

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Civil Division

Central District, Spring Street Courthouse, Department 9

BCV-21-101927

July 22, 2022

**BOLTHOUSE LAND COMPANY, LLC, et al. vs ALL
PERSONS CLAIMING A RIGHT TO EXTRACT OR STORE
GROUNDWATER IN THE CUYAMA VALLEY
GROUNDWATER BASIN (NO.3-013), et al.**

10:00 AM

Judge: Honorable Yvette M. Palazuelos

CSR: None

Judicial Assistant: D. Keith

ERM: None

Courtroom Assistant: E. Meniivar

Deputy Sheriff: None

APPEARANCES:

For Plaintiff(s): Robert Garth Kuhs; Richard G. Zimmer, Esq.

For Defendant(s): Jeffrey V. Dunn; Ian L. Durdle via LACourtConnect (Audio); Stephanie Osler Hastings via LACourtConnect (Video) -- See additional appearances below.

Other Appearance Notes: R. Jeffrey Warren for Plaintiff Bolthouse Land Company, LLC (via LACourtConnect); Patrick Bright for Defendant Walking U Ranch LLC; Andrew Wright for Defendant Cuyama Community Services District (via LACourtConnect)

NATURE OF PROCEEDINGS: Status Conference

The matter is called for hearing.

The Court and counsel confer in reference to the status of the case.

After hearing oral argument, the Court makes the following orders:

The court permits plaintiffs to serve the FAC, Notice and Form Answer, on any legal entity by mailing a copy of the documents to any registered agent for service of process, return receipt requested. Proofs of service must be filed by November 14, 2022. Responsive pleadings must be filed 30 days after service.

By July 29, 2022, Counsel for Plaintiffs must file and serve a [Proposed] Notice of Right to Object to the Jurisdictional Boundary of the Cuyama Valley Groundwater Basin Cuyama Valley described in Groundwater Basin, Department of Water Resources Bulletin 118 Groundwater Basin No. 3-013.

Non-Appearance Case Review is scheduled for 08/05/2022 at 08:30 AM in Department 9 at Spring Street Courthouse.

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The Court notes Defendant Walking U Ranch, LLC, objects to setting trial in this matter and requests a stay of the action.

The Court directs Defendant to file a Motion for Stay by September 6, 2022. Defendant must call the Court prior to filing and serving to get a hearing date.

The Court sets Non-Appearance Case Review is scheduled for 09/13/2022 at 08:30 AM in Department 9 at Spring Street Courthouse.

At the party's suggestion, the court requests that the parties identify an alternate procedure to streamline the participation of de minimus pumpers in this action by August 22, 2022. Non-Appearance Case Review Re: Identifying Alternate Procedure to Streamline Participation of de minimus pumpers is scheduled for 08/29/2022 at 08:30 AM in Department 9 at Spring Street Courthouse.

A Trial Setting Conference is scheduled for 09/13/2022 at 10:00 AM in Department 9 at Spring Street Courthouse.

All counsel and self-represented parties are ordered to appear. The parties must file and serve a joint status report 5 court days before the TSC.

The Judicial Assistant to give notice.

Clerk's Certificate of Service By Electronic Service is attached.

Additional appearances for Defendant(s):

Boyd Hill via LACourtConnect (Audio)

Matthew Liam Hofer via LACourtConnect (Audio)

Callie Kim via LACourtConnect (Video)

B Tilden Kim via LACourtConnect (Audio)

Marcus Kocmur via LACourtConnect (Video)

Harlan Guy Lingo via LACourtConnect (Audio)

Kathleen Patricia March

James Lee Markman via LACourtConnect (Video)

Vincent Thomas Martinez via LACourtConnect (Video)

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Eve W. McDonald via LACourtConnect (Audio)

Leland McElhaney via LACourtConnect (Audio)

Colin L. Pearce via LACourtConnect (Video)

Christopher M. Sanders via LACourtConnect (Audio)

Thomas G. Thornton via LACourtConnect (Audio)

James Anthony Worth via LACourtConnect (Audio)

Ryan D. Zick via LACourtConnect (Audio)

Jeanne Zuls via LACourtConnect (Audio)