

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION)
15566, FILED BY R. L. GRESHAM)
TO APPROPRIATE WATER FROM AN)
UNDERGROUND SOURCE IN THE LAS)
VEGAS ARTESIAN BASIN, CLARK)
COUNTY, NEVADA.)

R U L I N G

GENERAL:

On March 24, 1954, R. L. Gresham applied for 0.10 c.f.s. of water from an underground source to be used for irrigation and domestic purposes. The point of diversion was to be in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 16, T. 20 S., R. 61 E., M.D.B.&M., and the place of use was to be five acres in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of said Sec. 16.

Order 196 issued on December 1, 1949, by the State Engineer states that no additional permits to appropriate underground water for irrigation purposes will be granted for a certain area of the designated Las Vegas Artesian Basin. The purpose of the order was to safeguard the domestic and industrial economy established within this heavily pumped area and to insure that the underground water be placed only to the highest beneficial use, namely, municipal, quasi-municipal, and domestic use. The point of diversion under Application 15566 is within the area covered under said Order 196.

RULING

Application 15566 is hereby denied on the grounds that the granting of the application would impair the value of existing rights and be detrimental to the public welfare.

Respectfully submitted,


ROLAND D. WESTERGARD
State Engineer

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Dated this 3rd day
of February, 1969.