

**Subject:** Coachelly Valley Redistricting

**From:** "Peter R. McWilliams" <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/27/2011 3:36 PM

**To:** <[REDACTED]>

Please see the attached letter.

Many thanks,

**Peter & Carol McWilliams**

Mobile: [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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July 27, 2011

Via E-mail to [REDACTED]

To: The Hon. Commissioners of the  
California Redistricting Committee

Dear Commissioners:

The undersigned is a resident of the Coachella Valley in eastern Riverside County. Residents in our community are very involved in local and State politics and have been monitoring the work of the Commission very carefully. During the past several weeks we have become very concerned about the Commission's actions in attempting to split the cities of the Coachella Valley into two districts. The initial Assembly map produced by the Commission was correct in drawing all cities in the greater Coachella Valley in one district.

We are very concerned that the recent work of the Commission in which the cities of Indio, Cathedral City, Desert Hot Springs and Coachella would be drawn with Imperial County. We respectfully submit that residents of the Coachella Valley have very little in common with the communities of Imperial County. Further, the characterization of these Cities as agriculture towns is completely inaccurate. Residents in our communities chose to move to the Coachella Valley to purchase upscale homes surrounded by golf courses and numerous other amenities. Indio is the largest city in the Coachella Valley and as such is a vibrant and growing community. Our valley needs to be drawn into one district with all neighboring cities with which we already partner on transportation projects and numerous economic development issues.

We are further alarmed by recent news of the past week that one of your members appears to have a political conflict of interest, and that this Commissioner has been pushing the division of the Coachella Valley's Assembly map during the past several weeks behind the scenes. The work of the Commission is to be non-partisan and not drawn under political lines. It appears the latest generation of the Assembly map is drawn completely by political lines due to the undue influence of this one Commissioner who has been asked to step-down from his position.

As a resident of the Coachella Valley, we respectfully ask that the Commission return to its initial map for the Coachella Valley's Assembly district which incorporated all cities in the Coachella Valley into one district. This is the proper non-partisan decision to make.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of the comments set forth in this letter and your service to the citizens of the State of California.

Sincerely,

***Peter & Carol McWilliams***

[REDACTED]

Indio, CA 92201

**Subject:** California Redistricting

**From:** Pete Anderson <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/27/2011 12:45 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

July 27, 2011

To: The Hon. Commissioners of the  
California Redistricting Committee

Dear Commissioners:

The undersigned is a resident of the community of Sun City Shadow Hills in the City of Indio in eastern Riverside County. Residents in our large master-planned development are very involved in local and State politics and have been monitoring the work of the Commission very carefully. During the past several weeks we have become very concerned about the Commission's actions in attempting to split the cities of the Coachella Valley into two districts. The initial Assembly map produced by the Commission was correct in drawing all cities in the greater Coachella Valley in one district.

We are very concerned that the recent work of the Commission in which the cities of Indio, parts of Cathedral City, Desert Hot Springs and Coachella would be drawn with Imperial County. We respectfully submit that residents of the City of Indio, and specifically Sun City Shadow Hills, have nothing in common with the communities of Imperial County. Further, the characterization of the City of Indio as an agriculture town is completely inaccurate. Residents in our community chose to move to Sun City Shadow Hills to purchase upscale homes surrounded by golf courses and numerous other amenities. Indio is the largest city in the Coachella Valley and as such is a vibrant and growing community. Our city needs to be drawn in one district with our neighboring cities with which we already partner on transportation projects and numerous economic development issues.

We are further alarmed by recent news of the past week that one of your members appears to have a political conflict of interest, and that this Commissioner has been pushing the division of the Coachella Valley's Assembly map during the past several weeks behind the scenes. The work of the Commission is to be non-partisan and not drawn under political lines. It appears the latest generation of the Assembly map is drawn completely by political lines due to the undue influence of this one Commissioner who has been asked to step-down from his position.

As a resident of the City of Indio, we respectfully ask that the Commission return to its initial map for the Coachella Valley's Assembly district which incorporated all cities in the

Coachella Valley into one district. This is the proper non-partisan decision to make.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of the comments set forth in this letter and your service to the citizens of the State of California.

Sincerely,

Mr. & Mrs. Peter Anderson

[REDACTED]

Indio, CA 92203

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**Subject:** Re: REDISTRICTING

**From:** Jacalyne Flax <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/27/2011 9:31 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

Dear Sirs,

I believe you will be voting in the coming weeks, and I urge you to consider our Desert cities. We need and should be placed together as one community.

We are not and never have had any part of the agricultural economy, so to band us together with them now, makes little to no sense.

I am writing to you in the hope that you will do the right thing and keep the Desert cities together and not place us with the agricultural community.

Mrs J Flax

**Subject:** Redistricting Assembly

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Date:** 7/27/2011 3:54 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

Please open read and value the attached letter for your decision.

Mr and Mrs John Peabody

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To: The Hon. Commissioners o the California Redistricting Committee

Dear Commissioners:

My husband and I are residents of Indio and have lived here since Sept 1998.

We have heard and read about the Commisison's action in attempting to split the cities in the Coachella Valley into two districts, putting the city where we live into a District that would include Imperial County per your latest map. Imperial County is totally different than Indio and Riverside County in many ways. I am in real estate and know of these differences, which are many.

Indio and all the eastern cities/towns need to be a part of the Riverside/Coachella Valley as shown in the initial assembly map. Regardless of the pressures that you may have this should be a non-partisan map and not drawn under political lines due to undue influence of the one Commissioner who has been asked to step down from this position.

As residents of the Coachella Valley, we both respectfully ask that the Commission return to its initial map for the Coachella Valley's Assembly that incorporated all cities into one district. This is the proper way to treat all the cities as we shop together and share a way of life.

Thank you for your consideration,

John S. Peabody, Bonnie H. Peabody

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Indio, CA 92201