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1	<u>PROCEEDINGS</u>
2	July 19, 2021 2:00 p.m.
3	CHAIR YEE: Good afternoon, everyone. Welcome and
4	thank you. Welcome for coming, and thank you for tuning
5	in to the California Citizens Redistricting Commission
6	Community of Interest Input Meeting for Zone B, far north
7	California northeastern California.
8	I'm Commissioner Russell Yee, and I'll be co-
9	chairing today's meeting with Commissioner Patricia
10	Sinay.
11	Let's start roll call. Ravi?
12	MR. SINGH: Yes, Chair.
13	Commissioner Ahmad.
14	COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Here.
15	MR. SINGH: Commissioner Akutagawa.
16	COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Here.
17	MR. SINGH: Commissioner Andersen.
18	COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Here.
19	MR. SINGH: Commissioner Fernandez.
20	COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Here.
21	MR. SINGH: Commissioner Fornaciari.
22	COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Here.
23	MR. SINGH: Commissioner Kennedy.
24	COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Here.
25	MR. SINGH: Commissioner Le Mons.

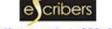


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1	Commissioner Sadhwani.
2	Commissioner Sinay.
3	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Here.
4	MR. SINGH: Commissioner Taylor.
5	COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Present.
6	MR. SINGH: Commissioner Toledo.
7	COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Here.
8	MR. SINGH: Commissioner Turner.
9	Commissioner Vazquez.
10	Commissioner Yee.
11	CHAIR YEE: Here.
12	MR. SINGH: Roll call is complete.
13	CHAIR YEE: Thank you, Ravi.
14	We start by sharing a little bit about the
15	Commission. Every 10 years, after the federal government
16	publishes updated census information, California must
17	redraw the boundaries of its Congressional, State Senate,
18	State Assembly, and State Board of Equalization
19	districts, so that the districts correctly reflect the
20	State's population.
21	In 2008, California voters authorized the creation
22	of the Commission when they passed the Voters FIRST Act.
23	It authorized the Commission to draw the new district
24	lines for State Senate, State Assembly, and State Board
25	of Equalization.

1	In 2010, the Congressional Voters FIRST Act added
2	the responsibility of drawing congressional districts to
3	the Commission. The fourteen-member Commission is made
4	up of five Republicans, five Democrats, and four not
5	affiliated with either of those two parties. The
6	Commission must draw the district lines in conformity
7	with strict, nonpartisan rules, designed to create
8	districts of relatively equal population that will
9	provide fair representation for all Californians.
10	When we receive census data, the Commission begins
11	drawing census maps begins drawing maps using six
12	line-drawing criteria as outlined in the California
13	Constitution. One of those criteria is minimizing the
14	division of counties, cities, neighborhoods, and
15	communities of interest to the extent possible.
16	We can obtain the city and county information from
17	those jurisdictions. But we need the neighborhood and
18	communities of interest information from Californians
19	directly. That's why we have launched these communities
20	of interest input sessions, to get that valuable
21	information from you directly. We encourage all
22	Californians to participate in this process.
23	We also welcome you to submit your community of
24	interest input over the internet, online. You can go to
25	our website or visit drawmycacommunity.org. It's



1	drawmycacommunity, all one word, dot org. Skip the line,
2	go online.
3	We also invite you to follow the Commission on
4	social media. You'll find us on Facebook, Instagram,
5	Twitter, LinkedIn, and YouTube, with the handle
6	@wedrawthelinesca; that's @wedrawthelinesca. There, you
7	will find a lot of useful information about redistricting
8	and updates about the California Commission.
9	Now, I call on Commissioners to introduce themselves
10	and say hello. To see the biographies for all fourteen
11	Commissioners, or for additional information, or to sign
12	up for our emails, please visit our website at
13	wedrawthelinesca.org; that's wedrawthelinesca, all one
14	word, dot org.
15	So let's begin with Commissioner Ahmad.
16	COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Hello, everyone. I am very
17	excited to learn about your communities up in the far
18	north. I have personally not had the opportunity to
19	travel much in the area, so I'm really looking forward to
20	hearing from you all directly.
21	CHAIR YEE: Thank you.
22	Commissioner Akutagawa.
23	COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Good afternoon, California,
24	and specifically to the communities of the far
25	northeastern side of California. I first want to



1	acknowledge that there are wildfires going on in Butte
2	and Plumas counties, and I'm sure like the rest of
3	California we are concerned and we have our thoughts with
4	you.
5	It's been a while since I've been up in that area,
6	probably since I was a kid. So I am very much looking
7	forward to hearing what you all would have to say,
8	especially given what is currently happening in Butte and
9	Plumas.
10	So I look forward to hearing about your communities.
11	Thank you.
12	CHAIR YEE: Thank you.
13	Commissioner Andersen.
14	COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Good sort of early evening,
15	California, and particularly the people in northeastern
16	California. I also echo what Commissioner Akutagawa just
17	said. We are so sorry for the people in Butte and
18	Plumas, and all affected areas. We will, of course, the
19	Commission will do everything we possibly can to make
20	sure we hear your voices, and understanding that now is
21	not the best time for you to be trying to tune in to us.
22	We appreciate everyone else who is able to join us
23	today, and I look forward to hearing from all of you.
24	Thank you.
25	CHAIR YEE: Commissioner Fernandez.



1	COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: (Spanish spoken). Good
2	afternoon, California, and especially those to the north
3	of me. I am looking forward to hearing from you. I am
4	just a little to the south of you.
5	Also sharing with my fellow Commissioners in terms
6	of the firefighter fires up there, and wish you all
7	the best. And hopefully we can get through this soon.
8	And I do also look forward to hearing from you.
9	CHAIR YEE: Commissioner Fornaciari.
10	COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: All right. Good
11	afternoon, California, especially northeastern
12	California.
13	I've had the opportunity to spend an awful lot of
14	time in that area of the state, and love it up there.
15	And you know, my thoughts are with everyone regarding the
16	fires. And we look forward to hearing from you all about
17	your communities of interest and what's important to you.
18	CHAIR YEE: Commissioner Kennedy.
19	COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Good afternoon, everyone.
20	I'm Ray Kennedy from Morongo Valley, one of the Joshua
21	Tree Gateway Communities in rural San Bernadino County.
22	We certainly understand fire risks and are thinking
23	of you, but nonetheless looking forward to hearing from
24	you this afternoon. Thank you.
25	CHAIR YEE: Thank you.

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1	Has Commissioner Le Mons arrived?
2	Commissioner Sadhwani?
3	If not, we'll go to Commissioner Taylor.
4	COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Good afternoon, California.
5	I, too, mimic the sentiments of the Commission for those
6	affected by the fires, and wish you all the best. We
7	look forward to hearing all the input for those that are
8	able, and we will be available for those that can't, when
9	you are.
10	So I thank you, and we look forward to all your
11	input. Thank you.
12	CHAIR YEE: Commissioner Toledo.
13	COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Good afternoon, California.
14	Buenos dias. I'm Pedro Toledo, and I'm from Petaluma,
15	California. Looking forward to hearing your community of
16	input.
17	I actually have quite a bit of family up in Shasta
18	County, living out in the Redding area. So I look
19	forward to hearing from all of the northeastern part of
20	the state. Thank you.
21	CHAIR YEE: Did Commissioner Turner arrive?
22	Commissioner Vazquez.
23	I have not we'll go to Commissioner my Co-
24	Chair, Commissioner Sinay.
25	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Thank you. (Spanish spoken).



1	Welcome to everybody in the north in the far north
2	California, as I learned that you all like to be called.
3	I'm from the southern part of California and San
4	Diego, where it is my honor to serve you all. Please
5	stay safe. Thank you.
6	CHAIR YEE: Thank you.
7	And I, once again, I'm Commissioner Russell Yee,
8	here in my hometown of Oakland. And it seems like
9	ancient history now, but until recent years, actually the
10	nation's largest fire, in terms of homes lost, was in
11	Oakland, the 1991 fire. The Oakland/Berkeley Hills
12	fire firestorm, and we would have thought that record
13	would have stood forever, maybe, but it fell just a few
14	years ago.
15	And so our thoughts are certainly with you, all in
16	the far north as you battle the beginning of this
17	season's fires. And we hope you stay safe. And we
18	understand that calling in today is probably not among
19	the top priorities for you. So we do hope to visit in
20	person, as that becomes possible, and hear your community
21	of interest input any way we can.
22	This meeting is primarily for communities of
23	interest focused in nine counties of the northeast.
24	That's Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Lassen, Modoc, Plumas,
25	Shasta, Siskiyou, and Tehama counties and surrounding



1 areas.

2	We want to thank these communities for the
3	flexibility, as this meeting was actually originally
4	postponed for July 2nd, and needed to be postponed until
5	today.
6	Although we are focused on those nine counties
7	today, all Californians are invited to provide input
8	about any community of interest anywhere in the state.
9	We will also take general public comment at the end of
10	this meeting.
11	Today, we are joined by our line drawing team from
12	HaystaqDNA and Q2 Data & Research. They will be
13	displaying a map of the area that attendees describe. As
14	you call in your input, please start with the area you
15	would like to discuss, and the mapper will zoom into
16	that, and tell us where your community is located. Our
17	goal is to find the area on the map that you would like
18	to discuss before you start giving your testimony. And
19	your three minutes don't begin until we actually have
20	that on the map up and ready to go for you.
21	If you're going to describe a specific neighborhood
22	within a city, please mention that neighborhood by name
23	and just help us to find exactly where your community of
24	interest is.
25	Unfortunately, you will not be able to share your

1	own screen. You will see the map displayed by our
2	mapping team.
3	Today, we're joined by Katy, our comment moderator.
4	She'll be introducing attendees and getting them all set
5	to share in turn.
6	When you join the meeting, please use the "raise
7	hand" button at the bottom of your screen, your Zoom
8	screen, to enter the queue. If you have registered for a
9	time slot, we encourage you to call during your
10	appointment time slot. When it is your turn to speak,
11	Katy will identify you by your assigned ID number.
12	You'll be reconnected to the session with the ability to
13	share your video and audio.
14	Katy will also give you a speaker order number
15	before you begin speaking, a different number that is
16	than your ID number. Make a note of that number so you
17	can refer to it in the future.
18	We will have all community of interest testimony
19	organized, and ready and available to the public at some
20	point in the near future, we hope. And if you have that
21	number, your speaker number, you'll be able to easily
22	find your testimony.
23	The Commission will be enforcing a three-minute time
24	limit. There will be a warning at thirty seconds and
25	fifteen seconds.

At the beginning of your input you will see a map on
 the screen. Please remind the mapper -- tell the mapper
 what area you would like to see, and be as specific as
 possible.

5 Registration is not required to participate in this meeting. You have the option of calling in to the 6 7 meeting and get in the queue at any point. The call-in information and access code are listed on the livestream. 8 9 While the way -- different ways of defining a 10 community of interest are not cut and dry, we've 11 identified some ways for you to describe your community. 12 You can tell us the name of your county, your city, your 13 town, or area. You can mention any particular highways, 14 or street names, or lakes, or rivers, or anything that 15 would help us narrow it down exactly where you are 16 describing.

17 You can tell us about the shared interests of your 18 community, the things that bring you together, the things 19 that are important to you. The nearby areas you want to 20 be kept together with. Any nearby areas you don't want 21 to be included with. And you can tell us about ways your 22 community has come together for better schools, or roads, 23 or other transportation concerns, or health centers in 24 your neighborhood, parks, other ways that your community 25 has come together with shared concerns.



1Again, we also invite you to use our community of2interest tool and the draw map and describe your3community. You can get to that directly through at4drawmycacommunity.org; that's drawmycacommunity, all one5word, dot org. There you can draw a map and give us a6narrative of your community of interest.7We will be weighing and considering all different8submissions equally, whether through that tool or whether9called in today, or any other time, or other ways that10you can submit your testimony.11Okay. We'll now begin public input, and I will pass12this over to Katy, our comment moderator. We'll start13first with people who are registered for this session,14and then we'll open the lines to anyone else who would15like to call in.16So Katy, over to you.17PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, thank you, Chair.
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17 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, thank you, Chair.
18 Welcome to the public input session. Please use the
19 raise your hand button at the bottom of your screen to
20 enter the queue. When it is your turn to speak, you'll
21 be identified by your assigned unique ID number, which
22 you were emailed yesterday. You will be reconnected to
23 the session with the ability to enable your own video
24 and/or audio. You will begin speaking you will then
25 be assigned a speaker order number before you begin



1	speaking. Please make a note of your speaker order
2	number for future reference.
3	The Commission will be enforcing a three-minute time
4	limit. There will be a warning at thirty seconds and
5	fifteen seconds remaining.
6	It is the Commission's goal to find the area on the
7	map you would like to discuss prior to your testimony.
8	If you are within a specific neighborhood of a large
9	city, please mention it by name. Once we are able to
10	locate your area, your three-minute testimony will begin.
11	Attendees will not be able to share their screen.
12	At the end of your public input, or at the end of
13	your time, you will be reconnected in a listen- and view-
14	only mode. At the beginning of your input, please remind
15	the mapper of what area you would like to see on the
16	screen.
17	I also invite those that have joined by telephone to
18	press star 9 to raise your hand. Please press star 9 to
19	raise your hand for those that have called in with the
20	telephone.
21	We do have several raised hands at this time. We
22	will start with 002. And up next, will be caller 7750.
23	Right now will be 002. I will be promoting you now.
24	002, your speaker order number will be number 1. If
25	you'll please make note of that for future reference.



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1	You can now enable your audio and video in the lower left
2	corner of your screen. Please remind the mapper know
3	what area you would like to discuss today. And the floor
4	is yours.
5	MS. DOMENICI: Hello.
6	PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Hello.
7	MS. DOMENICI: Hello?
8	PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We can hear you. Go
9	ahead.
10	MS. DOMENICI: Okay, great. Very good. My name is
11	Margaret Domenici (ph.) and I'm retired from teaching, or
12	from education thirty-nine years ago in public education.
13	Twenty-eight of those were here in Shasta County and
14	Shasta College.
15	Redistricting is a critical tool for implementing
16	the democratic process. And as we look at the map of
17	rural northern California, we see large stretches of
18	undeveloped land, and with few exceptions, sparse
19	clusters of population.
20	A major division of the area occurs mainly dictated
21	by the I-5 corridor. The I-5 is the determiner of many
22	communities of interest, and we know it's imperative that
23	we keep these like communities together in the north.
24	We have unique we have unique educational
25	challenges that are best handled regionally. The



1	regional model has and is working effectively. When
2	focusing on our educational challenges like college
3	opportunities, vocational education, or retention, and in
4	more recent years the difficulty of online classes in
5	rural communities, we need to be placed with similar
6	inland rural communities, not with schools on the coast.
7	Shasta County is an I-5 community. It relates best
8	to similar communities like Siskiyou, Tehama, Butte. Our
9	schools compete in academics and extracurricular
10	activities. Travel east/west is difficult. We should
11	not be connected to the coast. They have economies and
12	interests that compete with ours.
13	It's imperative that districts be configured so that
14	legislators are able to get to their constituents. The
15	I-5 corridor is vital this this happening. Thank you.
16	CHAIR YEE: Thank you.
17	PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.
18	Right now, we have caller 7750. And up next, will
19	be caller 9749.
20	Caller 7750, if you will please follow the prompts
21	to unmute by pressing star 6. Caller 7750, you are
22	unmuted. I have a couple of brief instructions for you.
23	Your speaker order number will be number 2. If you will
24	please make note of that for future reference. And if
25	you'll please let the mapper know what area you would



1	like to discuss today. The floor is yours.
2	MR. KIMMELSHUE: Yes, thank you. I would like to
3	discuss Yuba, Sutter, Butte, Tehama, Glenn, and Colusa
4	counties.
5	My name is Tod Kimmelshue, K-I-M-M-E-L-S-H-U-E. I'm
6	a County Supervisor here in Butte County. I live in a
7	small community by the name of Durham. Also, I'm the
8	Chair of the Sutter Butte Flood Control Agency. Also a
9	farmer. So the if you're ready, I'll discuss the
10	issues that you if you're ready for that.
11	PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Go ahead.
12	MR. MANOFF: Yes. Go ahead, please.
13	MR. KIMMELSHUE: Okay. Thank you very much.
14	Just starting out with flooding is a major issue in
15	those counties, mostly also mostly Butte, Sutter, and
16	Yuba counties. As Chairman of the Sutter Butte Flood
17	Control Agency, we have instituted quite a lot of levee
18	improvements on the western side of the Feather River.
19	Also, we're looking at more levee improvements on the
20	Sacramento River and the Sacramento River bypasses.
21	Those are very similar areas of concern for those areas.
22	Also, we do like I said, a lot of levee work in
23	those areas. Also, Oroville Dam has brought up a lot of
24	attention to those areas. As you know, the spillway
25	failed a while back. And those areas would be in the



1	path of the flooding, at least the Sutter, Butte, and
2	Yuba counties.
3	Also, we are all all those counties are on the
4	valley floor, with some forested area. But for the most
5	part, our industries are agriculture by far is the
6	largest industry in those areas. So irrigation water,
7	ground water, the new SGMA Act is very important in our
8	area for ground water sustainability. The water
9	availability issues are key in this area. We're all
10	considered in the northern Sacramento Valley.
11	Another issue that is very important in our area
12	are there are many small rural communities, and many
13	of those communities have rural hospitals, which are
14	struggling right now to make ends meet. So I think
15	that's an issue that would come to the forefront.
16	But mostly we are, like I said, in the valley floor.
17	We have very, very similar issues in many of those
18	counties that I mentioned, mostly in and around flooding
19	and agriculture.
20	So those are the things that I would like to
21	discuss. Thank you very much for allowing me to speak.
22	CHAIR YEE: Thank you.
23	PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.
24	Right now, we have caller 9749. And I invite those
25	that have called in to please press star 9 to raise your

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1 hand, indicating you wish to comment. 2 At this time, we have a raised hand with caller 9749. And up next will be caller 1030. 3 4 Caller 9749, if you will please follow the prompts 5 to unmute by pressing star 6 on your telephone keypad. Caller 9749, you are unmuted. I have a couple of brief 6 7 instructions for you. Your speaker order number will be number 3. If you'll please make note of that for future 8 9 reference. And if you'll please let the mapper know what 10 area you would like to discuss today. The floor is 11 yours. 12 MR. HILLIARD: Hello, my name is -- can you hear me? 13 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Hello? Can you hear me? 14 MR. HILLIARD: Can you hear me? 15 MR. MANOFF: Could you please speak closer to the 16 phone? Get closer to your phone microphone. 17 MR. HILLIARD: Yes, is that better? 18 A little closer, please. And please MR. MANOFF: 19 make sure there isn't anything in front of your phone 20 microphone. 21 MR. HILLIARD: There is not, so --22 MR. MANOFF: Please speak up, and we'll do our best 23 to hear you. 24 MR. HILLIARD: Okay. My name is Matthew Hilliard 25 (ph.), and thank you so much for having me today. I did



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1 submit a comment online, but I just wanted to talk about 2 my community here in Siskiyou County. I'm from Mount Shasta. So we are dealing with a lot of fire and the 3 4 Salt Fire up here. All this is a huge concern for us. 5 Also really important to us is the Klamath River. We have the Klamath River Restoration Agreement, which 6 7 was a huge ten-year policy that kind of got derailed at the end. But it's the vitalness and the life of the 8 9 river is very important to our very rural community here. 10 And just echoing what other people were talking 11 about; the hospital shortage. I'm a social worker; I 12 work with kids. And broadband internet access really 13 showed its need during the coronavirus; people were 14 struggling to get schoolwork done because of the lack of 15 internet access in our rural community. 16 I went into -- just a lot greater detail online. 17 But I just wanted to say thank you for having this 18 comment forum for us. So thank you very much. 19 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. 20 CHAIR YEE: Thank you, caller. 21 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Right now we have caller 22 1030. If you'll please follow the prompts to unmute by 23 pressing star 6. Caller 1030, you are unmuted. I have a 24 couple of brief instructions for you. Your speaker order 25 number will be number 4. If you'll please make note of



1 that for future reference. And if you'll please let the 2 mapper know what area you would like to discuss today. 3 The floor is yours. 4 MR. SUTTON: Yes. Hello. My name is Jeff Sutton, 5 discussing the kind of greater Sacramento Valley area from -- I would call it south Yolo up to Siskiyou County 6 7 including Tehama, Glenn, Colusa counties in particular. 8 I'm the manager of the Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority. We 9 represent -- we serve seventeen water districts in four 10 counties: Tehama, Glenn, Colusa, and Yolo County. 11 I think it's important that water interests in 12 California are very complex and divisive. And having 13 representation of the Sacramento Valley be consistent, 14 not be conflicted with some of the coastal perspectives, 15 or delta perspectives where there are some real 16 challenges, is critical. Agriculture, which obviously 17 needs water, is critical to the Sacramento Valley area. 18 And so I think that's just very critical that these 19 areas be well represented and with representation that 20 can focus on those issues. That is agriculture, water, 21 flood control, those issues really need to have a 22 consistent and singular voice. So in your decision-23 making, I hope you would take that into consideration. 24 Thank you, caller. Could you give us a CHAIR YEE: 25 little more detail about the boundaries of the part of



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1 the Sacramento Valley that you're describing? You
2 mentioned some county names, but --

3	MR. SUTTON: Yeah, I focused I was focused a
4	little more on the west side and the area that reside in,
5	and work and represent from a water perspective, which is
6	the west side. Kind of Siskiyou County, Shasta County,
7	Tehama County, Glenn County, Colusa County, northern
8	Yolo. I really feel to get further pardon me,
9	southern Yolo northern Yolo pardon me, I got that
10	wrong. Northern Yolo, as you get into southern Yolo, and
11	Sacramento County, I think there are some different
12	diverse interests as you get into the delta zone.
13	But then also on the east side of Sutter County,
14	Butte County, Plumas County, Lassen County, even as you
15	get higher into the Sierras there's a little bit
16	different perspective. But those are the areas that I
17	think where agriculture, water concerns, flood control
18	are paramount and need consistent representation, as
19	opposed to some of the coastal areas and the delta
20	region.
21	CHAIR YEE: So in Yolo, in particular, where would
22	the divide fall? North and south?
23	JEFF SUTTON: I think it's I think as far as
24	you know, I think Woodland is a dividing line. I think
25	as you get further in, I think you see a different



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1	perspective that doesn't account for agriculture, and our
2	similar concerns, you know, can get into that starts
3	getting into that delta influence.
4	CHAIR YEE: Right. Okay. Thank you so much.
5	MR. SUTTON: Very good. Thank you.
6	PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.
7	I'd like to remind those calling in to please press
8	star 9 to raise your hand, indicating that you wish to
9	comment. And for those caller 2860, if you wish to
10	comment at this time, please press star 9 on your
11	telephone keypad.
12	Caller 2860, if you'll please follow the prompts to
13	unmute by pressing star 6 on your telephone keypad.
14	Caller 2860, you are unmuted. I have a couple of brief
15	instructions for you. Your speaker order number will be
16	number 5. If you'll please make note of that for future
17	reference. And if you please let the mapper know what
18	area you would like to discuss today. The floor is
19	yours.
20	MR. JONES: Great. Hi. Yes. Is that my time?
21	Sorry, I had some Zoom overlap in between.
22	PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, the floor is yours.
23	MR. JONES: Okay, great. My name is Todd Jones. I'm
24	the President of the Shasta County Economic Development
25	Corporation, which is located in Redding. And I



1	represent Shasta County for all economic development
2	activities. And I'm calling in today. Redistricting
3	affects economic development greatly just based on our
4	relationships with our legislators, and the relationships
5	that we have with our neighboring counties.
6	And I'm just calling in to support the idea for
7	redistricting, having the lines kind of based on three
8	distinct regions that are heading north to south, from
9	west to east.
10	We along the I-5 corridor, where we're at, so
11	from Siskiyou County all the way down to the Yuba City
12	area well, that's on 99. But from Shasta, basically
13	to the northern end of excuse me, from Siskiyou County
14	to the northern end of the Sacramento region, that is
15	where a lot of our economic development and economic
16	activity happens. Although on a map it looks relatively
17	flat, you know, getting from here to the coast, or
18	getting from here to Modoc, for example, it's quite the
19	feat, and our economies don't overlap very much.
20	And so I'm really just calling in support of north
21	to south three distinct regions where we had in the past,
22	and so that our economies and our flow of commerce can
23	make more sense. That's all I have.
24	CHAIR YEE: Caller, three distinct regions. Could
25	you be able to be more specific about the boundaries



1 between those three?

2	MR. JONES: Yeah. So what we had about several
3	years ago it's obviously changed for the past few
4	decades, but Siskiyou County, Shasta County, Tehama
5	County, Glenn County, Colusa, Butte, and then even
6	farther south the names of the counties are escaping
7	me at the moment. But that, you know, Chico, Redding,
8	there's a lot of overlap there.
9	But if you go over to the east to where Susanville
10	is, you know, that 395 corridor is much separate from,
11	like, Klamath Falls to Reno, for example. And then in
12	the west on Highway 101, all the counties that are
13	touching the 101, that's an entirely different region in
14	and of itself as well.
15	And we all have our different ways that we interact,
16	but most of the commerce that we're seeing, and most of
17	the activity, is heading from north to south. So
18	basically, the I-5 corridor and the Highway 99 corridor,
19	there's a lot of flow of people and a lot of flow of
20	commerce between those corridors. And I know that
21	obviously population is a big part of how these lines are
22	drawn.
23	But as close as we can get to those corridors
24	between I-5 and Highway 99, it really just makes the most
25	sense in my mind from an economic development



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1 perspective. 2 CHAIR YEE: Excellent. Thank you so much. 3 MR. JONES: Thank you very much. PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: That is all of our 4 callers at this time, Chair. I will defer to you. 5 CHAIR YEE: Okay. Let's take a two-minute stand-at-6 ease and see if others might join us. 7 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Chair, would you like me 8 9 to read the call-in instructions at this time? 10 CHAIR YEE: Sure. Please. PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We do have a caller at 11 12 this time. But I'll go ahead and read the instructions, 13 and then we will get to them. 14 In order to maximize transparency and public 15 participation in our process, the Commissioners will be 16 taking community of interest input by phone. To call in, 17 dial the telephone number provided on the livestream 18 feed. It is 877-853-5247. When prompted, enter the 19 meeting ID number provided on the livestream feed. It is 20 81591554673 for this meeting. When prompted to enter a 21 participant ID, simply press the pound key. 22 Once you have dialed in, you will be placed in a 23 queue. To indicate your wish to comment, please press 24 This will raise your hand for the moderator. star 9. 25 When it is your turn to speak, you will hear a



1	message that says, the host would like you to talk, and
2	to press star 6 to speak. If you would like to give your
3	name, please state and spell it for the record. You are
4	not required to provide your name to give public comment.
5	Please make sure to mute your computer or livestream
6	audio to prevent any feedback or distortion during your
7	call. Once you are waiting in the queue, be alert for
8	when it is your turn to speak. And again, please, turn
9	down the livestream volume.
10	And for those that have just called in, if you will
11	please press star 9 on your telephone keypad. This will
12	raise your hand, indicating you wish to comment at this
13	time.
14	Caller 0420, if you wish to comment at this time,
15	please press star 9.
16	We do not have a raised hand at this time, Chair. I
17	will defer to you.
18	CHAIR YEE: Okay. How about some Commissioner
19	stories from the far north?
20	Okay. Commissioner Akutagawa, you mentioned you've
21	only been there as a child. I think that's my story,
22	too. I remember camping with my family. And I'm amazed,
23	thinking back to what my parents did back in the day of
24	heavy canvas tents, and all those things piling into the
25	Ford Falcon and going up to Mount Lassen, Mount Shasta.
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1	I just with two little boys. We had one bear incident
2	into our campsite. That was exciting. But I sure would
3	like to get back up there someday.
4	Other stories from Commissioners?
5	Commissioner Fornaciari.
6	COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Sure, I'll go. As I said,
7	I've spent an awful lot of time up there. The picture
8	behind me I took last Thursday, I guess, Wednesday? When
9	did we go? So this will be a house in the middle of that
10	meadow by the end of the year.
11	But my mom's sister and her family lived in Palo
12	Cedro, which is just outside of Redding. And they had a
13	little tiny place with five acres. And you know, I would
14	go up there and spend the summer with my cousin. And you
15	know, it was just so much fun. Two young boys running
16	around a little farm with a creek, and a barn, and horse,
17	and sheep. And it was really super-hot. But we still
18	had a great time up there. A lot of fun.
19	CHAIR YEE: Thank you.
20	Anyone else? Commissioner Sinay.
21	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: As a school board member, the
22	California School Board Association has trainings
23	throughout the State of California. And when I was
24	appointed to the school board in Encinitas, in San Diego,
25	they encouraged me to go to the California School Board
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Association training. And they kept pushing the ones in
 San Diego. But I decided to go to the one in Redding.
 And it was one of the best decisions I made, just because
 I got to meet so many people from the far north, and
 understand just the diversity of school districts
 throughout the State of California.

7 In rural counties, it's amazing how much space, you 8 know, how big these counties -- these school districts 9 can be geographically, and the population may be really 10 small. And two of the women I met, I can't remember 11 exactly what school board they were on, but they were 12 cousins. Because it's so hard -- in some of these school 13 districts it was hard to recruit school board members. 14 So they knew each other, and -- yeah, they all know each 15 other.

16 But I've got to say, our hotel was right by the 17 pathways that take you to the bridge. I'm forgetting 18 what it was called. But it was just the most beautiful 19 hike. And one of my high school friends lived in Chico, 20 and she met up with me. And it was just a great, great 21 experience to be up there. So I have -- I can't wait to 22 get up there with the Commission and see more of the far 2.3 north.

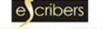
Everyone that we've spoken to, and part of the outreach base that Commissioner Yee and I have spoken to



1	in trying to better understand the region and how to do
2	outreach and engagement, has just been so welcoming and
3	so excited to have us call, and literally you know,
4	opening up the door for us to come in and visit them in
5	person. So I hope we do.
6	CHAIR YEE: Anyone else?
7	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Yes, the bridge was called
8	Sundial Bridge.
9	CHAIR YEE: The Sundial Bridge. Yes, I really want
10	to see that someday.
11	Commissioner Andersen.
12	COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Unfortunately, I haven't
13	spent as much time up in the northeast as I'd like to.
14	But one thing I did, sort of not that long ago, was take
15	a bunch of children up to a (indiscernible) competition
16	up in Yuba, in Sutter County. But we had to be there at
17	7 in the morning. And so I'm driving in my rather large
18	car up, you know, at 4 or 5, 3 in the morning, driving up
19	from the Bay Area, and you know, not quite that early.
20	But what I like to do, and what I did, is I took
21	back side roads. So all through Knights Landing, and
22	up through that direction, hitting Woodland and kind of
23	meandering up through. And the wildlife I saw was
24	amazing. Hawks, birds, you know, deer, foxes. It was
25	just absolutely delightful. And of course, the sun



1	coming up, you know, over the eastern the western
2	eastern bridge was just truly amazing. It's just a
3	beautiful country through there.
4	And I do understand when they're talking about the
5	flooding areas, because it's all very low lying. And
6	when the water rises, there is nowhere else to go. So it
7	was really wonderful though. It's a beautiful area.
8	CHAIR YEE: I really hope we get out there in
9	person.
10	I see we do have some callers. Would any of them
11	like to share?
12	Katy, if can you give some instructions for them
13	perhaps?
14	PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, Chair.
15	For those that have called in, if you'll please
16	press star 9 to raise your hand, indicating you wish to
17	comment. Please press star 9 to raise your hand,
18	indicating you wish to comment.
19	As for those that have just called in, if you'll
20	please press star 9 on your telephone keypad, indicating
21	you wish to comment. If you'll please press star 9.
22	This will raise your hand, indicating you wish to comment
23	at this time.
24	Caller 0420, if you'll please follow the prompts to
25	unmute by pressing star 6. Caller 0420, you are unmuted.



1	I have a couple of brief instructions for you. Your
2	speaker order number will be number 6. If you'll please
3	make note of that future reference. And if you'll please
4	let the mapper know what area you would like to discuss
5	today. The floor is yours.
6	MR. MARSHALL: Yes. My name is Richard Marshall.
7	I'm President of Siskiyou County Water Users Association.
8	And my interest, of course, lies in the District 1 area,
9	and the need to keep District 1 intact as it is.
10	As you've heard from other callers, the coastal
11	regions are not the same as the interior mountainous
12	regions. And the ranching, farming, timber interests,
13	and so on are completely different. And the homogeneous
14	cultural nature of the current District 1 should be
15	retained, as we all enjoy pretty much the same kind of
16	economics and interests in terms of the water interests,
17	which is a big thing up here.
18	I'm sure you're aware of that. If you're aware of
19	what's going on up here, water is a major issue. So are
20	fires, and those types of things which really pertain to
21	our areas and those counties that are part of District 1
22	at this time.
23	CHAIR YEE: So Mr. Marshall, you're thinking
24	Congressional, Assembly, State? You've got number 1s all
25	through.

