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My husband, Tim Nilsson, and I would like to go on record as objecting to the removal of the 3 dams in Siskiyou County and the Boyles Dam.

1. In light of the recent fires, not having access to the reservoirs could hugely impact firefighting. The “plan” that pilots will know the deep holes to draw water from is not even realistic. The water would be so low in the summer that there probably wouldn’t be deep holes.
2. The river was so low near the coast, prior to the dams, that wagon trains could cross it. How is that going to help the fish?
3. This is not about the fish, but about “stealing” our North state water. Removing the dams will greatly damage fisheries for years to come.
4. Removing the dams will cause great financial damage to our County if we lose the dams. Pulling dams in the Gold Hill, Oregon area has damaged their economy for many years, if not permanently.
5. Removing the dams will cause loss of recreation and tourism opportunities.
6. Our County overwhelmingly voted in favor of keeping our dams.
7. The dams produce clean energy where all other options are environmentally negative.
8. Just talk of removal has seriously damaged property values and thus income to our county. We are already considered a low income or poverty area so addition damage to our tax base would be devastating.
9. We believe this proposal is supposedly putting the needs of fish ahead of those real people who live in and love Siskiyou County!

Blessings,  
Debbie Nilsson