

Region 9: Siskiyou

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Subject: Please reconsider leaving Scott Valley; Fort Jones, Etna, Callahan, etc. in the same district as the Yreka, CA portion of Siskiyou County.

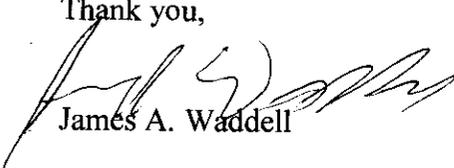
I am a Tribal Member of the Karuk Arara (People... of the Klamath River). I have many relatives in Siskiyou County. I am a fifth generation descendant of Klamath River Karuk People and Klamath River Gold Rush pioneer settlers of 1852.

I am an absentee landowner of Siskiyou County due to the need to receive treatment of serious medical disabilities from US Army Agent Orange contamination of the North Korea border DMZ Hostile Fire Zone 2nd Inf. Div. 1968-1969.

I ask that the redistricting be correctly mapped as needed to keep Karuk Tribal members of Scott Valley connected to their hundreds of I-5 area relatives, with a short drive to the political offices of Siskiyou County and to Karuk Offices such as the Karuk Tribal Medical Clinic in Yreka, CA.

For Scott Valley Tribal Members to drive to Yreka is no more than twenty minutes while a drive to the Pacific coastal offices from Scott Valley is more like 3 ½ to 4 hours. Winter travels from Scott Valley to the coast can be hindered or completely closed by snow, rock slides or flood waters.

Thank you,


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