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1	MR. MARSHALL: Congressional district, yeah.
2	CHAIR YEE: Very good. Well, Mr
3	(indiscernible).
4	MR. MARSHALL: Oh, that's right, we have a
5	difference in those.
6	CHAIR YEE: Yeah.
7	MR. MARSHALL: Yeah. So your basic counties you
8	have there is Siskiyou, of course, Modoc. And then
9	you have Shasta, Lassen, Tehama, Plumas, and Butte
10	County, to name a few.
11	But anyway, I think it's incredibly important to
12	keep those counties together because they do have common
13	interests. We do not have a common interest with coastal
14	regions or the eastern mountain region.
15	CHAIR YEE: Very good. Thank you.
16	MR. MARSHALL: Any question?
17	CHAIR YEE: I think we have it. Thank you so much.
18	PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.
19	And I'd like to ask those that have called in to
20	please press star 9 on their telephone keypad, indicating
21	they wish to comment at this time. Please press star 9
22	to raise your hand, indicating you wish to comment.
23	We do not have any raised hands at this time, Chair.
24	CHAIR YEE: Okay. Thank you, Katy.
25	Any other Commissioner stories about the northeast,



1 far north?

2	All nine of the counties that we're focusing on
3	today, all of them have Indian territories, including all
4	the way in the very, very far northeast at Fort Bidwell.
5	I was reading up on some of these tribes and regions last
6	night, and very excited about the Karuk in western
7	Siskiyou County, and the work there on language
8	revitalization, which is very exciting and very
9	encouraging. So but all nine counties have various
10	rancherias and other reservations, and other Indian
11	territories.
12	Certainly we'd love to hear from some of our native
13	Californians today, and your communities of interest,
14	your concerns, and ways the Commission can consider your
15	priorities in its work.
16	PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Chair, it looks like we
17	do have a raised hand at this time.
18	Caller 9749, if you'll please follow the prompts to
19	unmute by pressing star 6. Caller 9749, I have a couple
20	of brief instructions for you. Your speaker order number
21	will be number 7. If you'll please make note of that for
22	future reference. And if you'll please let the mapper
23	know what area you would like to discuss today. With
24	that, the floor is yours.
25	MR. HILLIARD: Hello. I was speaker number 3, but I

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1	would like speak again if it's all right with you?
2	PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, go ahead.
3	MR. HILLIARD: Thank you so much.
4	I just have a point to some of what the other
5	callers were talking about, and what the Commissioner
6	just asked about.
7	I do work for the Karuk tribe, and our communities
8	really do follow the Klamath River. So we're looking at
9	Modoc County, Siskiyou County, Humboldt County, and we
10	have people living in Del Norte County as well.
11	So there is an indigenous community connection down
12	the river, all the way from Klamath Falls, Oregon, to the
13	Pacific Ocean with salmon revitalization, river health,
14	fishing life, and all of that. So there isn't I heard
15	a lot about them not being connected across the top of
16	the state, and just wanted to point that out as well.
17	Thank you so much.
18	CHAIR YEE: Thank you.
19	PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.
20	I do invite those in the queue to please press star
21	9 on your telephone keypad. If you wish to make
22	community of interest input at this time, please press
23	star 9 on your telephone keypad.
24	Chair, it looks like we do not have any raised hands
25	at this time.

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CHAIR	YEE:	Okay.
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2	I think Commissioner Fernandez has a story for us.
3	COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes. So as many of my
4	fellow Commissioners know, and just for the audience out
5	there and those listening in, I am from a small farming
6	community in Yolo County, which is actually probably the
7	southernmost part of Yolo. And we often get forgotten of
8	being an agricultural community, because we're surrounded
9	by cities.
10	But anyways, so the high school that I went to, many
11	of you will not be able to relate to, but it was made up
12	of four different towns and we had a total of anywhere
13	from 300 to 400 students for the whole high school. So
14	we're a public high school, and needless to say, whenever
15	we went to playoffs or had to play against different
16	teams, we had to go north. So we would go all the way
17	the furthest north we went was to Siskiyou County, to
18	Weed. That was a four-hour drive for us.
19	And so we've traveled all over the place in terms of
20	all the different counties north of us; Colusa, Williams,
21	Arbuckle, Willows, Hamilton City, Quincy, Portola, Biggs,
22	Gridley, Oroville, Durham. And those towns were actually
23	bigger than our towns. So you know, we were always the

25 similarities between their towns and our towns, it just

smallest ones. But what I will say is, there is so much



1	felt at home. Comforting, just being surrounded by
2	agriculture, by the nature.
3	So I thank all the communities for being very
4	welcoming to us.
5	CHAIR YEE: Thank you so much, Commissioner
6	Fernandez.
7	PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Chair, it looks like we
8	do have a raised hand at this time.
9	CHAIR YEE: Very good.
10	PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Caller 0444, if you will
11	please follow the prompts and press star 6 to unmute.
12	Caller 0444, I have a couple of brief instructions for
13	you. Your speaker order number will be number 8, if you
14	will please make note of that for future reference. And
15	if you'll please let the mapper know what area you would
16	like to discuss today. The floor is yours.
17	MR. HAUPT: I'd like to discuss the northern part of
18	the state, District 1, from a federal representation
19	standpoint.
20	My name is Ray Haupt. I'm the current Board Chair
21	for Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors, and I represent
22	District 5.
23	The Commission should know that our commerce in this
24	area follows the I-5 corridor. We do a great deal of
25	business, both in the Redding area and particularly in



1 the Medford area. That's where the preponderance of the 2 healthcare is. That's where the preponderance of our 3 commerce goes. That's where our recreation folks come 4 into the area from. And we have not much in common with the western part of the state. 5 Once you reach the county line to the west, the 6 7 geography, because of the extraordinary travel times, is pretty much a communication barrier for us. It's three 8 9 hours from where I live in the middle of my district to 10 the edge of my district to the west, and another two and 11 a half to three hours from there to the coastal areas. 12 So linking us with the coast really doesn't serve us 13 well. Our issues are fire, as you heard from a previous 14 caller. All of our fire services come out of the Redding 15 area and Medford area. And our vegetation and national 16 forest issues are very similar, being in a wet -- excuse 17 me, being in a dry interior ecosystem compared to the wet 18 coastal systems to our west. 19 We also have those same boundaries with the 20 regulatory agencies in our area, both at the federal and 21 state level. And it doesn't make a whole lot of sense to 22 lump us in with the western counties to our west, 2.3 Humboldt or Del Norte. 24 And that's pretty much what I have to say today. 25 Caller, could you comment perhaps on CHAIR YEE:



1	Trinity County as well, and how that fits into your sense
2	of the coast versus where you are?
3	MR. HAUPT: The northern part of Trinity County and
4	the portion, until you get west of Weaverville some
5	distance, is very similar to us, and a lot of their
6	commerce is, of course, in the Redding area as well. My
7	district borders Trinity County, and I have a lot of
8	interface with the Weaverville area. And we do share
9	common issues and common goals in that area of Trinity
10	County. I don't have much contact with the westernmost
11	part of Trinity County.
12	CHAIR YEE: I see. Very good. Thank you.
13	MR. HAUPT: You're welcome.
14	PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.
15	And I invite those who have called in to please
16	press star 9 to raise your hand, indicating you wish to
17	comment. Please press star 9, indicating you wish to
18	comment.
19	We do not have any other callers at this time,
20	Chair.
21	CHAIR YEE: Thank you, Katy. Very good.
22	Any other Commissioner stories?
23	Commissioner Sinay.
24	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: I have a question for
25	Commissioner Fornaciari and others who have spent a lot



1	of time up here. If you had to plan a trip to the far
2	north, where would be the most amazing place to camp?
3	CHAIR YEE: Commissioner Fornaciari, take it away.
4	COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah, you're asking the
5	wrong person about camping. I'm not much of a camper.
6	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: I'm not either. So you can go
7	with a hotel.
8	COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Well, the hotel where you
9	stayed is a really nice hotel right by the Sundial
10	Bridge. And then you can check out the Turtle Bay right
11	there. We have spent a lot of time out on Lake Shasta,
12	either pontoon boating or out there fishing. It's really
13	beautiful.
14	I have to react to Commissioner Fernandez's comment
15	that she brought up the town called Hamilton City, which
16	is a really little, tiny town right on the river, just
17	it's in Glenn County, just right on the border of Butte,
18	just west of Chico. And we had some family friends
19	there.
20	I spent one summer, after I got out of the high
21	school, working on a farm out there, driving tractors and
22	doing all the farming stuff. And it was really, really,
23	really different than where I grew up obviously, right.
24	Working on the farm, plowing, chiseling, NH3.
25	And I wanted to just say hi to Butch. He's probably



1 not listening, but he's still there, so -- anyway. 2 CHAIR YEE: Thank you.

3 I would also like to encourage those in the far 4 north to think ahead ten years to when the third California Citizens Redistricting Commission will be 5 formed. And at that point, any registered voter in 6 7 California is eligible to apply. And sadly, the first two Commissions, both of them, the 2010 as well as us, 8 9 2020, we've had not had a Commissioner from the far 10 north. And that's really not good.

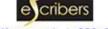
And so we'd love to have more applications ten years from now for the 2030 Commission, and hopefully get a Commissioner from the far north on that Commission.

14 If you think about it, ten years from now that 15 means, you know, an eight-year-old now could qualify. I 16 think you actually have to be registered for some number 17 of years. He may be not quite eight years old, and not 18 much older ten years from now, and will be qualified to 19 sit on this Commission.

So think ahead, and look into maybe giving a brief look at the qualifications to think about exactly how to line yourself up. Yeah, for instance you can't change your party registration for the five years prior to your application. And there are some rules about political contributions and things like that. But it would be



1	really great to have more applications from the far north
2	ten years from now, and to have a Commissioner from the
3	far north.
4	Any callers, Katy?
5	PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: I will invite those that
6	have called in to please press star 9, indicating they
7	wish to comment.
8	And Chair, we do not have any raised hands at this
9	time.
10	CHAIR YEE: Okay. Why don't we go to the five-
11	minute video at this time and come back after that.
12	(Whereupon, a recess was held)
13	CHAIR YEE: Welcome back to our community of
14	interest input meeting of the California Citizens
15	Redistricting Commission, focusing today on what we're
16	calling Zone B, which are the northeastern counties, the
17	far northern counties of northeastern California;
18	Siskiyou, Modoc, Shasta, Lassen, Tehama, Plumas, Glenn,
19	Colusa, and Modoc. Didn't I say Modoc? Counties, nine
20	counties. And we'd love to have your input on your
21	communities of interest.
22	And it looks like we have a caller. But Katy, if
23	you could give that caller further instructions.
24	PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: For those that have
25	called in, if you would like to comment at this time,



1	please press star 9.
2	We do not have any raised hands at this time, Chair.
3	CHAIR YEE: Thank you, Katy.
4	As always, we encourage Californians to get in touch
5	with us. You can always provide your community of
6	interest input through our map drawing tool online. It's
7	at drawmycacommunity.org; it's drawmycacommunity, all one
8	word, dot org.
9	And that tool is available not only in English, but
10	in 12 other languages, Spanish, simplified Chinese,
11	traditional Chinese, Vietnamese, Tagalog, Korean,
12	Armenian, Farsi, Arabic, Russian, Japanese, Punjabi,
13	Khmer, Hmong, and Thai. And tutorials for the mapping
14	tool are available in all those languages.
15	You can also find out about our work at our main
16	website, wedrawthelinesca.org, it's wedrawthelinesca, all
17	one word, dot org.
18	You can email us at votersfirstact, all one word,
19	votersfirstact@crc.ca.gov. It's
20	votersfirstact@crc.ca.gov.
21	Or you can actually write us, send us some snail
22	mail at California Citizens Redistricting Commission, 721
23	Capitol Mall, Suite 260; it's 721 Capitol Mall, Suite
24	260, Sacramento, California 95814; 95814.
25	For any of our meetings, interpretation is available



by request. The request must be submitted at least five
business days in advance. You can submit a request for
interpretation to interpreter.request. It's
interpreter.request@crc.ca.gov. Or make a note on the
community of interest appointment form, or call our
office at 916-323-0323. That's 916-323-0 sorry, 323-
0323.
Upcoming, we have a busy week. We have tomorrow,
Tuesday the 20th, at 4 p.m., we have another community of
interest input meeting focused on Alpine, Amador,
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We have another community of interest input meeting
on Thursday, the 22nd, at 4 p.m. That will be out
focused on Monterey, San Benito, San Luis Obispo, Santa
Barbara, Santa Cruz, and Ventura counties and surrounding
areas. Registration for that meeting closes on
tomorrow at tomorrow night.
And then there will be a third public input meeting
this week on Saturday, the 24th. That will be back in
Orange County focused. Registration for that meeting
closes Thursday at 5.
We also have a business meeting on Wednesday, the

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1 21st, at 4 p.m.

2	Again, all these different community of interest
3	input meetings, we have a geographical focus for each,
4	but that's not limiting to your input. You can call into
5	any meeting with your input about any part of California.
6	It looks like we have a caller, Katy?
7	PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, Chair, we do.
8	Caller 9516, if you will please follow the prompts
9	to unmute by pressing star 6. Caller 9516, you are
10	unmuted. I have a couple of brief instructions for you.
11	Your speaker order number will be number 9. If you will
12	please make note of that for future reference. And if
13	you'll please let the mapper know what area you would
14	like to discuss today. The floor is yours.
15	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi. I'm calling in from
16	Mount Shasta. And my area of interest is all of CD-1.
17	I hear a lot of people calling in today, talking
18	about how we need to be with people that are just like
19	us. And we don't want Humboldt, or we don't want
20	different places because they're different they have
21	different interests.
22	Where I live in this district, we have a high
23	poverty rate. We have a lot of food insecurity. We're
24	not doing that well economically. Maybe if we had a
25	representative that was representing Humboldt County, Del



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1	Norte County, from different areas with maybe some
2	different input, we could share that information, and get
3	something going to help us out economically.
4	I mean, just being all the same doesn't isn't
5	necessarily a benefit. You know, diversity and other
6	opinions and different things could be a plus for us.
7	So that's just my thoughts on it.
8	CHAIR YEE: Thank you, caller. Maybe you could say
9	more about so Del Norte and Humboldt you mentioned.
10	So a district with them and including where how far
11	east would you go?
12	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I mean, if we did the top of
13	the state and got just I mean, people say we don't
14	have anything in common with Humboldt County. Humboldt
15	County is very remote. I've driven through there.
16	That's very similar to what we're dealing with here, you
17	know, being far away from medical, just being far away
18	from a bigger city. So there are things that are in
19	common.
20	It's just, you know, agriculture, I keep hearing
21	people talk about. There's not all agriculture here.
22	There is not there's a lot of stuff besides
23	agriculture, and there needs to be more than just
24	agriculture if we if we want to, you know, be
25	successful here.

1	So I'm just thinking that the representative that
2	does have, you know, people that are doing different
3	things, maybe they could help us. I don't feel like we
4	get that much help from our representatives. Maybe they
5	can bring in some new ideas, share, and we could flourish
6	a little bit, you know.
7	I mean, you look at where we are economically, and
8	it's not it's not a great place. So I don't know that
9	just doing the same thing over and over is really a
10	positive.
11	CHAIR YEE: I see. Okay. Thank you so much.
12	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you.
13	PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: And that was all of our
14	callers at this time, Chair.
15	CHAIR YEE: Okay. Thank you, Katy.
16	PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: You're welcome.
17	CHAIR YEE: Any other Commissioner stories?
18	Commissioner Andersen.
19	COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: I don't have actually many
20	stories. But I was talking about the areas of camping
21	and hiking. And I know that all around Lassen is
22	everyone raves about it. You know, up through Grass
23	Valley and then going through on it though that area, and
24	further north and through areas of Modoc. You know, I
25	know people who are what I call, like, sort of long



1	distance hikers, and they'll for long stretches of
2	several actually several weeks, and backpack hiking
3	through these areas. And they just say there's nothing
4	better.
5	So that's not I'm not a remote camper so I can't
6	say I've done it myself. But the areas are, again,
7	spectacular, and the stories that come back are again,
8	the wildlife. And the people it's always we talk
9	about the wildlife. But the people you see, you know,
10	from the smaller towns. And the other people who are out
11	hiking are also from smaller towns.
12	It's a really nice way of life. Some beautiful
13	areas. So I think we all should go up and do something.
14	CHAIR YEE: Thank you.
15	At the Oakland Museum of California, it was in
16	their Natural Science Gallery, we actually featured two
17	areas of this region, Sutter Buttes and Mount Shasta.
18	And it's just such a dramatic landscape, of course,
19	across California and they are two very dramatic features
20	in that landscape. And we have an in-depth look at them
21	in our Natural Science Gallery.
22	PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: I would like to invite
23	those that have called in to please press star 9 on their
24	telephone keypad, indicating they wish to comment. To
25	those that have called in, please press star 9.



1	We do have a raised hand at this time. Caller 7743,
2	if you would please follow the prompts to unmute by
3	pressing star 6 on your telephone keypad. Caller 7743,
4	you are unmuted. I have a couple of brief instructions
5	for you. Your speaker order number will be number 10.
6	If you'll please make note of that for future reference.
7	And if you'll please let the mapper know what area you
8	would like to discuss today. With that, the floor is
9	yours.
10	MS. BAILEY: Trinity County's addition to the First
11	District.
12	MR. MANOFF: Thank you. Go ahead.
13	MS. BAILEY: So am I good to go then?
14	MR. MANOFF: Yes, you are. Go ahead please.
15	MS. BAILEY: Okay. So I'm a property owner in
16	Trinity County and lived there for many years. I fully
17	support the addition of Trinity County to the First
18	Assembly/Senate District. It's a natural fit. The
19	topography puts Trinity County in with the valley.
20	If you have to travel to go to a hospital, it's
21	naturally now especially, with the reorganization of
22	Buckhorn, it's so much easier to go down into Shasta to
23	get to a hospital. In fact, for all the major cities,
24	that's where they go, with the exception of Mad River and
25	Ruth. Weaverville, Hayfork all go down into the valley.



1	To be able to talk to a representative, Redding is a
2	much easier drive. In fact, 299 last year was closed for
3	several months, you know, intermittently because of the
4	slide. So it's just a natural progression; it fits.
5	I worked for Senator Onnested (ph.) when that
6	district was Trinity was included with the district,
7	and it was easy to represent them. I think they get
8	not that they haven't had good representation, but I just
9	think it's much easier on staff to travel up from the
10	Valley to Trinity County, rather than to have somebody
11	come all the way over from the coast.
12	And now these are my comments. My name is Nadine
13	Bailey (ph.), and my property address is in Hayfork on
14	Pine Street.
15	CHAIR YEE: So caller, when you speak of Trinity
16	County, are you thinking of the whole county or is there
17	a portion of the county you're thinking more specific?
18	MS. BAILEY: I could see, you know, if you it's
19	South Fork Mountain, if you want it to split from South
20	Fork Mountain and keep that in the that's a natural
21	geographic cutoff. The people of Ruth, Kettenpom, Zenia,
22	it would be much easier for them to go into Eureka. But
23	that the people from South Fork north it's much
24	easier for them to go into Redding.
25	CHAIR YEE: I see. That's helpful. Thank you so



1 much. 2 MS. BAILEY: You're welcome. PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: And that was all of our 3 4 callers at this time, Chair. 5 CHAIR YEE: Okay. Very good. Let's see. We do have a break coming up at 3:30. 6 7 Let's wait a couple more minutes for any callers. If

not, we'll probably go to that break a little early. 8

(Pause)

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PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Chair, would you like me 10 to read the short instructions briefly before break? 11 CHAIR YEE: Sure, let's do that. Thank you, Katy. 12 13 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: You're welcome.

14 The Commission is taking community of interest input 15 at this time. To give comment, please call 877-853-5247, 16 and enter the meeting ID number, 81591554673 for this 17 meeting. Once you have dialed in, please press star 9 to

18 enter the comment queue.

The full call-in instructions have been read 19 20 previously during this session and are provided in full 21 on the livestream landing page.

22 And at this time, Chair, we do not have any raised 23 hands.

24 CHAIR YEE: Okay. Let's give folks just a second in 25 case they want to jump in.



1	And it looks like they're not. So okay, why don't
2	we go ahead and go to break. And let's have a little
3	a few extra minutes. And why don't we come back at 3:40?
4	That'll be good? And when we come back, Commissioner
5	Sinay will be chairing.
6	(Whereupon, a recess was held)
7	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Hello. Welcome back, California,
8	to the California Citizens Redistricting Commission
9	community of input meeting.
10	Just a reminder, that as a Commission, we represent
11	all Californians, and all Californians are eligible to
12	participate in the redistricting process. There are
13	several ways that you can participate. You can provide
14	public input to the Commission at one of these meetings.
15	This is our first one in the far north. But we have
16	scheduled over the summer more than thirty of them, and
17	you're welcome to call in to any of them from any part of
18	California.
19	The community input meeting you can find the
20	information for other meetings at wedrawthelinesca.org
21	for more information on the meetings along with flyers.
22	And we ask that you tell a friend. You can also use the
23	community of interest mapping tool, which you can find at
24	drawmycacommunity.org; again, it's drawmycacommunity.org.
25	This online tool is available in English, Spanish,



1	simplified Chinese, traditional Chinese, Vietnamese,
2	Tagalog, Korean, Armenian, Farsi, Arabic, Russian,
3	Japanese, Punjabi, Khmer, Hmong, and Thai. Tutorials are
4	also available in these languages.
5	It is the best way to send us your narrative as well
6	as your map. It's easy to use, and it'll get us the
7	information the way we need it.
8	You can also go to our website at
9	wedrawthelinesca.org, and click on the drawmycommunity
10	icon. It'll get you to the online tool.
11	You can email us. We've received lots of emails
12	from the community. We thank you for them. And you can
13	email us to votersfirstact@crc.ca.gov.
14	Or go ahead and use snail mail. We'll still get it.
15	You can send it to California Citizens Redistricting
16	Commission, 721 Capitol Mall, Suite 260, Sacramento,
17	California 95814.
18	All these all these different ways that you can
19	submit communities of interest are created equal, or at
20	least we see them equal. So please do send us your
21	public input.
22	And Katy, I'm going to pass it over to you. Katy is
23	our comment moderator, and she will continue with the
24	public input. We will start with the people who are
25	registered, and then open the phone lines if there is



