

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

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER 54020
FILED BY Southern Nevada Water Authority (SNWA)
ON October 17, 1989, 20

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PROTEST MAR 25 2011
STATE ENGINEER'S OFFICE

Comes now United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service
Printed or typed name of protestant

whose post office address is 324 25th Street, Ogden, UT 84401
Street No. or PO Box, City, State and ZIP Code

whose occupation is and protests the granting

of Application Number 54020, filed on October 17, 1989, 20

by Southern Nevada Water Authority (SNWA) for the

waters of underground source situated in White Pine
an underground source or name of stream, lake, spring or other source

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

The Forest Service is a cooperating agency in the preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Clark, Lincoln, and White Pine Counties Groundwater Development Project, which is scheduled to be released in June, 2011. Groundwater modeling and information within the EIS show that potential groundwater drawdown areas in Spring Valley extend onto National Forest System (NFS) land. The Forest Service (FS) is concerned with potential injury to prior, existing water rights and public resources on NFS land. Several FS stockwater rights and additional springs are within or near the projected groundwater drawdown areas. Vested stockwater rights within the projected drawdown areas include: V03549 (Kraft Spring #2), V03562 (Basin Spring), V03563 (South Taft Spring), and V03560 (O'Toole Spring). Decreed stockwater rights within the projected drawdown areas include V02809 (Piermont Spring). This protest could be resolved if an acceptable monitoring and mitigation agreement can be reached between SNWA and the Forest Service.

THEREFORE the Protester requests that the application be issued subject to prior rights, monitoring, and mitigation measures.

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 Jeanne A. Evenden
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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24 day of March, 20 11

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