

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION 20731)
FILED SEPTEMBER 21, 1962, BY ELLISON)
HOME RANCH, INC. TO APPROPRIATE)
GROUND WATER FOR IRRIGATION AND)
DOMESTIC USE IN QUINN RIVER BASIN,)
HUMBOLDT COUNTY, NEVADA.)

R U L I N G

GENERAL:

Application 20731 filed on September 21, 1962, by Ellison Home Ranch, Inc. for 6.0 c.f.s. of ground water to be diverted from a point within the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 27, T. 45 N., R. 37 E., M.D.B. & M. is to be used to irrigate 320 acres within the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 27, the S $\frac{1}{2}$ of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$, and the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 28, the N $\frac{1}{2}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ and the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 33, T. 45 N., R. 37 E. and for domestic purposes.

OPINION:

Ground water rights in this segment of the Quinn River Drainage Basin exceed the estimated ground water recharge. The average ground water production for 1964 and 1965 approximated the safe annual yield. The proposed point of diversion is within an area of dense well concentration. It is our opinion that the granting of additional ground water rights in the area for the irrigation of new land would adversely affect existing water rights and would be detrimental to the public welfare.

RULING

Application 20731 is hereby denied on the grounds that its granting would be detrimental to existing rights and to the public welfare.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated this 15th day
of December, 1966.