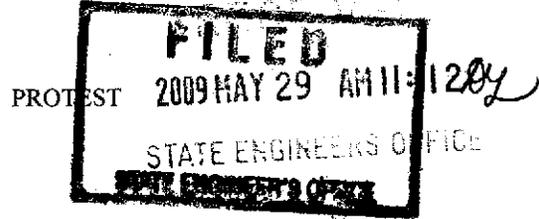


IN THE OFFICE OF THE STATE ENGINEER OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER 78381  
FILED BY RUBY PIPELINE LLC;  
ON April 24, 20 09, TO APPROPRIATE THE  
WATERS OF Underground



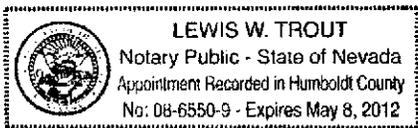
Comes now Robert J. Edwards  
Printed or typed name of protestant  
whose post office address is 5100 E. Winnemucca Blvd., Winnemucca Nevada 89445  
Street No. or PO Box, City, State and ZIP Code  
whose occupation is Humboldt River Field Office Manager, Bureau of Land Management and protests the granting  
of Application Number 78381, filed on April 24, 20 09  
by RUBY PIPELINE LLC; to appropriate the  
waters of Underground situated in Humboldt  
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:  
This proposed well location is on Public Property managed by the Winnemucca District of the Bureau of Land Management. There are no management systems or cooperative agreements in place for this well and the BLM would like more time to investigate this matter further.

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   
Agent or protestant  
Robert J. Edwards  
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Address 5100 E. Winnemucca Blvd.  
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775-623-1500  
Phone Number

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of MAY, 20 09



Notary Public  
State of NEVADA  
County of HUMBOLDT

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