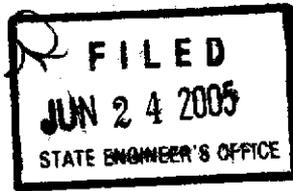


IN THE OFFICE OF THE STATE ENGINEER OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER 72474,
FILED BY AQUA TRAC, LLC **PROTEST**
ON APRIL 4, 2005, 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 72474, filed on APRIL 4, 2005,

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, 2005.



[Signature]
Notary Public

State of Nevada

County of Washoe

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EXHIBIT "A"

Application's 72463 through 72476, 72479 & 72480

The above referenced applications propose to appropriate 20,000 acre-feet of groundwater rights from the Winnemucca Lake Valley.

USGS Open File Report 78-768 estimates the perennial yield of this basin at 3,300 acre-feet. Preliminary data from the State Engineer's Office records indicate existing appropriations of 305 acre-feet. Pending applications 71452 and 71453 also attempt to appropriate 4,000 acre-feet of water from this basin.

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