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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

PATRICH HAMMOND III,
Plaintiff,

Case No. 1:15-cv-391---SKO

v.

**ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANTS'
MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME
TO RESPOND TO THE COMPLAINT**

(Doc. 13)

SALLY JEWELL, Secretary of the U.S.
Department of the Interior, et al.,
Defendants.

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On May 14, 2015, Defendants Sally Jewel, Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior; Interior Board of Indian Appeals, U.S. Department of the Interior; U.S. Department of the Interior; Amy Dutschke, Regional Director, Pacific Regional Office, Bureau of Indian Affairs; Troy Burdick, Superintendent, Central California Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs (collectively "Defendants"); filed a motion for an extension of time to file a response to the complaint. (Doc. 13.) Defendants maintain that additional time is necessary because the complaint "invokes a complex intra-tribal dispute that has spurred multiple other lawsuits and administrative appeals to the Interior Board of Indian Appeals." (Doc. 13, ¶ 2.) Defendants maintain additional time to

1 respond to the complaint will allow them to prepare a comprehensive and well-organized
2 responsive pleading and ensure that Defendants have adequate time to complete the internal
3 review process within the Department of Justice and the Department of the Interior.

4 Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 5 1. Defendants' motion for an extension of time to file a response to the complaint is
6 GRANTED; and
- 7 2. Defendants' responsive pleading shall be filed on or before June 28, 2015.

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10 IT IS SO ORDERED.

11 Dated: May 19, 2015

/s/ Sheila K. Oberto
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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