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County of Lassen  
Department of Planning and Building Services

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April 22, 2026

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TO: Lassen County Board of Supervisors  
Agenda Date: April 28, 2026

FROM: Gaylon F. Norwood, Director

*MAN*

Zoning and Building  
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Phone: 530 257-5263

SUBJECT: Receive February 17, 2026, letter from the Nevada Division of Water Resources informing the Board of Supervisors of Sierra Pacific Industries's applications (94406 and 94407) to export 5,600-acre feet per year of groundwater from Lassen County Assessor Parcel Numbers 141-280-025 and 143-050-006 to Assessor Parcel Number 079-200-01 in Washoe County Nevada.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

1. Receive report; and
2. Authorize the Chairman to sign a letter to the Nevada State Engineer recommending that the applications be denied until the property owner has secured permits to export groundwater in accordance with Chapter 17.01 (Extraction and Exportation) of the Lassen County Code; and/or
3. Provide direction to staff.

**Summary:**

In a February 17, 2026, letter (attached), the Nevada Division of Water Resources informed the Board of Supervisors of Sierra Pacific Industries's intent to export 5,600-acre feet per year of groundwater from the above referenced parcels in Lassen County to a parcel in Washoe County Nevada. Nevada Division of Water Resources applications 94406 and 94407 are attached.

Lassen County has a groundwater exportation ordinance (attached) codified at Chapter 17.01 (Extraction and Exportation). Said ordinance requires a permit to export groundwater to Nevada.

The Board of Supervisors will make a recommendation to the Nevada State Engineer in accordance with NRS 533.363 (attached). The recommendation should be that the above permits be denied until the property owner has secured a permit to export groundwater to Nevada in accordance with County Code Chapter 17.01.

Attached is a proposed letter to Acting State Engineer with the Nevada Division of Water Resources from the Board of Supervisors.

:gfn  
Enclosures

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County of Lassen  
**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**



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April 28, 2026

Chris Thorson, P.E., Acting State Engineer  
 Nevada Division of Water Resources  
 901 S. Stewart Street, Suite 2002  
 Carson City, NV 89701

RE: Applications 94406 and 94407 filed by Sierra Pacific Industries proposing to export groundwater from Lassen County California to Washoe County Nevada

Dear Mr. Thorson:

This letter follows a letter to the Lassen County Board of Supervisors, dated February 17, 2026, from the Nevada Division of Water Resources (attached). Said letter informed Lassen County of Sierra Pacific Industries's (SPI) intent to export groundwater to Assessor Parcel Number 079-200-01 in Washoe County Nevada, from Assessor Parcel Numbers 141-280-025 and 143-050-006 located in Lassen County California.

Please be aware that Lassen County has an ordinance (attached) codified at Chapter 17.01 (Extraction and Exportation) of the Lassen County Code which requires a permit to export groundwater to Nevada. SPI was informed of this requirement. Until the above required permit is secured by SPI, we recommend that Applications 94406 and 94407 be denied.

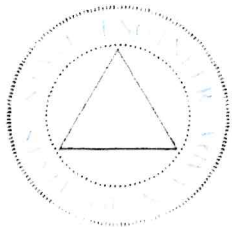
If you have any questions in regard to the above, please contact Planning and Building Services Department Director Gaylon Norwood by email at [gnorwood@co.lassen.ca.us](mailto:gnorwood@co.lassen.ca.us) or by phone at (530) 251-8269.

Sincerely,

Gary Bridges,  
 Chairman, Lassen County Board of Supervisors

cc: Sierra Pacific Industries

x/pla/admin/files/ 1203.06/Dry Valley



Nevada Department of  
**WATER RESOURCES**

STATE OF NEVADA  
Department of Conservation and Natural Resources



February 17, 2026

Washoe County  
Board of County Commissioners  
1001 E. Ninth Street  
Reno, Nevada 89512

Lassen County  
Board of County Supervisors  
220 S. Lassen St.,  
Suite 5,  
Susanville, CA 96130

RE: Applications 94406 and 94407

To Whom It May Concern:

Sierra Pacific Industries filed Applications 94406 and 94407 on May 19, 2025. Applications 94406 and 94407 propose to appropriate water in Lassen County, California from an underground source and place a portion of the water being diverted to beneficial use in Washoe County, Nevada.

Copies of the application and its supporting map can be viewed and/or printed from the Division's website, <http://water.nv.gov>.

As a result of this proposed filing, our office is required to notify the County Commissioners of both counties pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 533.363. I would like to draw your attention to NRS 533.363 Section 4, which addresses the responsibilities of the Board of County Commissioners in this matter. A copy of NRS 533.363 is enclosed for your convenience.

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**LASSEN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF  
PLANNING AND BUILDING SERVICES**

Washoe and Lassen County  
February 17, 2026  
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Should you have any questions, please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,



Chris Thorson, P.E.,  
Acting State Engineer

CMT/mh

Enclosure: NRS 533.363

cc: Sierra Pacific Industries  
Buckhorn Land & Livestock, LLC  
Lansing-Arcus LLC  
Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, E-mail  
Donahoe Hydro-Geo LLC., E-mail  
Taggart & Taggart Ltd., E-mail  
TEC Civil Engineering Consultants, E-mail

**NRS 533.363 State Engineer to notify county commissioners of application to use water in county other than that in which it is appropriated or currently diverted or used.**

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, if water for which a permit is requested is to be used in a county other than that county in which it is to be appropriated, or is to be diverted from or used in a different county than that in which it is currently being diverted or used, then the State Engineer shall give notice of the receipt of the request for the permit to:

(a) The board of county commissioners of the county in which the water for which the permit is requested will be appropriated or is currently being diverted or used; and

(b) The board of county commissioners of the county in which the water will be diverted or used.

2. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply:

(a) To an environmental permit or a temporary permit issued pursuant to [NRS 533.436](#) or [533.504](#).

(b) If:

