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Subject: A 300-Mile Pipeline is Not the Answer.

Dear Jason King,

Great Basin National Park is an extraordinary place--remote, scenic, and treasured by millions of Americans who value our national park system. Plans to pump millions and millions of gallons from the park's vast ecosystem greatly threaten what is special about this place.

I appeal to you, Mr. King, to dismiss questionable, ecologically-unsound plans to pump and move water from one location in Nevada more than 300 miles to Las Vegas. I appeal to you to respect Nevada's sole national park and make certain the park's resources are sustained for generations to come.

I live in Las Vegas, so I understand the amount of water we consume in this region. I also see a lot of water being wasted, both by the large resorts and by individual residents. More efforts should be made to enforce conservation here in the Las Vegas Valley so that we don't have to risk destroying one of our precious natural treasures. The Southern Nevada Water Authority has made efforts to educate the public and encourage conservation, but it isn't enough. Other areas of the country take much stricter measures when their water supplies are limited by drought. Enforced rationing may be inconvenient, but it should be the price we pay to live in the desert. Pumping water from other areas only delays the problems brought on by waste. When the rest of Nevada runs out of water, what will we do?

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

Sincerely,  
Ms. Amy Hugle

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