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CHAIR KENNEDY: Good morning, everyone. Welcome and thank you for joining us for today's California citizens redistricting commission communities of interest input meeting. This one is focusing on Riverside and San Bernardino Counties. Please note that we will be happy to take calls focusing on other areas of the state as well.

I'm Commissioner Ray Kennedy. I'll be co-chairing today's meeting along with Commissioner Le Mons.

And I would ask our commission secretary, Mr. Singh, to call the roll, please?

MR. SINGH: Thank you. Commissioner Le Mons?

VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: Here.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Sadhwani?

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Here.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Sinay?

COMMISSIONER SINAY: Here.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Taylor?

COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Present.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Toledo?

Commissioner Turner?

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Present.

MR. SINGH: Thank you. Commissioner Turner?
Commissioner Vazquez?

COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Here.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Yee?

COMMISSIONER YEE: Here.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Ahmad?

COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Here.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Akutagawa?

Commissioner Andersen?

COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Here.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Fernandez?

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Here.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Fornaciari?

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Here.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Kennedy?

CHAIR KENNEDY: Here.

MR. SINGH: Roll call is complete.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Ravindar. I'll start by sharing a little bit about the Commission. Every ten years after the federal government publishes updated census information, California must redraw the boundaries of its congressional, State Senate, state assembly, and State Board of Equalization Districts so that the districts correctly reflect the state's population.

In 2008, California voters authorized the creation of the Commission when they passed the Voters FIRST Act.
The act authorized the Commission to draw the new
district lines for State Senate, state assembly, and
State Board of Equalization Districts. Later, in 2010,
the Voters FIRST Act for Congress added the
responsibility of drawing congressional districts to the
Commission's mandate.

The fourteen-member Commission is made up of five
Republicans, five Democrats, and four not affiliated with
either of those two parties. The Commissioners were
selected following a yearlong application review process,
with the first eight members having been selected by
random draw, and the six remaining Commissioners being
selected by the first eight.

The Commission must draw the district lines in
conformity with strict, nonpartisan rules set out in the
state constitution designed to create districts of
relatively equal population that will provide fair
representation for all Californians. One of those rules
is minimizing the division of counties, cities,
neighborhoods, and communities of interest to the extent
possible.

We can obtain the city and county information from
those jurisdictions, but we need the neighborhood and
communities of interest information from Californians
directly. That's why we've launched these communities of
interest public input sessions to get that valuable
information from you directly. We encourage all
Californians to participate in these sessions. If you
would rather submit communities of interest input over
the internet, you can do so from our website or by
visiting DrawMyCACommunity.org. Skip the line, go
online.

Now, I'll call on my fellow Commissioners to
introduce themselves and to say hello. To see the
biographies for all fourteen Commissioners, for
additional information on the redistricting process, or
to sign up for our updates, please visit our website at
WeDrawTheLinesCA.org. Please also follow us on social
media. You can find us on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter,
LinkedIn, and YouTube at WeDrawTheLinesCA. There, you'll
find a lot of useful information about redistricting, and
updates from the Commission.

So we'll start with my co-Chair, Commissioner Le
Mons.

VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: Good morning, California. I am
Commissioner Antonio Le Mons. I reside in Southern
California, and I'm looking forward to hearing all of
your community of interest input today. Welcome.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Commissioner Le Mons.

Commissioner Ahmad?
COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Hi, everyone. My name's Isra Ahmad, and I'm excited to hear all of your input today.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Commissioner Ahmad.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Hi, good morning, everyone. Looking forward to hearing what you have to say about your communities of interest.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Commissioner Akutagawa.

COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Good morning, California. My name is Jane Andersen. I actually live in Northern California. And I'm really looking forward to hearing from -- getting community input.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Commissioner Andersen.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Good morning, everyone. I'm Commissioner Alicia Fernandez, and I'm very excited to hear about the wonderful communities you're going to share with us today.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Commissioner Fernandez.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Good morning, California. My name's Neal Fornaciari. I'm coming to you from the not-too-hot-today Tracy, California. Thank you for
joining us, and I look forward to hearing your input.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Commissioner Fornaciari.

Commissioner Sadhwani?

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Good morning, California.

I'm very excited to be here. I'm calling in today from Pasadena. I'm looking forward to hearing more about the communities in San Bernardino and Riverside.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Commissioner Sadhwani.

Commissioner Sinay?

COMMISSIONER SINAY: (In Spanish).

Good morning, California. We're really happy to be here, and really interested in hearing about your communities.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Commissioner Sinay. Muchas gracias.

Commissioner Taylor?

COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Good morning, everyone. I share in my fellow Commissioner's excitement about your community input; we welcome it, we encourage it, and we hope we inspire it. So look forward to your comments.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Commissioner Taylor.

Commissioner Toledo?

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Good morning, California. I reside in Petaluma, California. I'm looking forward to hearing about your communities of interest. Thank you.
CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Commissioner Toledo.
Commissioner Turner?
Commissioner Vazquez?

COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Good morning, California.
I'm very excited to be here today. I'm calling in from Los Angeles, California, but I'm super excited today because I'm originally from the 909. I am an I-E girl at heart, so I'm very excited to hear about your communities of interest.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Excellent. Thank you, Commissioner Vazquez.

Commissioner YEE.

COMMISSIONER YEE: Good morning, California. I'm Russell Yee, in my hometown of Oakland. I'm here to learn about San Bernardino and Riverside counties, especially, and anywhere else that Californians are calling in from today to share about their communities of interest.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Commissioner Yee.

Again, I'm Ray Kennedy. I live in Morongo Valley, one of the rural Joshua Tree gateway communities in San Bernardino County. I moved here a little over a year ago after living in Palm Springs for fifteen years. So I'm very interested in hearing about areas throughout both of the counties.
This meeting is primarily for communities of interest testimony focused on San Bernardino and Riverside counties and surrounding areas. However, anyone in California can call in to provide input. We will take general public comment at the end of the meeting.

Today, we're joined by our line drawing team, HaystaqDNA and Q2 Date & Research, LLC, who will be displaying maps of the areas that our participants describe. We're also joined by Katy, our comment moderator, who will be introducing attendees when it's their turn to speak.

If you have registered for a time slot, we encourage you to connect or call in during that timeslot. When you join the meeting, please use the raise hand button at the bottom of your screen to enter the queue. When it's your turn to speak, Katy will be identifying you by your assigned unique ID number. You will then be reconnected to the session with the ability to enable your own video and or audio. Katy will then assign you a speaker order number before you begin speaking. Please make note of your speaker order number for future reference, as you'll be able to use that number to identify your communities of interest testimony on our website at a future date.

