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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT	•
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORN	TA

MARCIANO PLATA, et al., Plaintiffs,

v.

GAVIN NEWSOM, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. 01-cv-01351-JST

ORDER SETTING DEADLINES TO T ASIDE ISOLATION AND QUARANTINE SPACE

On July 22, 2020, the Court ordered Defendants to set aside isolation and quarantine space at each institution to help manage the spread of COVID-19. ECF No. 3401. As of the September 2, 2020 deadline, Defendants had complied with the order as to only twenty-two prisons. ECF No. 3439-2 ¶ 1. They requested an extension of time to September 25, 2020, at ten prisons and to October 31, 2020, at the remaining three prisons. ECF No. 3439. In granting Defendants' request in part, the Court "direct[ed] the Receiver to meet and confer with the parties, and to include public health experts as appropriate, to identify an expedited timeline for preparing all identified isolation and quarantine space for occupancy." ECF No. 3442 at 2. The Court directed the parties to file a stipulation and proposed order by September 16, 2020, if they could reach agreement, or directed the Receiver to file a proposed timeline by the same date if the parties could not agree. Id.

The parties were unable to reach agreement. Defendants have represented that, as of September 15, 2020, they had prepared the identified isolation and quarantine space at eight additional prisons, leaving only five prisons outstanding: Avenal State Prison ("ASP"), Chuckawalla Valley State Prison ("CVSP"), Valley State Prison ("VSP"), California State Prison, Los Angeles County ("LAC"), and California Medical Facility ("CMF"). ECF No. 3447-1 ¶ 3.

They proposed deadlines of September 22 for ASP, September 28 for CVSP and VSP, and
October 13 for LAC and CMF. Id. Plaintiffs stated that they would be amenable to the proposed
deadlines only "if tents are available for isolation and quarantine for the five remaining prisons
during the period before the transfers are complete." Id . ¶ 4. The Receiver recommends adopting
Defendants' proposed timeline and emphasizes "that if additional space appears to be needed at
any of these institutions in the interim, tents can and will be installed at such institutions within 72
hours as required by CDCR's existing contract for the provision of tents." ECF No. 3447 at 3.
Plaintiffs have not argued, or attempted to demonstrate, that the 72-hour period for installing any
necessary tents is inadequate for the interim period before the proposed deadlines.

Accordingly, the Receiver's recommendation is adopted. Defendants shall complete preparing the identified quarantine and isolation space for occupancy no later than September 22 for ASP, September 28 for CVSP and VSP, and October 13 for LAC and CMF. They shall work with the Receiver to complete these moves as expeditiously as possible, consistent with public health guidance.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: September 22, 2020

