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California State Water Resources Control Board
Mr. Parker Thaler

There is no justifiable reason to remove the Klamath River dams. These dams provide the cleanest and cheapest power for 70,000 homes. They also provide needed flood control, Summer water flow sustainability for fish; and grow millions of salmon from the Irongate Fish Hatchery.

After dams are removed PacificCorp. will replace the lost 169 megawatts of power with dirty air polluting fossil fuel generated power. This will contribute to more global warming.

The most damaging aspect of dam removal would be the release of 20 million cubic yards of toxic sediment that has been accumulating behind these dams for nearly a century. If released, this toxic sediment will kill every living organisms in the river.

These dams should remain and fish ladders installed for salmon migration.

Thank you.

Howard Paine