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4 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
5 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
6 AT SEATTLE

7 SUSAN SOTO PALMER, *et al.*,
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9 Plaintiffs,
10 v.
11 STEVEN HOBBS, *et al.*,
12 Defendants.

Cause No. C22-5035RSL

ORDER DENYING PLAINTIFFS’
MOTION FOR SCHEDULING
CONFERENCE

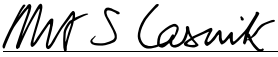
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14 This matter comes before the Court on “Plaintiffs’ Motion for Scheduling Conference.”
15 Dkt. # 26. On January 19, 2022, plaintiffs filed this action challenging the new boundaries for
16 State Legislative District 15 on the ground that they dilute Latino voting power in violation of
17 the Voting Rights Act. Plaintiffs assert that they intend to seek preliminary injunctive relief
18 ahead of the primary election scheduled for August 2, 2022. Plaintiffs seek a scheduling
19 conference to set a briefing schedule and hearing date for the proposed motion. The parties have
20 conferred regarding the schedule, and defendants have committed to engaging in continuing
21 discussions in good faith. Dkt. #31.

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24 In February, the Court issued an order requiring the parties to submit a joint status report
25 and setting a deadline for initial disclosures. Plaintiffs recently filed their motion for preliminary
26 injunction, noting it on the Court’s calendar for consideration on March 25, 2022. If the Court
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1 cannot resolve the matter on the papers submitted, oral argument will be scheduled. Plaintiffs
2 have not shown that the standard procedures for obtaining preliminary relief are deficient or that
3 a scheduling conference is necessary.
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6 For all of the foregoing reasons, plaintiffs’ motion (Dkt. # 26) is DENIED.
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9 Dated this 7th day of March, 2022.
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12 Robert S. Lasnik
13 United States District Judge
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