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2011 California Citizens Redistricting Commission



Greater Riverside Chambers of Commerce
"The Chamber... building a stronger local economy."

Population 2000 Census

Riverside County: 1,545,387

San Bernardino County: 1,709,434



Population 2010 Census

Riverside County: 2,189,641

San Bernardino County: 2,035,210



Based on the 2010 Census,
ideal population standards:

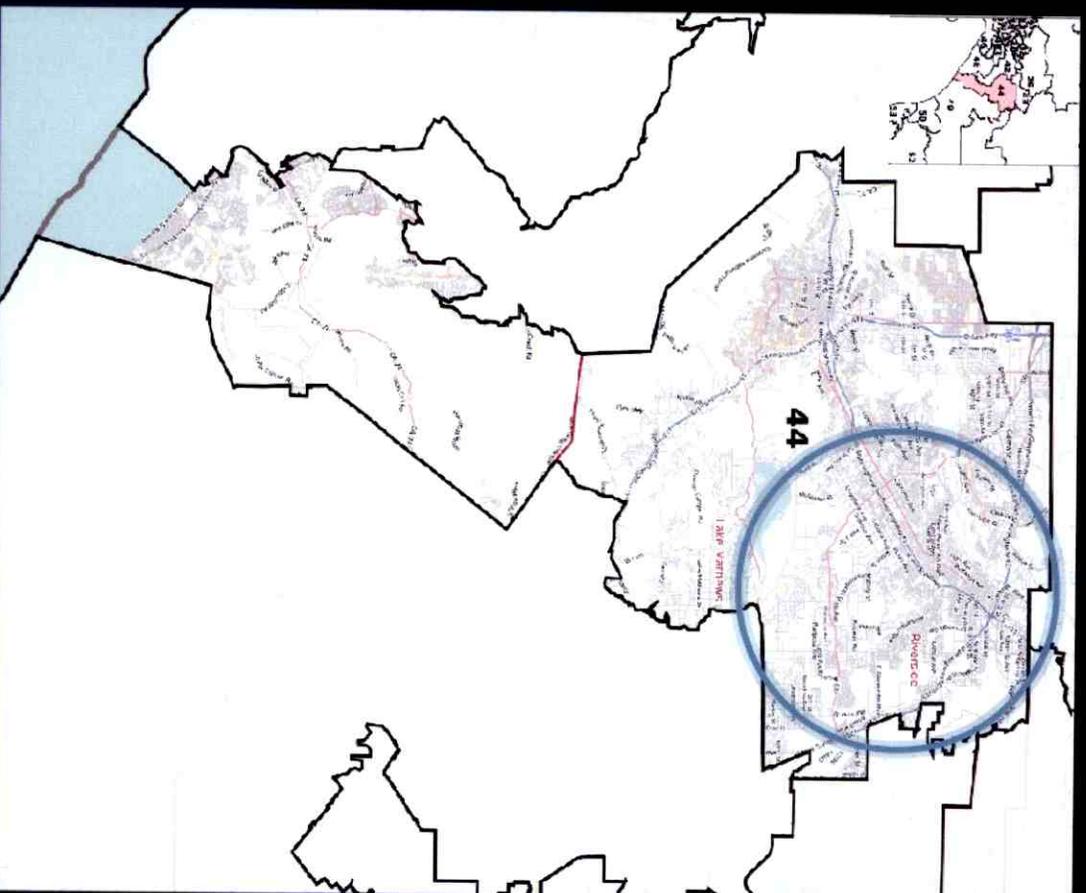
Assembly: 465,674

State Senate: 931,349

Congressional: 702,905



44th Congressional District Ken Calvert

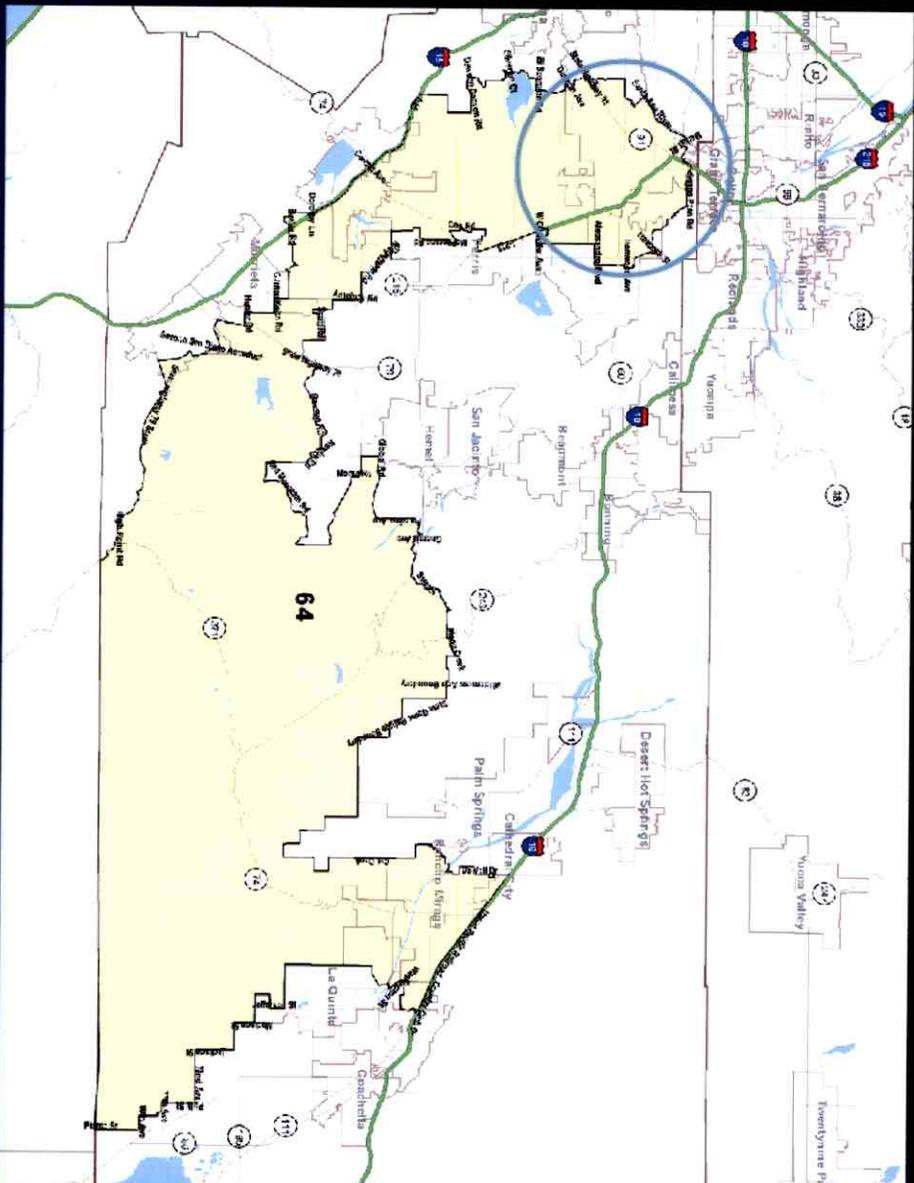


141,851 (20.2%) over ideal population



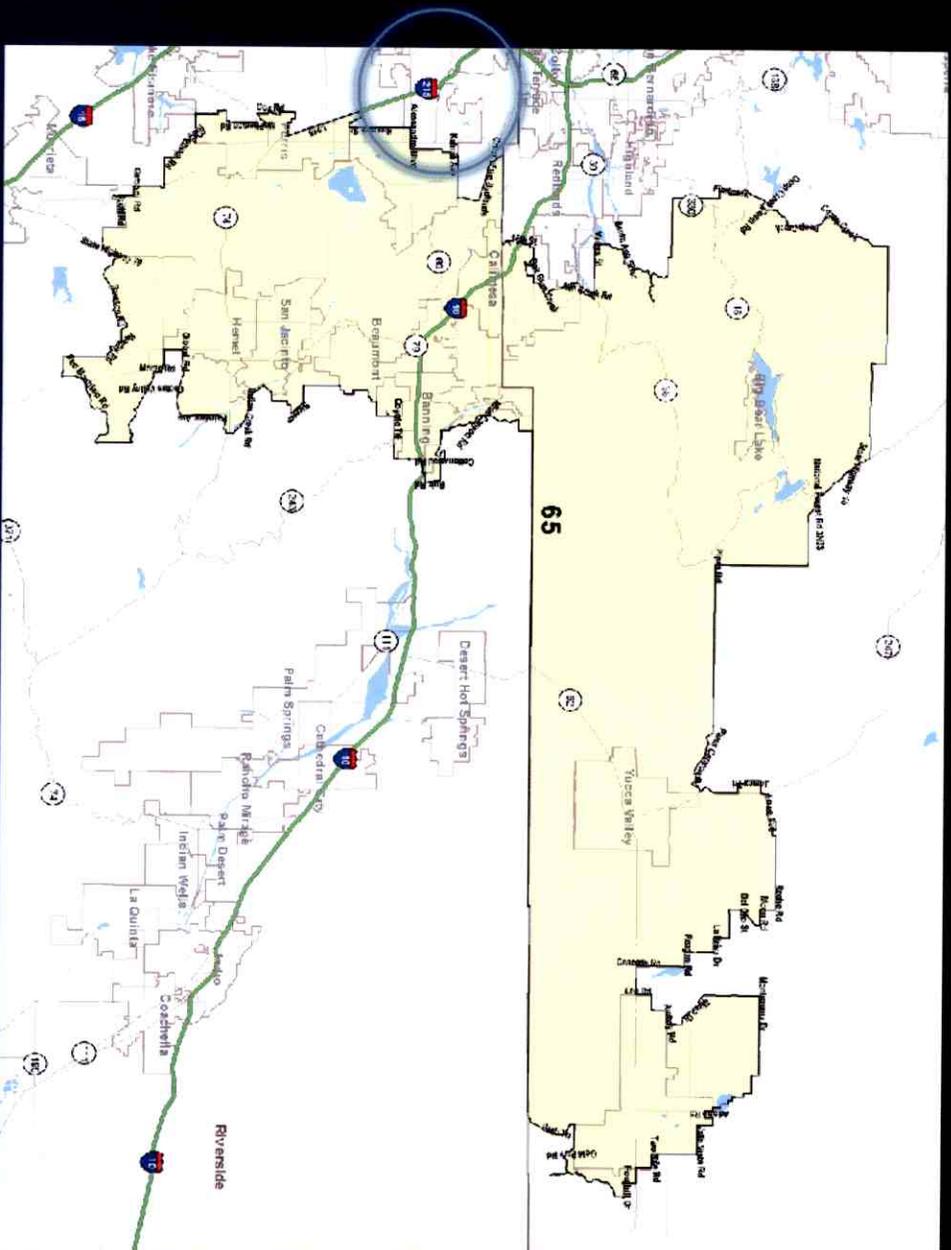
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64th Assembly District Brian Nestande



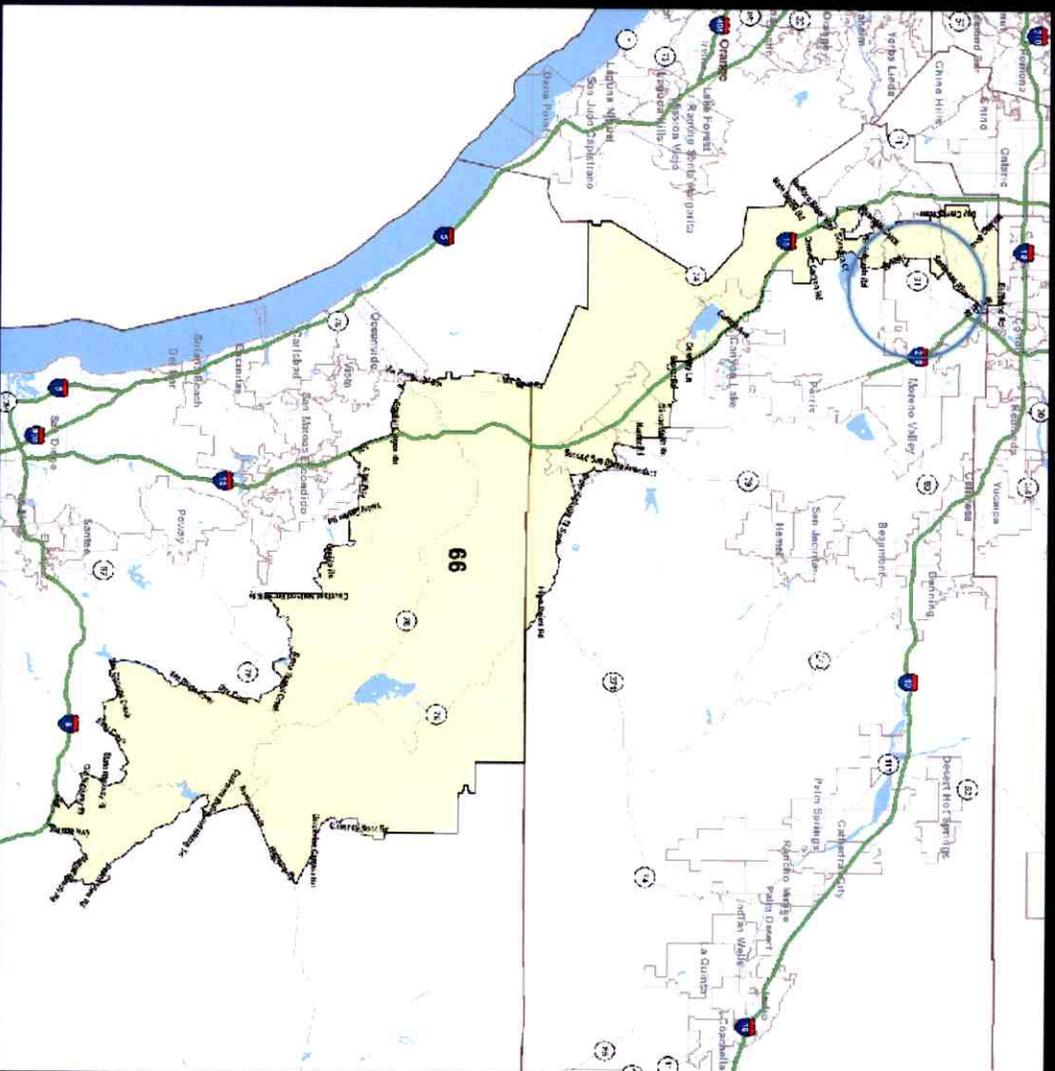
117,858 (25.3%) over ideal population

65th Assembly District Paul Cook



146,304 (31.4%) over ideal population

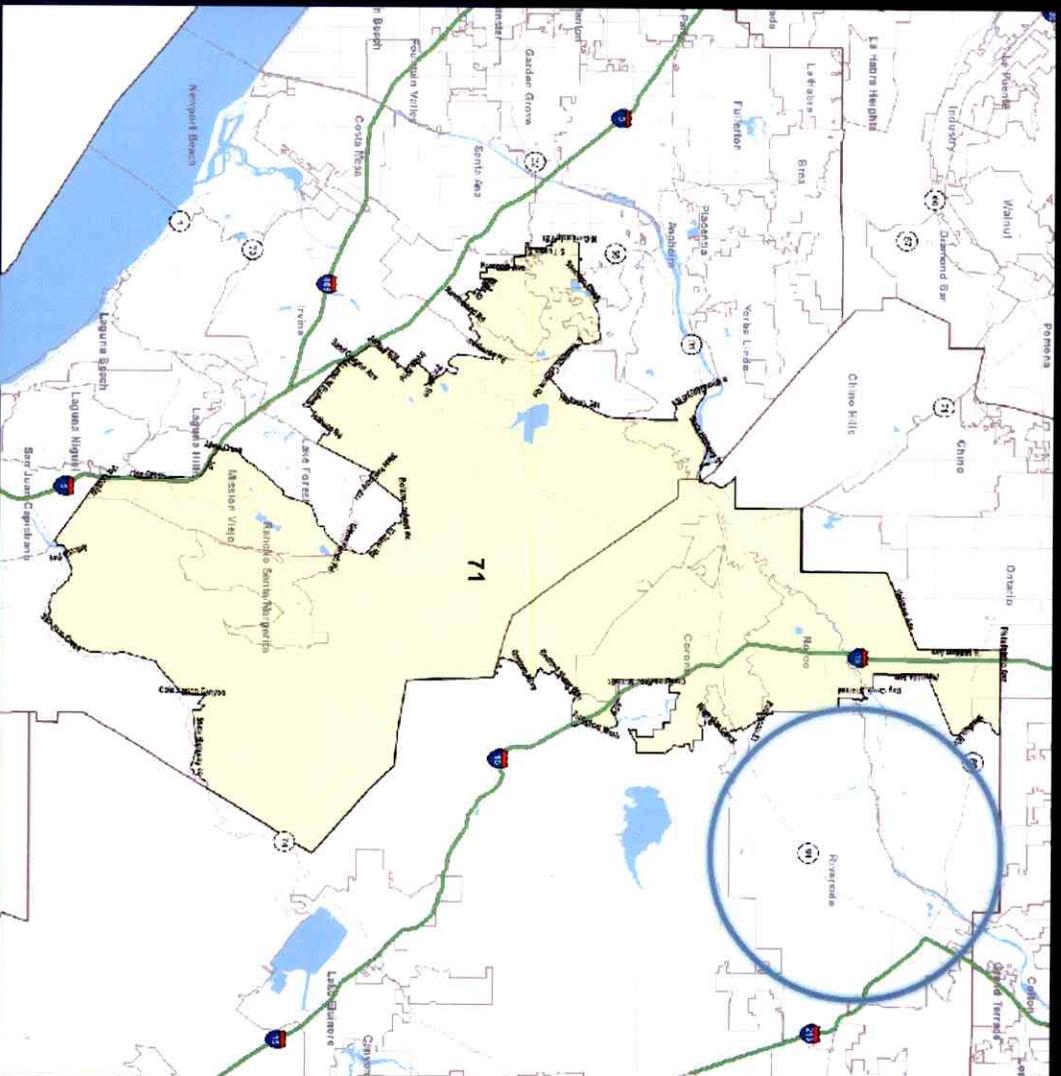
66th Assembly District Kevin Jeffries



101,263 (21.7%) over ideal population



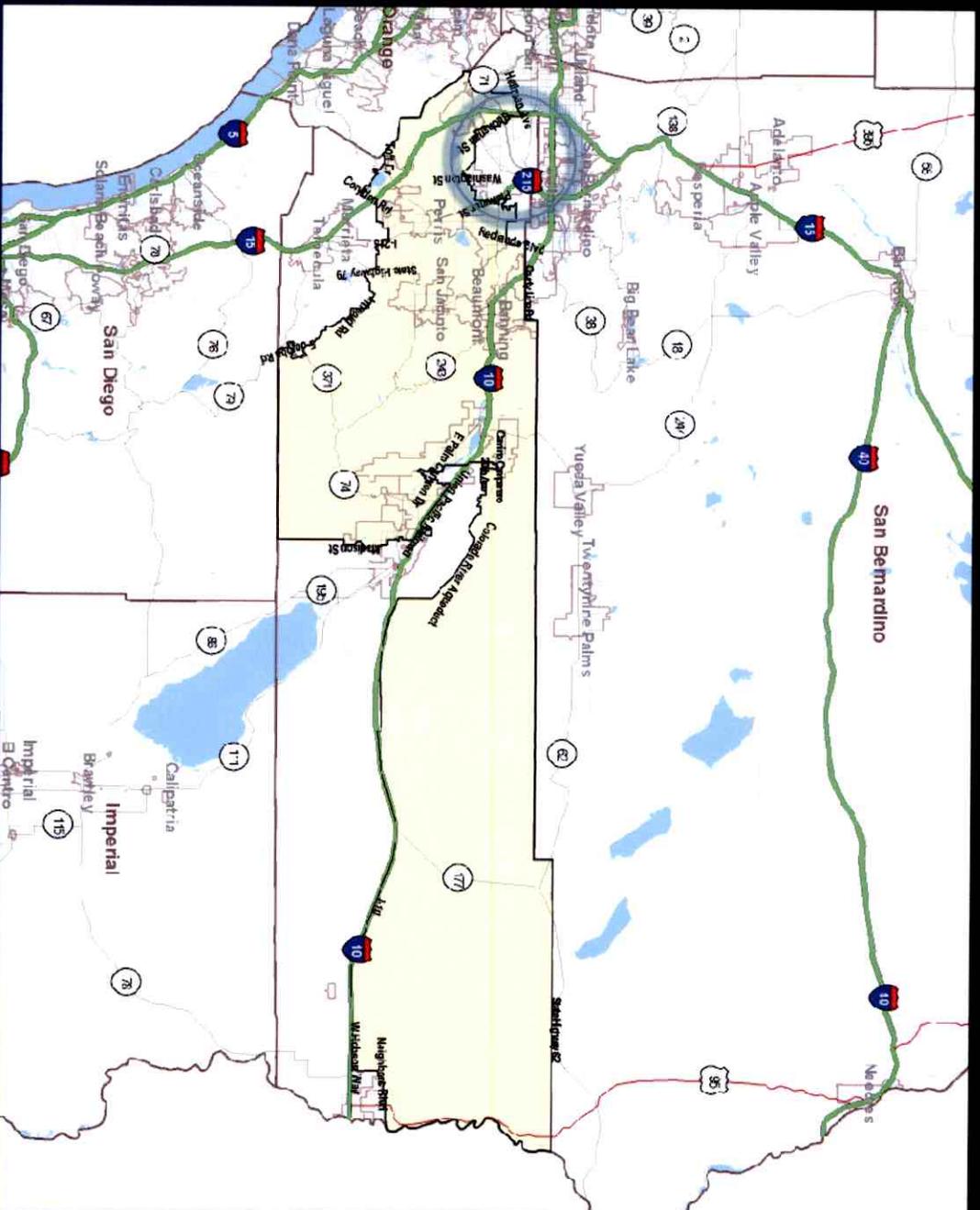
71st Assembly District
Jeff Miller



78,190 (16.8%) over ideal population



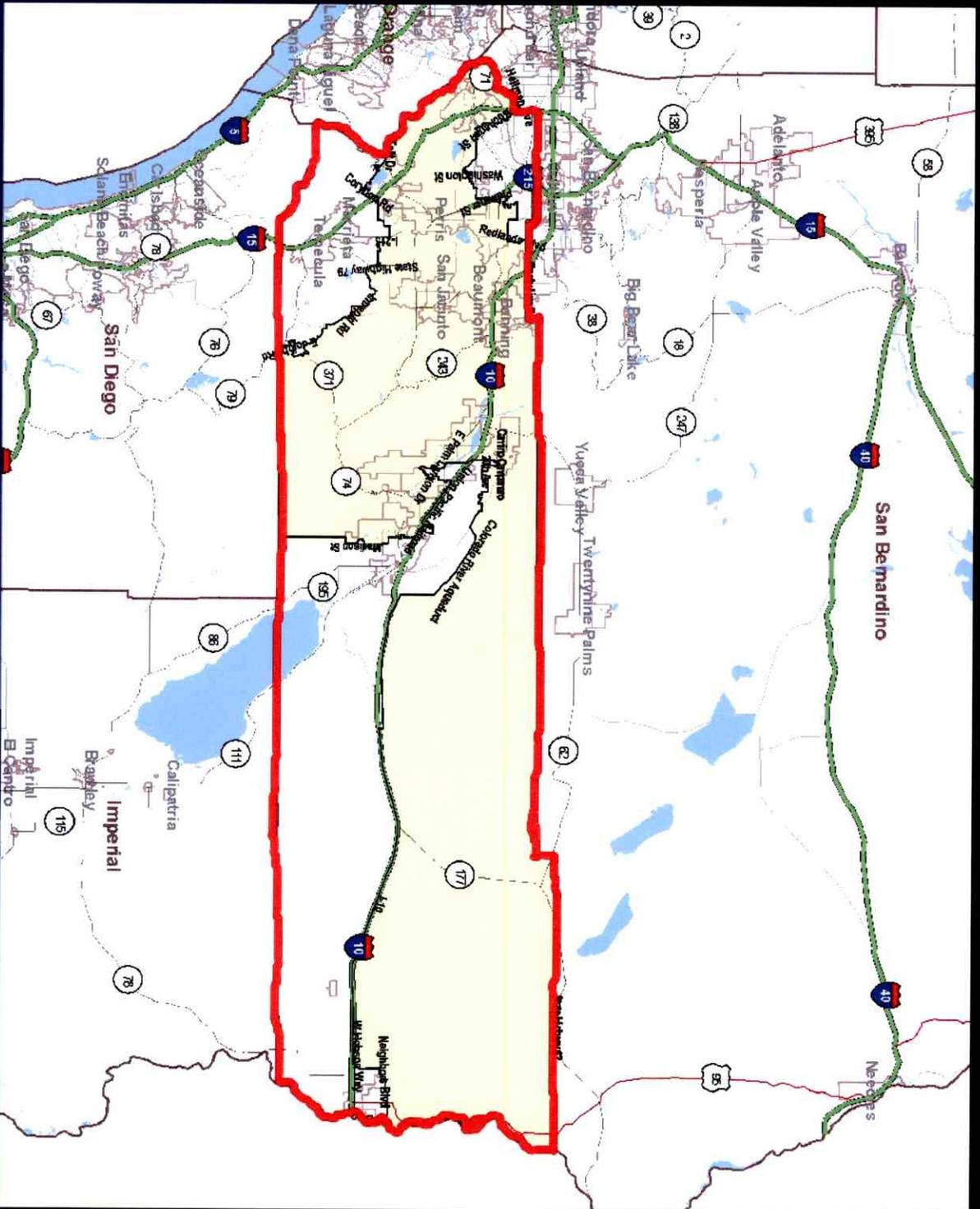
37th Senate District Bill Emmerson



284,527 (30.6%) over ideal population



Riverside County

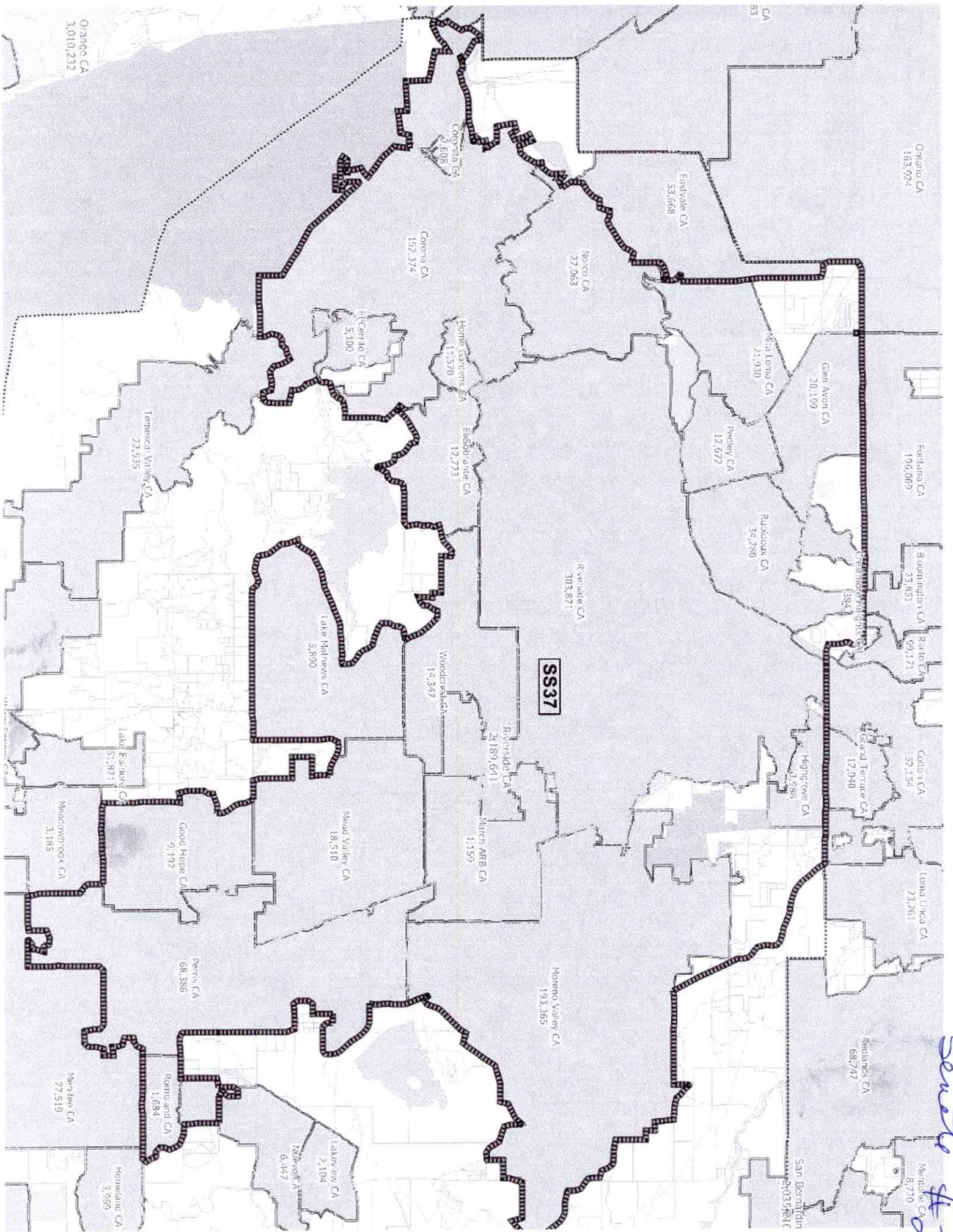


With 2,189,641 residents and expected future growth, Riverside County should be the base of:

- 6 Assembly Districts
- 3 State Senate Districts
- 4 Congressional Districts



- Priorities for Redistricting:
- Maintain the City of Riverside whole within contiguous political boundaries
 - Nest state and federal districts within boundaries of the County of Riverside



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ROUND UP NORCO HILLS

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May 6, 2011

Dear Members of the Citizens Redistricting Commission,

I am a transplanted Orange County voter, having moved to Norco thirty-four years ago. I remember well, the Orange County in which the Irvine Ranch Company ran cattle in the hills above El Toro Marine Base, and farm land and citrus groves covered much of the area. I remember when a trip from Los Angeles to San Diego required an overnight stay in Oceanside. I wonder how many O.C. voters realize those changes occurred in a little over fifty years?

My move to Norco, in 1978, was to raise my daughters in a small town, rural community environment. Norco has managed to cling to that atmosphere by its fingernails.

Now, surrounded by urban development.....I no longer smell the sage-brush in the morning, nor the citrus blossoms in the evening. I certainly do not miss the aroma of the Chino dairies....but I do miss the rural open-space, now covered by the lovely homes of Eastvale. I do not deny those new residents their dream homes, but I am concerned about their voting criteria pertaining to County and State issues that may impact Norco's lifestyle.

The bottom (Redistricting) line for me, is to not have Norco divided by any voter boundary. Our rural roots are now more connected to Riverside and San Bernardino Counties, where agriculture, animal keeping and open-space are still very viable and passionate interests of the residents.

Norconians have been fortunate to be represented by Congressman Ken Calvert, and Assemblyman Jeff Miller.....both local Corona residents and hometown gentlemen...who know and understand the Norco mindset. Both elected officials have represented their O.C. constituents and Corona/Norco voters well.....in my Republican opinion.

My concern is for the future. An un-divided Norco should be aligned with Riverside and San Bernardino Counties, because of the rural, agricultural and animal keeping interests. Even if we stay attached to the O.C. ,similarly as today, I feel we could have a voter representation that would continue to protect and support our unique lifestyle in Horsetown, U.S.A.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Patricia A. Overstreet
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COMMENTS TO THE CALIFORNIA REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

Given by Michael McCoy, of Moreno Valley CA, May 5, 2011 at the Norco hearing

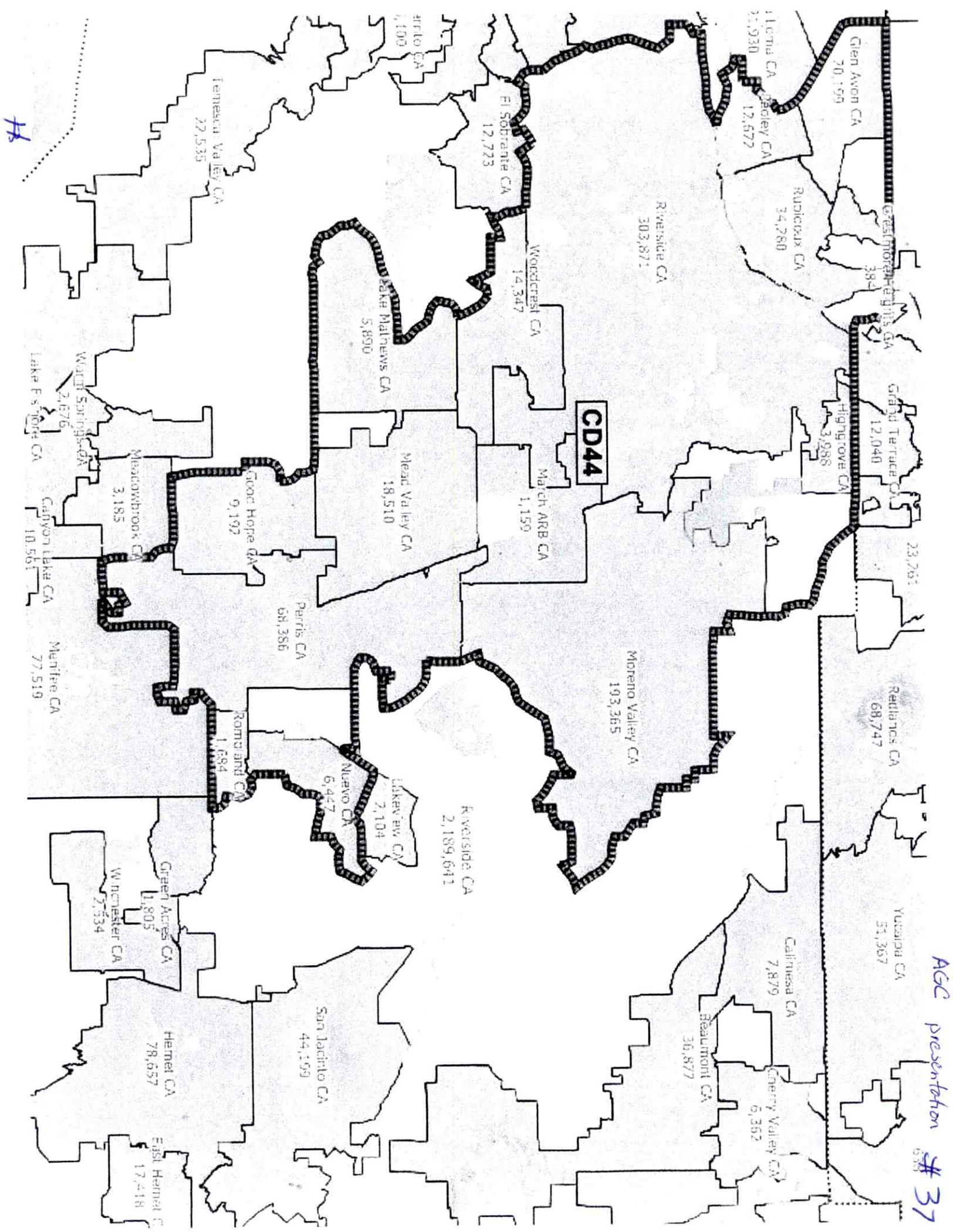
1. Michael McCoy, 10304 Crossing Green Cir, Moreno Valley CA 92557: **Personal Background:** Retired Geographer, Urban Planner and Mapmaker. Graduated from Ohio State. Lived in California for 51 years and have travelled all over our Golden State. Was an aspirant to the Commission, but was dismissed at about 300th out of the 4,400 applicants.
2. **Ensuring that Political Data does not Influence Redistricting:** I would urge the Commission adopt and publish a very strict policy insisting that any data or maps showing partisan voter registration patterns and the place of residence of incumbent or aspiring office-seekers are not present at the workplaces of Commission members, staff and their consultants. Such information must not be allowed to influence or detract from the non-partisan character of redistricting as mandated by the voters under Proposition 11.
3. **Employ a Metropolitan-Core based Strategy for Drawing Districts:** There is often a tendency to just start at the Oregon border by gathering rural counties into a few districts and work southward until the more densely-populated Sacramento and Bay Areas are reached. I would suggest, instead, that the Commission employ a multi-track strategy that emphasizes existing governmental units and adheres to municipal and county boundaries focusing on 8 major metropolitan areas: Sacramento, San Francisco, San Jose, Fresno, Los Angeles, Santa Ana, Riverside and San Diego. The advantages of this procedure are:
 - a. This strategy realistically validates the enormous population strength of our largest cities and their deserved share of the legislative pie. We've come along way since the days when tiny Plumas County had the same number of State Senators as, say, Ventura County.
 - b. Large cities in these areas could effectively absorb new districts entirely within themselves, especially if unincorporated islands and spheres of influence were carefully included. Under this strategy, many districts would meet the Commission's criteria for adoption.
 - c. Around the largest cities, the consultants could then employ a model of concentric rings, "halos" or quadrants around the 8 centres. For example, Oakland and the 20 East Bay cities could relatively easily form several compact and cohesive districts. Only a handful of peripheral cities might have to be divided. Discredited practices such as "packing" and "cracking" would be rendered ineffective under this strategy. It's my belief that the vast majority of Communities of Interest would take care of themselves under such a plan.
 - d. Eventually the 8 core regions would coalesce. Remaining sparsely-populated exurban and rural areas would have to be gathered into some often quite large units, however even these can be tied to the nearest and most influential metropolitan core areas.
 - e. Ethnic diversity would likely be attained in most core areas under this strategy. Recent census data indicates all our peoples are dispersing throughout the state and most communities are more diverse than we thought. In Moreno Valley, a wonderfully multi-cultural city, for example, Latinos are now leading with about 38% while Asians, African-Americans and Caucasians all have around 20%. Although all proposed legislative districts must pass muster with regard to the Voting Rights Act, and will do so, I believe we that in many cases we are over-worrying about this factor. Again, maintaining governmental units as our priority

