#### ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 34—COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

## (ON BEHALF OF THE DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES)

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### Referred to Committee on Natural Resources

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to water. (BDR 48-235)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No. Effect on the State: Yes.

EXPLANATION - Matter in **bolded italics** is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to water; revising various public notice requirements relating to water; revising certain requirements for maps relating to water rights; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

### **Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

Under existing law, the State Engineer is required to publish certain notices and court orders in a newspaper of general circulation consecutively for certain periods of time. (NRS 533.087, 533.095, 533.165, 533.360) **Sections 1, 2, 5 and 6** of this bill eliminate the requirement to publish the notice or order submitted by the State Engineer consecutively. **Sections 2, 5 and 6** further require the Division of Water Resources of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources to post the notice or court order on the Internet website of the Division.

Existing law authorizes any interested person to file a written protest against the granting of an application for a permit within 30 days of the last publication of the notice of application. (NRS 533.365) **Section 8** of this bill provides that a person may file a protest against the granting of an application for a permit within 60 days after the first date of publication or if the notice is not posted consecutively, within 30 days after the last date of publication of the notice for certain applications, whichever is later. **Section 8** further provides that if the State Engineer does not receive any protests to an application within 60 days after the first date of publication, the State Engineer: (1) may presume that the notice was published consecutively and process the application conditionally; and (2) may not grant the application or issue a permit until the State Engineer files proof that the notice was published and posted.

**Sections 3, 10 and 11** of this bill remove requirements that certain maps relating to water rights be on mylar and tracing linen.



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**Section 4** of this bill clarifies that certain blank forms for a proof of appropriation must be included in the notice sent by the State Engineer to certain persons claiming rights in or to the waters of certain stream systems.

# THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- **Section 1.** NRS 533.087 is hereby amended to read as follows: 533.087 1. A claimant of any vested water right must submit, on a form prescribed by the State Engineer, proof of the claim to the State Engineer on or before December 31, 2027. If a claimant fails to file such proof on or before December 31, 2027, the claim shall be deemed to be abandoned.
- 2. Until December 31, 2027, the State Engineer shall cause notice of the provisions of subsection 1 to be:
- (a) Published annually for 4 [consecutive] weeks in at least one newspaper of general circulation within the boundaries of each groundwater basin throughout the State.
- (b) Posted on the Internet website maintained by the State Engineer.
  - **Sec. 2.** NRS 533.095 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 533.095 1. As soon as practicable after the State Engineer enters an order granting the petition or selecting the streams upon which the determination of rights is to begin, the State Engineer shall prepare a notice setting forth the fact of the entry of the order and of the pendency of the proceedings.
  - 2. The notice shall set forth:
- (a) That all claimants to rights in the waters of the stream system are required, as provided in this chapter, to make proof of their claims, except claimants who submitted proof of their claims pursuant to NRS 533.087;
- (b) The date on which the State Engineer will commence taking proofs of appropriation regarding the rights in and to the waters of the stream system;
- (c) The date by which all proofs of appropriation must be filed; and
- (d) That all proofs of appropriation must be accompanied by maps prepared in accordance with and depicting any information required pursuant to NRS 533.100 and 533.115.
  - The notice shall be [published]:
- (a) **Published** for a period of 4 [consecutive] weeks in one or more newspapers of general circulation within the boundaries of the stream system.





