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

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Jason King NV

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. We have seen the water table drop dramatically due to deep wells for large irrigation systems of numerous pivots. If the water was sent to Las Vegas it would destroy the availability of a resource we depend on for homes as well as commercial enterprises. Some farms and ranches still use flood irrigation without which the hay crops and native grasses that livestock depend on would be devestated.

This water resource which is very fragile at present, will not be sustainable if it is bought and sent to Las Vegas. We have witnessed plans for water from the Martin Creek area to be sent to Reno for use by developers. I find this preposterous. If there is not sufficient water, then don't build. Let's take a lesson from the brutal drying up of the Owens Valley in California.

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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