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PETITION FOR CHANGE
(WATER CODE 1700)

Point of Diversion, Point of Rediversion, Place of Use, Purpose of Use
Application 5648-7 Permit _____ License _____ Statement or Other _____

Lake Alpine Water Company and the County of Alpine
(we) hereby petition for change(s) noted above and shown on the accompanying map and described as follows:

Point of Diversion or Rediversion (Give coordinate distances from section corner or other ties as allowed by Cal CR 715, and the 40-acre subdivision in which the present & proposed points lie.)

Present See Attachment 1

Proposed See Attachment 1

Place of Use (If irrigation then state number of acres to be irrigated within each 40-acre tract.)

Present See Attachment 2--Application 5648, Item 17

Proposed See Attachment 3--Map

Purpose of Use

Present Irrigation and Domestic

Proposed Municipal and Recreational

Does the proposed use serve to preserve or enhance wetlands habitat, fish and wildlife resources, or recreation in or on the water? (See WC 1707)? No

(yes/no)

• GIVE REASON FOR PROPOSED CHANGE: To provide for continued growth and development of Bear Valley and its water needs in Alpine County

• WILL THE OLD POINT OF DIVERSION OR PLACE OF USE BE ABANDONED? No

(yes/no)

• WATER WILL BE USED FOR municipal and recreation PURPOSES.

If (we) have access to the proposed point of diversion or control the proposed place of use by virtue of? Ownership
(ownership, lease verbal or written agreement)

Are there any persons taking water from the stream between the old point of return flow and the new point of return flow? NA
(yes/no)

If by lease or agreement, state the name and address of party(s) from whom access has been obtained. Attach additional pages if needed.

Give name and address of any person(s) taking water from the stream between the present point of diversion or rediversion and the proposed point of diversion or rediversion, as well as any other person(s) known to you who may be affected by the proposed change.

See Attachment 1

THIS CHANGE DOES NOT INVOLVE AN INCREASE IN THE AMOUNT OF THE APPROPRIATION OR SEASON OF USE.

I (we) declare under penalty of perjury that the above is true and correct to the best of my (our) knowledge and belief.

Dated 10-23-03, 2003 at Farmington, California

C. Bruce Orvis
Bruce Orvis, President, Lake Alpine Water Company (209) 899-2460

Dated 10-21-03, 2003 at Merkleville, California

Herman Zellmer
Board of Supervisors, County of Alpine (530) 694-2287

NOTE: A \$100 filing fee made payable to the State Water Resources Control Board and a \$850 fee made payable to the Department of Fish and Game must accompany a petition for change.

10/27/03
\$100
Orvis

**ATTACHMENT 1 TO PETITION OF LAKE ALPINE WATER COMPANY AND
COUNTY OF ALPINE FOR CHANGES TO POINT OF DIVERSION, PLACE OF
USE AND PURPOSE OF USE ON STATE-FILED APPLICATION 5648-7**

Point of Diversion or Rediversion:

Present: (See paragraph 4 of Application 5648 attached)

(9) NE ¼ Sec. 9 T 6 N, R 18 E, MDB&M

(10) NW ¼ Sec. 23 T 6 N, R 16 E, “

(10a) Sec. 2 T 4 N, R 16 E, “

Proposed: Alpine County, North 16.5 degrees East 2610 ft. from SW corner of
Sec. 7, T 7 N, R 18 E, MDB&M. Being within the NW ¼ of SW ¼ of Section 7.

**Names and Addresses of any person(s) taking water from the stream between the
present point of diversion or rediversion and the proposed point of diversion or
rediversion, as well as any other person(s) known to you who may be affected by the
proposed change.**

Calaveras County Water District

U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, Mid-Pacific Regional Office, 2800 Cottage Way,
Sacramento, CA 95825-1898: Att: Robert Stackhouse, Regional Resources
Manager

Oakdale Irrigation District, 1205 East “F” Street, Oakdale, CA 95361

California Department of Water Resources, c/o Dan Flory, Chief, Projects Water
Contracts Branch, 1416 Ninth Street, Sacramento, California 95814

Delta Water Users Association, c/o Al Warren Hoslett, Esq., 504 Bank of Stockton
Building, 311 East Main Street, Stockton, CA 95202

Stockton East Water District, c/o Jeanne M. Zolezzi, Esq., 2291 West March
Lane, Suite B 100, Stockton, CA 95207

9/12/03 DFG draft

For full information regarding the filling out and filing of this form send for Rules and Regulations of the Division of Water Rights governing appropriation of water.

