

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION 27484)
FILED BY LEE S. SMITH TO APPROPRIATE)
WATER FROM AN UNDERGROUND SOURCE IN)
SPANISH SPRINGS VALLEY, WASHOE)
COUNTY, NEVADA)

R U L I N G

GENERAL:

On May 23, 1973 Lee S. Smith filed Application 27484 to appropriate 1.0 c.f.s. of water from an underground source for irrigation and domestic purposes in Spanish Springs Valley, Washoe County, Nevada. The point of diversion is to be within the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 1, T.20N., R.20E., M.D.M. and the place of use is 54 acres within the E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 1, T.20N., R.20E., M.D.M.

The perennial Yield of the ground water reservoir in Spanish Springs Valley has been estimated by the U. S. Geological Survey to be 1,000 acre-feet of ground water per year.

Water rights have been perfected and certificates issued to use 1,172 acre-feet of ground water per year. Additional permits have been issued which if developed to maximum potential would result in a drain on the ground water reservoir of 7,673 acre-feet per year.

RULING:

Application 27484 is hereby denied on the grounds that the granting of this application would adversely affect existing water rights and be detrimental to the public welfare.

Respectfully submitted,


Roland D. Westergard
State Engineer

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Dated this 4th day
of March, 1975