- (b) Posted on the Internet website of the Division of Water Resources of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.
- 4. At or near the time of the first publication of the notice, the State Engineer shall send by mail to each person, or deliver to each person, in person, hereinafter designated as claimant, claiming rights in or to the waters of the stream system, insofar as such claimants can be reasonably ascertained, a notice equivalent in terms to the published notice setting forth the date when the State Engineer will commence the taking of proofs, and the date prior to which proofs must be filed with the State Engineer. The notice must be mailed at least 30 days prior to the date fixed for the commencement of the taking of proofs. The date set prior to which the proofs must be filed shall not be less than 60 days from the date set for the commencement of taking proofs. The notice shall be deemed to be an order of the State Engineer as to its contents.
  - **Sec. 3.** NRS 533.100 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 533.100 1. The State Engineer shall begin an investigation of the flow of the stream and of the ditches diverting water, and of the lands irrigated therefrom, and shall gather such other data and information as may be essential to the proper determination of the water rights in the stream.
  - 2. The State Engineer shall:
  - (a) Reduce his or her observations and measurements to writing.
  - (b) If necessary, execute surveys or cause them to be executed.
- (c) If necessary, prepare, or cause to be prepared, maps from the observations of such surveys in accordance with such uniform rules and regulations as the State Engineer may adopt.
  - 3. The surveys and maps shall show with substantial accuracy:
  - (a) The course of the stream.
- (b) The location of each ditch or canal diverting water therefrom, together with the point of diversion thereof.
- (c) The area and outline of each parcel of land upon which the water of the stream has been employed for the irrigation of crops or pasture.
  - (d) The kind of culture upon each of the parcels of land.
- 4. The map shall be prepared as the surveys and observations progress, and, when completed, shall be filed and made of record in the Office of the State Engineer. Such map for original filing in the Office of the State Engineer shall, in addition to complying with any other applicable rule or regulation of the State Engineer, be on [mylar, on] a scale of not less than 1,000 feet to the inch.
  - **Sec. 4.** NRS 533.115 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 533.115 1. The State Engineer shall, in addition, enclose with the notice to be mailed as provided in *subsection 4 of NRS* 533.095,





blank forms upon which a claimant who has not submitted proof pursuant to NRS 533.087 shall present in writing all particulars necessary for the determination of the claimant's right in or to the waters of the stream system. The form for a proof of appropriation must include the following:

- (a) The name and mailing address of the claimant.
- (b) The nature of the right or use on which the claim for appropriation is based.
- (c) The time of the initiation of such right, the priority date claimed and a description of the place of diversion and works of diversion and distribution.
  - (d) The date of beginning of construction.
  - (e) The date when completed.

- (f) The dates of beginning and completion of enlargements.
- (g) The dimensions of the ditch as originally constructed and as enlarged.
- (h) The date when water was first used for irrigation or other beneficial purposes.
- (i) If the water was used for irrigation, the number of acres irrigated the first year, the number of acres irrigated in subsequent years, the dates of irrigation, the area and location of the lands which were irrigated, the character of the soil and the kind of crops cultivated, the rate of diversion and the number of acre-feet of water per annum required to irrigate the land.
- (j) If the water was used for a beneficial purpose other than irrigation, the rate of diversion and the number of acre-feet of water used annually.
- (k) If the water was used for watering livestock, the number and type of livestock.
- (l) Any other facts as will show the extent and nature of the right and compliance with the law in acquiring the same, as may be required by the State Engineer.
- 2. A claimant must submit a separate proof of appropriation for each source of water of the stream system in which or to which the claimant claims a right.
- 3. The proof of appropriation submitted by the claimant must be accompanied by a map prepared, except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, in accordance with and depicting any information required pursuant to the requirements of subsections 3 and 4 of NRS 533.100.
- 4. If the map submitted with a proof of appropriation is prepared for water used for watering livestock, the map must be on a scale of not less than 1:24,000 or a map prepared by the United States Geological Survey covering a quadrangle of 7 1/2 minutes of latitude and longitude, and further identifying the location or extent





of the livestock use by one-sixteenth sections within a numbered section, township and range.