(1) The water is to be appropriated and used; or

(2) Both the current and requested place of diversion or use of the water are,

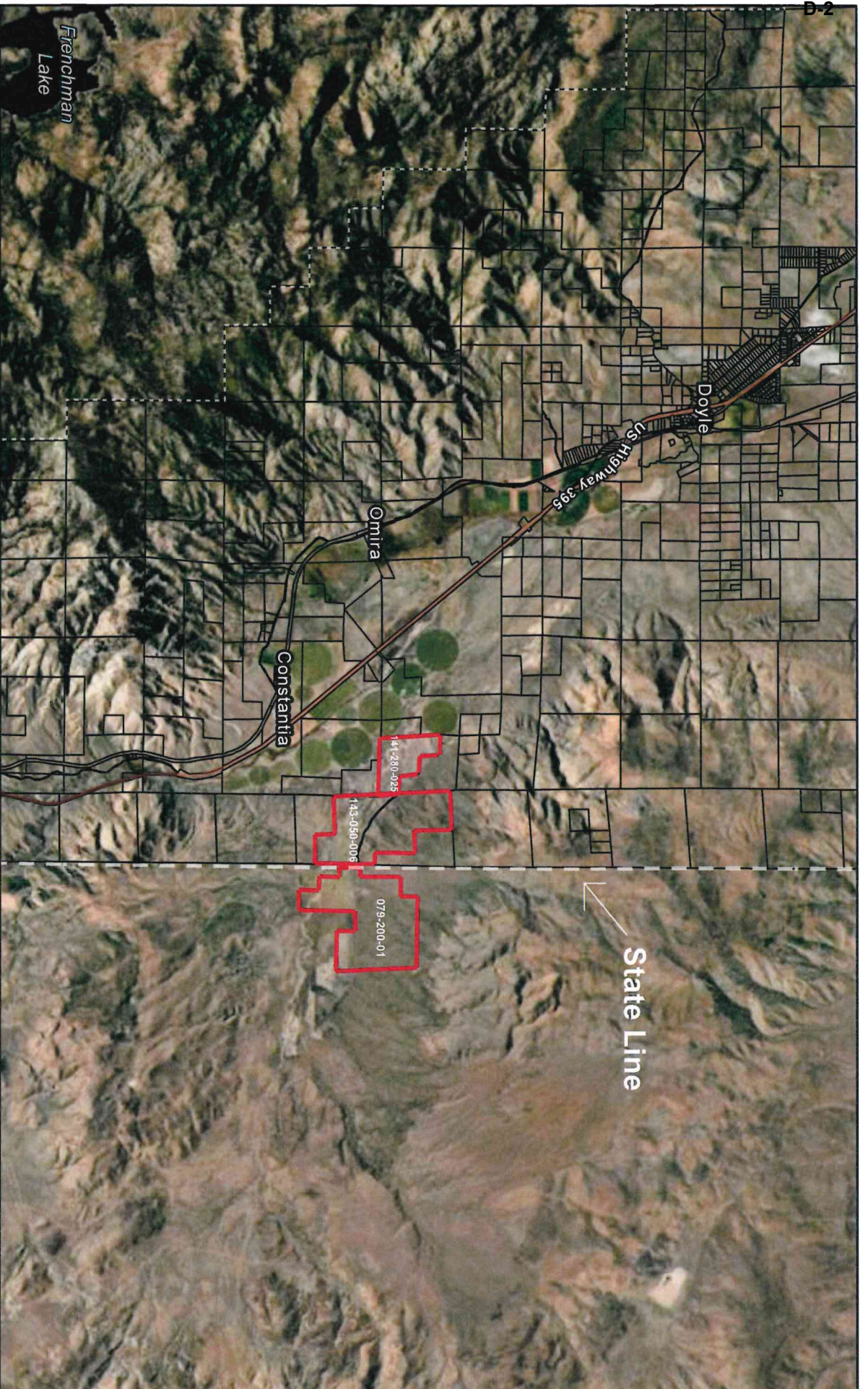
↪ within a single, contiguous parcel of real property.

3. A person who requests a permit to which the provisions of subsection 1 apply shall submit to each appropriate board of county commissioners a copy of the application and any information relevant to the request.

4. Each board of county commissioners which is notified of a request for a permit pursuant to this section shall consider the request at the next regular or special meeting of the board held not earlier than 3 weeks after the notice is received. The board shall provide public notice of the meeting for 3 consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in its county. The notice must state the time, place and purpose of the meeting. At the conclusion of the meeting the board may recommend a course of action to the State Engineer, but the recommendation is not binding on the State Engineer.

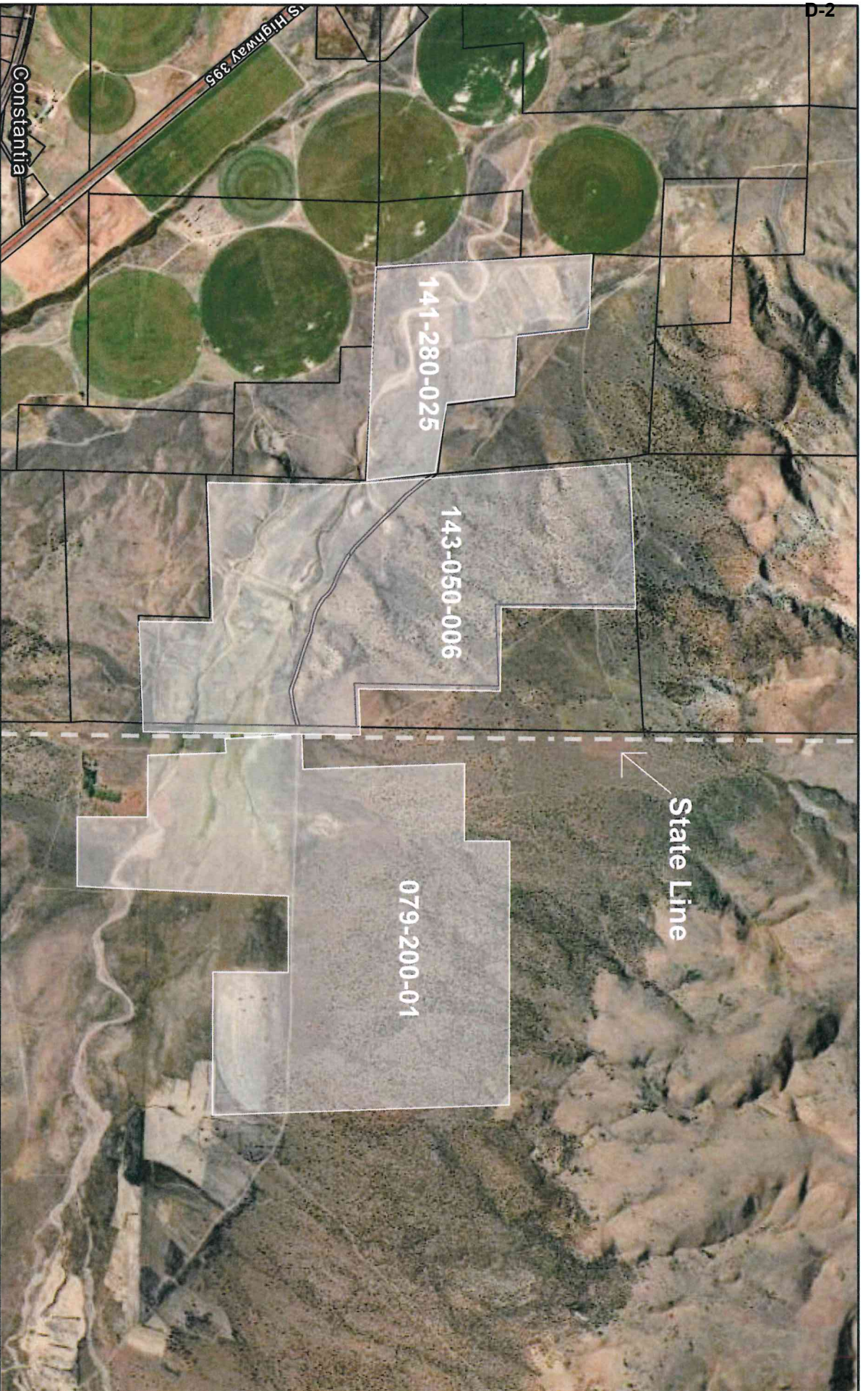
(Added to NRS by [1981, 782](#); A [1991, 758](#); [2011, 1565](#); [2013, 498, 3679](#))

# Vicinity Map for Dry Valley Subject Parcels

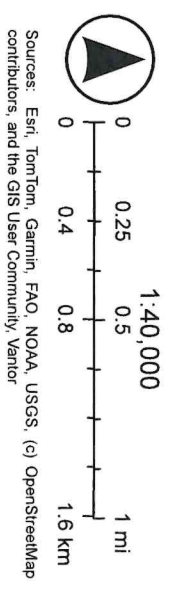


3/30/2026

# Dry Valley Subject Parcels



3/30/2026



ORIGINAL Application No. 94406

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO APPROPRIATE THE PUBLIC WATERS OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

THIS SPACE FOR OFFICE USE ONLY
Date of Filing in State Engineer's Office MAY 19 2025
Returned to applicant for correction JUN 09 2025
Corrected Application filed Map filed MAY 19 2025

The applicant SIERRA PACIFIC INDUSTRIES
P.O. Box 496014 of Redding
Street Address or P.O. Box City or Town
California 96049 jhiggins@spi-ind.com
State and ZIP Code E-mail Address

hereby make(s) application for permission to appropriate the public waters of the State of Nevada, as hereinafter stated.
(If applicant is a corporation, give date and place of incorporation; if a copartnership or association, give names of members.)

