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9 SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
10 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
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12 **Coordination Proceeding**
13 **Special Title (Rule 3.550(c))**

14 **ANTELOPE VALLEY GROUNDWATER**
15 **CASES**

16 **Included Actions:**

17 **Los Angeles County Waterworks District**
No. 40 v. Diamond Farming Co.
18 **Superior Court of California County of Los**
Angeles, Case No. BC 325 201

19 **Los Angeles County Waterworks District**
No. 40 v. Diamond Farming Co.
20 **Superior Court of California County of**
Kern, Case No. S-1500-CV-254-348

21 **Wm. Bolthouse Farms, Inc. v. City of**
Lancaster, Diamond Farming Co. v. City of
22 **Lancaster, Diamond Farming Co. v.**
23 **Palmdale Water Dist. Superior Court of**
California, County of Riverside,
24 **consolidated Actions, Case Nos. RIC 353**
840, RIC 344 436, RIC 344 668

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26 **AND RELATED ACTIONS.**
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Judicial Council Coordination
Proceeding No. 4408

Santa Clara Case No. 1-05-CV-049053

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA, SANTA
MONICA MOUNTAINS
CONSERVANCY, AND 50TH DISTRICT
AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION'S
TRIAL SETTING CONFERENCE
STATEMENT**

[Assigned for All Purposes to the Honorable
Jack Komar]

Date: July 9, 2012

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Dept: 316, Room 1515, Central Civil West

Action Filed: October 26, 2005

1 The State of California, Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, and 50th District
2 Agricultural Association (California State Agencies) respectfully submit the following Trial
3 Setting Conference Statement for the hearing on July 9, 2012 in Department 1515 of the Los
4 Angeles Superior Court:

5 **I. INTRODUCTION**

6 The parties are continuing to engage in mediation sessions with Justice Robie and
7 settlement meetings at AVEK and other locations in Palmdale. The next mediation session is
8 scheduled for September 11, 2012 in Sacramento with a further meeting at AVEK scheduled for
9 September 5, 2012. The last settlement/drafting meeting was held at AVEK on June 22, 2012. In
10 an effort to settle the disputes, parties are continuing to submit language changes, including
11 possible special provisions applicable to their clients, to the proposed Judgment and Physical
12 Solution. The Judgment and Physical Solution is being refined and a great amount of time has
13 been spent in an attempt to narrow the issues upon which parties disagree. Due to the time and
14 effort spent on mediation and settlement discussions, the California State Agencies support
15 delaying the next trial phase until after the parties have met with Justice Robie in September and
16 engage in the September settlement meeting.

17 While significant agreement has been tentatively reached among the parties regarding
18 allocation, these allocations and possible special provisions applicable to some of the parties, are
19 contingent upon reaching a settlement on all the terms of a proposed Judgment/Physical Solution
20 and obtaining approval from clients. As stated in the California State Agencies prior Trial Setting
21 Conference Statement, a proposal of dates for the next phase of trial, including discovery, expert
22 disclosure deadlines, submission of motions in limine, and addressing each entity's use/allocation
23 (or water rights) may still be premature.

24 **II. TRIAL-PHASE IV**

25 If the parties reach substantial agreement on a Judgment/Physical Solution, the next phase
26 of trial could be a hearing to establish the facts necessary for the Court to approve and enter the
27 Judgment/Physical Solution. A Case Management Conference can be scheduled for late
28 September to give this court a Status Report on the mediation and settlement sessions.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Case Name: Antelope Valley Groundwater
Cases

No. 1-05-CV-049053

I hereby certify that on July 3, 2012, I electronically filed the following document(s) with the Clerk of the Court by using the CM/ECF system:

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA, SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY, AND
50TH DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION'S TRIAL SETTING
CONFERENCE STATEMENT**

I certify that **all** participants in the case are registered CM/ECF users and that service will be accomplished on the interested parties in this action, by posting the document(s) listed above to the Santa Clara County Superior Court e-filing website (<http://www.scefiling.org>) under the Antelope Valley Groundwater matter pursuant to the Court's Order dated October 27, 2005.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration was executed on July 3, 2012, at Los Angeles, California.

Gwen Blanchard
Declarant

/s/
Signature