should, with careful review, meet Voting Rights standards and result in plenty of opportunities for minorities to run for elective office under the final adopted redistricting plan.

4. **Finally, Speaking for my Own City of Moreno Valley**, with nearly 200,000 people, please do not endorse any plan that divides this community again because we have been unfairly impeded and often legislatively marginalized in the past due to partisan redistricting, often resulting in minimal influence in Sacramento and Washington. We seek long-overdue relief under the new redistricting plan!

Thank you for offering me the opportunity to express my views.

Michael McCoy
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Redistricting –Federal and State 050511

Southwest Riverside District

Compliance with population criteria:

Canyon Lake – 11,000

Lake Elsinore – 52,000

Menifee - 79,000

Murrieta - 104,000

~~Perris~~ - 70,000

Temecula - 101,000

Wildomar - 32,000

Total

Population: 449,000 =96% of target

Target Population 446,000

Compliance with other criteria:

Voting rights – no discrimination appears to be in compliance

Contiguous district - Connected at all points

Respect jurisdiction lines – all respected and compatible social and economic interests. Canyon Lake is a drinking water reservoir serving much of the area with established water-related coalitions. Coalitions also established for regional health care and public safety and transportation needs.

Compact district – yes, very compact.

Nesting district – unknown at this time, likely in compliance

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**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



FROM: Executive Office

SUBMITTAL DATE:
May 3, 2011

SUBJECT: Adoption of Resolution 2011-118, Recommendations Regarding State and Federal Redistricting.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board adopt Resolution 2011-118 and forward the approved resolution to the California Citizens Redistricting Commission prior to the commission's scheduled meeting on May 5, 2011 in the Norco City Council Chambers.

BACKGROUND: Under California law, the California Citizens Redistricting Commission must revise boundaries for state and federal legislative districts, and Board of Equalization districts, based on results of the decennial census. Riverside County's effectiveness in addressing issues such as transportation, public health, education and public-safety would be diminished if new boundaries fractionalize the county. Existing communities of interest within our borders have a long history of working together to address local and regional issues, especially those caused by the dramatic growth that has occurred over the past decade. Since the 2000 census, Riverside County's population has increased to nearly 2.2 million residents, almost a 42 percent increase. It is imperative that the California Citizens Redistricting Commission establish Riverside County as an intact entity to the greatest extent possible to avoid fractionalizing the county and reducing the ability to address community needs.

Raymond Smith
Raymond Smith, public information officer

Departmental Concurrence

FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 0	In Current Year Budget:	n/a
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	n/a
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	n/a

SOURCE OF FUNDS: n/a	Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE
BY: *Bill Luna*
Bill Luna

County Executive Office Signature

- Policy
- Policy
- Consent
- Consent

Dep't Recomm.:
Per Exec. Ofc.:

Prev. Agn. Ref.: | District: | Agenda Number: **3.58**

1 **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

2 **RESOLUTION NO. 2011-118**
3 **A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE**
4 **RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING STATE AND FEDERAL REDISTRICTING**

5 **WHEREAS**, State law requires the California Citizens Redistricting Commission to
6 revise boundaries for state and federal legislative districts, and Board of Equalization
7 districts; and

8 **WHEREAS**, Boundaries must be drawn based on criteria established in state law,
9 which requires that districts shall be geographically contiguous so that the geographic
10 integrity of any city, county, city and county, local neighborhood, or local community
11 of interest shall be respected in a manner that minimizes their division; and

12 **WHEREAS**, A community of interest is defined in law as a contiguous population that
13 shares common social and economic interests that should be included within a single
14 district for purposes of its effective and fair representation; and

15 **WHEREAS**, Shared interests include those common to areas in which the people
16 share similar living standards, use the same transportation facilities, have similar
17 work opportunities, or have access to the same media of communication relevant to
18 the election process; and

19 **WHEREAS**, Establishing Riverside County as an intact entity to the greatest extent
20 possible is imperative based on the county's dramatic population growth during the
21 past decade, which surpassed the next two fastest-growing California counties
22 combined; and

23 **WHEREAS**, Riverside County's population in the past 10 years increased by nearly
24 42 percent, reaching 2.2 million residents, with continued rapid growth projected
25 during the next decade; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Coordinated efforts to address countywide transportation planning and
2 the pursuit of funding for road and highway improvements are vital in order to
3 improve quality of life and to reduce traffic congestion that creates pollution and
4 poses health risks to residents; and

5 **WHEREAS**, Coordinated efforts within Riverside County's communities of interest
6 have provided invaluable opportunities to implement programs that improve:
7 transportation corridors through the addition of commuter lanes and other resources;
8 health services through the development of a medical school at the University of
9 California, Riverside, and other programs; and public-safety programs through law-
10 enforcement task forces that target illegal narcotics operations, organized street
11 gangs and sex offenders.

12 **NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors
13 recommends that in redrawing boundaries for state and federal elective offices, the
14 California Citizens Redistricting Commission establish Riverside County as an intact
15 entity to the greatest extent possible. With this resolution, the Board of Supervisors
16 also expresses its concern that fractionalizing Riverside County would diminish local
17 agencies' effectiveness in seeking coordinated assistance from legislators; in
18 protecting access to communication relevant to the election process for, in many
19 instances, a poor, minority population; and in addressing health, transportation,
20 education and safety issues that affect the quality of life for every resident.
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Good evening Commissioners Thank You for the opportunity of presenting our views as to what we consider our communities of interest. My name is Gilberto Esquivel and for the past 40 years I have been a resident of Riverside County, the first 15 years in the Coachella Valley , the next 5 in Moreno Valley and the last 20 in the city of Riverside. As a broadcaster and marketing specialist I have always considered the the western section of Riverside county as one community.

Some of the factors contributing to this concept are as follows:

The city of Riverside being the largest of all the municipalities is also the county seat. As such all the surrounding cities and unincorporated areas are dependent on Riverside in all county related matters. However there are many other reasons our communities should be considered as one. For exemple anyone that needs the service of our county hospital has to go the city of Moreno Valley, if anyone is given a traffic ticket they have to attend traffic court most of the time in Moreno Valley. All of our communities are bound together by many links. Transportation and traffic conditions affect each and everyone of our municipalities, traffic congestion be it a cause of accidents or construction, delays commuting simultaneously in all our main highways.

Now Moreno Valley is adapting a five year plan for expansion, most of this plan is largely dependent of transportation corridors and facilities of the entire area. Our shopping, dinning ,entertainment and accommodations as well as our parks and recreation are enjoyed by all our residents.

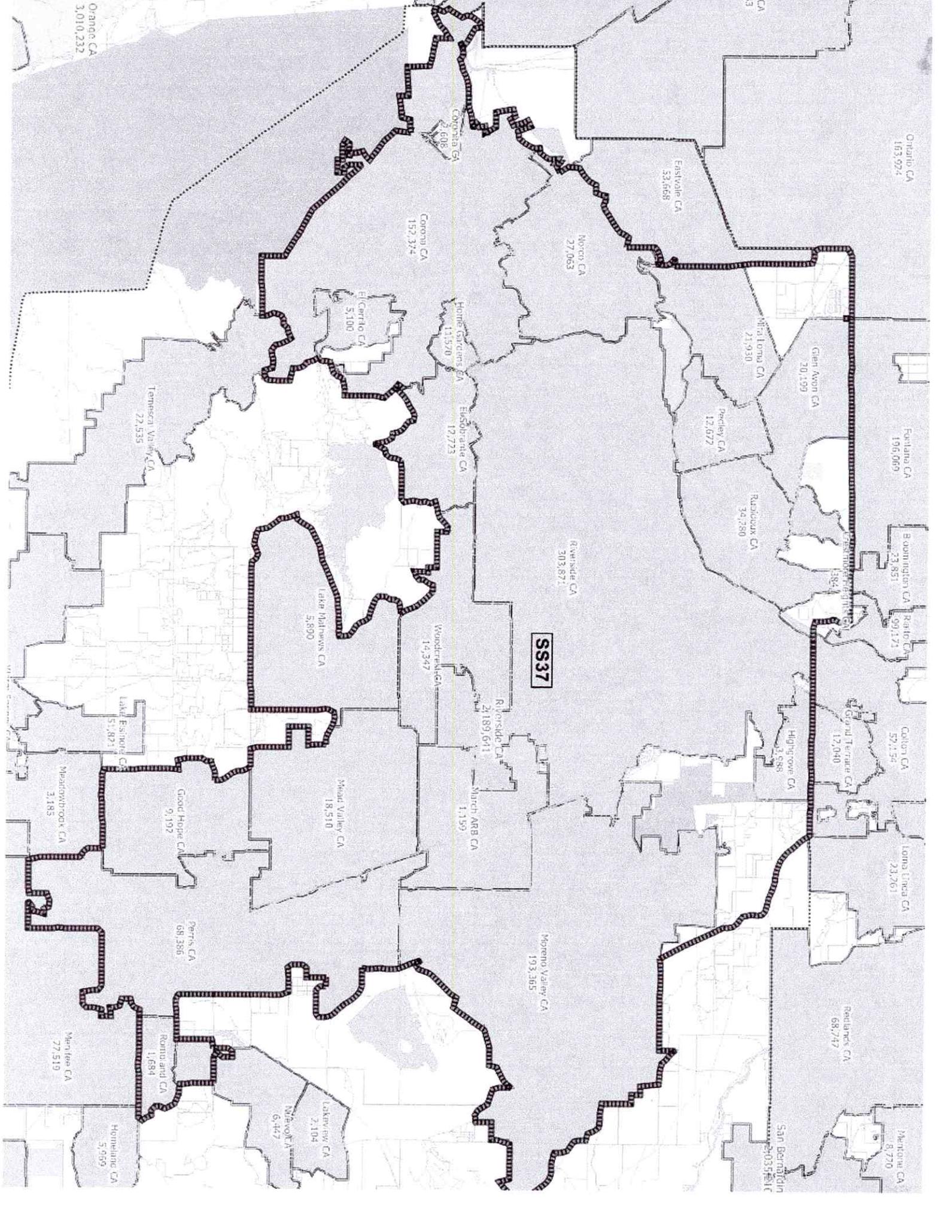
The cities of Riverside, Moreno Valley, Corona, Perris, Jurupa, GlenAvon Miraloma Lake Mathews and Mead Valley, are all interlocked through business, educational facilities and community service needs.

Currently our legislative district lines are all over the place in such a way that not one representative will take full responsibility for our problems and our concerns. Our current congressional district stretches all the way into Orange County.

