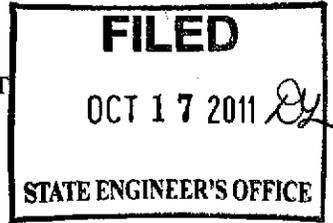


IN THE OFFICE OF THE STATE ENGINEER OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER 81060
FILED BY Southern Nevada Water Authority
ON August 12, 20 11



PROTEST



Comes now United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM)

Printed or typed name of protestant

whose post office address is HC 33 Box 33500, Ely Nevada, 89301-9408

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

whose occupation is Public Land Management

and protests the granting

of Application Number 81060, filed on August 12, 20 11

by Southern Nevada Water Authority (SNWA) for the

waters of Spring Creek situated in White Pine

an underground source 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. Applicant does not possess a right-of-way to access the POD which is situated on public land managed by BLM; 2. Approximately 10 acres of lentic and 0.6 miles of lotic riparian wildlife habitat are supported by Spring Creek that would be lost or otherwise adversely affected by the removal of water at the POD for use approximately 3 miles outside its natural course. Due to loss of critical wildlife habitat and other resources values BLM would not issue a right-of-way to the applicant to access public land; and 3. The Place of Use as described in the application 81060 appears to already possess enough water via an existing irrigation system of surface and groundwater to cultivate alfalfa or other feed crops given the accepted rate of 4 AFA per acre for Spring Valley. Existing certificated rights or pending applications provide about 4.42 AFA for use at the listed POU. Applications 81060 and 81066 would add another 0.7 AFA per acre to the same plot of land for a potential total of 5.12 AFA per acre of irrigated land.

THEREFORE the Protestant requests that the application be Denied.

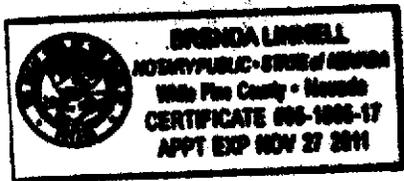
Denied, issued subject to prior rights, etc., as the case may be

and that an order be entered for such relief as the State Engineer deems just and proper.

Signed Ma Davis
Agent or protestant

Printed or typed name, if agent

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of October, 20 11

Brenda Linnell
Notary Public

State of White Pine Nevada
County of White Pine

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