Sierra Pacific Industries incorporated in California in 1974 and in Delaware in 2024. It is a Delaware corporation.

- 1. The source of water is Underground
2. The amount of water applied for is 0 from Nevada sources. 2800 AFA/6.68 CFS from CA (see Item 13)
3. The water is to be used for Irrigation
4. If use is for:
(a) Irrigation, state number of acres to be irrigated 700
(b) Stockwater, state number and kind of animals
(c) Other use (describe fully in No. 12)
(d) Power:
(1) Horsepower developed
(2) Point of return of water to stream

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5. The water is to be diverted from its source at the following point: (Describe as being within a 40-acre subdivision of public survey, and by course and distance to a found section corner. If on unsurveyed land, it should be so stated.)

Within Lot 7, of Section 7, T.24N., R.18E., M.D.B.&M., or at a point from which the SW corner of Section 8, T.24N., R.18E., M.D.B.&M., bears S10°52'09"E; a distance of 3,744 feet. Please refer to the supporting map for this Application.

6. Place of use: (Describe by legal subdivision. If on unsurveyed land, it should be so stated)

Please refer to Attachment "A" and the Supporting Map accompanying Applications 84688, 84689, 88742, and 88743.

7. Use will begin about January 1 and end about December 31 of each year.  
Month and Day Month and Day

8. Description of proposed works. (Under the provisions of NRS 535.010 you may be required to submit plans and specifications of your diversion or storage works.) (State manner in which water is to be diverted, i.e. diversion structure, ditches and flumes, drilled well with a pump and motor, etc.)

New well to be equipped with pump, motor and flow meter. Power and transmission systems will also be constructed to divert and place the water to beneficial use. See Attachment B.

9. Estimated cost of works: \$5 million

10. Estimated time required to construct works: 3 years  
(If the well is complete, describe works.)

11. Estimated time required to complete the application of water to beneficial use: 5 years

12. Provide a detailed description of the proposed project and its water usage (use attachments if necessary): (Failure to provide a detailed description may cause a delay in processing )

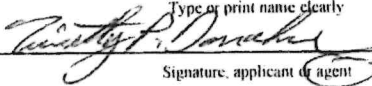
See Attachment B.

13. Miscellaneous remarks:

No water will be pumped/drawn from Nevada sources. All water that is placed to use in Nevada will be imported from California. SPI has the legal right to pump groundwater in California by nature of its ownership of the overlying land. See City of Barstow v. Mojave Water Agency, 5 P.3d 853, 860 n.7 (Cal. 2000).

Please also include Debbie Leonard on all correspondence related to this Application. debbie@leonardlawpc.com

Tim@DonahoeHydroGeo.com  
E-mail Address  
(775) 544-3826  
Phone No. Ext

Timothy P. Donahoe  
Type or print name clearly  
  
Signature, applicant or agent  
Donahoe HydroGeo LLC.  
Company Name  
3280 Lapwing Lane  
Street Address or PO Box  
Reno, NV 89509  
City, State, ZIP Code

APPLICATION MUST BE SIGNED BY THE APPLICANT OR AGENT

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AMENDED  
Attachment "A"

