

Subject: FW: Adelanto - proposal to the Commission for Redistricting

From: "Vicki" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 7 Jul 2011 12:38:41 -0700

To: <[REDACTED]>

Please note the attached proposal from Adelanto to be nested with the Victorville region.

Thank you for your consideration.





Carl Thomas
Mayor

Ed Camargo
Mayor Pro Tem

Steven R. Baisden
Council Member

Trinidad Perez
Council Member

Charles S. Valvo
Council Member

D. James Hart, Ph.D.
City Manager

June 24, 2011

Citizens Redistricting Commission
901 P Street, Suite 154-A
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Commissioners,

The maps you have developed for the High Desert communities of eastern Kern County, northern Los Angeles County, northern San Bernardino County and Inyo County are very good. We appreciate greatly your diligence in keeping our unique communities together.

We do however request your consideration for one minor change in the Assembly lines, which can easily be accomplished affecting only two districts nested within the same Senate districts in your first draft of maps.

In the LAAVV Assembly District, the City of Adelanto is included with the population centers of Lancaster and Palmdale, and split from the MISBK district with the population centers of Apple Valley, Hesperia and Victorville. The MISBK Assembly District also includes the eastern Kern County High Desert communities of California City, Rosamond, Mojave and Boron.

Please consider moving Adelanto and additional portions of San Bernardino out of LAAVV and into MISBK. Adelanto is a San Bernardino County city directly adjacent to Victorville and the population centers of the MISBK district. Our residents work, shop, travel through and recreate throughout the Victor Valley cities. We have joint powers authorities, a shared water basin, and many joint projects with our neighbors in the MISBK district. These are relationships that we do not have as strongly with the population centers of LAAVV in Lancaster and Palmdale.

The population can be made even by moving all of the Kern County portion of MISBK into LAAVV. This area of Kern County is far closer to the Lancaster and Palmdale population centers, making it a more compact district. Additionally, the focus on aerospace industries is shared between northern Los Angeles and eastern Kern, but not as much as with the Victor Valley. We have attached maps which accomplish this change.

We realize you have a difficult task. Fortunately, accomplishing this task should be relatively easy, as it does not affect any other neighboring Assembly District. Additionally, since MISBK and LAAVV are, wisely, in the same Senate District (MISKL) it would not change the Senate lines whatsoever.

We believe this change serves everyone better and are working with our neighbors in eastern Kern, northern Los Angeles and northern San Bernardino. We're confident you'll receive support for this change from all areas. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Cari Thomas, Mayor

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cari Thomas". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

