1 2 3 4 5 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 8 9 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 11 THURMAN GAINES, No. 1:15-cv-00587-JLT-SAB (PC) Plaintiff, 12 ORDER ADOPTING FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS AND DISMISSING 13 v. CTION WITHOUT PREJUDICE FOR FAILURE TO EXHAUST CALIFORNIA DEPT. OF CORRECTIONS. 14 ADMINISTRATIVE REMEDIES et al., 15 (Doc. 138) Defendants. 16 17 18 Plaintiff Thurman Gaines is a state prisoner who brings this 42 U.S.C. § 1983 civil rights 19 action pro se. The matter was referred to a United States Magistrate Judge pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 20 § 636(1)(B) and Local Rule 302. 21 Plaintiff filed this suit in 2015 alleging deliberate indifference by Defendant Dr. E. 22 Horowitz and others. (Doc. 1.) On August 31, 2021, following an evidentiary hearing, the 23 assigned magistrate judge issued findings and recommendations that the action be dismissed 24 without prejudice for Plaintiff's failure to exhaust administrative remedies. (Doc. 138.) The 25 findings and recommendations were served on the parties and contained notice that objections 26 were due within thirty days. (*Id.* at 22.) 27 Plaintiff filed objections on September 30, 2021, and Defendant filed a response on 28

October 14, 2021. (Docs. 139, 140.) Therein, Plaintiff objected to the magistrate judge's analysis of testimony provided at the evidentiary hearing. (Doc. 139.) In accordance with the provisions of 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(C), this Court has conducted a de novo review of the case. Having carefully reviewed the entire file, including Plaintiff's objections and Defendant's response, the Court concludes that the magistrate judge's findings and recommendations are supported by the record and by proper analysis. Accordingly, 1. The findings and recommendations issued on August 31, 2021, (Doc. 138), are ADOPTED in full; and 2. The instant action is DISMISSED without prejudice for Plaintiff's failure to exhaust administrative remedies; and 3. The Clerk of the Court is DIRECTED to terminate all pending motions and to close this case. IT IS SO ORDERED. Dated: **January 20, 2022**