

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATIONS 26171 )  
AND 26172 FILED BY THE VALLEY WATER )  
COMPANY TO APPROPRIATE WATER FROM AN )  
UNDERGROUND SOURCE IN LEMMON VALLEY, )  
WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA. )

R U L I N G

GENERAL 92B

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Application 26171 was protested by Pamela B. Wilcox on September 10, 1971. The basis of the protest is concern for a lowering of the water table which might impair existing domestic wells.

Application 26172 was filed on June 22, 1971, by the Valley Water Company to appropriate 3.0 c.f.s. of water from an underground source for quasi-municipal (subdivision) and domestic purposes. The point of diversion is within the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$  Section 4, T.20N., R.19E., M.D.B.&M. The place of use is described as within the S $\frac{1}{2}$  Section 26; portions of Section 34, T.21N., R.19E., M.D.B.&M., and portions of Sections 3 and 4, T.20N., R.19E., M.D.B.&M. The period of use is from January 1 to December 31 of each year.

Application 26172 was protested by Pamela B. Wilcox on September 10, 1971. The basis of the protest is concern for a lowering of the water table which might impair existing domestic wells.

During the meeting of April 12, 1972, held to discuss pending applications to appropriate ground water in Lemmon Valley, representatives of the applicant stated that Applications 26171 and 26172 were made for better management and distribution of water by the Valley Water Company and not for additional quantities of water.

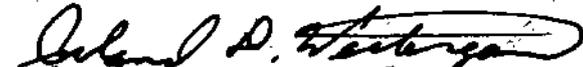
OPINION

It is our opinion that a more general distribution of the withdrawal of the ground water is desirable and the granting of Applications 26171 and 26172 will not impair the value of existing rights or be otherwise detrimental to the public welfare.

RULING

Permits will be granted to Applications 26171 and 26172, upon payment of the statutory permit fees, with the provision that the combined total annual withdrawal and use of water from any and all wells will not exceed the total quantity now held by the applicant under all water rights.

Respectfully submitted,



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Dated this 26th day of

April, 1972