APPLICATION No. 5648

JUL 30 1927

APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT

To appropriate Unappropriated Waters of the State of California

FOR AGRICULTURAL PURPOSES

Notice of Assignment (Over)

(USE THIS FORM ALSO FOR PURELY DOMESTIC OR INDUSTRIAL PURPOSES)

Department of Finance of the State of California

(Name of Applicant)

of Sacramento

(Post Office)

County of Sacramento

State of California

does

hereby make application for a permit to appropriate the following described unappropriated waters of the State of California, SUBJECT TO EXISTING RIGHTS:

and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 286 Statutes 1927

SOURCE, AMOUNT AND USE APPLIED FOR

1. The source of the proposed appropriation is See supplement

(Name of stream, lake, or other source. If underground water is to be developed, so state)

located in County, tributary of

2. The amount of water which applicant desires to appropriate under this application is as follows:

(a) For diversion to be directly applied to beneficial use without storage. See supplement

(1 cubic foot per second=1.48 cubic inches)

cubic feet per second, to be so diverted from to of each season.

(Date)

(Date)

(b) For diversion to be stored temporarily and later applied to beneficial use. See supplement

(1 acre-foot=122,831 gallons)

acre-feet per annum, to be collected between and of each season.

(Date)

(Date)

NOTE.—Answer (a) or (b) or both (a) and (b) as may be necessary. It is important that the answers be complete and accurate. A permit can not be issued for a larger quantity than as described therein.

3. The use to which the water is to be applied is irrigation and domestic

(Irrigation, domestic, industrial)

4. The point of diversion is to be located (1) Sec. 34 T7N R14E (2) SW 1/4 Sec. 12 T6N R15E (3) Sec. 8

T6N R15E (4) NE 1/4 Sec. 23 T6N R15E (5) Sec. 2 T6N R14E (6) Sec. 16 T6N R15E (7) Sec. 18 T5N R11E

(8) SW 1/4 Sec. 31 T4N R12E (9) NE 1/4 Sec. 9 T6N R15E (10) NW 1/4 Sec. 23 T6N R16E (10a) Sec. 2 T4N R15E

(11) NE 1/4 Sec. 14 T4N R17E (12) Sec. 11 T7N R15E

being within the (Give 40-acre subdivision of U. S. government survey or section thereof)

of Sec. Tp. R. M., in the County of Calaveras

5. The to be miles in length, terminating in the

(Main ditch, canal or pipe line)

(Smallest legal subdivision)

of Sec. Tp. R. M., the proposed location being shown throughout on the accompanying map.

6. The name of the ditch, canal or other works, if named, is to be

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED WORKS

(NOTE: AN APPLICATION CAN NOT BE APPROVED FOR AN AMOUNT GROSSLY IN EXCESS OF THE ESTIMATED CAPACITY OF THE DIVERSION WORKS)

Diversion Works—

7. (a) Diversion by gravity:

(1) Height of dam feet; length on top feet; length at

bottom feet; material to be used and character of construction

(Loose rock, masonry, concrete, rock and

brush, timber crib, etc., wasteway over or around dam)

(2) Description of headgate

(Timber, concrete, etc.)

number and size of openings)

(b) Diversion by pumping plant: Type of pumps

(Centrifugal, plunger, screw, etc.)

number of pumps; size of each; capacity of

each cubic feet per second; total capacity of plant cubic feet per second;

total pumping lift feet; source

Conduit System (Main Conduits only)—

8. Give dimensions, length, grade (feet fall per 1000 feet length), and character of construction of diversion conduit.

(a) Canal, ditch, flume: Width on top (at water line) _____ feet; width on bottom _____ feet; depth of water _____ feet; length _____ feet; grade _____ feet per 1000 feet; materials of construction _____ (Earth, rock, staves, etc.)

