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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.

It's important for me that the Great Basin water stays in the Great Basin because of the personal experience that I have of the area. Las Vegas does not need more water. They are incredibly over built already. Any chance for more construction just reduces the value of the homes and businesses that have already been built.

Not to mention making all the people whose properties will loose value pay for the new infrastructure that is going to reduce their property values.

There is absolutely no beneficial purpose to sending more water to Las Vegas.

Incredible waste of money.

Go fly over the Reese River Valley. Look at the river as it comes in from the south. Look at the circle pivot sprinklers west of Arc Dome. Notice how the river disappears where the pivot pumps are.

How can they tell you that ground water pumping will not affect the surface waters?

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Does the State Engineer think that any claim for increased development is a legitimate beneficial use? There has to be a point when there has been enough new development. Why not have it be now instead of 10 or 20 years from now? The development industry will have to stop working there someday, those people will have to find other work, why can it not be now instead of later?

Why can't the people owning existing houses and buildings enjoy some increase in value if there is really more demand? Why do they have to compete with new construction? Where will the incentive be to improve existing properties if the value is kept low by new construction?

It seems obvious to me, Deny the water transfer.

Thank you,
P. Smith

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

Sincerely,

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