

IN THE OFFICE OF THE STATE ENGINEER OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER 53985, FILED BY Las Vegas Valley Water District ON October 17, 1989, TO APPROPRIATE THE WATERS OF underground sources.

PROTEST

Comes now Nevada Farm Bureau Federation

Printed or typed name of protestant

whose post office address is 1300 Marietta Way Sparks, NV. 89431

Street No. or P.O. Box, City, State and Zip Code

whose occupation is general agricultural organization, and protests the granting of Application Number 53985, filed on October 17, 1989

by Las Vegas Valley Water District

Printed or typed name of applicant

to appropriate the

waters of underground sources situated in Nye

Underground or name of stream, lake, spring or other source

County, State of Nevada, for the following reasons and on the following grounds, to wit:

(See Attached)

THEREFORE the protestant requests that the application be denied

(Denied, issued subject to prior rights, etc., as the case may be)

and that an order be entered for such relief as the State Engineer deems just and proper.

Signed

Doug Busselman

Agent or protestant

Doug Busselman, Executive Vice President

Printed or typed name, if agent

Address 130 Marietta Way

Street No. or P.O. Box No.

Sparks, NV. 89431

City, State and Zip Code No.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12 day of July 19 90

MARTHA A. SCHNEIDER Notary Public - State of Nevada Appointed District in Washoe County MY APPOINTMENT EXPIRES JULY 24, 1993



Martha A. Schneider Notary Public

State of Nevada

County of Washoe

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NEVADA FARM BUREAU FEDERATION

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1. This application is one of a multiple group of applications filed by the Las Vegas Valley Water District seeking to appropriate 804,195 acre feet of ground water primarily for municipal use within the service area of the District in Clark County. Diversion and export of such a quantity of water from this water basin will lower the ground water tables thereby negatively impacting the quality of remaining ground waters, further threatening springs and seeps which provide water for grazing livestock and other surface area uses.
2. The appropriation of this water, when added to the existing uses of this basin, will exceed the annual recharge and safe yield of the basin.
3. The appropriation of this magnitude of water will deprive the area of origin water needed for its environmental and economic well being, especially as it applies to the agricultural uses for this area.
4. The granting or approving of this application, in the absence of comprehensive planning, including but not limited to the environmental impacts, socioeconomic impacts, and long term impacts on the water resource threatens to be detrimental to the public interest.
5. This application should be denied because it fails to include the statutorily required:
 - a. Description of the place of use;
 - b. Description of the proposed works;
 - c. The estimated cost of such works; and
 - d. The estimated time required to put the subject water to beneficial use.
6. Inasmuch as a water extraction and transbasin conveyance project of this magnitude has never been considered by the State Engineer, it is impossible to anticipate all the potential adverse impacts on the area's agricultural and general public interest. Because of this the Nevada Farm Bureau Federation reserves the right to amend the subject protest to include such issues as they may develop as a result of further information and study.