

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

FILED
MAR 15 2011
STATE ENGINEER'S OFFICE

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER 53988
FILED BY Southern Nevada Water Authority
ON OCT 1989, 2011, TO APPROPRIATE THE
WATERS OF Underground - Cave Valley



PROTEST

Comes now Delaine Spilsbury
Printed or typed name of protestant

whose post office address is PO Box 1055, McGill NV 89318
Street No. or PO Box, City, State and ZIP Code

whose occupation is self employed and protests the granting

of Application Number 53988, filed on OCT 1989, 2011

by Southern Nevada Water Authority to appropriate the

waters of underground situated in Lincoln
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:

ADDITIONAL REASONS AND GROUNDS ATTACHED

The Cave Valley "Entrance to another World" (as it was called by our ancestors) is extremely sacred to us Great Basin Shoshone. For generations this living cave was worshiped, idolized and respected by the Newe. Many legends are still told of Native folks trekking to the end of the cave and into a different and beautiful world. This Sacred Historic Site and its inhabitants will be completely devastated by pipeline construction and water withdrawal. The fact that the State Engineer's office ignores Native American water rights is simply a matter of political expediency. My ancestors have lived here sustainably for 10,000 years. Morally, we have existing water rights. Our State water laws are not moral, however, Nevada water laws simply give away Native American and wildlife's water (for free) to the first capable of wasting it. Someday, when there is no water left, this travesty will be looked upon as Nevada's biggest mistake.

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 Delaine Spilsbury
Agent of protestant

Delaine Spilsbury
Printed or typed name, if agent

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of March, 20 11



[Signature]
Notary Public

State of Nevada
County of White Pine

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