Proposed Place of Use

Applications 94406 and 94407

Refer to Supporting Map for Applications 84688, 84689, 88742, and 88743

Subdivision	State	Section	Township	Range
L4 W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	California	36	25N	17E
L3 (portion)				
L4 L5 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ (portion)	California	1	24N	17E
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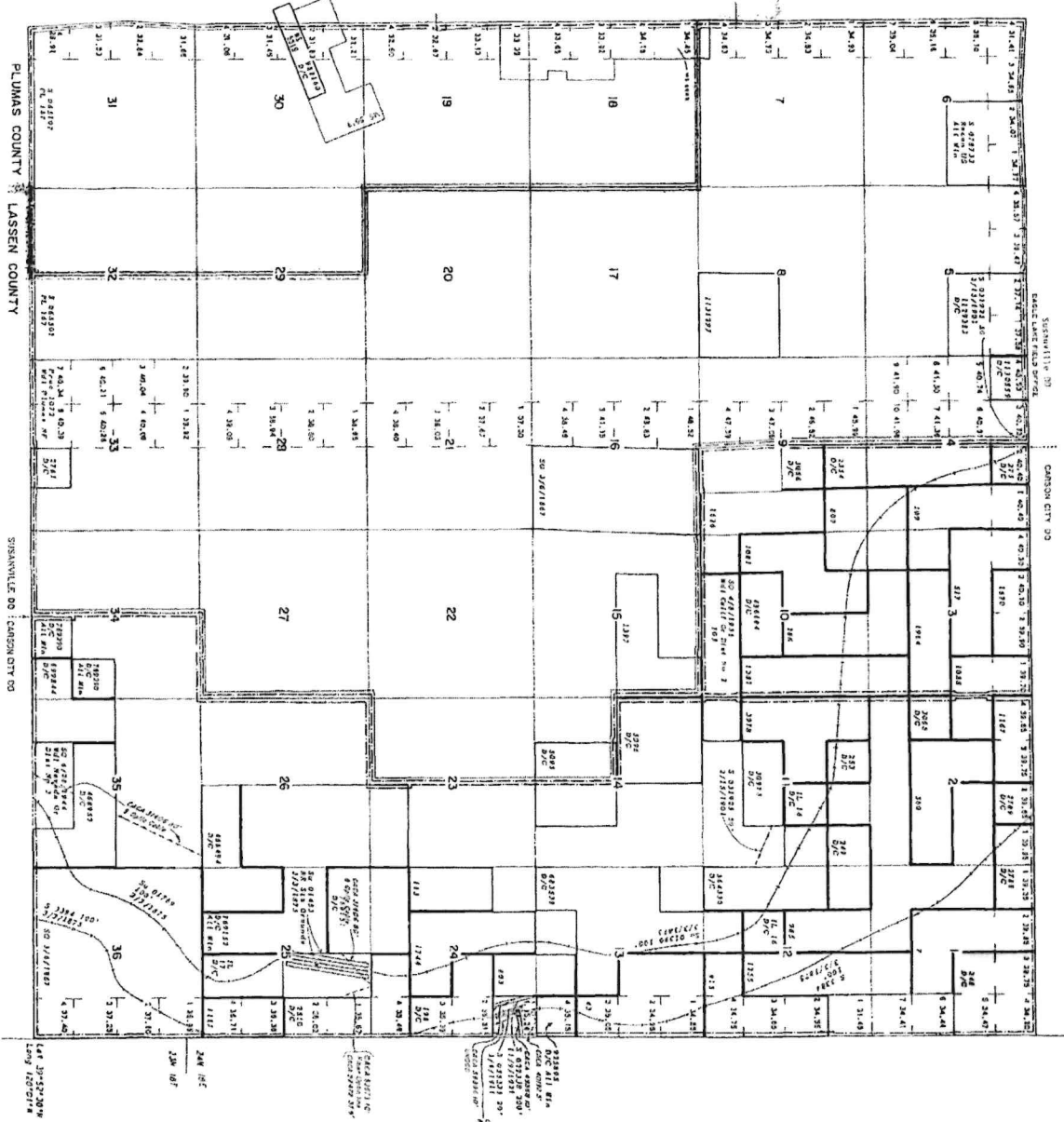
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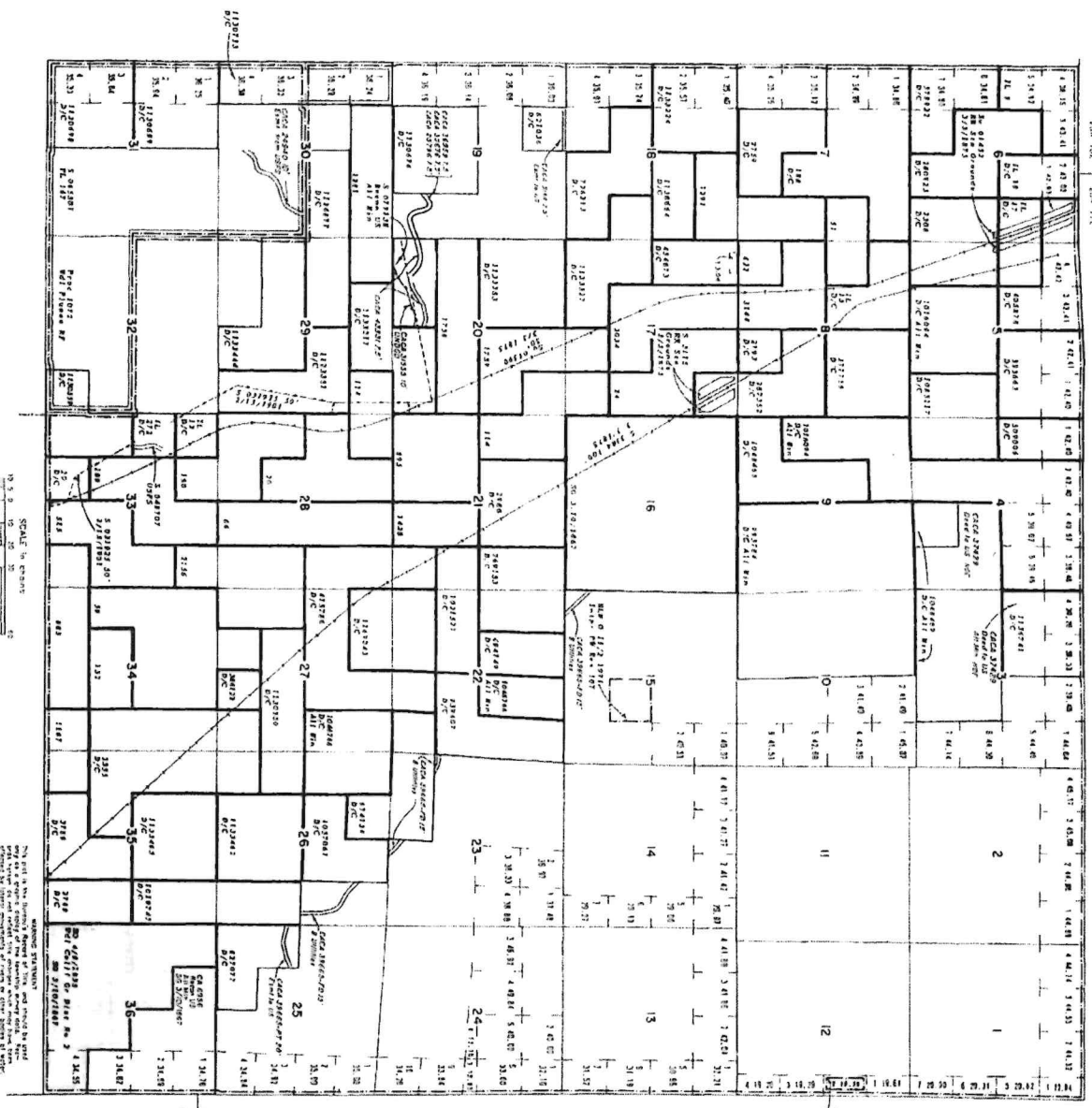
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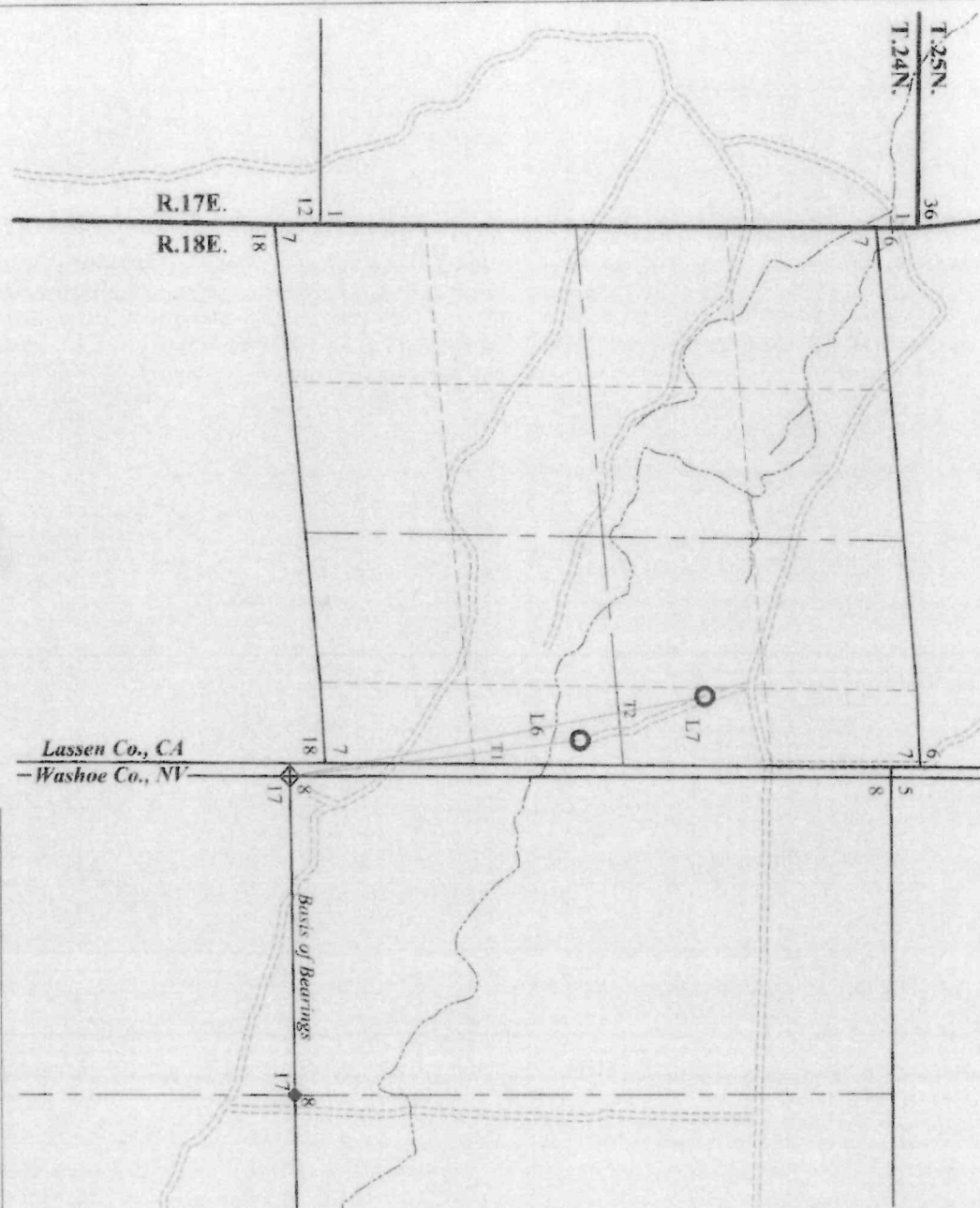
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PROPOSED POINTS OF DIVERSION  
 LOT 6 AND LOT 7, SECTION 7, T.24N., R.18E., M.D.B.&M.

