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Citizen's Redistricting Commission
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Dear CRC Members,

When you are redrawing the lines, please keep Calaveras County and our neighboring mountain counties of Tuolumne and Mariposa together as much as possible with Amador to the north and Madera in the south. We don't want our representation watered down by being mixed in with communities along Highway 99. I was raised in the city of Merced and I think Stanislaus and Merced Counties should be kept together along 99 in their own districts and we, in the mountains, should be kept together in another one.

This is because we share more in common with our mountain area neighbors. We share tourism and recreation, from Bear Valley Ski Resort to the north to Calaveras Big Trees State Park and the Stanislaus National Forest to the east to Yosemite National Park and the Sierra National Forest in the south. We are small communities in population and work in tourism or recreation-related fields or in service jobs in our immediate area. We shop in nearby communities and don't find ourselves going to the valley floor often.

In fact, the only time my wife and I and our two children go to the valley floor is to visit my mother (Grandma) in Atwater. My wife, who is a real estate agent, and I both work in Calaveras County and we live in Arnold above Sonora. Arnold had a 2000 population of 4,218.

Thank you for your consideration and your time.

Sincerely,

Glen Sanchez

