned citizens and environmental activists, who would like our government to undam the Klamath River. We believe that nature has a perfect plan, like Gods Plan, and this plan includes the natural shape of our rivers and watersheds. Thus, I do not believe that the natural system can be improved upon, and instead, it should be preserved. Therefore, dams are not viewed as improvements, instead, they are seen as a mistake that can threaten the natural migration patterns of wildlife and cause endangered species.

**Comment Author** Smith, James  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 14, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1114_635-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_EM\_1120\_803

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From: Josette Smith[SMTP:KLAMATHCHIC@YAHOO.COM]  
Sent: Sunday, November 20, 2011 9:56:43 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd  
Subject: I Support Alternative 2 - Full Removal of 4 Dams Auto forwarded by a Rule

Dear Secretary Salazar:

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal

I support alternative 2 within the draft dam removal EIS/EIR - full removal of four Klamath River dams. The draft EIS/EIR correctly shows that alternative 2 is the best option for fisheries restoration, job creation, and the reduction of toxic pollution. Option 2 is supported by a growing body of scientific research and best serves the public interest.

Josette Smith

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**Comment Author** Smith, Josette  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 20, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1120_803-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

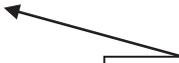
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From: [latimersmith@hotmail.com](mailto:latimersmith@hotmail.com)[SMTP: LATIMERSMITH@HOTMAIL.COM]  
Sent: Wednesday, November 30, 2011 11:44:35 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; [werner@winkledog.com](mailto:werner@winkledog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: Dam Removal  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name:  
Organization:  
Subject: Dam Removal  
Body: Please remove all dams along the Klamath River.

Latimer Smith

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal



**Comment Author** Smith, Latimer  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 30, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1130_948-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

## Klamath Settlement



EIS/EIR PROCESS

# Comment Form

GP\_MF\_1019\_068

Please mail your comments to:

**Ms. Elizabeth Vasquez**Bureau of Reclamation  
2800 Cottage Way  
Sacramento, CA 95825

OR

**Mr. Gordon Leppig**California Dept. of Fish and Game  
Northern Region,  
619 Second Street  
Eureka, CA 95501**Email:**

KlamathSD@usbr.gov

**Website:**

KlamathRestoration.gov

**Fax:**

(916) 978-5055

**All comments on the Draft EIS/EIR must be received by November 21, 2011.**

(Please print legibly)

**Name:**

Madie Jones

**Organization:****Title:****Address:**

6736 Hwy 39 - Klamath Falls, OR

**Email:****Comments:**

Comment 1 - Disapproval of Dam Removal

I am against the removal  
of the dams. It makes no sense

to remove the source of clean hydroelectric  
power. I think of the KUSA and the KBRA  
as a giant redistribution of water and of  
wealth. I believe it's wrong, and it's  
especially wrong for the Klamath Basin.  
I believe this will adversely affect our  
property values, our land and water rights  
and our way of life.

I think we should keep the dams, and  
you can keep the change.

Comment 4 - Real Estate

thank you

**Public Disclosure:** It is not required that you submit personal information. If you decide to do so, please note that this information may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

**Comment Author** Smith, Maudie  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 19, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_MF_1019_068-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No
GP_MF_1019_068-2	Comment noted. Master Response GEN-1 Comment Included as Part of Record.	No
GP_MF_1019_068-3	Master Response GEN-1 Comment Included as Part of Record.	No
GP_MF_1019_068-4	Master Response RE-1E Real Estate Evaluation Report. Master Response RE-2 Changes in Property Values	No

**Klamath Settlement**  
  
**INSURE PROCESS**

## Speaker Card

Please fill out this card and hand it to someone with a name tag if you would like to make a verbal comment of up to three minutes. Your verbal comments will be recorded by a court reporter. All recorded verbal comments, along with written comments, received by November 21, 2011, will become part of the official record. Verbal and written comments are weighted equally. To submit written comments, see reverse side of this card.

**Name (please print)** Melinda Smith

**Representing**

**Notes:** I'm against the removal of the dams, the Klamath Est

\*Please read the speaker guidelines on the back side of this card

Comment 1 - Disapproves of Dam Removal



GP\_MF\_1019\_096

**Comment Author** Smith, Maudie  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 19, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_MF_1019_096-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_MC\_1018\_172

**Klamath Falls Hearing - 10-18-2011**

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STATEMENT PROVIDED BEFORE PUBLIC HEARING  
(Directly to Court Reporter)

MS. MAUDIE SMITH: My name is Maudie Smith,

S-m-i-t-h. My husband and I are Klamath Project

irrigators. I'm very much against the removal of the dams

Comment 1 - Disapproves of Dam Removal

and the KBRA. I keep hearing the KBRA gives jobs, but it

Comment 2 - KBRA

is a giant redistribution of land and water and will.

Thank you.

**Comment Author** Smith, Maudie  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 18, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_MC_1018_172-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No
GP_MC_1018_172-2	The Secretary of the Interior will consider this comment along with all others in making his determination relative to the KHSA and KBRA.	No

GP\_LT\_1202\_970

Bureau of Reclamation  
2800 Cottage Way  
Sacramento, CA 95825

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RE: Klamath River Basin Dam Removals

To Whom It May Concern:

Comment 1a - Disapproves of Dam Removal

I have visited the area in Siskiyou County, primarily the Irongate Dam and Fish Hatchery and my husband has been visiting the areas affected for over 30 years. I'm very concerned to hear that the government is hoping to remove four perfectly working hydro-electric dams that are producing clean energy. The devastation to that area may be immeasurable to the residents and land. I've seen the pictures of the aftermath of Condit Dam in Washington state removed. NO fish will use that river. It is one big mud hole.

Comment 2 - Fish

In my research I've found that the Coho Salmon are NOT indigenous to the area. They were planted. I've also found that the millions of healthy salmon produced by Irongate Fish Hatchery are NOT counted in the yearly count of Salmon on the river. This sounds like cooking the books in my estimation on par with Enron.

Comment 3 - Water Quality

Historically facts do not coincide with what the "paid-for" science sent to government agencies by special interest groups. The Dams have not caused water degradation. Facts:

*In August 1855 at a campsite near the confluence of the Klamath River and Klamath Lake, Lt. Henry L. Abbott, Corps of Topographical Engineers made an entry into his expedition journal, "the water taken from the lake had a dark color and disagreeable taste, occasioned apparently by decayed tule."*

*On August 16, 1855, Lt. Abbott wrote, "the taste of the water was so disagreeable that several vain attempts were made to discover a spring in the vicinity."*

Comment 4 - Sediment Toxicity

Another issue I've heard no one address is the possible toxicity released from the sediments in the silt that will be washed down stream. In an article written by Christen Peattie, HHP, concerning the health affects due to removing two dams on the Rogue River in Oregon, we read horrifying results in this excerpt:

*"As far as the health of the river is concerned, the Grants Pass Water District has reported high levels of sediment in the spring of 2010; enough to clog their pumps and affect water flow. According to the agency's publicly published lab results, relatively high levels of Chromium - 6 were detected at this time also. Something to consider in all of this, is the fact that since 1986 the City of Grants Pass tests the river water quality every year, and they claim it is always within safe FDA ranges for heavy metals. This to me, as a health advocate, is very concerning."*

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Comment 4 cont.

*According to several independent local environmental sources, black goo showed up on the beaches of the Rogue River in the summer of 2010; this sediment was rich in many heavy metals, including chromium - 6.*

*The GP Water District has stated that the metals will eventually stabilize and work their way to the bottom sediment of the river bed, and are of no major concern for public safety. But, it is a fact also that chromium - 6 has been linked to many kinds of cancer and should be closely monitored by environmental experts.*

*As a cancer survivor, I feel like I should do what I can to protect people from unnecessary harm from any water supply or local area resources. Unfortunately our country's low standard of environmental protection leaves many gaps in the current legal structure, and many community utilities are not required to report certain trace elements or testing numbers that fall out of a stated range.*

*In 2008 a local environmental activist had checked with the Three Rivers hospital, according to Curtis Hayden of The Sneak Preview, and found 17.2% of cancer cases were of the interogastro-intestinal type (one of the many linked to this contaminant). He checked again two years after all the dams were taken out, and the amount of cases increased to 42.6%. He thinks that there is a sound connection here; I agree and aim to look into this further myself. I plan to follow this story as I find more leads, and read about local environmental activists that are as passionate as I am about our citizen's health."*

<http://www.examiner.com/alternative-medicine-in-medford/rogue-river-heavy-metals-are-being-churned-up-from-dam-removals> July 17, 2011

Can we all say Erin Brocovich revisited?

Comment 5 - Cultural Resources

Then there is the matter that equal protection under the law seems to be violated. Shasta Tribal people on the Klamath River Basin and 77,000 residents of Siskiyou County, CA have not been allowed in the secret meetings concerning ANY agreement. This is still the United States of America isn't it?

It's time to keep the dams, the good clean energy they produce, the Irongate Fish Hatchery producing millions of health Salmon, protecting private property rights, safety during floods and water during drought to the good citizens of the Klamath River Basin. Setting up land grabs and making millionaires even richer is not the job of any government entity or politician. We know the names and the connections.

Comment 1b - Disapproves of Dam Removal

I've looked at H.R. 3398 authored by Congressman Mike Thompson. He's asking for \$536 million to fund the project. WE'RE BROKE. He states \$555 million will come from private funds. My guess, funds from environmental groups who have received MY taxpayer funds through grants. As a taxpayer I say NO and NO to both.

Phyllis Smith  
Sonoma County, California

Comment 6 - Costs

**Comment Author** Smith, Phyllis  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** December 02, 2011

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GP_LT_1202_970-1	<p>The Iron Gate fish hatchery is not proposed for removal under the dam removal alternatives. The dams provide minimal flood control and are not used for drought water storage. EIS/EIR Section 3.6, Flood Hydrology, describes flood hydrology effects.</p> <p>Master Response GHG-1 Green Power.</p> <p>Master Response HYPD-1 Flood Protection.</p> <p>There has been extensive chemical testing of the sediment that would be released if the Four Facilities were to be removed. Two separate studies have collected over 80 drill cores from reservoir sediments in two separate studies (Draft EIS/EIR p. 3.2-121 to 3.2-125 summarizes some of the major results of the chemical testing performed for the study Section C.7 contains a detailed contaminant assessment). Camp Dresser and McKee (CDM) published a report titled "Screening-Level Evaluation of Contaminants in Sediments from Three Reservoirs and the Estuary of the Klamath River, 2009-2011" regarding the potential for adverse ecological or human health effects from chemical contamination in Klamath Reservoir sediments (CDM 2011b). It is available at: <a href="http://klamathrestoration.gov/keep-me-informed/secretarial-determination/role-of-science/secretarial-determination-studies">http://klamathrestoration.gov/keep-me-informed/secretarial-determination/role-of-science/secretarial-determination-studies</a>.</p> <p>The report concluded that the Klamath Reservoir sediments can be considered relatively clean, with no chemicals present at levels that would preclude their release into downstream or marine environments.</p> <p>Future management of the Iron Gate Hatchery is considered a part of the Klamath Hydroelectric Settlement Agreement (KHSA). Under the No Action/No Project Alternative (Alternative 1) and the Proposed Action (Alternative 2) or Alternative 3, future management of the Iron Gate Hatchery would be re-evaluated. Under the No Action/No Project Alternative, PacifiCorp would continue to fund the development and implementation of a Hatchery and Genetics Management Plan for IGH Southern Oregon/Northern California Coast (SONC) coho salmon. PacifiCorp has also established a fund to study fish disease relationships downstream of Iron Gate Dam. PacifiCorp would consult with the Klamath River Fish Health Workgroup regarding selection, prioritization, and implementation of such studies under the Proposed Action.</p> <p>Iron Gate Hatchery would play a role in restoration of salmonid fisheries if dams are removed. The initial use of the hatchery facility at Iron Gate Dam or on Fall Creek would provide</p>	No

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conservation of native salmon stocks during the impact period of dam removal. The development of guidelines for the use of the conservation hatchery at Iron Gate Dam or on Fall Creek outlined in the Phase I Fisheries Reintroduction and Management Plan would be to support the establishment of naturally producing populations in the Klamath Basin following implementation of the KHSA (Draft EIS/EIR 3.3-140). In this scenario, PacifiCorp would evaluate hatchery production options that do not rely on the current IGH water supply. The study will assess groundwater and surface water supply options, water reuse technologies or operational changes that could support hatchery production in the absence of Iron Gate Dam. Based on the study results, PacifiCorp would propose a post-Iron Gate Dam Mitigation Hatchery Plan to provide continued hatchery production for eight years after the removal of Iron Gate Dam. After removal of Iron Gate Dam and for a period of eight years, PacifiCorp would fund 100 percent of hatchery operations and maintenance costs necessary to fulfill annual mitigation objectives developed by the California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG) in consultation with the NOAA Fisheries Service (Draft EIS/EIR Section 2.4.3.1).

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Master Response AQU – 3 Coho Native Status not Critical to NEPA or CEQA.

No

Master Response AQU – 4 Coho are Native.

The comment, as submitted, provides no evidence to support the claim that coho salmon are not native to the Klamath River.

Fish Counting

Although this portion of the comment also does not directly address the content and analysis of the Draft EIS/EIR, a brief explanation of fish counting activities is provided below as a courtesy.

Iron Gate Hatchery (IGH) was completed in 1966 by Pacific Power as mitigation for the construction of Iron Gate Dam (IGD). The dam blocked upstream access for anadromous fish. A US Supreme Court decision mandated hatchery production goals for Chinook and coho salmon as well as steelhead. These production goals require IGH annually release 4.9 million smolt and 1.08 million yearling Chinook salmon, 75,000 yearling coho salmon and 200,000 yearling steelhead. Although Pacific Power pays 100% of the hatchery's operations, it is operated by the California Department of Fish and Game.

To ensure compliance with current production requirements, all

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	<p>fish released from IGH are counted. Annual hatchery reports are available from the Department of Fish and Game which document each year's releases as well as adult returns. Additionally, all coho salmon and steelhead are marked prior to release. Due to the larger number of Chinook salmon produced and released; only a fraction (25%) is marked. As each fish returns to the hatchery, they are examined and records of hatchery produced and naturally produced fish by species, is collected.</p> <p>In addition to documenting achievement of hatchery production goals, marking hatchery fish is very important for other reasons. First, management of Chinook salmon and steelhead in the Klamath Basin is based on natural production, not hatchery production. As a federally and State-listed threatened species, coho salmon recovery is also based on natural production. Being able to distinguish between the hatchery and natural production is crucial. Secondly, only hatchery produced steelhead (adipose fin clipped) are legally allowed to be harvested by sport anglers in order to allow unmarked, naturally produced fish to continue to spawn.</p> <p>Finally, the number of adult Chinook and coho salmon returning to spawn in areas outside the hatchery (e.g., Shasta River, Scott River, Bogus Creek, etc), is also determined. This information is combined with counting information from the hatchery and used to monitor the strength of fish populations, for fishery management purposes, and for coho salmon recovery.</p> <p>The comment author is incorrect regarding the statement "...millions of healthy salmon produced by Iron Gate Fish Hatchery are not counted in the yearly count of salmon on the river." Salmon and steelhead returning to Iron Gate Hatchery are counted annually when the adults return and when the juveniles are released.</p>	
GP_LT_1202_970-3	<p>Master Response WQ-16. Upper Klamath Basin Historically Productive but Land Use Exacerbates Problem.</p> <p>Master Response WQ-4B Hydroelectric Project Impacts to Water Quality Anticipated KHSA/KBRA Improvements.</p> <p>Along with KBRA and TMDL implementation, dam removal will improve water quality in the Klamath River and support numerous designated beneficial uses.</p>	No
GP_LT_1202_970-4	<p>Master Response WQ-1B-G Sediment Deposits Behind the Dams and Potential Contaminants.</p>	No

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	Master Response WQ-2 Chromium VI / Heavy Metals in Sediments Deposited Behind the Dams.	
	Master Response WQ-11 Comparisons With Rogue River and Downstream Sediment Effects.	
GP_LT_1202_970-5	The Klamath agreements are examples of negotiations designed to resolve longstanding legal battles over the use of water resources in the Klamath Basin. There are provisions in law that allow parties to negotiate privately to resolve litigation and to keep the contents of discussions confidential. This is what occurred in the negotiations over PacifiCorp's Klamath Hydroelectric Project, as well as the related Klamath Basin Restoration Agreement (KBRA). PacifiCorp, tribes, environmental, fishing and agriculture interests used these meetings to negotiate agreements that avoid litigation. The Federal Government often times has a vested interest in resolving litigation as well. Your comment will be considered as part of the Secretarial Determination relative to the four dams on the Klamath River.	No
GP_LT_1202_970-6	Master Response GEN-1 Comment Included as Part of Record.	No

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From: KSDcomments KSDcomments[SMTP: KSDCOMMENTS@DFG.CA.GOV]  
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Subject: Fwd: Klamath river dams  
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Please stop the federal takeover and destruction of the four dams on the Klamath river in Northern California.  
We need these dams for a host of green issues, and their destruction will sterilize the river for at least five generations.

