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Citizens Redistricting Commission  
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As a member of an agricultural community who actively took part in farming for many years, I am vitally interested in redistricting and would encourage you to keep San Joaquin County whole.

Our communities promote agricultural interests, not the economy of the Bay Area. This Commission should include members who live here and know the base industry of this area in all of its far-reaching levels.

If, indeed, it becomes necessary to extend the area, our neighbors in the eastern foothills or to the north in southern Sacramento County have more in common with us than any of the Bay Area counties.

Please consider this matter carefully - we need to have agriculture represented in our nation's Congress and in our State Capitol.

Sincerely,

Janice McNeilly