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**Subject: Keep Desert Cities Intact and Compact- NO TIES TO Imperial County**

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**Conversation:** Keep Desert Cities Intact and Compact- NO TIES TO Imperial County



Dear Citizens Redistricting Committee ("CRC") Chairperson(s),  
As a Registered Voter and Resident of Del Webb Sun City here in Palm Desert, CA, I hereby request that you take action and/or vote for keeping our Coachella Valley intact, our Congressional District in Riverside County and that it not be combined with Imperial Valley/County. Facts that show that Coachella Valley is a distinct, cohesive "community of Interest" ('COI') due, but not limited to the following:

- our shared tourism economy (our top revenue source - we are NOT primarily an agricultural COI)
- we are primarily a resort community with hotels, restaurants, retirement communities and many social events
- shared transportation: PS airport, Hwy 10, Hwy 111
- fastest-growing retirement population in the state
- shared health care system, especially for our aging population
- shared standard of living- suburban bedroom communities
- shared associations of governments (they do not include Imperial

Valley)

- geographically contiguous and compact
- media - we share local media and LA-based newspapers, TV and radio
- many second home owners have LA or OC primary homes

Facts that show that Imperial County is its' own COI and very different from Coachella Valley and that is why it is now tied to, and should stay with San Diego County and not be tied to Coachella Valley.

- primary industry is agriculture
- they have distinct environmental issues (majority of Salton Sea, New River)
- geothermal opportunity is on south end of Salton Sea, and in no way tied to Coachella Valley wind & solar
- Mexican border issues shared with San Diego
- standard of living very different: rural, farm
- unemployment, poverty challenges not shared with Coachella Valley
- geographically spread out, not contiguous with Coachella Valley
- tied to San Diego County media
- tied to San Diego County health care
- Interstate 8 ties Imperial County to San Diego

I believe the above more than sufficiently makes the case for my appeal to you today and well before the comment deadline of Thursday May 19th, 2011.

Please confirm back your most proactive support of and representation of my positions regards these very critical matters.

Sincerely,

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Coachella Valley / Riverside County - - Resident & Business Owner

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