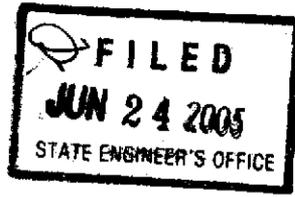


IN THE OFFICE OF THE STATE ENGINEER OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER 72456,
FILED BY AQUA TRAC, LLC **PROTEST**
ON APRIL 4, 20 05, TO APPROPRIATE THE
WATERS OF UNDERGROUND



Comes now Washoe County
Printed or typed name of protestant

whose post office address is 4930 Energy Way, Reno, NV 89502-4106
Street No. or P.O. Box, City, State, and Zip Code

whose occupation is a political subdivision of the State of Nevada, and protests the granting
of Application Number 72456, filed on APRIL 4, 20 05,

by AQUA TRAC, LLC to appropriate the
waters of underground 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:

Please refer to attached Exhibit "A".

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 [Signature]
Agent or Protestant

Vahid Behmaram, Water Rights Supervisor
Printed or typed name, if agent

Address Washoe County Dept. of Water Resources
Street No. or P.O. Box No.
4930 Energy Way, Reno, NV 89502-4106
City, State, and Zip Code No.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22nd day of JUNE, 20 05.



[Signature]
Notary Public
State of Nevada
County of Washoe

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ALL COPIES MUST CONTAIN ORIGINAL SIGNATURE.**

EXHIBIT "A"

Application's 72454 through 72462

The above referenced applications propose to appropriate groundwater from the Warm Springs Groundwater Basin. USGS Reconnaissance Report #43 and subsequent studies by Washoe County have estimated the perennial yield of this basin at 3,000 acre-feet. State records indicate existing permits and certificates total close to 7,000 acre-feet.

The State Engineer pumpage inventory for the year 2000 indicates a total withdrawal of approximately 5,000 acre-feet, which includes pumpage from domestic wells.

Therefore, based on the foregoing:

- 1) There is no un-appropriated water in the source,
- 2) Granting of the applications would conflict with existing rights,
- 3) and could prove detrimental to public interest