

THE STATE OF NEVADA.

0493

PROOF OF THE APPROPRIATION OF WATER.

H. C. Peterson

State your name

1. Q. Postoffice.

A.

Smith's Lyon Co Nevada

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

A.

Irrigation of farm crops

3. Q. State the means of diversion employed.

A.

Ditch

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

A.

Known as the Smith 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)

22nd day of March 1863 Surveyor J H Barber

(b)

Commenced in April and completed in May 1863

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

A.

In the spring of 1869 and completed then

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

A.

Headgate 4 feet wide and about the same in a little
Ditch 4 feet wide on bottom and 5 feet wide on top
fall 6 feet to the mile

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.

C Smith, C Stratton
J B Smith & Baldwin

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.

United States 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.

First used in 1863 for irrigation of crops

J B Smith and J Baldwin

100 acres NE 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Sec 25
SE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Sec 24 and 20 acres on
NE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Sec 24 Township 11 N Range
no 23 E Mount Diablo Meridian

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. In 1864 about 100 additional acres were irrigated in N W $\frac{1}{4}$ of the S W $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec 24 and the S $\frac{1}{2}$ of the N W $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec 24 Township 11 N of range 23 East Mount Diablo Meridian

There was some sloughs in the last mentioned 80 acres and it was all meadow-land since 1863

About 200 acres more is irrigated in time of high water in the N W $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec 24 and the N E $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec 23 the exact lines cannot be given as the river runs through it in township 11 N range 23 E Mount Diablo Meridian

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. Clay and Clay loam
Grass Grain Alfalfa & vegetables

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

A. One half interest

16. Q. The plat prepared by the State Engineer is hereby accepted as showing correctly the location of the _____ 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 Apr 1st and ends about Sept 20th

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. for Stock and domestic purposes
20 minus inches

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. Have had plenty

Signed:

H. C. Petersen

Smiths Lyon Co

, Nevada,

Aug 12th

, 1905

Sworn to and subscribed before me at **Smith, Lyon Co., Nevada.**, this

12th

day of

August

, 1905

L. R. Ames

, Notary Public.
NOTARY PUBLIC
IN AND FOR LYON CO.,
NEVADA.

Remarks:

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PROOF OF APPROPRIATION

Date of Appropriation 1888

PRIORITIES:

GENERAL. STREAM.

NAME OF STREAM
West Walker River

TRIBUTARY OF
Walker River

NAME OF CLAIMANT
W D Helms
Smiths Nevada

Filed in this office this

day of 190.....

State Engineer.

