

IN THE OFFICE OF THE STATE ENGINEER
OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

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IN THE MATTER OF THE GENERAL)
DETERMINATION OF ALL THE RIGHTS TO)
THE USE OF WATER IN NEVADA, BOTH)
SURFACE AND UNDERGROUND, WITHIN THE)
DRAINAGE AREA OF THE OWYHEE RIVER)
(SOMETIMES CALLED THE EAST FORK OF)
THE OWYHEE RIVER); THE SOUTH FORK OF)
THE OWYHEE RIVER AND THE LITTLE)
OWYHEE RIVER AND THEIR TRIBUTARIES IN)
ELKO AND HUMBOLDT COUNTIES, NEVADA.)

ORDER REINSTATING
PROCEEDINGS

WHEREAS: State Engineer, Robert A. Allen, issued Order No. 81 on January 25, 1925, to commence the adjudication of the Owyhee River and its tributaries; and

WHEREAS: The adjudication was stayed pending the outcome of civil litigation by Union Land and Cattle Co. vs. R.M. Woodward, et al., in the U.S. District Court, District of Nevada, 1924; and

WHEREAS: That litigation was dismissed without prejudice for lack of prosecution on November 21, 1939; and

WHEREAS: Pursuant to NRS 533.090(2) the State Engineer, after due investigation and examination of the facts and conditions, concludes that a determination of the limit and extent of the relative rights of all the claimants to the surface and underground water of the Owyhee River system and their tributaries including the natural drainage areas of said system in the State of Nevada, is necessary and warranted.

NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority granted to him under NRS 533.090 the State Engineer enters this order:

Reconvening and reinstating the adjudication of the relative rights in and to the surface and underground waters of the Owyhee River System and its tributaries including the natural drainage areas of said system located in Elko and Humboldt Counties, Nevada.

The proceeding will be divided into two separate proceedings one to include all rights herein mentioned in the natural drainage basin of the Owyhee River (sometimes called the East Fork of the Owyhee River) which includes Wild Horse Reservoir and all tributaries and the main stem upstream and downstream of said reservoir, and one proceeding to include all rights herein mentioned in the natural drainage basins of the South Fork of the Owyhee River the the Little Owyhee River, and their tributaries.


PETER G. MORROS
State Engineer

Dated this 14th day of
July, 1989.