

Subject: Either do this vote when EVERYONE is here, or don't have a vote!!!

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Conversation: Either do this vote when EVERYONE is here, or don't have a vote!!!

Gentlemen:

We want to keep the Coachella Valley intact, keep our Congressional district in Riverside County only and NOT combine it with Imperial Valley/County.

It is extremely disturbing that this important activity is going on when almost ALL of the snowbirds have left. The timing of this meeting and vote appears HIGHLY SUSPECT at best, and nefarious at the worst!

Either do this vote when EVERYONE is here, or don't have a vote!!!

This is NOT the way we want our elected officials to act, or run a voter process!

Redistricting is totally unnecessary!! Keep our Coachella Valley intact, keep our Congressional District 45 in Riverside County only and NOT combine it with Imperial Valley/County!!

Over 35 years in the Produce business as a grower, shipper, packer and exporter, as well as a snowbird resident of the Coachella Valley now, I can tell you unequivocally, that there is NO similarity whatsoever between Imperial Valley (strictly Ag) and Coachella Valley (strictly resort). I don't know if this is the idea of a misguided person or persons, or the idea of a party or parties intending to grab land for power purposes.

Whichever, or whatever, the underlying truth may be, this is TOTALLY WRONG AND NEEDS TO BE RESCINDED OR HALTED RIGHT NOW!!!

Step back and take a deep breath, SLOW DOWN, then make ALL of the residents - permanent AND temporary, aware of what you are doing. Don't make this a Chicago style transaction! Make this an "up & up" effort, fair to everybody, not just a very few. Do it the way it SHOULD

be done in America!!

I bought a lot of produce, lettuce, onions, watermelons, asparagus, grapes, etc. out of Imperial. I spent a lot of time going through the valley looking at produce and talking to growers and packers. I know what their thinking is and how they want things to be. The LAST thing they want is the influence of a resort community to be dictating what happens in THEIR community and their working hours, crops, water, and land. They're running crop dusters (whenever appropriate) that do low level flying. YOU are trying to infuse the laws allowing THIS activity in an area where we already have multiple lawsuits over an entire balloon industry in the Coachella Valley flying much higher than that and being shut down as a result of it.

Conversely, the Coachella Valley is comprised of resorts, golf courses, hotels, hospitals, restaurants, shops and retail "everything"! Hardly sounds like a good mix to me does it to you????!!!

You are purely trying to mix apples and oranges ... doesn't mix at all!!!!!!!!!!!!

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