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8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
9 EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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11 CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL
12 DIVERSITY, *et al.*,

13 Plaintiffs,

14 v.

15 U.S. BUREAU OF LAND
16 MANAGEMENT, *et al.*,

17 Defendants.

Case No. 1:25-cv-00140-KES-CDB

ORDER ON STIPULATION EXTENDING
TIME FOR DEFENDANTS CHEVRON
U.S.A. INC. AND HOLMES WESTERN OIL
CORP. TO RESPOND TO COMPLAINT

(Doc. 21)

ORDER CONTINUING MAY 5, 2025,
SCHEDULING CONFERENCE TO MAY 12,
2025, AT 9:30 AM

18 On February 4, 2025, Plaintiffs Center for Biological Diversity, The Wilderness
19 Society, Friends of the Earth, Sierra Club, and Central California Asthma Collective
20 (collectively, "Plaintiffs") initiated this action with the filing of a complaint against Defendants
21 U.S. Bureau of Land Management ("BLM"), the BLM Field Manager, Douglas Burgum in his
22 capacity as Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior, Joseph Stout in his capacity as
23 California State Director of BLM, and John Hodges in his capacity as the Assistant Field
24 Manager of Minerals of BLM (collectively, "Federal Defendants"), and organizational
25 Defendants Holmes Western Oil Corporation ("Holmes") and Chevron U.S.A Incorporated
26 ("Chevron"). (Doc. 1).

27 Pending before the Court is the parties' stipulated request to extend until April 25, 2025,
28 the deadline for Defendants Holmes and Chevron to respond to the complaint, filed on March

1 6, 2025. (Doc. 21). The parties represent that the requested extension aims to align the
2 responsive pleading deadline for Defendants Holmes and Chevron with that of the Federal
3 Defendants. (Doc. 21-1). The parties represent the current deadline for Chevron and Holmes
4 to respond to the complaint is March 12, 2025. (Doc. 21 ¶ 3). The parties represent that no
5 previous extensions have been requested in this matter and the stipulation is made without
6 prejudice to any Defendants' rights to assert any and all available defenses. (*Id.* ¶¶ 5, 6).

7 **Conclusion and Order**

8 In light of the parties' representations and good cause appearing, IT IS HEREBY
9 ORDERED:

- 10 1. Defendants Holmes and Chevron shall file have up to and including April 25, 2025,
11 to file a responsive pleading to the complaint; and
12 2. The scheduling conference set for 5/5/2025 (Doc. 4) is CONTINUED to 5/12/2025
13 at 9:30 AM to permit the pleadings to settle and enable the parties to confer and file a
14 joint scheduling report (*see id.*).

15 IT IS SO ORDERED.

16 Dated: **March 7, 2025**

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UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE