

STATE OF NEVADA

PROOF OF APPROPRIATION OF WATER FOR STOCK WATERING OR WILDLIFE PURPOSES

(1) Name of claimant Donnell J. Richards
P.O. Box 430 of Winnemucca
Street and No. or P.O. Box No. City or town
Nevada 89446
State and Zip Code No.

(2) Source of water Well
Name of natural water source.

(3) The water is diverted by pump, windmill and pipe
Dam, ditch, pipe line, natural channel, spring area, etc.

(4) The water is diverted at the following point(s) T34N, R37E, M.D.B. and M.
Describe as being within a 40-acre subdivision of public survey, and by course and distance to a section corner. If on unsurveyed land it should be stated.
Sec 2 in the NW⁴ NE⁴
Diversion over a channel reach must be described by course and distance to a section corner for both the beginning and end of such reach.
or at a point from which the NE corner of said section 2 bears N 74° 20' E a distance of 1604 ⁴⁴/₁₀₀ feet

(5) The water is impounded in Troughs
Troughs, tanks, pools, reservoir, natural channel, etc.

(6) The construction of the ditch or other works was begun 1934
Date
and completed 1934
Date

(7) The nature of the claimant's title to the land upon which the source of water and place of use are located is public domain with grazing permit that has evolved to open range - mostly leased and deeded
Patented, deeded, public domain with grazing permit, etc.

(8) The claimant's water right ~~was~~ (was not) recorded in the office of the County Recorder of _____ County, at Page _____ of Book _____ of _____

NOTE—Failure to record in the county in no way invalidates a water right, but if water right was so recorded, supply full information under (8).

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(9) The approximate number of animals watered by the claimant during the first year 1934
Date
was 500⁺ cattle. 50⁺ horses — sheep or wildlife (describe) —

The watering was conducted during each of the following months January through
December each year

(10) The approximate number of animals watered by the claimant in subsequent years was as follows:

Numbers remained approximately the same for subsequent years until about 1972 when private range allotments were established. At that time all other range users signed agreements for individual private allotments. We began running about 250 head of cattle on winter ^{and spring} use and used the well exclusively in 1976.

(11) The amount of water which has been necessary to be diverted for this purpose has been

.123 cubic feet per second.
448.83 gallons per minute equals 1 cubic foot per second.

(12) The works are located at T34N, R37E, M.D. Band M, Sec. 2
Describe as being within a 40-acre subdivision, section, township and range of public survey. If on unsurveyed land, it should be stated.
in the NW⁴ NE⁴

Remarks *This well was drilled in 1934 under the supervision of the Humboldt and Pershing Counties Extension Agents in cooperation with the Nevada Department of Agriculture for a stockwatering well. Well Driller, Dave McTurch, license # 219 helped drill the well as a boy. His affidavit is attached.*

*Said well was marked as B.L.M. Project # 147813 in 1940 and so marked with a pipe and aluminum cap. ^U
In 1972 the area became the private allotment of the Sonoma Ranch with signed agreements from all ^U
^U See attachment that shows a copy of the cap.*

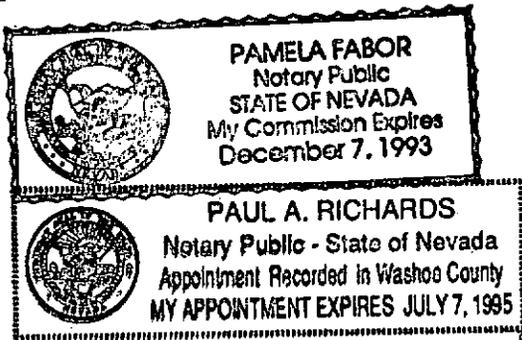
Remarks of the other range users who also had private allotments assigned to them. Since that time the area around the well has been fenced for the exclusive use of the Sonoma Ranch and has remained open range. This well is situated on other peoples' private land and the claimant wants to move the vested right to a well on his property.

Included is an affidavit of Vance Nelson - a 95 year old who has cowboied and managed cattle in Gray Valley all of his life. Helen Olson - his common law wife - attests to Vance's affidavit also in her affidavit also included. The undersigned, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that the facts relative to the appropriation of water by Joaquin Ballard and Garrett Van Diest are full and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

If proof is not made by claimant, deponent should state on this line by virtue of what authority he represents the claimant.

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Claimant

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By *Donnell Richards*

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22 day of October, 1991

[Signature]
Notary Public in and for the County of _____
My commission expires 12/7/93
Pamela Fabor, Notary

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