

Subject: Please keep Imperial Valley with San Diego

From: [REDACTED]

Date: Mon, 27 Jun 2011 23:08:47 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

It just makes common sense. Thank you.

Bob Brown

[REDACTED]

Rancho Mirage, CA 92270

Sent from my BlackBerry® wireless device

Subject: Propossed Redistricting of Imperial Valley with San Diego, only good to San Diego on Paper.

From: J Mendoza <[REDACTED]>

Date: Mon, 27 Jun 2011 17:21:53 -0700

To: <[REDACTED]>

To those of you who think this is a good idea please consider that any interest that San Diego has for the Imperial Valley is only because of what leverage it will provide. This leverage will come in the form of federal and state funds those who controlled the proposed redistricting will have FOR San Diego, since the Imperial Valley will provide access to poverty funds, agricultural and minority related funding San Diego can benefit from. Once again we will only be good to them on PAPER, if this redistricting is allowed we will only be used to procure funding, funding that only San Diego will ever see. Please leave us with Coachella Valley we have more in common with them.

J.Mendoza

*Former Department of Commerce Partnership Specialist
2010 Census Operations, Imperial and Coachella Valleys*

[REDACTED]

Subject:

From: <[REDACTED]>

Date: Tue, 28 Jun 2011 2:32:27 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

I think the Democrats have a very good point. In addition to Imperial County, please add East LA and Watts to our district, after all, diversity is the goal.

Dinsmore Glenn, Jr

[REDACTED]

Palm Desert, cA 92211

[REDACTED]

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Denny Glenn

Subject:

From: "Kathy" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Mon, 27 Jun 2011 14:42:47 -0600

To: <[REDACTED]>

I am expressing my opinion that the Imperial Valley should be included in the same district as the Coachella Valley. The Imperial Valley has much more in common with Coachella Valley than it has with San Diego. Many people working in the Imperial Valley live in Coachella, and some who work in the Coachella valley live in Imperial Valley.... not San Diego.

Please consider this and be fair.

Thank you, Kathy Gillman.

Resident of Palm Desert, Ca.

Subject: Public Comment: 1 - Imperial

From: Robert Zweibel <[REDACTED]>

Date: Tue, 28 Jun 2011 05:02:25 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Robert Zweibel <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Shame on you if Imperial County is lost in the shuffle

Message Body:

The Commission:

RE: CA Redistricting, To: wedrawthelines.ca.gov

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Hhmmnh?? Redistricting. More coniving? Shame on you if Imperial County is lost in the shuffle. It's voice should not be SNUFFED OUT by being sorted in with San Diego County. You must include it with the Coachella Valley area. Coniving by political power grabbers cannot be condoned. Robert Zweibel, [REDACTED], Cathedral City, CA 92234 ; [REDACTED] 6-27-11

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Subject: Public Comment: 1 - Imperial

From: "Sue E. Caspari" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Mon, 27 Jun 2011 16:03:19 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Sue E. Caspari <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Imperial County should remain joined to eastern Riverside County

Message Body:

I have lived in both regions: Imperial County 1992-1998 and eastern Riverside County (Coachella Valley) from 1998 to present. Imperial County's population includes many Hispanic immigrant families from Mexico who work in low-income jobs such as agriculture. Both regions face similar needs for more low-income housing and similar challenges in the public schools with many English Language learners. When I arrived in Imperial County, people were very glad that they were no longer joined to San Diego County at the California Legislature, because San Diego County's interests were vastly different from Imperial's. Imperial's small, rural population was so outnumbered by the San Diego interests, that San Diego politicians were often elected and ignored Imperial County's interests. That changed when Julie Bornstein of Palm Desert became their Assemblywoman. Imperial County is a low-income desert community which should remain joined to the eastern Riverside County desert region!

in any redraws of state Assembly and state Senate districts. To date, Imperial County continues to be joined to San Diego for the U.S. Congressional district. Consideration should be taken as to whether they would be better served by a congressional district shared with part of eastern Riverside County, although I understand that the current proposed congressional district for eastern Riverside County keeps the Coachella Valley intact. Thank you for any consideration you can give to the special vulnerability of the smaller population of Imperial County, whose need for a voice in legislation is urgent!