STATE OF NEVADA }  
 COUNTY OF WASHOE } SS

Sheet 1 of 1



- LEGEND**
- COUNTY / STATE BOUNDARY
  - TOWNSHIP LINE
  - SECTION LINE
  - 1/4 SECTION LINE
  - 1/2 SECTION LINE
  - 3/4 SECTION LINE
  - UNIMPAVED ROAD
  - STRIP
  - ◇ FOUND SECTION CORNER (BRASS CAP)
  - ◆ FOUND 1/4 SECTION CORNER (BRASS CAP)
  - PROPOSED POINT OF DIVERSION

**BASIS OF BEARINGS(S)**  
 THE MOST S. OF THE SOUTH LINE OF SECTION 6, T.24N., R.18E., M.D.B.&M. BEARING N75°56'18" W. 151.01'

**SURVEY TIES**  
 T1) 207°31'11", A DISTANCE OF 2,098 FEET (TODD WELL)  
 T2) 270°30'00", A DISTANCE OF 2,144 FEET (TODD WELL)

**REFERENCE DOCUMENTS**

- 1) U.S. B.L.M. DEPARTMENT RECONVEY PLAY AND FIELD NOTES FOR NEVADA PORTION OF T.24N., R.18E., M.D.B.&M. ACCEPTED ON SEPTEMBER 11, 1917
- 2) U.S. B.L.M. SECTION 7, 18E., M.D.B.&M. ACCEPTED ON SEPTEMBER 11, 1917
- 3) CALIFORNIA PORTION OF T.24N., R.18E., M.D.B.&M. APPROVED ON MARCH 22, 1917
- 4) U.S. B.L.M. DEPARTMENT, BUREAU OF PLATONING, PUBLIC LAND SURVEY, SPERRY DATA FOR T.24N., R.18E., M.D.B.&M.

*2. J. P. Donahoe*  
 REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER NO. 1045  
 THE 19<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2025  
 WASHINGTON STATE  
 NOTARY PUBLIC IN AND FOR WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA  
 MY COMMISSION EXPIRES: 04/11/2028



I, THE STATE ENGINEER, BEING FIRST DULY SWORN, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE POINTS OF DIVERSION AND BEARINGS SHOWN ON THE ABOVE MAP WERE PROPOSED BY THE ENGINEER AND APPROVED BY ME ON APRIL 11, 2025. I HAVE REVIEWED THE SURVEY RECORDS AND FOUND THEM TO BE CORRECT AND ACCURATE. I HAVE ALSO REVIEWED THE STATE ENGINEER, THE LASSEN AND WASHOE COUNTY ASSESSOR'S OFFICES, AND THE U.S. BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, THAT THIS MAP TRULY AND CORRECTLY REPRESENTS THE PROPOSED POINTS OF DIVERSION AND BEARINGS FOR THE ABOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY. I HAVE ALSO REVIEWED THE RECORDS OF THE WASHOE COUNTY ENGINEER AND THE WASHOE COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, AND I HAVE FOUND THEM TO BE CORRECT AND ACCURATE. I HAVE ALSO REVIEWED THE RECORDS OF THE WASHOE COUNTY ENGINEER AND THE WASHOE COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, AND I HAVE FOUND THEM TO BE CORRECT AND ACCURATE. I HAVE ALSO REVIEWED THE RECORDS OF THE WASHOE COUNTY ENGINEER AND THE WASHOE COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, AND I HAVE FOUND THEM TO BE CORRECT AND ACCURATE.

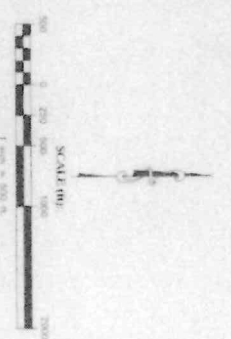
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**DONAHOE**  
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MAP TO ACCOMPANY APPLICATIONS TO APPROPRIATE WATER FOR IRRIGATION PURPOSES BY SIERRA PACIFIC INDUSTRIES AN UNDERGROUND SOURCE LASSEN COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

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94407

Application No. \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO APPROPRIATE THE PUBLIC WATERS OF THE STATE OF NEVADA**

THIS SPACE FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
Date of Filing in State Engineer's Office	<u>MAY 19 2025</u>
Returned to applicant for correction	<u>JUN 09 2025</u>
Corrected Application filed _____	Map filed <u>MAY 19 2025</u> under <u>94406</u>

The applicant SIERRA PACIFIC INDUSTRIES

P.O. Box 496014 of Redding

Street Address or P.O. Box City or Town

California 96049 jhiggins@spi-ind.com

State and ZIP Code E-mail Address

hereby make(s) application for permission to appropriate the public waters of the State of Nevada, as hereinafter stated. (If applicant is a corporation, give date and place of incorporation; if a copartnership or association, give names of members.)

Sierra Pacific Industries incorporated in California in 1974 and in Delaware in 2024. It is a Delaware corporation.

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- The source of water is Underground  
Name of the stream, lake, underground, spring or other sources.
  - The amount of water applied for is 0 from Nevada sources. 2800 AFA/6.68 CFS from CA (see Item 13)  
Give diversion rate in cubic feet per second (CFS) AND duty in acre-feet annually (AFA)
    - If stored in a reservoir give the number of acre-feet \_\_\_\_\_
  - The water is to be used for Irrigation  
Irrigation, power, mining, commercial, domestic or other use Must be limited to one major use
  - If use is for:
    - Irrigation, state number of acres to be irrigated 700
    - Stockwater, state number and kind of animals \_\_\_\_\_
    - Other use (describe fully in No. 12) \_\_\_\_\_
    - Power:
      - Horsepower developed \_\_\_\_\_
      - Point of return of water to stream \_\_\_\_\_

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5. The water is to be diverted from its source at the following point: (Describe as being within a 40-acre subdivision of public survey, and by course and distance to a found section corner. If on unsurveyed land, it should be so stated.)

Lost Well located within Lot 6, of Section 7, T.24N., R.18E., M.D.B.&M., or at a point from which the SW corner of Section 8, T.24N., R.18E., M.D.B.&M., bears S07°03'11"E; a distance of 2,598 feet. Please refer to the supporting map for this Application.

6. Place of use: (Describe by legal subdivision. If on unsurveyed land, it should be so stated)

Please refer to Attachment "A" and the Supporting Map accompanying Applications 84688, 84689, 88742, and 88743.

