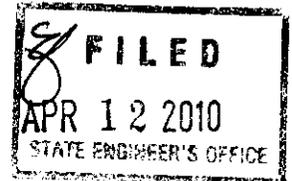


IN THE OFFICE OF THE STATE ENGINEER OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER 79288
FILED BY Southern Nevada Water Authority
ON January 28, 2010, TO APPROPRIATE THE
WATERS OF The Spring Valley Underground

PROTEST



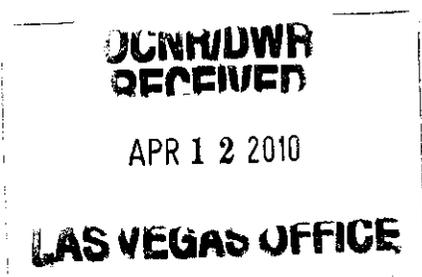
Comes now William and Katherine Rountree
Printed or typed name of protestant
whose post office address is HC 64 Box 64510 Ely NV 89301
Street No. or PO Box, City, State and ZIP Code
whose occupation is Self Employed and protests the granting
of Application Number 79288, filed on Jun 28, 2010

by Southern Nevada Water Authority to appropriate the
waters of Spring Valley underground situated in White Pine
Underground or name of stream, lake, spring or other source

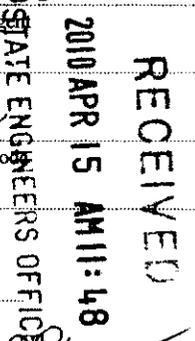
County, State of Nevada, for the following reasons and on the following grounds, to wit:
As holders of Permit # 5546 Certificate 714 (Turnley Springs)
we are certain that this pumping will adversely affect our
water right.
See Attached

THEREFORE the Protestant requests that the application be Denied

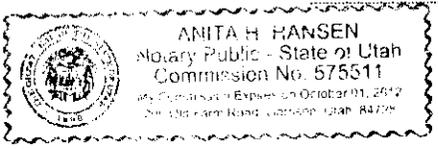
Denied, issued subject to prior rights, etc., as the case may be
and that an order be entered for such relief as the State Engineer deems just and proper.



Signed William Rountree Katherine Rountree
Agent or protestant
WILLIAM & KATHERINE ROUNTREE
Printed or typed name, if agent
Address HC 64 Box 64510
Street No. or PO Box
ELY NEVADA 89301
City, State and ZIP Code
(775) 234-7111
Phone Number



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



Anita Adams
Notary Public
State of Utah
County of Millard

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**ATTACHMENT TO PROTEST OF William & Katherine Rountree AGAINST
APPLICATION NO. 79288, FILED 1/28/2010,
BY THE SOUTHERN NEVADA WATER AUTHORITY**

This attachment lists and briefly describes the reasons and grounds for this protest of William & Katherine Rountree ("Protestant") against Application Number 79288. The Southern Nevada Water Authority ("SNWA" or "Applicant") has filed this Application to appropriate groundwater from Spring Valley 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").

- 1. There is insufficient water available in the proposed source of supply.
- 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.
- 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:
 - Harm to wildlife and wildlife habitat:
 - Degradation of air quality:
 - Destruction of recreational and aesthetic values:
 - Degradation of water quality:
 - Degradation of cultural resources:
 - Harm to state parks and state and federal wildlife refuges
 - Harm to the Great Basin National Park including water, air, ecosystem, view shed, resources
- 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:
 - 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:
- 6. The Applicant has not justified the need to import water from another basin:
- 7. The Applicant has not implemented a sufficient conservation plan.
- 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.
 - Changed circumstances, uncertain intent, doubtful financing:
 - 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.
- 10. Protestant incorporates other protests to SNWA's applications by reference.
- ADDITIONAL REASONS AND GROUNDS ON NEXT PAGE ⇨⇨⇨⇨⇨⇨

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