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Subject: PLEASE NOTE

From: JOHANNA CULLIP <[REDACTED]>

Date: Mon, 27 Jun 2011 19:18:04 -0700 (PDT)

To: [REDACTED]

PLEASE KEEP IMPERIAL COUNTY WITH SAN DIEGO . PLEASE KEEP COACHELLA VALLEY WITH RIVERSIDE COUNTY

Johanna Supple Cullip

[REDACTED]
home office
cell

Subject: Redistricting

From: "Ron Siegel" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Mon, 27 Jun 2011 08:19:54 -0700

To: <[REDACTED]>

Commissioners, As a resident of the Coachella Valley for the last 12 years , I urge you not to disenfranchise the Imperial and Coachella Valley by keeping them separate . The natural redistricting should combine both valley's similarity in the new redistricting plan. Thank you for your work on this task and your consideration of my request.

Sincerely

Ronald Siegel [REDACTED]

Palm Springs, CA 92262

Subject: redistricting

From: Edgar Bourquin <[REDACTED]>

Date: Mon, 27 Jun 2011 10:11:37 -0700

To: [REDACTED]

The Coachella Valley has more in common with Imperial County than San Diego does. We share agricultural commerce, land use, similar temperature and plant life, solar possibilities Mexican-American population and a public school with students from both Imperial and Riverside Cou Counties. Therefore Imperial County and Coachella Valley Imperial County should be in the same district with the Coachella Valley.

Subject: redistricting.

From: [REDACTED]

Date: Mon, 27 Jun 2011 21:21:42 -0700

To: [REDACTED]

C'mon, commission members. We all know politics is stinky stuff, but continuing the Coachella Valley's connection to the West Side in this era is more patently ridiculous than it has been.. We Coachellians must be connected to Imperial County. You can be heros here, so do the right thing, please.

Subject: Redistricting

From: [REDACTED]

Date: Mon, 27 Jun 2011 11:05:20 EDT

To: [REDACTED]

As a resident of the Coachella Valley I would like to add my voice in support of a Congressional District that includes both Imperial County and the Coachella Valley, two Assembly districts, one including Imperial County and Eastern Coachella Valley and the other containing western Coachella Valley through the pass to Beaumont and Banning, and the State Senate district including both Assembly districts.

The details of these arguments have already been sent to you, so I will not repeat them here except to say that the bond among a great diversity of people is here because of our geographical location and common interests because of this location. The districts that are being suggested will at last give people an impetus to be involved in the political process more than ever before. There will be a real discussion of issues that will help people make intelligent, thoughtful decisions about their choices for representatives.

Sincerely,

Charles William Gay, Ph.D.

[REDACTED]

Cathedral City, CA 92234

Subject: More coniving?

From: "Bob Zweibel" [REDACTED]

Date: Mon, 27 Jun 2011 22:08:44 -0700

To: [REDACTED]

The Commission: . RE: CA Redistricting, To: [REDACTED]

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Hhmmnh?? Redistricting. More coniving? Shame on you if Imperial County is lost in the shuffle. It's voice should not be SNUFFED OUT by being sorted in with San Diego County. You must include it with the Coachella Valley area. Coniving by political power grabbers cannot be condoned. Robert Zweibel, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], Cathedral City, CA 92234 ; [REDACTED] 6-27-11

Subject: Redistricting plan for 45th Congressional District

From: John Ressler <[REDACTED]>

Date: Mon, 27 Jun 2011 16:17:40 -0700

To: [REDACTED]

Gentlemen,

I want to go on record as opposing your proposal to split Imperial County from eastern Riverside County as components of the 45th Congressional District. Eastern Riverside County, including the Coachella Valley has much more commonality of demographic character and economic interest with Imperial Co. than it does with Western Riverside County. Imperial Co. has much more in common with eastern Riverside Co. than it does with any part of San Diego Co. It is illogical to separate these two population centers which share so many cultural and economic traits.

