

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF
CALIFORNIA**

Miyoshi Garcia v. Westland Farms, LLC, et al.

Garcia · No. 1:20-cv-00190-KES-HBK · Decided August 22, 2025

OPINION

Garcia v. M.G Luna, Inc.

PER CURIAM.

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8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

9 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

10 11 MIYOSHI GARCIA, et. al., on behalf of Case No. 1:20-cv-00190-KES-HBK the State of
California, themselves, and all 12 other similarly situated, ORDER STAYING CASE ONLY AS
TO

DEFENDANTS WESTLAND FARMS, LLC

13 Plaintiffs, AND MADERA PERSIMMON GROWERS, INC. 14 v. 15 WESTLAND FARMS,
LLC, et. al. 16 Defendants. 17 18 On August 21, 2025, the Court held a telephonic status
conference. In the joint status 19 report filed before the status conference (Doc. No. 84), and as
confirmed at the status conference, 20 Plaintiffs and counsel for Defendants Westland Farms, LLC
and Madera Persimmon Growers 21 Inc. advised on the record that they intended to proceed with
scheduling a mediation. (See Doc.

22 No. 84 at 5).

23 The court is vested with broad discretion to stay a case. *Clinton v. Jones*, 520 U.S. 681, 24 705
(1997) (citing *Landis v. North American Co.*, 299 U.S. 248, 254 (1936)). As a rule, “stays 25
should not be indefinite in nature.” *Dependable Highway Exp., Inc. v. Navigators Ins. Co.*, 498 26
F.3d 1059, 1066-67 (9th Cir. 2007). If a stay is especially long or indefinite, a greater showing is
27 required to justify it and the court must “balance the length of any stay against the strength of
the 28 justification given for it.” *Yong v. I.N.S.*, 208 F.3d 1116, 1119 (9th Cir. 2000). 1 The Court
finds in its discretion that a stay of this action is appropriate and will stay this 2 | action only as to
Plaintiffs claims against Defendants Westland Farms, LLC and Madera 3 | Persimmon Growers
Inc. may direct their resources and attention to mediation. The case is not 4 | stayed as to Plaintiffs
claims against Defendants M.G. Luna, Inc. and Maria Guadalupe Luna. 5 Accordingly, it is
ORDERED: 6 1. The Court STAYS this action only as to claims against Defendants Westland
Farms, 7 LLC and Madera Persimmon Growers Inc. for 60 days from the date of this Order. 8 2.
No later than 60 days of the date of this Order, the Parties shall file a Notice with the 9 Court
identifying their agreed-upon mediator and the date mediation is scheduled and 10 whether a

further stay of the proceedings as to Plaintiff and Defendants Westland 11 Farms, LLC and Madera Persimmon Growers Inc. is warranted. 12 'S | Dated: _ August 21, 2025 Mihaw. Wh. foareh Zaskth

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UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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