(b) Pipe line: Diameter _____ inches; length _____ feet; grade _____ feet per 1000 feet; total fall from intake to outlet _____ feet; kind _____ (Riveted steel, cement, wood-stave, etc.)

Note.—If a combination of different sizes or kinds of conduit is to be used, attach extra sheets with complete description, also show location of each clearly on map. (2) Middle Fork Mokelumne (4) Railroad Flat (0) Valley Springs Storage Reservoir (9) Spicers Meadow (10) Ramsey (11) Beardsley Flat Valley Springs (PARAGRAPHS 9, 10, 11 AND 12 SHOULD NOT BE FILLED IN UNLESS STORAGE IS APPLIED FOR IN PARAGRAPH 28)

9. The capacity of the storage reservoir will be _____ acre-feet; surface area _____ acres

10. The location of the storage reservoir will be in _____ (Give 40-acre subdivisions)
 (2) SW Sec. 12 T6N R13E
 (4) NE Sec. 23 T6N R13E
 (8) SW Sec. 51 T4N R13E, 1/4, 1/2, 3/4, TAN, R11E
 (9) NE Sec. 9 T6N R13E
 (10) NE Sec. 23 T6N R13E
 (11) NE Sec. 14 T4N R13E

11. The storage dam will be located in _____ (40-acre subdivisions)
 Sec. _____ T_p _____ R _____ M. It will be _____ feet in height; length on top _____ feet; length on bottom _____ feet; width on top _____ feet; slope of front or water face _____ (Foot horizontal to 1 vertical); slope on back _____ (Foot horizontal to 1 vertical); height of dam above water line when full _____ feet.

12. Character of construction of storage dam and the materials of which it is to be built _____

Cost—
 13. Estimated cost of proposed works, \$ _____

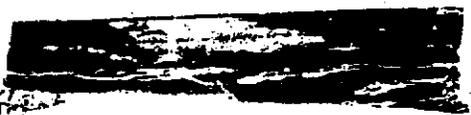
APPLICATION OF WATER TO USE

14. Construction work will begin on or before _____
 15. Construction work will be completed on or before _____
 16. The water will be completely applied to the proposed use on or before _____
 17. The land to be irrigated has a total area of 310,000 acres, located in each forty-acre tract as follows:
 (State out acreage to be irrigated; not gross area of property)

In Tps. 1 S Ranges 10 to 12 E inclusive and Tps. 1 to 6 N inclusive Ranges 9 to 15 E inclusive

18. The crops to be irrigated are: Rice _____ acres; alfalfa _____ acres; orchard _____ acres; general crops _____ acres.

19. Irrigation will begin about March 1st (Date) and end about November 1st (Date) of each year.



Applicant: _____

Application No. 5648

Permit No. _____

APPLICATION
AGRICULTURAL
TO APPROPRIATE
THE PUBLIC WATERS OF THE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

This application was first received in the office
of the DIVISION OF WATER RIGHTS the 31
day of July 1927
at Los Angeles, Cal.

RETURNED TO APPLICANT FOR CONNECTION

CONNECTED APPLICATION RECEIVED

Approved: _____

Recorded in Book No. _____ of _____

Permits, on Page _____

PERMIT No. _____

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF _____

This is to certify that we have examined the application of which the foregoing is a true and correct copy and do hereby grant the same, subject to VESTED RIGHTS and the following limitations and conditions, in addition to those enumerated in Section 20 (Statutes 1913, Chapter 586) set forth above.

1. The amount of water appropriated shall be limited to the amount which can be beneficially used, and shall not exceed _____



2. The maximum amount herein stated may be reduced in the license if investigation so warrants.

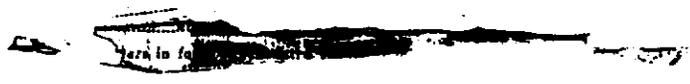
3. Actual construction work shall begin on or before _____ and shall thereafter be prosecuted with reasonable diligence, and if not so commenced and prosecuted this permit may be revoked.

4. Said construction work shall be completed on or before _____

5. Complete application of the water to the proposed use shall be made on or before _____

Witness the signature of the Chief of the Division of Water Rights, Department of Public Works of the State of California, and the seal of said department

this _____ day of _____, 1927



GENERAL

20. Are the maps as required by the Rules and Regulations filed with application? No If not, state specifically the time required for filing same. (Yes or no)

21. Does the applicant own the land at the proposed point of diversion? (Yes or no) If not, state what steps have been taken to secure right of access thereto. (See Rules and Regulations for requirements as to right of access)

22. Does the applicant own all the land to be irrigated? (Yes or no) If not, submit a copy of agreement with owners or state what arrangements have been made with them.

23. Has the land to be irrigated any water right or source of water supply for irrigation other than herein applied for? Yes If so, state the nature and amount of this supply. Rights of indefinite extent (Yes or no)

24. What is the name of the post office most used by those living near the proposed point of diversion? San Andreas - Angels Camp

25. What are the names and addresses of claimants of water from the source of supply below the proposed point of diversion? Unknown

26. It is understood and agreed that this application and the permit and license which may be granted hereunder shall be subject to all the conditions set forth in Section 20 of the Water Commission Act (Statutes 1913, Chapter 586), which is as follows:

