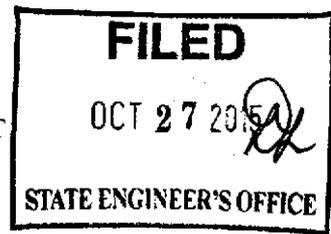


IN THE OFFICE OF THE STATE ENGINEER OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION NUMBER 85438
FILED BY Willow Creek Resources LLC
ON September 11, 20 15



PROTEST



Comes now Michael A. Stanka - authorized agent for Wood Stream Real Estate Holdings LLC

Printed or typed name of protestant

whose post office address is 3032 Silver Sage Drive, STE 101, Carson City, NV 89701

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

whose occupation is Licensed Water Rights Surveyor and Professional Engineer in the State of Nevada

and protests the granting

of Application Number 85438

, filed on September 11

, 20 15

by Willow Creek Resources LLC

for the

waters of Underground - Nevada Hydrographic Basin 072 - Imlay Area

situated in Pershing

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:

See Attachment "A"

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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

Agent or protestant

Michael A. Stanka

Printed or typed name, if agent

Address 3032 Silver Sage Dr., STE 101

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on October 27, 2015

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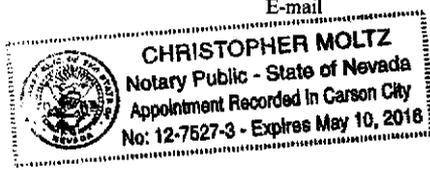
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Attachment "A"

- (1) Nevada Hydrographic Basin 072 - Inlay Area's groundwater resources are already fully appropriated. No groundwater is available.
- (2) Application 85438 states that a well is to be drilled at the same location as the POD for Permit No. 82041. A well already exists at this location (Well Log 121566) to service Permit No. 82041. Another well cannot be drilled at this location (or near it), as its' operations will reduce the production of the already existing well and infringe on Permit 82041.
- (3) The Applicant does not have authorization for use of the existing well. The Well was drilled by Wood Stream Real Estate Holdings LLC and also the existing permit 82041 is held by Wood Stream Real Estate Holdings LLC. The application of 85438, "Willow Creek Resources LLC" does not have authorization to use the existing well located at the proposed POD for any purposes.
- (4) The Applicant does not have a valid project for use of the Water for 85438. Existing permit 82041 includes a use of mining and milling within the proposed place of use. Additional water is not required for operation of the mining site at this time.
- (5) Application 85438 verbiage is a complete duplicate of Permit 82041. Stanka Consulting prepared application 82041 along with the accompanying map. The applicant of 85438 obviously does not understand what T-finite application is used for. It appears the applicant blindly copied the previous application.
- (6) Application 85438 states that "water is to be pumped from the ground and stored in pre-existing ponds..." Any pre-existing ponds within the proposed place of use are currently utilized by Wood Stream Real Estate Holdings LLC under Permit No. 82041. Attempting to utilize these ponds will infringe on operations currently authorized under Water Right Permit No. 82041.
- (7) Wood Stream Real Estate Holdings LLC is currently the lessee for Permit 13305 / Certificate 4461, to appropriate 2.0 c.f.s. from the waters of Willow Creek. The additional 1.34 c.f.s. applied for under Application 85438 could negatively impact the senior Willow Creek surface water right.

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