The Commission will be enforcing a three-minute time
limit with a warning at thirty seconds and another with fifteen seconds remaining. At the beginning of your input, you will see a map on the screen. Please remind the mapper what area you would like to see on the screen, and be as specific as possible about the boundaries of where your community is located.

We'd like to remind everyone that registration is not required to participate in this public input meeting. The public has the option of calling in during the meeting to get in the queue to speak. The call in number and access code are listed on the live stream.

While there are no clear rules on how to define a community of interest, we've identified a number of ways for you to describe your community. Begin with your county or city. Mention the street names and significant locations in your neighborhood to help us identify the boundaries of your community. Tell us, what are your shared interests? What brings your community together? What's important to your community? Are there nearby areas you want to be in a district with? If so, why do you want to be grouped with those areas? Are there nearby areas you don't want to be in a district with? If not, why not? Has your community come together to advocate for important services, better schools, roads, or health centers in your area?
Again, for those who prefer, you're invited to use our communities of interest tool online to draw a map and describe your community by visiting DrawMyCACommunity.org. Skip the line, go online, and submit your communities of interest input today.

We will now begin today's public input, and I'll pass this over to Katy, our comment moderator. We will start with people who are registered, and then open the phone lines if there's time before the next session.

Katy, welcome and thank you for your support.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Good morning, Chair and California. You're welcome. Thank you for having me.

Welcome to the public input session. Please use the raise hand button at the bottom of your screen to enter the queue. When it is your turn to speak, you will be identified by your assigned unique ID number. You will be reconnected to the session with the ability to enable your own video and or audio. You will then be assigned a speaker order number before you begin speaking. Please make note of your speaker order number for future reference.

The Commission will be enforcing a three-minute time limit, with a warning at thirty seconds and fifteen seconds remaining. At the end of your public input or at the end of your time, you will be reconnected in a listen
and view-only mode. At the beginning of your input, please remind the mapper of what area you would like to see.

And we also have a couple of people that have called in that are registered with appointments. If you have called in by phone, if you hit star 9 on your telephone keypad, that will raise your hand to put you in line for making comment. Star 9, for those that chose to call in, will raise your hand indicating you wish to comment.

We will be starting right now with 008, and up next will be 006. So right now will be 008. And up next will be 006. And 008, your speaker order number is going to be number 1. You can now enable your video and audio in the lower left of your screen. Please remind the mapper of what area you would like to see, and with that, the floor is yours.

MR. CREFFIELD: Yes. Hi, Mark Creffield, greater High Desert Chamber of Commerce, speaker 008. Map area would be the San Bernardino County High Desert, Victor Valley area. Again, hello. Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to provide testimony today.

I am Mark Creffield, the President and CEO of the Greater High Desert Chamber of Commerce. Our chamber represents the City of Adelanto, Hesperia, Victorville, and the town of Apple Valley, and surrounding San

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Bernardino County High Desert communities. We used to have several smaller chambers, but the business community found that we were usually -- they were usually a member of multiple chambers in our region because our community is one high desert community.

The prior Commission was first to draw the High Desert, Victor Valley into one district at Congressional and assembly level, and it has improved representation in our areas. We strongly feel the San Bernardino County High Desert and surrounding areas should be kept together as a community and not divided up. This also includes the entire High Desert from Pinon Hills to the Morongo Valley. Thank you very much for your time and having me today.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we will have 006. And then up next will be 007. Right now will be 006. And up next will be 007. 006, your speaker order number will be number 2. You can now enable your video and audio in the lower left of your screen. 006, in the lower left of your screen, you can now enable your audio and video. Please remind the mapper --

MR. CORDERO: Did I do it?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Perfect. Please remind the mapper of what area you would like to see. And with
that, the floor is yours.

MR. CORDERO: The City of Rancho Cucamonga, in San
Bernardino County.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Go ahead.

MR. CORDERO: My name is John Gallegos Cordero, and
I am a resident of Rancho Cucamonga. Rancho Cucamonga,
Upland, and Clairemont have benefited from all the
development along the 210 corridor, linking our cities in
commerce, leisure, and entertainment. As well, we are
some of the fastest growing areas in the county when it
comes to economic development.

Rancho Cucamonga is linked to our sister cities to
the west through youth sports, recreation, and education.
Rancho Cucamonga and Upland are in the same regional
counsel district, number 9, of the Southern California
Association of Governments and in the Inland Empire
Division of the League of Cities.

The San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors
placed Rancho Cucamonga and Upland in the Second
District, and Redlands in the third District. Rancho
Cucamonga serves as a commercial center for residents of
Upland, Ontario, and Clairemont, with the Victoria
Gardens, as well as the only professional sports stadium,
LoanMart Field. Our cities also share the Sycamore Hills
Plaza, where our Rancho Cucamonga residents shop at the
Inland Empire's only Wholefoods store, located in Upland. Upland is also the home to the San Antonio Regional Hospital, which services include Clairemont, Chino, Fontana, Montclair, Ontario, Rancho Cucamonga, and Upland. The hospital also owns a satellite location in Rancho Cucamonga -- in the city of Rancho Cucamonga, the San Antonio Medical Plaza.

Three Rancho Cucamonga high schools -- Etiwanda, Los Osos, and Rancho Cucamonga High School -- compete in the Baseline league, a high school athletic conference in CIF Southern Section that also includes high schools in Western communities. In contrast, three Redlands high schools compete in a separate league, the Citrus Belt.

And lastly, the three Rancho Cucamonga high schools are part of the Chaffey Joint Union High School District, which includes schools from, of course, Rancho Cucamonga, Ontario, and Montclair, and some portions of -- of the -- of Fontana. And that concludes --

MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

MR. CORDERO: That concludes my comments. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And I'd like to remind those coming into the queue to please use the raise hand button at the bottom of your screen. And at this time, we are also taking appointments first,
just so that everybody in the queue is aware.

So right now we have 007. And then up next, we will have 012. So right now, will be 007. And up next will be 012. 007, your speaker order number will be number 3. You can now enable your audio and video in the lower left of your screen. Please remind the mapper of what area you would like to see. And with that, the floor is yours.

Mr. JACKSON: Hello. I would like to talk about the cities of Moreno Valley, Perris, Hemet, and San Jacinto in Riverside County. That's the cities of Moreno Valley, Perris, Hemet, and San Jacinto. We are -- my name is Corey Jackson; I actually live in the city of Moreno Valley, and I also serve as a member of the local NAACP. And I'm here to talk about the African-American communities in those cities of Moreno Valley, Perris, Hemet, and San Jacinto.