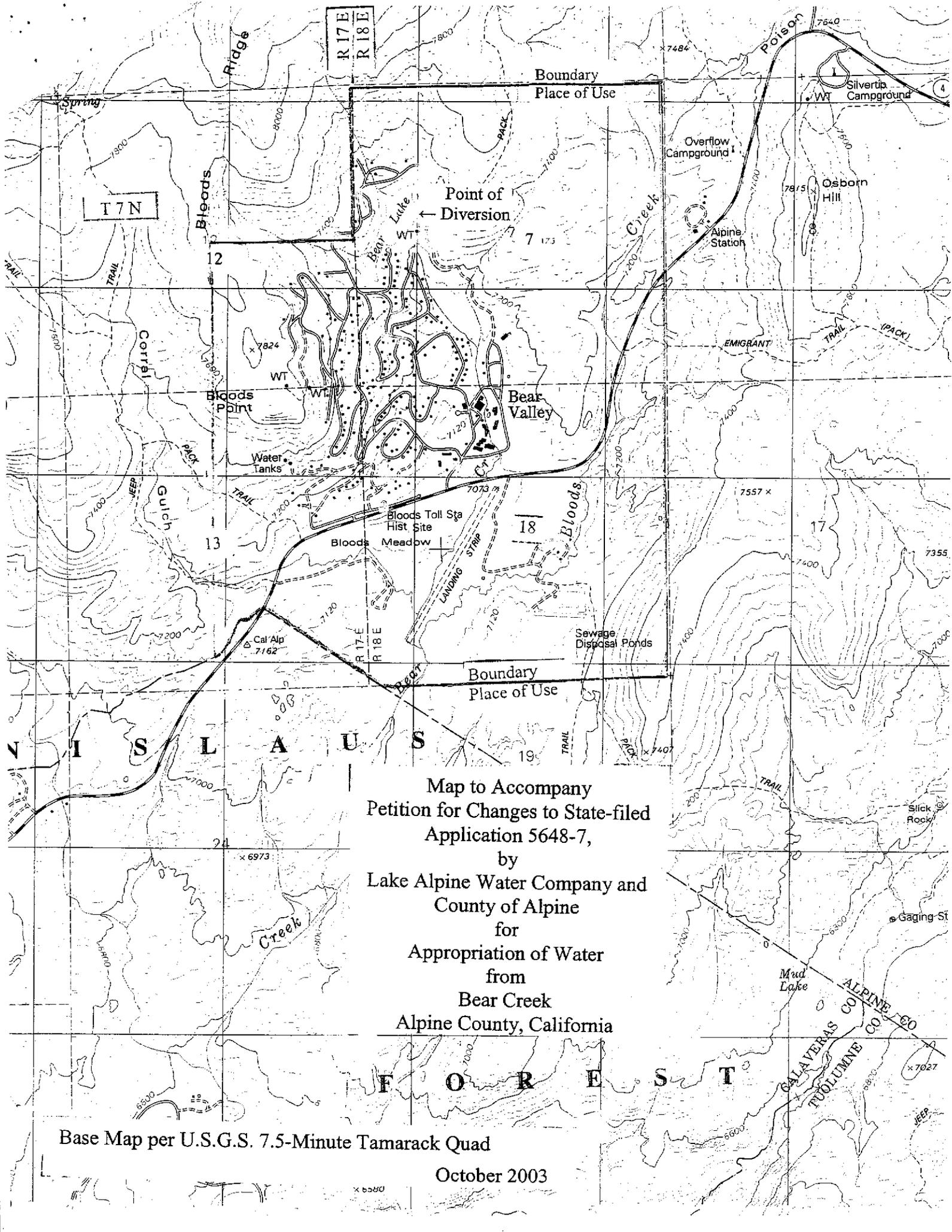
Sec. 20. All permits and licenses for the appropriation of water shall be under the terms and conditions of this act, and shall be effective for such time as the water actually appropriated under such permits and licenses shall actually be used for the useful and beneficial purposes for which said water was appropriated, but no longer; and every such permit or license shall include the enumeration of conditions therein which in substance shall include all of the provisions of this section and likewise the statement that any appropriator of water, to whom said permit or license may be issued, shall take the same subject to such conditions as therein approved; provided, that if, at any time after the expiration of twenty years after the granting of a license, the state, or any city, city and county, municipal water district, irrigation district, lighting district, or any political subdivision of the state shall have the right to purchase the works and property occupied and used under said license and the works built or constructed for the enjoyment of the rights granted under said license; and in the event that the said state, city, city and county, municipal water district, irrigation district, lighting district or political subdivision of the state so desiring to purchase and the said owner of said works and property can not agree upon said purchase price, said price shall be determined in such manner as is now or may hereafter be determined in eminent domain proceedings. If it shall appear to the state water commission at any time after a permit or license is issued as in this act provided that the permittee or licensee, or the heirs, successors or assigns of said permittee or licensee, has not put the water granted under said permit or license to the useful or beneficial purposes for which the permit or license was granted, or that the permittee or licensee, or the heirs, successors or assigns of said permittee or licensee, has failed to observe any of the terms and conditions in the permit or license as issued, then and in that case the said commission, after due notice to the permittee, licensee, or the heirs, successors or assigns of such permittee or licensee, and a hearing thereon, may revoke said permit or license, and declare the water to be unappropriated and open to further appropriation in accordance with the terms of this act. And the findings and declaration of said commission shall be deemed to be prima facie correct until modified or set aside by a court of competent jurisdiction; provided, that any action brought on to modify or set aside such finding or declaration must be commenced within thirty days after the service of notice of said revocation on said permittee or licensee, his heirs, successors or assigns. And every license or permit under the provisions of this act if he accepts such permit or license shall accept the same under the conditions precedent that no value whatsoever in excess of the actual amount paid to the state therefor shall at any time be assigned or claimed for any permit or license granted or issued under the provisions of this act, or for any rights granted or acquired under the provisions of this act, in respect to the regulations by any competent public authority of the service or the price of the service to be rendered by any permittee or licensee, his heirs, successors or assigns or by the holder of any rights granted or acquired under the provisions of this act, or in respect to any valuation for purposes of sale to or purchase, whether through condemnation proceedings or otherwise, by the state or any city, city and county, municipal water district, irrigation district, lighting district or any political subdivision of the state, of the rights and property of any permittee or licensee, or the purchase of any rights granted, issued, or acquired under the provisions of this act. The application for a permit by municipalities for the use of water for said municipalities or the inhabitants thereof for domestic purposes shall be considered first in right, irrespective of whether they are first in time; provided, however, that such application for a permit or the granting thereof of permission to any municipality to appropriate waters, shall not authorize the appropriation of any water for other than municipal purposes; and providing, further, that where permission to appropriate is granted by the state water commission to any municipality for any quantity of water in excess of the existing municipal needs thereof, that pending the application of the entire appropriation permitted, the state water commission shall have the power to issue permits for the temporary appropriation of the excess of such permitted appropriation over and above the quantity being applied from time to time by such municipality; and providing, further, that in lieu of the granting of such temporary permits for appropriation, the state water commission may authorize such municipality to become as to such surplus a public utility, subject to the jurisdiction and control of the railroad commission of the State of California for such period or periods from and after the date of the issuance of such permission to appropriate, as may be allowed for the application to municipal use of the entire appropriation permitted; and provided, further, that where such municipality shall desire to use the additional water granted in its said application it may so do upon making just compensation for the facilities for taking, conveying and storing such additional water rendered valuable for said purposes, to the person, firm or corporation which constructed said facilities for the temporary use of said excess waters, and which compensation, if not agreed upon between the municipality and said person, firm or corporation, may be determined in the manner provided by law for determining the value of property taken by and through eminent domain proceedings.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA (of Appellate)

