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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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Jason King  
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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.

It's important for me that the Great Basin water stays in the Great Basin because of the personal experience that I have of this beautiful and pristine area. I do not believe that we have exhausted consevation approaches to water supply challenges in the Vegas Valley. Allowing growth in this area based on water imported from such a fragile and distant location may be expediant but not prudent. Minor miscalculations or unforeseen developments in this plan could lead to social and/or environmental catastrophe. The risk is too great at this piont in time.

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

Sincerely,

Mr. Kenneth Smith  
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