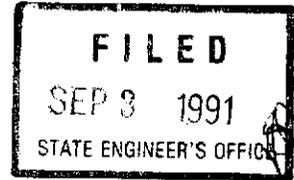


IN THE OFFICE OF THE STATE ENGINEER OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER 55988
FILED BY Mesquite Farmstead Water Assoc.
ON March 15, 1991, TO APPROPRIATE THE
WATERS OF Beaver Dam Wash



PROTEST

Comes now Ross W. and Orma W. Mathews Trust Ranch
Printed or typed name of protestant

whose post office address is Box 432 Caliente, Nevada 89008
Street No. or P.O. Box, City, State and Zip Code

whose occupation is Ranching, and protests the granting

of Application Number 55988, filed on March 15, 1991

by Mesquite Farmstead Water Assoc.
Printed or typed name of applicant to appropriate the

waters of Beaver Dam Wash 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:

Mesquite Farmstead Water Assoc. is claiming 500 CFS of Water. The Beaver Dam Wash has never flowed that much water in the last 95 (ninety-five) years. We ask that Mesquite's water theft by deception be halted.

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 Ross W. Mathews
Agent or protestant

Orma W. Mathews
Printed or typed name, if agent

Address P. O. Box 432
Street No. or P.O. Box No.

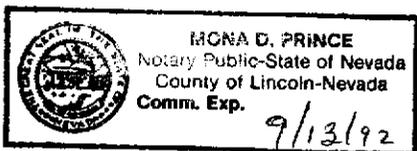
Caliente, Nevada 89008
City, State and Zip Code No.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of August 1991

Mona D. Prince
Notary Public

State of Nevada

County of Lander



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