Moreno Valley is divided into three legislative districts and their congressional district is tied to the Coachella Valley. As far as any real representation this makes absolutely no sense. We have submitted some suggestions for new boundaries that make much better sense and it is

our sincere hope that this honorable commission will take them into serious consideration. We thank you again for your patience in listening and wish you the best of luck in seeing this enormous undertaking to its completion for the best representation for all the residents of California.

Thank you,
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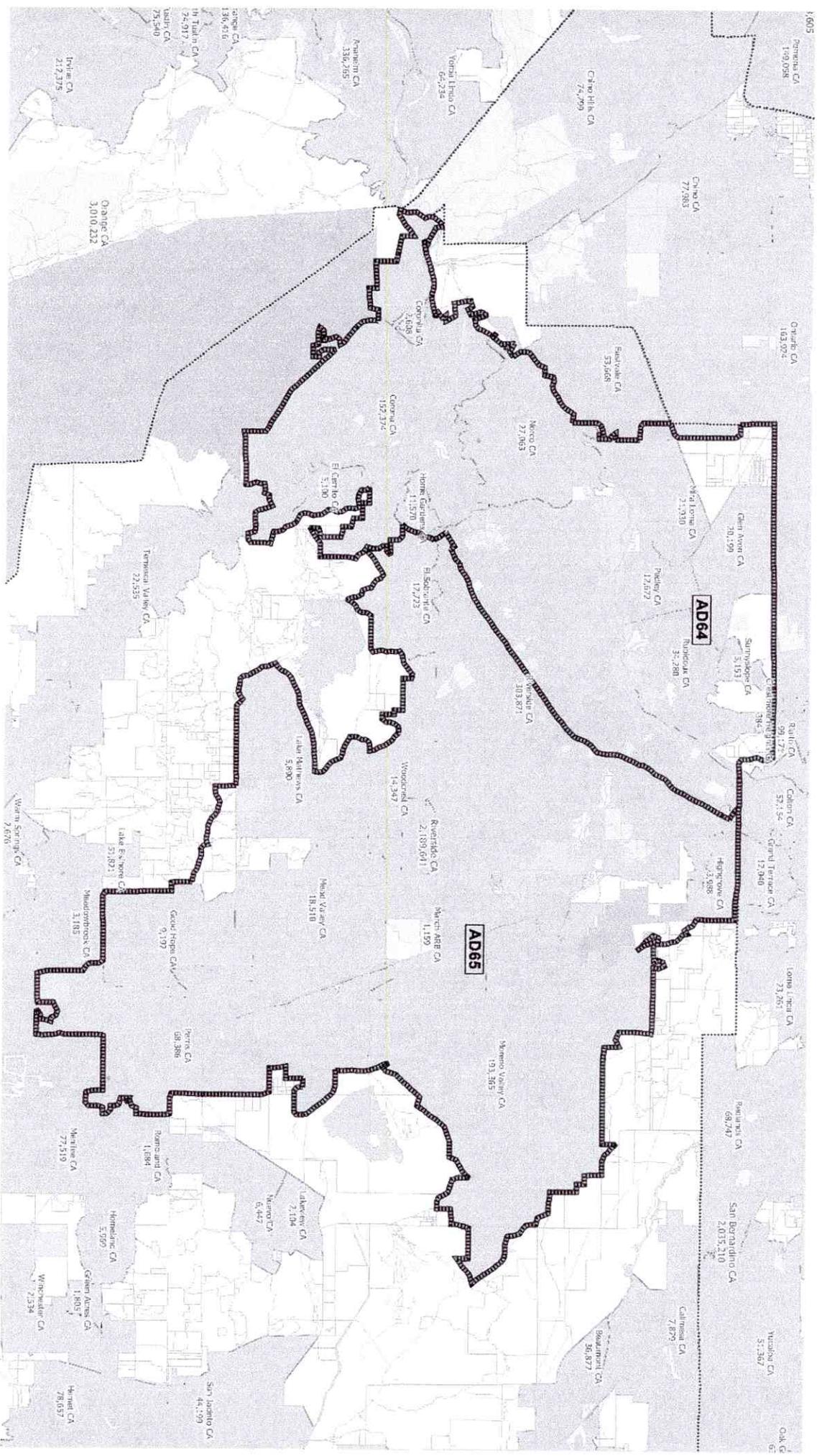
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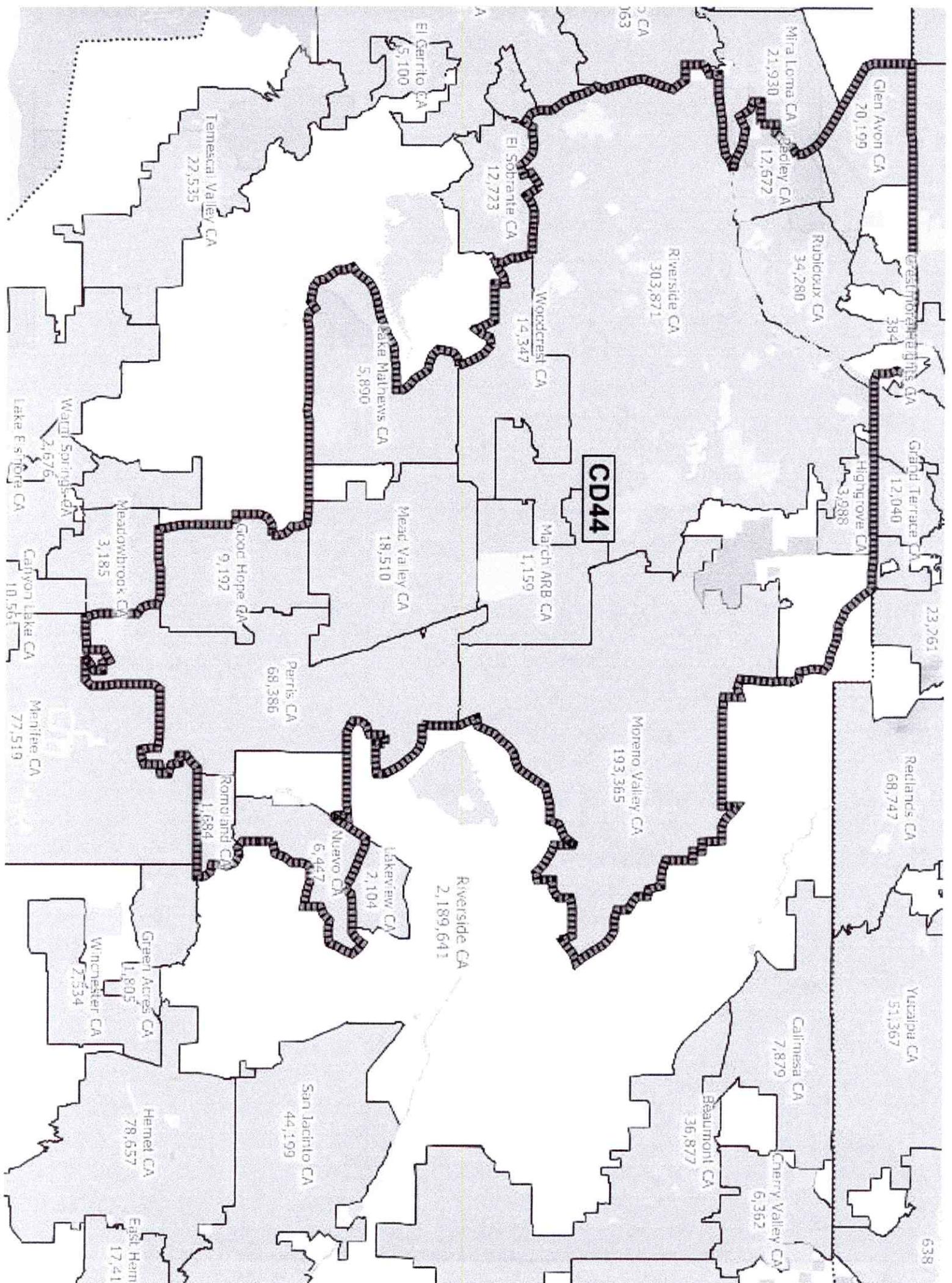
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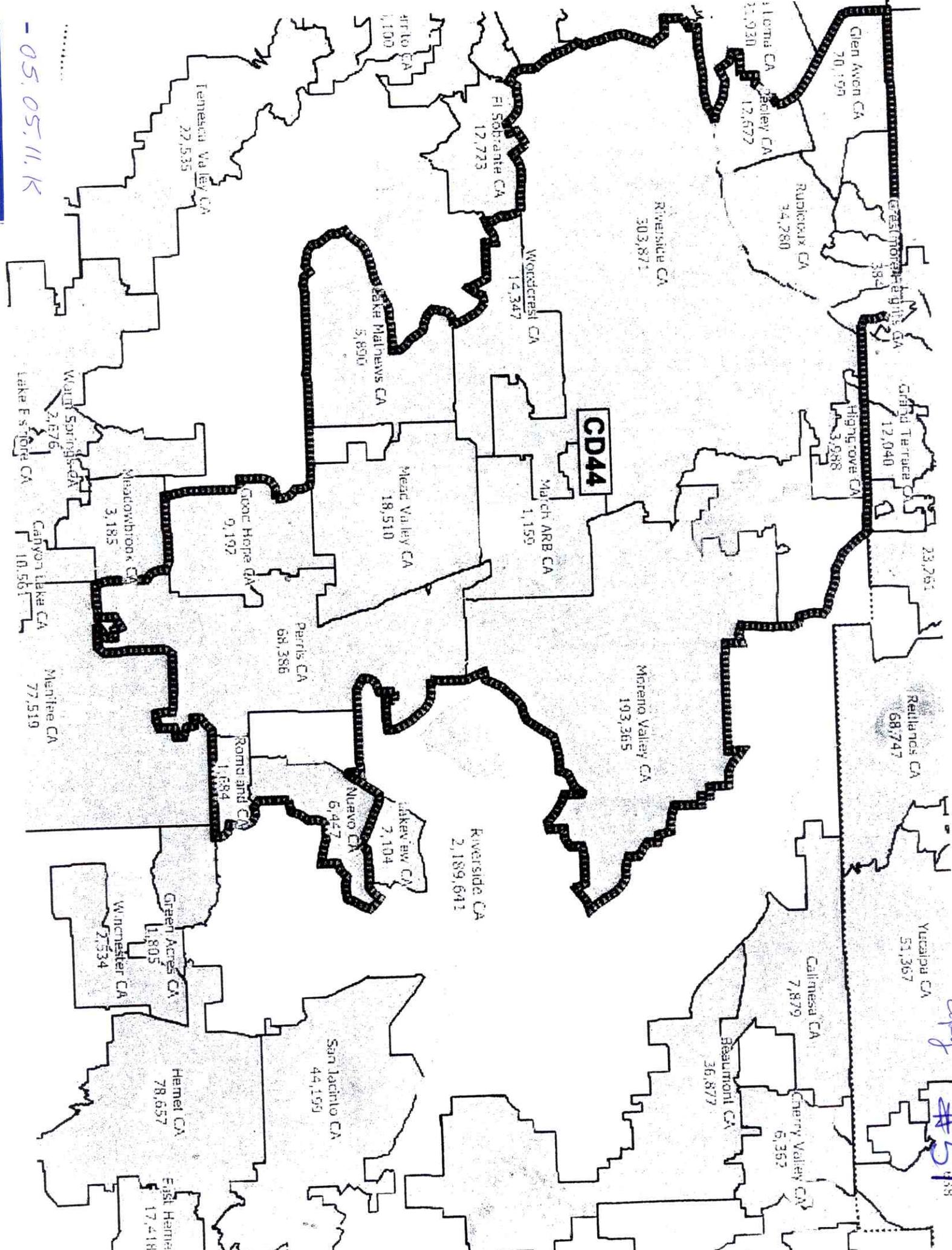
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Testimony to the California Redistricting Committee
Submitted by Dennis Lopez, Resident of the City and County of
Riverside, El Cinco de Mayo, 2011

Honorable members of the California Redistricting Committee, I submit this testimony as a resident of the City and County of Riverside from 1982 through 1984, and again from 2000 to today. My wife and I chose to raise our children in Riverside. Since September of 2000 our children attended schools of the Riverside Unified School District and UC Riverside and my wife and I have voted in Riverside local, state and congressional elections.