It's an essential that we ensure that the African-American voice, as a minority population, is not weakened according to your Voting Rights Act and community of interest criteria. Currently, the center of the community is separated currently right now by two assembly districts, assembly district 61 and assembly district 42. The city of Moreno Valley has the largest population of African-Americans, and the city of Perris
has the second largest population of African-Americans in
Riverside County.

However, since the last redistricting process, our
population is shifting to the cities of Hemet and San
Jacinto. All four cities have been able to elect other
African-Americans to local office. Therefore, we ask
that these cities be included in the same assembly,
Senate, and congressional district to protect the voting
strength of our community, who share a common history, a
common culture, we celebrate some of the same cultural
events such as Kwanzaa and Juneteenth, and attend our
events. We worship in many of the same places of
worship, and we are deeply concerned with issues of
racism, public safety, voting rights, education. And we
share some of the very same health concerns, such as
infant mortality, hypertension, and colon cancer, which
is -- affects some of us being some of the lowest
mortality rates of any other group.

Not including Moreno Valley, Perris, Hemet, and San
Jacinto in the same districts would dilute our ability to
elect our own representatives as a minority group.

However, equally as important is that we ask not to be
included with cities such as Temecula --

MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

MR. JACKSON: -- Lake Elsinore, and Riverside who do
not share some of the same issues of concern. Thank you very much for your time.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. Right now will be 012, and then up next will be 005. Right now will be 012, and up next will be 005. And again, those in the queue, please use the raise your hand button at the lower part of your screen to enter the line of the queue. So right now is 012.

012, your speaker order number is number 4. You can now enable your audio and video in the lower left of your screen. Please remind the mapper of what area you would like to see. And with that, the floor is yours.

MS. RAMOS-EVINGER: Thank you so much. And I'd like to see the cities of like, Chino Hills, Brea, and Yorba Linda. And good morning, Commissioners. My name is Sarah Ramos-Evinger, and I'm a proud resident of the city of Chino Hills. I'm also the president of the Chino Valley Fire District. And I also serve as the fire district's liaison to the Carbon count -- Carbon Canyon FireSafe Council, which includes residents from the city of Chino Hills and Brea.

Our city -- our -- Chino Hills has a population of over 80,000 residents, and is nestled next to the beautiful Chino Hills State Park. Our city has a strong equestrian and recreational lifestyle, including many
biking, hiking, and riding trails. One of the major
challenges facing Chino Hills is the threat of wildfire.

Chino Hills is designated by Cal Fire as a very high
fire hazard severity zone. Last year, we had the Blue
Ridge fire that burned nearly 14,000 acres and forced the
evacuation of many residents and adjacent communities of
Brea and Yorba Linda, California. As president of the
Chino Valley Fire District, we work closely with the
cities of Brea, California, and Yorba Linda, located in
North Orange County on mutual aid fires, issues such as
the Blue Ridge fire, or if a fire occurs in the Chino
Hills State Park, which our communities touch.

Additionally, we have a major thoroughfare, called
Carbon Canyon, that connects the city of Brea with Chino
Hills. I, along with thousands of other Chino Hills
residents, use Carbon Canyon each day to go to work or do
business in Brea or North Orange County. The 91 freeway
to the south of our city connects Chino Hills and Yorba
Linda and North Orange County. It would make sense that
Chino Hills be included in the same legislative
congressional district as Brea and Yorba Linda due to our
common fire and transportation areas. Thank you again to
the Commission for your time and service to our residents
of California. That concludes my comments.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. Right
now we have 005, and then up next will be 003. Right now
will be 005, and up next is 003.

005, your speaker order number is number 5. You can
now enable your audio and video in the lower left of your
screen. Please remind the mapper what area you would
like to see. And with that, the floor is yours.

MS. MORRIS GREEN: My community of interest is the
Victor Valley region of the High Desert. This would
include the incorporated communities of Victorville,
Adelanto, Upper Valley, and Hesperia, and the surrounding
unincorporated areas, including Mountain View Acres,
Spring Valley Lake, Phelan, Pinon Hills, El Mirage,
Silver Lake, Lucerne Valley, Big Bear, and Wrightwood.
My name is Phyllis K Morris Green. I have lived in the
Victorville -- Victor Valley area for approximately
fifty-four years, currently residing in the city of
Hesperia with my husband. And then I also care for my
mother who resides in the city of Victorville.

As an attorney, I have provided representation to
citizens throughout San Bernardino County. The Victor
Valley area is unique in that we are under-resourced and
underserved. The ability to access appropriate resources
is critical toward enhancing public safety and providing
safe communities. To reduce recidivism, we must have
strong social service networks.
Yet, when we seek services that include but are not limited to substance abuse treatment, mental health treatment, therapy for behavior disorder, domestic violence counseling services, and even shelters and transitional housing, we find agencies with long waiting lists requiring clients to call daily, often waiting weeks to obtain a spot for accessing services. Yet, research shows that connecting clients with services early in the process increases the likelihood of achieving a successful rehabilitation.

When we do locate an agency for our client, the agency is likely to be in one of four cities or Barstow. After locating services for the clients, we must then navigate issues of transportation. The most convenient form of travel is by car. However, many individuals, clients and non-clients do not own a car. According to the Database.IO -- that's the letters I-O -- the poverty rates for the four cities within the region are as follows: Victorville at 22.8 percent; Adelanto at 35.4 percent; Apple Valley at 17.8 percent; and Hesperia at 21 percent. Although Victor Valley Transit Authority services the region, its schedule, at times, is not a viable alternative because of the lack of frequency regarding arrival and departure times, with many stops limited to make travel laps, and not --
MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

MS. MORRIS GREEN: -- in neighborhoods. In regions the district should also include the communities of Barstow, Lynwood, Baker, Yermo, Hinkley, (indiscernible), Newberry Springs, and Kramer Junction --

MR. MANOFF: Fifteen seconds.

MS. MORRIS GREEN: -- are the areas in between.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide input.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we will have 003. And up next, we will have 010. Right now will be 003. And up next, we will have 010. And I would like to ask those with registered appointments that are in the queue to please use the raise your hand option in the lower -- or the bottom of your screen so that you can get in the line to make your comment.