1 time before the next session. 2 Thank you, Katy. PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Afternoon, Chair. 3 We actually do not have any registered people for 4 5 this session. So I will begin with the phone instructions; is that correct, yes? Okay. 6 7 And also, am I doing -- we're just doing community of interest input at this time? 8 9 VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Yes, right now it's just 10 community of interest. Thank you. 11 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: All right. 12 In order to maximize transparency and public 13 participation in our process, the Commissioners will be 14 taking community of interest input by phone. To call in, 15 dial the telephone number provided on the livestream 16 feed. It is 877-853-5247. When prompted, enter the 17 meeting ID number provided on the livestream feed. It is 18 81591554673 for this meeting. When prompted to enter a 19 participant ID, simply press the pound key. 20 Once you have dialed in, you will be placed in a 21 queue. To indicate your wish to comment, please press 22 star 9. This will raise your hand for the moderator. 23 When it is your turn to speak, you will hear a 24 message that says, the host would like you to talk, and 25 to press star 6 to speak. If you would like to give your

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1 name, please state and spell it for the record. You are 2 not required to provide your name to give public comment. 3 Please make sure to mute your computer or livestream audio to prevent any feedback or distortion during your 4 5 call. Once you are waiting in the queue, be alert for when it is your turn to speak. And again, please, turn 6 7 down the livestream volume. And again, I invite those that have called in to 8 9 please press star 9 to raise your hand, indicating you wish to comment. 10 And we do not any raised hands at this time, Chair. 11 12 VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Thank you. 13 We are open to hearing from all of you. We do 14 realize that a lot is happening in the far north with the fires, and we wish you all to stay safe and healthy. 15 16 While we're waiting for callers, Commissioner 17 Fornaciari, I believe you went to college in the far 18 north, at Chico? 19 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yes, I did for a year. Т 20 had a great time. It was a lot of fun, 1981. So after a 21 year on -- or the summer working on the farm, I went to 22 Chico and -- actually I went up there for a year and a 23 half. So I went to Chico State for a year, and then I 24 went to Butte for a semester. I really love it up there. 25 It's really nice and fun. I hope we get to have a live

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1 meeting.

2	You know, anywhere up there, Chico would be great,
3	or you know, anywhere in the north of the state. It
4	just I wanted to comment on Commissioner Yee's comment
5	about geography. Mount Lassen, prior to Mount Saint
6	Helens erupting, Mount Lassen was the most recent
7	eruption of any of the Cascade Mountains.
8	And as you drive around northern Butte, Tehama,
9	Shasta County, you'll see large, large rocks just strewn
10	throughout the countryside out there from the eruption,
11	and miles and miles and miles of walls built from the
12	stones that blew out of the out of the volcano. So
13	it's really an interesting feature of the landscape up
14	there.
15	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Wow. And when Commissioner Yee
16	and I were doing one of our outreach calls, we spoke to a
17	woman who lived in the very, very, very far right, north
18	right-hand corner, in Modoc. She said, basically she was
19	a couple of blocks from the Oregon border, so it was just
20	really interesting to get her input on how to do outreach
21	and engagement. But she was telling us how they do most
22	of their shopping, most of everything in Oregon. But
23	they have to remind themselves that they're in
24	California.
25	So that was it was a nice reminder for someone

1	who lives closer to the yeah, to the west, where it
2	takes so long to get to other states.
3	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Commissioner Toledo, I'm guessing
4	you've been to the north far north with work?
5	COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: After working for a family
6	too, my nephew actually married a he's not that much
7	older than I, he's only six years older than I am. My
8	nephew actually married someone from Redding, and they
9	married out in Anderson in a beautiful little ranch. I
10	can't remember the name of the facility but it's a
11	beautiful ranch wedding venue in Anderson, and it was
12	amazing.
13	His wife is an attorney, and their family own a big
14	Mexican restaurant. It's, like, the oldest Mexican
15	restaurant up in Redding. I believe she was I don't
16	know if she still in the district attorney's office, but
17	she but at least she was; she may not be at this
18	point. But so it was a great just I had a lot of
19	opportunity to go up there.
20	And now that they have a baby I want to go up there
21	again. So I'm looking forward to our Redding, or to our
22	Shasta, northern California meeting. It'll give me an
23	excuse to go up and visit.
24	But also for work. You know, Shasta Community
25	Health Center is one of the of the best known



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1	community health centers in the country. And they
2	also the far north has been has developed
3	telemedicine in ways that other portions of the state
4	haven't needed to.
5	So they've been very innovative, and had to be
6	because of the lack of medical services up there. So in
7	order to get specialty care, many folks have to travel
8	down to the Bay Area or Sacramento region, or elsewhere.
9	And so they've developed the most amazing telehealth
10	network, and are far beyond anything we were doing in
11	Sonoma County.
12	But so there is always a lot of learning. We've
13	traveled all over the north, visiting community health
14	centers. I always, you know, a quarter of the state gets
15	their care at a community health center. But when you go
16	travel up to the north, the farther up it gets closer to
17	fifty, sixty, seventy percent, especially in some of
18	these smaller communities that are dependent on their
19	community clinic.
20	And so I certainly have had the opportunity to work
21	with many of the Indian clinics and the federally
22	qualified health centers, and the rural health clinics up
23	in these areas that serve a lot of the many depressed
24	areas, but also some of the not so depressed areas, you
25	know, of the region.

1	So it's a lovely, beautiful area. I've always
2	enjoyed traveling up in those regions. I'm not doing it
3	was much anymore. But I it's just beautiful. We
4	always try to do back then I would try to camp and
5	everyone would go up there. We'd go camping and try to
6	visit some of the parks that are the state and
7	national parks up there. But you know, nowadays, I think
8	I'd rather stay in a hotel, and go, like, drive into to
9	the park and spend the day and go back.
10	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: That's great.
11	There are two callers. I just wanted to ask, and
12	then I saw you, Commissioner Andersen. I did want to
13	ask, Commissioner Toledo, when you said Anderson City.
14	Is that S-E-N or S-O-N?
15	COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: It has an E in it, S-E-N.
16	COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: No, it's an S-O-N, sorry.
17	COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I always thought it had an E
18	in it. I thought it was an E. Commissioner Andersen
19	would know this better than I would. I thought it had an
20	E.
21	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Katy, can you repeat the
22	instructions, please?
23	PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, Chair.
24	The Commission will now take community of interest
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9	indicating you wish to comment.
10	And we do have a raised hand at this time. Caller
11	4365, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute by
12	pressing star 6. Caller And we do have a raised hand at
13	this time. Caller 4365, you are unmuted. I have a
14	couple of brief instructions for you. Your speaker order
15	number will be number 11. If you'll please make note of
16	that for future reference. And if you'll let the mapper
17	know what area you would like to discuss today. The
18	floor is yours.
19	MR. CROWDER: Butte County.
20	MR. MANOFF: Thank you. Go ahead please.
21	MR. CROWDER: Yes, good afternoon. My name is Steve
22	Crowder, and I'm the Mayor of Paradise. And since our
23	town was destroyed by the Camp Fire, we built even a
24	closer bond than before with our neighbors of Yuba,
25	Sutter, Glenn, and Tehama counties. They all came to our

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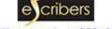
1	aid after the fire to offer our residents' shelter, food,
2	clothing, and anything else we needed. They've helped us
3	with our ability to rebuild, and they're still continuing
4	to help today.
5	As we're now experiencing the Dixie Fire, it just
6	resonates with us in our minds, how important it is to
7	still have that familiar family stand strong, and once
8	again give us comfort in our time of needs. And our
9	community just does not want a change in our partners.
10	We've experienced enough in the last two-and-a-half
11	years, and we would just like to remain with tried, true,
12	and familiar partners.
13	And thank you for your time.
14	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Thank you so much for calling in.
15	PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you.
16	And I will invite those who have not shared today,
17	that have called in, to please press star 9, indicating
18	they wish to comment at this time.
19	Chair, we do not have any raised hands at this time.
20	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Okay. Well, I just wanted to let
21	everybody know that we have a busy week coming up. The
22	truth is, we have a busy summer.
23	We have three more communities of public input
24	meetings with one tomorrow, Tuesday July 20th, at 4 p.m.,
25	focused on Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, Inyo, Mariposa,



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1	Mono, Tuolumne, and their surrounding areas.
2	Registration has already closed, but you may call in to
3	give your input.
4	We have a second community of input meeting on
5	Thursday, July 22nd, at 4 p.m., focused on Monterey, San
6	Benito, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz, and
7	Ventura, and their surrounding areas, with registration
8	closing tomorrow night.
9	Our third upcoming community of interest public
10	input meeting will be Saturday, July 24th, focused on my
11	neighbors to the north, the Orange County, and its
12	surrounding areas. Registration for the Saturday meeting
13	closes Thursday at 5 p.m.
14	Our next business meeting will be in two days on
15	Wednesday, July 21st, at 4 p.m. You're not required to
16	make an appointment to provide input at our communities
17	of interest meeting; however, it is recommended. You can
18	also call in the day of the meeting.
19	At this time, our meetings are still held virtually.
20	So anyone in California can provide input. Please go to
21	our website at wedrawthelinesca.org for meeting
22	information. Again, it's wedrawthelinesca.org for
23	meeting information.
24	For us, it's really important to make language
25	accessibility's important to us, so please do call if you



1	need interpretation and let us know. You can call us a
2	916-323-0323, or you can send an email to
3	interpreter.request@crc.ca.gov. Or on the community of
4	interest meeting appointment form, you can mention it
5	there.
6	We do require five business days that you submit
7	it five business days prior to when you need it.
8	Katy, do we have any folks right now?
9	PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We do, Chair.
10	Caller 9128 has chosen to raise their hand. If
11	you'll please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing
12	star 6. Caller 9128, you are unmuted. I have a couple
13	of brief instructions for you. Your speaker order number
14	will be number 12. If you'll please make note of that
15	for future reference. And if you'll please let the
16	mapper know what area you would like to discuss today.
17	The floor is yours.
18	MR. KOBSEFF: The area is Siskiyou, Modoc, Lassen,
19	Shasta, and Trinity Counties.
20	MR. MANOFF: Thank you. Go ahead, please.
21	MR. KOBSEFF: Yes. These northern California
22	communities of Modoc, Siskiyou, Trinity, and Shasta,
23	we're very tightly knitted together. We have similar
24	demographics and governance issues in that we coordinate
25	and work very closely on different types of issues that



