1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 11 BENJAMIN T. CARIDAD, No. 2:14-cv-1847 KJM AC P 12 Petitioner. 13 v. **ORDER** 14 HARRY OREOL, 15 Respondent. 16 17 In this habeas corpus action filed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254, petitioner challenges his 18 civil commitment to the Department of State Hospitals under California's Mentally Disordered 19 Offender Act, California Penal Code §§ 2960 et seq. The parties' respective motions – 20 respondent's motion to dismiss (ECF No. 88) and petitioner's motion for an evidentiary hearing 21 (ECF No. 93) – were addressed by the court at a hearing held March 7, 2018. Petitioner was 22 represented by court-appointed counsel, Mr. Marylou Hillberg; respondent was represented by 23 California Deputy Attorney General David Eldridge. 24 For the reasons stated by the undersigned at the hearing, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that: 25 1. Petitioner's motion for an evidentiary hearing (ECF No. 93) is granted, subject to the 26 schedule set forth below. 27 2. Respondent's motion to dismiss (ECF No. 88) shall remain pending until the 28 conclusion of the evidentiary hearing.

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