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Commissioners,

What we all heard at Redding:

- Most speakers were well prepared.
- If the Redding meeting is any example, you are going to be SWAMPED with speakers at the remaining meetings. Commissioners might start thinking about how to handle things when a really large number of citizens show up for a meeting and a large number of those want to speak.
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- Having a free-for-all discussion following presentations of prepared speakers is interesting, but can consume significant time. It was hard to hear some speakers.
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- Best quote: "Life ain't fair, so draw them square".
- Keep the northern counties together to the extent possible in spite of physical barriers such as the coast range. Media market area are important to any candidates for office due to cost issues. Water is important glue. Transportation joins or divides communities. Access to social services including health care is an issue.
- Suggestion is to schedule a future meeting in Eureka.

Meeting arrangements and factors:

- Having Commissioners introduce themselves was cool.
- Number system for speakers works well.
- If possible, announce the number of online viewers sometime during the meeting.
- The video is apparently being shot in HD (wide screen), but is displayed on the website at a different (narrower) width.
- Display of map to online viewers does not work well. Having it float around as they find the area is distracting. Besides it is too small to show any detail. Areas in color work well though. I was not able to view video using Silverlight as indicated on the webpage.

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