As a citizen, resident, tax payer and voter, I look to the Redistricting Commission to adhere strictly to the Voting Rights Act with specific reference to protecting the voting rights of the growing number and proportion of Chicano/Latino residents of California, in your work to determine the Congressional, State Assembly and State Senate district boundaries for the next 10 years.

Attached to my testimony are maps of the 64th and 65th State Assembly Districts, the 37th State Senate District, and the 44th Congressional District. Based on the 2010 Census, each of these districts adheres to the required number of residents State Assembly District, State Senate District, and Congressional Districts, respectively. **Each of these districts are contiguous, respect local political boundaries, and are completely within the County of Riverside.**

I have worked in education for over 30 years and I continue to volunteer in assisting low-income, under-represented ethnic minority students to prepare for college, graduate school, and professional schools. **I am compelled to do this volunteer work due to the on-going educational crisis in Riverside County is evidenced by: (A) 40 consecutive years of low UC and CSU freshmen admissions eligibility compared to other counties in California, particularly for under-represented ethnic minorities, and (B) the Riverside County public schools achievement gap between under-represented ethnic minority students, including Chicano/Latino students, Spanish-speaking/English Learner students, lawful permanent residents, and undocumented immigrant students required to attend school from k-12 as permitted by the U.S. Supreme Court decision in Plyler vs. Doe, (1982).**

Given the growth in total population in Riverside County, including the growth in the Chicano/Latino population, I urge you to keep the 64th Assembly District and 65th Assembly District, the 37th State Senate District, and California's 44th Congressional District, all completely within Riverside County.

The 64th Assembly District can be comprised of El Cerrito, Corona, Coronita, Home Gardens, Norco, North-Western Census tracks of the City of Riverside, Pedley, Rubidoux, Glen Avon, Sunnyslope, and parts of unincorporated North-Western Riverside County. (See attached map)

The 65th Assembly District can be comprised of El Sobrante, Mead Valley, Good Hope, Perris, March Air Force Base, Central, Southern and Eastern portions of the City of Riverside, and the entire City of Moreno Valley. Please refer to the attached map to view two sections of

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Testimony to the California Redistricting Committee

Submitted by Dennis Lopez, Resident of the City and County of Riverside, El Cinco de Mayo, 2011

unincorporated Riverside County which is contiguous cities mentioned above in the listing of cities and communities in the 65th Assembly District.

The 37th State Senate District can be comprised of Coronita, Corona, El Cerrito, Home Gardens, El Sobrante, Norco, Mira Loma, Glen Avon, Rubidoux, Highgrove, the City of Riverside, the City of Moreno Valley, March Air Force Base, the community of Woodcrest, Lake Mathews, Mead Valley, Good Hope, Perris, Romoland, and unincorporated areas of Riverside County contiguous to the northern cities and communities and the El Cerrito and Corona communities listed above in this description of the 37th State Senate District.

The 44th Congressional District can be comprised of Glen Avon, Pedley, Rubidoux, Highgrove, Riverside, Woodcrest, Lake Mathews, Mead Valley, Good Hope, Perris, Romoland, Nuevo, March Air Force Base, Moreno Valley, and unincorporated areas of Riverside County contiguous to the northern cities and communities and other unincorporated areas contiguous and between Nuevo, Romoland, and Perris listed in this description of the 44th Congressional District.

As a 11 year resident of the City and County of Riverside these districts from 2000-2011, plus my previous 2 year period of residence from 1982-1984, these State Assembly, State Senate, and Congressional districts also correspond to normal needs with respect to business dealings, family health care, shopping, governmental agencies, and civic community volunteer service of low-income, under-represented ethnic minorities access to colleges and universities, including English learners, lawful permanent residents, and undocumented immigrant graduates of local public high schools.

I reiterate my greatest concern that this Redistricting Commission maintain strict adherence to all provisions of the Voting Rights Act in light of the growth in the population of Chicano/Latinos in California generally and Riverside County specifically. This growth now enabled the 64th and 65th California State Assembly Districts to be completely within Riverside County. Likewise the 37th State Senate District and California's 44th Congressional District each fit completely within Riverside County.

I am aware that time for testimony is limited so I will close my testimony by offering the Redistricting Commission Members and Staff my cell phone number, e-mail address, and mailing address should you have any questions of me regarding your important Redistricting tasks.

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Fontana CA
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Bloomington CA
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Rainier CA
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Corona CA
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Tomona CA
21,261

Redlands CA
68,747

Merced CA
8,720

Green Avon CA
20,199

Rubidoux CA
34,280

Highgrove CA
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Tomona CA
21,261

Redlands CA
68,747

San Bernardino CA
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Mineraloma CA
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Moreno Valley CA
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Fostvale CA
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Thank you for the opportunity to testify and thank you for lending your time and talents to this essential exercise in good government.

Riverside's LWV asks that the City of Riverside be charted in its entirety in State Senate, Assembly and Congressional Districts and that the City of Riverside is mapped with its neighbors in Northwest Riverside County - Corona, Norco, Moreno Valley and communities north of Riverside up to the county line.

Riverside's League would characterize our city as a city that works because of its strong sense of community and cooperative spirit. Numerous community groups throughout the city are active and engaged at City Hall. Yet, because of our divisive and far flung current districts lines, we lack unifying representation and the means to engage with neighboring communities.

Our current State Senate District reaches far into the San Bernardino Mountains, our Assembly Districts reach to eastern desert communities and south central San Diego County and our Congressional District stretches to an Orange County beach.

Communities in Northwest Riverside County share the same major transportation routes and have very similar social and economic characteristics. We also share the same dire concerns - high rates of unemployment, housing foreclosures and high school drop-outs rates.

One has to wonder, if the communities of Northwest Riverside Co. had been mapped logically together, would it have taken 10 years to begin widening the 91 freeway - our major connector and one of the most congested freeways in the State.

It should be noted that much of Riverside's community activism is out of necessity.

We are a community of over 300,000 - yet, we have very little direct media - likewise our neighboring Cities. There is no local mainstream television station and our local newspaper divides its coverage over the entire Inland Empire. When residents have a legitimate concern, we must work together - their will be no film at 6:00 and 11:00 to highlight a cause or put pressure on local officials.

We are hopeful that two Assembly Districts can be drawn within the northwestern section of the county and nested in one State Senate District. We also look forward to a Congressional District that is contained within Riverside County and restores the geographic integrity of Riverside County's northwestern corner.

Chiefly, we look forward to working with representation that is focused on the economic and educational concerns of our region, as a unifying force that is accountable to us.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joan Donahue". The signature is written in a dark ink and is positioned below the text "Thank you,".

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PROPOSED COMMUNITY OF INTEREST

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POMONA, MONTCLAIR, ONTARIO, AND CHINO

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BY: WILLIAM A. VALLE

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INTRODUCTION

The boundaries of my community of interest extend from the cities of Pomona through Chino and encompass the counties of Eastern Los Angeles and Western San Bernardino. In this report the commission shall find maps and data to support why I feel this area should be considered a community of interest. In addition, I have provided an Assembly District map and a Congressional District map to facilitate the commission's decisions when making choices about how to draw the lines. I feel this area is a community of interest because Race, Poverty, Education, Age, and Citizenship status are similar and define the socioeconomic and demographic patterns of this geographic area.

RACE AND POVERTY LEVEL

The primary determinant that defines the proposed area as a community of interest is the ethnicity of the population. The majority of the population in this area define themselves as Mexican. Observed individually, the people in the effected cities are between 43 and 64 percent of the Mexican population (see Map 1). Collectively, they comprise approximately 66.9 percent (Dataset 2). These majority minority areas are better served if they are bound together because they share similar lifestyle choices and have the same values. Specifically, their attitudes toward work and the role that government services play in community development are similar. Also, people in this area tend to share the same religion and marry within their racial category. Also, when compared to the State (Dataset 1), the race of people in this area is about 30% more. The poverty level is also the same in this area (Chino, being the exception) and the people in this area have the same needs in employment and skill level.

EDUCATIONAL LEVEL

Similarities also exist on the educational level. While high school equivalency might differ slightly, overall the general pattern is that 20 to 45 percent have their High School Diploma or equivalent (Map 3). The similarities are greater when compared with those who possess their Bachelor's Degrees. Educational attainment for the Mexican population is challenging due to access to grants and loans on the state and federal level. Families have the desire for their children to have a better life, however due to poverty constraints these families do not have the monetary wherewithal to support educational advancement for them. California Polytechnic University, the nearest university, can cost about 50,000-90,000 dollars over 4 years.

AGE & CITIZENSHIP STATUS

Finally, the median age of the proposed area is between 19 and 35 of age (Map 2). However, the voting patterns of this group do not reflect the ethnicity and voting strength of this demographic. This is primary because when correlated with citizenship status we see that a major percentage of the effected population is undocumented. The loss of influence in the community affects the voting rights of the population in the affected area. This group will not get to choose their candidate of choice and could be marginalized due to their undocumented status.

Good Evening Ladies and Gentlemen of the Commission:

I come before you tonight to propose that the cities of Pomona, Montclair, Ontario, and Chino be considered a community of interest. The primary reason I believe this is because of the unique geographic location and the particular demographic information of the city of Pomona. Pomona is a suburb of Los Angeles County that borders San Bernardino County. However, Pomona shares cultural, social, economic, ethnic, religious, and political interests of the specified cities within San Bernardino County as compared to nearby Los Angeles County cities.

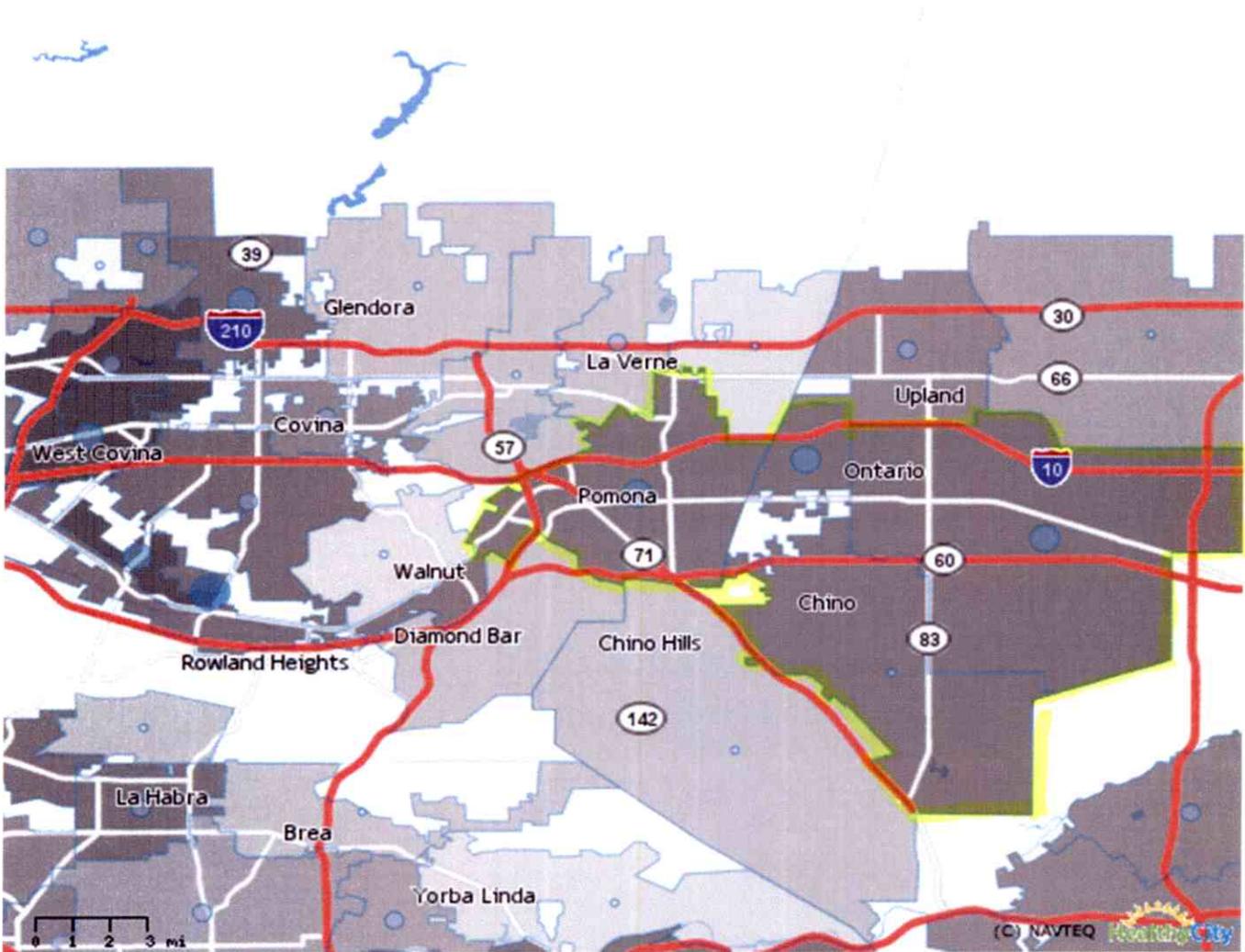
I believe what is stated in the *Citizen's Guide to Redistricting*, that it is best to keep communities of interest whole, so that each community of interest can have its own legislator looking out for its interest in the legislature, and that the legislators feel responsible to the serve the discrete communities as communities. Furthermore, I believe that this community falls under Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act that requires states to draw districts where minorities have the opportunity to elect a candidate of their choice, if specified criteria are met. The geographic area is sufficiently compact, the minority population is large, and the population is also politically cohesive to create a contiguous district.

