BEFORE THE DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of Applications 4439 - 4539 - 4551 - 4552 -
4804 - 4874 - 4977 to appropriate from Los Alamos
Creek in Santa Barbara County for irrigation,
stock watering and domestic purposes.

DECISION A. 4439, 4539, 4551, 4552, 4804, 4874, 4977, D 238
Decided May 8, 1931

APPEARANCES AT HEARING HELD AT SANTA MARIA, APRIL 21, 1931.
For applicants C. L. Preisker, Attorney
For protesters C. L. Preisker, Attorney
EXAMINER: Gordon Zander, Hydraulic Engineer
Division of Water Resources.

OPINION

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECTS

All seven of the above numbered applications contemplate
the appropriation of water from Los Alamos Creek (sometimes called
San Antonio Creek) in Santa Barbara County, or from wells in the
vicinity of said creek as follows:

Application 4439, by R. E. Easton, contemplates the appropri-
ation of 1.46 cubic feet per second from Los Alamos Creek for the
irrigation of 116.6 acres of land.
Application 4539, by Charles M. Careaga, contemplates the appropriation of 0.55 cubic foot per second from Los Alamos Creek for the irrigation of 45.5 acres of land.

Application 4551, by B. F. Barca, contemplates the appropriation of 0.44 cubic foot per second from Los Alamos Creek for the irrigation of 35.1 acres of land.

Application 4552, by B. F. Barca, contemplates the appropriation of 2.00 cubic feet per second from a well tapping an underground source adjacent to Los Alamos Creek, for the irrigation of 165.4 acres of land.

Application 4974, by J. G. Reinhart, contemplates the appropriation of 0.73 cubic foot per second from Los Alamos Creek for the irrigation of 56.4 acres of land.

Application 4804, by Maria Careaga, contemplates the appropriation of 0.023 cubic foot per second from Los Alamos Creek for the watering of 1,000 head of stock.

Application 4977, by J. G. Reinhart, contemplates the appropriation of 0.73 cubic foot per second from the underground channel of Los Alamos Creek, for the irrigation of 56.4 acres of land.

The first six of the above enumerated applications have been advertised. Application 4977 is not yet in form for advertising but was included in the hearing.

PROTESTS

All of the above numbered applications were interprotested by various of the above named applicants. Protestants allege that the
continual flow of Los Alamos Creek is only sufficient to provide for stock watering and domestic uses and that the use of this flow for irrigation purposes will dry up the creek.

HEARING SET IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 1a OF THE WATER COMMISSION ACT

Applications 4439 - 4539 - 4551 - 4552 - 4804 and 4874 were completed in accordance with the Water Commission Act and the requirements of the Rules and Regulations of the Division of Water Resources and being protested were set for public hearing in accordance with Section 1a of the Water Commission Act on April 21, 1931 at 10:00 o'clock A. M. in Conference Room, Knights of Pythias Building, Santa Maria, California.

Application 4977 was not completed but being in conflict with above numbered applications was also set for hearing at the same time and place. Of this hearing applicants and record protesters were duly notified.

MATTERS IN CONTROVERSY SETTLED BY STIPULATION OF THE PARTIES

On June 7, 1927, this office received an order from the Superior Court of Santa Barbara County, referring to it the case of John G. Reinhart vs. R. E. Easton, et al. for investigation as referee. This case included as parties all applicants and protesters against the above numbered applications. During the course of the hearing of April 21, 1931 a stipulation was entered into by the parties in interest according to the terms of which contestants requested that Applications 4439 - 4539 - 4551 - 4804 and 4874 be cancelled and protests against Application 4552 were withdrawn and request was made that Application 4977 be considered and granted. Action on Application 4977 should be deferred until its completion and advertising.
ORDER

Applications 4489 - 4539 - 4551 - 4552 - 4304 - 4374 and 4977 for permits to appropriate water having been filed with the Division of Water Resources as above stated, protests having been filed, a public hearing having been held and the Division of Water Resources now being fully informed in the premises;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Application 4552 be approved and that a permit be issued thereon subject to the usual terms and conditions, and

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that Applications 4489 - 4539 - 4551 - 4304 and 4374 be rejected and cancelled upon the records of the Division of Water Resources, and

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that action on Application 4977 be withheld pending completion and advertisement when such action may be taken as is appropriate in the premises.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Department of Public Works of the State of California this 8th day of May 1931

EDWARD HYATT, State Engineer

By Harold Combs, Deputy

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