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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

HOOPA VALLEY TRIBE,

Plaintiff,

v.

NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. 16-cv-04294-WHO

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE SECOND AMENDED **COMPLAINT**

Dkt. No. 68

Plaintiff Hoopa Valley Tribe filed a Motion for Leave to file a Second Amended Complaint, pursuant to Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Rule 15(a)(2). Dkt. No. 68. The Federal Defendants and the Intervenor-defendants do not oppose the motion. Dkt No. 83; Dkt. No. 84; Dkt. No. 85.

Federal Rule 15(a)(2) states that "courts should freely give leave when justice so requires." Fed. R. Civ. P. 15(a)(2). Plaintiff seeks leave to amend its Fourth Claim for Relief to add the Bureau of Reclamation ("Bureau") as a defendant on that claim. Mot. at 5. Plaintiff's proposed amendment is based on new representations, from the Federal Defendants, that the Bureau has not reinitiated consultation as plaintiff's previously belief. Dkt. No. 60 at 13. Plaintiff's proposed amendment is reasonable, was timely made, is unlikely to cause any prejudice to the defendants or delay the proceedings in this case, and is not opposed.

Plaintiff's Motion to Amend is GRANTED. Plaintiff may file its Second Amended

United States District Court Northern District of California

Complaint in this	action and any	such filing sh	all relate back	to the date	of the origin	nally filed
Complaint in this	action.					

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: December 21, 2016

