

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION 19155)
FILED AUGUST 26, 1960 BY ONA JEAN)
RICHARDSON TO APPROPRIATE WATER FROM)
AN UNDERGROUND SOURCE FOR IRRIGATION)
AND DOMESTIC PURPOSES IN HUMBOLDT)
COUNTY, NEVADA)

R U L I N G

Description of Application 19155:

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This application was filed August 26, 1960 by Ona Jean Richardson for permission to appropriate 5.5 c.f.s. of the waters from an underground source at a point within the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 30, T. 38 N., R. 37 E., M.D.B. & M., or at a point from which the N.W. corner Section 18, T. 38 N., R. 37 E., M.D.B. & M., bears N. 23° 36' W., 11,700.00 feet, to irrigate 320 acres of land within the E $\frac{1}{2}$ Section 30, T. 38 N., R. 37 E., M.D.B. & M., and for domestic purposes. Period of use of water is from January 1 to December 31 of each year. This application was filed in support of U. S. Desert Land Application Nev-055770.

General:

The underground water sought to be appropriated by application 19155 is in the Quinn River Valley Drainage Basin. Studies indicate that approved appropriations for underground water within this Valley exceed the amount available.

U. S. Bureau of Land Management, Reno, Nevada, informed the Nevada State Engineer by letter dated September 6, 1963 that Desert Land Entry Nev-055770 was rejected for the reason of determination of insufficient available water for the irrigation of additional land in the valley.

Opinion:

It is the opinion of this office that the granting of application 19155 to irrigate land that is not owned or controlled by the applicant, in an area where approved appropriations exceed amounts of water available would tend to impair the value of existing water rights and would be detrimental to the orderly development of the area.

RULING

Application 19155 is herewith denied on the grounds that its granting would tend to impair the value of existing rights and would otherwise be detrimental to the public welfare.

Respectfully submitted,

ELMO J. DeRICCO
State Engineer

BY:



George W. Hennen
Assistant State Engineer

Dated this 22nd day of
October, 1964.

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