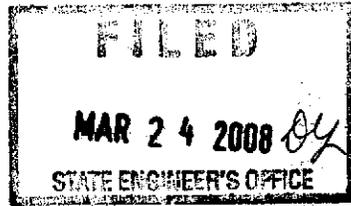


IN THE OFFICE OF THE STATE ENGINEER OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER 76645,
FILED BY REDROCK VALLEY RANCH LLC,
ON JANUARY 18, 2008, TO APPROPRIATE THE WATERS OF
THE STATE OF NEVADA

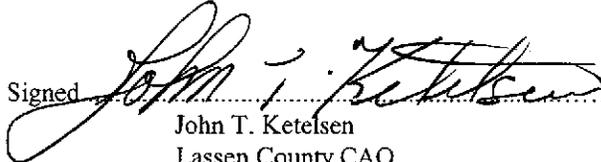


PROTEST

Comes now LASSEN COUNTY, whose post office address is 707 Nevada Street, Susanville, California 96130 and protests the granting of Application Number 76645, filed on January 18, 2008, by Redrock Valley Ranch LLC to appropriate the underground water situated in WASHOE County, State of Nevada, for the following reasons and on the following grounds, to wit:

PLEASE SEE EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO

THEREFORE the Protestant requests that the application be denied and that an order be entered for such relief as the State Engineer deems just and proper

Signed 
John T. Ketelsen
Lassen County CAO

Address: 707 Nevada Street
Susanville, CA 96130

Subscribed and sworn to before me thisday of....., 2008, by John T. Ketelsen, personally known to me to be the person who appeared before me.

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Notary Public

State of California, County of Lassen

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EXHIBIT "A"

Application 76645

1. Approval of the subject application will have an adverse impact on flows of Long Valley Creek, and accordingly, will adversely impact existing down-gradient ground-water users.
2. Approval of the subject application will have an adverse impact on groundwater within Red Rock Valley and the Lemmon Valley Hydrographic Basin, and accordingly will adversely impact existing water rights and existing down-gradient ground-water users.
3. Approval of the subject application will, on information and belief, constitute a withdrawal of more water from the basin than is allowed by law, pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes 533.271 (perennial yield principal), particularly when combined with other applications seeking to have the points of diversion changed to the same general area.
4. Approval of the subject application will, on information and belief, adversely impact existing water sources (springs and seeps) presently utilized and depended upon by livestock, wildlife, fisheries, and riparian vegetation.
5. Approval of the subject application is not in the public interest because, on information and belief, pumping of the volume of ground-water represented by the subject application, particularly when combined with other applications seeking to have the points of diversion changed to the same general area, will result in a water mining situation and long-term detrimental impact on the aquifer.
6. There is insufficient water in the proposed source.

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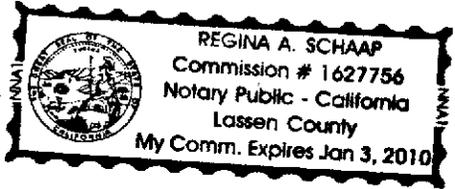
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State of California
County of Lassen

Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me on this
20th day of March, 2008 by
Date Month Year
(1) John T. Ketelsen
Name of Signer



proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence
be the person who appeared before me (.) (.)
(and
(2) N/A
Name of Signer

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Signature Regina A. Schaap
Signature of Notary Public

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OPTIONAL

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