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Subject: Letter to the Citizen's Redistricting Commission.

Message Body:

Dear Citizen's Redistricting Commission,

Historically, Madera County has NOT been able to send representatives to the state legislature and Congress. We have not had a representative from Madera County since 1896. We have always been divided into different assembly, state senate, and congressional districts. As a result, we have no single district office of ANY elected state or congressional official in our county.

It is important that Madera County be kept in tact within one Assembly district and one Senate District so we have a greater say and can send folks from our county to represent us. The last thing we want is to be divided into several districts between the North Valley (Merced & Modesto) and Fresno again!

Ideally, it would be nice to see Madera County drawn to the east with the less populated Mountain Counties. A huge percentage of the voting population of Madera County lives in the eastern Mountain area. The City of Madera and the communities in the foothills have always shared an economic connection. Madera (spanish for wood) was founded as a town that received pine and other timber, from the logging mills in the foothills. Today, we share a natural economic connection as we all depend on tourism, mostly from Yosemite National Park, our beautiful lakes, campgrounds, and also indian gambling.

In summary, Madera County should be drawn in tact and with other Mountain counties to the east. The entire County of Madera shares a unique economic community interest

that includes both the valley floor and the mountain areas of the county.

Sincerely,

Brett Frazier  
Mayor Pro Tem  
City Of Madera

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