

THE STATE OF NEVADA  
PROOF OF APPROPRIATION OF WATER FOR  
STOCK WATERING PURPOSES

(1) Name of claimant. VAN NORMAN RANCHES, INC.

VAN NORMAN RANCHES Of THISCARORA

Street and No. or P.O. Box No.

City or town

NEVADA 89834

State and Zip Code No.

(2) Source of water. SEE ATTACHED

Name of natural water source.

(3) The water is diverted by. THE NATURAL CHANNEL, AND SPRING AREAS

Dam, ditch, pipe line, natural channel, spring area, etc.

(4) The water is diverted at the following point(s). SEE ATTACHED

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. 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.

(5) The water is impounded in. THE NATURAL CHANNEL

Troughs, tanks, pools, reservoir, natural channel, etc.

(6) The construction of the ditch or other works was begun. UNKNOWN

Date

and completed. UNKNOWN

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. DEEDED AND PUBLIC DOMAIN WITH GRAZING PERMIT

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

SEE ATTACHED 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.....  
Date  
was.....cattle.....horses.....sheep or..... Other..... The watering  
was conducted during each of the following months.....

SEE ATTACHED

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

SEE ATTACHED

If water was not used, or used in reduced quantity at any time, full information as to causes and duration of non-use should be given.

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

SEE ATTACHED cubic feet per second.  
448.83 gal. per min. equals 1 cubic foot per second.

(12) The works are located at REFER TO ATTACHED SUPPORTING MAP FOR LEGAL DESCRIPTION.....  
Describe as being within a 40-acre subdivision, section, township and range of public survey. If on unsurveyed

OF NATURAL CHANNEL.....  
land, it should be stated.

Remarks.....

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The undersigned, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that the facts relative to the appropriation of water by...VAN. NORMAN RANCHES, INC. ....  
are full and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

..DEPONENT IS ACTING AS AUTHORIZED AGENT FOR CLAIMANT.....  
If proof is not made by claimant, deponent should state on this line by virtue of what authority he represents the claimant.

.....VAN NORMAN RANCHES, INC.....  
Claimant

*Michael D. Buschelman*  
By..MICHAEL D. BUSCHELMAN, P.L.S.....

.....5405 MAE ANNE AVENUE.....  
Street and No., or P.O. Box No.  
.....RENO, NEVADA 89523.....  
City, State, Zip Code No.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this...*14th*...day of...JUNE....., 19*84* .

*Lynn E. Walters*  
Notary Public in and for the County of WASHOE, NEVADA.....

My commission expires...*Jan 12, 1997*.....



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ATTACHMENT  
AMENDED  
SERIAL NO. 06661

**PROOF OF APPROPRIATION OF WATER FOR STOCK WATERING PURPOSES**

NAME OF CLAIMANT: VAN NORMAN RANCHES, INC.

ITEM NO. 2, ITEM NO. 4 - SOURCE OF WATER, POINT OF DIVERSION

SOURCE: BURNS CREEK AND TRIBUTARIES

POD #1: LOT 4 SECTION 19 T40N R53E, MDM.

POD #2: SE1/4 SE1/4 SECTION 21 T40N R53E, MDM. (ITALIAN SPRING CR.)

POD #3: SW1/4 NW1/4 SECTION 16 T40N R53E, MDM.

USGS 7.5 MINUTE QUAD: WATER PIPE CANYON, NEVADA

ITEM NO. 8 - RECORDATION OF CLAIMANT'S WATER RIGHT

UNKNOWN

ITEM NO. 9 - LIVESTOCK WATERED BY CLAIMANT IN FIRST YEAR

UNKNOWN

ITEM NO. 10 - LIVESTOCK WATERED BY CLAIMANT IN SUBSEQUENT YEARS

REFER TO ITEM NO. 11

ITEM NO. 11 - AMOUNT OF WATER DIVERTED

THE TOTAL VOLUME OF WATER REQUIRED TO SATISFY THE NEED OF XXX HEAD OF CATTLE, XXX HEAD OF HORSES, XXX HEAD OF SHEEP IS CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

20 GALLONS PER DAY X # OF CATTLE X # OF DAYS =

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4 GALLONS PER DAY X # OF SHEEP X # OF DAYS =

THE RATE OF FLOW WILL BE CONSIDERABLY SMALLER THAN IS NEEDED TO PROVIDE WATER FOR STOCKWATERING PURPOSES, THEREFORE A VOLUME OF WATER IS MORE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE NEEDS OF THE ANIMALS.

INFORMATION IS NOT AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME BUT WILL BE PROVIDED IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

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INFORMATION NOT RESEARCHED AS OF THIS DATE

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The range livestock use of this source originated from two ranch operations which existed in 1905. This was the Byrnes operation which had fenced property in Sections 24 and 25, Township 40 North, Range 52 East, and Sections 18 and 19, Township 40 North, Range 53 East, and the Schmidt property located in Sections 25, 35 and 36, Township 40 North, Range 52 East, and Sections 19, 30 and 31, Township 40 North, Range 53 East.

Historical accounts state that the Byrnes property was one of the early ranches in the area, but reliable written records of the numbers operated are not found for either operation.

Records of the Elko County Assessor reveal the following numbers as being assessed in 1896:

J. P. Byrnes	70 cattle
H. W. Schmidt	<u>66</u> cattle and horses
	136 livestock.

Based upon this information, 136 head of livestock are claimed. Early patents issued show ownership of the presently owned lands in 1884, and even though historical records indicate a much earlier date of use, this is the first year of use claimed.

Due to the location of this source and the private property now owned, it is assumed that both operations used this source.

Both the Byrnes property and Schmidt property were combined into one operation under Van Norman Ranches, Inc. The claimant subsequently conveyed the Schmidt property to other owners but retained the use from the source. Therefore, the claimant has all of the priority for livestock. A priority of 1884, with an approximate number of 50 livestock used the source during the period of May 1 to October 31 as evidenced from the above.

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This source is located upon National Forest lands. No information on the number of livestock associated with the Schmidt property is available at this time. However, a successor to the Byrnes property, D. B. Williams, wrote a letter to the Taylor Grazing Board dated February 9, 1950, wherein he stated that he placed 187 head of cattle upon the "Forest Reserve." This letter was found in available files of the Bureau of Land Management.

In order to have a permit upon the Forest in 1950, it was necessary to be the successor of a party who grazed those lands prior to the withdrawal of the National Forest. A search of the records reveals that D. B. Williams was the successor of J. P. Byrnes. As a number of grazing

reductions had been made upon the Forest between 1905 and 1950, it is not unreasonable to assume that by 1905, a minimum of 250 cattle were grazed upon those lands in 1905.

Through administrative decisions of the land management agency, some deferred or rotation grazing is required. Therefore, the numbers of livestock on this source may vary from year to year. The maximum number which use this source and is the number for years subsequent to 1905 is 150 cattle and 5 horses for the period of June 1 to October 15.

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The amount of water necessary to be diverted is .00484 cubic feet per second.