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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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State Engineer Jason King NV

Dear State Engineer Jason King State Engineer 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.

I've lived and taught in Northern Nevada (Elko) and traveled often through Ely and Whit Pine County. Please, please do not take water from the Great Basin area for our selfish and greedy needs here in Las Vegas.

Poor planning with regard to growth here should not be a sufficient reason to punish the north and ruin the natural resources of other beautiful parts of our state. This is such an important issue to me, second only to the potentially disastrous re-opening of Yucca Mountain. We need to protect the rural parts of Nevada.

Las Vegas needs better planning, and a smaller population in a desert isn't necessarily a bad thing. Continued growth anywhere where there are limited resources is simply not sustainable.

Thank you for your time.

Lisa Bailey Native Nevadan

Sincerely,

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