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# Please deny the demand from the Southern Nevada Water Authority for groundwater rights in White Pine and Lincoln counties.

1 message

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Dear King,

We believe the scientific information is overwhelming: Draining 50 billion gallons of groundwater from the Great Basin would devastate Native American communities, rural economies and wildlife habitat over a huge area.

Further, the families and small businesses of Las Vegas, recovering from a brutal recession, cannot afford the huge price tag for this project.

I roam the wilderness, parks, and wildlife refuges of central Nevada a lot and experience the thrills of seeing wildlife. This wildlife is most often congregating near the natural springs that depend on aquifers for their constant flow. Nevada would not be Nevada without these springs and the wildlife that depends on them.

By contrast, the Las Vegas metropolitan area may reach a plateau in its growth after it has done everything possible to conserve water (for which there is a lot more that can be done). I do not believe that it has to continue to grow beyond that plateau in order for its functioning businesses, gambling industry, and population to continue to flourish. Further, I do not believe that those businesses that flourish only by water-available growth need to continue forever in order for Nevada to flourish as a state.

If global warming reduces the allotment of currently available Colorado River water, this is a problem that must be solved through tackling that specific problem, not by decimating central Nevada by massive withdrawal of its water.

I urge you to deny the applications filed by the Southern Nevada Water Authority and support the best interests of all of Nevada.

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Sincerely,

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