1	can deal with fire, forestry management, watershed, water
2	issues. We also share Caltrans districts, U.S. Forest
3	Service districts. We even share healthcare
4	collaboratives as well.
5	My name is Michael Kobseff. I'm Siskiyou County
6	Supervisor from District 3, and just wanted to voice my
7	support for these five counties four counties, excuse
8	me to continue to be in the same district.
9	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Could I ask you a repeat?
10	Because I think you did say five counties originally, and
11	then you said four counties so just so that we're all
12	on the same page.
13	MR. KOBSEFF: We have Modoc, Siskiyou, Trinity,
14	Shasta oh, excuse me, Lassen County. There is five.
15	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Okay. Great. We just want to
16	make sure we heard you correctly. Thank you so much.
17	MR. KOBSEFF: Okay. Thank you.
18	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Please tell a friend to call in.
19	PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.
20	And at this time, Chair, that's all our raised
21	hands.
22	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Okay. I keep forgetting I'm
23	Chair now.
24	Anybody else have anything to oh, yes. I
25	forgot Commissioner Andersen, I'm sorry. And it's

1 S-E-N.

2	COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah, it's an S-E-N. No
3	offense. I met some great high school students from
4	well now in the college, from the town of Anderson. But
5	I did give them a hard time for not knowing how to spell
6	their name. But that aside, I also had a work story,
7	which also Commissioner Toledo reminded me of.
8	In Shasta, the building departments, if you need
9	for those who don't design buildings for a living, you
10	have to get still loads from the local districts,
11	typically. And in Shasta County, you actually you
12	can't email up there. You actually must fax your
13	information in. And the reason is, if they go what
14	are they doing? No, it's that they're backward. It's
15	that that way they have equal access for all of those who
16	do not have broadband accessibility, which brings up an
17	issue with, unfortunately, how do you reach people who to
18	no fault of their own whatsoever do not have email
19	ability.
20	But in Shasta, the building department, you fax it
21	in. So it's just another quick lesson in the differences
22	in our state.
23	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Absolutely. And these are some
24	of the barriers that we have to think about as a
25	redistricting commission, and really appreciate having



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1	conversations with local organizations and civic leaders
2	who helped us think through some of the challenges.
3	And also, I would like to give a shoutout to all
4	those that were part of the redistricting sorry, we're
5	redistricting of the census effort, Census 2020,
6	because they were able to inspire us and give us advice
7	and support in our thinking. So thank you to them.
8	And you know, we're always open to more ideas of how
9	we can reach and engage other people. My Commissioners
10	laugh when I say tell a friend, but I do end all my
11	presentations with, tell at least ten friends. Because
12	we do want to hear from as many people as we can in
13	California. Everyone in California who lives in
14	California, is eligible to participate.
15	Anyone like to share?
16	If you if the public hasn't noticed, we are very
17	excited to maybe have the opportunity to get out and to
18	see California. When we first started, we all kind of
19	admitted that one of the things that attracted us to
20	serving the State of California in this way, was the
21	opportunity to meet Californians from throughout the
22	state, and being such a large and diverse state, and
23	seeing the different parts of California.
24	We have had all our meetings virtually. We've
25	gotten to know each other via Zoom meetings. And we



1	enjoy these opportunities to share stories, because it's
2	our way of getting to know each other as well. But we're
3	also looking forward to seeing each other and being in
4	person, not just with the Commissioners and staff, but
5	also you, the people of California.
6	I don't Katy, we don't have anyone, right?
7	PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: That's right, Chair. We
8	do not have any callers at this time.
9	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Okay. Why don't we go to a five-
10	minute video?
11	(Whereupon, a recess was held)
12	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Welcome back, everybody.
13	Katy, can you give instructions on how to call in?
14	PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, Chair.
15	The Commission is now taking community of interest
16	input by phone. To give comment, please call 877-853-
17	5247 and enter the meeting ID number 81591554673 for this
18	meeting. Once you have dialed in, please press star 9 to
19	enter the comment queue. The full call-in instructions
20	have been read previously in this session and are
21	provided in full on the livestream landing page.
22	And we do not have any raised hands at this time,
23	Chair.
24	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Okay. Thank you.
25	So on Friday the Olympics begin. And you know, it's

1	going to be a very interesting Olympics because they
2	don't have yeah, fans won't be allowed in and such.
3	But I find that people always have a favorite Olympic
4	sport, and always have a favorite Olympic memory. So is
5	any of my fellow Commissioners willing to share what
6	their favorite Olympic sport is?
7	Nobody has a favorite sport? I know Commissioner
8	Yee does.
9	CHAIR YEE: Wow, well, there is winter and there's
10	summer. So that's a lot to think about. But one thing
11	about the Summer Olympics is, of course, that's when
12	track and field is, and that's when the marathon is run.
13	And you'll notice that the Olympic marathon times are
14	never anywhere close to the world record marathon times.
15	And it's basically because summer is too hot to run a
16	marathon.
17	They should really have the marathons during the
18	Winter Olympics; forty-five, fifty degrees is perfect for
19	running long distance. I don't know, may we'll see if
20	that happens someday. But yeah, to run in eighty, ninety
21	degrees, that's crazy. Nobody would do that if they had
22	a choice.
23	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: I mean, that's a well, it's
24	also it's Summer and Winter Olympic based on the northern
25	hemisphere because of the summer. Yeah, the summer



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1	hemisphere is the opposite.
2	But that's a great point, and I wouldn't have
3	thought of that. So thanks for sharing it, Commissioner
4	Yee.
5	I'm excited because skateboarding is one of the new
6	sports in this year's Olympics. And one of my daughter's
7	volleyball teammate is on the Olympic team. And I guess
8	there's, like, two or three former students from her high
9	school who are also on the team. So they're very excited
10	to watch and cheer for their peers.
11	Anybody else how about a favorite Olympic memory?
12	How many of you remember getting the Dorothy Hamill
13	haircut? Well considering there is always
14	Commissioner you didn't do it, Commissioner Andersen
15	or Commissioner Fernandez? I got the Dorothy Hamill cut.
16	Okay, you did. Okay.
17	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: So yes, I did wear all the short
18	hairstyles at different times in my life yes, including
19	that one. But yeah, I must admit, I did a lot of Olympic
20	watching.
21	One thing though, which is different this year, is
22	again the Olympics are going to be back not the
23	Olympics. In the Olympics this time will be softball,
24	which my daughter played competitive softball, and was
25	very thrilled when it first entered. And it was later



1	eliminated because America kept on winning. Except the
2	last year of it was when Japan won. And so this year
3	that it's back in Japan, softball is back in. So we'll
4	see for how long. But that's a different one.
5	And our family has always and also enjoyed some
6	of the winter ones. But it's the I don't know the
7	name of it, but it's when they're skiing and dropping
8	down and shooting the rifles, and then they're getting up
9	again. You see them, like, knock each other over because
10	they're trying to put the rifle back on their back and
11	take off. You know, it's one of the Nordic ones, but
12	very interesting, very interesting.
13	And of course luge, that's marvelous.
14	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: True. Anybody else have a good
15	memory from the Olympics? I always liked the Olympics.
16	It's just amazing what the young women can do, and the
17	young man can do in gymnastics. It just seems to get
18	more and more complex, and more beautiful. And my
19	daughter was doing gymnastics for a while, and it was
20	just so inspirational for her to watch all of it.
21	One of my favorite Olympic memories just popped up
22	the other day. My son must have been, like, five, and he
23	asked my daughter, who was seven, and they were watching
24	the Olympics. And my son asked my daughter, when I'm in
25	the World Cup, are you going to watch me play? And my



daughter said, yes, of course, I'm going to watch you
play and cheer you on. He said good, because I'm going
to cheer you on when you're in the Olympics.
You know, just that being young and thinking that
you can do anything. Neither of them are heading to
either one of those two world-class sporting events, and
let the
I think we don't have any new callers, right?
PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: That's right, Chair.
There are no hands at this time.
VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Okay.
Why don't we go to the twenty-minute video?
(Whereupon, a recess was held)
VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Welcome back. I hope you enjoyed
the video.
I am at this point, Katy can you just read the
instructions in case we have new folks?
PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, Chair.
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1	And we do not have any raised hands at this time,
2	Chair.
3	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Okay. Thank you.
4	I do want to remind everyone to visit our website at
5	wedreawthelinesca.org; again, wedrawthelinesca.org, where
6	you can sign up for our emails to learn more about the
7	Commission meetings, updates, and announcements.
8	Also please connect with us on social media. We are
9	on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, LinkedIn, and YouTube.
10	And our handle is @wedrawthelinesca.
11	And its this is it's great to connect with us
12	in all these different ways so you can know when our next
13	meetings are, as well as when we will, and if we can,
14	come to you live.
15	So again, there is other ways to participate. You
16	can attend one of our meetings. You can use our
17	community of interest mapping tool, which is found at
18	drawmycacommunity.org; again, drawmycacommunity.org. The
19	online tool is available in English, Spanish, simplified
20	Chinese, traditional Chinese, Vietnamese, Tagalog,
21	Korean, Armenian, Farsi, Arabic, Russian, Japanese,
22	Punjabi, Khmer, Hmong, and Thai. Tutorials are also
23	available in those languages.
24	Something our fellow Commissioners may not know,
25	Commissioner Yee, that we learned in our outreach effort,



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1	is that there is a large Hmong community in the far
2	north, and we would it would be great to hear from
3	that community as well.
4	And of course, there is a lot of Spanish speakers in
5	the far north as well as different tribal communities, as
6	Commissioner Yee had mentioned earlier.
7	This is a really busy week for us all. And we hope
8	that you join us on some of our other meetings this week.
9	We have three more community of interest public input
10	meetings with one tomorrow, Tuesday, July 20th, at 4
11	p.m., focused on Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, Inyo,
12	Mariposa, Mono, Tuolumne, and their surrounding areas.
13	Registration has already closed. But you can call in,
14	just like you can into our meeting right now, to give
15	your input.
16	We have a second community of interest input meeting
17	on Thursday, July 22nd, at 4 p.m. And that one is
18	focused on Monterey, San Benito, San Luis Obispo, Santa
19	Barbara, Santa Cruz, Ventura, and the surrounding areas,
20	with registration closing tomorrow night.
21	Our third upcoming community of interest public
22	input meeting will be Saturday, July 24th, focused on
23	Orange County and its surrounding area. Registration for
24	the Saturday meeting closes Thursday at 5 p.m.
25	Our next business meeting will be in two days, on

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2	You're not required to make an appointment to
3	provide input at these communities of interest meetings;
4	however, it is recommended. But you can also call in the
5	day of the meeting.
6	I encourage you to share these dates and times with
7	your friends and your communities, and we define I
8	define communities as those people you live, work, play,
9	learn, pray, and celebrate, and protest with. Share with
10	them this opportunity to participate in the redistricting
11	process.
12	As I said, at the time at currently we're still
13	doing these meetings virtually. So anyone can call in to
14	any of these meetings and give us your input. And you
15	can go to our website wedrawthelinesca.org for meeting
16	information.
17	Katy, do we have anyone right now?
18	PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We do not, Chair.
19	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Okay.
20	I wanted to share just a couple of things. Sulma,
21	one of our staff members, she was curious, so she got me
22	curious on more of learning more about the far north.
23	And I was looking up just counties in general.
24	And one of the things that, you know, when people
25	think of California, especially outside of California,