Every square mile, and every municipality, between the crest of the Peninsular Ranges (San Jacinto-Santa Rosa Mtns.) and the Colorado River, and between the Mexican border and the San Bernardino Co. line should be in one district.

Sincerely,

John Ressler

Cathedral City, CA 92234

Subject: redistricting

From: Linda Zieff <[REDACTED]>

Date: Mon, 27 Jun 2011 21:04:47 -0700

To: [REDACTED]

Please keep Imperial County separate from the Coachella Valley. Thank you.

Linda Zieff

Palm Desert, CA

Subject: Redistricting Imperial County

From: madeline grant <[REDACTED]>

Date: Mon, 27 Jun 2011 17:51:57 -0700 (PDT)

To: [REDACTED]

Please keep Imperial County with San Diego County and not Palm Springs.
The border and I-8 freeway keep these two counties connected.
Imperial County has no connection with Palm Springs, Rancho Mirage or Indian Wells.
Thank you for your consideration.

Madeline and John Grant

[REDACTED]

Palm Desert CA 92260

Subject: Redistricting

From: darlene casella <[REDACTED]>

Date: Mon, 27 Jun 2011 16:00:15 -0700

To: <[REDACTED]>

REDISTRICTING:

Please do not put Imperial County with Coachella Valley. Leave it with San Diego.

Thank you.

Darlene & Frank Casella

[REDACTED]

La Quinta, Ca 92253

[REDACTED]

Subject: We're in Trouble! Redistricting Emails Needed by This Friday!

From: "Greg Lucas Rodriguez" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Mon, 27 Jun 2011 13:11:00 -0700

To: <[REDACTED]>

Dear Citizen's Redistricting Commission,

I thought I would forward you these emails that was forwarded to me. It is blatantly partisan in its efforts to sway the commission in favor of older, white, retired, Republicans when it comes to drawing maps that truly represent the citizens of Imperial and Coachella Valley.

You may remember that many of these people testified in the original public testimony and were blatantly racist and spoke off obvious talking points. You can see by the two emails below that their actions are not only partisan, but anti-Latino. There only goal is to protect their Republican maps as they are drawn now.

I hope you will consider this email when looking at the letters that come in from Indio and Palm Desert.

Thanks again for all your work!

Sincerely,

Greg Rodriguez
Palm Springs, CA

From: "MaryAnne Hoppe" <[REDACTED]>

Date: June 20, 2011 10:30:04 PM PDT

To: "Undisclosed Recipients" <[REDACTED]>

Subject: We're in Trouble! Redistricting Emails Needed by This Friday!

You *must* write to the CA Redistricting Commission if you do NOT want a D San Diego CA Senator or live with Manny P as a CA Assemblyman.

If you listened to the hearings in San Diego today, Imperial County residents were testifying that they want to be connected to **Eastern Coachella Valley**

along with the border cities of Calexico, National City and Chula Vista. Many of them turned up to testify.

The senior communities of Indio need to respond

in mass. Ellen was able to listen most of the day and she wanted me to get this out to you! Please circulate this to your Indio friends!

[REDACTED]

MaryAnne

Subject: Redistricting

From: "Susan Guardino" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Mon, 27 Jun 2011 12:33:23 -0700

To: <[REDACTED]>

To Whom it May Concern:

As a 20+ year resident of the Coachella Valley (Palm Springs in particular) and a Real Estate Broker, I firmly believe that Imperial County should remain with Coachella Valley in the redistricting. The Salton Sea is a major concern of mine, both personally and professionally, and I urge you to keep these two districts together.

Thank you for your consideration.

Susan Guardino

[REDACTED]
Palm Springs, CA 92262

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Subject: Redistricting

From: William Post <[REDACTED]>

Date: Mon, 27 Jun 2011 12:49:31 -0700 (PDT)

To: "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>

Dear Redistricting Committee,

First let me say thank you for your service.