cc: City Council

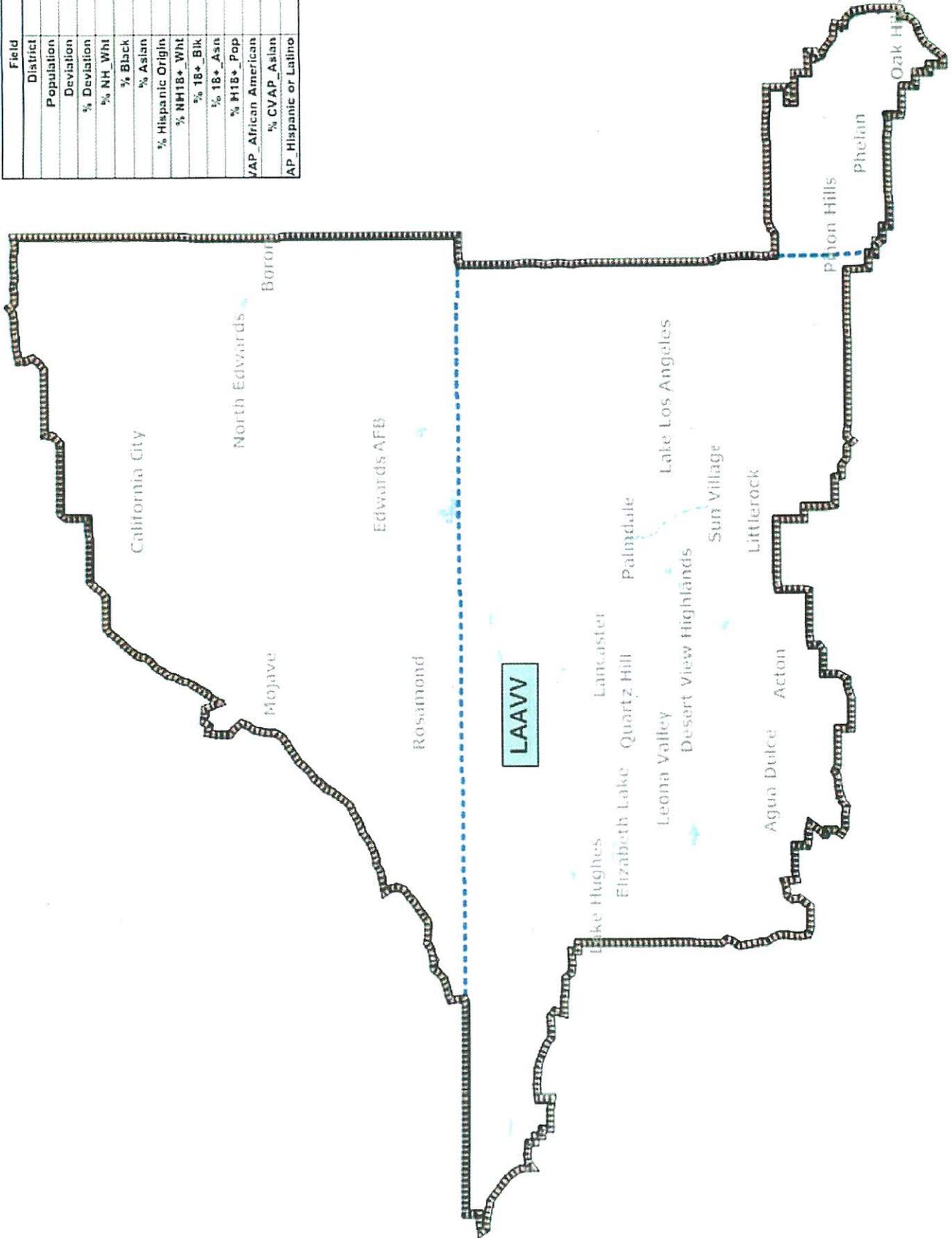
Mayor Ryan McEachron, Victorville

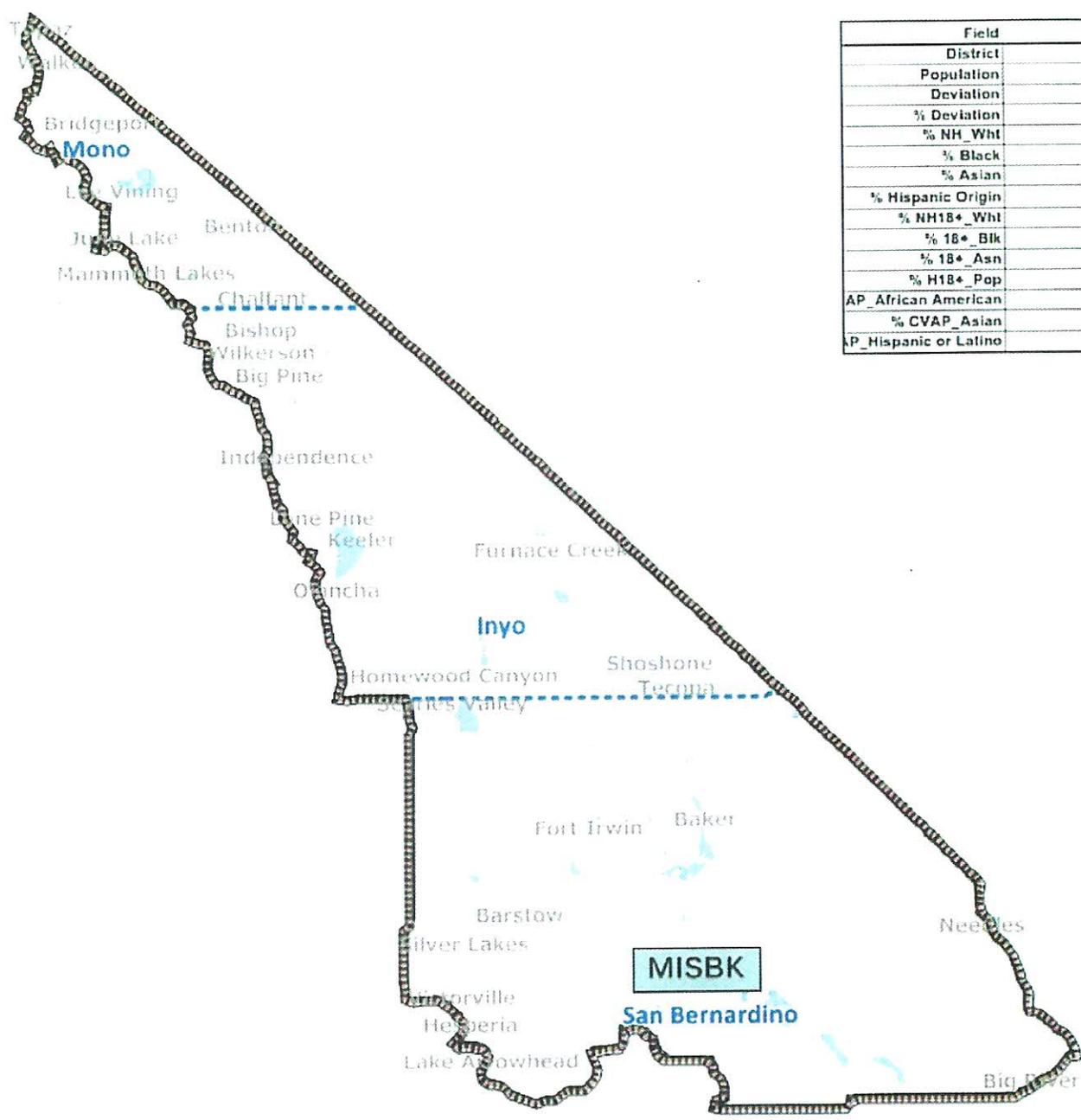
Mayor Mike Leonard, Hesperia

Mayor Scott Nissif, Apple Valley

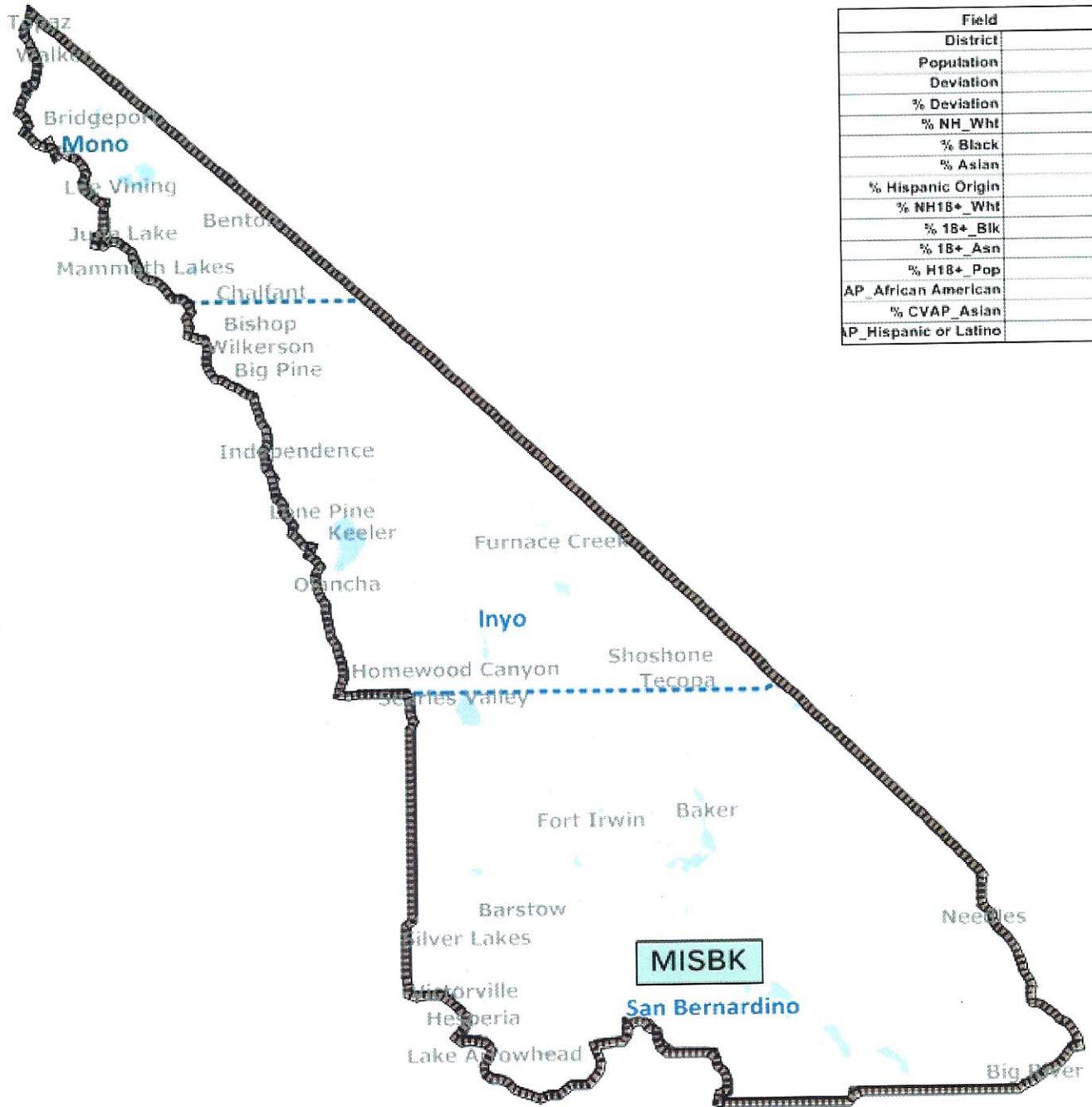
Supervisor Brad Mitzelfelt, San Bernardino County

Field	Value
District	LAAVV
Population	470766
Deviation	5.092
% Deviation	1.09%
% NH_Wht	37.5%
% Black	13.9%
% Asian	3.7%
% Hispanic Origin	42.26%
% NH18+_Wht	42.81%
% 18+_Blk	12.94%
% 18+_Asn	4.14%
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VAP_African American	13.2%
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AP_Hispanic or Latino	27.74%



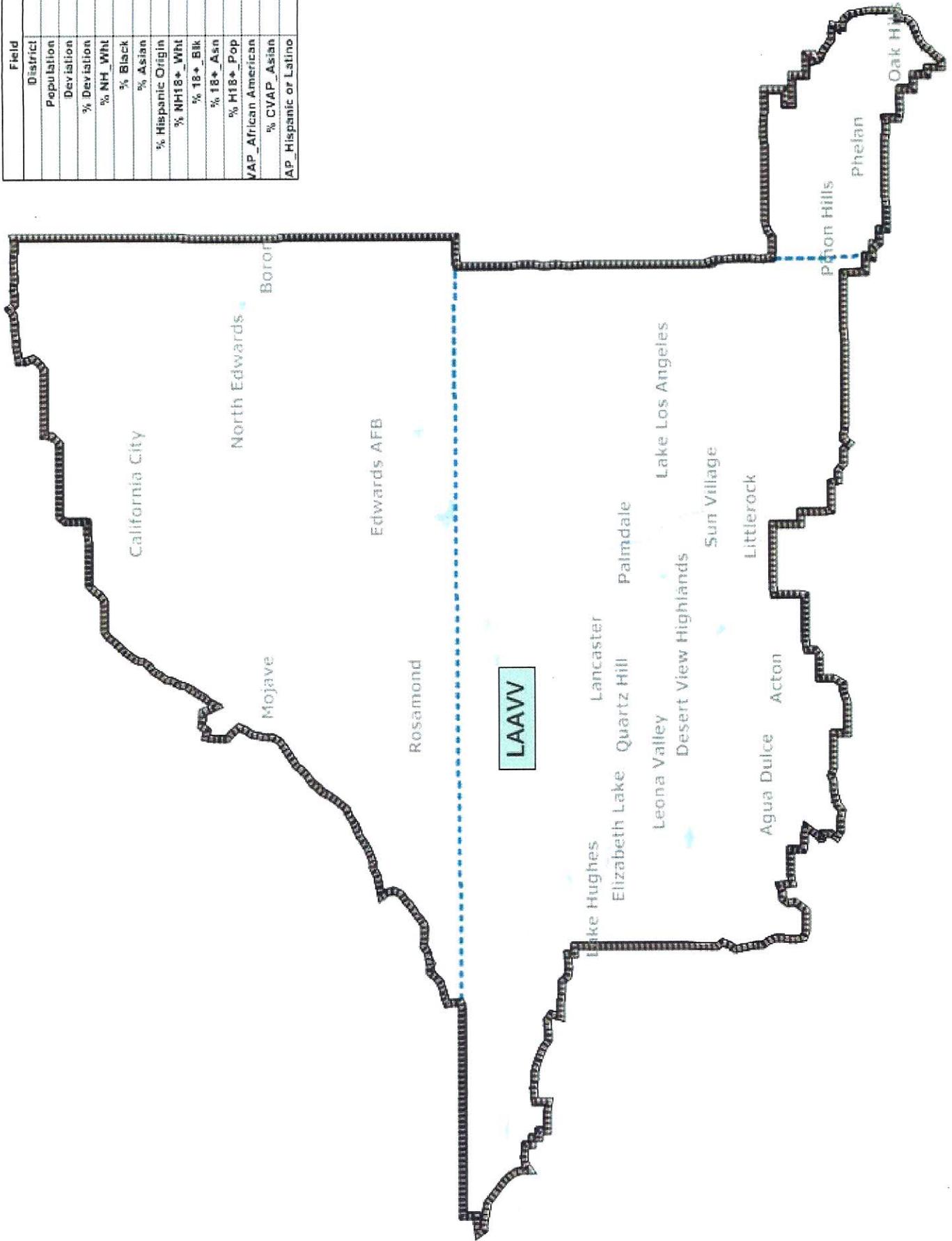


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District	MISBK
Population	465225
Deviation	-449
% Deviation	-0.1%
% NH_Wht	45.98%
% Black	9.45%
% Asian	2.6%
% Hispanic Origin	38.26%
% NH18+_Wht	52.08%
% 18+_Blk	8.7%
% 18+_Asn	2.88%
% H18+_Pop	33%
AP_African American	8.78%
% CVAP_Asian	2.16%
AP_Hispanic or Latino	24.1%



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Subject: Public Comment: 2 - San Bernardino

From: Michael Murphy <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 7 Jul 2011 22:58:46 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Michael Murphy <[REDACTED]>

Subject: State Senate draft map - SB-Banning

Message Body:

The draft map for San Bernardino-Banning is a geographical nightmare for the person who would represent this area. From 29 Palms on the east to Cajon Pass and some mountain areas on the north and northwest all the way south to Menifee....this just doesn't work for folks on either side of the proposed district. Surely Menifee and its nearby communities like Elsinore and Temecula have more in common than with Redlands Highland and most assuredly 29 Palms and Yucca Valley.

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Subject: Public Comment: 2 - San Bernardino

From: Michael Murphy <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 7 Jul 2011 22:55:31 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Michael Murphy <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Proposed SBCuca assembly district

Message Body:

In my opinion, Highland, Redlands and Yucaipa should be in the same Assembly district. We have common interests economically, socially, educationally and geographically.

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Subject: Public Comment: 2 - San Bernardino

From: Michael Murphy <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 7 Jul 2011 22:37:24 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Michael Murphy <[REDACTED]>

Subject: redlands split in draft congressional map

Message Body:

I looked closely at the draft map that shows Redlands split down the middle with the eastern portion linked in with a super district extending way up into yolo and mono counties. This map basically separates Loma Linda and Highland from the East Valley area to which it attached physically, socially, education-wise and economically. I live in East Highland which is in the Redlands Unified as is all of Loma Linda and we all look to Redlands for our shopping needs, schools and colleges (Crafton Hills, U of R and LLU). To have these areas attached to San Bernardino Rialto Colton and Fontana is just ridiculous. If you want to split somebody, split Highland along SB City Unified School lines because those folks are oriented to SB and other communities to the west. But leave Loma Linda, Redlands and East Highland together with Yucaipa-Calimesa. In addition, the idea of a representative to serve such a large area as drafted is simply impossible.

