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10 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
 11 **FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**
 12 **OAKLAND DIVISION**

<p>13 STATE OF CALIFORNIA, <i>et al.</i>,</p> <p>14 Plaintiffs,</p> <p>15 v.</p> <p>16 JOSEPH R. BIDEN, JR., <i>et al.</i>,</p> <p>17 Defendants.</p>
<p>19 SIERRA CLUB, <i>et al.</i>,</p> <p>20 Plaintiffs,</p> <p>21 v.</p> <p>22 JOSEPH R. BIDEN, JR., <i>et al.</i>,</p> <p>23 Defendants.</p>

No. 4:19-cv-00872-HSG
 No. 4:19-cv-00892-HSG
 No. 4:20-cv-01494-HSG
 No. 4:20-cv-01563-HSG

JOINT STATUS REPORT

25 In accordance with the Court’s Order of September 13, 2021, Plaintiffs and Defendants
 26 submit the following joint status report addressing proceedings in the above-captioned cases.

27 The parties remain in active settlement discussions and request that the Court continue the
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1 stay of these cases for 90 days. On November 19, 2021, Magistrate Judge Ryu conducted a five-
2 hour settlement conference focused on the State Plaintiffs' request for relief related to the
3 diversion of Department of Defense funds for border wall construction and Defendants' plans to
4 remediate the impacts of prior border wall construction activities. Following the settlement
5 conference, the parties exchanged additional information at Judge Ryu's request.

6 The parties believe that their settlement discussions in these complex matters are
7 progressing forward in good faith. The parties agree that the interests of party and judicial
8 economy would be furthered by allowing the parties to continue these ongoing discussions with
9 the goal of reaching a mutually-agreeable resolution without the need for further litigation. The
10 parties propose to file another joint status report in 90 days.

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12 DATE: December 13, 2021

Respectfully submitted,

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