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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
 FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
 SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

CALIFORNIA RESOURCES AGENCY, <i>et al.</i> ,)	Case Nos. 08-01185-MHP
)	and 08-03884-MHP
)	
Plaintiffs,)	
v.)	
)	THIRD STIPULATION TO STAY
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF)	REMEDY BRIEFING
AGRICULTURE, <i>et al.</i> ,)	
)	
Defendants.)	
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CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL)	
DIVERSITY, <i>et al.</i> ,)	
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Plaintiffs,)	
v.)	
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF)	
AGRICULTURE, <i>et al.</i> ,)	
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Plaintiffs and Defendants in the above-captioned case, by and through their attorneys, have conferred and hereby STIPULATE as follows:

On February 27, 2009, Plaintiffs filed motions for summary judgment in the above-

captioned matters. Dkt. Nos. 46 and 28. On April 16, 2009, Defendants filed cross-motions for summary judgment. Dkt. Nos. 50 and 33. The Court held a hearing on the motions on July 31, 2009.

On September 29, 2009, the Court entered judgment, granting in part and denying in part the parties' motions for summary judgment. Dkt. No. 60. The Court ordered the parties to submit, by November 3, 2009, simultaneous briefs proposing the appropriate forms of relief to remedy the deficiencies found by the Court in the Southern California Forest Plans Final Environmental Impact Statement.

The parties have entered settlement discussions in an attempt to develop the appropriate forms of relief in this matter. To facilitate those discussions, the parties requested a stay of briefing, Dkt. Nos. 61, 46, and on October 27, 2009, the Court entered an order staying further briefing schedules until January 15, 2010. Dkt. Nos. 62, 47.

The parties met to discuss settlement on November 18, 2009. After the meeting, Plaintiffs provided written settlement points, and Defendants responded in writing. To allow time for an additional in-person meeting and further discussions, the parties requested a second stay of briefing, Dkt. Nos. 63, 50, and on January 22, 2010, the Court entered an order staying further briefing schedules until March 15, 2010. Dkt. Nos. 64, 51.

The parties met for a second time on January 29, 2010 to discuss settlement. Plaintiffs provided additional written settlement points on February 19, 2010 and March 3, 2010. Defendants are reviewing these points, and are preparing their written response. The parties will continue to engage in good faith settlement discussions, and agree that an additional stay to allow time for such discussions is in the best interests of the litigants and the Court. The parties therefore request a third order staying all briefing on the issue of remedy until May 14, 2010. On that date, the parties will advise the Court on the status of their settlement discussions and whether a further stay of briefing is appropriate or whether a new remedy briefing schedule

should be set. The parties reserve the right to seek prompt reinstatement of a remedy briefing schedule at any time.

IT IS SO STIPULATED

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