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13 **IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
14 **FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**
15 **OAKLAND DIVISION**

16 CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL
17 DIVERSITY, *et al.*,
18 Plaintiffs,
19 v.
20 THE UNITED STATES
21 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
22 AGENCY, *et al.*,
23 Defendants.

Case No. 4:16-cv-1946-SBA

**JOINT STIPULATION TO EXTEND
DEADLINE FOR ANSWER,
CONTINUE CASE MANAGEMENT
CONFERENCE AND ~~PROPOSED~~
ORDER**

24 Pursuant to Civil L.R. 6-2, Plaintiffs Center for Biological Diversity, Sierra Club,
25 Association of Irrigated Residents, and Climate Change Law Foundation, and Defendants,
26 the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Gina McCarthy in her official
27 capacity as the Administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency, and
28 Jared Blumenfeld in his official capacity as Regional Administrator of the United States

JOINT STIPULATION
CASE NO. 4:16-cv-1946-SBA

1 Environmental Protection Agency (collectively “EPA”), hereby stipulate to and request
2 an order continuing the case management conference currently scheduled for July 13,
3 2016 and extending the deadline for Defendants’ Answer to July 18, 2016. In support of
4 this stipulation, the parties state the following:

5 The Court entered an order setting this matter for a case management conference
6 at 2:30 PM on July 13, 2016. ECF No. 6. Subsequently, on May 27, 2016, the parties
7 had an initial meet and confer concerning this case.

8 The requested extension will allow EPA enough time to properly examine
9 whether the parties may be able to resolve this case without dispositive motions or a trial.
10 Meanwhile, the parties will continue to confer concerning this case.

11 The parties have not previously requested any extensions in this case.

12 Therefore, in light of the fact that parties may be able to resolve this case without
13 the need for dispositive motions or a trial, the parties stipulate to and request an order
14 continuing the case management conference until 2:30 PM on August 3, 2016; continuing
15 the last day to file either Stipulation to ADR Process or Notice of Need for ADR Phone
16 Conference to July 20, 2016; continuing the last day to file Rule 26(f) Reports, complete
17 initial disclosures or state objection in Rule 26(f) Report, and file Case Management
18 Statements to July 27, 2016; and extending the answer due date to July 18, 2016.

19 Respectfully submitted,

20 Date: June 1, 2016

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~~PROPOSED~~ ORDER

Pursuant to Stipulation, IT IS ORDERED that the deadline for Defendant's Answer is hereby extended to July 18, 2016 and the Case Management Conference is continued until 2:30 PM on August 3, 2016.

DATED this 1st day of June, 2016.


SAUNDRA BROWN ARMSTRONG
United States District Judge