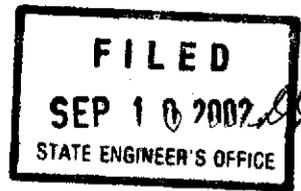


IN THE OFFICE OF THE STATE ENGINEER OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER... 68809
FILED BY.. HIGH ROCK HOLDINGS, LLC (MIKE STEWART)
ON MAY 13, 2002, TO APPROPRIATE THE WATERS OF... UNDER
GROUND SOURCE



PROTEST



Comes now... Gerlach General Improvement District

Printed or typed name of protestant

whose post office address is.....P.O. Box 209, Gerlach, Nevada 89412.

Street No. Or P.O. Box, City, State and Zip Code.

whose occupation isWater and Sewer District..... and protests the granting

of Application Number68809..... filed onMay 13, 2002

byHigh Rock Holdings, LLC (Mike Stewart)..... to appropriate the

waters ofunder ground source..... situated in
.....Washoe.....

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:

Due to the significant amount of water that will be pumped from this well, it may adversely affect the town's water supply from Garden Springs and Railroad Springs. These springs are the only source of water for the town of Gerlach.

THEREFORE the Protestant requests that the application bedenied.....

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 *Don Wardle*

Don Wardle - Gerlach General Improvement District Chairman

Printed or typed name, if agent

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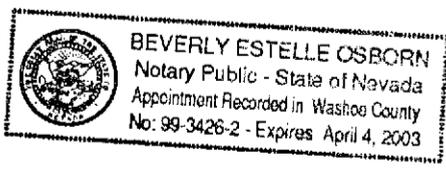
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Subscribed and sworn to before me this *9th* day of *Sept*, 20*02*

Beverly Estelle Osborn
Notary Public

State of *Nevada*

County of *Washoe*



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