So right now will be 003. 003, your speaker order number will be number 6. You can now enable your video and audio in the lower left of your screen. 003. There you go.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes, I'm here.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Perfect.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: And please remind the mapper --
UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: So the area --

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Perfect.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I'm --

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: The area I'd like to talk about is the west end of San Bernardino County, which also includes the Pomona area. So if you could zoom in on that area, that would be great. Little closer.

Ontario, Chino. So what I'm -- I'm here to discuss is Chino, Chino Hills, Claremont, Diamond Bar, La Verne, Montclair, Ontario, Pomona, Rancho Cucamonga, San Dimas, Upland, and Walnut.

This area, historically and geographically, has been known as the Pomona Valley. And what's interesting is that in 1893, this was considered to be a county, but failed to get that status in the legislature because LA County wanted to hold on to the Pomona portion. But it really speaks to the fact that this is a full community.

So bottom line, the -- the districts that we have right now, I think, are probably the best that we could ever get. That would include the interests of this collective area -- this Pomona Valley. And if -- if there were any changes, it would be detrimental. It would sever our ties.

And just -- just on a note, I happen to live in
Ontario, but I go to my Catholic church in Claremont. And as a parishioner, I run the social media and the online presence for the church. And one of the things that I've noticed over the years, especially last year with our live broadcasts of our -- our masses, is that we are pulling people from that entire area. We have people from Rancho, Ontario, like myself, from Upland, from Montclair, Chino, and Chino Hills that all attend that -- that church. Our Lady of the Assumption in Claremont.

So the other the -- other aspect, too, is a transportation. I think there is no doubt in anybody's mind that transportation for this area is very unique and ties all of us together. And we are bordered at the north at the 210, which ties into the foothill communities, the 10 which ties in all of these communities, every single one. And then, of course, the 60 at the south. And with that, I conclude. Thank you so much for your time. Have a good day.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. So right now, we will have 010. And I would like to give the opportunity to 003 and 004 -- oh, I'm sorry -- 003 just went. I would like to give the opportunity to 004 to raise their hand. Oh, wait. 00.

Okay. With that, we will go 010 will be right now. And then up next, will be caller 7745. So right now will
be 010. And up next will be caller 7745.

010, your speaker order number will be number 7.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello. Am I -- may I go ahead?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes. You're --

MR. MANOFF: Would the speaker please turn off livestream volume?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Oh, I don't even know what that is. Livestream volume. I don't know what that is, sir. I'm sorry. I'm at work and so I'm in my car on my cell phone.

MR. MANOFF: Okay.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I don't have livestream, I don't think.

MR. MANOFF: Okay.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: You mean like through the car?

MR. MANOFF: Yes, please.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I can unplug that. So sorry. Okay. I unplugged that.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Perfect. That should stop the feedback.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Is that better?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yeah. There we go. Go ahead.
UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yeah -- oh, now you can't hear us? Go ahead.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I have the -- I don't know. Shoot. Can you hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We can hear you. Just go ahead.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Okay. I'm sorry. I can't hear you, so I apologize. Yes. I would like you to put up the Coachella Valley, please. Palm Springs all the way east to the Arizona border. Thank you.

My name is Ellen Wei, and I'm a little over a 30 year resident of the town of La Quinta. I guess it's the city of La Quinta. And I am speaking with you today, and I want to thank you, all the Commissioners, for your time and being on this board and listening to all of us. But I am calling in today because I think it's very important that our community be returned to one assembly district.

Years ago, we were the 80th assembly district and we were contiguous and it was much better served. And in the last round, somehow, even though I know the law says it can't be gerrymandered, our 56th and 42nd assembly districts ended up being gerrymandered, and they jump over a bunch of cities, and they put a few cities in the -- the 56th district. And to be honest, they really
separated the Hispanic community into one district, and everybody else into another district. And I think that that is really terrible for our community relations.

The Coachella Valley cities are already united under the Coachella Valley Association of Governments, and the cities all work together on issues such as conservation, public safety, homelessness, infrastructure, rebuilding. They're already unified. And if you've been to the Coachella Valley, you know that once you get outside of the past, it's a very different world. We are the Low Desert. Our geography is the same. And we should be contiguous so that my home and my business are in the same district.

Right now, we have people who literally across the street is another assembly district. And I don't believe this is good. This -- this is literally segregation and it shouldn't be done. We should all be learning to work together to achieve goals and to solve problems as one community, because we are all desert people.

And out here, our two economies are driven by tourism and by agriculture. And so if any expansion is done, our district should go east so that we include the agricultural community of the Imperial Valley and the agricultural community of the Palo Verde Valley, so that our three agricultural desert regions are connected, and
that our legislator can actually represent those
important pieces of our local economy. So we are --

MR. MANOFF: Thirty second.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- over 400,000 permanent
residents.

And the other issue I want to -- I hope you will
consider is that in the wintertime, we swell by over
100,000 people, snowbirds, as we call them, who move here
but don't have --

MR. MANOFF: Fifteen seconds.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- permanent residency simply
because they don't want to be paying California taxes.
They live here temporarily, but that does put pressure on
our community. And I do believe that population swell
should be considered by this board when drawing our
districts. And I just ask you, please, to consider --

MR. MANOFF: Time.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- making --

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
right now we will have caller 7745. And then up next
will be caller 5723. Right now will be caller 7745, and
then up next to be caller 5723. And I just want to
acknowledge, 013, I have your raised hand, and 011, if
you could use the raise your hand option in the lower
part of your screen to raise your hand, that would get
you in the queue. Thank you.

So right now, we will open the line for caller 7745. Caller 7745, if you can follow the prompt that Zoom is giving you to press star 6. That is caller with the last four of your phone 7745.

Okay, we will go on to the next one with that. If you would like to raise your hand again, you're more than welcome to.

So right now will be caller 5723, and then up next will be 013. So right now will be caller 5723. Caller 5723, you are currently unmuted. Your speaker order number will be number 8. If you will, please make note of that for future reference. If you will, please let the mapper know if there is an area you would like brought up on the map. And with that the floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you. First of all, I would like to express my sincere gratitude for the professionals handling a daunting task as relates to redistricting. I reside in the city of Victorville. I'm retired from the United States Air Force as a medical manager. I have resided and contribute to the city of Victorville and throughout the State of California for more than 30 years.

As you know, California has approximately fifty-one counties, and San Bernardino County represents the fourth
largest county within our state. As it relates to the city of Victorville, as relates to -- of a specific election, which is the state senatorial election, we share a common interest with Inyo County and LA County in that regard. However, as relates to the city of Victorville and the High Desert and San Bernardino County, we have similar interests, lifestyle, values, and challenges.

