## 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 8 9 EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 11 GARY WILLIAMS, Case No.: 1:12-cv-00786-AWI-SAB (PC) 12 ORDER ADOPTING FINDINGS AND Plaintiff, RECOMMENDATIONS. GRANTING DEFENDANTS' MOTION FOR SUMMARY 13 v. JUDGMENT, DISMISSING DEFENDANTS EPPERSON, HORTON, AND KAUR FOR 14 S. STEGLINSKI, et. al., FAILURE TO EXHAUST ADMINISTRATIVE REMEDIES, AND REFERRING MATTER BACK 15 Defendants. TO MAGISTRATE JUDGE FOR FURTHER 16 **PROCEEDINGS** (ECF Nos. 38, 48) 17 18 Plaintiff Gary Williams is appearing pro se and in forma pauperis in this civil rights action 19 pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983. 20 On May 30, 2014, Defendants Kaur, Horton, and Epperson filed a motion for summary judgment.1 21 22 On August 1, 2014, the Magistrate Judge filed a Findings and Recommendations which was 23 served on the parties and which contained notice to the parties that Objections to the Findings and 24 Recommendations were to be filed within thirty days. 25 On September 4, 2014, Plaintiff filed a notice of appeal, which the Court has construed as 26 objections to the Findings and Recommendations because it is not a final order subject to appealabilty 27

<sup>1</sup> Defendants Steglinski and Dyer did not move for summary judgment on the claim of excessive force against them.

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review, nor does such filing divest this Court of jurisdiction. See Estate v. Conners by Meredith v. O'Connor, 6 F.3d 656, 658 (9th Cir. 1993) (notice of appeal from a nonappealable order does not divest the district court of jurisdiction). "When a Notice of Appeal is defective in that it refers to a transfer jurisdiction to the appellate court, and so the ordinary rule that the district court cannot act until the mandate has issued on the appeal does not apply." Nascimento v. Dummer, 508 F.3d 905, 908 (9th Cir. 2007).

In accordance with the provisions of 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(C), the Court has conducted a *de novo* review of this case. Having carefully reviewed the entire file, the Court finds the Findings and Recommendations to be supported by the record and by proper analysis.

## Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 1. The Findings and Recommendations, filed on August 1, 2014, is adopted in full;
- 2. Defendants' Kaur, Horton, and Epperson's motion for summary judgment for failure to exhaust the administrative remedies is GRANTED;
- 3. Defendants Kaur, Horton, and Epperson are DISMISSED from the action; and
- 4. The matter is referred back to the Magistrate Judge for further proceedings.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: September 30, 2014

SENIOR DISTRICT JUDGE