There might be some concerns about competition within this community of interest but I think those are mitigated by Proposition 14, the Top Two Primaries Act.

COMMUNITY OF INTEREST MAPS AND DATA

POMONA, MONTCLAIR, ONTARIO, CHINO

Map 1: Race and Poverty



Ethnicity / Race: Hispanic or Latino by Specific Origin: Mexican

Total number of people who identify themselves as Mexican. People of Mexican origin are of Hispanic or Latino ethnicity and may be of any race.

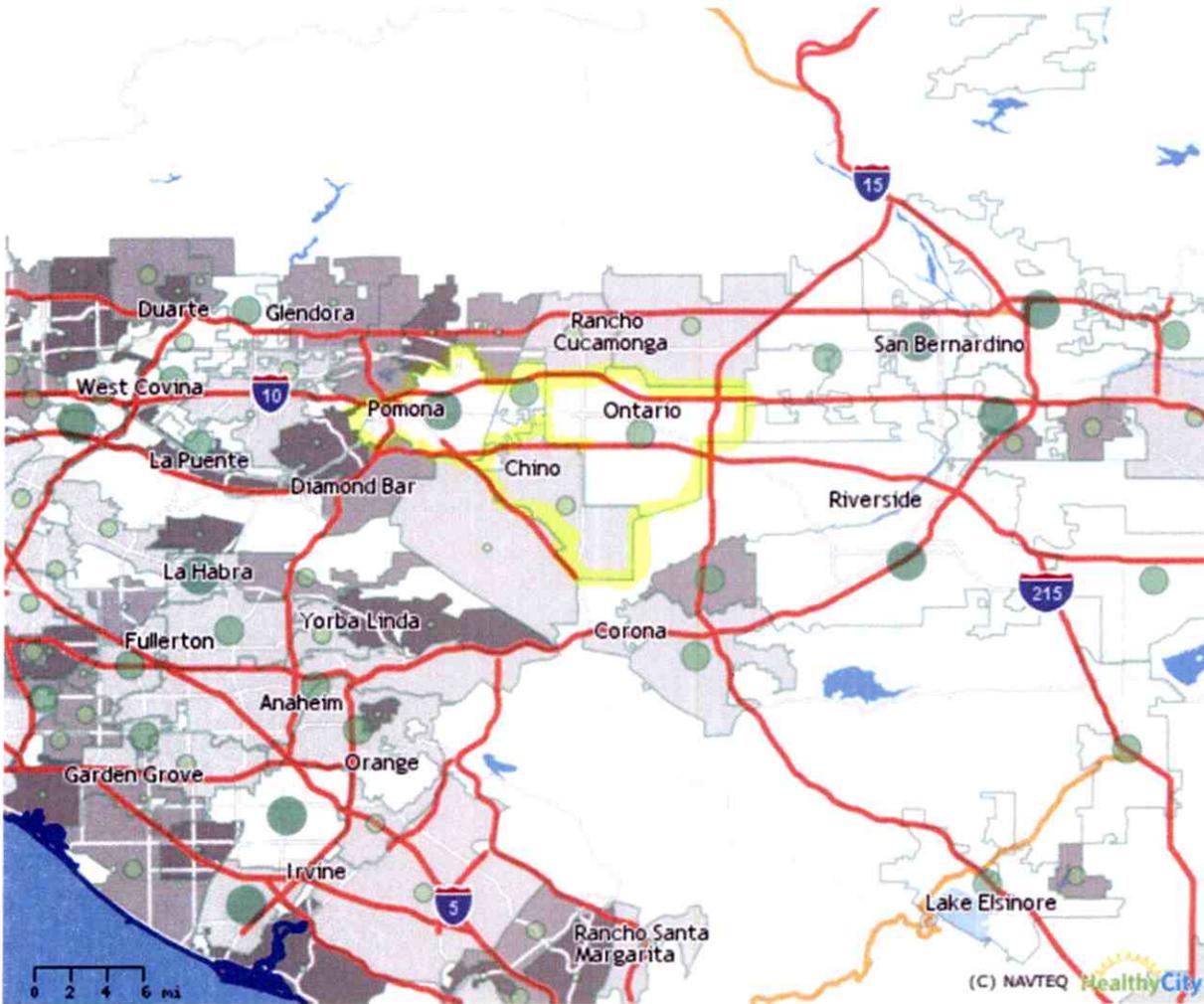
- 0.0 % ~ 4.99 % □ 22.1 % ~ 29.59 %
- 5.0 % ~ 9.79 % □ 29.6 % ~ 42.59 %
- 9.8 % ~ 15.39 % □ 42.6 % ~ 64.39 %
- 15.4 % ~ 22.09 % □ 64.4 % ~ 96.6 %

People Living in Poverty: People in Poverty

Percentage of total population whose income in the past twelve months was below the poverty level.

- 0.7 % ~ 6.19 %
- 6.2 % ~ 10.89 %
- 10.9 % ~ 17.39 %
- 17.4 % ~ 61.5 %

Map 2: Age and Citizenship Status



Age: Median Age

The median age is the age that divides the population into two equal-size groups. Half of the population is older than the median age and half is younger. Median age is based on a standard distribution of the population by single years of age and is shown to the nearest tenth of a year.

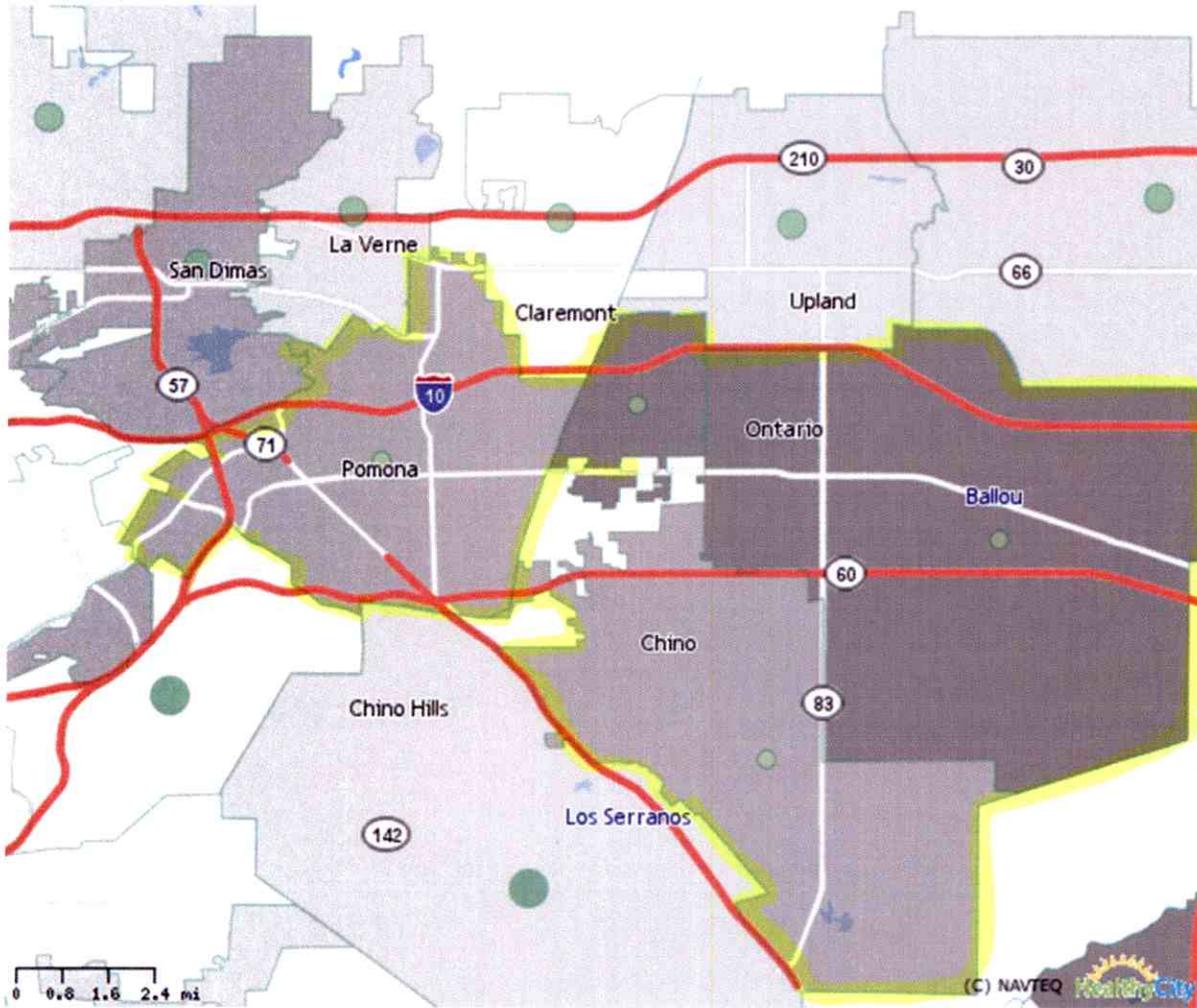
- 19.4 ~ 31.29
- 31.3 ~ 35.79
- 35.8 ~ 40.49
- 40.5 ~ 78.2

Citizenship Status: Not a U.S. citizen

Foreign-born population who indicate they are not U.S. citizens.

- 0.0 % ~ 41.69 %
- 41.7 % ~ 54.49 %
- 54.5 % ~ 64.69 %
- 64.7 % ~ 96.4 %

Map 3: Educational Attainment



Educational Attainment: High School Graduate (Includes Equivalency)

Population, age 25 and over, whose highest degree was a high school diploma or its equivalent - including people who passed the Test of General Educational Development (G.E.D.) - and have not attended college.

- 3.1 % ~ 17.39 %
- 17.4 % ~ 23.49 %
- 23.5 % ~ 27.59 %
- 27.6 % ~ 45.7 %

Educational Attainment: Bachelor's Degree

Population, age 25 and over, whose highest degree is a bachelor's degree, including a BA or BS degree in a four year college.