Comment 2 - Fish

Robert L. Smith, DC (ret)  
Shingletown, CA

**Comment Author** Smith, Robert  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 16, 2011

<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1116_1128-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No
GP_EM_1116_1128-2	<p>Master Response AQU – 1 Sediment Amounts and Effects to Fish.</p> <p>Master Response WQ-1 B-G Sediment Deposits Behind the Dams and Potential Contaminants.</p> <p>Master Response WQ-2 Chromium VI / Heavy Metals in Sediments Deposited Behind the Dams.</p> <p>Master Response AQU – 2 Sediment Dredging.</p> <p>Master Response AQU – 20 Bedload Sediment and Fish Habitat.</p> <p>Master Response AQU – 5 Will Benefit all Salmonids.</p> <p>Master Response AQU – 6 Expert Panel Coho, Steelhead and Chinook.</p> <p>Master Response AQU – 7 Expert Panel Uncertainty Likelihood of Success.</p> <p>Master Response GHG-1 Green Power.</p>	No

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GP_EM_1212_1202-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal and Others Oppose Dam Removal.  Master Response GEN-20 PacifiCorp Private Ownership of Hydroelectric Facilities.  Master Response AQU-5 Will Benefit all Salmonids.  Master Response WQ-1 Sediment Deposits Behind the Dams and Potential Contaminants.	No

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Comment 1 - Disapproves of Dam Removal

Comment 2 - Hydropower

I feel the dams on the Klamath River should stay. I cannot see removing them at Pacific Power rate payer's cost and then expecting those ratepayers to fund new power development that will not be so green as the hydro. I am also concerned that the sediment flow after the removal will cause problems.

Comment 3 - Sediment Toxicity

.....Suzanne Smith, Klamath Falls

**Comment Author** Smith, Suzanne  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 21, 2011

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GP_EM_1021_098-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No
GP_EM_1021_098-2	Master Response HYDP-2 Power Production at the Four Facilities. Master Response GHG-2 Rate Increases.	No
GP_EM_1021_098-3	Master Response WQ-1 Sediment Deposits Behind the Dams and Potential Contaminants.  Master Response AQU-1 Sediment Amounts and Effects on Fish.  Master Response AQU-20 Bedload Sediment and Fish Habitat.	No

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## **My Official Public Comments on what is misnamed "Klamath Restoration Draft EIS/EIR"**

November 15, 2011

Julie Kay Smithson, property rights and natural resources researcher, 213 Thorn Locust Lane, London, Ohio 43140. [propertyrights@earthlink.net](mailto:propertyrights@earthlink.net)

<http://propertyrightsresearch.blogspot.com/2011/11/my-official-public-comments-on-what-is.html>

It is said here: <http://klamathrestoration.gov/home> that "This is the official website of the Department of the Interior, and other federal and state agencies that are involved in carrying out obligations set forth in the Klamath Hydroelectric Settlement Agreement, including the Secretarial Determination on Klamath River dams. Use this website to stay up to date on issues surrounding the Secretarial Determination and the environmental analysis that will be conducted pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)."

Instructions for submitting "feedback" (one can only believe that "feedback" is synonymous with "comments") are located here: <http://klamathrestoration.gov/Draft-EIS-EIR/feedback>

Comment 1 - KHSA

Any schemes to remove any of the four dams on the Klamath River -- in Oregon and/or California -- are just that: schemes. If there were any validity to claims touted by those involved in CLOSED DOOR negotiations' regarding the Klamath Basin and its four dams, those claims were rendered null and void by the few years of secretive and selective clique of "interested parties" involved. The very fact that -- in order to "have a seat at the table" and be included in these highly suspect "negotiations" -- one had to agree "in principle" to the scheme, makes it more rotten than Denmark! While those living and working in the Klamath Basin may, by virtue of their proximity to the "forest," not be able to see it for the "trees," I am in Ohio and can clearly see the intent of these schemes, and the power behind them, pushing the Trojan horse at the gates of economic independence as though the power brokers were merely arriving for an afternoon tea!

Nothing that seeks to destroy the entire economy and culture of the Klamath Basin for the past hundred years, can be called an "agreement" or "agreements." Both the "Klamath Hydroelectric Settlement Agreement" (208 pages) and the "Klamath Basin Restoration Agreement" (378

pages) are nothing more than stalking-horses: decoys. **Neither settles anything other than which fox gets to dine in the hen house first!** Even the number of people originally adamantly against any such things as would steal their ability to do one or more of the following: own and utilize private property as they have done so in the past; have a home, job and future in the Klamath Basin that is of their own accord; raise their families and contribute to a vibrant place in the Pacific Northwest through the fruits of their endeavors; rest and die in peace, knowing that their families, friends and co-workers will have a place, too, in their beloved Klamath Basin; grow and harvest food and fiber in the Klamath Basin, whether it be the plethora of food crops, fish, timber, minerals, livestock, or hunting/fishing opportunities that abound -- have been ground into the dust of the Basin by the forces aligned against their very existence.

Rocket science is not needed to know that the people of the Klamath Basin -- living and working in this area of northern California and southern Oregon -- are good people with multigenerational experience and expertise. No one coming from distant Washington, D.C., Portland, Oregon, or Sacramento, California, governmental locations, has any right to erase promises made to good people, war veterans and their families. No one anywhere has the right to sway people by the mirage of promises made, knowing that the intent is to rid the Basin of its very lifeblood. NO ONE. The Klamath Basin is a wonderful place to live, work, farm, ranch, hunt, fish, etc. -- not in spite of its inhabitants and private property owners, but BECAUSE OF THEM!

I look askance at people who have been downtrodden by this sham, which purports to somehow be a good thing for anyone or anything in the Klamath Basin. From the farmers and their families to the livestock, animals, wildlife and waterfowl of the Klamath Basin, these "agreements" bode ill for the entire Klamath Basin. An ill wind blows upon the Klamath Basin, and the thought that one "secretary" of a federal agency -- who obediently does the bidding of his bosses and lets people think of him as a "rancher" -- plans to make a "secretarial determination" about the four dams that have been part of the underpinning of the Klamath Basin's economic independence and freedom for almost a hundred years, makes my stomach turn. Ken Salazar is not an expert on the Klamath Basin, its dams, people, water, flora, fauna, and economy!

My gut feeling -- which stood me in good stead for the twenty-seven years during which I drove semi-trucks safely on America's highways -- is that these schemes are the death knell of the Klamath Basin as those that love this special, blessed place now know it.

Rather than allow themselves to be litigated into extinction or cowed by such a wooden decoy with a bellyful of armed forces, I pray for those in the cross hairs of these "agreements" to realize what is happening in time to stop it. How? Stop it the same way you would stop any trespasser trying to steamroller what rightfully belongs to you.

Would you allow someone to steal your home? Children? Car? Bank account? Family history? Future? How is this scheme any different? It is all of these things, and more.

I may not live or work in the Klamath Basin, but its potatoes, horseradish, and other crops contribute to my health and well-being. Its people are my friends. Its history is part of my country's history. I depend on its economic and cultural health as I depend on my nearby neighbors' efforts to grow, harvest and market what may look to some like items on store shelves, but that, to me, look like freedom and heritage! Stop the destruction of the Klamath Basin via the very real reason that Ken Salazar and his "interested parties" have no right to steal your -- or my -- future! Tell him so! You would not venture into the part of Colorado owned by him and his kith and kin and tell them that you were going to make a "determination" that would put them immediately out of reach of the property rights, past, present and future that they d built!

1,070 words.

Comment 2 - Disapproves of Dam Removal

<http://propertyrightsresearch.blogspot.com/2011/11/my-official-public-comments-on-what-is.html>

**Comment Author** Smithson, Julie Kay  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
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GP_EM_1115_680-1	Master Response GEN-20 PacifiCorp Private Ownership of Hydroelectric Facilities.  Master Response KHSA-1 Negotiations in Private.	No
GP_EM_1115_680-2	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

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Gordon & Bureau of Reclamation,

Comment 1 - Disapproves of Dam Removal

I support the movement to STOP the dam removals in the Klamath River Basin.

- The people is those communities overwhelmingly disagree with the removal - Elected Sheriffs included.

- Southern Oregonians have seen the effect of dam removals with the recent removal of "Savage Rapids" and "Gold Rey" dams.

- There are many negative effects, and costs associated with the removal of these dams. Chromium 6 is just one issue - which is reportedly in the City of Grants Pass' drinking water.

More important - the people who pay your wages, want action from you regarding this matter. The people have spoken loud and clear and their employees (you), to represent them. Please see this video (<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e4RuWK2Ww-4>) so that you can inform yourself on what is going on.

Regards,

Joseph Snook  
Investigative Reporter  
US-Observer  
541-226-8235

**Comment Author** Snook, Joseph  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 17, 2011

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GP_EM_1117_746-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

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Subject: Web Inquiry: (Full Dam Removal) of the Klamath's Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: Alberto Solis  
Organization:

Subject: (Full Dam Removal) of the Klamath's

Body: These dams are decimating what used to be the west coast's third most productive steelhead and salmon fisheries, and strangling the area's economy

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal
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**Comment Author** Solis, Alberto  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 11, 2011

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GP_WI_1111_538-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

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PUBLIC HEARING ON THE KLAMATH DAM  
REMOVAL DRAFT EIS/EIR  
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YREKA, CALIFORNIA  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2011

MS. GLENDA SOUTHARD: G-l-e-n-d-a, S-o-u-t-h-a-r-d.

Like the gentleman who spoke so eloquently

earlier about living here or his tribe for a thousand

years, I, too, would like clean air, clean water, abundant

healthy fish and happiness for all of us. And if I

thought taking out the dams would accomplish that, I would

have picked 2 or 3, but I picked Alternative No. 1.

And Mr. Lynch, I'm sorry that you don't find

that viable, because I chose that alternative from your

own report released by the Interior Department in April of

this year.

I will read some of it. The Interior Department

released a report that addresses the expected impact of

climate change on eight major river basins, one of those

was the Klamath. In part it said that all eight basins

would see an increase in temperature of about five to

seven degrees by the end of the century. That means a

warmer Klamath River. Sure don't like that, fish don't

like that.

Aside from that it said that reduction in spring

and summer runoffs could lead to a drop in water supply.

Comment 1 - GHG/Climate Change

Whoops, less water.

And due to earlier snow melt, and relatively

higher winter rain from warmer conditions, all but the

Colorado Basin could become vulnerable to floods, floods.

The Interior Department is putting this whole

area at risk. You're destroying more than the river

basin, your jeopardizing the economy and well-being of

this county.

Comment 2 - Economics

Siskiyou County is losing thousands of dollars

in taxes already, and it will be worse when the dams come

out, if they do.

Comment 3 - Hydropower

Consumers are losing affordable green and safe

Comment 4 - Water Rights/Supply

power. Ranchers and farmers are losing water rights.

Comment 5 - Recreation

Sportsmen are losing fishing rights. Businessmen and

Comment 6 - Economics

women are losing businesses along the river and we are all

left vulnerable to drought, forest fires and flooding; and

Comment 7 - Hydrology

this based on the lie that the dams are the cause of blue

Comment 8 - Water Quality

green algae and water pollution.

Comment 9 - Fish

Without the dams to temper the temperature of

the water, filter contaminants and store water during

drought, you're also putting the fish that you're

purporting to save at risk.

But you know all this, so what's the purpose and

value? What will be gained by all this expenditure of

money and time and effort if you destroy the very thing  
you're purporting to save?

**Comment Author** Southard, Glenda  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 20, 2011

<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_MC_1020_207-1	<p>As discussed on p. 3.10-22 of the Draft EIS/EIR, improvement in the river thermal regime by the Proposed Action and alternatives would likely moderate the anticipated stream temperature increases resulting from climate change. See EIS/EIR Section 3.3, Aquatic Resources, for a more detailed explanation of stream temperatures.</p> <p>Additionally, as described on p. 3.10-21 of the Draft EIS/EIR, removing the Four Facilities would provide a migration corridor for fish to move further upstream to find cooler water. Relief from increased temperatures on the river could then be provided.</p> <p>Moreover, the comment's concern of an increased flood risk is unwarranted. The dams provide only incidental flood protection as discussed on p. 3.6-30 of the Draft EIS/EIR.</p>	No
GP_MC_1020_207-2	<p>Section 3.15 discusses potential effects on tax revenues, including property taxes and sales taxes. Section 3.15, p. 64 of the Draft EIS/EIR identifies effects as a result of decreased property tax revenues to Siskiyou County from potential decreased property values around reservoirs. P. 65 discusses effects of PacifiCorp not paying property taxes to Siskiyou County after the dams are removed and potential increases in sales tax revenues as a result of the influx of construction workers during dam removal. Klamath and Siskiyou counties receive tax revenues from multiples sources, and it is unknown how the county would change services to citizens as a result of changes in tax revenues related to the Proposed Action and alternatives.</p>	No
GP_MC_1020_207-3	Comment noted.	No
GP_MC_1020_207-4	Master Response WSWR-7 Effects to Water Rights/Water Supply from Dam Removal as Described in KHSA.	No
GP_MC_1020_207-5	Master Response REC-8 Flat Water Fishing.	No
GP_MC_1020_207-6	Master Response GEN-1 Comment Included as Part of Record.	No
GP_MC_1020_207-7	<p>Master Response HYDG-1 Flood Protection.</p> <p>Master Response WSWR-4 Summary of Effects to Water Rights/Water Supply for Alternatives 2 and Alternative 3 for Municipal, Agricultural, and Tribal Use.</p> <p><i>Fire fighting</i> The Draft EIS/EIR analyzes impacts to water availability for fire fighting in Section 3.18, Public Health and Safety. The impact analysis recognizes that Copco 1 Reservoir is used as a source of</p>	No

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GP_MC_1020_207-8	<p>water for fighting fires; however, the Klamath River can also be used as a water source. The impact to availability of water for firefighting is therefore less than significant.</p> <p>As described in the Draft EIS/EIR Section 3.2.3.1 Overview of Water Quality Processes in the Klamath Basin (pgs 3.2-19 to 3.2-21), the presence and operation of the Four Facilities affect many aspects of water quality in the Klamath River, including slower transport of water downstream, interception and retention of sediment, organic matter, nutrients, and other constituents that would otherwise be transported downstream, and alteration of seasonal water temperatures when compared to free-flowing stream reaches. Blooms of toxic algae (phytoplankton) in the Project reservoirs are discussed in multiple places in the Draft EIS/EIR, including, but not limited to, the following sections:</p> <p>3.2.3.7 Chlorophyll-a and Algal Toxins (Existing Conditions) p. 3.2-29 to 3.2-30; 3.2.4.3.1.6 Chlorophyll-a and Algal Toxins (Effects Determinations No Action/No Project Alternative) p. 3.2-68 to 3.2-71; 3.2.4.3.2.6 Chlorophyll-a and Algal Toxins (Proposed Action) p. 3.2-117 to 3.2-118; 3.2.4.3.3 Alternative 3: Partial Facilities Removal of Four Dams, p. 3.2-132 to 3.2-135; 3.2.4.3.4 Alternative 4: Fish Passage at Four Dams, p. 3.2-135 to 3.2-136; 3.2.4.3.5.6 Chlorophyll-a and Algal Toxins (Alternative 5: Fish Passage at J.C. Boyle and Copco 2, Remove Copco 1 and Iron Gate) p. 3.2-145; 3.4 Algae, p. 3.4-1 to 3.4-32; and, Appendix C, Section C.6 Algal Toxins and Chlorophyll-a, p. C-52 to C-63.</p>	No
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From: Jennifer Sowerwine[SMTP: JSOWERWI@BERKELEY.EDU]  
Sent: Wednesday, October 26, 2011 1:56:35 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd  
Subject: In favor of full removal of Klamath Dams Auto forwarded by a Rule

I am a California constituent, friend and colleague of both tribal and agricultural parties. My Uncle was a Salmon fisherman off the North Coast. I understand the great need to balance all parties interests and concerns. I have seen directly the impact the dams have had on the quality of the river, the drastic decline in available food for the Karuk and other Native Americans living on the river. The water's toxicity have impacted culturally beneficial uses of the water. I urge you to adopt Alternative 2: full removal of all four dams.

