

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

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER 79267  
FILED BY Southern Nevada Water Authority  
ON January 28, 20 10, TO APPROPRIATE THE  
WATERS OF underground

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Comes now William R. and Marjorie Coffman  
Printed or typed name of protestant

whose post office address is P.O. Box 9 Baker, NV 89311  
Street No. or PO Box, City, State and ZIP Code

whose occupation is retired and protests the granting

of Application Number 79267, filed on January 28, 20 10

by Southern Nevada Water Authority to appropriate the

waters of underground situated in White Pine

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:

We have a domestic well that supplies an amount of water barely sufficient for household use. Seldom does it produce enough water to enable us to develop landscaping and gardens around our house. Any depletion of water in the area could render this well totally unusable, leaving us with no water source for our property.

See attachment for more information.

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

*William R. and Marjorie Coffman*  
Agent for protestant  
*Marjorie Coffman*  
Printed or typed name, if agent

Address

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775-234-7306

Phone Number

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

12<sup>th</sup>

day of

April, 20 10



*Anita H. Hansen*  
Notary Public

State of

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County of

Millard

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**ATTACHMENT TO PROTEST OF William R. and Marjorie Coffman  
 AGAINST  
 APPLICATION NO. 79267, FILED January 28 2010  
 BY THE SOUTHERN NEVADA WATER AUTHORITY**

This attachment lists and briefly describes the reasons and grounds for this protest of William R. and Marjorie Coffman ("Protestant") against Application Number 79267. The Southern Nevada Water Authority ("SNWA" or "Applicant") has filed this Application to appropriate groundwater from White Pine County as part of its massive proposed network of wells and pipelines stretching across eastern Nevada from Clark County through Lincoln County and into White Pine County (the "Pipeline Project").

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1. There is insufficient water available in the proposed source of supply.

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2. The application and proposed use would conflict with existing water rights and protectable interests in domestic and/or ranch production and/or municipal wells.

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3. The appropriation and export of water proposed in this application would be detrimental to the public interest on environmental grounds and would be environmentally unsound as it relates to the proposed export basin:

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Harm to wildlife and wildlife habitat:

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Degradation of air quality:

Destruction of recreational and aesthetic values:

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Degradation of water quality:

Degradation of cultural resources:

Harm to state parks and state and federal wildlife refuges

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Harm to the Great Basin National Park including water, air, ecosystem, view shed, resources

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4. The appropriation and export of water proposed in this application would be detrimental to the public interest on economic grounds and would unduly limit future growth and development in the basin from which the export is proposed:

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Undue limitation of future economic activity and growth in the basin of origin:

Undue economic harm will extend to the economies and communities of downgradient hydrologically connected and downwind basins.

Loss of public lands grazing and forage

5. The proposed action is not an appropriate long-term use of Nevada's water:

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6. The Applicant has not justified the need to import water from another basin:

7. The Applicant has not implemented a sufficient conservation plan.

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8. The Applicant has not demonstrated the good faith intent or financial ability and reasonable expectation to actually construct the work and apply the water to the intended beneficial use with reasonable diligence.

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Changed circumstances, uncertain intent, doubtful financing:

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Failure to demonstrate ability to access land containing point of diversion.

9. Protestant reserves the right to amend this protest to include issues as they develop.

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10. Protestant incorporates other protests to SNWA's applications by reference.

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We have a domestic well which is minimally sufficient for household purposes. Rarely is there enough water available to allow us to develop gardening and landscape near our house. Any depletion of the water resource would make the well even less productive if not rendering it totally impossible to use. A drop in the water table would also make the use of our pump impossible.