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TO: NV Drought Forum

RE: Submit an Idea

Nevada needs to protect our underground clean water supply:

Industry is permitted to withdraw tremendous amounts of pure water. When the projects are completed, the resulting polluted water is dumped and can contaminate pure water.

Industry also uses great quantities of fresh water to drill underground, where it becomes contaminated. The contaminated water can mix with well water and poison our aquifers. This is simply ridiculous!

Industry also dumps poisonous used water into holding ponds resulting in poison ponds that do not go away. Industry should be compelled to purify water before it is dumped.

Also, during the Drought Forum meeting held Aug. 19 a knowledgeable person stated that there is no time limit or deadline for "Temporary" water permits for mining. This situation needs to be assessed and revised.

Please protect our water. "This is a desert, Dammit!" Thank You,