Subject: Riverside County's Coachella Valley

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Dear Commission Members,

My name is Ken Hobbs and I am a retired public employee who worked almost thirty years in the public sector.

I am resident of the City of Rancho Mirage located in Riverside County's Coachella Valley.

After a very careful consideration of a number of factors my wife and I elected to retire here in Coachella Valley in order to

enjoy the quality of health care, regional airport and major freeway transportation systems which were build here in our community.

We expected to pay a premium to locate here in Rancho Mirage but felt that the surrounding communities of interest were idea as we look around at the various cities located in Coachella Valley.

After attending your recent meeting, we felt is required to write of thoughts as to maintaining Riverside County and specifically Coachella Valley intact.

Please don't consider including Imperial County as a part of any proposed political redistricting.

Coachella Valley enjoys one the the fastest growing retirement population in the State of California. It is, in of if itself, a strong retirement community of interest.

This differs entirely from Imperial County. We don't boast of being better, just a much different community of interest than that of our neighbors to the southeast.

Riverside County does not and has never been similar to Imperial County and has few common points of community interest.

We encourage your strong attention to keeping Coachella Valley intact as to political district boundaries.

Thank you for your consideration Regards Ken Hobbs