- **Sec. 5.** NRS 533.165 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 533.165 1. As soon as practicable thereafter, a certified copy of the order of determination, together with the copies of the original evidence and transcript of testimony filed with, or taken before, the State Engineer, duly certified by the State Engineer, shall be filed with the clerk of the county, as ex officio clerk of the district court, in which the stream system is situated, or, if in more than one county but all within one judicial district, then with the clerk of the county wherein reside the largest number of parties in interest.
- 2. If such stream system shall be in two or more judicial districts, then the State Engineer shall notify the district judge of each of such judicial districts of his or her intent to file such order of determination, whereupon, within 10 days after receipt of such notice, such judges shall confer and agree where the court proceedings under this chapter shall be held and upon the judge who shall preside, and on notification thereof the State Engineer shall file the order of determination, evidence and transcripts with the clerk of the court so designated.
- 3. If such district judges fail to notify the State Engineer of their agreement, as provided in subsection 2, within 5 days after the expiration of such 10 days, then the State Engineer may file such order of determination, evidence and transcript with the clerk of any county the State Engineer may elect, and the district judge of such county shall have jurisdiction over the proceedings in relation thereto.
- 4. If the judge so selected and acting shall retire from office, or be removed from office or be disqualified, for any cause, then the judge of the district court having jurisdiction of the proceedings shall act as the judge on the matter or shall select the judge to preside in such matter.
- 5. In all instances a certified copy of the order of determination shall be filed with the county clerk of each county in which such stream system, or any part thereof, is situated.
- 6. Upon the filing of the certified copy of the order, evidence and transcript with the clerk of the court in which the proceedings are to be had, the State Engineer shall procure an order from the court setting the time for hearing. The clerk of such court shall immediately furnish the State Engineer with a certified copy thereof. The State Engineer immediately thereupon shall [mail]:
- (a) Mail a copy of [such] the certified order of the court, by registered or certified mail, addressed to each party in interest at the party's last known place of residence. [, and shall cause the same]





- (b) Submit a copy of the certified order of the court to be published at least once a week for 4 [consecutive] weeks in some newspaper of general circulation that is available in general circulation in each county in which such stream system or any part thereof is located.
- (c) Post a copy of the certified order of the court on the Internet website of the Division of Water Resources of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.
- 7. The State Engineer shall file with the clerk of the court [proof]:
- (a) **Proof** of [such] service by registered or certified mail [and by] in accordance with the requirements of paragraph (a) of subsection 6;
- (b) Proof that the certified order was submitted for publication :; and
- (c) Proof that the certified order was posted on the Internet website of the Division of Water Resources of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources,
- Such service by registered or certified mail and by publication and posting shall be deemed full and sufficient notice to all parties in interest of the date and purpose of such hearing.
  - **Sec. 6.** NRS 533.360 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 533.360 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, NRS 533.345 and subsection 2 of NRS 533.370, when an application is filed in compliance with this chapter, the State Engineer shall, within 30 days, publish or cause to be published once a week for 4 [consecutive] weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the county where the point of diversion is located, and post on the Internet website of the Division of Water Resources of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, a notice of the application which sets forth:
  - (a) That the application has been filed.
  - (b) The date of the filing.
  - (c) The name and address of the applicant.
- (d) The name of the source from which the appropriation is to be made.
- (e) The location of the place of diversion, described by legal subdivision or metes and bounds and by a physical description of that place of diversion.
  - (f) The purpose for which the water is to be appropriated.
- The publisher shall add thereto the date of the first publication and the date of the last publication.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, proof of publication *and posting* must be filed within 30 days after the final day of publication. The State Engineer shall pay for the publication





from the application fee. If the application is cancelled for any reason before publication, the State Engineer shall return to the applicant that portion of the application fee collected for publication.

3. If the application is for a proposed well:

- (a) For municipal, quasi-municipal or industrial use; and
- (b) Whose reasonably expected rate of diversion is one-half cubic foot per second or more,
- → the applicant shall mail a copy of the notice of application to each owner of real property containing a domestic well that is within 2,500 feet of the proposed well, to the owner's address as shown in the latest records of the county assessor. If there are not more than six such wells, notices must be sent to each owner by certified mail, return receipt requested. If there are more than six such wells, at least six notices must be sent to owners by certified mail, return receipt requested. The return receipts from these notices must be filed with the State Engineer before the State Engineer may consider the application.
- 4. The provisions of this section do not apply to an environmental permit or a temporary permit issued pursuant to NRS 533.436 or 533.504.
  - **Sec. 7.** (Deleted by amendment.)
  - Sec. 8. NRS 533.365 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 533.365 1. Any person interested may, within 60 days after the first date of publication or, if the notice is not published consecutively, 30 days after the date of last publication of the notice of application 1 that is set forth in the notice pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS 533.360, whichever is later, file with the State Engineer a written protest against the granting of the application, setting forth with reasonable certainty the grounds of such protest, which, except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, must be verified by the affidavit of the protestant, or an agent or attorney thereof.
- 2. If the application is for a permit to change the place of diversion, manner of use or place of use of water already appropriated within the same basin, a protest filed against the granting of such an application by a government, governmental agency or political subdivision of a government must be verified by the affidavit of:
- (a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b), the director, administrator, chief, head or other person in charge of the government, governmental agency or political subdivision; or
- (b) If the governmental agency or political subdivision is a division or other part of a department, the director or other person in charge of that department in this State, including, without limitation:





