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Dear Commissioners,

We have lived in Indio in the Coachella Valley of Riverside Country for the past 30 years. When you look at the current state senate map you will see that Indio is represented by a senator from San Diego. One little sliver was carved out (Indio) and included with San Diego and Imperial County. We have nothing in common with San Diego and Imperial County. We are active member of our community and have never meet our state senator, I'm not sure he even know we are part of his district or where Indio is located.

Indio is part of the Coachella Valley and a community of interest with Palm Springs, Palm Desert, La Quinta, etc. All of the cities in the Coachella Valley should be represented by the same state senator and assemblyman. The same thing can be said for our Congressional District representative. Please keep Riverside County/Coachella Valley intact as we share the same interest: tourism, transportation, health care system, media, airport and associations of governments.

When you start redistricting please keep in mind that the Coachella Valley is a community of interest and should remain as one district. Thank you.

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