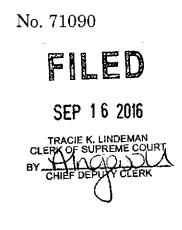
IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

EUREKA COUNTY, Petitioner, vs. JASON KING, P.E., NEVADA STATE ENGINEER, DIVISION OF WATER **RESOURCES. DEPARTMENT OF** CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES. Respondent, and KOBEH VALLEY RANCH, LLC; ETCHEVERRY FAMILY LTD. PARTNERSHIP; DIAMOND CATTLE COMPANY, LLC; AND DIAMOND NATURAL RESOURCES PROTECTION & CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION. Real Parties in Interest.



ORDER DIRECTING ANSWER

This original petition for a writ of prohibition or mandamus challenges a prehearing conference notice and asks this court to issue a writ prohibiting respondent from conducting the conference and from taking any further action regarding protested water appropriation applications filed in 2015 and 2016 by real party in interest Kobeh Valley Ranch, LLC (KVR).¹ Having reviewed the petition, it appears that an answer may assist this court in resolving this matter. Therefore, real parties in interest, on behalf of respondent, shall have 20 days from the

¹After petitioner filed this writ petition, respondent issued an order vacating the prehearing conference.

SUPREME COURT OF NEVADA date of this order within which to file and serve their answers, including authorities, against issuance of the request writ. NRAP 21(b)(1). Thereafter, petitioner shall have 15 days from service of the last-filed answer to file any reply.²

It is so ORDERED.

C.J.

cc: Allison MacKenzie, Ltd. Eureka County District Attorney Attorney General/Carson City Taggart & Taggart, Ltd. McDonald Carano Wilson LLP/Reno Parsons Behle & Latimer/Salt Lake City Parsons Behle & Latimer/Reno Schroeder Law Offices, P.C. Eureka County Clerk

²We grant KVR's motion to expedite review to the extent that this court's calendar permits.

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