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Willis FLP asserts the change of use will not injure the vested or decreed conditional rights of others, and asserts the exchange of irrigation water within the R.B. Willis Ditch will not change or enlarge the use of water rights.

As a result, Willis FLP requests the court enter a decree confirming its absolute water right in the Mayfield Well No. 2, award its change of water rights, and approve its plan of augmentation. Willis FLP also requests the court find that the change of water rights and plan for augmentation will not cause injury to the vested water rights or decreed conditional water rights of others, and that the plan for augmentation is sufficient to allow the Willis FLP to continue diverting water when the State Engineer would otherwise curtail such diversions pursuant to priority administration of water rights.

2. Opposition

No statements of opposition have been filed.

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APPLICATION OF RICK ENSTROM FOR UNDERGROUND WATER RIGHTS IN PROWERS COUNTY, COLORADO. Case No. 2002CW171 (Water Division 2, Dec. 16, 2002). Applicant: Rick Enstrom (Atty. Carmen S. Hall, Petrock & Fendel, P.C.).

1. Application

Rick Enstrom ("Enstrom") seeks a two cubic feet per second absolute water right to be drawn from Enstrom Spring, fed by the Arkansas River and groundwater. Enstrom will use the water for a nonconsumptive wildlife habitat. Enstrom initiated the appropriation on August 4, 1964 with the intent to appropriate water for beneficial use and the issuance of Permit No. 5981-F. Enstrom is the owner of the land on which the points of diversion are located.

Enstrom Spring is located in Section 25, north of the Arkansas River and the Buffalo Canal, and south of the town of Bristol, in Prowers County, Colorado.

2. Opposition

No statements of opposition have been filed.

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