BY Walter D. R. Heron Direct

Signed in the presence of us as witnesses:

[Signature]
[Signature]



Map to Accompany
 Petition for Changes to State-filed
 Application 5648-7,
 by
 Lake Alpine Water Company and
 County of Alpine
 for
 Appropriation of Water
 from
 Bear Creek
 Alpine County, California

Base Map per U.S.G.S. 7.5-Minute Tamarack Quad

October 2003

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GALAVERNAS CO

TUOLUMNE CO

ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION FOR PETITIONS

(THIS IS NOT A CEQA DOCUMENT)

APPLICATION NO.

PERMIT NO.

LICENSE NO.

The following information will aid in the environmental review of your change petition as required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). IN ORDER FOR YOUR CHANGE PETITION TO BE ACCEPTED AS COMPLETED, ANSWERS TO THE QUESTIONS LISTED BELOW MUST BE COMPLETED TO THE BEST OF YOUR ABILITY. Failure to answer all questions may result in your change petition being returned to you, causing delays in processing. If you need more space, attach additional sheets. Additional information may be required from you to amplify further or clarify the information requested in this form.

DISCRIPTION OF CHANGES TO PROJECT

1. Provide a description of the proposed changes to your project, including but not limited to, type of construction activity, structures existing or to be built, area to be graded or excavated, changes in land use, and project operational changes, including changes in how the water will be used.
This project does not involve any new construction work for diversion or storage of water. The construction of Bear Valley Dam and Reservoir (Bear Lake) was completed in 1965 to a capacity of 360 acre feet. SWRCB License No. 11007 was issued on Application 21485 on May 5, 1980, authorizing the storage of 240 a.f. per annum, with withdrawals limited to 140 a.f. per annum, the amount which had then been put to beneficial use. This Application is to secure water rights to an additional 395 acre feet, the full amount of to be put to use in future development of Bear Valley in Alpine County, which is expected to be in 2014. All water under this Application will be used in the North Fork of the Stanislaus River drainage basin and within Alpine County. All wastewater after use returns to the North Fork Stanislaus River watershed in the immediate vicinity after treatment.

Note: When completed, please submit a copy of the final environmental document (including notice of determination) or notice of exemption to the State Water Resources Control Board. Processing of your change petition cannot proceed until such documents are submitted.

5. Will your proposed changes, during construction or operation, generate waste or wastewater containing such things as sewage, industrial chemicals, metals, or agricultural chemicals, or cause erosion, turbidity or sedimentation? Yes If so, explain: Providing additional municipal & recreational water supply will generate additional sewage for the Bear Valley Water District's sewage treatment facilities.

Contact David Ritchie, President, Bear Valley Water District, Bear Valley, CA 95223. (209) 728-3959 or (209) 753-6153

If yes or you are unsure of your answer, contact your local Regional Water Quality Control Board for the following information (See attachment for address and telephone number):

Will a waste discharge permit be required for your petition? No

Person contacted _____ Date of contact _____

What method of treatment and disposal will be used? _____

Secondary treatment and land disposal via Bear Valley Water District

6. Have any archeological reports been prepared on this project, or will you be preparing an archeological report to satisfy another public agency? NO

Do you know of any archeological or historic sites located within the general project area?

Yes If so, explain: A former Indian campground site is identified as a sensitive site in the 1978 County Master Plan. No development is scheduled to take place in that area.

ENVIRONMENTAL SETTING

7. Attach **THREE COMPLETE SETS** of color photographs, clearly dated and labeled, showing the vegetation currently existing at the following locations:

- a. Along the stream channel immediately downstream from the proposed point(s) of diversion
- b. Along the stream channel immediately upstream from the proposed point(s) of diversion
- c. At the place(s) where the water is to be used

Note: It is very important that you submit no less than three complete sets of photographs as required above. If less than three sets are submitted, processing of your change petition will be delayed until you furnish the remaining sets!

8. From the list given below, mark or circle the general plant community types which best describe those which occur within your project area (Note: See footnote denoted by * under Question 11 below):

Tree Dominated Communities

- Subalpine Conifer
- Red Fir
- Lodgepole Pine
- Mixed Conifer
 - Sierran Mixed Conifer
 - White Fir
 - Klamath Mixed Conifer
- Douglas-Fir
- Jeffrey Pine
- Ponderosa Pine
- Eastside Pine
- Redwood
- Pinyon-Juniper
- Juniper
- Aspen
- Closed-Cone Pine-Cypress
- Montane Hardwood-Conifer
- Montane Hardwood
- Valley Foothill Hardwood
 - Blue Oak Woodland
 - Valley Oak Woodland
 - Coastal Oak Woodland
- Valley Foothill Hardwood-Conifer
 - Blue Oak-Digger Pine
- Eucalyptus
- Montane Riparian
- Valley Foothill Riparian
- Desert Riparian
- Palm Oasis
- Joshua Tree

Shrub Dominated Communities

- Alpine Dwarf-Shrub
- Low Sage
- Bitterbrush
- Sagebrush
- Montane Chaparral
- Mixed Chaparral
- Chamise-Redshank Chaparral
- Coastal Scrub
- Desert Succulent Shrub
- Desert Wash
- Desert Scrub
- Alkali Desert Scrub

Herbaceous Dominated Communities

- Annual Grassland
- Perennial Grassland
- Wet Meadow
- Fresh Emergent Wetland
- Saline Emergent Wetland
- Pasture

Aquatic Communities

- Riverine
- Lacustrine
- Estuarine
- Marine

Developed Communities

- Cropland
- Orchard-Vineyard
- Urban

Literature source: Mayer, K.E., and W.F. Laudenslayer, Jr., (eds). 1988. A Guide to Wildlife Habitats of California. California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, Sacramento. 166 pp. (Note: You may view a copy of this document at our public counter at the address given

at the top of this form or you may purchase a copy by calling the California Department of Fish and Game, Wildlife Habitat Relationships (WHR) Program at (916) 653-7203).

9. Provide below an estimate of the type, number, and size (trunk/stem diameter at chest height) of trees and large shrubs that are planned to be removed or destroyed due to implementation of the proposed changes. Consider all aspects of your change petition, including changes in diversion structures, water distribution and use facilities, and changes in the place of use due to additional water development.

No trees to be removed. No construction work in this project.