- (1) The Regional Forester for the Intermountain Region, if the protest is filed by the United States Forest Service;
- (2) The State Director of the Nevada State Office of the Bureau of Land Management, if the protest is filed by the Bureau of Land Management;
- (3) The Regional Director of the Pacific Southwest Region, if the protest is filed by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service;
- (4) The Regional Director of the Pacific West Region, if the protest is filed by the National Park Service;
- (5) The Director of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, if the protest is filed by any division of that Department; or
- (6) The chair of the board of county commissioners, if the protest is filed by a county.
- 3. On receipt of a protest that complies with the requirements of subsection 1 or 2, the State Engineer shall advise the applicant whose application has been protested of the fact that the protest has been filed with the State Engineer, which advice must be sent by certified mail.
- 4. The State Engineer shall consider the protest, and may, in his or her discretion, hold hearings and require the filing of such evidence as the State Engineer may deem necessary to a full understanding of the rights involved. The State Engineer shall give notice of the hearing by certified mail to both the applicant and the protestant. The notice must state the time and place at which the hearing is to be held and must be mailed at least 15 days before the date set for the hearing.
- 5. Each applicant and each protestant shall, in accordance with a schedule established by the State Engineer, provide to the State Engineer and to each protestant and each applicant information required by the State Engineer relating to the application or protest.
- 6. If the State Engineer holds a hearing pursuant to subsection 4, the State Engineer shall render a decision on each application not later than 240 days after the later of:
- (a) The date all transcripts of the hearing become available to the State Engineer; or
- (b) The date specified by the State Engineer for the filing of any additional information, evidence, studies or compilations requested by the State Engineer. The State Engineer may, for good cause shown, extend any applicable period.
- 7. The State Engineer shall adopt rules of practice regarding the conduct of a hearing held pursuant to subsection 4. The rules of practice must be adopted in accordance with the provisions of NRS 233B.040 to 233B.120, inclusive, and codified in the Nevada





Administrative Code. The technical rules of evidence do not apply at such a hearing.

- 8. If the State Engineer does not receive any written protest against the granting of an application within 60 days after the first date of publication pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS 533.360, the State Engineer may presume that the notice was published consecutively and process the application conditionally. The State Engineer may not grant the application or issue a permit until the State Engineer files proof that the notice was published and posted pursuant to the requirements of NRS 533.360.
  - **Sec. 9.** NRS 533.370 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 533.370 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section and NRS 533.0241, 533.345, 533.371, 533.372 and 533.503, the State Engineer shall approve an application submitted in proper form which contemplates the application of water to beneficial use if:
  - (a) The application is accompanied by the prescribed fees;
- (b) The proposed use or change, if within an irrigation district, does not adversely affect the cost of water for other holders of water rights in the district or lessen the efficiency of the district in its delivery or use of water; and
- (c) The applicant provides proof satisfactory to the State Engineer of the applicant's:
- (1) Intention in good faith to construct any work necessary to apply the water to the intended beneficial use with reasonable diligence; and
- (2) Financial ability and reasonable expectation actually to construct the work and apply the water to the intended beneficial use with reasonable diligence.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 10, where there is no unappropriated water in the proposed source of supply, where the groundwater that has not been committed for use has been reserved pursuant to NRS 533.0241 or where its proposed use or change conflicts with existing rights or with protectable interests in existing domestic wells as set forth in NRS 533.024, or threatens to prove detrimental to the public interest, the State Engineer shall reject the application and refuse to issue the requested permit. If a previous application for a similar use of water within the same basin has been rejected on those grounds, the new application may be denied without publication.
- 3. In addition to the criteria set forth in subsections 1 and 2, in determining whether an application for an interbasin transfer of groundwater must be rejected pursuant to this section, the State Engineer shall consider:
- (a) Whether the applicant has justified the need to import the water from another basin:





- (b) If the State Engineer determines that a plan for conservation of water is advisable for the basin into which the water is to be imported, whether the applicant has demonstrated that such a plan has been adopted and is being effectively carried out;
- (c) Whether the proposed action is environmentally sound as it relates to the basin from which the water is exported;
- (d) Whether the proposed action is an appropriate long-term use which will not unduly limit the future growth and development in the basin from which the water is exported; and
- (e) Any other factor the State Engineer determines to be relevant.
- 4. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection and subsections 6 and 10 and NRS 533.365, the State Engineer shall approve or reject each application within 2 years after the final date for filing a protest. The State Engineer may postpone action:
  - (a) Upon written authorization to do so by the applicant.
  - (b) If an application is protested.
- (c) If the purpose for which the application was made is municipal use.
- (d) In areas where studies of water supplies have been determined to be necessary by the State Engineer pursuant to NRS 533.368.
- (e) Where court actions or adjudications are pending, which may affect the outcome of the application.
- (f) In areas in which adjudication of vested water rights is deemed necessary by the State Engineer.
- (g) On an application for a permit to change a vested water right in a basin where vested water rights have not been adjudicated.
- (h) Where authorized entry to any land needed to use the water for which the application is submitted is required from a governmental agency.
- (i) On an application for which the State Engineer has required additional information pursuant to NRS 533.375.
- 5. If the State Engineer does not act upon an application in accordance with subsections 4 and 6, the application remains active until approved or rejected by the State Engineer.
- 6. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection and subsection 10, the State Engineer shall approve or reject, within 6 months after the final date for filing a protest, an application filed to change the point of diversion of water already appropriated when the existing and proposed points of diversion are on the same property for which the water has already been appropriated under the existing water right or the proposed point of diversion is on real property that is proven to be owned by the applicant and is contiguous to the place of use of the existing water right. The State





Engineer may postpone action on the application pursuant to subsection 4.

- 7. If the State Engineer has not approved, rejected or held a hearing on an application within 7 years after the final date for filing a protest, the State Engineer shall cause notice of the application to be republished *and reposted* pursuant to NRS 533.360 immediately preceding the time at which the State Engineer is ready to approve or reject the application. The cost of the republication must be paid by the applicant. After such republication, *and reposting*, a protest may be filed in accordance with NRS 533.365.
- If a hearing is held regarding an application, the decision of the State Engineer must be in writing and include findings of fact, conclusions of law and a statement of the underlying facts supporting the findings of fact. The written decision may take the form of a transcription of an oral ruling. The rejection or approval of an application must be endorsed on a copy of the original application, and a record must be made of the endorsement in the records of the State Engineer. The copy of the application so endorsed must be returned to the applicant. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 11, if the application is approved, the applicant may, on receipt thereof, proceed with the construction of the necessary works and take all steps required to apply the water to beneficial use and to perfect the proposed appropriation. If the application is rejected, the applicant may take no steps toward the prosecution of the proposed work or the diversion and use of the public water while the rejection continues in force.
- 9. If a person is the successor in interest of an owner of a water right or an owner of real property upon which a domestic well is located and if the former owner of the water right or real property on which a domestic well is located had previously filed a written protest against the granting of an application, the successor in interest must be allowed to pursue that protest in the same manner as if the successor in interest were the former owner whose interest he or she succeeded. If the successor in interest wishes to pursue the protest, the successor in interest must notify the State Engineer in a timely manner on a form provided by the State Engineer.
- 10. The provisions of subsections 1 to 9, inclusive, do not apply to an application for an environmental permit or a temporary permit issued pursuant to NRS 533.436 or 533.504.
- 11. The provisions of subsection 8 do not authorize the recipient of an approved application to use any state land administered by the Division of State Lands of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources without the appropriate authorization for that use from the State Land Registrar.





