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

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STATE ENGINEER'S OFFICE

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER 64186,
FILED BY Coyote Springs Investment,
ON June 3 1998, TO APPROPRIATE THE
WATERS OF Underground

PROTEST

Comes now U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Printed or typed name of protestant
whose post office address is 911 NE 11th Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97232-4181
Street No. or P.O. Box, City, State and Zip Code
whose occupation is agency of the federal government, and protests the granting
of Application Number 64186, filed on June 3, 1998
by Coyote Springs Investment to appropriate the
Printed or typed name of applicant
waters of underground source 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:

Granting of these applications will cause injury to senior water rights at Moapa Valley and Pahranagat National Wildlife Refuges and other senior water rights in the area. The volume of groundwater withdrawal sought by the applicant far surpasses any reasonable estimates of available water in Coyote Spring Valley. Withdrawal of this quantity of water would harm and jeopardize threatened and endangered species and other species of concern and is not in the public interest.

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 Elizabeth H. Stevens
Agent or protestant
Elizabeth H. Stevens
Printed or typed name, if agent
Address 2233 Watt Avenue, Suite 120
Street No. or P.O. Box No.
Sacramento, CA 95828-0509
City, State and Zip Code No.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25 day of November 1998.

Notary Public

LOUISE A. PATTERSON
Comm. # 1082811
NOTARY PUBLIC - CALIFORNIA
Sacramento County
My Comm. Expires Jan. 16, 2000

State of California

County of Sacramento

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