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RE: Monte Bishop Trust Amended Claim to a Water Right

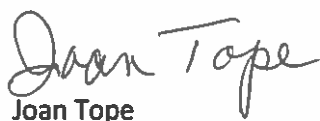
95-14342

My name is Beverly Joan Tope. I have lived on the property 132 Sunset Road since 1983. The Monte Bishop property is across the road from our property. Careywood Creek runs through her property and under the County Road to our property. I have never seen any irrigation from the creek done on this property for the last 34 years. This includes no irrigation up to this date.

They have dug into the creek and put dams in the creek which produced a reduced flow to our property. Last summer and this summer the creek as not had enough volume to make it to our property part of the year. Instead the creek seal has been broken and the water is seeping into the their fields.

The only irrigation done by Monte was with an irrigation well they put in, not the creek. I believe they got a SBA loan to put it in. According to Robin and Tom Harris, the well has caved in and is not usable. A long time ago Monte's husband used this well for a short period of time to grow alfalfa up on the higher clearing.

I sincerely request that this claim be denied since it is not based on fact. In the event it is approved, we will lose all access to the creek as it will not even enter our property.


Joan Tope

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My name is Tim Tope, and I am 64 years old. I have lived in Careywood most of my life. My parents bought the Roy Tope property (grandfather who bought this property

in 1930s). Our property is directly north of the Monte Bishop property. We have had a view of this property since Monte has owned it. Most of the property is on the County Road and open to view. All this time I have lived here, there has been no irrigation from the creek. Not back in 1970, and not to this day. All the neighbors around who pass the property on the way out to the highway can attest to this.

If this claim is approved, we will lose all water from the creek to our property. We also have water rights. Rights based on truth, not made up to gain a claim which isn't due.


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In regard to Careywood
Creek usage, specifically
irrigation by the Palomino
Ranch residents.

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My husband who is now
deceased, moved here as a child
with his family, in 1948. and as
an adult, we married and
moved here in 1975.

In all the years, I have
never seen any irrigation pipes
or any other irrigation activity
in regard to Careywood Creek,
by the residents of the Palomino
Ranch.

Sincerely,
Charlotte Felts

My property is $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from the Palomino
Ranch - the drive by their property when
we go out to town.

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We the undersigned live on or off of Sunset Road in Careywood. In our comings and goings along Sunset Road we have never seen the fields be irrigated with Careywood Creek.

John Ballison 798 Sunset Rd.

Charlotte Felts 1470 Sunset Rd.

Bud M. ? 1201 Sunset Rd.

Sue Bouguenore 1201 Sunset Rd.

Mark Felts 1470 SUNSET RD.

John Ballison

Charlotte Felts

Bud M. ?

Sue Bouguenore

Mark Felts

Clarification of above
signatures. Provided by
Joan Tope on 9-20-17
L.W.