7. Use will begin about January 1 and end about December 31 of each year.  
Month and Day Month and Day

8. Description of proposed works. (Under the provisions of NRS 535.010 you may be required to submit plans and specifications of your diversion or storage works.) (State manner in which water is to be diverted, i.e. diversion structure, ditches and flumes, drilled well with a pump and motor, etc.)

Existing drilled and cased well to be equipped with pump, motor and flow meter. Power and transmission systems will also be built to divert and place the water to beneficial use. No well log is available.

9. Estimated cost of works: \$5 million

10. Estimated time required to construct works: 3 years

(If the well is complete, describe works.)

11. Estimated time required to complete the application of water to beneficial use: 5 years

12. Provide a detailed description of the proposed project and its water usage (use attachments if necessary): (Failure to provide a detailed description may cause a delay in processing.)

Water will be pumped from the existing Lost Well, then piped to wheeled sprinkler lines and ditch networks to irrigate 700 acres of land located within Washoe County, Nevada and Lassen County, California. See Attachment B.

13. Miscellaneous remarks:

No water will be pumped/drawn from Nevada sources. All water that is placed to use in Nevada will be imported from California. SPI has the legal right to pump groundwater in California by nature of its ownership of the overlying land. See City of Barstow v. Mojave Water Agency, 5 P.3d 853, 860 n.7 (Cal. 2000).

Please also include Debbie Leonard on all correspondence related to this Application. debbie@leonardlawpc.com

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Attachment "A"

Proposed Place of Use

Applications 94406 and 94407

Refer to Supporting Map for Applications 84688, 84689, 88742, and 88743

Subdivision	State	Section	Township	Range
L4 W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	California	36	25N	17E
L3 (portion) L4 L5 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ (portion)	California	1	24N	17E
W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	Nevada	4	24N	18E
L3 L4 L5 L6 L7 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	California	5		
L1 L2 E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ L7 L8 W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ L6 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ L10	California	6		
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## Title 17. Groundwater

### Chapter 17.01. EXTRACTION AND EXPORTATION

#### Article I. Declaration of Findings and Purpose

##### § 17.01.010. Regulation of the extraction for exportation of groundwater from Lassen County.

The board finds and declares:

- (1) The groundwater underlying Lassen County has historically provided the people and lands of Lassen County with water for agricultural, domestic, municipal and other purposes.
- (2) The board recognizes the principle developed in the case law of California that water may be appropriated from a groundwater basin if the groundwater supply is surplus and exceeds the reasonable and beneficial needs of overlying users.
- (3) It is essential for the protection of the health, welfare, and safety of the residents of the county, and the public benefit of the state, that groundwater resources of Lassen County be protected from harm resulting from the extraction of groundwater for use outside the county.
- (4) Much of the farm production of the county depends upon the use of groundwater to produce field and vegetable crops which significantly contribute to the gross value of all agricultural crops produced in the county.
- (5) Much of the water supply for residential needs in the county is provided by groundwater.
- (6) The groundwater of Lassen County is and will be a vital part of future water use in the county.
- (7) The county seeks to foster prudent water management practices to avoid significant adverse overdraft-related environmental, social, and economic impacts. It is therefore essential for the protection of the county's important groundwater resources that the county require a permit to extract groundwater for use outside the county. This chapter requires a permit for the export of groundwater outside the county and is not intended to regulate groundwater in any other way.
- (8) In adopting the ordinance codified in this chapter, the county in no way intends to limit either the county or other public entities, including the Modoc-Lassen flood control district, in managing groundwater under the Groundwater Management Act, the Honey Lake Valley Groundwater Basin Act, the Long Valley Groundwater Basin Act, the Willow Creek Valley Groundwater Basin Act, the Surprise Valley Groundwater Basin Act, and any other applicable laws in a manner consistent with any groundwater management plan adopted by the county or the districts.

(Ord. 539 § 1, 1999)

#### Article II. Definitions

##### § 17.01.020. Definitions.

**"Aquifer"** means a geologic formation that stores, transmits and yields any quantity of water to wells and springs.

**"Board"** means the board of supervisors of Lassen County.

**"Commission"** means the planning commission of the county of Lassen.

**"County"** means the county of Lassen.

**"Director"** means the director of community development or his designee.

**"District"** means an entity wholly or in part located within the boundaries of the county, which is a purveyor of waters for agricultural; domestic, or municipal use.

**"Export"** means exportation via a pipeline, and/or natural or artificial water channel.

**"Groundwater"** means all water beneath the surface of the earth which is capable of being extracted, and includes, but is not limited to, water occurring in a defined pool or aquifer.

**"Groundwater management act"** means Water Code §§ 10750 et seq.

**"Hydraulic gradient"** means the slope of the water table.

**"Hydrology"** means the origin, distribution, and circulation of water through precipitation, stream flow, infiltration, groundwater storage, and evaporation.

**"Overdraft"** means the condition of a groundwater supply in which the amount of water withdrawn by pumping exceeds the amount of water replenishing the supply over a period of time and also the point at which extractions from the supply exceed its safe yield plus any temporary surplus.

**"Percolation"** means the movement of water through the soil to the groundwater table.

**"Permeability"** means the capability of the soil or another geologic formation to transmit water.

**"Piezometric surface"** means the surface to which the water in a confined aquifer will rise.

**"Porosity"** means voids or open spaces in alluvium, other soils and/or rocks that can be filled with water.

**"Recharge"** means flow to groundwater storage from precipitation, irrigation, infiltration from streams, spreading basins and other sources of water.

**"Safe yield"** means the maximum quantity of water which can be withdrawn annually from a groundwater supply under a given set of conditions without causing overdraft or adverse water quality conditions or an undesirable result. The phrase "undesirable result" is intended to refer to a lowering of the groundwater levels resulting in, or tending to result in, the eventual depletion of or the substantial diminution of the supply of water. Specifically, "safe yield" is the amount of water which can be withdrawn without:

- (1) Exceeding in any calendar year the long-term mean annual water supply of the basin (considering all sources of recharge and withdrawal);
- (2) Lowering water levels so as to make further drilling of water wells uneconomical;
- (3) Causing water pumped from the basin to deteriorate below drinking water standards;
- (4) Violating water rights or restrictions in pumpage in the groundwater basin as established by court adjudication or application of state or federal law;
- (5) Other observable environmental damage.

**"Specific capacity"** means the volume of water pumped from a well in gallons per minute per foot of draw-down.

**"Spreading water"** means discharging native or imported water to a permeable area for the purpose of allowing it to percolate to the zone of saturation. Spreading, artificial recharge and replenishment all refer to operations used to place water in a groundwater table.

**"Transmissivity"** means the rate of flow of water through an aquifer.

**"Usable storage capacity"** means the quantity of groundwater of acceptable quality that can be economically withdrawn from storage.

**"Water table"** means the surface or level where groundwater is encountered in a well in an unconfined aquifer.

**"Water year"** means the year beginning March 1st and ending the last day of the following February.

**"Zone of saturation"** means the area below the earth surface in which the soil is completely saturated with groundwater.

