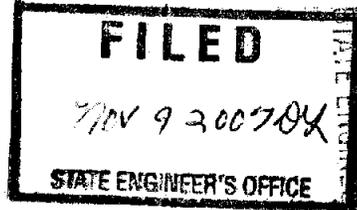


IN THE OFFICE OF THE STATE ENGINEER OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER...76281.....
FILED BY..CAVE VALLEY RANCH, LLC ...,
ON...SEPTEMBER 14, 2007..., TO APPROPRIATE THE WATERS
OF ..SHEEP CREEK (HYDROLOGICAL BASIN NO. 180)



PROTEST

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Comes now...SOUTHERN NEVEDA WATER AUTHORITY (HEREINAFTER "SNWA").....
Printed or typed name of protestant

whose post office address is..1001 S. VALLEY BLVD., LAS VEGAS, NEVADA 89107.....
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 ..76281....., filed on ..SEPTEMBER 14, 2007.....

byCAVE VALLEY RANCH, LLC.....to appropriate the
waters of ..SHEEP CREEK [HYROLOGICAL BASIN NO. 180].....situated inLINCOLN.....
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 A.....

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 *Kayrene Brothers*.....
Agent or protestant

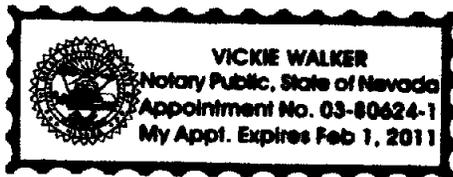
**KAYRENE BROTHERS
DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER, SNWA**

Printed or typed name, if agent

Address.....1001 S. VALLEY BLVD.....
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.....LAS VEGAS NEVADA, 89107.....
City, State and Zip Code No.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this *8th* day of *November*, 20*07*.....



Vickie Walker.....
Notary Public

State of *Nevada*.....

County of *Clark*.....

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Attachment A to SNWA Protests to Cave Valley Ranch Applications

This water right application should be rejected based on the following grounds:

1. No unappropriated water exists for this water right application. This water right application is junior to applications filed in Cave Valley by SNWA, and the SNWA applications will develop the full perennial yield of these valleys. Hence, no unappropriated water is available for this application.
2. The applicant cannot establish that a beneficial use of water can be accomplished with this application.
3. The application does not present a reasonable and economical project for future growth and development in Cave Valley, and is not the type of quasi-municipal project that water should be reserved for as basin of origin demands pursuant to the Interbasin Transfer criteria in NRS 533.370.
4. Development of this application will impact the senior water rights of SNWA.
5. Approval of this application will threaten to prove detrimental to the public interest because, among other reasons, the water resources in Cave Valley are necessary for senior uses.