

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

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER 78185
 FILED BY Robinson Nevada Mining Company of Ruth, NV
 ON March 25, 20 09, TO APPROPRIATE THE
 WATERS OF the State of Nevada

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Comes now Keith E Carson
Printed or typed name of protestant
 whose post office address is 3 Marietta Way, Ely, NV 89301
Street No. or PO Box, City, State and ZIP Code
 whose occupation is a small business owner and protests the granting
 of Application Number 78185, filed on March 25, 20 09
 by Robinson Nevada Mining Company of Ruth, NV to appropriate the
 waters of underground source situated in NE 1/4 NE 1/4 Section 15, T16N, R62E
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:

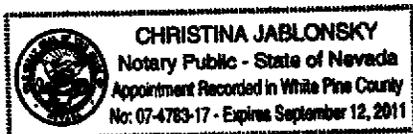
First, I protest this application, 78185, as it includes water associated with Application 77565, which has not yet been approved by the NV State Water Engineer. The office of the NV State Engineer Order 1198 states that the operator shall file one application to appropriate ground water in the amount equal to the total amount of ground water presently held under existing rights...

Secondly, Murry Springs is the primary water source for the city of Ely. Its current level is trending lower and lower in spite of a normal year of precipitation. It will require well pumping for the City to supply its citizens with enough water. It is my opinion that the current mining activities of Robinson Nevada Mining Company are responsible for the reduced flow of water from the spring. With approval of these water rights, the spring could be completely depleted and result in devastation of the City of Ely water supply.

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 Keith E. Carson
Agent or protestant
Keith E Carson
Printed or typed name, if agent
 Address 3 Marietta Way
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Ely, NV 89301
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775-289-3665
Phone Number

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22nd day of May, 20 09



Christina Jablonsky
Notary Public
 State of Nevada
 County of White Pine

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