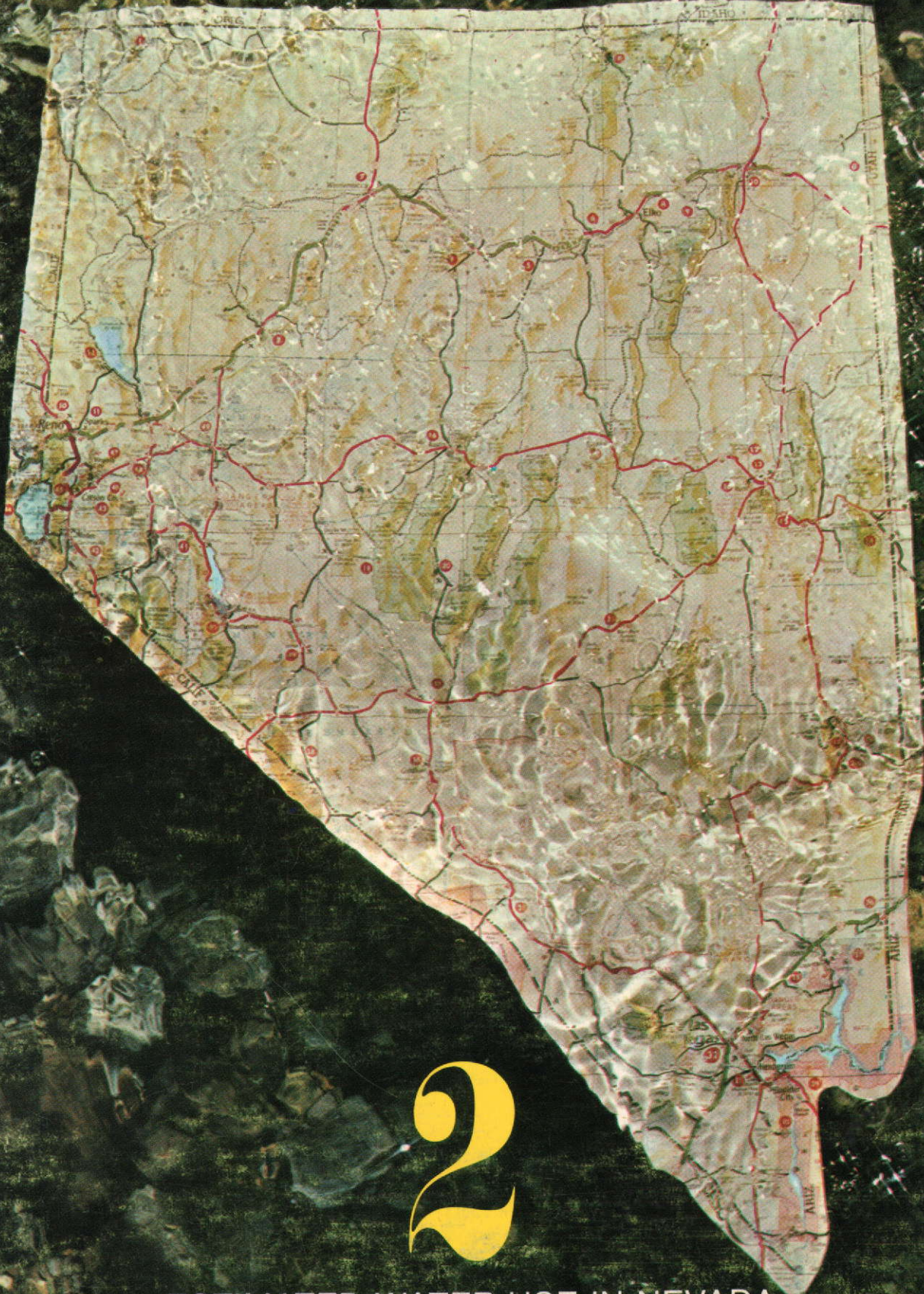


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TO THE CITIZENS OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

Planning Report No. 2, "Estimated Water Use in Nevada", has been prepared for the people of the State as part of the State Water Planning effort and covers one portion of the inventory phase of the State Water Plan. This Report was prepared by Thomas J. Smales of the Division of Water Resources and J. R. Harrill of the U. S. Geological Survey.

Presented in this Report are detailed estimates of water withdrawals by hydrologic regions and counties for irrigation, public supply, industrial, electrical power and rural purposes in Nevada in 1969, including estimates of the amount of water actually consumed for each of these purposes. Areas in Nevada associated with non-withdrawal use (evaporation losses) from lakes, rivers, reservoirs and streams are shown. Trends and changes in use are described for the period 1950-69 and a history of water development in each category of use is given.

The estimates provided in this Report will be used as one of the basis for making projections of future water requirements in the State for different types of uses for specified target dates.

Respectfully,

  
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