I would like to see a Congressional District that includes both Imperial County and Coachella Valley, two Assembly districts, one including Imperial County and Eastern Coachella Valley and the other containing western Coachella Valley through the pass to Beaumont and Banning, and the State Senate district including both Assembly districts.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

William Post

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Palm Springs, CA 92263

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Subject: Public Comment: 1 - Imperial

From: "Joanne E. Bourquin" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Tue, 28 Jun 2011 05:35:44 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Joanne E. Bourquin <[REDACTED]>

Subject: redistricting

Message Body:

I would like to mention that I believe that Imperial County and the Coachella Valley should be in the same redistricting zone We in the Coachella Valley have more in common with Imperial County than San Diego. This includes agricultural concerns, plant and animal life, need for Solar energy, common tempertures,and large Mexican-American population.

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Subject: Public Comment: 1 - Imperial

From: "Edgar J. Bourquin" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Tue, 28 Jun 2011 05:41:22 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Edgar J. Bourquin <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting

Message Body:

I believe that the Imperial County should be zoned with the Coachella Valley rather than with San Diego.

The Coachella Valley and Imperial County share similar agricultural interests, a high Mexican-American population, availability for Solar Energy and similar plant and animal growth. Also we share a school with students from both areas.

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Subject: redistricting

From: "Claudia Fausett" [REDACTED]

Date: Mon, 27 Jun 2011 20:05:25 -0700

To: <[REDACTED]>

Keep Imperial County with San Diego; NOT WITH COACHELLA VALLEY...PLEASE KEEP COACHELLA VALLEY WITH RIVERSIDE COUNTY.

Claudia Fausett

[REDACTED]

Rancho Mirage, CA 92270

Phone [REDACTED]

Cell [REDACTED]

Subject: Important Request

From: Borax James [REDACTED]

Date: Mon, 27 Jun 2011 15:55:49 -0700

To: [REDACTED]

Please keep imperial county with San Diego, not Coachella Valley.

Jim Borax

[REDACTED]

Palm Desert, Ca. 92211

Subject: Redistricting

From: Roberta Moore <[REDACTED]>

Date: Mon, 27 Jun 2011 15:58:54 -0700

To: [REDACTED]

Dear Members,

I am writing to you to express our concern about the plans for remapping our district.

We want to see a Congressional District that includes both Imperial County and Eastern Coachella Valley, two Assembly districts, one including Imperial county and Eastern Coachella Valley and the other containing western Coachella Valley through the pass to Beaumont and Banning, and the State Senate district including both assembly districts.

Imperial County should be part of the Coachella Valley because we here in the Coachella Valley have more in common with Imperial County than San Diego does.

Thank you for your attention.

Roberta Moore

[REDACTED]
Cathedral City, CA 92234

Subject: Imperial County Redistricting

From: "Roadrunner" [REDACTED]

Date: Mon, 27 Jun 2011 13:53:31 -0600

To: "Ca Redistricting Commission" [REDACTED]

Redistricting Commission,

As a resident of Imperial County for two years and a current resident of Coachella Valley in Riverside County, I know both areas very well. As you may know, Imperial County was once a part of San Diego County. Because the two areas had nothing in common, they split into two different counties. Eastern Riverside County and Imperial County are very similar. Therefore, I strongly urge you to consider this connection when drawing your lines and include those two areas together.

Pat Coontz

Palm Desert, CA

Subject: Imperial County District Boundaries

From: Efrain Silva [REDACTED]

Date: Mon, 27 Jun 2011 12:43:27 -0700

To: [REDACTED]

Please accept these comments from me as a local elected official in Imperial County for the last 18 years. Since 1993 I have served on the El Centro Elementary School District Board of Trustees, the Central Union High School Board of trustees, the El Centro City Council. I am currently the Mayor of El Centro. Due to a scheduling conflict I was not able to attend the public session in San Diego last week.

I strongly oppose the preliminary plan to connect our county with san Diego for the state assembly and senate. Our political connections with Riverside County are much stronger in terms of demographics, industry, and weather.

Imperial County has not had a local representative in the state legislature because our individual numbers are not large enough to elect our own. However, we see the potential with time to grow viable candidates form the county to represent. Combining our district, particularly in the assembly with san Diego will certainly remove the possibility of viable candidates to gather the support and resources to get elected in San Diego.

I urge the commission to not drastically change our district boundaries and to leave us connected to Riverside County.

Thank you.

