

Chief Judge Ricardo S. Martinez

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

SEA SHEPHERD LEGAL,

Plaintiff,

v.

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY, an
agency of the United States,

Defendant.

Case No. C17-0720 RSM

**STIPULATED MOTION FOR
EXTENSION OF TIME AND
STATUS UPDATE**

Plaintiff SEA SHEPHERD LEGAL and Defendant DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY (the Navy) hereby provide the Court with a Status Update pursuant to the Court's August 14, 2017 Order. (Dkt. No. 19).

As the Court is aware, this suit pertains to Plaintiff's request under the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") for certain documents related to Navy activity involving the endangered vaquita porpoise. Since Plaintiff filed the Complaint, the Navy has completed production of all requested documents. The parties are currently working together cooperatively to avoid any unnecessary motion practice and working to resolve any fee issues. Despite the parties' best efforts, certain circumstances have caused additional delay. Defendant has informed Plaintiff that the Navy must coordinate its response to Plaintiff's settlement proposal amount across multiple Navy divisions.

Accordingly, the parties propose that they submit an additional update to the Court no

1 later than December 18, 2017. To the extent that there are any developments warranting
2 the imposition of a briefing schedule prior to that date, the parties will so inform the
3 Court.

4 Dated this 16th day of October, 2017.

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15 **SO STIPULATED.**

16 Dated this 16th day of October, 2017.

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26 **ORDER**

27 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

28 Dated this 18 day of October, 2017.



RICARDO S. MARTINEZ

CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE