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THE STATE OF NEVADA

CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATION OF WATER

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WHEREAS, Ross E. de Lipkau, Agent, has presented to the State Engineer of the State of Nevada Proof of Application of Water to Beneficial Use, from Abraham Spring, through a spring box, pipe and earthen pond for stockwater purposes. The point of diversion of water from the source is as follows:

> **SE¼ SW¼ Section 19, T.11N., R.28E., M.D.B.&M., (unsurveyed), or at a point from which the SW corner of said Section 19, bears S. 87°09'17" W., a distance of 2,351.0 feet situated in Mineral County, State of Nevada.**

NOW KNOW YE, That the State Engineer, under the provisions of NRS 533.425, has determined the date, source, purpose, amount of appropriation, and the place where such water is appurtenant, as follows:

Name of appropriator:	**ELW Ranches, Inc.**
Source:	**Abraham Spring**
Manner of Use:	**Stockwater**
Amount of appropriation:	**0.01114 c.f.s., or sufficient to water 1800 head of sheep**
Period of use:	**January 1st to December 31st of each year**
Date of priority of appropriation:	**June 13, 1980**

Description of the works of diversion, manner and place of use:

Water is diverted by means of a spring box, thence through 20 feet of 1 inch diameter pipe to an earthen stock watering pond where 1,800 head of sheep water within the SE¼ SW¼, Section 19, T.11N., R.28E., M.D.B.&M., being within the Gray Hills Allotment.

Note: Both U.S.G.S. and B.L.M. maps mislabel the source as Water Tank Spring.

This certificate is issued subject to the prior reserved rights of the United States if in fact these rights exist and the source meets the proper criteria.

This certificate is issued subject to the terms of the permit.

The right to water hereby determined is limited to the amount which can be beneficially used, not to exceed the amount above specified, and the use is restricted to the place and for the purpose as set forth herein.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I, **HUGH RICCI, P.E.**, State Engineer of Nevada, have hereunto set my hand and the seal of my office, this **15th** day of **February**, A.D., **2002**.

Hugh Ricci, P.E.
State Engineer

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