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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 MICHAEL JOSEPH RHINEHART, 11 No. C 11-0812 JSW (PR) 12 Plaintiff. ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO LIFT STAY; GRANTING LEAVE TO FILE AN AMENDED 13 v. **COMPLAINT; INSTRUCTIONS** MATTHEW CATE, Director of the 14 TO CLERK California Department of Corrections and) Rehabilitation; A. HEDGPETH, Warden;) 15 K. HARRINGTON, Warden. (Docket Nos. 12, 13) 16 Defendants. 17 18 Plaintiff, a California prisoner proceeding pro se, filed this rights action pursuant 19 to 42 U.S.C. § 1983 against three prison officials. Defendants' motion to stay the 20 proceedings was granted pending the outcome of Plaintiff's case on the same claim in the 21 state courts. See Nakash v. Marciano, 882 F.2d 1411, 1415 (9th Cir. 1989) ("[A] federal 22 court may stay its proceedings in deference to pending state proceedings"). As ordered 23 by the Court, the parties have indicated that the state court proceedings have been 24 concluded in the state superior and appellate courts, and Plaintiff indicates that he has no 25 intention to appeal to a higher court. Consequently, Plaintiff's motion to lift the stay 26 (docket number 12) is GRANTED. 27 Plaintiff has filed a motion for leave to file an amended complaint. In his motion 28

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he describes a claim, involving the deprivation of outdoor exercise between May 2010 and July 2011, and he states that he would like to "add" the claim. Plaintiff may file an amended complaint, but he may not present his claims in piecemeal fashion. That is to say, any amended complaint must include all of the claims he wishes to present. Leave to file an amended complaint, within **thirty** (30) days from the date this order is filed is GRANTED. The amended complaint must include the caption and civil case number used in this order (Case No. C 11-0812 JSW (PR)) and the words "COURT-ORDERED" FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT" on the first page, and it must be filed on the Court's form civil rights complaint, a copy of which will be mailed to Plaintiff with this order.

Because an amended complaint completely replaces the original complaint, see Ferdik v. Bonzelet, 963 F.2d 1258, 1262 (9th Cir. 1992), Plaintiff may not incorporate material from the original or amended complaints by reference. He must include all of the claims he wishes to present in the amended complaint; if the claim from his original complaint is not included in the amended complaint, it will be dismissed without further opportunity to raise it. If Plaintiff does not file an amended complaint within the designated time and in accordance with this order, he will not have another opportunity to amend, and this case will proceed based only upon the claim in the original complaint.

The Clerk shall reopen the file, and mail a copy of the Court's form civil rights complaint to Plaintiff along with this order.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: September 19, 2011

United States District Judge

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2	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
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6 7	MICHAEL JOSEPH RHINEHART, Case Number: CV11-00812 JSW
8	Plaintiff, CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE v.
9	MATTHEW CATE et al, Defendant.
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12 13	I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I am an employee in the Office of the Clerk, U.S. District Court, Northern District of California.
14 15 16	That on September 19, 2011, I SERVED a true and correct copy(ies) of the attached, by placing said copy(ies) in a postage paid envelope addressed to the person(s) hereinafter listed, by depositing said envelope in the U.S. Mail, or by placing said copy(ies) into an inter-office delivery receptacle located in the Clerk's office.
17 18 19 20	Michael L. Rhinehart #:C39412 Salinas Valley State Prison P.O. Box 1050 Soledad, CA 93960 Dated: September 19, 2011 The board W. Winking Clark
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