

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

FILED
MAY 22 2000
STATE ENGINEER'S OFFICE

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER 66106
FILED BY U. S. Interior Dept. BLM
ON February 28, 2000, TO APPROPRIATE THE
WATERS OF State of Nevada

PROTEST

Comes now Pete T. Delmue
Printed or typed name of protestant

whose post office address is HC 74 Box 400 Pioche, NV 89043
Street No. or P.O. Box, City, State and Zip Code

whose occupation is cattle ranching, and protests the granting

of Application Number 66106, filed on 28th day of February, 2000, 19

by United States Interior Dept. Bureau of Land Management of Ely, Nevada to appropriate the
Printed or typed name of applicant

waters of underground SE 1/4 SW 1/4 Section 16, T.1S., R.70E., MDM 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:

This application states the BLM is seeking water to serve "wildlife". Federal
Public Law grants authority to the BLM to manage wild horses and burros. Authority
to manage wildlife rests with the Nevada Department of Wildlife; therefore, the
BLM has no legal mandate or necessity to obtain or use water to manage or serve
wildlife.

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.

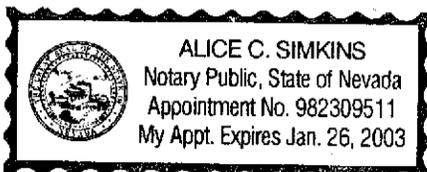
Signed PETE T. DELMUE
Agent or protestant

PETE T. DELMUE
Printed or typed name, if agent

Address HC 74 Box 400 Pioche, NV 89043
Street No. or P.O. Box No.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of May 2000



Alice C. Simkins
Notary Public

State of Nevada

County of Lincoln

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