- 12. As used in this section, "domestic well" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 534.350.
  - **Sec. 10.** NRS 533.405 is hereby amended to read as follows:
  - 533.405 1. The State Engineer may, in his or her discretion, request that the statement required by NRS 533.400 be accompanied by a map on [tracing linen on] a scale of not less than 1,000 feet to the inch, which shall show with substantial accuracy the following:
  - (a) The point of diversion by legal subdivisions or by metes and bounds from some corner, when possible, from the source of supply.
  - (b) The traverse of the ditch or other conduit, together with cross sections of the same.
  - (c) The legal subdivisions of the land embraced in the application for the permit and the outline by metes and bounds of the irrigated area, with the amount thereof.
  - (d) The average grade and the difference in elevation of the termini of the conduit, and the carrying capacity of the same.
  - (e) The actual quantity of water flowing in the canal or conduit during the time the survey was being made.
  - 2. The map must bear the affidavit of the surveyor or engineer making such survey and map. If the survey and map are made by different persons the affidavit of each must be on the map, showing that the map as compiled agrees with the survey.
- 3. The map shall conform with such rules and regulations as the State Engineer shall make, which rules shall not be in conflict herewith.
- **Sec. 11.** NRS 533.435 is hereby amended to read as follows: 533.435

  1. The State Engineer shall collect the following fees:

| For examining and filing an application for a |            |
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| permit to appropriate water                   | \$360.00   |
| This fee includes the cost of publication,    |            |
| which is \$50.                                |            |
| For reviewing a corrected application or map, |            |
| or both, in connection with an application    |            |
| for a water right permit                      | 100.00     |
| For examining and acting upon plans and       |            |
| specifications for construction of a dam      | . 1,200.00 |
| For examining and filing an application for   |            |
| each permit to change the point of            |            |
| diversion, manner of use or place of use of   |            |
| an existing right                             | 240.00     |
| This fee includes the cost of publication,    |            |
| which is \$50.                                |            |



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| 1  | For examining and filing an application for a   |   |
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| 2  | temporary permit to change the point of         |   |
| 3  | diversion, manner of use or place of use of     |   |
| 4  | an existing right\$180.00                       | ) |
| 5  | For issuing and recording each permit to        |   |
| 6  | appropriate water for any purpose, except       |   |
| 7  | for generating hydroelectric power which        |   |
| 8  | results in nonconsumptive use of the water,     |   |
| 9  | watering livestock or wildlife purposes         | ) |
| 10 | plus \$3 per acre-foot approved or              |   |
| 11 | fraction thereof.                               |   |
| 12 | Except for generating hydroelectric power,      |   |
| 13 | watering livestock or wildlife purposes, for    |   |
| 14 | issuing and recording each permit to change     |   |
| 15 | an existing water right whether temporary       |   |
| 16 | or permanent for any purpose300.00              | ) |
| 17 | plus \$3 per acre-foot approved or              |   |
| 18 | fraction thereof.                               |   |
| 19 | For issuing and recording each permit for       |   |
| 20 | additional rate of diversion from a well        |   |
| 21 | where no additional volume of water is          |   |
| 22 | granted   | ) |
| 23 | For issuing and recording each permit to        |   |
| 24 | change the point of diversion or place of       |   |
| 25 | use of an existing right whether temporary      |   |
| 26 | or permanent for irrigation purposes, a         |   |
| 27 | maximum fee of                                  | ) |
| 28 | For issuing and recording each permit to        |   |
| 29 | appropriate or change the point of diversion    |   |
| 30 | or place of use of an existing right whether    |   |
| 31 | temporary or permanent for watering             |   |
| 32 | livestock or wildlife purposes240.00            | ) |
| 33 | plus \$50 for each cubic foot of water per      |   |
| 34 | second approved or fraction thereof.            |   |
| 35 | For issuing and recording each permit to        |   |
| 36 | appropriate or change an existing right         |   |
| 37 | whether temporary or permanent for water        |   |
| 38 | for generating hydroelectric power which        |   |
| 39 | results in nonconsumptive use of the water      | ) |
| 40 | plus \$50 for each cubic foot per second        |   |
| 41 | of water approved or fraction thereof.          |   |
| 42 | For filing and examining a request for a waiver |   |
| 43 | in connection with an application to drill a    |   |
| 44 | well  | ) |





