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From: George Segarini <[redacted]>

To: <[redacted]>

Please see attached letter from the Chairman of the Board.

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TUOLUMNE COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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Citizens Redistricting Committee

The Tuolumne County Chamber of Commerce has concerns about the Visualization Maps that the committee has released. Our concerns are similar to those we had initially when the first draft maps were made public.

Looking at what the committee had to do the Foothill District would seem to make sense, but in reality most all of our economic, education, resources and transportation issues are connected in a east/west relationship, not north/south. There are some north/south government relations through JPA's, but for the most part east/west is most important to us.

Although you seem to have corrected some problems that were pointed out to you during public comment in some areas, the Foothill map, if anything, got worse for us.

- The geographic area this district covers hinders the Tuolumne County area from being easily reachable by any elected representative. Not sure if it is the largest geographic area, but surely comes close.
- We are far removed from any population centers and the eastern parts of Placer and El Dorado Counties along with the western section for the Congressional District puts a majority of population in that area. The same goes for the Senate that includes the heavily populated Rancho Cordova area, a bedroom community for Sacramento. Why was the City of Turlock included in the Senate District?
- It is more important for our relationship to be East West rather than North South. The Central Valley provides us with specialized medical services. A major part of our tourists come from the Central Valley. The major supply routes are East West. Water issues are closely related to our rivers that flow down to the Central Valley. The Yosemite Community College District covers Stanislaus and Tuolumne Counties. The workforce commute is primarily west.

Although we know your job is very difficult the Visualization Maps further complicates our little political influence in the State. Where there are now 4 Congressional representatives for the foothill area the new map will scale that back to only one. The Senate and Assembly representative will be able to ignore our area while catering to the population centers.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Alicia Wuebker
Chair of the Board