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MAY 18 2006
STATE ENGINEER'S OFFICE

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

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER 73960
FILED BY Red Rock Valley Ranch LLC
ON 3/3, 2006, TO APPROPRIATE THE
WATERS OF Basin 99



PROTEST

Comes now Joseph R. Donohue
whose post office address is 65 Buckboard Circle Reno Nevada 89506
Printed or typed name of protestant
Street No. Or P.O. Box, City, State and Zip Code.

whose occupation is _____ and protests the granting
of Application Number 73960, filed on 3/3, 2006
by Red Rock Valley Ranch LLC to appropriate the
waters of Basin 99 situated in _____
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:

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see Attachment
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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.

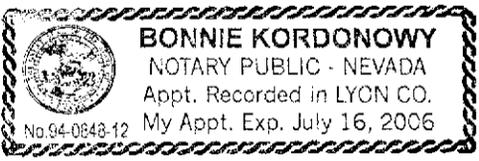
Signed Joseph R Donohue
Agent or protestant

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Printed or typed name, if agent

Address.....
Street No. or P.O. Box No.

.....
City, State and Zip Code No.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of May, 2006
Bonnie Kordonowy
Notary Public



State of Nevada

County of Carson City

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ALL COPIES MUST CONTAIN ORIGINAL SIGNATURE.**

Joseph R. Donohue
65 Buckboard Circle
Reno, Nevada 89506

May 17, 2006

STATE of NEVADA
Division of Water Resources
State Engineers Office
901 S. Stewart St. Suite 2002
Carson City, Nevada 89701

640 AFA is a large amount of water to be pumping out of the small valley in basin 99. The owners of one property on Red Rock Road have already had to drill their well deeper. The artesian well on a property on Dry Valley Road quits running when the property across the road fills their pond and the water table dropped when the previous owners of Red Rock Ranch LLC irrigated in the summer of 2005.

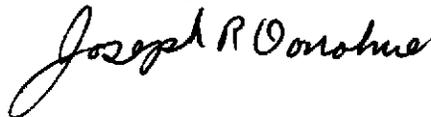
There is a domestic well on my property that use to over flow in the winter and spring from the high water table. It has not done so in the past two years. My concern is that I would have to drill the well deeper. Not only will that be very expensive, but there is no qaranuntee that we would have sufficient water for our needs.

No one has been able to tell us how deep the underground water is in basin 99. With the water being pumped from Red Rock Valley Ranch LLC to Lemon Valley , our water basin would not be able to recharge. To my knowledge, developers buy up the water rights from individuals willing to sell and pump the water somewhere else. These developers don't even live here in the valley.

If the water was being used in this basin I would not be as concerned because the groundwater would be recharged.

I am strongly against pumping the water from basin 99 to other basins.

Sincerely,



Joseph R. Donohue