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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

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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.

Having moved to Baker fifty years ago to build a retirement home, I soon discovered that the Great Basin is under seige.

First, the USAF could afford to sink deep wells in search of water to deploy the MX missile in all these "empty" valleys. Upon the defeat of the MX plan, the newly discovered "underground river"

invited exploitation, and SNWA set out to claim this "unused" resource for municipal uses.

So far, the beautiful Great Basin landscape remains largely intact because it's in the care of people who live here, who farm here, or who manage and protect the teeming wildlife and forests of our vast public lands.

We can see that development here is inevitable, and our limited groundwater must be conserved as a fundamental element of a sustainable economy in a magnificent landscape.

I urge you to deny the applications filed by the Southern Nevada Water

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Authority and support the best interests of all of Nevada.

Sincerely,

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