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Subject: Ridgecrest/NE Kern County

Message Body:

Ridgecrest in northeastern Kern County is a geographically isolated community currently included in state assembly and senate districts, and the congressional district most closely associated with Bakersfield/Kern County. Although we are basically an aerospace community making us somewhat different from the Kern County west of the mountains, the only other possible associations for us in redistricting would be to Los Angeles County to the far southwest or to the San Bernardino area to the far south. Either of these would reduce our visibility even more than it is currently and we have less in common with with these areas than we do with Kern County as a whole. Because of this I urge the commission to respect county boundaries to the greatest degree possible in their redistricting efforts.