| 1                                      | For filing and examining a notice of intent to  |
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| 2                                      | drill a well\$25.00   |
| 3                                      | For filing and examining an affidavit to  |
| 4                                      | relinquish water rights in favor of use of  |
| 5                                      | water for domestic wells  |
| 6                                      | For filing a secondary application under a  |
| 7                                      | reservoir permit 300 00   |
| 8                                      | reservoir permit  |
| 9                                      | permit under a reservoir permit   |
| 10                                     | For reviewing each tentative subdivision map  |
| 11                                     | plus \$1 per lot.   |
| 12                                     | For reviewing and approving each final  |
| 13                                     | subdivision map   |
| 14                                     | For storage approved under a dam permit for   |
| 15                                     | privately owned nonagricultural dams  |
| 16                                     | which store more than 50 acre-feet  |
| 17                                     |   |
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|  | capacity. This fee includes the cost of   |
| 19                                     | inspection and must be paid   |
| 20                                     | annually.   |
| 21                                     | For flood control detention basins  |
| 22                                     | plus \$1.25 per acre-foot storage   |
| 23                                     | capacity. This fee includes the cost of   |
| 24                                     | inspection and must be paid   |
| 25                                     | annually.   |
| 26                                     | For filing proof of completion of work  |
| 27                                     | For filing proof of beneficial use  |
| 28                                     | For issuing and recording a certificate upon  |
| 29                                     | approval of the proof of beneficial use   |
| 30                                     | For filing proof of resumption of a water right   |
| 31                                     | For filing any protest  |
| 32                                     | For filing any application for extension of time  |
| 33                                     | within which to file proofs, of completion  |
| 34                                     | or beneficial use, for each year for which  |
| 35                                     |   |
|  | the extension of time is sought   |
| 36                                     | For filing any application for extension of time  |
| 37                                     | For filing any application for extension of time to prevent a forfeiture, for each year for                                       |
| 37<br>38                               | For filing any application for extension of time to prevent a forfeiture, for each year for which the extension of time is sought |
| 37<br>38<br>39                         | For filing any application for extension of time to prevent a forfeiture, for each year for which the extension of time is sought |
| 37<br>38<br>39<br>40                   | For filing any application for extension of time to prevent a forfeiture, for each year for which the extension of time is sought |
| 37<br>38<br>39<br>40<br>41             | For filing any application for extension of time to prevent a forfeiture, for each year for which the extension of time is sought |
| 37<br>38<br>39<br>40<br>41<br>42       | For filing any application for extension of time to prevent a forfeiture, for each year for which the extension of time is sought |
| 37<br>38<br>39<br>40<br>41<br>42<br>43 | For filing any application for extension of time to prevent a forfeiture, for each year for which the extension of time is sought |
| 37<br>38<br>39<br>40<br>41<br>42       | For filing any application for extension of time to prevent a forfeiture, for each year for which the extension of time is sought |





| For making a copy of any document recorded      |        |
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| or filed in the Office of the State Engineer,   |        |
| for the first page                              | \$1.00 |
| For each additional page                        | 20     |
| For certifying to copies of documents, records  |        |
| or maps, for each certificate                   |        |
| For each copy of any full size drawing or map   | 6.00   |
| For each color copy of any full size drawing or |        |
| map (2' x 3')                                   | 12.00  |
| For colored [mylar] plots                       | 10.00  |

- 2. When fees are not specified in subsection 1 for work required of the Office of the State Engineer, the State Engineer shall collect the actual cost of the work.
- 3. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, all fees collected by the State Engineer under the provisions of this section must be deposited in the State Treasury for credit to the State General Fund. All fees received for copies of any drawing or map must be kept by the State Engineer and used only to pay the costs of printing, replacement and maintenance of printing equipment. Any publication fees received which are not used by the State Engineer for publication expenses must be returned to the persons who paid the fees. If, after exercising due diligence, the State Engineer is unable to make the refunds, the State Engineer shall deposit the fees in the State Treasury for credit to the State General Fund.
  - **Sec. 12.** (Deleted by amendment.)
  - **Sec. 13.** (Deleted by amendment.)





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