Thank you for your time,

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Comment 1 - Approval of Dam Removal

Jennifer Sowerwine  
960 Euclid Ave.  
Berkeley, Ca.  
94708

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GP_MC_1020_207-1	<p>As discussed on p. 3.10-22 of the Draft EIS/EIR, improvement in the river thermal regime by the Proposed Action and alternatives would likely moderate the anticipated stream temperate increases resulting from climate change. See EIS/EIR Section 3.3, Aquatic Resources, for a more detailed explanation of stream temperatures.</p> <p>Additionally, as described on p. 3.10-21 of the Draft EIS/EIR, removing the Four Facilities would provide a migration corridor for fish to move further upstream to find cooler water. Relief from increased temperatures on the river could then be provided.</p> <p>Moreover, the comment's concern of an increased flood risk is unwarranted. The dams provide only incidental flood protection as discussed on p. 3.6-30 of the Draft EIS/EIR.</p>	No
GP_MC_1020_207-2	<p>Section 3.15 discusses potential effects on tax revenues, including property taxes and sales taxes. Section 3.15, p. 64 of the Draft EIS/EIR identifies effects as a result of decreased property tax revenues to Siskiyou County from potential decreased property values around reservoirs. P. 65 discusses effects of PacifiCorp not paying property taxes to Siskiyou County after the dams are removed and potential increases in sales tax revenues as a result of the influx of construction workers during dam removal. Klamath and Siskiyou counties receive tax revenues from multiples sources, and it is unknown how the county would change services to citizens as a result of changes in tax revenues related to the Proposed Action and alternatives.</p>	No
GP_MC_1020_207-3	Comment noted.	No
GP_MC_1020_207-4	Master Response WSWR-7 Effects to Water Rights/Water Supply from Dam Removal as Described in KHSA.	No
GP_MC_1020_207-5	Master Response REC-8 Flat Water Fishing.	No
GP_MC_1020_207-6	Master Response GEN-1 Comment Included as Part of Record.	No
GP_MC_1020_207-7	<p>Master Response HYDG-1 Flood Protection.</p> <p>Master Response WSWR-4 Summary of Effects to Water Rights/Water Supply for Alternatives 2 and Alternative 3 for Municipal, Agricultural, and Tribal Use.</p> <p><i>Fire fighting</i>  The Draft EIS/EIR analyzes impacts to water availability for fire fighting in Section 3.18, Public Health and Safety. The impact analysis recognizes that Copco 1 Reservoir is used as a source of</p>	No

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GP_EM_1026_248-1	<p data-bbox="435 915 1211 974">Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.</p> <p data-bbox="435 1010 1211 1306">The EIS/EIR recognizes that the tribes of the Klamath Basin depend on the river and the salmon for their livelihood, and that the spiritual beliefs and traditional practices are inseparable from the river and surrounding homeland environments. Although the language groups and traditional practices sometimes vary among the tribes, all of them derived their cultures, commerce, and subsistence primarily from the river and its aquatic and terrestrial resources. We thank you for input for the Secretarial Determination. The Secretary of the Interior will consider this comment and others when making his determination.</p>	No



# Speaker Card

Please fill out this card and hand it to someone with a name tag if you would like to make a verbal comment of up to three minutes. Your verbal comments will be recorded by a court reporter. All recorded verbal comments, along with written comments, received by November 21, 2011, will become part of the official record. Verbal and written comments are weighted equally. To submit written comments, see reverse side of this card.

Name (please print) Glen Spain  
Representing commercial fishermen

Notes:  
Supports Dam Removal Alternatives  
2 or 3

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal

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**Comment Author** Spain, Glen  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 19, 2011

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GP_MF_1019_088-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE KLAMATH DAM  
REMOVAL DRAFT EIS/EIR  
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YREKA, CALIFORNIA  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2011

MR. GLEN SPAIN: My name is Glen Spain,

G-l-e-n, one N, Spain, Like the country, S-p-a-i-n.

I'm the Northwest Regional Director of the

Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Associations,

PCFFA. We represent coastal fishing families who make

their living largely from the harvest of salmon.

I'm not going to address the salmon benefits

and other things, other speakers will do that. But I want

to address the economic facts about dams and dam removal,

itself. Much of these facts have been lost in the debate.

There's been a lot of obfuscation, but there's some very

key facts that people need to know and need to understand.

As one person once said, everyone is entitled to their

opinion but not to their own facts.

One fact is this: And that is that there are only

two options that PacifiCorp, which is a private property

owner -- these are private properties -- must make:

Either the dams will be relicensed or they will be

decommissioned and removed. There are only these two

options, no other option is legal.

The choices before PacifiCorp are to relicense the

Comment 1 - Costs

dams at roughly 500 million dollars in cost, cost that  
their ratepayers must pay -- and by the way, many of our  
commercial fishermen are also ratepayers for Pacific Power  
-- or they can remove the dams under the Klamath  
Hydroelectric Settlement Agreement for 200 million.

And if they are removed -- another fact is: If  
they are removed -- excuse me, if they are relicensed,  
they will not be as productive of power as they are today.  
You will be paying a great deal of money for very little  
power, and they will run, according to FERC's own staff  
estimates, at a twenty-million-dollar-a-year loss, or,  
say, a license of 40 years, which is typical, 40 to 50  
years, that means an additional 800 million that will have  
to be paid by ratepayers in order to even break even on  
these nonproductive, aging dams.

You add those together and these dams will cost  
ratepayers 1.3 billion dollars over a 40-year license  
term.

There is very little power there. Right now, they  
produce a total of about 78 megawatts of power, total.  
That's the average over the last 50 years. By comparison,  
a single, modern power plant generates roughly 1,000  
megawatts or more. If they are relicensed, they will  
produce 20 megawatts less, down to 58 megawatts, at a huge

cost.

Um, so altogether, PacifiCorp has determined that it is in the best interests of their ratepayers, which they have to serve, for the dams to be replaced and that power be found elsewhere.

The Public Utility Commissions in both states have agreed that dam removal is, by far, by a factor of 6.5 times, far cheaper than replacement of -- or the relicensing of the FERC under the current conditions.

In other words, they are losing money and they will continue to lose money until they are replaced.

Comment 2 - Hydropower

As to replacement power, there is always a lot of concern about that -- this is carbon-free power. We are concerned about that, too, but PacifiCorp is obligated, under law, as part of the purchase agreement by their current owners, in 2006, to bring on line 1400 megawatts of green, noncarbon renewable power, and to do so by 2015.

**Comment Author** Spain, Glen  
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GP_MC_1020_187-2	Comment noted.	No

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From: [rcspott@yahoo.com](mailto:rcspott@yahoo.com)[SMTP: RCSPOTT@YAHOO.COM]  
Sent: Saturday, November 12, 2011 10:01:06 AM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-KlamathSD; [werner@wrinkledog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkledog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: Alternate 2  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: Richard & Cindy Spott  
Organization:

Subject: Alternate 2

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal

Body: I'm in favor.



**Comment Author** Spott, Richard Cindy  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 12, 2011

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GP_WI_1112_574-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

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From: [sproull.janice@gmail.com](mailto:sproull.janice@gmail.com)[SMTP:SPROULL.JANICE@GMAIL.COM]  
Sent: Friday, November 11, 2011 7:17:28 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; [werner@wrinkledog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkledog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: Klamath River Restoration Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: Janice Sproull  
Organization:

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal

Subject: Klamath River Restoration

Body: Please accept these comments in favor of advancing the dam-free restoration of the Klamath River now. Current restoration (instead of delay until 2020) would wisely use our money system not to increase profits for the few but instead to promote the health of the natural world's water, wetlands and marshes for the many.

Ursula Le Guin, Nobel laureate, in 1985 wrote a novel (Always Coming Home) chronicling the damage to future lives in what is today northern California because human feats of hubris had disregarded the living natural system as a whole. We have the opportunity now, through dam-free restoration, to keep Ursula Le Guin's novel in the realm of fiction instead of prophecy.

To further the goal of wholistic survival of species (including humans and our natural connections), I support the immediate removal of all dams on the Klamath River and its tributaries. Additionally, I support the restoration of all historic wetlands and marshes in the upper Klamath basin, including Lower Klamath Lake, Tule Lake and Upper Klamath Lake.

Comment 2 - Out of Scope

The Secretary of Interior has the power and accordingly should ensure that more water from the Trinity River stay within the watershed so that increased water flows in the dry season for salmon migration in the Lower Klamath River. In addition, because the vitality and continuing existence of significant fish species speak to the overall interconnected health of life on earth, I ask that the restoration activities improve conditions for salmon on the Scott and Shasta Rivers.

Comment 3 - Fish

The National Marine Fisheries Service has required a minimum flow at Iron Gate pursuant to biological opinions to comply with the Endangered Species Act, and therefore the Secretary should include a minimum flow for fish. Trusted experts recommend that an absolute minimum flow of 1,300 cubic feet per second at the Iron Gate gauge be established for the dry season.

The citizenry has no concern more important than preservation and --- where natural damage has occurred by human head, hand and technology --- restoration of our rivers and other life-essential natural resources. We can all survive without our bank balances, gold or paper money. Nobody (fish, fowl or human) stays alive without water.

Sincerely,  
Janice Sproull

**Comment Author** Sproull, Janice  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 11, 2011

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GP_WI_1111_562-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No
GP_WI_1111_562-2	Master Response GEN-27 Interplay between Trinity River Restoration Program (TRRP) and KBRA.	No
GP_WI_1111_562-3	Master Response AQU-11A-B NMFS BO, ESA and KBRA Water Management.  The BO does not require a minimum flow of 1,300 cfs downstream of Iron Gate Dam during all months and hydrological conditions.  Master Response AQU-11C-J NMFS BO, ESA and KBRA Water Management.	No

KLAMATH DAM REMOVAL  
DRAFT EIS/EIR HEARING  
OCTOBER 25, 2011

PUBLIC TESTIMONY  
ORLEANS, CALIFORNIA

Comment 1 - Approves of Dams

MS. STAATS: My name is Jenny Staats,  
J-e-n-n-y S-t-a-a-t-s. I'm a resident of Orleans, and I  
support Option 2, the full removal of the Klamath Dams.

And thank you for taking our comments today.

I'm part of the local Food Justice movement that's promoting healthy affordable, accessible, secure, and appropriate food for all. We promote both traditional and local food sources. Restoring the fishery would be one step in restoring the balance to this ecosystem and moving towards the goal of better nourishing and strengthening our community.

I want to recognize that I'm a settler on stolen Native land and that, although I did not steal the land or take part in the massacres of Native people in this area, my living here is direct proof that I and other non-Native residents are benefiting from those events and from the ongoing effects of colonization and attempted genocide, as seen in policy that empowers certain destructive agency management practices and other extractive private industry. We benefit from the historical displacement of people and see an unequal balance in land ownership, as well as limited access to

appropriate food and healthcare and other basic necessities.

As settlers and non-Native people in this community, I believe it's our responsibility to proactively challenge and dismantle colonialist and white supremacist thought and behavior in the communities we identify ourselves to be a part of. While we all have good intentions in the work we do, I want to challenge myself and other non-Native residents to constantly question the cultural appropriateness of our actions, as we strive to align ourselves as allies with the original inhabitants of this area, if they will have us as allies and partners.

Comment 2 - NEPA

After attending and video-documenting the Yreka hearings, I encourage the Department of the Interior to dismiss the testimony of those individuals whose comments were wrought with hateful white supremacist sentiment and patronization towards the downriver communities, and specifically Native peoples. Those who spoke at the Yreka hearing, with a clear air of entitlement to their way of life, especially when touting having lived in the area for four generations, are living in denial or at least not recognizing that it was some of their predecessors who are responsible for the massive loss of life and culture in this area.

A daughter of a rancher in the Valley

condescendingly demanded to know where tribal people would get their food when farmers were out of business. One Copco resident said, "The lake is the centerpiece of our pleasurable existence," and added that it was the ones who wanted dam removal who are selfish.

Numerous people refer to downriver communities as special interest groups and ask, "What about," quote, "the people," as if they were the only people. Another man said that what was needed was a sustainable economy, not a sustainable environment, as if the two were not connected.

Another Copco resident was quoted in the October 4th Siskiyou Daily, saying, quote, "They tell us the Indians have to get in the water every day because of their religion, but we're still waiting to see a single dead Indian." This was in regards to toxic algae. These sentiments are racist and ignorant.

Those who are benefiting from exploitive resource extractive industry are not the ones with the solutions to problems that their industries created. When Upper Basin residents demand that you, quote, "take the rights of the people, not just the fish, into account," remember that down here our lives are completely intertwined with the fish, and, therefore, the rights of the fish are the rights of the people.

Thank you. MR. LYNCH: Thank you, Jenny.

**Comment Author** Staats, Jenny  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 25, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_MC_1025_293-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No
GP_MC_1025_293-2	Master Response N/CP-20 Response to Public Comment.	No

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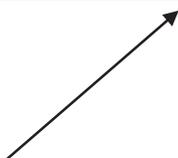
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From: Wayne C. Stahl[SMTP:WSTAHL@NEMONT.NET]  
Sent: Monday, November 28, 2011 11:24:10 AM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

PLEASE DO NOT DESTROY THE HISTORICAL DAMS OR ANY OTHER DAMS ANYWHERE IN THE U.S.

Montana State Representative

Wayne C. Stahl

Comment 1 - Disapproves of Dam  
Removal



**Comment Author** Stahl, Wayne  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 28, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1128_915-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

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STATEMENT PROVIDED BEFORE PUBLIC HEARING  
(Directly to Court Reporter)

MR. MARSHALL STAUNTON: I'll sorry, I'm a

little dirty. I came out of the onion fields, I've got 13

loads -- be careful on the highways heading south to

Gilroy, California, we've got a lot of trucks on the road

out of the valley.

I served as co-chair of the --

THE FACILITATOR: Let me just clarify your name

for the court reporters.

MR. MARSHALL STAUNTON: Marshall Staunton,

S-t-a-u-n-t-o-n.

Okay, so I served as co-chair of the Upper

Comment 1 - KBRA

Klamath Basin Working Group, the Hatfield Group, and I

support the KBRA as the best possible solution. The KBRA

honors tribal treaty rights, it honors reclamation farms

and ranches, plus upper Klamath River Basin water users,

as well.

Comment 2 - Water Supply/Rights

Refuges, which haven't been mentioned a lot,

world-class refuges gain us sustainable and dependable

Comment 3 - Recreation

water supply. And sport fishermen at the ocean level, on

up the river, gain the strongest strategy of fishery

recovery, and PacifiCorp ratepayers receive the benefits

at the lowest cost ratepayer option.

And I farm with my brothers Sid and Ed, and I farm with Nephew Mark and my dad John; we grow 6,000 acres of onion, sweet potatoes, pepper, and alfalfa; we've endured two water shutoffs in the last ten years, and when the water shutoff occurs in the Klamath Reclamation Project, all those onions and potato fields are left harvested in mid- to late October, and we don't have time to establish ground cover on them. So when the water is cut the following spring, we have essentially bare fields at critical dust-bowl conditions, which are very nasty to all the residents of our valley and then the valleys away from our valley.

So the current situation is unacceptable; we need the KBRA.

Comment 4 - Recreation

I am also an avid fly fisherman, and any chance I get, and I enjoy world-class trout fisheries right down below Keno Dam, the stretch that has relatively unimpeded flow or nonregulated flow. And below Boyle, there's a spike in flow right now, and I look forward to the day when I'll enjoy the trout, steelhead, and salmon fisheries all the way to the ocean. I think it will be quite impressive and will happen very quickly.

Thank you.

**Comment Author** Staunton, Marshall  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 18, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_MC_1018_169-1	The agreements are intended to provide the diverse stakeholders with locally developed solutions to restore fisheries and support local economies.	No
GP_MC_1018_169-2	Master Response GEN-1 Comment Included as Part of Record.	No
GP_MC_1018_169-3	Master Response GEN-1 Comment Included as Part of Record.	No
GP_MC_1018_169-4	Master Response GEN-1 Comment Included as Part of Record.	No

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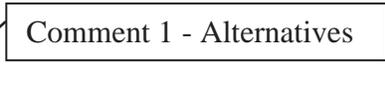
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 Sent: Monday, November 21, 2011 8:28:21 PM  
 To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; [werner@wri nkl edog.com](mailto:werner@wri nkl edog.com)  
 Subject: Web Inquiry: Save the salmon/Save the dams Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: George Steen  
 Organization:

Subject: Save the salmon/Save the dams

Body:  
 Save the Salmon-Save the Dams

Comment 1 - Alternatives



There is a way to save the salmon and save the dams at the same time. The fall salmon run has just ended at the Iron Gate dam. The eggs are fertilized and placed in trays at the Hatchery. The cycle of life begins for the new fry. The young hatchlings will find themselves placed in raceways and fed several times a day. They will be pampered for several months. Then, as the water temperature in the Klamath begins to rise in early June, they will be flushed into the river. Suddenly, there is no more daily feeding and their environment drastically changes. Predators are everywhere, otters scoop up the fingerlings and fill their bellies. Larger fish make meals of them and birds of all kinds feast on the unsuspecting babies. For the ones who are fortunate to survive the river they must endure sea lions, sharks and killer whales not to mention man.

The cycle of life for these young salmon is a tough one. We can improve their chance of survival. First, the fish need to be released early in the spring. This will give them cooler water which increases their appetite and there are less parasites. Second, feed the fish. There are floating feeders, like the ones they use in the fish farms. These can float downstream as groups of fish are released in small groups of, let's say, 100,000. This may sound like a large number, but present practice is to release 2,000,000 at a time and let them fend for themselves. If the fish are fed with the floating feeders in the raceway prior to release they will be used to it, kind of a surrogate mother. These feeders could lead the fish clear to the ocean. Third, the fish need to be protected. They could be guided downstream in floating pens with covers. This will create many jobs. Individuals will be needed care for the feeders and the pens. In other words, the fish will be pampered all the way to the ocean.

The cycle of life continues in the ocean. Only this time there will be an abundance of fish and they will reach the ocean larger from being fed all the way down the river. In the following three to four years the fishing industry and the sport fishermen will have as many fish as there were 70 years ago. The returning salmon will fill the Native Americans nets and increase the tourist trade all along the Klamath. Jobs will be created and Siskiyou County will prosper.