(Ord. 539 § 1, 1999)

## Article III. Permit Process

### § 17.01.030. Permit required for export for use outside county.

It is unlawful to extract groundwater underlying county, directly or indirectly, for use of that groundwater so extracted, outside county boundaries, without first obtaining a permit as provided in this chapter. The extraction of groundwater to replace a surface water supply to be transferred for use outside county boundaries shall be considered an indirect extraction of groundwater for purposes of this section, which shall require a permit. This chapter shall not apply for the extraction of groundwater (1) to prevent the flood of lands or (2) prevent the saturation of the root zone of farm land, or (3) for use within the district boundaries of a district which is in part located within county and in part in another county(s) where such extraction quantities and use are consistent with historical practices of the district, or (4) for extractions to boost heads for portions of district facilities, consistent with historical practices of the district, or (5) for use on lands outside the county which are contiguous and in the same ownership to lands within the county from which the groundwater is extracted, where such extraction quantities and the use are consistent with historical practices of the landowners. The applicant shall have the burden of supporting an assertion of an historical practice with competent evidence.

(Ord. 539 § 1, 1999)

### § 17.01.031. Application for a permit—Fees.

An application for a permit shall be filed with the director and shall contain all information required by the director. Concurrently, a request for environmental review shall be filed as required by applicable county guidelines. The application for a permit and request for environmental review shall be accompanied by the fees which shall be established from time to time by board resolution. The applicant shall bear the burden of proof in this process.

(Ord. 539 § 1, 1999)

### § 17.01.032. Procedures for processing.

- (a) The director shall review the application to determine whether it is complete for purposes of proceeding under the county guidelines adopted pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act requirements. Within ten calendar days of filing of the permit application, the director shall post a notice on the county's public bulletin boards that an application has been filed, shall send a copy of the notice to the districts and cities within the county which have lands overlying or adjacent to the location of the extraction and to any interested party who has made a written request to the director for such notice within the last twelve calendar months.
- (b) The director may review the matter of the application with the affected county departments, with the staff of the State Department of Water Resources, with the staff of the respective Regional Water Quality Board—Lahontan Region or Central Valley Region, and with any interested local water agency within whose boundary the proposed activity will occur. If the applicant is applying to pump groundwater from a district, city, or the unincorporated territory in which a groundwater

management plan has been adopted pursuant to the Groundwater Management Act, the director shall consider a groundwater management plan or any other relevant information provided by the district, city, or other local agency. Any interested person or agency may provide comments relevant to the matter of the extraction of groundwater. Comments shall be submitted within thirty days of the date of mailing the notice of filing the permit application.

- (c) The environmental review shall be undertaken in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act and county guidelines. All costs of the environmental review shall be the responsibility of applicant.
- (d) Upon completion of the environmental review, the director shall forward the application together with any written comments received, environmental documentations and the director's recommendations, to the commission. Upon receipt of the director's recommendation, the commission shall conduct a public review on the issuance of the permit which shall be noticed pursuant to Government Code Section **6061** and may not be held within 15 days of the time that the commission receives the recommendation from the director.
- (e) The commission shall hear the application in accordance with the provisions for public review and shall make recommendations to the board. The scope of the recommendations extends to any relevant matter that may be considered by the board, including but not limited to, the effects that granting the permit application would have on the affected aquifer, each of the findings required of the board, any appropriate conditions to be imposed, and any mitigation offsetting any adverse effect.
- (f) Upon receipt of the commission's recommendation, the clerk of the board shall conduct a public review on issuance of the permit which shall be noticed pursuant to Government Code Section **6061**. The board shall hear the application in accordance with the provisions for public review and shall consider matters required to be considered during public review, including but not limited to the effects that granting the permit application would have on the affected aquifer, make each of the findings on matters required for granting a permit, any appropriate conditions to be imposed, and any mitigation offsetting any adverse effect.

(Ord. 539 § 1, 1999)

### § 17.01.033. Review concerning issuance of permit.

The hearing bodies, whether commission or board, shall conduct the public review in accordance with this section.

Formal rules of evidence shall not apply to the public review of the application, but the hearing body may establish such rules as will enable the expeditious presentation of the matter and relevant information thereto. At the public review, the applicant shall be entitled to present any oral or documentary evidence relevant to the application, and the applicant shall have the burden of proof of establishing the facts necessary for the required findings. The hearing body may request any additional information it deems necessary for its decision, the cost of which, if any, shall be borne by the applicant. The hearing body shall also hear relevant evidence presented by other interested persons and entities, the director, other county staff, and the public. The hearing body shall consider all effects that the granting of the permit application would have on the affected aquifer including, but not limited to, the hydraulic gradient, hydrology, percolation, permeability, piezometric surface, porosity, recharge, safe yield, specific capacity, spreading water, transmissivity, usable storage capacity, water table and zone of saturation.

(Ord. 539 § 1, 1999)

### § 17.01.034. Granting of permit.

The permit may only be granted if the board finds and determines that the extraction will not cause or increase an overdraft of the groundwater underlying the county, will not adversely affect the long term

ability for storage or transmission of groundwaters within the aquifer, will not (together with other extractions) exceed the safe yield of the groundwater underlying the county and will not otherwise operate to the injury of the reasonable and beneficial uses of overlying groundwater users, or will not result in an injury to a water replenishment, storage, or restoration project operating in accordance with statutory authorization. If the permit is to be granted, the board shall impose appropriate conditions upon the permit so as to prohibit overdraft or other adverse conditions, and may impose other conditions that it deems necessary for the health, safety and welfare of the people of the county. Upon granting of a permit an economic severance fee shall be imposed, the purpose of which is to replace the economic loss to the citizens of Lassen County of the revenue lost from all activities which are discontinued or precluded by water export. Other conditions in the permit shall include, but are not limited to, requirements for observation and/or monitoring wells. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the board may issue the permit if the board finds that the applicant has provided for mitigation which will offset any adverse effect that is determined to exist.

(Ord. 539 § 1, 1999)

### § 17.01.035. Reapplication after denial.

Reapplication for a permit which has been denied by the board may not be filed with the director until the following water year and must be accompanied with information that demonstrates a significant change in conditions in the groundwater and/or change in the proposed extraction.

(Ord. 539 § 1, 1999)

### § 17.01.036. Challenge to approved permit.

- (a) Any interested party or public entity may challenge the continuation of an approved permit during the term of the permit when information exists that:
- (1) There is a violation of the conditions of the permit; or
  - (2) The permit was not issued in accordance with the procedural requirements of this chapter; or
  - (3) Extraction of groundwater pursuant to the permit:
    - (A) Causes or increases an overdraft in the basin, or
    - (B) Brings about or increases salt water intrusion, or
    - (C) Adversely affects the long-term ability for, storage or transmission of groundwaters, or
    - (D) Exceeds the safe yield of the groundwaters, or
    - (E) Operates to the injury of the reasonable beneficial uses of overlying groundwater users, or
    - (F) Results in an injury to a water replenishment, storage, or restoration project operating in accordance with statutory authorization.
- (b) A challenge pursuant to this section is commenced by filing a written request with the director which alleges any of the above situations and generally describes the supporting facts for such allegation. In such event, the director shall within ten days of receipt of such challenge, give notice of the challenge to the commission, the permittee, appellant, to any interested party who filed a written request for such notice within the past twelve months, and the districts and cities, within the county, which have boundaries overlying or immediately adjacent to the location of the permitted extraction. Commission and board reviews shall be held on the matter following the procedures set out in Sections **17.01.033** and **17.01.034**. The recommendations and decision may be to deny the challenge, grant the challenge and terminate the permit, or to establish modified conditions to the permit.

(c) The standard for review shall be substantial evidence. The burden of proof is upon the person or entity filing the challenge.

(Ord. 539 § 1, 1999)

### § 17.01.037. Duration of permit.

All permits shall be valid for a term set by the board, not to exceed three water years from the date of the issuance of the permit. For purpose of calculation, the water year in which the permit is granted shall not be counted in determining the three year time period if less than four months remain in the then water year. Provided, however, nothing contained in this chapter nor in the conditions of the permit shall be construed as to give exclusive right to groundwater to permittee nor establish a compensable right in the event that the permit is subsequently discontinued or modified by the board after a hearing on a challenge to the permit.

(Ord. 539 § 1, 1999)

### § 17.01.038. Limitation of permit.

The permit process of this chapter is not to be construed as a grant of any right or entitlement but rather the permit evidences that the health, welfare, and safety of the residents of the county will not be harmed by the extraction and exportation of groundwater outside the county boundaries. The permit in no way exempts, supersedes, or replaces any other provisions of federal, state, and district or local laws and regulations including but not limited to Water Code Section 1220, the Groundwater Management Act, the Honey Lake Valley Groundwater Basin Act, the Long Valley Groundwater Basin Act, the Willow Creek Valley Groundwater Basin Act and any actions provided for in California groundwater law, well drilling and maintenance or building permit requirements.

(Ord. 539 § 1, 1999)

## Article IV. Inspection

### § 17.01.040. Inspection.

The director, with good cause, may at any and all reasonable times enter any and all places, property, enclosures and structures, for the purposes of making examinations and investigations to determine whether any provision of this chapter is violated.

(Ord. 539 § 1, 1999)

## Article V. Effective Date

### § 17.01.050. Effective date.

These provisions of the ordinance codified in this chapter shall be effective as to the unincorporated portions of the county within thirty days of its passage. The provisions of said ordinance shall become effective in the incorporated portions of the cities within Lassen County upon adoption by each city of an ordinance which makes the provisions of this chapter applicable to the incorporated area or which independently establishes an ordinance incorporating compatible provisions.

(Ord. 539 § 1, 1999)

## Article VI. Violations

## § 17.01.060. Civil penalty.

The county may elect to proceed with a civil action against a violator, including injunctive relief. Any person or entity who violates this chapter shall be subject to fines of up to five thousand dollars per separate violation. A person shall be deemed to have committed separate violations for each and every day or portion thereof during which any such violation is committed, continued, or permitted as well as for and each and every separate groundwater well with which any such violation is committed, continued, or permitted.

(Ord. 539 § 1, 1999)

## Title 18. Zoning

### Chapter 18.102. GENERAL PROVISIONS AND EXCEPTIONS

#### § 18.102.110. Provisions for hemp.

"Hemp" or "industrial hemp" shall be considered a use allowed in certain districts, subject to all of the following:

- (1) "Hemp" or "industrial hemp" shall only be allowed by right in districts that are not identified in subsection (2) below;
- (2) "Hemp" or "industrial hemp" shall not be allowed in the "R-1" Single Family Residential District, "R-2" Limited Multiple-Family Residential District, "R-3" Multiple-Family Residential District, "P.U.D." Planned Unit Development, "P-C" Planned Community District, "R-S" Resort District, "O-C-B" Public Campground/Boating/Beach District, "O-H" Historical Site District, "O-D" Primitive Area, "O-S" Open Space District, "T-P-Z" Timber Production Zone District, "F-R" Forest Recreation District, "A-F" Agricultural Forest District, "H-R" Hydroelectric District, or the "Y-C" Airport Commercial District.
- (3) "Hemp" or "industrial hemp" shall only be cultivated on parcels at least nineteen acres in size;
- (4) Any cultivation of "hemp" or "industrial hemp" must be at least one hundred fifty yards from any and all residences, existing schools, school bus stops, licensed day care providers, churches, or public parks that are under separate ownership from that of the parcel or parcels on which the "hemp" or "industrial hemp" is cultivated.
- (5) "Hemp" or "industrial" hemp may be cultivated both indoors and outdoors subject to the requirements of this section and any other applicable county, state, or federal regulations.
- (6) "Indoor" or "indoors" means that the structure within which "hemp" or "industrial hemp" is being cultivated, must be either a private residence or an accessory structure within the meaning of those definitions found in this section. All cultivation which does not specifically meet the definition of "indoor" or "indoors" is considered "outdoor" or "outdoors." The cultivation of "hemp" or "industrial hemp" which occurs in a greenhouse or hoop house is considered "outdoor" or "outdoors" cultivation for purposes of this title.
- (7) "Outdoor" or "outdoors" means any cultivation location that does not specifically meet the definition of "indoor" or "indoors" or is otherwise specifically defined as "outdoor" or "outdoors."
- (8) "Private residence" means a lawfully established structure, suitable for human occupancy as required by Sections 17922 and 17958 of the California Health and Safety Code. A recreational vehicle does not constitute a lawfully established structure for purposes of this title.

- (9) "Accessory structure" means a fully enclosed and secure structure that complies with the California Building Standards Code, that has a complete roof enclosure supported by connecting walls extending from the ground to the roof, and a foundation, slab, or equivalent base to which the floor is securely attached. The structure must be secure against unauthorized entry, accessible only through one or more lockable doors, and constructed of solid materials that cannot easily be broken through, such as two-inch by four-inch or thicker studs overlain with three-eighths-inch or thicker plywood or equivalent materials. An accessory structure is a structure that is secondary or incidental to a private residence. A structure cannot be an accessory structure if there is not a private residence on the premises. A greenhouse or hoop house is not an accessory structure for purposes of this title and all cultivation within a greenhouse or hoop house is to be deemed "outdoors".
- (10) Any product not meeting the above referenced requirements, required for the cultivation of "hemp" or "industrial hemp," shall instead be considered "cannabis" if it meets the definition of such as provided for in Section **19.030** of this code.
- (Ord. 2019-05 § 3; Ord. 2024-01, 3/12/2024)



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Re: Groundwater exportation from Lassen County Assessor Parcel Numbers  
141-280-025 and 143-050-006

This letter follows a letter to the Lassen County Board of Supervisors, dated February 17, 2026, from the Nevada Division of Water Resources (attached). Said letter informed Lassen County of your intent to export groundwater to Assessor Parcel Number 079-200-01 in Washoe County Nevada, from the above referenced parcels in Lassen County.

Please be aware that Lassen County has an ordinance (attached) codified at Chapter 17.01 (Extraction and Exportation) of the Lassen County Code which requires a permit to export groundwater to Nevada. The application is attached for your reference. The application fee is \$1,200 if the use is for agriculture or for domestic use up to one connection. If the use is for domestic use with two or more connections, the fee is \$2,000.

The application is also subject to the California Environmental Quality Act. As such an Initial Study application (attached) is required. The Initial Study application fee is \$3,085. A separate check of \$75 made payable to CSU Chico Research Foundation is also required for an archaeological records search.

Should you have any questions regarding the above applications or the environmental review process you may contact Associate Planner Mindie Hilton by phone at (530) 251-8269 or by email at [landuse@co.lassen.ca.us](mailto:landuse@co.lassen.ca.us).

Sincerely,

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The purpose of this letter is to inform you that the Board of Supervisors will meet at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 28, 2026, in the Board Chambers at 707 Nevada Street, Susanville, CA 96130 to consider groundwater exportation from the above referenced parcels.

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Please be aware that Lassen County has an ordinance (attached) codified at Chapter 17.01 (Extraction and Exportation) of the Lassen County Code which requires a permit to export groundwater to Nevada. You were informed of this requirement in a March 25, 2026, letter (attached).

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