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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

SEBASTIAN BLOUNT,)	Case No.: 1:13cv01705 AWI DLB (PC)
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Plaintiff,)	ORDER REQUIRING DEFENDANTS TO
v.)	INFORM THE COURT WHETHER A
)	SETTLEMENT WOULD BE BENEFICIAL
D. LOPEZ, et al.,)	
)	TEN-DAY DEADLINE
Defendants.)	
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Plaintiff Sebastian Blount (“Plaintiff”) is a former California state prisoner proceeding pro se and in forma pauperis in this civil rights action pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983. This action is proceeding against Defendants Lopez and Abraham for violation of the Eighth Amendment.

Defendants did not file a dispositive motion prior to the February 12, 2015, dispositive motion deadline. The Court therefore issued a Second Scheduling Order on February 19, 2015. Trial is set for June 23, 2015.

On March 19, 2015, Plaintiff filed a Motion for Settlement Conference. He states that a settlement conference would be beneficial at this time.

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Accordingly, Defendants are ORDERED to respond to Plaintiff's motion and inform the Court whether they believe a settlement conference would be beneficial. Defendants' response is due ten days from the date of service of this order.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: March 20, 2015

/s/ Dennis L. Beck
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE