

Subject: Fw: Re: Fwd: I oppose moving the Kern River Valley (around Lake Isabella in Kern County) from Assembly District 32 (Shannon Grove) to Assembly District 34 (Connie Conway)

From: R C [REDACTED]

Date: 6/25/2011 1:07 AM

To: California Citizens Redistricting Commission <votersfirstact@crc.ca.gov>, "Assemblywoman Shannon L. Grove" [REDACTED] Will Cushing Assembly District 32 District Director

[REDACTED] Javier Reyes Assembly District 32 [REDACTED] Dana Culhane Senator Jean Fuller's Office [REDACTED] Russell Fuller

[REDACTED] Ben McFarland Field Rep Congressman Kevin McCarthy

[REDACTED], Congressman Kevin McCarthy

[REDACTED] "Vince Fong Field Rep Cong. McCarthy" [REDACTED]

--- On Sat, 6/25/11, R C <[REDACTED]> wrote:

From: R C [REDACTED]

Subject: Re: Fwd: I oppose moving the Kern River Valley (around Lake Isabella in Kern County) from Assembly District 32 (Shannon Grove) to Assembly District 34 (Connie Conway)

To: [REDACTED]

Date: Saturday, June 25, 2011, 12:57 AM

I concur with Richard Rowe's suggestions.

Our interest in dark skies has been before the county of Kern for ten years now. It is part of the metro community and identity. For nearly thirty years my Dad and I have been share holders in 180 acres of mining property near Ridgecrest. For ten years they have owned the Canebrake Cafe and I have 20 acres in Canebrake flats. In all of that time I have never been to Visalia. Passing through on business, I have never had a desire to stop.

On the other hand Hwy. 178 that runs through the heart of Kern River Valley and along eight miles of the lake (Isabella) connects Ridgecrest directly to Bakersfield. The route to Visalia is an even narrower and longer trip with the road only 16 ft. wide in places and winds its way up to about 7,000 ft before dropping steeply into Visalia. In fact the preferred route to Visalia is through Bakersfield! Hwy. 178 defines our identity and all the communities served by it are tied in commerce, utilities, resources, services and educational districts to one another. We have common interest and need common representation.

I wouldn't be opposed to kicking out Bakersfield but see no reason to include Visalia....

Sincerely,
Richard Crockett

--- On Fri, 6/24/11, Richard Cayia Rowe [REDACTED] wrote:

From: Richard Cayia Rowe [REDACTED]
Subject: Fwd: I oppose moving the Kern River Valley (around Lake Isabella in Kern County) from Assembly District 32 (Shannon Grove) to Assembly District 34 (Connie Conway)
To:
Date: Friday, June 24, 2011, 10:37 AM

FYI

----- Original Message -----

Subject: I oppose moving the Kern River Valley (around Lake Isabella in Kern County) from Assembly District 32 (Shannon Grove) to Assembly District 34 (Connie Conway)

Date: Fri, 24 Jun 2011 09:56:37 -0700

From: Richard Cayia Rowe [REDACTED]

Reply-To: [REDACTED]

To: California Citizens Redistricting Commission <votersfirstact@crc.ca.gov>

CC: Assemblywoman Shannon L. Grove [REDACTED], Will Cushing, Assembly District 32 District Director [REDACTED], Javier Reyes, Assembly District 32 [REDACTED], Dana Culhane Senator Jean Fuller's Office [REDACTED], Russell Fuller [REDACTED], Ben McFarland Field Rep Congressman Kevin McCarthy [REDACTED], Congressman Kevin McCarthy [REDACTED], Vince Fong Field Rep Cong. McCarthy [REDACTED]

Submitted by e-mail & online

- Attached: R C Rowe REDISTRICTING COMMENT 6-24-2011.pdf

TO: California Citizens Redistricting Commission

RE: Tulare Assembly District (34)

I oppose moving the Kern River Valley
(around Lake Isabella in Kern County)
to Assembly District 34 (Connie Conway).

We in the Kern River Valley are now part of Assembly District 32 (Shannon Grove).

MY REASONING:

- Our issues relate more to Bakersfield (our county seat), Tehachapi & Ridgecrest than to distant Visalia.
- Our State Senator (Fuller) and Congressman (McCarthy) have offices in Bakersfield. We will remain in their districts as proposed.
- Most of the residents of the Kern River Valley travel frequently to Bakersfield (where our current Assembly District 32 has an office) for shopping, medical or government services.
- Bakersfield is about 1 hour from the Kern River Valley; Visalia is more than 2 hours away.
- We have had a long relationship to Assembly District 32 which holds frequent remote office visits here.
- Though not all of us voted for our current Assemblywoman Shannon Grove, we enjoy the dedication of the Assemblywoman and her staff to our issues. We don't know the incumbent of Assembly District 34.
- We have approximately 16,000 residents (barely 3.4% of the Assembly District target population of 465,674.)
- NOTE: All districts mentioned have Republican incumbents.

MY RECOMMENDATION:

Your Draft Map cuts the Cities of Shafter & Corcoran between 2 Assembly Districts.

I'd shift an area of about 16,000 residents in those cities to make all or most of those cities in one Assembly District;

1. move our 16,000 Kern River Valley residents from your proposed Tulare (34) to Kern (32) Assembly District
2. move 16,000 Shafter residents from proposed Kings (30) to Kern (32) Assembly District
3. mover 16,000 Corcoran residents from your proposed Kern (32) to Kings (30) Assembly District

Respectfully submitted online & by e-mail on Friday, June 24, 2011



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Subject: Public Comment: 6 - Kern

From: Irene Rizzardini [REDACTED]

Date: 6/25/2011 11:17 AM

To: votersfirstact@crc.ca.gov

From: Irene Rizzardini [REDACTED]

Subject: redistricting/Ridgecrest,CA

Message Body:

I just want to Thank the commission for taking the time to take our concerns for our town in thier decision to keep Ridgecrest in Kern County district. We have a unique area and through the 45 yrs I have been here we and Bakersfield and Kern County have worked so well together to promote both our areas. With the base we have a good repor with our reps in the government and are so grateful for the relationship we all have together. It would be wonderful if we could stay in Kern County district. Thank you again for all the consideration and thought you have given to this job you have to do. I realize it would be a difficult job to do. Sincerely, Irene Rizzardini

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