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Subject:Redistricting comment from Mariposa

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Dear Redistricting Commission -

I am writing in favor of the proposed Sierra Nevada Foothills/Mother Lode district. The communities of the Sierra Nevada have similar issues and interests -- the communities of Mariposa, Sonora, Lake Tahoe and all of the communities have a great deal in common, in particular, tourism, forest management, fire protection, and pollution from the Central Valley. In addition, these communities generally have small, rural populations. Although South Lake Tahoe is a much larger community than most, its economy is tourism-based and it shares the issues of forest management and fire protection.

I do not think that Mariposa and Fresno/Merced/Modesto have much in common, even though that's where Mariposa has traditionally been lumped. The issues of Mariposa and the Sierra Nevada in general have been drowned out of the interests of the San Joaquin Valley.

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