Here is where the importance of the dams comes to play. When the spawners are ready to enter the river it is important for them to have plenty of water. If the dams are removed the river will flow heavy in the winter and the spring when

there are rains. When the blistering hot summer comes the water levels will fall and the river temperature will rise. As summer turns to fall the water levels will continue to drop unless there are rains which would cause considerable muddy conditions in the shallow river. Without the rains the river is a series of pools waiting to be connected. At present the river flow is controlled by releasing water from the dam. This ensures a constant flow for the spawners. If the dams are removed, the spawners are capable of traveling further upstream. However, this is no more than a death sentence for the spawners and their young. How many salmon can survive in the Klamath? At present, estimated 30,000. The rest die of starvation, disease and predators.

It is time to pamper this great resource. This has been brought to the attention of politicians, California Department of Fish and Game, Native American tribesmen and many individuals throughout Siskiyou County. It is time to work together for the good of all. We can save the salmon and the dams.

George Steen  
Montague, CA

**Comment Author** Steen, George  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 21, 2011

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Comment Code	Comment Response	Change in EIS/EIR
GP_WI_1121_863-1	<p>Master Response ALT-9 Hatcheries.</p> <p>Master Response ALT -9 describes why increased or improved hatchery operations were not considered for detailed analysis in the EIS/EIR.</p> <p>The commenter indicates that dam removal would decrease flows on the river, but as described in Section 3.6 of the EIS/EIR, Alternatives 2 and 3 would result in very small changes to flows in the rivers.</p>	No

GP\_EM\_1114\_640

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From: Jim Steitz [[SMTP: JIMSTEITZ@MAC.COM](mailto:JIMSTEITZ@MAC.COM)]  
Sent: Sunday, November 13, 2011 8:07:35 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd  
Subject: Restore Klamath River, Remove the Dams Auto forwarded by a Rule

Dear Secretary Salazar:

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal

I write to urge you to completely remove the four dams currently being considered for removal in the EIS. These dams continue to menace the health of the river and impede any opportunity for salmon restoration. These rivers continue to suffer from toxic algae blooms and exclusion of salmon from otherwise potential spawning habitat, due to these dams.

The draft EIS/EIR makes clear that complete removal, as contemplated in Alternative 2, provides the greatest net return to the affected ecosystem and human communities, as the value of the potential salmon runs is far greater than any loss of water storage for the low-value agriculture that is practiced in the Klamath watershed. The economic gain alone from increased fishing and recreation associated with a free-flowing river is compelling reason to remove these nuisance dams.

Please take this opportunity to rectify part of our past transgressions against the Klamath River, and bring back part of the Pacific Northwest's natural heritage. Thank you for your attention to this urgent issue.

Sincerely,

Jim Steitz

Jim Steitz

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**Comment Author** Steitz, Jim  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 14, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1114_640-1	Comment Noted.  Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_WI\_1220\_1108

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From: [stephanej85@gmail.com](mailto:stephanej85@gmail.com)[SMTP:STEPHANEJ85@GMAIL.COM]  
Sent: Tuesday, December 20, 2011 8:49:33 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KF0-Klamathsd; [werner@wrinkledog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkledog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: Klamath Dam Removal Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: edward stephan  
Organization:

Subject: Klamath Dam Removal

Body: Take the dam down! Free the river. Please.



Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal

**Comment Author** Stephen, Edward  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** December 20, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1220_1108-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_WI\_1118\_788

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From: [sksteward@charter.net](mailto:sksteward@charter.net)[SMTP: SKSTEWARD@CHARTER.NET]  
Sent: Saturday, November 19, 2011 7:40:31 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; [werner@wrinkledog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkledog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: klamath river dams Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: Stephen and Karen Steward  
Organization:

Subject: klamath river dams

Comment 1 - Disapproves of Dam  
Removal

Body: I don't even come close to seeing the "greater good" in the removal of these dams. What could possibly be the motivation behind this scheme. Maybe we ought to follow the "money motive." It can't possibly be the salmon or anything/anybody connected to the salmon.

**Comment Author** Steward, Stephen & Karen  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 18, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1118_788-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

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From: David Stewart[SMTP:DMS@SBCGLOBAL.NET]  
Sent: Sunday, November 20, 2011 12:08:45 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd  
Subject: Why are you going to destroy green energy?  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

Comment 1 - Hydropower

Dams are the best, cleanest source of green energy in our industrial reality.  
Why do you want to destroy this excellent source of green energy just  
when the all the auto companies are releasing electric cars? This makes  
absolutely no sense at all.

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Best Regards,  
David M Stewart

“Look at the law, and see if it does for one man at the expense of another what it would be a crime for the one to do to the other himself.” (Claude Frédéric *Bastiat* (30 June 1801 – 24 December 1850) was a French classical liberal theorist)

**Comment Author** Stewart, David  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 20, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1120_808-1	Master Response GHG-1 Green Power. Master Response GHG-3: Replacement Power.	No

GP\_WI\_1110\_494

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From: [foodtopia@humboldt.net](mailto:foodtopia@humboldt.net) [SMTP: FOODTOPIA@HUMBOLDT.NET]  
Sent: Thursday, November 10, 2011 11:44:07 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-KlamathSD; [werner@wrinkledog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkledog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: Dams  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: John Stewart  
Organization: Foodtopia

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal

Body: Remove the Klamath dams please.



**Comment Author** Stewart, John  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 10, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GPWI_1110_494-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_LT\_1105\_398

11-05-2011  
701 N. 9<sup>th</sup> St.  
Montague, CA 96064-9255

Comment 1 - Disapproves  
of Dam Removal

Mrs. Vasquez,

I am appalled that our own government has not taken our lives, liberties and properties, our economy, society and culture into consideration. Siskiyou County voted 79.4% to Keep the Dams. Even many Karuk Indians voted to Keep the Dams. 250 of them signed a petition to Keep the Dams.

Craig Tucker would not let **anyone** into the KBRA meetings if they wanted to Keep the Dams. In 1973 The Endangered Species Act was passed by our Congress. Craig Tucker and Felice Pace are NGOs -Non-governmental organizers are using the ESA to usurp our rights. They and our government/DOI have not given we the people any consideration because the Environmentalists, also called Stakeholders, are using the ESA to make 55% of America and the world into a Wilderness. There is the California CoastKeeper Alliance or -CCKA involved. See an important site:  
<http://www.cacoastkeeper.org/programs/people-and-government/rights-of-nature>  
The Wildlands Project was begun in 1968 by Dave Foreman, Reed Noss and Michael Soule`. Forman wants the last 100 miles of the Colorado River to be turned into Pre-Columbian times, which will also destroy the Hoover dam! Dave Foreman wants the earth and her people, "to live like they did in the pre-Columbian days,"

In 1992 the Wildlands Project, Agenda 21 and the Biodiversity Treaty was passed by the United Nations. They wanted to make everything sustainable. President Clinton, in 1993 created, by Executive Order, the "Presidents Council on Sustainable Development" which had the DOI teach all about Sustainable Development and use it in their business dealings. The Biodiversity Treaty listed all the things that are Unsustainable. The NGOs use Agenda 21 to help create Sustainable Development, which in turn creates the Wildlands Project. All this can be found in a book he wrote, on the Internet and in UN Treaties. They now have the "Rights of Mother Earth," and her "10 commandments," which we are supposed to follow, see: <http://pweee.wordpress.com/programa/>  
<http://www.newexpression.com/drumming/10-commandments.html>

Comment 2 - Out  
of Scope

All this information helps to understand why they want **dam removal**, when they should be creating more hatcheries! They should also use Jerry's and Harry's engineered-planned tunnel as a fish bypass which would solve the whole problem! But No, they want to make this a Wilderness!

These NGOs consider "Fauna, Flora, wetlands, streams, rivers as PERSONS with RIGHTS." Mount Shasta, California, put this in their Ordinance of 2010. It did not get on the ballot. Now you may think I am crazy, but I have been studying this for over 18 years and I see what they are doing to dams, salmon and our rights. Look up the information on Water in Chapter 18 and Indigenous people, in Chapter 26 in Agenda 21. I have a map by the "Friends of the River," who are also members of American Rivers, showing all of the larger dams in northern California they want removed; even though the silt is very poisonous to the fish as well as to humans. But then they want 90% of humans removed, and you can see many articles of this, just look up "Depopulation." It is also mentioned in the 10 Commandments of Mother Earth.

Comment 3 - FERC

Comment 4 - Out of Scope

Comment 1b - Disapproves of Dam Removal

There are articles that show how “dams out,” will destroy riparian areas, drastically lower the flow of water exposing the bottom of the river which will make the Klamath warmer, shallower and will cause more salmon deaths because of bacteria; cause flooding in high water, greatly reduce real-estate value as well as reduce taxes and recreation. Why is it a person can buy Coho and all kinds of Salmon in the grocery stores everywhere, if it is so endangered?!

Comment 5 - Fish

And the California Water Boards think they are going to make a “Stinking” river, the Klamath, clean? The river was formed in a volcanic area. There are 3 large areas of mercury along the banks and phosphorus, as well as several warm springs that are flowing into the Klamath River near the 7 miles of rapids west of Keno Dam. The Klamath RiverKeepers also want Keno and Link River Dams out, as well as Dwinell Dam that supplies Montague, CA, removed. Felice Pace is the one who wants that to happen. Fall Creek, which supplies Yreka’s water, may also be harmed! The Klamath RiverKeepers are also members of American Rivers, which wants to remove all dams in the United States. The Pacific Ocean is becoming warmer so the salmon are moving north to Alaska. NASA says we are going to have 20-30 years of cooler weather, so the salmon may return!

Comment 6 - Fish

<http://www.godlikeproductions.com/forum1/message485458/pg1#7480616>

Much of this has led up to the deceptive ritual of dam removal. Some of the Unsustainable things are Dams, logging, mining, roads in the forest, Industry, technology, skiing, fishing, hunting, water for the farmers and ranchers and much more! See FreedomAdvocates.org “Unsustainable” for a list of Unsustainable things from the Biodiversity Treaty.

Comment 7- ITAs

The Karuk are in better shape now than in the 17-1800’s. The only designated spot to catch their fish is at Isi Pishi Falls and that is what they are doing. So why must the dams be removed when their aboriginal territorial land was Bluff Creek to Clear Creek along the Klamath River, below Happy Camp. They are claiming part of the Shasta Tribes Aboriginal Land and they fraudulently usurped the November 4, 1851 Native American Shasta Peoples Treaty R in 1979 to get their Federal Recognition status from the Bureau of Indian Affairs and that was an illegal representation.

When salmon get 190 miles up stream near the Iron Gate dam, their flesh is so deteriorated the salmon are not good to eat. Many Native American people are prone to diabetes and the removal of the dams will not help that situation or their food supply, for they now receive multi millions of tax payer’s dollars for sustenance and they go grocery shopping like all the American People do! Mainly what they ate long ago was salmon, other fish, deer and acorn soup along with some wild berries and vegetables. There have been NO reports of Algae poisoning at all along the Klamath River. The Karuk Tribal spokesman, Craig Tucker gave that as another excuse for dam removal.

Comment 8 - Algae

Dams ARE GREEN ENERGY and we WANT THEM LEFT IN. What I have written is a history. Dams are important, in fact they have made the water cleaner and that has been proven scientifically. THIS WHOLE THING IS A COLLABERATION for the Wildlands Project Wilderness! WE WANT TO KEEP OUR DAMS! If you really stand for the truth and love our USA, I have given you a plethora of information on **why the four Klamath River dams should NOT be destroyed.** Thank you,  
Most Sincerely, Nita Still

Comment 1c - Disapproves of Dam Removal

**Comment Author** Still, Nita  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 05, 2011

Comment Code	Comment Response	Change in EIS/EIR
GP_LT_1105_398-1	<p>Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal and Others Oppose Dam Removal.</p> <p>Master Response GEN-29 River Drying Up.</p> <p>Master Response AQU-31 Thermal Lag and Diel Temperatures.</p> <p>Master Response WQ-6 Periphyton Growth and Fish Disease.</p> <p>Master Response HYDG-1 Flood Protection.</p> <p>Master Response RE-2 Changes in Property Values.</p> <p>Master Response GHG-1 Green Power.</p> <p>Master Response WQ-4A and B Hydroelectric Project Impacts to Water Quality Anticipated KHSA/KBRA Improvements.</p> <p>Master Response GEN-20 PacifiCorp Private Ownership of Hydroelectric Facilities.</p>	No
GP_LT_1105_398-2	<p>Master Response GEN-1 Comment Included as Part of Record.</p> <p>Master Response GEN-23 Agenda 21.</p>	No
GP_LT_1105_398-3	<p>The Draft EIS/EIR analyzes two alternatives in detail that include fishways (Alternatives 4 and 5). Engineered bypasses, as identified in this comment, are part of Alternatives 10 and 11 in Sections 4.2.10 and 4.2.11 of Appendix A and in Section 2.3, Table 2-2 of the Draft EIS/EIR. Alternatives 10 and 11 did not meet any elements of the purpose and need or project objectives; therefore, they were not carried forward for further analysis in the Draft EIS/EIR.</p> <p>The California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG) conducted a preliminary analysis of the Hart Bypass (also known as the Bogus Creek Bypass) proposal, and concluded it would not provide an effective alternative for passage of adult salmon and steelhead populations (CDFG 2009). Alternatives 10 and 11 also had independent reviews that concluded that the bypass systems do not comport with known salmonid migratory behavior and do not include provisions for outmigrating juvenile salmonids (Mefford 2011 and White 2011). Mr. Mefford states that the tunnel alternative provides no ecological benefit for the river, and, to a degree, further degrades the ecology of the Klamath River within this reach by diverting water.</p> <p>The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) (2011) reviewed all Engineered Bypass proposals submitted. They</p>	No

**Comment Author** Still, Nita  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 05, 2011

Comment Code	Comment Response	Change in EIS/EIR
GP_LT_1105_398-4	<p>concluded that the proposed conceptual by-pass alternatives all contain elements related to fish passage that are beyond the realm of known, successful application and that the proposals are not acceptable alternatives to dam removal, from fish passage perspectives.</p> <p>Alternatives 10 and 11 would not provide a simple alternative for passage of salmon and steelhead populations past the lower four dams in the Klamath River.</p> <p>Hatchery operations are only one of the factors impacting fisheries in the Klamath Basin. The Klamath dams are affecting salmonid fisheries by blocking at least 420 miles of potential river habitat, by affecting downstream water quality (specifically, dissolved oxygen, water temperature, and algal toxins), and altering flows in sections of the mainstem of the river (Hamilton et. al. 2011, EIS/EIR Chapter 1 ). Altering hatchery management will not resolve any of these other issues because Iron Gate Hatchery is below the dams.</p> <p>Master Response GEN-1 Comment Included as Part of Record.</p> <p>Agenda 21 is an action plan of the United Nations seeking to promote sustainable development. It was an outcome of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, in 1992. Agenda 21 can be found on the internet at <a href="http://www.un.org/esa/dsd/agenda21/">http://www.un.org/esa/dsd/agenda21/</a>.</p> <p>Neither the United Nations nor any of its programs or committees provided guidance, consultation, input, or review of the KHSA, the KBRA, or this EIS/EIR.</p> <p>There has been extensive chemical testing of the sediment that would be released if the Four Facilities were to be removed. Two separate studies have collected over 80 drill cores from reservoir sediments in two separate studies (Draft EIS/EIR p. 3.2-121 to 3.2-125 summarizes some of the major results of the chemical testing performed for the study Section C.7 contains a detailed contaminant assessment). Camp Dresser and McKee (CDM) published a report titled "Screening-Level Evaluation of Contaminants in Sediments from Three Reservoirs and the Estuary of the Klamath River, 2009-2011" regarding the potential for adverse ecological or human health effects from chemical contamination in Klamath Reservoir sediments (CDM 2011b). It is available at: <a href="http://klamathrestoration.gov/keep-me-informed/secretarial-determination/role-of-science/secretarial-determination-studies">http://klamathrestoration.gov/keep-me-informed/secretarial-determination/role-of-science/secretarial-determination-studies</a>.</p>	No

**Comment Author** Still, Nita  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submission Date** November 05, 2011

Comment Code	Comment Response	Change in EIS/EIR
GP_LT_1105_398-5	<p>The report concluded that the Klamath Reservoir sediments can be considered relatively clean, with no chemicals present at levels that would preclude their release into downstream or marine environments.</p> <p>Not all stocks of coho salmon, or other salmon species, are endangered. There are several populations of coho salmon in other places such as coastal Alaska, as well as other salmon species which are considered to be stable populations, capable of being harvested as sources of food. Salmon, including coho are also raised by commercial aquaculture businesses for the specific purpose of meeting the demand for fresh, frozen and canned salmon. Commercial fisheries also supply a source for fresh, frozen and canned salmon.</p>	No
GP_LT_1105_398-6	<p>We acknowledge your comment on the EIS/EIR. No further response to this comment is required by NEPA or CEQA. Your comment will be considered as part of the Secretarial Determination relative to the four dams on the Klamath River.</p> <p>Master Response AQU-13 Ocean Conditions.</p> <p>The Proposed Action [Alternatives 2 and 3] offers greater potential than the Current Conditions for Chinook salmon to tolerate climate change and changes in marine survival (Goodman et al. 2011; p. 19).</p>	No
GP_LT_1105_398-7	<p>In response to the comment that the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) illegally recognized the Karuk Tribe, the following has been added to Section 3.12.3.3.</p> <p>The Karuk began efforts in 1978 to receive Federal recognition. In November 1978, the BIA staff conducted a field trip to Northern California. The BIA determined that the aboriginal subentities of the tribe consisted of three communities located in Happy Camp, Orleans, and Siskiyou (Yreka). See 13 IBIA 76, 78; 1985 WL 69127 (I.B.I.A.). The Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs, in a memorandum entitled "Revitalization of the Government-to-Government Relationship Between the Karuk (sic) Tribe of California and the Federal Government," notified the local offices of the Bureau of Indian Affairs on January 15, 1979, that: Based on the findings collected . . . , the continued existence of the Karuk s as a federally recognized tribe of Indians has been substantiated. In light of this finding, I am directing that the government-to-government relationship, with attendant Bureau services within available resources, be re-established."</p>	Yes

**Comment Author** Still, Nita  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 05, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_LT_1105_398-8	Master Response ALG-1 Cyanobacteria and Algal Toxins.	No

GP\_WI\_1128\_918

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From: [gadumma@msn.com](mailto:gadumma@msn.com)[SMTP:GADUMMA@MSN.COM]  
Sent: Monday, November 28, 2011 1:29:26 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-KlamathSD; [werner@wrinkledog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkledog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: draft eis  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: john stokes  
Organization: no affiliation

Subject: draft eis

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam  
Removal



Body: I agree that removal of the dams will benefit the salmon and the economy. The fisheries will continue to decline so long as the dams exist. Let's get it done, as soon as possible.

