

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

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER 67333
FILED BY VIOLER WATER CO.
ON MARCH 12, 01, TO APPROPRIATE THE
WATERS OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

PROTEST

FILED
AUG 13 2001
STATE ENGINEER'S OFFICE

Comes now WILLIAM R. ROUNTREE

whose post office address is P.O. Box 166 Printed or typed name of protestant BAKER NV 89311
Street No. or P.O. Box, City, State and Zip Code

whose occupation is MOTEL OWNER and protests the granting
of Application Number 67333, filed on MARCH 12, 2001

by VIDLER WATER CO. INC Printed or typed name of applicant to appropriate the
waters of SPRING VALLEY UNDERGROUND Underground or name of stream, lake, spring or other source situated in WHITE PINE

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

Serious adverse consequences on the economic, environmental and societal fabric of Spring Valley and White Pine County will result if this permit for the pumping of 4.7 c.f.s of water is granted to Vidler Water Company along with their other 14 applications in the same area. People will probably be faced with the loss of homes, ranches and the value attached to them if this massive pumping project is implemented. Unless proven otherwise, this massive exportation of water must have the effect of drying up the springs, wetlands and wells, that we, and our neighbors, rely upon for our very lives and livelihoods.

Much of the diverse plant and animal life of the valley would most probably die, resulting in a sterile dusty basin. The economic impact of this would be far reaching in terms of recreation, agriculture, and loss of tax base to an already struggling rural county.

THEREFORE the protestant requests that the application be DENIED
(Denied, suspend 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 William R. Rountree
Name of protestant
WILLIAM R. ROUNTREE
Printed or typed name, if agent

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of Aug., 2001

Debra M. Taylor
Notary Public

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County of WP

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Baker Township
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