

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION 20834)  
FILED BY ROBERT W. AND LENORE T. )  
HOPHENS TO APPROPRIATE UNDERGROUND)  
WATER FOR IRRIGATION AND DOMESTIC )  
PURPOSES IN DOUGLAS COUNTY, NEVADA)

R U L I N G

General:

Application 20834 was filed on November 7, 1962 for 4 c.f.s. from an underground source at a point within the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  NE $\frac{1}{4}$  Section 6 T. 13 N., 20 E.

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A protest to the granting of this application was filed on March 18, 1963 by John Indiano on the following grounds that:

1. Mr. Indiano claims a vested stock watering right to waters from his artesian well.
2. The lowering of the water in his well would jeopardize a long established stock watering system.
3. The lowering of the water will make it necessary to put in a pressure system at great expense.

A visit to the area revealed that:

1. Mr. Indiano's well was a 3-inch diameter well at least 300 feet in depth drilled about 1910.
2. The waters are used and have been used for stock and domestic purposes.
3. The proposed well is approximately one-half mile from the protestant's well.
4. There is one old irrigation well in the area that has been pumped for years without causing any difficulty and there is one new well that was test pumped at 1980 g.p.m. without damaging effect.

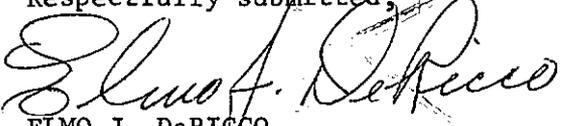
Opinion:

On the bases of this information it is the opinion of this office that the granting of this application well not interfere with existing water rights.

RULING

The Protests to the granting of Application 20834 are herewith overruled on the grounds that its granting will not impair the value of existing water rights or be otherwise detrimental to the public welfare. A permit will be issued under this application upon receipt of the statutory permit fee.

Respectfully submitted,

  
ELMO J. DeRICCO  
State Engineer

Dated this 12th day of

August, 1963