

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION )  
28756 FILED BY MRS. CLEO B. NELSON )  
TO APPROPRIATE UNDERGROUND WATER )  
FROM THE PAHRUMP ARTESIAN BASIN, )  
NYE COUNTY, NEVADA )

R U L I N G

GENERAL:

On October 1, 1974 Mrs. Cleo B. Nelson filed Application 28756 to appropriate 2.0 c.f.s. of water from an underground source for irrigation and domestic purposes. The point of diversion is within the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$  Section 12, T.20S., R.52E., M.D.M. and the place of use is 100 acres within the N $\frac{1}{2}$  NE $\frac{1}{4}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of said Section 12.

The State Engineer has designated the Pahrump Artesian Basin as a critical ground water area under NRS 534.010 to 534.190.

On June 1, 1970 the State Engineer issued Order No. 381 which states that no permits to appropriate ground water to irrigate new land will be granted within the designated Pahrump Artesian Basin. The reasons for curtailing water appropriation for irrigation were that:

Pumpage far exceeded the estimated perennial yield of the ground water reservoir.

More appropriations had been permitted and put to beneficial use than the estimated perennial yield of the ground water reservoir.

RULING:

Application 28756 is hereby denied on the grounds that the granting of this additional application to irrigate would be detrimental to the public welfare in this critical ground water area.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Roland D. Westergard  
State Engineer

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Dated this 4th day  
of February, 1975.