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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

SANTA BARBARA CHANNELKEEPER, a
California non-profit corporation,

Petitioner,

v.

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

Respondents.

CITY OF SAN BUENAVENTURA, etc.,

Cross-Complainant

v.

DUNCAN ABBOTT, an individual, et al.

Cross-Defendants.

Case No. 19STCP01176

Judge: Honorable William F. Highberger

NOTICE OF RULING

Date: July 19, 2021
Time: 3:00 p.m.
Dept: SS10

Date: July 23, 2021
Time: 2:00 p.m.
Dept: SS10

Action Filed: Sept. 19, 2014
Trial Date: February 14, 2022

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1 witness reports, by September 24, 2021. City experts may not be deposed until
2 after the September 24, 2021 expert disclosures. All other parties must serve their
3 expert disclosures, including expert witness reports, by October 22, 2021. The
4 revised, court-ordered Pre-Trial Schedule is attached as Exhibit A. The Court also
5 ordered that after the City provides its expert disclosure and report, parties may
6 seek relief from the Court-ordered schedule for good cause shown by ex parte
7 application filed before the respective September 24, 2021 and October 22, 2021
8 deadlines.

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10 4. The Court continued the hearing on Cross-Defendant Claude Baggerly's motion
11 for a court-appointed scientific advisor to August 16, 2021.

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13 5. The Court instructed the City to work with Court Staff, particularly Mr. Sanchez,
14 to provide the Court with a complete set of the Proposed Physical Solution fillings,
15 including all objections and replies.

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17 6. The Court set a further Status Conference for August 16, 2021 at 1:30 p.m. Joint
18 status reports and/or any unilateral status reports are to be filed and served by
19 August 9, 2021.

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21 Dated: August 9, 2021

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EXHIBIT A

**SANTA BARBARA CHANNELKEEPER V. SWRCB, CASE NO. 19STCP01176 -
DISCOVERY AND PRE-TRIAL SCHEDULE FOR PHASE 1 TRIAL**

DATE	
June 21, 2021	Discovery Stay is lifted for the issues to be tried in Phase 1 of Trial
August 31, 2021	City of Ventura's Expert Witness Disclosures, including Expert Witness Reports, pursuant to CCP § 843, due
September 24, 2021	Expert Witness Disclosures, including Expert Witness Reports, pursuant to CCP § 843, for State Water Resources Control Board, California Department of Fish and Wildlife, California State Parks, Casitas Municipal Water District, East Ojai Group, City of Ojai, and Proposing Parties (Ventura River Water District, Meiners Oaks Water District, Wood-Claeysens Foundation (Taylor Ranch), and Rancho Matilija Mutual Water Company) due Depositions of City experts cannot commence before this disclosure
October 15, 2021	Percipient Discovery Cut-Off Date All percipient discovery must be completed by this date
October 22, 2021	All Other Expert Witness Disclosures, including Expert Witness Reports, pursuant to CCP § 843, due
November 3, 2021	Deadline for any party to file a Motion for Summary Judgment or Summary Adjudication
December 10, 2021	Date for exchange of Supplemental Expert Disclosures, including Expert Witness Reports, pursuant to CCP § 843.
January 14, 2022	Expert Deposition Cut-Off. All expert discovery must be completed by this date.
January 21, 2022	Pre-Trial Statements, Exhibit Lists, Witness Lists, Motions in Limine, and Trial Briefs are Due.
January 21, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.	Hearing date for all Motions including Motions for Summary Judgment or Summary Adjudication (excludes Motions in Limine)
January 28, 2022	Responses to Motions in Limine are Due. Parties must exchange all exhibits.
February 2, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.	Final Status Conference, at 10:00 a.m. in Dept. SS10 Motions in Limine will be heard at the Final Status Conference.
February 14, 2022	Phase 1 Trial (First Day), at 10:00 a.m. in Dept. SS10 (10-15 day trial)

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