UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

CIVIL MINUTES – GENERAL

Case No. CV 18-00057 AFM	Date: March 12, 2018
Title Paul Reiffer v. Fox River Conservation Partners, LLC	
Present: The Honorable: ALEXANDER F. MacKINNON, U.S. Magistrate Judge	
Ilene Bernal	N/A
Deputy Clerk	Court Reporter / Recorder
Attorneys Present for Plaintiff: N/A	Attorneys Present for Defendants: N/A
Proceedings (In Chambers): ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE	
Absent a showing of good cause, an action must be dismissed without prejudice if the summons and complaint are not served on a defendant within 90 days after the complaint is filed. FED. R. CIV. P. 4(m). Generally, defendants must answer the complaint within 21 days after service (60 days if the defendant is the United States). FED. R. CIV. P. 12(a). In the present case, it appears that one or more of these time periods has not been met. Accordingly, the Court, on its own motion, orders plaintiff to show cause <i>in writing</i> on or before March 22, 2018, why this action should not be dismissed for lack of prosecution. Pursuant to Rule 78(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the Court finds that this matter is appropriate for submission without oral argument. The Order to Show Cause will stand submitted on that date. Filing of the following on or before March 22, 2018 will constitute a satisfactory response to the Order to Show Cause: an appearance by all defendants who have been served or an application for entry of default pursuant to Rule 55(a) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.	
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