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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

GUADALUPE VILLA-VARGAS, et al.,
Plaintiffs,
v.
CITY OF FAIRFIELD, et al.,
Defendants.

No. 2:16-cv-00746 JAM CKD

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

This matter came before the undersigned for a status conference on May 23, 2018. Gregory Fox appeared for defendants. The pro se plaintiffs remaining in this action are Guadalupe Villa-Vargas, Pablo Ceja, Leticia Cera, and two minor children through their guardian-ad-litem Pablo Ceja. None of these plaintiffs appeared at the status conference, and Mr. Fox stated he had had no contact with them. Similarly, in their March 2018 motion to withdraw, plaintiffs' former counsel attested that plaintiffs had not responded to counsel's attempts to contact them. (ECF No. 30 at 4.)


The Federal Rules of Civil Procedure provide for dismissal of actions based on lack of prosecution. Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(b). Pro se litigants are bound by the rules of procedure, even though pleadings are liberally construed in their favor. King v. Atiyeh, 814 F.2d 565, 567 (9th Cir. 1987). The court may dismiss a case sua sponte for lack of prosecution by the plaintiff.

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Good cause appearing, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that, no later than fourteen (14) days from the date of this order, plaintiffs shall show cause why this action should not be dismissed for failure to prosecute. Failure to show cause will result in a recommendation that this action be dismissed.

Dated: May 24, 2018



CAROLYN K. DELANEY
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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