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14 SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
15 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

17 SANTA BARBARA CHANNELKEEPER, a  
California non-profit corporation,  
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Petitioner,  
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v.  
20 STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL  
21 BOARD, et al,  
22 Respondents.

Case No. 19STCP01176  
Judge: Hon. William F. Highberger

**NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER**

Date: March 21, 2023  
Time: 10:00 a.m.  
Dept.: 10

23 CITY OF SAN BUENAVENTURA, et al.,  
24 Cross-Complainant,  
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v.  
26 DUNCAN ABBOTT, an individual, et al.,  
27 Cross-Defendants.  
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Action Filed: Sept. 19, 2014  
Trial Date: TBD

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**TO ALL PARTIES AND TO THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD:**

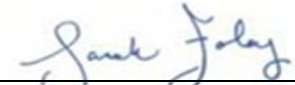
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on March 21, 2023, the parties appeared at a hearing on Defendant and Cross-Complainant City of San Buenaventura’s (Ventura) and Cross-Defendants Casitas Municipal Water District, the City of Ojai, Ventura River Water District, Meiners Oaks Water District, Ventura County Watershed Protection District, the Wood-Claeyssens Foundation, and Rancho Matilija Mutual Water Company’s joint *ex parte* application for an order continuing the stay in this action for six (6) months to September 30, 2023 (*Ex Parte* Request), the Honorable William F. Highberger, Judge presiding. The parties stated their appearances on the record and/or they are reflected on LA Court Connect records.

The Court made the following orders and determinations:

1. The Court entered a minute order, dated March 21, 2023. A true and correct copy of the minute order is attached hereto as Exhibit A.
2. The Court granted the unopposed *Ex Parte* Request and entered an order, dated March 21, 2023, to continue the stay in this action for six (6) months to September 30, 2023. A true and correct copy of the order is attached hereto as Exhibit B.
3. The Court set a further status conference for June 28, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.
4. Ventura shall file a joint status report by June 21, 2023.

Dated: March 31, 2023

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# **EXHIBIT A**

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

**Civil Division**

Central District, Spring Street Courthouse, Department 10

**19STCP01176**

**SANTA BARBARA CHANNELKEEPER vs STATE WATER  
RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD, et al.**

March 21, 2023

10:00 AM

Judge: Honorable William F. Highberger  
Judicial Assistant: R. Aspiras  
Courtroom Assistant: R. Sanchez

CSR: Adra L. Pittman, # 13298  
ERM: None  
Deputy Sheriff: None

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**APPEARANCES:**

For Plaintiff(s): No Appearances

For Defendant(s): No Appearances

Other Appearance Notes: For Defendants: Sarah Christopher Foley, Shawn D. Hagerty;

Telephonic appearances: Brad Herrema, Brian E. Moskal, Claude R. Baggerly, Gregory J.

Patterson, Holly Jacobson, Jeanne M. Zolezzi, Marc N. Melnick, Nathan Metcalf, Neal Maguire,  
Noah Golden-Krasner, Peter Duchesneau

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**NATURE OF PROCEEDINGS:** Ex-Parte Proceedings for the Application to further continue the stay to be heard

Pursuant to Government Code sections 68086, 70044, and California Rules of Court, rule 2.956, Adra L. Pittman, CSR # 13298, certified shorthand reporter is appointed as an official Court reporter pro tempore in these proceedings, and is ordered to comply with the terms of the Court Reporter Agreement. The Order is signed and filed this date.

The matter is called for hearing.

The Ex-Parte Application is heard.

The Joint Ex Parte Application For An Order To Continue The Stay Six Months To September 30, 2023 filed by Rancho Matilija Mutual Water Company, Wood-Claeyssens Foundation, City of Ojai, Ventura River Water District, Ventura County Watershed Protection District, Casitas Municipal Water District, Meiners Oaks County Water District, City of Buenaventura on 03/17/2023 is Granted.

Order to Continue the Stay Six Months to September 30, 2023 is signed and filed on this date.

Further Status Conference is scheduled for 06/28/2023 at 10:00 AM in Department 10 at Spring Street Courthouse.

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Deputy Sheriff: None

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Joint status report is due on 06/21/2023.

Counsel for defendant to give notice.

# **EXHIBIT B**

03/21/2023

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By:           R. Aspiras           Deputy

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**~~PROPOSED~~ ORDER TO CONTINUE  
THE STAY SIX MONTHS TO  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023**

Date: March 21, 2023

Time: 10:00 a.m.

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~~PROPOSED~~ ORDER

On March 21, 2023 at 10:00 a.m., the parties appeared in Department 10 of the above-captioned Court on the joint *ex parte* application filed by Defendant and Cross-Complainant City of San Buenaventura (Ventura) and Cross-Defendants Casitas Municipal Water District (Casitas), the City of Ojai (Ojai), Ventura River Water District (VRWD), Meiners Oaks Water District (MOWD), the Wood-Claeysens Foundation (Foundation), Ventura County Watershed Protection District (Watershed Protection), and the Rancho Matilija Mutual Water Company (Rancho Matilija) (all collectively Moving Parties) for an order continuing the stay in this action for six (6) months to September 30, 2023. The appearances of the parties are as noted in the record. Having read and considered all of the pleadings, supporting declarations, and evidence admitted, and having heard argument of counsel, and good cause appearing therefore, the Court finds that a continuance of the stay is necessary to allow the parties to continue to negotiate terms of a potential global or partial settlement with Mediator David Ceppos. Therefore, the stay in this case is continued for all purposes consistent with the original stay for six (6) months to September 30, 2023.

IT IS HERBY SO ORDERED.

03/21/2023



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JUDGE WILLIAM F. HIGHBERGER