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Protest of proposed water right transfer

Basin 43

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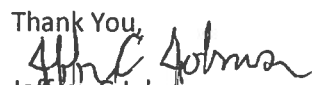
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Brockway Engineering PLLC and Pinnacle Great Plain Operating Co. LLC have submitted an application to transfer the point of diversion for their water rights in order to pump and irrigate with higher quality water (less sodium). While I admire the desire of any property owner to improve their farming operation, this protest is based upon the concern that if Pinnacle Great Plains is pumping from the clean water source, then the high sodium water will follow the aquifer downstream and create high sodium irrigation water problems on property owned by J7, LLC. It can be demonstrated that basin 43 is a critical ground water district. The water levels are declining and sodium problems generally follow a drop in the aquifer level. On J7, LLC property, it can also be demonstrated from water samples, that irrigation sources neighboring Pinnacle property are higher in sodium than water sources further away. I conclude the sodium water will more rapidly encroach upon my irrigation wells as Pinnacle draws water from the low sodium sources.

Someone should have done a better job of "due diligence" before purchasing this property. Pinnacle Great Plains Operating Co. LLC is clearly not happy with the purchase of this Bridge farm. I propose that the property owners take the large sum of money allocated to drilling new wells - installing mainline and discount the sale price by that amount. Unload the property to a buyer who is content to grow alfalfa and barley. People looking to purchase farm land approach me on a regular basis. I am willing to share the names of people who contacted me.

Thank You,

Jeffrey C Johnson

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