**Comment Author** Stokes, John  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 28, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1128_918-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_WI\_0926\_008

From: [mary@4fast.net](mailto:mary@4fast.net)[SMTP: MARY@4FAST.NET]  
Sent: Monday, September 26, 2011 9:52:17 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; [KSDcomments@dfg.ca.gov](mailto:KSDcomments@dfg.ca.gov); [werner@wrinkl edog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkl edog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: dam removal  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: Mary E. Stone  
Organization:

Subject: dam removal

Body: I haven't read the impact statement or report, but on the basis of the story in Siskiyou Daily News (09/26/11), I assume the recommendation is for dam removal. I wish to express my support for that recommendation, for the same reasons cited by the Karuk Tribe, Klamath Riverkeeper, Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Associations, Klamath basin farmers, Salmon River Restoration Council, Cal Trout, and for the common good implied.

I once lived beside a state highway in Oregon. We knew when we bought the place that the highway would one day be widened. After 18 years, the state bought our house & 13 acres, and went to work on the road. We moved. Life goes on. The roadwork on that highway was an improvement and remains beneficial to that region to this day, 24 years later.

Accommodating progress is a valuable skill. For these dams, on this river, the time has come for change. I believe removal of these dams, though it must be done carefully, will benefit this region in general. There is such a thing as common good, and dam removal is a step in that direction.

Thank you,

Mary E. Stone

Comment 1 - Approval of Dam Removal

**Comment Author** Stone, Mary  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** September 26, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_0926_008-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

KLAMATH DAM REMOVAL  
DRAFT EIS/EIR HEARING  
OCTOBER 27, 2011  
PUBLIC TESTIMONY  
KLAMATH, CALIFORNIA

MR. STRANGE: Hello. My name is Joshua Strange.

And there's a lot of excitement in the air. We got three big dams being removed, as we speak, and four more to go.

So, I'm here to represent myself. I am a

Comment 1 - Approves  
of Dam Removal

biologist. And I do support the proposed alternative,  
removing all four dams.

I would like to make a few comments in terms of  
the analysis. I do think that one thing that has not  
been properly appreciated is the risk with the status  
quo, in terms of no action. I think it's really been  
underestimated, the serious prognosis for salmon and  
other anadromous fish in this river, if the dams stay in.  
There are disease problems that cannot be fixed with the  
dams and reservoirs in place.

We also have a storm coming, and it's called  
global warming. And that is something that also cannot  
be stopped, but we can get our house in order and get  
ready for that storm. And that means getting these dams  
out so the fish can access the cold water in the  
Upper Basin.

I also just want to say that I really love this  
river. And I have traveled from Keno Dam all the way

down to the mouth, personally. I've floated it. I've  
seen it. I have swam in it. I swam in this river when  
the fish kill was happening, in 2002, probably one of the  
few people that did that. And it just really means a lot  
to see this process moving forward, to see these dams  
coming close to coming out.

I would also just like to speak to the people  
here and let them know that there has never been a dam  
removed in this country due to violations of the  
Clean Water Act. There has never been a dam removed in  
this country at the orders of FERC, the Federal Energy  
Regulatory Commission. Dams of this nature have only  
been removed through Settlement Agreements. And this is  
the Settlement that we have before us that will do that.

So, with that, I would just like to say  
blessings to the salmon. They don't have a voice, but I  
think we all know what they want. So, take the dams out.

Thank you.

MR. LYNCH: Thank you.

**Comment Author** Strange, Joshua  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 27, 2011

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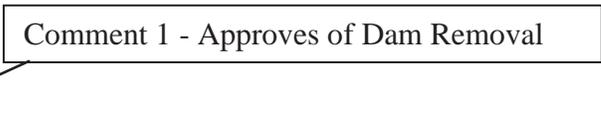
<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_MC_1027_313-1	Master Responses GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal and Others Oppose Dam Removal.  Master Response AQU-27 Disease.  Master Response AQU-24 Chinook Climate Change and Marine Survival.  Master Response GEN-20 PacifiCorp Private Ownership of Hydroelectric Facilities.	No

GP\_WI\_1111\_518

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From: [garrett.strickland@gmail.com](mailto:garrett.strickland@gmail.com)[SMTP: GARRETT.STRICKLAND@GMAIL.COM]  
Sent: Friday, November 11, 2011 3:16:17 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; [werner@wrinkledog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkledog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: take em down  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: GARRETT STRICKLAND  
Organization:

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal



Subject: take em down

Body: I support removal of the dams on the klamath

**Comment Author** Strickland, Garrett  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 11, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1111_518-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_EM\_1120\_826

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 From: [GSudderth@aol.com](mailto:GSudderth@aol.com)[SMTP:GSUDDERTH@AOL.COM]

Sent: Sunday, November 20, 2011 8:55:02 PM

To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd

Subject: Fwd: Klamath River Dams

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Bureau of Reclamation

2800 Cottage Way

Sacramento, Ca.95825

Re: DEIR and DEIS

Comment 1 - Disapproves of Dam Removal

It is sad to see that the government is willing to destroy the lives of so many people along the Klamath River because of some flawed research. These people deserve better.

The FOUR DAMS in question provide a variety of benefits and should NOT BE DESTROYED.

Comment 2 - Hydropower

The dams provide green energy to thousands of homes. How will this be replaced and at what cost?

Comment 3 - Hydrology

Who will be responsible for preventing down stream floods when the dams are gone?

Comment 4 - Sediment Transport

How will the sediment behind the dams be removed and at what cost? The flushing of toxins in the sediment will probably take years and will have a bigger negative affect on the Coho than leaving the dams in tact. It is my understanding that the Klamath is a toxic river and the dams help filter out a lot of the toxins and thus improve the river for Coho spawning.

Comment 5 - Fish

How will you replace the Iron Gate fish hatchery that produces millions of fish (including Coho) that will be lost to the area?

Comment 6 - KHSA

Why were the local residence excluded from the process since these are the people that will be impacted the most, especially since the Coho is not indigenous to the area? Was it because they know that the report was flawed?

California is already bankrupt. The cost to remove these dams will be in the billions. How can the state afford this? Who will pay? Do we increase the unfunded debt to the public employees?

Comment 7 - Costs

I hope you have a little sympathy for the thousands of people that you will be disrupting if the dams are destroyed.

Sincerely,

Gerald Sudderth

**Comment Author** Sudderth, Gerald  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 20, 2011

<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1120_826-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.  Master Response GEN-3 Best Available Information.  Master Response HYDP-1 Reservoir Water Rights.	No
GP_EM_1120_826-2	Master Response GHG-2 Rate Increases.  Master Response GHG-3 Replacement Power.	No
GP_EM_1120_826-3	Master Response HYDG-1 Flood Protection.	No
GP_EM_1120_826-4	Master Response WQ-1 Sediment Deposits Behind the Dams and Potential Contaminants.  Master Response AQU-1C Sediment Amounts and Effects on Fish.	No
GP_EM_1120_826-5	Master Response AQU-18 Fate of Iron Gate Hatchery under Alternatives.	No
GP_EM_1120_826-6	Master Response GEN-16 Public Involvement.  Master Response GEN-20 PacifiCorp Private Ownership of Hydroelectric Facilities.  Master Response KHSA-1 Negotiations of KHSA and KBRA.  Master Response AQU-4 Coho are Native.	No
GP_EM_1120_826-7	Master Response COST-1 Cost Estimate.	No

GP\_WI\_1220\_1107

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From: [danvil@live.com](mailto:danvil@live.com)[SMTP: DANVIL@LIVE.COM]  
Sent: Tuesday, December 20, 2011 9:36:43 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; [werner@wrinkledog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkledog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: Dam removal  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: Dan Sullivan  
Organization:

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal



Subject: Dam removal

Body: We support Alternative 2- Full Dam removal to restore the watershed to its natural state together with its fishery and relieve all the attendant costs to taxpayers due to untold maintenance issues with the aging structure.

**Comment Author** Sullivan, Dan  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** December 20, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1220_1107-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

Mary Sullivan Murphy

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GP\_LT\_1104\_359

7110 HIGHWAY 66  
ASHLAND, OREGON 97520

Nov. 1, 2011

Comment 1 - Hydropower

Dear Ms. VASQUEZ and Mr. Leppig,

I strongly object to the KLAMATH DAM REMOVAL project. These dams not only provide H<sub>2</sub>O in the KLAMATH BASIN to farmers but they provide many kilowatt hours of energy cheaply & cleanly with water.

If there is any way to stop this I would like to see this done. In the name of spawning fish & fishermen who like to catch them, the average person gets higher energy costs. Now I know there are some that think our abundant cheap energy is wrong but I do not want these eco-nuts speaking for me. Do not remove these dams which provide abundant cheap energy.

M.S. Murphy

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**Comment Author** Sullivan Murphy, Mary  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 04, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_LT_1104_359-1	Master Response HYDP-1 Reservoir Water Rights. Master Response GHG-1 Green Power. Master Response GHG-2 Rate Increases.	No

GP\_WI\_1111\_564

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From: [l.sultz@bresnan.net](mailto:l.sultz@bresnan.net) [SMTP: L. SULTZ@BRESNAN.NET]  
Sent: Friday, November 11, 2011 7:48:21 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; [werner@wrinkledog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkledog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: Support Dam Removal Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: LaVerne Sultz  
Organization:

Subject: Support Dam Removal

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal



Body: Put me down as solidly in support of Alternative 2 to remove the Klamath Dams. Those dams no longer make ecological or economic sense and need to go. We have a chance to restore a natural legacy for future generations by dam removal and at the same time support irrigators.

**Comment Author** Sultz, LaVerne  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 11, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1111_564-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_EM\_1214\_1036

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From: sarasun18@humboldtmail.com[SMTP:SARASUN18@HUMBOLDTMAIL.COM]  
Sent: Wednesday, December 14, 2011 6:25:00 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; werner@wrinkledog.com  
Subject: Web Inquiry: Klamath Dams Removal Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: Sara Sunstein  
Organization:

Subject: Klamath Dams Removal Comment 1 - Fish

Body: I urgently request that you get on it for the dams to be removed immediately. The fish in the Klamath River really can't wait another 8 years for the dams to be removed. The dams are creating toxic levels of algae and other bacteria, as well as preventing natural flow of the river and migration upstream for fish. Bureaucracies and power company may want to wait 8 years, but the ecosystem doesn't operate on a fiscal year, nor by financial profit and loss.

Removal of the dams needs to include restoration of all the historic wetlands in the Upper Klamath Basin as well as improve the conditions for salmon on the Scott and Shasta Rivers.

There also has to be guaranteed minimum flow of 1300 cu. ft. at the Iron Gate gauge, to comply with Endangered Species Act. Along similar lines, more water from the Trinity River has to be guaranteed to remain in the water shed to support salmon migration in the Lower Klamath.

Do the right thing. Support endangered species and the entire river ecology today!

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**Comment Author** Sunstein, Sara  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** December 14, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1214_1036-1	Master Response AQU – 11 NMFS BO, ESA and KBRA Water Management.  The BO does not require a minimum flow of 1,300 cfs downstream of Iron Gate Dam during all months and hydrological conditions.	No

Klamath Settlement



EIS/EIR PROCESS

# Comment Form

GP\_MF\_1024\_253

Please mail your comments to:

**Ms. Elizabeth Vasquez**  
 Bureau of Reclamation  
 2800 Cottage Way  
 Sacramento, CA 95825

OR

**Mr. Gordon Leppig**  
 California Dept. of Fish and Game  
 Northern Region,  
 619 Second Street  
 Eureka, CA 95501

**Email:**  
 KlamathSD@usbr.gov

**Website:**  
 KlamathRestoration.gov

**Fax:**  
 (916) 978-5055

All comments on the Draft EIS/EIR must be received by November 21, 2011.

(Please print legibly)

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Name: FORREST SUTHERLAND

Organization: TAX PAYER

Title: HOME OWNER

Address: 1516 PATTERSON ST. KLAMATH FALLS, OR. 97603

Email: Comment 1 - KHSA

Comments: I AM AGAINST THE DAM REMOVAL  
BECAUSE IT WAS CONDUCTED BEHIND CLOSED DOORS,  
WITH LESS THAN HONEST SCIENTIFIC FACT. IT WAS

DRUMMED UP WITHOUT PUBLIC INPUT. YOU EXPECT EVERYONE TO AGREE  
THAT REMOVING THE DAMS IS BEST FOR EVERYONE. GIVING BACK THE NINETY  
THOUSAND PLUS ACRES OF THE MAZAMA TREE FARM TO THE KLAMATH TRIBE AT  
TAXPAYERS EXPENSE IS UNACCEPTABLE. THE TAXPAYERS HAVE ALREADY PAID  
FOR THIS LAND TWICE.

Comment 3 - Hydropower

Comment 2 - KBRA

By REMOVING THE DAMS ELECTRIC RATE WILL EXCELERATE, THE PEOPLE ON FIXED  
INCOMES WILL NOT BE ABLE TO AFFORD THEM, MUCH LESS THE FARMERS - PROPERTY  
VALUES IN THE KLAMATH BASIN AND KLAMATH DRAINAGE AREAS WILL DECREASE  
BRINGING LOSS OF TAX REVENUE TO KLAMATH COUNTY AND THE SCHOOL SYSTEM.  
THIS IS SO FLAWED IT SHOULD BE S-CANNED. IN MANY PARTS OF IT, IT COULD  
POSSIBLY BE ILLEGAL.

Comment 4 - Real Estate

FISH LADDERS SHOULD BE INSTALL AND TRIED LONG BEFORE REMOVING THE  
DAMS

**Public Disclosure:** It is not required that you submit personal information. If you decide to do so, please note that this information may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

**Comment Author** Sutherland, Forrest  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 24, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_MF_1024_253-1	Master Response KHSA-1 Negotiations of KHSA and KBRA.  Master Response GEN-16 Public Involvement.  Master Response GEN-7 Unsubstantiated Information.	No
GP_MF_1024_253-2	Among the various provisions under full implementation of the KBRA, tribes that are parties to the agreement would agree to not exercise their senior water rights within the basin and to relinquish claims for natural resources damages (KBRA Section 15) in exchange for increases in fisheries (dam removal and fisheries habitat restoration programs) and assistance with acquisition of Mazama forest.	No
GP_MF_1024_253-3	Master Response HYDP-2 Power Production at the Four Facilities.  Master Response GHG-2 Rate Increases.	No
GP_MF_1024_253-4	Please see Section 3.15, Socioeconomics for an analysis of the impacts to real estate values.	No

GP\_EM\_1120\_821

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 From: Roberta Swank[SMTP:ROBERTANASHVILLE@INBOX.COM]

Sent: Monday, November 21, 2011 9:40:46 AM

To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd

Subject: Leave the Dams and Strengthen Them

Auto forwarded by a Rule

Comment 1 - Disapproves of Dam Removal

I have recently been made aware that several dams are scheduled for removal.

Why do we continue to dismantle this important part of our infrastructure? We will never be able to rebuild them given the extremist view of environmentalism in this country.

Why are fish more important than people/farmers/citizens.

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How will taking out dams improve water quality?

Klamath is naturally warm and polluted up stream

\* Area of headwaters is volcanic and rich in minerals, including basalt, magnesium and phosphorus

\* System of four dams filters out the minerals and allows the water to cool

How will the green, affordable energy currently provided by the four, hydroelectric dams be replaced?

\* Existing four dams provide hydroelectric power

\* Hydroelectric power is both green and economical

\* Current system provides enough electricity to power 70,000 homes

How were "stakeholders" determined?

\* 40,000 Siskiyou County residents and their local, elected representatives were not included in the Klamath River Dam removal meetings

\* Four tribes exist in the Klamath Basin - the Shasta, Karuk, Yurok, and Hupa; the Shasta have been left out of all agreements and their sacred burial grounds will be destroyed when the dams are breached

A major impetus for dam removal is concern over the Coho salmon, a non-native species to the Klamath River; why?

- \* Coho salmon are not native to the Klamath and were planted in the river in the late 1800's
- \* Coho are not natural to the Klamath and yet millions of fish produced at the Iron Gate fish hatchery are not included in the river population because they are not considered natural
- \* Coho typically spawn within 30 miles of the ocean; first dam on the Klamath is 187 miles upstream

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Roberta Swank

**Comment Author** Swank, Roberta  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 20, 2011

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GP_EM_1120_821-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

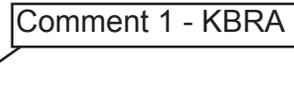
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From: starhart11@msn.com[SMTP:STARHART11@MSN.COM]  
Sent: Thursday, November 03, 2011 12:02:45 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; werner@wrinkledog.com  
Subject: Web Inquiry: Support the Klamath Eco System Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: Barbara Swanson  
Organization: Simplexity Health

Subject: Support the Klamath Eco System

Comment 1 - KBRA



Body: This note is in support of maintaining the natural health of Klamath Lake and the Klamath Basin. Not only is this ecosystem important to millions of birds and animals, it is a unique source of wild edible microalgae. This algae supports the health of tens of thousands of consumers; as a harvester and manufacturer, Simplexity supports the financial health of several thousand people, world-wide. Please protect the lake and all it stands for.

**Comment Author** Swanson, Barbara  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 03, 2011

Comment Code	Comment Response	Change in EIS/EIR
GP_WI_1103_369-1	<p>The Secretary of the Interior will consider this comment along with all others in making his determination relative to the KHSA and KBRA.</p> <p>Simplexity Health (<a href="http://www.simplexityhealth.com/">www.simplexityhealth.com/</a>, accessed 5/2/2012) is a Klamath Falls-based business that advertises Upper Klamath Lake as the source of the algae species <i>Aphanizomenon flos-aquae</i> (<i>Aph. Flos-aquae</i>) used in its nutritional supplement.</p> <p>Lake-like conditions conducive to growth of <i>Aph. Flos-aquae</i> in Upper Klamath Lake would not be changed under any of the five Alternatives analyzed in the EIS/EIR. The presence of <i>Aph. Flos-aquae</i> at population levels which would permit collection in Upper Klamath Lake would persist under all alternatives.</p> <p>Commercial enterprises that collect algae may have a role in improving water quality in Klamath Basin lakes. For example Simplexity was included by PacifiCorp in their "Plan for Water Quality Management Actions for Copco and Iron Gate Reservoirs" (PacifiCorp 2009).</p>	No

GP\_LT\_1230\_1227

Dec 29, 2011

Dear Sirs,

Comment 1 - Disapproves  
Dam Removal

We citizens of Siskiyou County are well aware of the poor "science" and poor reasoning used to justify the removal of dams on the Klamath River. Plainly the destruction of this clean energy source, which has established an ecosystem of its own over many decades, is being proposed for an agenda which clear-thinking citizens could not support, if it were made plain + obvious. We strongly oppose the removal of dams on the Klamath.

Lauren Sweeney  
Paul Sweeney SR  
Paul Sweeney SR

**Comment Author** Sweizy, Lauren, Paul Sr., & Paul Jr.  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** December 30, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_LT_1230_1227-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.  Master Response GEN-3 Best Available Information.	No

GP\_WI\_1116\_688

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From: [Olswinney@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Olswinney@sbcglobal.net) [SMTP: OLSWINNEY@SBCGLOBAL.NET]  
Sent: Tuesday, November 15, 2011 10:38:02 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; [werner@winkledog.com](mailto:werner@winkledog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: KLAMATH RIVER DAMS Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: O'ROURK & LINDA SWINNEY  
Organization: NORTH COAST ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER

Subject: KLAMATH RIVER DAMS

Body: PLEASE REMOVE ALL THE DAMS ON THE KLAMATH RIVER      THANK YOU      O'ROURK &  
LINDA SWINNEY

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal



**Comment Author** Swinney, O'Rourke Linda  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 16, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1116_688-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_LT\_1109\_418

Elizabeth Vasquez  
Bureau of Reclamation  
2800 Cottage Way  
Sacramento, CA 95825

BUREAU OF RECLAMATION CORRESPONDENCE		
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Dear Mrs. Vasquez,

Comment 1a - Hydropower

I am outraged that I have to take the time to write this letter. The fact that our Federal Government is pushing to remove four clean energy resources is ironic given the fact that this administration was going to be the "green jobs" leader.

The environmental regulations that are killing California jobs and businesses are now plotting to destroy perfectly good energy resources. The recklessness of these actions will show over time that you helped to destroy more lives, communities, and families by removing the Klamath River dams. The cost of removing these dams is approximately \$290 million dollars with no plan to generate a replacement power source.

Your inability to listen to the citizens of California is why many citizens are coming to the realization that our government is more committed to serving environmental activists than local and state citizens. **-An average of 80% of Citizens VOTED NO on Dam Removal in Siskiyou County, California and Klamath County, Oregon.**

Comment 1b - Hydropower

Before blowing up dams why doesn't the government show the citizens what clean energy resource will be built to replace the power the dams generate. Show us the cost savings, and build the new energy plant before **spending a quarter of a billion dollars destroying a perfectly good hydro-electric energy resource.** -Hydro-electric energy is 10 times cheaper than wind energy, and 20 times cheaper than solar.

California energy costs are rising, businesses are leaving CA and many citizens are unemployed. Your inhumane decisions will not improve the lives of the citizens of California, but make it much harder for the people to pursue happiness (prosper). Based on the actions of the Federal Government I must assume fish and wildlife are more important than your fellow citizens.

Comment 2 - Costs

The cost of dam removal will be extremely expensive. Since rate payers will be paying for this cost, this will cause a large cost increase on electricity to rate payers, including homeowners and elderly. I am very concerned about how the rate payers and tax payers are going to afford this increase in electricity costs. The actual cost of dam removal is largely believed to be in excess of \$3 billion and we will be the ones to pay the price.

Comment 3 - Disapproves of Dam Removal

**I urge you to not destroy the Klamath River Dams.**

Sincerely,

*R. J. Sylvestre*  
3679 Rosebrook Ct.  
Concord, Ca. 94518

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**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 09, 2011

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GP_LT_1109_418-1	Master Response GHG-1 Green Power. Master Response GHG-2 Rate Increases. Master Response GHG-3 Replacement Power.	No
GP_LT_1109_418-2	Master Response COST-1 Cost Estimate Master Response COST-3 Cost of Power Surcharge.	No
GP_LT_1109_418-3	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE KLAMATH DAM  
REMOVAL DRAFT EIS/EIR  
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YREKA, CALIFORNIA  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2011

MR. FRANK TALLERICO: My name is Frank Tallerico, F-r-a-n-k T-a-l-l-e-r-i-c-o.

First of all, I'd like to say that I represent

Comment 1 - Disapproves of Dam Removal

almost 80 percent of the voters in Siskiyou County,

including that area of Tulelake which is in the upper

basin, and had those three precincts in Tulelake been

included in the Klamath County election on dam removal,

you would have had a resounding "no" on dam removal in

this upper basin and in this mid-river part of the Klamath

River.

Comment 2 - Out of Scope

Now, I find it almost appalling that nowhere in

the entire presentation this evening, that there is no

mention of the Klamath Basin Compact of 1957, where both

states, both governors, the Congress of the United States,

and then-President Eisenhower, signed that compact, and

there's no law out there that supersedes that, not that we

could find.

Comment 3 - KHSA

I think it's appalling that the information put

out today is, as the secretary said in San Francisco at

the Commonwealth Club, we have a predetermined outcome and

we are going to work toward that outcome.

With that in mind, you have deceived and you

have not been forthwith with the real estate holders of  
the area, and that's the people.

Thank you.

**Comment Author** Tallerico, Frank  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 20, 2011

<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_MC_1020_186-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No
GP_MC_1020_186-2	The Proposed Action analyzed in the Draft EIS/EIR does not change the Klamath Basin Compact. To ensure the Compact was given full consideration the Klamath Basin Compact Commission is a Cooperating Agency on the EIS/EIR (see Draft EIS/EIR Table 1-2). Also, Section 3.8, Water Supply Water Rights, of the EIS/EIR considers how the Klamath Basin Compact relates to the Proposed Action and water supply and water rights, Draft EIS/EIR Section 3.8.2.3 discusses the Compact as it relates to interstate water allocation, and Section 3.14, Land Use, considers the Compact as it relates to land use, agricultural, and forest resources.	No
GP_MC_1020_186-3	Master Response GEN-7 Unsubstantiated Information.  Master Response GEN-3 Best Available Information.  Master Response GEN-20 PacifiCorp Private Ownership of Hydroelectric Facilities.	No

GP\_EM\_1104\_353

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From: Debra Tash[SMTP:TIMARETE@EARTHLINK.NET]  
Sent: Friday, November 04, 2011 1:58:41 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd  
Subject: Fwd: Do not remove the dam  
Auto forwarded by a Rule Ms. Vasquez:

Comment 1 - Disapproves of Dam Removal

I am hereby writing to oppose your office's proposal to remove the Klamath River Dam. You will destroy thousand of acres of farmland and people's livelihoods.

No Dam Removal! Absolutely not.

Sincerely,  
Debra Tash

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Debra Tash, Vice President, GT Water Products, Inc.  
<http://www.gtwaterproducts.com/>

Debra Tash, Author  
<http://www.debratash.com>

<http://peopleprotectingfreedom.ning.com/>

**Comment Author** Tash, Debra  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 04, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1104_353-1	<p>Master Responses GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal and Other Oppose Dam Removal.</p> <p>Master Response HYDP-1 Reservoir Water Rights.</p> <p>EIS/EIR Section 3.15, Socioeconomics evaluates economic effects to agriculture of the Proposed Action. These effects are described in more detail in Irrigated Agriculture Economic Technical Report For the Secretarial Determination on Whether to Remove Four Dams on the Klamath River in California and Oregon which can be found on <a href="http://www.klamathrestoration.gov">www.klamathrestoration.gov</a>. Agriculture would continue to be an important part of the region's economy with dam removal.</p>	No

GP\_EM\_1121\_830

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From: Debra Tash[SMTP:TIMARETE@EARTHLINK.NET]

Sent: Monday, November 21, 2011 12:05:46 AM

To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd

Subject: Save the Dam!

Auto forwarded by a Rule

Comment 1 - Disapproves of Dam Removal

Do NOT remove the dam on the Klamath River. There is no reason to do other than to destroy agricultural and people's private property.

Debra Tash

Somis California

**Comment Author** Tash, Debra  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 21, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1121_830-1	<p>Master Response GEN-20 PacifiCorp Private Ownership of Hydroelectric Facilities.</p> <p>Master Response HYDP-1 Reservoir Water Rights.</p> <p>EIS/EIR Section 3.15, Socioeconomics, evaluates economic effects to agriculture of the Proposed Action. Agriculture would continue to be an important part of the region's economy with dam removal.</p>	No

GP\_WI\_1111\_528

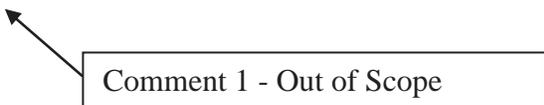
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From: [bentayfly@aol.com](mailto:bentayfly@aol.com)[SMTP: BENTAYFLY@AOL.COM]  
Sent: Friday, November 11, 2011 2:37:43 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; [werner@wrinkledog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkledog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: Klamath Dams Draft EIS/EIR Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: Ben Taylor  
Organization: NCCFFF

Subject: Klamath Dams Draft EIS/EIR

Body: Since the main purpose of removing the dams on the Klamath is to restore the runs of salmon and steelhead to former levels, I would suggest that we also address the gill-netting of fish in that river. Currently the several Tribes living along the Klamath may gill-net 50% of returning anadromous fish, and commercial fishermen may net another 25%. I would hope that we will address this issue soon so that after all our hard work, the returning fish will not swim head-long into a gill-net.

Thank you, Ben Taylor



Comment 1 - Out of Scope

**Comment Author** Taylor, Ben  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 11, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1111_528-1	The Pacific Fishery Management Council (PFMC) manages the salmon fishery on the basis of 'weak stock management', whereby regulations are designed to protect weaker stocks, even if that means foregoing some harvest of the healthier stocks that comingle with the weaker ones in the ocean harvest. In years where a stock fails to meet its conservation goal for three consecutive years, PFMC the declares a conservation concern, and the commercial fishery is closed or otherwise highly constrained, even in areas far removed from the stock's river of origin. The PFMC would continue to manage the fishery in the future to protect salmon stocks.	No

GP\_WI\_1110\_417

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From: [rossntaylor@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rossntaylor@sbcglobal.net) [SMTP: ROSSNTAYLOR@SBCGLOBAL.NET]  
Sent: Thursday, November 10, 2011 2:57:23 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; [werner@wrinkledog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkledog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: Draft EIS/EIR  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: Ross N. Taylor  
Organization: Ross Taylor and Associates

Subject: Draft EIS/EIR

Body: As a fisheries biologist whose career started on the Klamath River in 1986, I am in support of alternative #2 - full removal of the four lowermost dams on the Klamath River - Iron Gate, JC Boyle and Copco 1 and 2.

 Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal

**Comment Author** Taylor, Ross  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 10, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1110_417-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_WI\_1222\_1165

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 From: [tejedari chard@yahoo.com](mailto:tejedari chard@yahoo.com)[SMTP: TEJEDARI CHARD@YAHOO.COM]  
 Sent: Thursday, December 22, 2011 4:50:05 PM  
 To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; [werner@wrinkl edog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkl edog.com)  
 Subject: Web Inquiry: Sustainability or common sense Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: Richard Tejada  
 Organization:

Subject: Sustainability or common sense

Body: The Klamath has been home to Native Americans for 1,000 of years. We have taken possession of land and not been responsible. We dam rivers which we all know creates unsafe sediments deposition, higher water temperatures that cause algae blooms, fragmentation of habitat, deprivation of free nutrient flow, blocked crucial spawning resources i.e. noiyo rock, changed rain patterns and much, much more. It's up to you us to lead the country by example to reopen the biggest salmon producer next to Alaska. We owe it to the Native Peoples, to ourselves and to our children and grandchildren. We have to learn to coexist and find new ways to support our continuously growing population. We must change the way we think or go extinct. This dam is the most important removal in California in the past 100 years I'm sure. I'm also sure that we don't know the true effects that a dam can have until we remove it and collect biological data. It certainly can only get greater. We should remove the dam because of the environmental impact it's having on the fish, amphibians, birds, mammals, macroinvertebrates. These are things that no amount of mitigation can bring back once they're gone and the state or country surely doesn't have the money to fix the environment once we have demolished the ecosystem with poor decisions. The dam has never made sense and no dam ever will. Dams kill the biodiversity of the area by limiting keystone species' i.e. salmon, steelhead, lamprey etc.

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal

**Comment Author** Tejeda, Richard  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** December 22, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1222_1165-1	<p>Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.</p> <p>Master Response GEN-23 Agenda 21.</p> <p>The EIS/EIR recognizes that the tribes of the Klamath Basin depend on the river and the salmon for their livelihood, and that the spiritual beliefs and traditional practices are inseparable from the river and surrounding homeland environments. Although the language groups and traditional practices sometimes vary among the tribes, all of them derived their cultures, commerce, and subsistence primarily from the river and its aquatic and terrestrial resources.</p> <p>We thank you for input for the Secretarial Determination. The Secretary of the Interior will consider this comment and others when making his determination.</p>	No

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# Comment Form

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Name: Victoria Terbrink

Organization:

Title:

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KlamathRestoration.gov

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(916) 978-5055

Comments: After hearing Becky Hyde's comment

I would like to add a post script  
to mine. The reason I came to

Chiloquin to listen and comment, even though I live in  
Klamath Falls, is because there is a small group of  
people in Klamath Falls who are rude and even intimi-  
dating at public meetings. I sincerely hope this behavior  
is not taken as the majority or the methods of the  
citizens of Klamath County. Thanks.

Comment 1 - Out of Scope

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**Comment Author** Tenbrink, Victoria  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 19, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_MF_1019_072-1	Master Response GEN-1 Comment Included as Part Record.	No

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**PUBLIC HEARING ON THE KLAMATH DAM**

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CHILOQUIN, OREGON

OCTOBER 19, 2011

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I'm Victoria Tenbrink.

Thanks for this opportunity, I appreciate it.

Um --

THE FACILITATOR: Could you spell your last name?

MS. TENBRINK: The number ten, T-e-n, and like you are on the brink of disaster, b-r-i-n-k, all one word.

When the dam removal issue first came to my attention, I thought it was a rock-and-hard-place, because I understand that we need renewable energy, we are facing anthropogenic climate instability, and renewable energy is pretty important. But we are also looking for survival and habitat restoration for at least four species of anadromous fish plus attendant benefits for invertebrate reptiles and amphibians, birds, other fishes and mammals including and maybe especially us.

So both problems are human engendered, and my dilemma was: Is it possible to have our cake and eat it, too?

So I was instructed by a wise professional standing at a table out there to say that I looked at every page of the document, so I turned to the side, looked at the bottom, and said, "I've looked at every page

of that document.

So in reality, my comments are based on the materials that you have provided recently, and so I understand that I may not have all the information available but, however, I would like to comment on how those materials do affect the public perception of things, in particular.

Overall, I think it's a really good, thorough job, and I appreciate it.

Comment 1 - Alternatives

I was looking at Alternative 1, and I was concerned that out there and in here, it states that we'll just go on as a year-to-year, um, agreement.

I understand the FERC relicensing is now, what, eleven years behind, so at some point, that is going to have to happen. And so the no-alternative alternative does have a big consequence that I think is maybe not being put out there as full, um, weight.

Comment 2 - Alternatives

And also in the bullet points, um, there is fish, you know, ladders you don't have to build, but those -- that infrastructure is going on a hundred years old and less, and so there's obviously -- I mean, I have an old house, I have concrete, I have masonry, I'm constantly repairing it, so I see that the cost of keeping those dams up is going to be accelerating over time, it already has been, and I think that is another clear thing that needs to come out from Alternative 1.

Comment 3 - Global Climate Change/GHG's

As far as greenhouse gas impacts, there's a basic assumption that the power has to be replaced. And

over 20 years ago, a guy named Amory Lovins, of the Rocky Mountain Institute, helped develop and popularize a concept called Megawatts, and that means if you use efficiency in conservation, you'll know how to generate power. So if you look up, you see the compact florescent bulbs in recessed wells. We are rapidly developing technology that could make that power replacement neutral or even positive if we got a plan for it.

So as the world population tops a billion this month, resource conflicts, those rocks and hard places, are going to be increasing.

I want to thank the department for their exhaustive study.

Comment 4 - Alternatives

I think Alternative 1, when clearly explained,

seems to be the least desirable, and I prefer Alternative

2; 3, 4, and 5 look messy and expensive.

Comment 5 - Approves Dam Removal

The first dam began a hundred years ago and the power generated was in excess of the needs. The impact on the largest, I've heard, third-largest salmon systems on the Pacific coast was devastating.

Removal of the dams, restoration of habitat

will help right a wrong that was arguably unknowingly

committed many years ago, and I say arguably, not

unarguably. You can argue that it was unknown. By some

it was, by others it was not.

Comment 6 - Hydropower

I think we can take care of the power loss and

the greenhouse gas emissions easily through a program of

energy efficiency and also open up the way for continuing

with hard work that people have done with the KBRA.

So I thank you for your attention.

**Comment Author** Tenbrink, Victoria  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 19, 2011

<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_MC_1019_174-1	<p>Under the Alternative 1 as described in the Draft EIS/EIR Section 2.4.2, PacifiCorp would need to obtain a long-term operating license from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to replace the existing annual license. PacifiCorp would resume relicensing proceedings with FERC to obtain the required long-term operating license. Until that unknown time, PacifiCorp would continue to operate under an annual license. The No Action/No Project Alternative, as described, is the most reasonable assumption of future conditions.</p> <p>Among the action alternatives, Alternative 4: Passage at Four Dams, as described in FINAL EIS 2.4.5, describes a scenario where KHSAs terminate and the requirements for fish passage as set forward by the prior FERC relicensing proceedings are implemented.</p>	No
GP_MC_1019_174-2	Master Response ALT-8 Inclusion of Alternatives Solely Based on Cost.	No
GP_MC_1019_174-3	Master Response GHG-4: GHG Emissions Estimate.	No
GP_MC_1019_174-4	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No
GP_MC_1019_174-5	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No
GP_MC_1019_174-6	Comment noted.	No

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**Name:** Victoria Tenbrink

**Organization:** General Public

**Title:**

**Address:** 1412 Crescent Ave, Klamath Falls, OR 97601

**Email:** vtenbrink@ekf.com

**Comments:**

When the dam removal issue 1st came to my attention I saw it as a hard place that would lose renewable energy to counter anthropogenic climate instability

← Comment 1 - Hydropower US.

Survival + habitat restoration for at least 4 species of anadromous fish plus attendant benefits for invertebrates, reptiles and amphibians, birds, other fishes, + mammals, (including us) + maybe especially

Both problems are human engendered, and my dilemma was is it possible to ~~can we~~ have our cake + eat it too?

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In reality, my comments are based on the information provided

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here tonight.

regarding alt 1,

Comment 2 - FERC

- FERC year to ~~year~~ <sup>year</sup>. I think it's important to make clear that, similar to alts 4 & 5, at some point a long-term license the FERC re-licensing would again be engaged.

Comment 3 - Alternatives

- Also, in the bullet point picture of impacts of the alternatives, accelerating cost of maintaining aging infrastructure was not addressed for the public.

Comment 4 - GHGs/Climate Change

Greenhouse gas impacts

A basic assumption is that the power from removal alternatives would have to be positively replaced. Over 20 years ago Amory Lovins, of the Rocky Mtn Institute <sup>helped</sup> develop & popularize megawatts. Every megawatt saved through efficiency does not have to be generated.

Ms. Elizabeth Vasquez  
Bureau of Reclamation  
2800 Cottage Way  
Sacramento, CA 95825

I did not see discussion in the context of greenhouse gas impacts of dam removal. This is a scenario

As world population tops 7 billion this month resource conflicts, rocks & hard places will:

Comment 5 - Approves of Dam Removal

... Thanks to you Dept. of Interior for the exhaustive study, the least desirable alt 2 the best.

first class postage here

**Comment Author** Tenbrink, Victoria  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 19, 2011

<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_MF_1019_264-1	<p>Master Response GHG-1 Green Power.</p> <p>Master Response GHG-3 Replacement Power.</p> <p>Section 3.10, Greenhouse Gases, of the Draft EIS/EIR analyzes the increased greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions that could occur from removing a source of renewable power production from the Four Facilities.</p>	No
GP_MF_1019_264-2	<p>Information describing the Klamath Hydroelectric Project and the FERC re-licensing process is provided in the Section 1.2.6 of the Draft EIS/EIR. Your comment will be considered as part of the Secretarial Determination relative to the four dams on the Klamath River.</p>	No
GP_MF_1019_264-3	<p>These costs, to the extent they were addressed, are discussed in Section 3.15 in the context of estimated changes to operation and maintenance costs relative to the no action alternative and effects to the regional economy. The economic analysis conducted in support of the Secretarial Determination process also includes the regional economic impacts of operation and maintenance of the dams over the period of analysis. This analysis can be found in the Economics and Tribal Summary Technical Report on <a href="http://KlamathRestoration.gov">KlamathRestoration.gov</a>.</p>	No
GP_MF_1019_264-4	<p>Master Response GHG-4 GHG Emissions Estimate.</p>	No
GP_MF_1019_264-5	<p>Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.</p>	No

GP\_MC\_1020\_220

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE KLAMATH DAM  
REMOVAL DRAFT EIS/EIR  
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YREKA, CALIFORNIA  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2011

MS. ERICA TERENCE: My name is Erica Terence,  
E-r-i-c-a, T-e-r-e-n-c-e. And I live in Siskiyou County,  
and I work for the nonprofit organization Klamath River  
Keepers. I will submit more detailed written comments  
later.

For now I wanted to keep it pretty short and say Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal

I really want to recognize and appreciate all the time and  
effort and resources that have gone into this whole  
process from tribal communities, commercial fishing  
communities, Upper Basin farming communities and  
irrigators.

To all those people, thank you for keeping an  
open mind. When we first got in the same room we couldn't  
talk about fish and farms in the same sentence. We want  
farms and we want fish. We're not giving up on the last  
part, we have to have fish, too. That is vital to people  
like me who live downstream.

But, again, keeping an open mind has been really  
important to this process to getting us to where we are  
right now, which is talking about KBRA, KHSA, looking at  
the whole Basin, not just we tend to carve things up

artificially in counties. Water flows through all our  
communities, fish swim through all our communities.

We want everybody to have fish. We want  
everybody to have clean water.

I appreciate that you in the document have  
really tried to summarize some of those benefits, the jobs  
that will be created, the fish that will be created. I  
encourage you to keep that basin-wide view and to look at  
the facts.

Thank you very much. Bye.

**Comment Author** Terrence, Erica  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 20, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_MC_1020_220-1	Comment Noted.  Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

KLAMATH DAM REMOVAL  
DRAFT EIS/EIR HEARING  
OCTOBER 26, 2011  
PUBLIC TESTIMONY  
ARCATA, CALIFORNIA

MS. TERENCE: Hello. My name is Erica Terence,  
E-r-i-c-a T-e-r-e-n-c-e, and I work for Klamath  
Riverkeeper. I'm also a Siskiyou County resident, just  
barely, almost a Humboldt County resident. I'm a few  
miles away. And I grew up on the river and certainly  
have a stake in the outcome here today and for years to  
come.

Comment 1 - Economics

I was at the Yreka meeting, as you know, and  
last night's Orleans meeting and have had a chance to  
kick around in my brain some of the things -- issues at  
stake here and the things that people had to say at those  
meetings and the things you have in your document. And I  
would like to ask that you all consider the value of a  
restoration economy in this Basin versus an economy that  
extracts resources, uses them up, degrades them, spits  
them out the other side and we have to restore them and  
figure out how to find the money to do that. It's very  
costly, and I would argue that the value is significantly  
less.

I think it's difficult to deny, if you take a  
close look at the literature, that restoration economy  
has a lot more value, and it's going to be protecting the  
integrity of those resources. You'll be able to go on

and use those resources in future generations. That's a lot more sustainable. That has a lot more value. Please take a look at that in your document when you are looking at the economic impacts. And I think we can debate for a long time about how adverse those might be. And, certainly, you heard from residents of Central Siskiyou County who feel that there are adverse impacts to their economy, but please weigh that against what it means to have a restoration economy in this Basin.

And I would also add, on that topic, that this meeting tonight is located in a place where local citizens and public officials, very much to their credit, have figured out how to do a restoration economy, how to build that up. And, you know, so it might be worth taking a look, also, at how that's done and how people have done it right, like the folks around here.

I would also like to note, when I was watching the presentation tonight, the significance of dams as historic sites, or "culturally historic sites" was the way I believe you said it, to me and, I think, to many people I work with, dams -- these dams are outdated. And their value, as cultural sites, that's a thing of the past.

And I think other speakers here tonight have touched on it, Mr. Martien, Mr. Greacen. This is an era of dams coming out. And what will truly be historic and has the most historic value today is four dams out of the

Comment 2 - Approves of Dam Removal



Klamath River. That's Alternative 2. Please adopt it.

Thank you.

**Comment Author** Terence, Erica  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 26, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_MC_1026_324-1	The Draft EIS/EIR focuses on specific No Action and Action alternatives. A broader discussion of the value of restoration versus extraction is beyond the scope of this document.	No
GP_MC_1026_324-2	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

KLAMATH DAM REMOVAL  
DRAFT EIS/EIR HEARING  
OCTOBER 25, 2011

PUBLIC TESTIMONY  
ORLEANS, CALIFORNIA

MS. TERENCE: Susan Terence, S-u-s-a-n T-e-r-e-n-c-e.

I think, as Mavis' remarks may have indicated, we share a lot of similarities with Third World nations around here. There's been many years of efforts at short-term gain at the expense of the long-term bounty of this river.

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal

This river, historically, the Karuk people, the Tribes of Northern California were some of the most prosperous in the nation. Salmon were critical to this prosperity. I would suggest that salmon are critical to the future prosperity of all of the people of the river.

I would urge you to support Alternative 2, and I thank you for the community to speak.

MR. LYNCH: Thank you, Susan.

**Comment Author** Terrence, Susan  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 25, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_MC_1025_294-1	<p data-bbox="422 882 1218 945">Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.</p> <p data-bbox="422 976 1218 1276">The EIS/EIR recognizes that the tribes of the Klamath Basin depend on the river and the salmon for their livelihood, and that the spiritual beliefs and traditional practices are inseparable from the river and surrounding homeland environments. Although the language groups and traditional practices sometimes vary among the tribes, all of them derived their cultures, commerce, and subsistence primarily from the river and its aquatic and terrestrial resources. We thank you for input for the Secretarial Determination. The Secretary of the Interior will consider this comment and others when making his determination.</p>	No

GP\_EM\_1116\_693

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From: Sue Terence[SMTP:SALMONRIVERSILK@GMAIL.COM]  
Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2011 8:48:07 AM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd  
Subject: Klamath DEIS comments  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

Dear Ms. Elizabeth Vasquez;

Comment 1 - Approval of Dam Removal

I am writing to express my support for alternative 2, removal of the four dams and restoration of the Klamath River.

The Native American tribes, who managed to maintain robust salmon runs for 8000 or so years before they were decimated, were some of the most prosperous tribes in North America. This wealth was created largely by the bountiful salmon runs that provided both sustenance and the basis for trading.

In the mere 150 years since the arrival of the Caucasians, various short-sighted extractive practices have transformed the landscape from one of great plenty to one of unsustainability. Extensive gold mining and logging silted in many of the creeks. The dams, built to extract electricity, ensured that the pulses of water from winter storms were not strong enough to wash that silt out to the ocean. Furthermore, the dams, in which water spills over the top, created water temperatures downstream that engender disease in salmon and mortality for many juveniles.

These extractive practices were put into place without a clear understanding of the devastating results. Today, however, we are beginning to comprehend the extent of the damage we have caused. We understand that another 50-year license to operate the dams would doom one of the greatest salmon runs on the earth. Forever. It would also leave the people of this region impoverished for the long run.

It is time to try to reverse this process before it is too late. For the fish, for the fishermen, for the native people who depend on the fish, for all the people who are trying to make a living in this region, for our children and grandchildren, I ask that you remove the dams and restore the river.

**Adopt alternative 2. Now, before it is too late.**

Sincerely, Susan Terence

6304 Butler Mountain Rd. Somes Bar, CA 95568

**Comment Author** Terence, Susan  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 16, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1116_693-1	<p data-bbox="422 924 1218 997">Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.</p> <p data-bbox="422 1018 1218 1318">The EIS/EIR recognizes that the tribes of the Klamath Basin depend on the river and the salmon for their livelihood, and that the spiritual beliefs and traditional practices are inseparable from the river and surrounding homeland environments. Although the language groups and traditional practices sometimes vary among the tribes, all of them derived their cultures, commerce, and subsistence primarily from the river and its aquatic and terrestrial resources. We thank you for input for the Secretarial Determination. The Secretary of the Interior will consider this comment and others when making his determination.</p>	No

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From: KSDcomments KSDcomments[SMTP: KSDCOMMENTS@DFG.CA.GOV]  
Sent: Monday, December 12, 2011 8:53:55 AM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd  
Subject: Fwd: Klamath DEIS comments  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

>>> Sue Terence <[salmonriversilk@gmail.com](mailto:salmonriversilk@gmail.com)> 11/16/2011 7:51 AM >>>

Dear Gordon Leppig:

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal

>> I am writing to express my support for alternative 2, removal of the four dams and restoration of the Klamath River.

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>> The Native American tribes, who managed to maintain robust salmon runs for 8000 or so years before they were decimated, were some of the most prosperous tribes in North America. This wealth was created largely by the bountiful salmon runs that provided both sustenance and the basis for trading.

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>> In the mere 150 years since the arrival of the Caucasians, various short-sighted extractive practices have transformed the landscape from one of great plenty to one of unsustainability. Extensive gold mining and logging silted in many of the creeks. The dams, built to extract electricity, ensured that the pulses of water from winter storms were not strong enough to wash that silt out to the ocean. Furthermore, the dams, in which water spills over the top, created water temperatures downstream that engender disease in salmon and mortality for many juveniles.

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>> Adopt alternative 2. Now, before it is too late.

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>> Sincerely,

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>> Susan Terence

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>> 6304 Butler Mountain Rd.

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> Somes Bar, CA 95568

**Comment Author** Terence, Susan  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 16, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1116_1121-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_EM\_1118\_790

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From: terry[SMTP:BETTIS@CHARTER.NET]  
Sent: Saturday, November 19, 2011 10:46:53 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd  
Subject: KLAMATH RIVER DAMS  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

Comment 1 - Disapproves of Dam  
Removal

KEEP THE KLAMATH RIVER DAMS . YOU PEOPLE HAVE SCREWED UP EVERYTHING ELSE IN THIS COUNTRY  
KEEP YOUR HANDS OFF THE 4 KLAMATH RIVER DAMS . LEAVE THEM ALONE ITS THAT SIMPLE.

**Comment Author** Terry  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 18, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1118_790-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_WI\_1018\_037

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From: krtthms@cs.com[SMTP: KRTTHMS@CS.COM]  
Sent: Tuesday, October 18, 2011 1:58:14 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; werner@wrinkl edog.com  
Subject: Web Inquiry: KBRA and Dam Removal Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: Kurt Thomas  
Organization: K.C. Thomas Cattle Co.

Subject: KBRA and Dam Removal

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal



Body: I believe that it is essential to remove the four dams as contemplated in the KBRA. It will bring harmony to our basin and restore the natural balance that is critical to the Klamath River. The power generating losses will be minimal, the ecosystem and economic gains will be significant.

