

THE STATE OF NEVADA.

PROOF OF THE APPROPRIATION OF WATER.

State your name Joseph M. Thomas

1. Q. Postoffice. A. Winnemucca Nevada

2. Q. State the use to which the water has been applied. A. Agricultural & domestic purposes; irrigation of crops of grain, grain, peas, (barley & hay) & hay crops, for watering stock & for cultivating household uses.

3. Q. State the means of diversion employed. A. Dams, ditches and other aqueducts

4. Q. If through a ditch state its name. A. I call all of my ditches Thomas Ditches

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) I am about 39 years old & the ditches & dams to irrigate my lands, were run out & dug out before I was born. (b) All these ditches were constructed about 40 years ago, but some of them I have constructed myself, & have often cleared them out.

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

A. About 30 years ago my father enlarged one ditch, I know of no other enlargements except what is caused by cleaning out the ditches

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

A. There are five ditches of different sizes; but they are large enough to carry all the water of Thomas Creek at all times.

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. Mr. Reed & others of father's grantors, father & afterwards I built these ditches, & my wife & I are the present owners

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. In fee; some patented - some conveyed land

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 years or more ago, by father's grantors & predecessors in interest. About 400 acres, in sections 15, 16 & 17 T35-NR. 38 E. M. D. M. - at least I think these are the legal subdivisions on land as in

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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. Not less than 300 acres; and I think more in some subdivisions as named in last answer

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. All of the foregoing desertier lands - same subdivisions

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. My wife & I own the land & the ditch named and capable of watering that land

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

A. Mostly alluvial; crops of grain, grass for hay & pasture, vegetables, shrubbery & shade & fruit trees

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

A. Yes: My wife & I own the ditch

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. Don't know - never saw it

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

A. I use the water all the year around; & I keep it on the land as long as it will. I usually commence to irrigate grass in March

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 irrigating trees, shrubbery & pasture, & for domestic purposes, all the year & for watering stock, all the year amount

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

A. All the year - every month for some even, for grain & vegetables from March to Oct. if we can get water that late.

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. If there we have not had enough, in our place water has been scarce during most of the year.

Signed:

Joseph N. Thomas

Humboldt

Nevada,

October 4th 1909.

Sworn to and subscribed before me at

Humboldt

this

4th

day of

October

1909.

B. E. Donald

Notary Public.

County Clerk and ex-officio Clerk of the Second Judicial District
Court of the State of Nevada, in and for the County of Humboldt.

Remarks:

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PROOF OF APPROPRIATION

Date of Appropriation

PRIORITIES.

GENERAL

STREAM

NAME OF STREAM

Thomas Creek

TRIBUTARY OF

NAME OF CLAIMANT.

J. M. Thomas.

Filed in this office this

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State Engineer

