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

16 SANTA BARBARA CHANNELKEEPER, a
California non-profit corporation,

Case No. 19STCP01176

17 Petitioner,

Judge: Hon. William F. Highberger

18 v.

STATUS CONFERENCE REPORT

19 STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL
20 BOARD, etc., et al.,

Date: December 9, 2021

Time: 2:30 p.m.

Dept: SS10

21 Respondents.

Action Filed: Sept. 19, 2014

Trial Date: Feb. 14, 2022

22 CITY OF SAN BUENAVENTURA, etc.,

23 Cross-Complainant,

24 v.

25 DUNCAN ABBOTT, an individual, et al.,

26 Cross-Defendants.
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1 concurrently with this Report.

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3 3. OSC RE WATERSHED AND BASIN BOUNDARIES

4 On November 23, 2021, the City filed and served a Notice of Hearing, set for December
5 9, 2021, on an Order to Show Cause (OSC) re Watershed and Basin Boundaries and a proposed
6 Order for the Court’s consideration. The City contends that the Court should issue an order
7 establishing (1) the boundaries of the Ventura River Watershed (Watershed), as defined by the
8 U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) National Hydrography Dataset (NHD) and Watershed Boundary
9 Dataset (WBD) as 10-digit Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC) 1807010101 – Ventura River
10 Watershed and (2) the boundaries of the Watershed’s four groundwater basins, as defined by the
11 California’s Department of Water Resources (DWR) in Bulletin 118, in advance of the Phase 1
12 Trial.

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14 4. DRONE VIDEO

15 The parties have concluded negotiations of the terms of a stipulation regarding the drone
16 video footage of the Watershed. The City emailed the final stipulation to all parties on December
17 1, 2021 and asked the parties to state whether they will stipulate or object by December 7, 2021.
18 The City will file and serve the stipulation once it collects signatures from all the stipulating
19 parties.

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21 5. NOVEMBER 23, 2021 MINUTE ORDER

22 The City believes that the Court’s minute order dated November 23, 2021 contains an
23 error that should be corrected. It states that the discovery cutoff is extended to February 10, 2022.
24 However, the Court considered argument on this issue but ultimately decided not to extend the
25 expert discovery deadline. The City requests that the Court issue an amended minute order that
26 removes the incorrect language.

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6. CONCLUSION

On December 9, 2021, the parties will be prepared to discuss the issues listed below.

1. The Phase 1 Trial issues pursuant to any direction provided by the Court in the message board posting the Court indicated it plans to issue on December 6, 2021.
2. The OSC re Watershed and Basin Boundaries. The City respectfully requests that the Court sign the proposed Order submitted on November 23, 2021.
3. The City respectfully requests that the Court issue an amended minute order that removes the language about the extension of discovery cutoff.

Dated: December 2, 2021

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