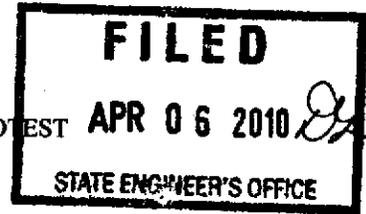


IN THE OFFICE OF THE STATE ENGINEER OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER 79389
FILED BY Virgin Valley Water District
ON February 1st, 20 10, TO APPROPRIATE THE
WATERS OF Underground



Comes now Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Nevada Division of State Parks

Printed or typed name of protestant

whose post office address is 901 S. Stewart Street, Suite 5005, Carson City, Nevada 89701-5248

Street No. or PO Box, City, State and ZIP Code

whose occupation is State of Nevada public agency

and protests the granting

of Application Number 79389

, filed on February 1st

, 20 10

by Virgin Valley Water District

to appropriate the

waters of underground

situated in Lincoln

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:

Appropriation of the requested underground rights by the Virgin Valley Water District would result in unavoidable and severe environmental damage at Beaver Dam State Park. The proposed large groundwater appropriations will have a negative impact on the prior rights of the Park for wells and springs within the Park (permits 21882 - 21885), as well as the downstream rights of neighboring ranch lands, which provide an important environmental buffer to the Park. These wells and springs provide water to the Parks recreational users, potable water system, and local wildlife. The environmental carrying capacity of the Park is very fragile and the removal of water will have a adverse impact in this region on wildlife and vegetation. The necessary pumps, pipes, and other water system elements could create a visual impact in the Park and within its' viewshed, and the installation could cause major environmental damage and disruptions to the recreational public use.

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

David K. Morrow
Agent or protestant

David K. Morrow, Administrator

Printed or typed name, if agent

Address

901 S. Stewart Street, Suite 5005

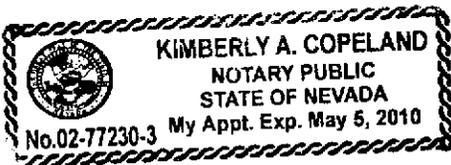
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Subscribed and sworn to before me this

29th

day of

March

, 20 10

Kimberly A. Copeland
Notary Public

State of Nevada

County of Carson City

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