- 0.0 % ~ 9.69 %
- 9.7 % ~ 16.79 %
- 16.8 % ~ 26.49 %
- 26.5 % ~ 50.9 %

Dataset 2: Proposed Community of Interest Data (Inclusive): Pomona, Montclair, Ontario, Chino

Population

Total Population: 426,352

Universe: Total Population
Datasource: U.S. Census
Bureau Decennial Census
Data Year: 2010
Data Level: Census Block

Citizen Voting Age Population

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229,766

Universe: Total Population
Datasource: Statewide
Database at the University
of California Berkeley
Data Year: 2010
Data Level: Census Block

Ethnicity / Race

66.89% Hispanic or Latino

17.68% White alone

6.08% Black or African American alone

7.54% Asian

0.46% Some Other Race

1.35% Two or More Races

Universe: Total Population
Datasource: U.S. Census
Bureau Decennial Census
Data Year: 2010
Data Level: Census Block
Original District = Blue line

Dataset 1: Statewide Data

Citizenship Status

44.10% Naturalized U.S. citizen
55.90% Not a U.S. citizen

Universe: Foreign-born Population
Datasource: American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates
Data Year: 2005 ~ 2009
Data Level: State
State of California = Red line

Age

34.6 Median Age

Universe: Total Population
Datasource: American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates
Data Year: 2005 ~ 2009
Data Level: State
State of California = Red line

Ethnicity / Race

37.62% Hispanic or Latino
40.15% White alone
5.81% Black or African American alone
13.16% Asian
0.67% Some Other Race
2.60% Two or More Races

Universe: Total Population
Datasource: U.S. Census Bureau Decennial Census
Data Year: 2010
Data Level: State
State of California = Red line

Voting Age Population

21,936,446 Citizen Voting Age Population

Universe: Total Population
Datasource: Statewide Database at the University of California Berkeley
Data Year: 2010
Data Level: State
State of California = Red line

Educational Attainment

10.40% Less than 9th Grade
9.10% 9th to 12th Grade (No Diploma)
21.90% High School Graduate (Includes Equ)
21.20% Some College, No Degree
7.60% Associate's Degree
19.10% Bachelor's Degree
10.70% Graduate or Professional Degree

Universe: Population Age 25 and Over
Datasource: American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates
Data Year: 2005 ~ 2009
Data Level: State
State of California = Red line

Ethnicity / Race: Hispanic or Latino by Specific Origin

83.33% Mexican
1.11% Puerto Rican
0.56% Cuban
15.00% Other Hispanic or Latino Origin

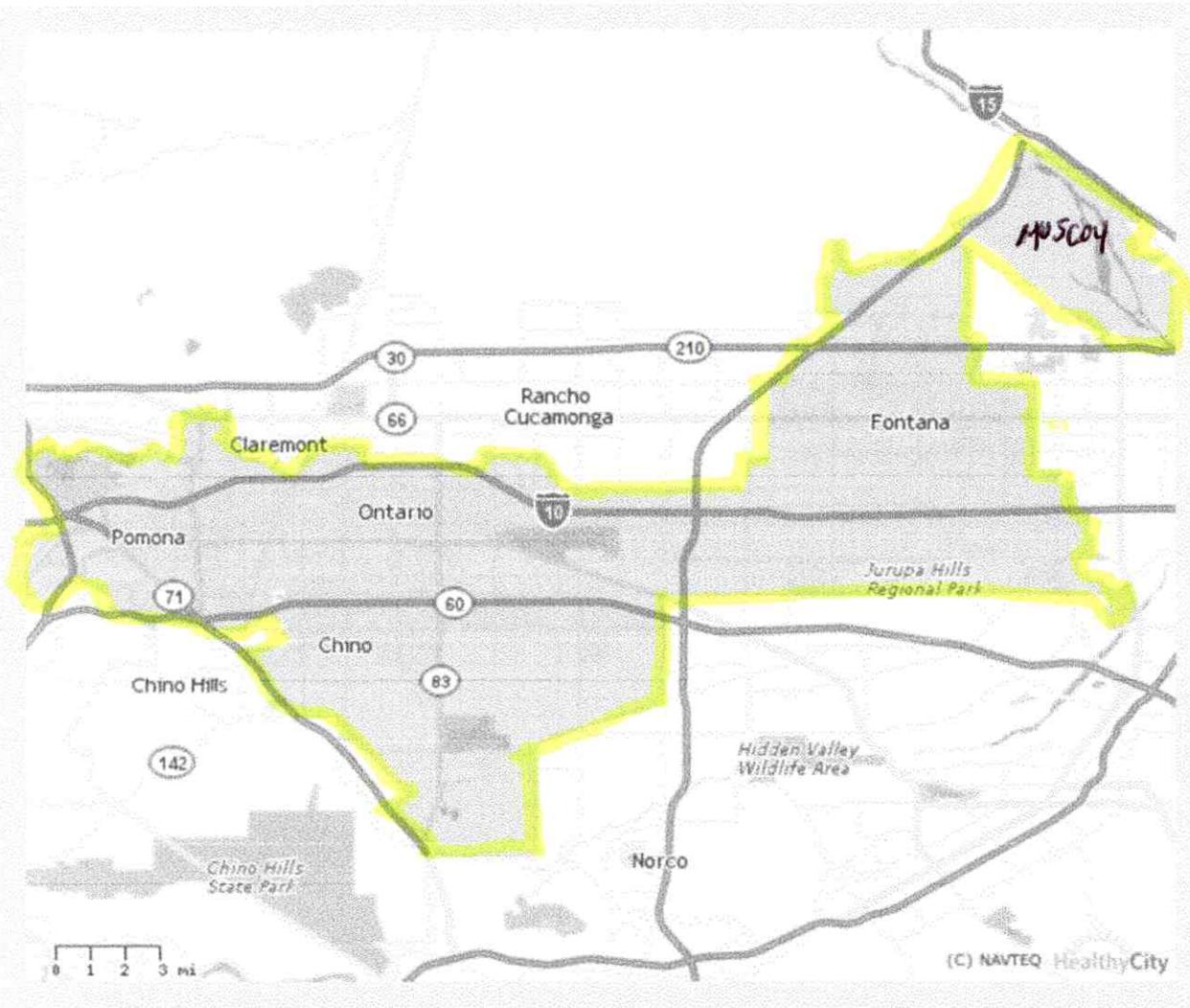
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People Living in Poverty

13.2% People in Poverty

Universe: Total Population
Datasource: American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates
Data Year: 2005 ~ 2009
Data Level: State
State of California = Red line

Proposed_CD W/Communities of Interest_San Bernardino County Majority



Redistricting Data: My Congressional District 38

Population

Total Population: 703,532

0.09% variance from ideal population

Ideal Population

702,905

Original District

641,410

Universe: Total Population

Datasource: U.S. Census Bureau Decennial Census

Data Year: 2010

Data Level: Census Block

Total Population	703,532
Ideal	702,905
Variance	0.09%
Original District	641,410

Citizen Voting Age Population

Universe: Total Population
 Datasource: Statewide Database at the University of California Berkeley
 Data Year: 2010
 Data Level: Census Block



	My District 38	Original District
Citizen Voting Age Population	352,071	331,695

Ethnicity / Race

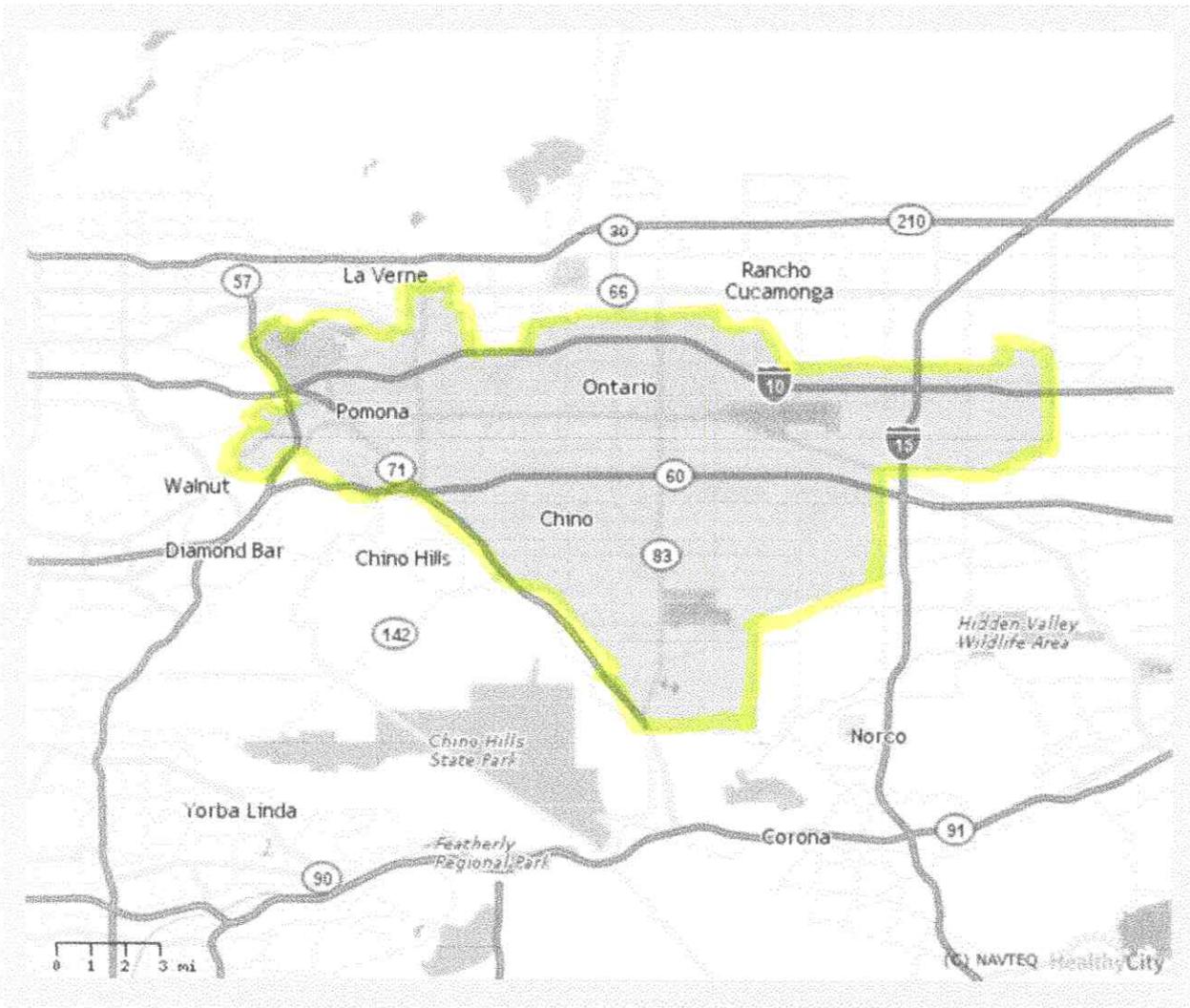


Universe: Total Population
 Datasource: U.S. Census Bureau Decennial Census
 Data Year: 2010
 Data Level: Census Block

Original District = Blue line

	My District 38	Original District
Hispanic or Latino	68.17% 479,627	75.38% 483,490
White alone	16.64% 117,036	9.45% 60,640
Black or African American alone	6.69% 47,036	2.80% 17,933
Asian	6.72% 47,282	11.16% 71,591
Some Other Race	0.44% 3,108	0.34% 2,153
Two or More Races	1.34% 9,443	0.87% 5,603

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Redistricting Data: My Assembly District 61

Population

Total Population: 465,588

-0.02% variance from ideal population

----- Ideal Population 465,675
 ----- Original District 441,000

Universe: Total Population

Datasource: U.S. Census Bureau Decennial Census

Data Year: 2010

Data Level: Census Block

Total Population	465,588
Ideal	465,675
Variance	-0.02%
Original District	441,000

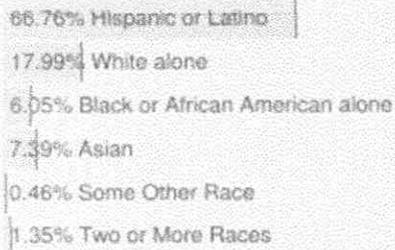
Citizen Voting Age Population

Universe: Total Population
 Datasource: Statewide Database at the University of California Berkeley
 Data Year: 2010
 Data Level: Census Block



	My District 61	Original District
Citizen Voting Age Population	251,988	237,568

Ethnicity / Race



Universe: Total Population
 Datasource: U.S. Census Bureau Decennial Census
 Data Year: 2010
 Data Level: Census Block

Original District = Blue line

	My District 61	Original District
Hispanic or Latino	66.76% 310,814	67.01% 295,528
White alone	17.99% 83,777	17.73% 78,206
Black or African American alone	6.05% 28,169	5.92% 26,125
Asian	7.39% 34,385	7.52% 33,184
Some Other Race	0.46% 2,137	0.46% 2,029
Two or More Races	1.35% 6,306	1.34% 5,928

Speaking for Katherine O'Mara - Newco Resident

My concern is representation in the re-districting process for citizens of the state of CA. not a census population count which includes illegals. Non citizens should not be allowed representation. They should not be counted in a population tally for re-districting. They are not allowed to vote even how many do! Please consider that to count a non-citizen is to disenfranchise All legal citizens votes.

Politicians talk about pursuing, attracting the Latino Vote - Elections, representations should not be based on race, but totally on citizens of the USA. and those who are concerned about the welfare of our Nation, not any one group.

Thank you for your consideration

Kaye O'Mara

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