## 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 8 9 EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 11 ANDREW A. CEJAS, Case No. 1:12-cv-00271-AWI-DLB PC 12 Plaintiff, ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO MODIFY DISCOVERY AND SCHEDULING ORDER 13 v. 14 MYERS, et al., (Document 127) 15 Defendants. Dispositive Motions: January 11, 2016 16 Plaintiff Andrew A. Cejas ("Plaintiff") is a California state prisoner proceeding pro se and in 17 forma pauperis in this civil rights action pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983. 18 Pursuant to the May 13, 2015, Discovery and Scheduling Order, the current deadline for 19 dispositive motions is December 9, 2015. 20 On November 20, 2015, Defendants filed a joint motion to extend the dispositive motion 21 deadline to January 11, 2016. The Court deems the matter suitable for decision without an 22 opposition. 23 **DISCUSSION** 24 Modification of the pretrial scheduling order requires a showing of good cause. Fed. R. Civ. 25 P. 16(b)(4). "The schedule may be modified 'if it cannot reasonably be met despite the diligence of 26 the party seeking the extension." Zivkovic v. Southern California Edison Co., 302 F.3d 1080, 1087 27 (9th Cir. 2002) (quoting Johnson v. Mammoth Recreations, Inc., 975 F.2d 604, 607 (9th Cir. 1992)). 28

"If the party seeking the modification 'was not diligent, the inquiry should end' and the motion to modify should not be granted." Id. Here, Defendants seek an extension of the December 9, 2015, dispositive motion deadline due to work-load issues and prior commitments of counsel. For good cause, the Court GRANTS the request and extends the dispositive motion deadline to January 11, 2016. IT IS SO ORDERED. 1s/ Dennis L. Beck Dated: **December 9, 2015** UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE