

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

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER 79274
FILED BY Southern Nevada Water Authority
ON Jan 28, 2010, TO APPROPRIATE THE
WATERS OF underground Snake Valley

FILED
PROTEST
APR 13 2010
STATE ENGINEER'S OFFICE

Comes now Robin L. Crouch - Hidden Canyon Ranch, Inc.
Printed or typed name of protestant

whose post office address is P O Box 180 Baker NV 89311
Street No. or PO Box, City, State and ZIP Code

whose occupation is operator of guest ranch and protests the granting

of Application Number 79274, filed on Jan 28, 2010

by Southern Nevada Water Authority to appropriate the

waters of underground Snake Valley situated in Millard
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:

- 1. There is insufficient unappropriated water in the proposed source of supply;
 - 2. Proposed use would conflict with existing water rights and protectable interests in domestic and/or ranch production and/or municipal wells;
 - 3. Proposed use would be detrimental to the public interest on environmental grounds and would be environmentally unsound for the export basin;
 - 4. Proposed use would be detrimental to the public interest on economic grounds and would unduly limit future growth and development in the export basin;
 - 5. Proposed action is not an appropriate long-term use of water;
 - 6. Applicant has not justified the need to import water from another basin;
 - 7. Applicant has not implemented a sufficient water conservation plan; and
 - 8. Applicant has not demonstrated 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.
- Protestant reserves the right to amend this protest to include issues as they develop. Protestant incorporates other protests to SNWA's applications by reference.

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 Robin L. Crouch
Agent or protestant

Hidden Canyon Ranch, Inc - Robin L. Crouch
Printed or typed name, if agent

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of April, 2010



Anita S. Hansen
Notary Public

State of Utah

County of Millard

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