

# THE STATE OF NEVADA.

## PROOF OF THE APPROPRIATION OF WATER.

State your name G. F. Feigenspan

1. Q. Postoffice.

A. Yerington, Nevada.

2. Q. State the use to which the water has been applied.

A. Irrigation

3. Q. State the means of diversion employed.

A. By ditches

4. Q. If through a ditch state its name.

A. Merritt ditch

5. Q. (a) State date of survey of the ditch or other distributing works through which the water claimed is diverted. (b) The date when the construction of such ditch was begun and when completed.

A. (a) Surveyed in 1868

(b) Began in 1868, completed in 1869

6. Q. If any enlargements were made state the date when begun and the date when completed.

A. No enlargements

7. Q. State dimensions of the ditch as originally constructed, and as enlarged.

A. About 12 ft wide, and about 10 ft wide

8. Q. State the name of person, association of persons or corporation who built the ditch or canal, and the name or names of its present owners.

A. Built by Merritt, Oglesby, and Anderson

9. Q. State the nature of your title to the land for which an appropriation is claimed, and if not owned by you give the name of the owner and the nature of the possessory right which you exercise.

A. By State Patent

10. Q. State the year when water was first used for irrigation or other beneficial purposes, and by whom. If for irrigation, give the number of acres watered the first year, with the legal subdivisions on which the water was used, and as near as may be the acres irrigated in each legal subdivision.

A. 40 acres were irrigated in 1872, by G. F. Feigenspan, N.E. 1/4, S.E. 1/4 sec. 32, T. 14 N. R. 26 E.

About 20 acres were irrigated in 1872, in the W. part S.W. 1/4, S.W. 1/4 of sec. 33, T. 14 N. R. 26 E. was irrigated by G. F. Feigenspan.

11. Q. State the number of acres watered each subsequent year, and give the legal subdivisions on which the water was used, and as near as may be the acres irrigated in each legal subdivision.

A. About 30 acres <sup>more</sup> were irrigated in 1873, in the S.E.  $\frac{1}{4}$ , S.E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of said sec. 32.

About 20 acres more were added in 1874, in E part S.W.  $\frac{1}{4}$ , S.E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of said sec. 32.

About 20 acres more were added in 1875, in W part S.W.  $\frac{1}{4}$ , S.E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of said sec. 32.

About 10 acres were added in 1877, in S part, S.E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  S.E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of said sec. 32.

Up to 1880 there was about 150 acres under irrigation in the S.E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of said sec. 32.

20 acres in various parts of S.W.  $\frac{1}{4}$ , N.E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of said sec. 32 has been irrigated since 1880.

20 acres is irrigated for pasture, in various parts of S.W.  $\frac{1}{4}$ , N.E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of said sec. 32, since 1880.

25 acres were added in 1905, in W part of W.  $\frac{1}{2}$ , S.W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of said sec. 33.

12. Q. If water is claimed for irrigation, give the legal subdivisions of land owned or controlled by you for which an appropriation is claimed.

A.

13. Q. State the acreage said ditch is capable of watering, give the legal subdivisions of land which it can be made to irrigate, and state who owns said land.

A.

14. Q. State the character of the soil and the kind of crops cultivated.

A. Black loamy, or sandy; Grain, alfalfa.

15. Q. Are you an owner in said ditch? If so state your proportionate interest therein.

A. Yes;  $\frac{1}{12}$  interest

16. Q. The plat prepared by the State Engineer is hereby accepted as showing correctly the location of the Merritt Ditch and the land which can be irrigated therefrom.

A.

17. Q. When does your irrigation season begin and when does it end?

A. Begins about 15<sup>th</sup> April, end in October

18. Q. If water is used for other purposes than irrigation, state the nature of such use, the time when such use began, and how much water is required for such purpose.

A. Used for stock, and domestic use

19. Q. During what months is the water used?

A. All the year

20. Q. Have you had sufficient water each year since the use for which an appropriation is claimed began? If not, state the years of scarcity, the months when the supply was insufficient, and the reason of such scarcity.

A. Very scarce in 1904. Water has been scarce in several irrigation seasons, especially in the latter part of the irrigation seasons, due to impure distribution, and also due to a shortage of water in the river.

Signed:

*G. F. Reigenspan*  
Yerington Lumber Co., Nevada, April 5th, 1907

Sworn to and subscribed before me at Yerington Nev, this fifth day of April, 1907

*H. W. Willis*, Notary Public.

Remarks:

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PROOF OF APPROPRIATION

Date of Appropriation .....

PRIORITIES.

GENERAL.                      STREAM.

NAME OF STREAM.

*Yuma*

TRIBUTARY OF

NAME OF CLAIMANT.

*H. F. Ferguson*

Filed in this office this *8th*

day of *April*, 1907.

*Henry Russell*

State Engineer

