

# PROTEST

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RE: Protest of Change Application a44046 (57-10711)

A hearing is requested.

For 35 years, I have resided upon one of the original twelve lots in Emigration Canyon and its stream bisects my property. I am only the second owner of this history property, the first of which was Hermann Ramseyer, an original canyon resident and the President of the original Emigration Canyon Pipeline Company. For the first time in its history, the canyon stream has run dry - not because of the dry weather, but because the State of Utah has "permitted" the absolute "conversion" of the water of the stream from the original owners and inhabitants to persons who have speculated on land purchases without water. Ultimately, the canyon residents will all run dry and their property will no longer have the benefit of a cool mountain stream- which is the value of our property. Is the State of Utah going to permit these people under the "guise of the law" to steal our water and worse - now they are trying to sell it back to us! The water in the stream is being diverted for illegal purposes. The State of Utah needs to permanently ban all wells and the taking of all water unless and until the emigration canyon stream returns to its historic levels. All scientific studies and any casual observation can see the water feeding the stream runs adequately until it is stolen by the diverters. The State of Utah needs to do its job!

Hermann and Gertrude Ramseyer are turning over in their graves in sadness over the destruction of the Emigration Canyon environment by speculators and profiteers!

Michael Martin

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