As such, I would ask that every account be given to ensure that San Bernardino County has the autonomy that it so deserves. And for one reason, specifically, as relates to safety. As it relates to San Bernardino County sheriff, we have a sheriff department that has a crime lab, and also has helicopters, the whole nine yards. There are other cities within the city of Victorville that do not have the safety of San Bernardino County Sheriff Department. I find it necessary that we have that.

So with that, I will close. And I just want to express the sincere gratitude in what you are doing and pursuing because it is an overwhelming task, doing what you have. Thank you so much for this opportunity to share my thoughts.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And so right now we have 013. And then up next will be 011.
Right now is 013. Up next is 011.

013, your speaker order number will be number 9.

You can now enable your video and audio in the lower left of your screen; the bottom lower left corner. 013, you can now enable your audio and video in the lower left of your corner -- of your screen.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi, there.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Please remind the mapper of what area you would like to see. And with that, the floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I would like to see the areas of Chino Hills, Chino, and Eastvale. So my name is --

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Go ahead.

MR. ANASTOLE: Yeah. My name is Nick Anastole (phonetic). I'm giving input on the area of Chino Hills. I lived in Chino Hills for years, most of my entire life. It's currently located in eastern San Gabriel Valley and is in a North Orange County congressional district right now. I believe it would be best if it were aligned with cities that represent local interests that we all share in common. So right now, it's -- shares a school district, a fire district, and a water district with the city of Chino. And it's similar to other cities in the area like Ontario and Eastvale. And that's my input. Thanks.
PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. Right now we have 011. And for those waiting in the queue that are callers, star 9 will raise your hand indicating you wish to comment. That is, please press star 9 to raise your hand indicating you wish to comment. And right now we have 011.

Well, that didn't go. Why not? 011, your speaker order number will be number 10. If you would please make note of that for future reference. You can now enable your video and audio in the bottom left of your screen. Please remind the mapper of what area you would like to see. And with that, the floor is yours.

You'll have to unmute yourself in the lower left of your screen. Ma'am? There you are. The floor is yours, ma'am. Will you please remind the mapper of what area you'd like to see?

MS. O'TOOLE: I'm in the Coachella Valley.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Go ahead.

MS. O'TOOLE: And I'm a taxpayer in Riverside County, and our assembly district should be contiguous, and conclude (sic) all of Coachella Valley cities. This district would include Palo Verde Valley. Our community should not be segregated by ethnic or socioeconomic groups. We are one community and we need to work together to achieve goals and solve problems.
Our 2000 population, Coachella Valley, was approximately 38 -- 388,000 fulltime residents. The population increases in the winter months by over a hundred thousand snowbirds. We are large enough to have one assembly district. All these visitors are not residents of California, yet they do increase the size of our community and should be considered when drawing the lines. I thank you for your time.

My name is Dorothy O'Toole. As stated, I'm a resident and taxpayer in Riverside County. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. I'd like to ask 016 to use the raise your hand option in the bottom of your screen to get in the queue to make a comment. And I'd like to remind those calling in that -- to please press star 9 to raise your hand indicating you wish to comment.

Caller 7745 is our raised hand at the moment. That is caller 7745. Caller 7745, if you will follow the prompt of star 6 from Zoom. If you will please press star 6, it will unmute you. There you are. Caller 7745, your speaker order number will be number 11, if you will please make note of that for future reference. If you will, please let the mapper know of what area you would like brought up on the map. And with that, the floor is yours. You're going to have to speak up. Please.
MS. ZACHARIA: Yes. I'd like the mapper to focus on Palm Springs area and Coachella Valley area.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Go ahead.

MS. ZACHARIA: Yes. I'd like the map to focus on Palm Springs and Coachella Valley.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, please. Will you share your public comment or your community of interest?

MS. ZACHARIA: Yes. My name is Ragda Zacharia, and I live in Palm Springs. And I'm already live in what they call district 1. Am I live? Am I speaking?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, the floor is yours.

MS. ZACHARIA: Okay. I would like to -- thank you, Commissioners, for all your hard work. I'd like to bring to your attention, I live in Palm Springs area, and I lived in California almost all my life. And we already divided in what they call districts of zoning. And to me, that really doesn't serve the whole community together.

I live in section one, which is half San Rafael and half 11, and I already feel the impact of being segregated. Our community, together, we all share the same religion. We all share the same hobbies. We need the support in schools and health wise. But being already divided in one section by the city council, it's impacting the welfare of my area. I feel a stranger
right now in my area, and I'm being pushed out because
for some reason I don't belong to certain ethnic group.

So I encourage the Commission to include the entire
Coachella Valley because we need business from -- I mean,
the snowbirds don't do us anything. So the bottom line
is all of us, Palm Springs and Coachella Valley, we all
need to be one town so we can support businesses and
tourism. That's what we live on. And the farmland. So
we already divided within division. So the idea of
talking about your community to me is -- is segregation.
We're already small town, and I live in section one. I'm
already being pushed out because -- for them thinking I
don't belong to that community.

So I really appreciate taking -- look at the bigger
picture and unite the cities and Coachella Valley so we
can have better impact on all residents. Dividing us by
community is segregation.

MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

MS. ZACHARIA: Thank you, so much for taking my
call. You have a great day. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

MS. ZACHARIA: You're welcome.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: And with that, I would
like to ask those in the queue to utilize the varying
raise hand options. 016, if you will please use the
raise hand option in the lower part of your screen,
please press the raise hand if you are ready to make your
comment. And then for the callers in the queue, if you
are here to make comment to press star 9, that will raise
your hand. Please press star 9 to raise your hand
indicating you wish to comment.

016, if you are prepared to make comment at this
time, please use the raise hand option at the lower part
of the screen. Otherwise, we will go to a new -- oh,
here we go. 016, has chose to raise their hand. 016
will be right now.

016, your speaker order number is number 12. If you
will, please make a note of that for future reference.
You can now enable your audio and video in the lower left
of your screen. And if you would, please remind the
mapper of what area you would like to see. And with
that, the floor is yours. The floor is yours.

MS. WILLIAMS: Hi. My name is Delores Williams, and
I would like to see Congression District 8, Victor
Valley.

And Commissioners, thank you for providing me the
opportunity to testify today. My name is Delores
Williams. I have lived in the county of San Bernardino,
the city of Apple Valley, for twenty-seven years. My
area is referred to as Victor Valley High Desert, which
is represented by the eighth Congressional District.

