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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

LINDA DE SANTOS, on behalf of herself and) all other similarly situated,)	Case No.: 1:14-CV-00738 -JLT
Plaintiff,)	AMENDED ORDER GRANTING IN PART
v.)	STIPULATION TO AMEND CASE SCHEDULE
JACO OIL COMPANY,)	(Doc. 20)
Defendant.)	

Before the Court is the stipulation of counsel to extend the deadlines related to nonexpert and expert discovery. (Doc. 20) Counsel report that they engaged in a failed mediation but would like to continue discussing settlement without the need to make ongoing discovery efforts. Id. at 2. Thus, they request a 30-day extension on the deadlines. Id. at 2-3.

Counsel are reminded that, generally, the desire to conduct settlement negotiations is not considered good cause to amend the case schedule in that desire to make these efforts are reasonably anticipated at the time of the making of the case schedule. Jackson v. Laureate, Inc., 186 F.R.D. 605, 608 (E.D. Cal. 1999) [Case schedules may be amended based upon “the development of matters which could not have been reasonably foreseen or anticipated at the time of the Rule 16 scheduling conference.”]

On the other hand, Plaintiff offers no explanation why she cannot seek the requested amendment within the current deadlines. (Doc. 20 at 2) Indeed, seemingly, she has in her possession

1 the factual predicate for the amendment. *Id.* Thus, the Court is unclear why this amendment should
2 wait until just before the close of discovery. Importantly, the Court has granted an extension of time to
3 allow the amendment already. (Doc. 15) Thus, this request is **DENIED**.

4 However, because the proposed amendment will not impact the class certification motion, the
5 Court will **GRANT** the request **IN PART**:

6 1. The request to amend the case schedule is **GRANTED** as follows:

7 A. All nonexpert and expert discovery **SHALL** be completed no later than **6/30/15**;

8 B. All experts **SHALL** be disclosed no later than **5/15/15** and any rebuttal experts
9 disclosed no later than **6/3/15**;

10 C. Any nondispositive motions related to class discovery **SHALL** be filed no later
11 than **7/8/15** and heard no later than **8/5/15**.

12 2. The request to amend the case schedule to extend the deadline to file amendments is
13 **DENIED**;

14 3. No further amendments, including amendments related to the anticipated class
15 certification motion, are authorized.

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17 IT IS SO ORDERED.

18 Dated: March 11, 2015

/s/ Jennifer L. Thurston
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE