1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 11 MONICO J. QUIROGA III, Case No. 1:17-cv-00004-DAD-JDP 12 Plaintiff, ORDER DENYING PLAINTIFF'S **DISCOVERY MOTIONS** 13 v. (Doc. Nos. 54, 56) 14 C. COOPER, et al., 15 Defendants. 16 17 Plaintiff Monico J. Quiroga III is a state prisoner proceeding without counsel in this civil 18 rights action under 42 U.S.C. § 1983. He brings an Eighth Amendment excessive force claim 19 against defendants C. Cooper and J. Moreno. Plaintiff has filed two motions that appear to 20 request production of documents, electronically stored information, and tangible things under 21 Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 34. (Doc. Nos. 54, 56.) 22 If plaintiff is attempting to request documents or other tangible things from defendants, 23 he should send the discovery request directly to them. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 34 (a) ("A party may 24 serve on any other party a request within the scope of Rule 26(b)" (emphasis added)). The local 25 rules provide that discovery requests "shall not be filed unless and until there is a proceeding in 26 which the request, response, or proof of service is at issue." Local Rule 250.3. There is

currently no proceeding in which the request is at issue.

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Therefore, plaintiff's motions (Doc. Nos. 54, 56) are denied to the extent they can be construed as a request for a court order. IT IS SO ORDERED. Dated: July 26, 2018