| Northern California River | Watch et al v | . Bullion River | Gold Corp., et al. |
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| 11       | NORTHERN CALIFORNIA RIVER<br>WATCH, a non-profit | No. 2:08-cv-00791-MCE-GGH        |     |  |  |
| 12       | corporation, et al.,                             |                                  |     |  |  |
| 13       | Plaintiffs,                                      | RELATED CASE ORDER               |     |  |  |
| 14       | V.   |                                  |     |  |  |
| 15       | BULLION RIVER GOLD CORP., et al.,                |                                  |     |  |  |
| 16       | Defendants.                                      |                                  |     |  |  |
| 17<br>18 | NORTHERN CALIFORNIA RIVER                        | No. 2:09-cv-02510-WBS-DAD        |     |  |  |
| 10<br>19 | WATCH, a non-profit<br>corporation,              | NO. 2.09 CV 02310 WBS DAD        |     |  |  |
| 20       | Plaintiff,                                       |                                  |     |  |  |
| 21       | v.   |                                  |     |  |  |
| 22       | UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF                      |                                  |     |  |  |
| 23       | THE INTERIOR, et al.,                            |                                  |     |  |  |
| 24       | Defendants/                                      |                                  |     |  |  |
| 25       | The Court has received                           | the Notice of Related Case filed | on  |  |  |
| 26       | September 10, 2009.                              |                                  |     |  |  |
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Examination of the above-entitled civil actions reveals that 1 2 these actions are related within the meaning of Local Rule 83-123(a) (E.D. Cal. 1997). The actions involve many of the same 3 defendants and are based on the same or similar claims, the same 4 property transaction or event, similar questions of fact and the 5 same questions of law, and would therefore entail a substantial 6 duplication of labor if heard by different judges. Accordingly, 7 the assignment of the matters to the same judge is likely to 8 9 effect a substantial savings of judicial effort and is also likely to be convenient for the parties. 10

The parties should be aware that relating the cases under Local Rule 83-123 merely has the result that both actions are assigned to the same judge; no consolidation of the action is effected. Under the regular practice of this court, related cases are generally assigned to the district judge and magistrate judge to whom the first filed action was assigned.

17 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the action denominated 2:09-cv-02510-WBS-DAD, Northern California River Watch, a non-profit 18 19 corporation v. United States Department of the Interior, et al. 20 is reassigned to Judge Morrison C. England, Jr. and Magistrate 21 Gregory G. Hollows for all further proceedings, and any dates currently set in this reassigned case only is hereby VACATED. 22 23 The Clerk of the Court is to issue an Order Requiring Joint 24 Status Report. Henceforth, the caption on documents filed in the 25 reassigned case shall be shown as 2:09-cv-02510-MCE-GGH. 111 26

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court make appropriate adjustment in the assignment of civil cases to compensate for this reassignment. IT IS SO ORDERED. Dated: September 17, 2009 C. ENGLAND MORRISON UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE