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RE: SNWA Great Basin, NV, Ground Water Development Project

Greetings:

BLM should/ must not approve a project that will impose harmful irreversible impacts on public lands and resources.

The original proposed project objectives were based on suppositions for unrestrained growth.

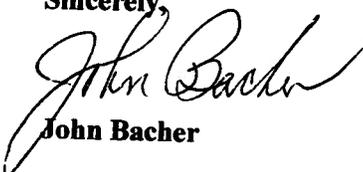
The reality as of today: we have in southern Nevada the highest unemployment recorded; one out of every six homes are in foreclosure, the engine driving our economy is gaming (no longer construction) and more and more States and local governments including Indian Tribes look to attracting gaming dollars and or related taxes, etc. outside of Nevada.

Estimated cost projections by others than SNWA exceed estimates. SNWA guesstimates not fully substantiated. Funding is available per SNWA through bonds, etc. What equity will the bond holder require & at what Interest Rate? If SNWA defaults who will be responsible to pay the debt? Is the Most likely answer "the public"?

Should the areas surrounding the wells have drawdown who will guarantee recovery and how long will it take to accurately measure environmental impact? Nature strives to survive and environmental impacts take a period of time before noticeable changes are noted.

Definition and parameters regarding climatic changes need to be addressed. "No Action" or "unmitigationable" are not answers and skirt the issues. We're behind; with the score of 13 to 14 and I drop the ball in the end zone with one second to play, I can't say I won the game if I caught the ball—the result is we still lost the game. Therefore, all response must be answered prior to any approval.

Sincerely,


John Bacher

Faxed letter This is a hand copy. JB