

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION)
22844 FILED TO APPROPRIATE)
WATER ON AN UNDERGROUND SOURCE,)
QUINN RIVER VALLEY, HUMBOLDT)
COUNTY, NEVADA)

R U L I N G

Application 22844 was filed on November 4, 1965 by Nevada Garvey Ranches, Inc., to appropriate 10.0 c.f.s. from an underground source for irrigation and domestic purposes. The point of diversion is to be located within the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ (Lot 3) Section 4, T 46 N, R38E, M.D.B.&M. The place of use is described as 960 acres within the W $\frac{1}{2}$ Section 4 and Section 5, T 46 N, R 38 E, M.D.B.&M. The application was protested on April 1, 1966 by some of the owners of wells within the Quinn River Valley Basin on the grounds: "According to the best information available, the underground waters of this basin are already over-appropriated. Therefore more appropriation would further deplete existing water reserves, thus interfering with already existing rights within this basin."

A field investigation and hearing in the matter of the application and protest were held on August 2, and August 3, 1966, respectively.

Records reveal that approved appropriations for underground water within the Quinn River Valley Basin exceed estimates of the perennial yield of the basin. Testimony given at the hearing in the matter of the application indicates that the proposed appropriation would adversely affect the existing rights.

Ruling

The protest to Application 22844 is upheld and the Application is denied on the grounds that the proposed appropriation would adversely affect existing water rights.

Respectfully submitted,

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