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONCERNS

10. Identify the typical species of fish which occur in the source(s) from which you propose to divert water and discuss whether or not any of these fish species or their habitat has been or would be affected by your proposed changes. (Note: See footnote denoted by * under Question 11 below):

The point of diversion, Bear Lake, is located at the headwaters of Bear Creek, a tributary to Bloods Creek. The stream is intermittent for a distance of about 1 mile downstream of the point of diversion with flows only during the snowmelt period, generally ending during July. Some rainbow and brook trout can be found in the stream during the snowmelt runoff, particularly south of State Highway 4. Diversion and storage in Bear Lake does not significantly affect the duration of the snowmelt runoff.

11. Identify the typical species of riparian and terrestrial wildlife in the area and discuss whether or not any of these species and/or their habitat has been or would be affected by your proposed changes through construction of additional water diversion and distribution works and/or changes in land use in the place of water use. (Note: See footnote denoted by * below):

The area immediately adjacent to the point of diversion is a mountain recreational subdivision and a small commercial area. The area is above 7000 feet elevation and does not support many species of Amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals. Most obvious species are

Belding Squirrels, Stellar's
chipmunks and blacktailed deer mammals, jay and Clark's
nutcracker birds. No construction is planned and diversion of water
does not change the habitat significantly. Attached is a copy of the
wildlife setting.

*Note: The purposes of Question 10 and 11 are to provide a preliminary assessment of the presence of typical plant and animal species in the area and whether these species might be affected by your proposed changes. Detailed site surveys to quantify populations of specific species or determine the presence of rare or endangered species may be required at a later date. It is very important that you answer these questions accurately. If you are unable to obtain appropriate answers from your local California Department of Fish and Game biologists (See attachment for address and telephone number) or you do not have adequate information or expertise to complete your answers, you should hire a fishery consultant and/or a wildlife consultant to review your project and prepare suitable answers for you. For information on available qualified fishery or wildlife consultants near you, consult your local telephone directory yellow pages under Environmental and Ecological Services, or call the California Environmental Protection Agency, Registered Environmental Assessor (REA) Program, at (916) 324-6881 or the University of California, Cooperative Extension Service (See your local telephone directory white pages).

12. Do your proposed changes involve any construction or grading-related activity which has significantly altered or would significantly alter the bed or bank of any stream or lake? No
If so, explain: _____

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the statements I have furnished above and in the attached exhibits are complete to the best of my ability, and that the facts, statements, and information presented are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Date October 24, 2003 Signature William M. Verigin

WILDLIFE

Setting

Wildlife in the Bear Valley Area can be categorized according to habitat type which corresponds to vegetative community.

The coniferous forest habitat supports the following birds and mammals:

Pygmy Owl	Chipmunks
Spotted Owl	Grey Squirrel
Great Grey Owl	Red Squirrel
Woodpeckers	Porcupine
Flycatchers	Marten
Steller's Jay	Wolverine
Mountain Chickadee	Coyote
Kinglets	
Warblers	Black-tailed Deer
	Deer
Badgers	Black Bear
Snowshoe Rabbit	Mountain Lion
Belding Ground Squirrel	Bobcat

The meadow habitat supports:

Coyote	Many birds (summer visitants)
Black-tailed Deer	Pacific Tree Frogs
Black Bear (forage)	Lepidoptera spp.
Yellow-Bellied Marmot	Hymenoptera spp.
Long-tailed Meadow Mouse	Snowshoe Rabbit
White-footed Mouse	Badgers
Deer Mouse	
Mountain Pocket Gopher	
Western Garter Snake	
Western Rattlesnake	

The barren, rocky area habitat supports:

Rock Wren	North Alligator Lizard
Bushy-tailed Wood Rat	Western Rattlesnake
Cottontail	Mountain Gopher
Western Fence Lizard	Pika
Sagebrush Lizard	Yellow-bellied Marmot

and provides dens for:

Coyote
Fox
Raccoon
Marten

The riparian habitat supports:

Flycatcher	Cottontail
Gold Finches	Mice
Song Sparrow	Raccoon
Shrews	Frogs and other amphibians

black bear and mountain