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11 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
12 OAKLAND DIVISION  
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14 CENTER FOR FOOD SAFETY,  
15 Plaintiff,

16 v.

17 DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
18 Defendant.  
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) Civil Action No. 4:20-cv-08718-DMR  
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) **STIPULATION AND ORDER (AS**  
) **MODIFIED) TO EXTEND TIME FOR**  
) **ANSWERING COMPLAINT AND TO**  
) **CONTINUE INITIAL CASE**  
) **MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE**  
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1 Pursuant to the Court's order dated May 28, 2021, Dkt. No. 20, the parties submit this joint status  
2 update in this Freedom of Information Act case.

3 As previously reported, the sole remaining issue in this action is Plaintiff's demand for costs and  
4 attorney's fees. The parties have been conferring over whether Plaintiff is entitled to costs and  
5 attorney's fees. The parties are nearing the end of their discussions but require additional time to bring  
6 them to a conclusion. To that end, the parties respectfully request that the time for Defendant to answer  
7 the complaint be further extended to September 3, 2021. The parties also request that the initial case  
8 management conference set for September 15, 2021 be continued to October 20, 2021. The parties  
9 agree and respectfully submit that proceeding this way would be the most efficient use of the Court's  
10 and the parties' resources.

11 IT IS SO STIPULATED.

13 DATED: August 2, 2021

Respectfully submitted,

CENTER FOR FOOD SAFETY

15 /s/ Meredith Stevenson  
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19 DATED: August 2, 2021

Respectfully submitted,

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perjury that concurrence in the filing of the document has been obtained from the other Signatory.

**ORDER (AS MODIFIED)**

Pursuant to stipulation of the parties, IT IS SO ORDERED. Defendant shall file its answer by September 3, 2021. The initial case management conference is continued to October 20, 2021 at 1:30 p.m. in Oakland, - by videoconference. The parties shall file a joint case management statement by October 13, 2021.

DATED: August 3, 2021