**Comment Author** Thomas, Kurt  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 18, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1018_037-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_WI\_1111\_559

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From: [P. THOMAS@SBCGLOBAL.NET](mailto:P.THOMAS@SBCGLOBAL.NET) [SMTP: [P. THOMAS@SBCGLOBAL.NET](mailto:P.THOMAS@SBCGLOBAL.NET)]  
Sent: Friday, November 11, 2011 4:55:44 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-KlamathSD; [werner@wrinkledog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkledog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: KLAMATH DAMS  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: PETE THOMAS  
Organization:

Subject: KLAMATH DAMS

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal



Body: TEAR DOWN THE DAMS THAT PREVENT SALMON FROM GOING UPSTREAM TO SPAWN

**Comment Author** Thomas, Pete  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 11, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1111_559-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_WI\_1205\_967

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From: [ki\\_tacoastron@charter.net](mailto:ki_tacoastron@charter.net) [SMTP: KI\_TACOASTRON@CHARTER.NET]  
Sent: Monday, December 05, 2011 9:38:59 AM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-KlamathSD; [werner@wrinkl.edog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkl.edog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: Klamath Dams  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: Ronald Thompson  
Organization: self & various

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal

Subject: Klamath Dams

Body: Greetings, This is another case of hedonism vs. altruism related to an environmental issue. Go with altruism, restore those fish runs, restore the great bird habitats that used to be in the upper Klamath Basin, restore the great forests. If our country is to survive a thousand years (human kind too) than we had better take care of what we received. Along the way, future generations will be enjoying what glories the Klamath watershed has to offer.

**Comment Author** Thompson, Ronald  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** December 05, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1205_967-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_WI\_1111\_525

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From: [gregthorndike@hotmail.com](mailto:gregthorndike@hotmail.com) [SMTP: GREGTHORNDIKE@HOTMAIL.COM]  
Sent: Friday, November 11, 2011 2:58:08 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-KlamathSD; [werner@wrinkledog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkledog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: Full Dam removal  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: Greg Thorndike  
Organization:

Subject: Full Dam removal

Body: Remove the dam bring back the steel head population



Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal

**Comment Author** Thorndike, Greg  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 11, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1111_525-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

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From: Clean Air ~ Pure Water[SMTP:AIR-WATER@CHARTER.NET]  
Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2011 5:57:49 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd  
Subject: Should the Klamath Dams be removed? No.  
Importance: High  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

## Klamath River Thoughts



Copco Lake : 2008  
Published: November 15, 2011, 3:39 pm  
Lead Author: [Lenny Thyme](#)

Comment 1 - Alternatives

There has been a lot of recent news about the water situation in Northern California. The item that has piqued my specific interest is the algae problems at Copco Lake and the proposed solution to remove of the dam that creates the lake. Our modern science seems to believe that attacking the issue, by poisoning the lake and deconstructing the dam is the solution to the problems, but I disagree and see an opportunity here.

In the case of the algae at Copco Lake, using chemicals to change the composition of the lake seems to beg the problem. At a time when we are searching for reasonable alternatives to fossil fuels, this lake would appear to be an opportunity to investigate using algae as the basis of a bio-fuel industry that uses material that is not in the currently in the cycle. By setting up an aquatic weeds to fuel investigation at Copco, California would take the lead in pursuing economic value out of a semi-worthless material. Algae blooms rapidly and has rapid growth under the proper conditions when nutrients are available. I believe this is the proper basis for a growth industry. Other terrestrial weeds such as scotch broom and gorse could also contribute to the waste to energy agenda – providing biological alternatives to fossil fuels that do not come from the food supply.

Comment 2 - Sediment Toxicity

As to dam removal – this simple idea is somewhat naïve in a practical sense. This particular dam holds back silt layers that have been accumulated since the time of construction. It is my understanding that copper compounds have been added to Copco Lake for the past ten years to poison the algae. As copper is an aquatic toxin, the release of copper sediments would have a chilling effect – it would poison the downstream aquatic community. If there is a plan to recover this material and reformulate it as a soil additive, an organic fertilizer to enhance topsoil, then dam removal might be workable, because copper sequestered into soils is not toxic to terrestrial life.

Comment 3 - Fish

Another complication of dam removal is that the flow of this material will bury redds and saturate refugia sites – doing irreparable damage to the fish species that people are trying to encourage. It would bury the interstices between rocks and streambeds that macro-invertebrates use as their homes – removing a primary food source of the fish. Rather than removing dams, designing better forms of fish passage, by breaching the dams with sacred geometry form fish ladder could provide migration access in a much more fish friendly manner.

Streams also can produce a lot of algae when water temperature elevate and flows become stagnant. A rivers-for-energy initiative that develops the algae as an organic fertilizer would be a strong investment in the future from a point of view of earth stewardship. By looking at the world through a combination of science and spirit should allow us to develop scalar and sacred geometry techniques that complement existing biological process, rather than attacking it. We are ready to develop demonstration model systems to prove the effectiveness of this harmonic natural community philosophy.

Dr. Lenny Thyme, PhD  
Natural Resource Scientist

**Comment Author** Thyme, Lenny  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 16, 2011

Comment Code	Comment Response	Change in EIS/EIR
GP_EM_1116_702-1	<p>Appendix A of the Draft EIS/EIR includes a wide range of alternatives representing diverse viewpoints and needs based on internal and public scoping. The alternatives that moved forward for more detailed analysis in this EIS/EIR are those that best meet the NEPA purpose and need and CEQA objectives, minimize negative effects, are feasible, and represent a range of reasonable alternatives (see Appendix A for more information). The NEPA purpose and need and CEQA objectives are broader than addressing algae concerns in Copco Lake (see Section 1.4.2 on p. 1-29 of the Draft EIS/EIR). Converting algae to fuel would not be able to accomplish the purpose and need/objectives. These alternatives would not restore a free-flowing river, achieve full volitional fish passage, establish reliable water and power supplies, contribute to public welfare and sustainability of communities, or be consistent with the goals and objectives of the KHSA and KBRA.</p>	No
GP_EM_1116_702-2	<p>Master Response WQ-1 A and D Sediment Deposits Behind the Dams and Potential Contaminants.</p> <p>Additionally, PacifiCorp confirmed that they have never applied any algaecide to Copco 1 Reservoir (L. Prendergast, PacifiCorp, written communication, January 19, 2012). They did conduct laboratory bench tests on algaecide applications using water from Copco 1 Reservoir. Results of this study are available for download at the following link:  <a href="http://www.pacificorp.com/content/dam/pacificorp/doc/Energy_Sources/Hydro/Hydro_Licensing/Klamath_River/2008AlgaecidePilotStudy.pdf">http://www.pacificorp.com/content/dam/pacificorp/doc/Energy_Sources/Hydro/Hydro_Licensing/Klamath_River/2008AlgaecidePilotStudy.pdf</a> The KHSA Implementation Report June 2011, pg 21, indicates that algaecide testing is one of the proposed Interim Measure 11 improvements.  <a href="http://www.pacificorp.com/content/dam/pacificorp/doc/Energy_Sources/Hydro/Hydro_Licensing/Klamath_River/2011_KHSA_Implementation_Report_June_2011.pdf">http://www.pacificorp.com/content/dam/pacificorp/doc/Energy_Sources/Hydro/Hydro_Licensing/Klamath_River/2011_KHSA_Implementation_Report_June_2011.pdf</a></p> <p>Further, copper was analyzed in all of the Secretarial Determination sediment investigations. The copper levels found in sediment, fish tissues, and studies for elutriate and bioaccumulation, from J.C. Boyle, Copco 1, and Iron Gate reservoirs were below values that would indicate an unacceptable level of concern for effects on human health or aquatic biota either in the reservoirs under current conditions (including Copco 1) or in downstream reaches of the Klamath River under the Proposed Action (p. 3.2-71 to 3.2.76 for Alternative 1, p. 3.2-118 to 3.2.125 for Alternative 2, p. 3.2-132 to 3.2.134 for Alternative 3, p. 3.2-135 to 3.2.136 for Alternative 4, and p. 3.2-146 to 3.2.147 for Alternative 5). Based on the results of these evaluations, copper recovery from the sediments would not be necessary.</p>	No

**Comment Author** Thyme, Lenny  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** November 16, 2011

<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_EM_1116_702-3	<p>Master Response AQU-1 Sediment Amounts and Effects to Fish.</p> <p>Master Response AQU-20 Bedload Sediment and Fish Habitat.</p> <p>The Proposed Action would have significant short-term effects for macroinvertebrates; based on substantial reduction in the abundance of a year class. Effects in the long term would be beneficial based on increased habitat availability and improved habitat quality (EIS/EIR Section 3.3.4.3). While a large proportion of macroinvertebrate populations in the Hydroelectric Reach and in the mainstem Klamath River downstream of Iron Gate Dam would be affected in the short term by the Proposed Action, their populations would be expected to recover quickly because of the many sources for recolonization and their rapid dispersion through drift or aerial movement of adults. Dam removal would increase connectivity between Upper Klamath Basin and the Hydroelectric Reach and would create additional riverine habitat within the Hydroelectric Reach.</p>	No

**Klamath Settlement**  
EIS/EIR PROCESS

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Please fill out this card and hand it to someone with a name tag if you would like to make a verbal comment of up to three minutes. Your verbal comments will be recorded by a court reporter. All recorded verbal comments, along with written comments, received by November 21, 2011, will become part of the official record. Verbal and written comments are weighted equally. To submit written comments, see reverse side of this card.

**Name (please print)** Stephanie Tidwell

**Representing** \_\_\_\_\_

**Notes:** The age of dams has passed. To save our salmon & clean water, we must remove the Klamath dams.

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\*Please read the speaker guidelines on the back side of this card.

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Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal

**Comment Author** Tidwell, Stephanie  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 19, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_MF_1019_106-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

Klamath Settlement



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# Comment Form

GP\_MF\_1019\_344

Please mail your comments to:

**Ms. Elizabeth Vasquez**  
Bureau of Reclamation  
2800 Cottage Way  
Sacramento, CA 95825

OR

**Mr. Gordon Leppig**  
California Dept. of Fish and Game  
Northern Region,  
619 Second Street  
Eureka, CA 95501

**Email:**  
KlamathSD@usbr.gov

**Website:**  
KlamathRestoration.gov

**Fax:**  
(916) 978-5055

*Stephane Tidwell*

All comments on the Draft EIS/EIR must be received by November 21, 2011.

(Please print legibly)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Comments:** *We could argue the value of dams for the rest of our lives, & we'd probably*

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal

*Still find plenty of room to disagree. Fortunately, the point of this process is to decide what to do w/ a series of outdated dams that are in clear violation of multiple enviro laws. The Klamath dams are ruining water quality, threatening ~~fish~~ <sup>public health</sup> populations, and frankly destroying ~~one~~ of what was once one of the West's most important salmon runs. They have to go. Retrofitting them to bring them in compliance w/ the CWA & the ESA is impractical. They're old, they're crumbling, they need to come down. While I personally don't think the KBRA that the preferred alternative tier 2 goes far enough to protect & restore the Klamath's fish & water, <sup>and protect the Klamath's values</sup> I've often heard it said that a good negotiation is one where no one goes away happy but everyone can*

**Public Disclosure:** It is not required that you submit personal information. If you decide to do so, please note that this information may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Comment 1 cont.

live w/ it. That appears to be the case here.  
 Removing the Klamath dams & restoring the Klamath  
 will also provide desperately needed regional jobs,  
 and the KRRRA does a good job (perhaps too  
 good of a job) of ~~providing~~ meeting agricultural  
 needs.

It's time for us to stop arguing about  
 what simply must happen so that we  
 can get the jobs done

Ms. Elizabeth Vasquez  
 Bureau of Reclamation  
 2800 Cottage Way  
 Sacramento, CA 95825

Please place  
 first class  
 postage here

**Comment Author** Tidwell, Stephanie  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 19, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_MF_1019_344-1	Comment Noted.  Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

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From: [Hallton247@gmail.com](mailto:Hallton247@gmail.com) [SMTP: HALLTON247@GMAIL.COM]  
Sent: Wednesday, December 28, 2011 11:22:34 PM  
To: BOR-SHA-KFO-Klamathsd; [werner@wrinkledog.com](mailto:werner@wrinkledog.com)  
Subject: Web Inquiry: Remove the dams  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

Name: Keith Tom  
Organization:

Comment 1 - Approves of Dam Removal



Subject: Remove the dams

Body: Restore the Klamath River Basin and remove the dams for the good of the salmon.

**Comment Author** Tom, Keith  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** December 28, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_WI_1228_1185-1	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_MC\_1018\_109

**Klamath Falls Hearing - 10-18-2011**

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STATEMENT PROVIDED BEFORE PUBLIC HEARING

(Directly to Court Reporter)

MS. VIRGINIA TOPHAM: My name is Virginia

Topham, T-o-p-h-a-m.

Comment 1 - NEPA

I have read the executive summary. How come  
it is written using such ambiguous language? How is the  
word, "could," which is continually overused, to be  
interpreted? As far as I'm concerned, it's a political  
ploy with the fieldwork keyed to fit the politics. I see  
nothing but junk science.

Comment 2 - NEPA

We are extremely disappointed we have only a  
short time frame to review the entire document, which is  
large and cumbersome.

Comment 3 - Disapproves of Dam Removal

I am for Alternative 1, no action, no project.

I'll probably submit a written statement, too.

**Comment Author** Tophma, Virginia  
**Agency/Assoc.** General Public  
**Submittal Date** October 18, 2011

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<b>Comment Code</b>	<b>Comment Response</b>	<b>Change in EIS/EIR</b>
GP_MC_1018_109-1	Master Response GEN-3 Best Available Information. Master Response N/CP-5 Use of "Would" and "Could."	No
GP_MC_1018_109-2	Master Response N/CP-12 Public Comment.	No
GP_MC_1018_109-3	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No

GP\_MC\_1018\_112

**Klamath Falls Hearing - 10-18-2011**

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STATEMENT PROVIDED BEFORE PUBLIC HEARING  
(Directly to Court Reporter)

MS. VIRGINIA TOPHAM: Thank you for this opportunity.

My name is Virginia Topham, T-o-p-h-a-m. My family owns and operates the Flying T Ranch in the Sprague River Valley.

Comment 1 - NEPA

I have read the executive summary. How come it is written using such ambiguous language? How is the word "could", which is continually overused to be interpreted?

Comment 2 - KHSA

As far as I can see this is all a political ploy with the fieldwork keyed to fit the desired outcome of complete dam removal. It see nothing but junk science.

Comment 3 - NEPA

We are extremely disappointed that we have only a short timeframe to review the entire document which is large and cumbersome.

Comment 4 - Economics

The document fails to mention the job losses and loss of livelihood to off project users, loss of habitat to wildlife, devaluation of real estate and

Comment 5 - Terrestrial Wildlife

Comment 6 - Real Estate

Comment 7 - Economics

loss of tax base to Klamath County. The real impact on humans has been swept under the rug.

Comment 8 - Hydropower

This is not the time to remove hydroelectric

power. I'm for Alternative 1, no action, no project.

Thank you.

Comment 9 - Disapproves of Dam  
Removal

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GP_MC_1018_112-1	Master Response N/CP-5 Use of "Would" and "Could."	No
GP_MC_1018_112-2	Master Response GEN-3 Best Available Information.  Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve of Dam Removal and Others Oppose of Dam Removal.	No
GP_MC_1018_112-3	Master Response N/CP-12 Public Comment.	No
GP_MC_1018_112-4	Economic impacts on off project water users are discussed in the Draft EIS/EIR on p. 3.15-71-75. The analysis used the best information available at the time of the study. It's recognized that for purposes of CEQA, relevant parts of the KBRA analysis are programmatic, as described in Section 15168 of the CEQA Guidelines. This decision was made because many of its component elements have not been specified to a degree where the associated impacts would be reasonably foreseeable for purposes of this environmental analysis. The parties recognize that future project-specific analysis may be required for various components of the KBRA as they become more clearly defined and if an affirmative public approval is identified. A program-level document is appropriate when a project consists of a series of smaller projects or phases that may be implemented separately. Under the programmatic EIR approach, future projects or phases may require additional, project-specific environmental analysis.	No
GP_MC_1018_112-5	Master Response TERR-2 Reservoir Habitat.	No
GP_MC_1018_112-6	Master Response RE-1E Real Estate Evaluation Report.  Master Response RE-2 Changes in Property Values.	No
GP_MC_1018_112-7	Draft EIS/EIR p. 3.15-64 discusses the effects of reduced PacifiCorp property tax payments to Klamath County under the Proposed Action. Oregon law (State Wildlife Fund Section 496.340) requires the State to pay the current assessed value on transferred lands. The State Department of Revenue can review and revise assessed values if it is determined substantially incorrect. If Klamath County receives in-lieu payments of equal value to PacifiCorp property tax payment, there would be no net effect to county revenues under the Proposed Action relative to the No Action/No Project Alternative. As discussed on Draft EIS/EIR p. 3.15-20 and in the Dam Removal Real Estate Evaluation Report (BRI 2011), there are no private properties with views of J.C. Boyle Reservoir; therefore, private property land values at J.C. Boyle Reservoir would not be affected by the	No

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	Proposed Action and alternatives. Thus, there would be no changes to property tax revenues to Klamath County from changing property values.	
GP_MC_1018_112-8	Comment noted.	No
	Master Response GEN-1 Comment Included as Part of Record.	
GP_MC_1018_112-9	Master Response GEN-2 Some People Approve Dam Removal, Others Oppose Dam Removal.	No