1	even when you go to foreign countries and Commissioner
2	Kennedy, you could probably speak to this. When you say
3	California, they've got their image of what California
4	is. It is usually either beaches or San Francisco.
5	But the truth is, only sixteen counties in
6	California have more than 500,000 residents. Most of our
7	counties are smaller than half a million. And in the far
8	north, the counties that we are focusing on today, there
9	are one, two, three, four four out of the top ten
10	small counties are in this area. So Modoc is number 3,
11	Trinity number 4, and then we've got Plumas and Colusa
12	County as well.
13	And so it's great to get that perspective of how
14	many different counties and how different California is
15	on the whole.
16	Which one of our counties is the largest? Who
17	knows?
18	Yes, Commissioner Yee.
19	CHAIR YEE: I was going to try and make it L.A. but
20	I couldn't get it back.
21	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: L.A. is the largest. And which
22	one is our smallest county in California?
23	Yes, Commissioner Andersen. What did you say,
24	Commissioner Kennedy?
25	COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Being population wise it's
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1 Alpine. 2 VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Yes, population wise it's Alpine. 3 Very good. I should just -- yeah, we should just create a whole 4 5 list of trivia for California. By the end, we can all become even more of experts. But yes, Alpine is the 6 7 smallest and Los Angeles is the largest. It's interesting, because I think when we get the 8 9 final numbers, that number 2 and number 3 may change. 10 Right now, the numbers I looked at quickly said San Diego 11 and then Orange County, and then --12 But I think that it'll be interesting to see when we 13 do get the census numbers, where everything -- where it 14 all ends up falling. They're very close in population 15 size. 16 Katy, can you ask for -- give the instructions for 17 both public comments as well as community of interest? 18 Thank you. 19 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Absolutely, Chair.

In order to maximize transparency and public In order to maximize transparency and public participation in our process, the Commissioners will be taking community of interest and general public comment for items not on the agenda at this time. To call in, dial the telephone number provided on the livestream feed. It is 877-853-5247. When prompted, enter the



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5	queue. To indicate your wish to comment, please press
6	star 9. This will raise your hand for the moderator.
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8	message that says, the host would like you to talk, and
9	to press star 6 to speak. If you would like to give your
10	name, please state and spell it for the record. You are
11	not required to provide your name to give public comment.
12	Please make sure to mute your computer or livestream
13	audio to prevent any feedback or distortion during your
14	call. Once you are waiting in the queue, be alert for
15	when it is your turn to speak. And again, please, turn
16	down the livestream volume.
17	And we do not have any raised hands at this time,
18	Chair.
19	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Okay.
20	Commissioner Kennedy, what are some of the questions
21	you've received internationally about California?
22	COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: That's a tough question. I
23	mean, a lot of my well, some of my international work
24	was done before I moved to California. I moved here in
25	the middle of working in Afghanistan, when we had our



1 holiday break.

2	I think people have really a not a good sense of
3	how large California is. Because they'll be, like, you
4	know, I've been to San Francisco, and you're trying to
5	tell them that, you know, that's an eight-hour drive or
6	more from Los Angeles. It just doesn't that's not in
7	their frame of reference.
8	And you know, if we were going to drive up to
9	Redding from Los Angeles, that would be quite a journey.
10	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: It's a long flight being the
11	same.
12	I remember, when Californians visited me in
13	Washington, D.C., they were always like, we just went
14	into another state, wait we just popped into another
15	state. Because you know, Virginia, Maryland, you know,
16	they're all right there. It just amazed them. Even
17	though not all of California is far from other state
18	boundaries as we learned from Modoc, any okay, I'm
19	thinking great. Anybody else have interesting
20	experiences where you tell people that you're from
21	California? Yes, Commissioner Andersen I mean,
22	Commissioner Fernandez.
23	COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Thank you. I forget when
24	I'm in the office I can't use my laptop.
25	I've been fortunate to travel to different parts of

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the country, which has been great. And when they ask where I'm from, I'll say California. And they'll give me a name. Oh, do you know such and such person? I'm like, do you realize there's forty million people in California? So they think that you're automatically are going to know everyone in California, so. It's kind of funny. But it's great. At least they know where we are. And whatever stereotypes or images they have of us, at least they know, you know, they know what California is, and they have some sort of image of us, which is great. But I did want to tell you about I had been raising my hands many times with Commissioner Yee, but he didn't see me. I probably blended into the background. In terms of camping, Commissioner Sinay, so next time you're, I think it's in Shasta, we went to Hat Creek. And my youngest son was probably under ten at the time, and it was the first time he went fishing. And it's an absolutely great place to take, if you have young children, because they stock the creeks. So it was great fishing for the kids. And that was his first introduction, and he caught I think, like eight or nine, so he was literally hooked. You know, sorry for the But once we came home he had to buy a fishing pole.		
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	24	But once we came home he had to buy a fishing pole,
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1	live, there is a lot of we're right on the Sacramento
2	River, so there's different sloughs. So fortunately
3	where we do live it is out in the middle of nowhere, even
4	though it's ten miles from Sacramento.
5	That summer, he would get on his ride and get on
6	his bike, and go to the different sloughs to go fishing.
7	So I have really wonderful memories of Hat Creek, just
8	his introduction and love to fishing.
9	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Does he still fish?
10	COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Well, he is a college boy
11	now, so. He hasn't fished in a few years, but he still
12	kind of is interested in it, but is interested in more of
13	college life right now. But I have a feeling, as he gets
14	older and maybe he has a family of his own, I'm thinking
15	that he'll get back into it.
16	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: That was great.
17	Commissioner Yee, do you know the history of the far
18	north? Do you have any sort of
19	CHAIR YEE: Not as much as I'd like to. But one
20	interesting matter is just the whole question of how the
21	eastern border got set where it is. Besides Lake Tahoe,
22	there is not really an actual natural feature that would
23	be an obvious place to set a border.
24	So it turns out it actually was set at the first
25	California Constitutional Convention, which was something



1	that the then-provisional government threw together,
2	because they were just tired of waiting on the federal
3	government. And they had no actual legal basis on which
4	they called the convention, but they did, in Monterey.
5	And they decided, among other things, on the eastern
6	border that we have now. It actually stuck. But there
7	were many different proposals, wildly different,
8	including some that just went all the way to Utah. It
9	was just crazy.
10	There was also some expectation that the state would
11	eventually be divided again after the matter of slavery
12	was settled nationally. But because of the Civil War it
13	just never came up again. And that's why we ended up
14	with such a big state. It never got divided.
15	But there was just a lot of back and forth about
16	where these eastern border should be, how much to
17	include. Eventually, it was decided to sort of follow
18	the Pacific Coast, you know, so the state would be
19	generally the same width all the way from top to bottom,
20	and include as much of the good farmlands, you know, as
21	possible.
22	They were just all worried about things like, well,
23	if we put the border right on the Sierra Nevadas, then
24	fugitives can cross easily and escape our grasp. And all
25	these kinds of things, you know. But it's just



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1	remarkable that commission actually did come to a
2	decision, and that that decision has stuck all this time,
3	so.
4	Some of the history is tragic up north, especially
5	the Native American history where some of the last so-
6	called Indian Wars took place up there, Modoc County,
7	Tulelake. Tulelake also became one of the sites for a
8	World War II Japanese internment camp. So it's just a
9	really a unfortunately, there was a lot of tragedy
10	there.
11	But of course, the communities there are still
12	pursuing lives, and renewal, and trying to develop, and
13	do well in the present, so. I would love to see it. I
14	would love to go visit and maybe with the Commission, and
15	even not with the Commission on some days, you know, get
16	up there.
17	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Definitely agree with that. I
18	was going to
19	Can you, Katy, just read the short instructions, one
20	last time?
21	PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Absolutely, Chair.
22	The Commission is now taking community interest
23	input and general public comment for items not on the
24	agenda at this time. To give comment, please call 877-
25	853-5247 and enter the meeting ID number 81591554673 for

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1	this meeting. Once you have dialed in, please press star
2	9 to enter the comment queue. The full call-in
3	instructions have been read previously in this session
4	and are provided in full on the livestream landing page.
5	And we do not have any raised hands at this time,
6	Chair.
7	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Great. Let's just rest for two
8	minutes to see if anyone calls in.
9	(Pause)
10	VICE-CHAIR SINAY: I just want to remind everyone
11	that the best way to keep in touch with us is to sign up
12	for our emails. And you can do that at our website,
13	wedrawthelinesca.org.
14	You can also follow us on social media. We're on
15	Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, LinkedIn, and YouTube, and
16	our handle is @wedrawthelinesca.
17	And I want to thank everyone who did participate
18	today. It's been really informative for all of us, and
19	we really appreciate, considering everything that's going
20	on in your communities, that you found some time and
21	engaged. I know not every community throughout the far
22	north is battling fires right now. But everybody does
23	have busy schedules. So we thank you so much for
24	participating today.
25	As I mentioned earlier, we have three upcoming

1	communities of interest public input meetings this week.
2	Tomorrow, Tuesday, July 20th, at 4 p.m., we'll be
3	focused on Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, Inyo, Mariposa,
4	Mono, Tuolumne, and their surrounding areas.
5	And a second community of interest input meeting on
6	Thursday, July 22nd, at 4 p.m. And we're focused on
7	Monterey, San Benito, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara,
8	Santa Cruz, Ventura, and their surrounding areas.
9	And our third one for the week will be on Saturday,
10	July 24th shoutout to my husband; that's his
11	birthday focused on Orange County and its surrounding
12	areas.
13	Our next business meeting will be in two days on
14	Wednesday, July 21st, at 4 p.m. So you can hang out with
15	us today, tomorrow, the next day, the day after, and then
16	Saturday. And we would love to have you at all of them.
17	You are even though we say that we're focusing on
18	specific counties, anybody in California can call to any
19	of the sessions that we to any of the sessions.
20	You can visit our meeting page at our website. It
21	lists all the additional upcoming communities of interest
22	meetings, as well as flyers in Spanish, and English, and
23	sometimes in other languages as well.
24	You can visit again, our website is
25	wedrawthelinesca.org, and if you'll go to the meeting



1 tab, you'll see all -- you'll see meetings that are 2 coming up, meetings that have passed. 3 All right. Do we have someone in the queue? 4 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We do not have any raised 5 hands at this time, Chair. VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Okay. Do you want to give 6 7 quickly the instructions for raised hands? PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: I will do that. 8 9 For those that have called in, if you would like to 10 make comment, please press star 9. 11 And we do not have any raised hands at this time, 12 Chair. 13 VICE-CHAIR SINAY: Thank you. 14 All right. Well, with that then, I am going to 15 adjourn this meeting. We have many more meetings this 16 week. And I hope that you all will join us at another 17 meeting this week. Or go use our tool, which is online. 18 And you can find it at wedraw -- no, forget it. You can 19 find it at wedrawthelinesca.org, or you go directly to 20 the tool, which is drawmycacommunity.org. 21 With that, I want to thank everybody for 22 participating today, especially my fellow Commissioners. 2.3 It was a joy to see you today and start my week off with 24 you. Have a great evening. 25 (Whereupon, the COI Input Meeting adjourned.)

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