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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

SIERRA NEVADA FOREST PROTECTION No. CIV-S-05-0205 MCE/GGH
CAMPAIGN, ET AL.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

MARK REY, ET AL.,

Defendants.

RELATED CASE ORDER

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA No. CIV-S-05-0211 DFL/GGH

Plaintiff,

v.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
AGRICULTURE, ET AL.,

Defendant.

SIERRA NEVADA FOREST PROTECTION No. CIV-S-04-2023 LKK/PAN
CAMPAIGN,

Plaintiff,

v.

UNITED STATES FOREST SERVICE,

Defendant.

1 Examination of the above-entitled civil actions reveals that
2 these actions are related within the meaning of Local Rule 83-
3 123(a) (E.D. Cal. 1997). The actions involve many of the same
4 defendants and are based on the same or similar claims, the same
5 property transaction or event, similar questions of fact and the
6 same questions of law, and would therefore entail a substantial
7 duplication of labor if heard by different judges. Accordingly,
8 the assignment of the matters to the same judge is likely to
9 effect a substantial savings of judicial effort and is also
10 likely to be convenient for the parties.

11 The parties should be aware that relating the cases under
12 Local Rule 83-123 merely has the result that both actions are
13 assigned to the same judge; no consolidation of the action is
14 effected. Under the regular practice of this court, related
15 cases are generally assigned to the district judge and magistrate
16 judge to whom the first filed action was assigned.

17 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the actions denominated CIV-S-
18 05-0211 DFL/GGH, *People of the State of California v. United*
19 *States Department of Agriculture* and CIV-S-04-2023 LKK/PAN,
20 *Sierra Nevada Forest Protection Campaign v. United States Forest*
21 *Service* are reassigned to Judge Morrison C. England, Jr. and
22 Gregory G. Hollows for all further proceedings, and any dates
23 currently set in these reassigned cases only are hereby VACATED.
24 The parties are referred to the attached Order Requiring Joint
25 Status Report. Henceforth, the caption on documents filed in the
26 reassigned cases shall be shown as CIV-S-05-0211 MCE/GGH and CIV-
27 S-04-2023 MCE/GGH.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court make
1 appropriate adjustment in the assignment of civil cases to
2 compensate for this reassignment.

3 IT IS SO ORDERED.

4 DATED: March 2, 2005

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8 MORRISON C. ENGLAND, JR.
9 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
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