

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

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER 73966  
FILED BY RED ROCK VALLEY RANCH, LLC  
ON 3/3, 2006 TO APPROPRIATE THE  
WATERS OF BASIN 99



PROTEST

Comes now RONALD J. BROWN  
Printed or typed name of protestant  
whose post office address is 50 BURKBOARD CIRCLE RENO, NV 89506  
Street No. Or P.O. Box, City, State and Zip Code.  
whose occupation is RANCHER and protests the granting  
of Application Number 73966, filed on 3/3, 2006  
by RED ROCK VALLEY RANCH LLC to appropriate the  
waters of BASIN 99 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:

SEE ATTACHMENT

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.

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Signed [Signature]  
Agent or protestant

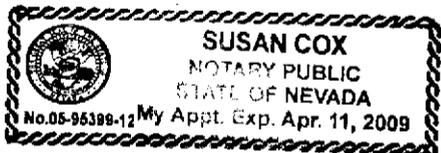
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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17 day of May, 2006

Susan Cox  
Notary Public



State of Nevada

County of Carson City

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May 15, 2006

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640 AFA is a lot of water to pump out of a small valley such as this one in basin 99. The owners of one property on Red Rock Road have 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 drops when the previous owners of Red Rock Valley Ranch LLC irrigated in the summer of 2005.

I have an irrigation well that I use to water crops and a domestic well for the house. The domestic well on my property would have to be drilled deeper and I am sure the irrigation well would have to be drilled deeper and might still run out of water as I am irrigating. My concern is that I will loose these wells completely. If I loose the irrigation well I would not be able to grow anything on this property. If there is no water this property and many others will lose their value.

These requests for transfer of this water is to pump the water from Red Rock Valley Ranch LLC to Lemon Valley. The water in this basin would not even be able to recharge. No one is able to tell me how deep the underground water is in basin 99.

Developers come in, buy the land with water rights. Buy other water rights from individuals willing to sell, and pump the water somewhere else. These developers don't even live here.

I would not be concerned if this water was being used for irrigation in this basin because the ground water would be recharged.

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