Subject: Monterey County Congressional Redistricting

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Current Status

In one congressional district, two state assembly districts, and two state senate districts

Could be entirely in one congressional, one state assembly, and one state senate district

Pajaro CDP, Las Lomas CDP, Castroville CDP, Boronda CDP, Salinas, Chualar CDP, Gonzales, Soledad, Greenfield, and King City (the ten communities) should be in the same congressional district.

What do the ten communities have in common?

In each of these communities a very low proportion of people age twenty-five and older have completed a bachelor's or higher degree. Most of the residents of these areas age five and older speak Spanish at home. The median age for each of these communities is less than the state average.

The ten communities should be in the same congressional district as Amesti CDP, Freedom CDP, Interlaken CDP, Watsonville, Gilroy, and San Benito County.

Monterey (the city), Pacific Grove, Carmel-by-the-Sea, and Carmel Valley Village should not be in the same congressional district as the ten communities.

The bachelor's or higher degree attainment percentages among the twenty-five and older populations for Monterey (the city), Pacific Grove, Carmel-by-the-Sea, and Carmel Valley Village are higher than the state average. The speak Spanish at home percentages among the five and older populations for these four communities are lower than the state average.

It would be better if Monterey (the city), Pacific Grove, Carmel-by-the-Sea, and Carmel Valley Village are in a congressional district that includes San Luis Obispo County or Santa Cruz County communities Aptos CDP, Ben Lomond CDP, Boulder Creek CDP, Capitola, Felton CDP, Rio del Mar CDP, Santa Cruz, Scotts Valley, Soquel CDP, and Twin Lakes CDP.

The source for the educational attainment and language data is the 2005-2009 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

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