Efrain Silva
Mayor, City of El Centro

Subject: Fw: Redistricting

From: "Richard Levine" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Mon, 27 Jun 2011 14:08:21 -0700

To: <[REDACTED]>

From: [Richard Levine](#)

Sent: Monday, June 27, 2011 1:14 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: Redistricting

Citizens Redistricting Commissioners:

You have heard much testimony and received many letters concerning the redistricting as it applies to the 45th C. D. and the 80th A. D. In San Diego on Sunday, June 26, 104 people gave testimony. Of these, 30 spoke in regard to Imperial County. Of that 30, 25 were in favor of Imperial County becoming part of East Riverside County District because of the common interest each share. Two others also favored it, but were somewhat concerned about splitting boarder security. There were ONLY 3 people who were opposed!

Without listing all of the many reasons why this is a sensible and seamless union, these facts remain:

1. Coachella wishes to have Imperial
2. Imperial wishes to join Coachella
3. San Diego does not want Imperial
4. Imperial does not want to be part of San Diego

We commend you for being willing to take on this difficult and critical task. It is our hope that you will see the wisdom of this particular suggestion.

Marlene and Richard Levine

[REDACTED]
La Quinta, Ca. 92253

Subject: CRC

From: "Mary Ellen Ferguson" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Mon, 27 Jun 2011 10:27:06 -0700

To: <[REDACTED]>

Has the redistricting considered putting Imperial County (agricultural) with the part of Part East of the Mountains of Riverside County (agricultural and tourist oriented) . Another look would be helpful as the water issues of Imperial and Riverside east of the mountains is shared. This could be given more study.
Mary Ellen Ferguson

Subject: 45th District

From: "Hal Keasler" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Mon, 27 Jun 2011 07:09:39 -0700

To: <[REDACTED]>

When making your decisions on redistricting, please make certain that the people of the district are best served and represented by your decisions.

The people of the 45th District need to be combined with people more in keeping with their interests and that would be Imperial County.

Jodie Filkins Webber remember that you were selected to be on this committee to be totally non-partison,since you are the closest member to the Coachella Valley, it is your responsibility that the people of our district are FAIRLY represented with this new district map. Please reconsider to give fair and balanced Representation as our founding fathers would have wanted.

C.Harold Keasler

Subject: Public Comment: 1 - Imperial

From: John <[REDACTED]>

Date: Tue, 28 Jun 2011 03:17:06 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: John <[REDACTED]>

Subject: North/South Districts

Message Body:

We in Imperial County have more in common as a "Community of interest" with Coachella Valley.

Examples:

Migrant stream for agriculture harvesting

Proximity to Mexico/US Border main corridors for trucking and workforce are north and south

State prisons in Imperial and Riverside counties are similar in populations and commutes are possible between counties for employees where cost of living & housing are similar.

Salton Sea extends north to south and long term remediation as a whole impacts Imperial and Riverside County. Salton Sea Clean Up is regional.

Coachella Canal supplied by Colorado River which provide water for both regions.

The Imperial Irrigation District based in Imperial County extends service well into southern riverside county for energy. Solar development alternative energy similar regions

Mountain range crest are shared on both east slopes and surrounding Imperial & Coachella valley.

Transportation corridor to Mexico heavily used for NAFTA transports thru Imperial and Coachella Valley to Long Beach Harbor

Medical facilities like Clinicas de salud del Pueblo has installations in both Imperial & Riverside as health concerns similar as are health education and welfare concerns.

Both Imperial and Coachella valley's have majority latino populations

Health issues environmental justice, pesticides are of major concerns for north to south

Numbers of tribal lands on flat lands are similar in topography and landscape for related tribal issues

Alternative/renewal energy projects are planned for similar flat landscapes

Population growth extending to LA and beyond have seen traditionally south to north growth trends

Low educational achievement and high school drop out rates are similar and thus call for same type of strategies to deal with problem'

Strong agriculture economies with shared workforce and transportation corridors.

The flyway for birds is also north/south & vice versa. Problems associated with migration are of common interest. Please consider drawing the lines that have Imperial Valley & Coachella Valley together.

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