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July 6, 2011

California Citizens Redistricting Commission
901 P Street, Suite 154-A
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Loma Linda City Council request for reconsideration of Congressional District lines

Dear Commissioners:

The Loma Linda City Council has authorized me to communicate with you our belief that your Draft Congressional District Map has incorrectly placed Loma Linda in the Rialto-San Bernardino district, when it more naturally shares a community of interest with the City of Redlands in the Inyo-Mono-San Bernardino district. We are pleased that your First Draft Assembly and Senate District Maps each *appropriately* place Loma Linda and Redlands together in the same district.

Loma Linda is a city of 25,000 residents nestled east of the I-215 freeway and south of the I-10 in San Bernardino County, with Redlands to the east, San Bernardino to the north, Colton to the west, and the Riverside County line to the south. Loma Linda was incorporated as a city in 1970, but its identity as a health-conscious community was firmly established 65 years earlier, in 1905, with the founding of the Loma Linda Sanitarium, which matured into the Loma Linda University Medical Center in 1967. Loma Linda University with its century-old schools of Medicine and Nursing and its level-1 trauma center is the health care leader for the entire Inland Empire. Loma Linda is known as North America's only "Blue Zone," an honor bestowed on just five communities worldwide for the exceptional longevity of their citizens.

We believe that Loma Linda and Redlands together constitute a "community of interest," with shared historical, cultural, educational, social and economic interests. Our reasons are discussed below:

- The Cities of Redlands, Loma Linda and Highland together form the Redlands Unified School District. Loma Linda students travel to Redlands for both middle school and high school.

- Redlands is a bedroom community for Loma Linda University Medical Center. A larger proportion of the people who staff Loma Linda University and Medical Center live in the communities of Redlands, Highland and Yucaipa than in Loma Linda itself. Half of the nearly 1000 physicians that work at Loma Linda live in Redlands. Reciprocally, Loma Linda is a bedroom community for Redlands businesses as well.
- Loma Linda residents look primarily to Redlands for their shopping needs.
- 50% of the adult populations of Loma Linda and Redlands have college degrees, not surprising in two adjacent private university towns. Most surrounding communities are nearer to 20%.
- Our two freeways (I-215 and I-10) have become boundaries that culturally and socially separate the suburban enclave of Redlands/Loma Linda to the southeast from the more urban communities of San Bernardino, Colton, Rialto and Fontana to the north and west. These are fine communities, but they are substantially different from Loma Linda, and they have significantly more challenging public safety issues common to urban settings.
- Placing small suburban Loma Linda with large urban cities as you have in the Draft Congressional District would make it difficult for Loma Linda to get fair representation. Well-meaning elected representatives would, as always, have to prioritize their efforts and advocacy, and we fear that our needs would seldom get top billing. In contrast, because Redlands is so culturally aligned with Loma Linda, advocacy for one would be advocacy for both.
- Historically, the train depot for Redlands was in Loma Linda. One of our two primary east-west arterial roads was initially called Colton Avenue, but the name was changed decades ago to Redlands Boulevard since most people used it to travel to Redlands. The longest residential street in Loma Linda was named after a martyred Spanish-American war hero from Redlands, Henry Lawton.
- Loma Linda's largest public park is named after a current resident of Redlands, Doctor Leonard Bailey.
- Even the U.S. Postal Service has trouble distinguishing Loma Linda from Redlands. A large number of eastern Loma Linda businesses and homes have Redlands postal addresses. This anomaly makes it difficult to sort out decennial census figures between the two cities since reporting by zip code artificially boosts Redlands' numbers at the expense of Loma Linda's. You as the Redistricting Commission might fall prey to the same anomaly, resulting in a split of Loma Linda's representation, but this possibility could be avoided entirely by erasing the line between Loma Linda and Redlands.

In closing, we, the Loma Linda City Council, believe that giving Loma Linda the fairest possible Federal representation requires that our City be moved to the Inyo-Mono-San Bernardino congressional district with Redlands, Highland, and Yucaipa.

Thank you for your kind consideration.

Sincerely,

Rhodes L. Rigsby, M.D., MBA
Mayor, City of Loma Linda