

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
FORT WORTH DIVISION

Sid Miller, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

Tom Vilsack, in his official capacity as
Secretary of Agriculture,

Defendant,

and

**Federation of Southern
Cooperatives/Land Assistance Fund,**

Intervenor.

Case No. 4:21-cv-00595-O

**JOINT MOTION TO SUSPEND SUMMARY-JUDGMENT
BRIEFING SCHEDULE**

On March 24, 2022, the Fifth Circuit issued its mandate in the appeal taken by the Federation of Southern Cooperatives/Land Assistance Fund (the Federation), giving the Federation party status in this litigation. On March 25, 2022, the Court ordered the parties to confer and submit a status report to the Court by April 1, 2022 (ECF No. 178).

The plaintiffs and defendant have already submitted their motions for summary judgment, and the responses to those motions are due on April 1, 2022. Because the Federation is now a party and is entitled to participate in the summary-judgment briefing, the parties jointly and respectfully ask the Court to suspend the parties' deadline for filing their responses to the competing motions for summary judgment until the parties agree upon and propose to the Court a new summary-judgment briefing

schedule that includes the Federation. The parties will submit a status report on April 1, 2022, that will include their positions on an amended summary-judgment briefing schedule for the Court to consider.

A proposed order is attached.

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**[PROPOSED] ORDER GRANTING JOINT MOTION TO
SUSPEND SUMMARY-JUDGMENT BRIEFING SCHEDULE**

The parties' joint motion to suspend the summary-judgment briefing schedule is GRANTED. The parties' deadline for responding to the competing motions for summary judgment, currently set for April 1, 2022, is suspended pending further order of this Court.

Dated: _____, 2022

REED O'CONNOR
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE