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On July 28, 2021, the Court consolidated the two separate cases, *Bartell Ranch LLC v. McCullough*, Case No. 3:21-cv-00080-MMD-CLB ("Bartell Ranch") and *Western Watersheds Project, et al.*, Case No. 3:21-cv-00103-MMD-CLB ("Western Watersheds") involving challenges to the Thacker Pass Record of Decision issued in January 2021. The Court ordered that the case schedules and page limits that the Court set in the Western Watersheds (ECF Nos 28 at 4-6, 47) apply. ECF 60.

In accordance with that schedule, Federal Defendants timely produced the administrative record for the initial claims as filed prior to Plaintiff-Intervenors who filed their motion for intervention on July 20, 2021 (the "Initial Claims"). The parties are continuing the meet and confer process regarding the administrative record produced by the Federal Defendants for the Initial Claims and Federal Defendants are compiling the administrative record on the additional claims brought by Plaintiff-Intervenors under the National Historic Preservation Act (the "NHPA Claims"). The parties jointly propose a brief extension of the meet and confer process in order to attempt to resolve issues on the pending administrative record and work together in an effort to propose further schedule modifications to the Court.

WHEREAS, the parties to this consolidated case previously submitted Case

Management Reports and Stipulations pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. Proc. 16 and the Court's Orders

Re: Case Management Report;

WHEREAS, as described above, upon ordering consolidation, the Court also ordered that the case schedules and page limits set in the Western Watersheds case apply;

WHEREAS the Federal Defendants are in the process of compiling the administrative record in light of Plaintiff-Intervenors' recently asserted claims under the National Historic

Preservation Act and the Federal Defendants informed the parties that it anticipates producing such record to the parties by October 1, 2021;

WHEREAS, the first deadline for the parties to meet and confer regarding any outstanding issues or disputes regarding the content of the administrative record was August 27, 2021;

WHEREAS, the parties have been meeting and conferring about outstanding issues regarding the content of the administrative record;

WHEREAS, on August 25, 2021, during a teleconference all parties agreed to extend all litigation deadlines by two weeks in an effort to resolve outstanding issues and possibly avoid the need for motion practice on the administrative record;

WHEREAS the parties agree to submit an updated proposed scheduling order to the Court by no later than September 10, 2021, at which time the parties expect a more informed proposal from the meet and confer process for the administrative record and summary judgment briefing, and

WHEREAS the parties informed the Court of this anticipated motion during the hearing held on August 27, 2021

THEREFORE, the Parties agree and stipulate that the following deadlines would apply:

- 1. Parties shall conclude the meet and confer process on the administrative record Federal Defendants have produced on the Initial Claims by no later than September 10, 2021.
- 2. In the interim, all other currently existing deadlines shall be extended by 14 days.
- 3. The Parties shall submit an updated scheduling report to the Court by no later than September 10, 2021 proposing a briefing schedule with extended deadlines from those currently established, and which will be informed by the progress made during the

1 additional two week meet and confer period. At that time, the parties will inform the Court 2 whether they have been able to resolve issues with the administrative record, or will 3 include in the proposed briefing schedule a proposed s schedule for briefing any motions 4 on the administrative record. 5 6 7 Respectfully submitted this 31st day of August, 2021. 8 /s/ Dominic M. Carollo **TODD KIM** 9 DOMINIC M. CAROLLO Assistant Attorney General 10 Admitted Pro Hac Vice United States Department of Justice dcarollo@carollolegal.com Environment and Natural Resources Div. 11 Carollo Law Group LLC P.O. Box 2456 /s/ Arwyn Carroll 12 ARWYN CARROLL (MA Bar 675926) 630 SE Jackson Street, Suite 1 13 LEILANI DOKTOR (HI Bar 11201) Roseburg, Oregon 97470 Ph: (541) 957-5900 Trial Attorney 14 Fax: (541) 957-5923 Natural Resources Section P.O. Box 7611 15 Washington, D.C. 20044-7611 O. KENT MAHER (Nev. Bar No. 316) 16 kent@winnemuccalaw.com Phone: 202-305-0465 PO Box 130 Fax: 202-305-0506 17 33 W Fourth Street arwyn.carroll@usdoj.gov Winnemucca, Nevada 89446 leilani.doktor@usdoj.gov 18 Ph: (775) 623-5277 19 Fax: (775) 623-2468 Attorneys for Federal Defendants Local Counsel for Plaintiffs 20 /s/ Laura K. Granier Laura K. Granier, Esq (SBN 7357) Attorneys for Plaintiffs Edward Bartell and 21 Bartell Ranch, LLC Erica K. Nannini, Esq (SBN 13922) Holland & Hart LLP 22 5441 Kietzke Lane, 2nd Floor /s/ Christopher Mixson 23 Christopher Mixson (NV Bar#10685) Reno, Nevada 89511 KEMP JONES, LLP Tel: 775-327-3000 24 3800 Howard Hughes Parkway, Suite 1700 Fax: 775-786-6179 25 Las Vegas, Nevada 89169 <u>lkgranier@hollandhart.com</u> (702) 385-6000 eknannini@hollandhart.com 26 c.mixson@kempjones.com Hadassah M. Reimer, Esq 27 (Wyo. Bar No. 6-3825) Attorney for Plaintiffs GBRW, BRW, WD, and 28 WWPAdmitted Pro Hac Vice

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