

STATE OF NEVADA

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

(1) Name of claimant DeLong Ranches, Inc.  
335 Bottle Creek Road of Winnemucca  
Street and No. or P.O. Box No. City or town  
Nevada, 89445  
State and Zip Code No.

(2) Source of water Salt Water Well (artesian well)  
Name of natural water source.

(3) The water is diverted by a 12 inch diameter metal casing with a turn-off valve protruding vertically from the ground to create an outlet for water. The depth of the casing is unknown. Water is diverted from the casing into a 2 foot wide x 5 foot long x 1 foot deep rectangular "missile tank" trough.  
Dam, ditch, pipe line, natural channel, spring area, etc.

(4) The water is diverted at the following point(s) T37N, R29E, Section 17: SW1/4 SW1/4  
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 a 2 foot wide x 5 foot long x 1 foot deep rectangular "missile tank" trough.  
Troughs, tanks, pools, reservoir, natural channel, etc.

(6) The construction of the ditch or other works was begun prior to 1905.  
The works were completed prior to 1905. (See Exhibit "A" - Already on File with the Division of Water Resources, filed under Bliss Spring and Bliss Canyon # V09804).

(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 held by DeLong Ranches, Inc.  
Places of use include: the trough located within T37N, R29E, Section 17: SW1/4 SW1/4.  
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).

(9) The approximate number of animals watered by the claimant during the first year prior to 1905  
Date  
was 200 cattle 30 horses 100 sheep or wildlife (describe) deer, antelope, birds  
Other

The watering was conducted during each of the following months Cattle were watered year-  
round (12 months.) Horses were watered at gathering, branding, and shipping times during the  
spring and fall (4 months). Sheep were watered when trailed to be shipped on the railroad at  
Sulfur, Nevada, a small town located 34 miles south of Jackson Creek Ranch (2 months).

(10) The approximate number of animals watered by the claimant in subsequent years was as  
follows: 200 cattle have been watered at Salt Water Well in every subsequent year following 1905.  
100 sheep were watered at Salt Water Well until the 1920's when the Lay brothers cut down their  
bands. (See Exhibit "A" for documentation of use – Already on File with Division of Water  
Resources under Bliss Spring and Bliss Canyon # V09804.)

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

0.0125 cubic feet per second.  
448.83 gallons per minute equals 1 cubic feet per second.

(12) The works are located at T37N, R29E, Section 17: SW1/4 SW1/4  
Describe as being within a 40-acre subdivision, section, township and range of public survey. If on unsurveyed land, it should be stated.

#### Remarks

Salt Water Well is an artesian well located on the edge of the Black Rock Desert. It was  
constructed by the Lay Brothers prior to 1905, to provide an additional water source for livestock (See  
Exhibit "A" – Already on File under #V09804).

Salt Water Well is located in the historic grazing area surrounding Jackson Creek Ranch owned by  
DeLong Ranches, Inc. Various predecessors to the claimant, including James Sloan and George D.  
Bliss, have been grazing cattle in this area since 1889, based on recorded documentation and evidence  
presented in Exhibit "A" Proof of Vested Right; Exhibit "B" List of Nevada State Patents; Exhibit "C"  
List of United States Patents; and Exhibit "D" Chain of Title (Exhibits "A" through "D" -- Already on  
File with Division of Water Resources under Bliss Spring and Bliss Canyon # V09804.) Exhibit "E" is  
a Google Earth reference map to show the location of the points of diversion and places of use for Salt  
Water Well.

The undersigned, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that the facts relative to the appropriation of water by DeLong Ranches, Inc. are full and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

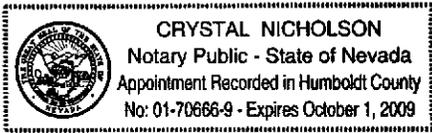
If proof is not made by claimant, deponent should state on this line by virtue of what authority he represents the claimant.

DeLong Ranches Inc.  
Claimant

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19 day of August, 2009

Notary Public in and for the County of Humboldt  
State of Nevada

My commission expires 10/1/09

Crystal Nicholson

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