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Jason King Nevada Division of Water Resources, 901. S. Stewart St., Suite 2002 Carson City, NV 89701

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

Dear Jason King,

I am writing to you regarding a great concern that is at issue in the state of Nevada; significant natural resources are about to be compromised by pending decisions concerning the proposed 300-mile pipeline to bring water from the Great Basin National Park to Las Vegas, Nevada. 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. This is not responsible economics nor responsible use and management of natural resources. Water is an essential natural resource. Over-building in areas that are incapble of reasonably sustaining their own development is faulty and mis-use of land and resources. Growth needs to be balanced with it's demand on natural resources. This approach to resolve Las Vegas's continued expansion is not only ecologically highly inappropriate, it is a purposterous financial plan to pour extravagent expenditures of public monies into a plan to prosper big development at the expense of current and future generations. I appeal to you to respect Nevada's sole national park and make certain the park's resources are sustained for generations to come.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

Sincerely, Mrs. Arlene Sloan