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Messrs. Berliner and Takei,

By letter dated June 20, 2017, El Sur Ranch (ESR) indicated that settlement negotiations with California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) would be finalized in the very near future and requested a small amount of additional time to finalize and submit the settlement. ESR requested the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) continue to hold this proceeding in abeyance to allow time for the final phase of negotiations. By letter dated June 21, 2017, CDFW stated that the parties continue to make significant progress towards achieving a mutually agreeable solution and it does not object to ESR's request for additional time to complete negotiations. None of the other hearing parties submitted objections to ESR's request for additional time.

Since that time, the State Water Board has not received any communication from CDFW or ESR regarding the status of the negotiations.

ESR and CDFW have until noon, December 15, 2017, to submit an update on the status of their negotiations and if applicable an estimated time schedule for conclusion of the settlement negotiations.

Best regards,

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