I am the founder of Millionaire Mind Kids, nonprofit organization. My headquarters has been located in the city of Victorville for the past sixteen years, and I serve some of the most vulnerable and underrepresented families across Victor Valley and the Congressional District. Currently, the eighth District, represented by Congressman Jay Obernolte, encompasses most of the eastern desert regions of the state. The Victor Valley contains four incorporated municipalities. The largest is Victorville. The common interests that currently exist within our congressional districts are the median household income, which is about 56k annually. While meeting with other community members, we worked on reimagining a community of resources that would uplift our entire district region, but specifically Victor Valley.

In addition to municipal services, we share shopping, outdoor recreation, lakes, ski resorts, parks and Wildlife, there are other resources in our community agree are desperately needed that will enhance our quality of life and our economy. These needs are a trauma center, a major hospital and access to health care specialists without having to go down the hill as we refer, down the Cajon Pass.
Our university, we all agree education is a key to access to quality jobs, which builds thriving economies. Health and wellness centered communities are all of our community interests and our common interests. Recreation for all age groups, including parks and every family-centered community that is upcoming. Access to theaters and entertainment for all age groups. And cultural awareness.

COVID-19 exposed so many vulnerabilities across our region in so many areas.

MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

MS. WILLIAMS: This is why, when drawing the new districts, I would like the commission to keep my community of interest together so that we can keep working to address the issues that makes a beautiful Victor Valley more equitable, accessible --

MR. MANOFF: Fifteen seconds.

MS. WILLIAMS: -- resourceful and fosters overall wellness within a thriving community. Thank you for hearing me today.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And with that, I would like to ask the callers in the queue if you would like to make comment to please press star 9 to raise your hand indicating you wish to comment. Please press star 9. And with that, Chair, I will refer
to you. We have no race hands at this time.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Very good. If you could go ahead and read the full call-in instructions again.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: I can. In order to maximize transparency and public participation in our process, the commissioners will be taking public comment by phone. To call in, call the telephone number provided on the livestream feed. It is 877-853-5247. When prompted, enter the meeting ID number provided on the livestream feed. It is 93910267047 for this meeting. When prompted to enter a participant ID simply press the pound key.

Once you're down in, you'll be placed in a queue. To indicate you wish to comment, please press star 9. This will raise your hand for the moderator. When it is your turn to speak, you will hear a message that says a host would like you to talk. Please press star 6 to speak. If you would like to give your name, please state, and spell it for the record. You are not required to provide your name to give public comment.

Please make sure to mute your computer or livestream audio to prevent any feedback or distortion during your call. Once you are waiting in the queue, be alert for when it is your turn to speak. And again, please turn down the livestream volume. And again for those in the
queue, I'd like to please remind them if you're calling in to please press star 9 to raise your hand. We did have someone join.

You have to give me a -- one moment, Chair. All right. All right. At this time, we do not have any raised hands and so I will refer to you, Chair.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Very good. Could we take a five-minute break for the and have the five-minute video played?

(Whereupon, a recess was held from 11:58 a.m. until 12:03 p.m.)

CHAIR KENNEDY: Welcome back, everyone. Thank you for joining us for today's community of interest input meeting. I understand that we currently have no callers with their hands raised. Again, star nine if you have called in and would like to raise your hand. Otherwise, I would like to remind our public that the community of interest input meeting focusing on Los Angeles County is scheduled for this Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Registration for that event for those who want to sign up for a particular blocked time will close today at 5 p.m. For those looking at next week's calendar, just a reminder that requests for interpretation are needed five business days in advance. So the deadline for the community of interest input session on Thursday, July
1st. That's for Zone A in the northwestern portion of the state. Requests for interpretation would be needed by today at 5 p.m.

Also, next week we have an input meeting for Zone C on Monday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The Thursday meeting, Thursday, July 1st is Zone A and Friday, July 2nd, we will have a community of interest input meeting for Zone B from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. We will standby for two minutes to see if we have any raised hands. And if not, we will go to a video.

(Pause)

CO-VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: Okay. Kristian, the two minutes are up. Could we go to the twenty-minute video, please?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Hand option in the lower part of your screen, which would be 017. And I'd like to remind those calling in to please press star 9 to raise your hand indicating you wish to comment. For those calling in, please press star 9. For those joining via Zoom 017, please use the raise hand option at the lower part of your screen.

017, if you would like to give your comment at this time, please use the raise hand option in the lower part of your screen. Perfect. So right now we will have caller 4727 and then up next will be 017. So right now
will be caller 4727. And up next will be 017.

Caller 4727, you are currently unmuted. Your
speaker order number is number 13. If you will please
make note of that for future reference. If you will
please remind the mapper of any area you would like
brought up on the map. And with that, the floor is
yours. Caller 4727, the floor is yours.

MS. ARIAS: Hello?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, go ahead.

MS. ARIAS: Okay. Hi, I'm Beverly Arias (ph.) here
in Riverside. The map would be of Riverside, Corona.
More 80/61. I just wanted to voice the concerns of
people in my area. I live in a predominantly Latino area
called Casa Blanca. We're predominantly fourth and fifth
generation residents. The concerns here are the
exorbitant housing, the violent homeless coming in and
aging population. So our concerns would be if this were
to be redistricted, we would like to ensure that
resources are available. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
right now we have 017. 017.

017, you can now enable your audio and video in the
lower left of the screen. Your speaker order number will
be number 14 if you will please make note of that for
future reference. And please remind the mapper what area
you would like to see. And with that, the floor is yours.

MR. BARSOUMIAN: Excellent. Thank you. And just want to check. You can hear me, correct?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, we can.

MR. BARSOUMIAN: Wonderful. All right. So I would like to specifically focus on San Bernardino County, more specifically the 27th Congressional District. So a little bit about me personally. My name is Edward Barsoumian. I'm The Government affairs coordinator for the Armenian and National Committee of America Western Region. I live in San Bernardino County and I'd like to discuss preserving my community in the 27th Congressional District. Our district spans from Upland and Claremont, Monterey Park, Altadena, as well as large portions of the Angeles National Forest.

The district represents the people of the San Gabriel Valley, the northern portion. And this is a community which I think deserves individual representation. The borders can be defined by Monterey Park, Alhambra, Pasadena, Altadena, Sierra Madre, Monrovia, Temple City and Rosemead. And we have a very unique and important cultural makeup, as well as unique imperative needs from our congressional representatives.

So we're currently represented by Judy Chu, who I
personally voted for but she was elected because her
values and campaign platform appealed to the voters of my
district. As an Armenian-American, I can tell you also
that this community, specifically, including the San
Gabriel Valley, is home to a strong and proud Armenian
community which has endured long and arduous history of
constant battles for recognition of the Armenian
Genocide, safety for Armenians against hate crimes in
California, as well as a long list of other important
issues which we believe are important, such as ensuring
equitable access to public services.

So as a minority group in the U.S., breaking up our
community's collective voice may jeopardize everything
that we've fought generations to secure, which is a seat
at the table in American civil society and a
representative who actually cares about our needs.

So for this reason, I have to request that the San
Gabriel Valley and the 27th Congressional District as a
whole remain as intact as possible with a higher priority
remaining to the eastern portion. The communities of
Upland and Claremont may have slightly different beliefs
and legislative needs, and I do believe that they deserve
to be lumped into a district which does satisfy those
legislative priorities.

So as a result, I have to say the Armenian --
MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

MR. BARSOUMIAN: -- District is large enough. It merits remaining in a separate congressional district from neighboring communities like Glendale, who are part of the 28th Congressional District. Thank you. I'll yield to the rest of my time.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And with that, Chair, we do not have any more raised hands.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Let's stand by for two minutes.

(Pause)

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Would you like me to read the abbreviated instructions at this time?

CHAIR KENNEDY: Yes, please.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Okay. The Commission is now taking public comment by phone. To give comment, please call 877-853-5247 and enter the meeting ID number 93910267047. Once you have dialed in, please press star 9 to enter the comment queue. The full call-in instructions have been read previously in the meeting and are provided on the livestream landing page. And I will remind those that have called in that have not spoke to please press star 9 to raise your hand indicating you wish to comment.
I would like to remind those calling in to please press star 9 to raise your hand indicating you wish to comment. And we do have a raised hand. I need caller 6232 at this time. That's caller 6232. Caller 6232, if you'll follow the prompt that Zoom is giving you to press star 6 to speak. Has caller 6 -- oh, there you are. You are unmuted at this time. You will be caller number -- one moment, please. You'll be caller number fifteen at this time. Please remind the mapper of where you would like brought up. And with that, the floor is yours.

MR. BARTZ: Good afternoon. I want to thank the Commission for taking my testimony today. My name is Don Bartz. I was born and raised in San Bernardino County in the high desert and have lived there all of my life. I currently work in water and sit on the Technical Advisory Committee for the Mojave Water Agency.

For those of you who don't know, the Mojave Water Agency is the water master for San Bernardino County High Desert and encompasses 4,900 square miles of the high desert. The district includes many small towns like Phelan, Canyon Hills, Lucerne Valley, Barstow, and also larger, more populated cities like the entire Victor Valley in the Morongo Basin, where we have locals call the high desert.
The High Desert community share common concerns and issues. For example, we understand that water is precious and always work to preserve it in good years and bad because we are desert communities. For this reason, we have one water master that monitors how much water we are taking from the ground. Recently, we've seen an explosion of illegal marijuana growers across the high desert area affecting Phelan, to the Lucerne Valley to the Morongo Basin.

These groups have threatened their water supply and there's the potential for contamination and harmful pesticides to enter our groundwater. This is why we have one water master to help monitor our groundwater and for pollutants, in naturally occurring elements which could be harmful to people like Arsenic and Chromium 6. I would ask the commission to consider the San Bernardino County High Desert a community of interest because of our shared issues surrounding public health like water as well as our rural desert way of life.

The prior commission cut up a San Bernardino County High Desert at state level. But we are combined at the Congressional District. I would like to see us stay together at all levels of representation, and I appreciate you taking the time to listen to my concerns.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
with that, Chair, I believe we have no other callers at this time.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. At this point, with no further hands raised. We are coming up on a break. I will then start that break early. But let's be back at 12:45, which --

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Chair, actually real quick.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Yes?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We had someone --

CHAIR KENNEDY: I believe we had someone call in.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Just wait one second.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: I just like to give them --

CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: -- a chance to raise their hand.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Sure.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Caller 4373, you just called in. If you would like to make comment prior to the break, please press star 9 to raise your hand indicating you wish to comment. Thank you so much. And they chose to raise their hand. So with that, is caller 4373. And the prompt of star 6.
UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I'm calling in to the --

COMMENT MODERATOR: Hi.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- redistricting. Hello.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Hi. You're unmuted. Hi.

I'm going to give you a couple of instructions. Your speaker order number will be number 16. If you will. Please make note of that for future reference.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Okay.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Please remind the mapper of any area you would like brought up on the map. And with that, the floor is yours for three minutes.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Okay, well, I don't have three minutes' worth because I didn't have time to really prepare. But I've been following you, and I thank you for the wonderful work you've been doing. And I appreciate that you are letting us see what's going on by being able to get into some of these meetings. But I think my biggest concern with all of this is that our community not be segregated by ethnic or socioeconomic groups. And we are one community here in the desert.

By the way, I am from the desert area and we need to work together to achieve goals and solve problems. And I think that we have a wonderful relationship throughout this desert area of people of all different ethnics and colors, and everything else. And I just want to make
sure that nothing separates us because we have worked
hard to be all one. And I think it's very, very
important.

And so I'm going to put my faith in you that you
don't do that, that you actually agree and keep with what
we are wanting to happen in our community to be, you
know, people that work together. And you don't even
think of some of the things that are being brought up in
today's world. So that would be all I want to say. Is
that okay?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Absolutely. Thank you so
much. All right. And with that, Chair, we do not have
any new callers.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. So then as I was saying,
let's start up a few minutes early and be back at 12:45.

(Whereupon, a recess was held from 12:16 p.m.
until 12:45 p.m.)

CO-VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: Good afternoon. I'm
Commissioner Lemons, and I am co-chairing today's public
input meeting with my fellow commissioner, Commissioner
Kennedy. I like to welcome you back to the California
Citizens Redistricting Commission Community Sub Input --
Giving Communities of interest input. We also encourage
you to visit the Communities of Interest Tool to draw a
map and describe your community by visiting
I will pass this over to Katy, our comment moderator, to continue with public input. We will start with people who are registered and then open the lines if there's time for people before the next session. We are emphasizing San Bernardino and Riverside counties at this time but are open to hearing input in any areas of the state. So with that, I'd like to turn it over to you, Katy.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you, Chair. I will begin -- welcome, with the readings forth. But one second. All right. Welcome to the public input session. Please use the raise hand button at the bottom of your screen to enter the queue. When it is your turn to speak, you will be identified by your assigned unique ID number.

You will be reconnected to the session with the ability to enable your own video and or audio. You will then be assigned a speaker order number before you begin speaking. Please make note of your speaker order number for future reference. The Commissioner will be enforcing a three-minute time limit with a warning at thirty seconds and fifteen seconds remaining.

At the end of your input or at the end of your time, you'll be reconnected in a listen and view only mode. At
the beginning of your input, please remind the member of what area you would like to see on the screen. And at this time, Chair, we do not have any of our appointments or new callers.

CO-VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: Okay. Let's standby for two minutes.
(Pause)

COMMENT MODERATOR: Okay. And Chair, we are at two minutes.

CO-VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: Okay. Kristian, if we could run a five-minute video, please.
(Pause)

CO-VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: Okay, Katy. Do we have any callers in the queue?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We do. We have a caller with their hand raised. It would be caller 9318. And the last four of your phone is 9318. I will be unmuting you at this time. If you will please follow the prompt that Zoom is providing you. Caller 9318, you are now unmuted. Your speaker order number will be -- oh, 17. Your speaker order number will be 17. I apologize. Will you please remind the mapper of any area you would like to see? And with that, the floor is yours.

MR. GALLAGHER: Okay. So I'm on now?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, sir.
MR. GALLAGHER: Yes. All right. Thank you. Good afternoon, Commissioners, and thank you very much for taking my call. My name is Jim Gallagher. I'm a resident of Chino Hills for nearly thirty years, which is located in western San Bernardino County. Our boundaries are within the 60 freeway to the north, the 91 freeway to the south, the 57 freeway to the west, and the 71 freeway to the east. Those are almost like natural boundaries for us.

I would like to express my support today for having Chino Hills grouped with other Inland Empire communities in The State and federal legislative districts who more closely mirror our community demographically, culturally, and economically. Chino Hills is currently grouped through the eastern San Gabriel Valley and North Orange County communities, which is separated by the 57/60 confluence to the West, if you take a look at it on the map.

But it doesn't make much sense to me. The city would benefit much more by having the same representatives as Chino and other Inland Empire communities like Ontario, Montclair and even East Vale. A big anomaly is that Chino and Chino Hills share a school district for one. We also share a fire district and we share a water district. Yet we are separated by
Congressional Assembly and Senate districts.

The population and housing developments in Chino Hills have also grown at a much faster rate than the other communities who share state and federal districts that we are currently adjoined with. Our city is represented by also a county supervisory district number four, which also includes the cities of Montclair, Ontario.

So for me, it really doesn't make much sense for us to continue to be adjoined with Orange County and L.A. County anymore. We've grown thirteen percent from the 2010 census estimate of 74,800 to an estimated 85,100 from the predicted for the 2020 census. And it's well known that the population that we have has been shifting eastward from Orange County and San Gabriel Valley to Chino Hills and East Vale for years.

We're a very diverse community. We roughly identified 50 percent white, thirty percent Asian, twenty-nine percent Latino in the last estimate. And we're sure to reflect more changes when the current census data is available. What are we known for?

MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

MR. GALLAGHER: Our city is known for attractions like the State park, big league dreams ballpark and so on. We are tied economically with you on Terra Airport,
I want to mention. And as this economy starts to open up, more of our residents are going to be commuting east --

MR. MANOFF: Fifteen seconds.

MR. GALLAGHER: -- to Ontario instead of Orange County to work. Chino Hills growth and expansion is much more in line with that of Chino, Ontario, Montclair, and East Vale. We are uniquely San Bernardino County and --

MR. MANOFF: Time.

MR. GALLAGHER: -- we'd like to move in that direction.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we will have caller 2452. That's caller with the last four of 4252. If you will please follow the prompts that Zoom is giving you.

MS. ANDERSON: Hello?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, we can hear you.

MS. ANDERSON: Can you hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, we can. If you please make note that your speaker order number will be number 18 for future reference. And if you'll please remind the mapper of any area that you would like brought up. And with that, the floor is yours.

MS. ANDERSON: Hi. My name is Linda Anderson. I'm a resident of the Coachella Valley all my life for 60
years. And I would like to see the districting to put
the Coachella Valley all together, all cities, Palm
Springs, Cathedral City, all the way throughout the east
d end of the Valley and not separate it out by ethnic or
socioeconomic issues. We all share the same
infrastructure. We share the same economic issues from
agriculture to tourism. And I think they should group us
all together and not separate us out. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
with that, I will defer to you, Chair.

CO-VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: Okay. Would you read the
instructions again, Katy?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, Chair.

CO-VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: You are welcome. In
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Please make sure to mute your computer or livestream audio to prevent any feedback or distortion during your call. Once you are waiting in the queue, be alert for when it is your turn to speak. And again, please turn down the livestream volume. And at this time, Chair, we do not have any new callers or registrants in the queue. I will defer to you.

CO-VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: Okay. We'll hold for two minutes.

(Pause)

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: And Chair, we do have a caller with their hand raised.

CO-VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: Okay.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Caller 3237, if you'll follow the prompts that Zoom is giving you at this time. Caller 3237, if you'll please press star 6 to unmute yourself. There you are. You are unmuted. Caller 3237, if you will also please mute your livestream audio and your computer in the background. And please make note
that your speaker order number is number 19. And please
let the mapper know what area you would like brought up.
And with that, the floor is yours. Go ahead.

S3: Good afternoon. My name is Prunella Lenair (ph.) and I want to thank you all for your hard work.
And I am in La Quinta. And I live here in Coachella Valley and I would like you to group all Coachella Valley together as one. So that's all I have to say. Thank you so much.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Well, thank you so much. And with that, Chair, I will defer to you.

CO-VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: At this time, we don't have any hands raised or registered callers in the queue. I'd like to ask Kristian to play the long form video in Spanish.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We have caller 5756 with their hand raised. And caller 5756, if you will please follow the prompts that Zoom is giving you. You are currently unmuted. Your speaker order number will be number 20. If you will please make note of that for future reference. And will you please remind the mapper of any area you would like to see? And with that, the floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good afternoon. Thank you for the opportunity. I'm calling from the Coachella
Valley and we are currently heavily gerrymandered with one purpose and one purpose alone, and that was to separate us along ethnic lines and perhaps socioeconomic lines. And what that did was produce a guaranteed seat. But is that seat speaking with the rest of Coachella Valley? And I would posit to you that it is not.

And the problem with that is that we're primarily AG and tourists. So if the tourist part says, well, we don't care what goes on with AG, we just want what we want and AG all of a sudden suffers from it, then the area as a whole no longer has the income. And the vice -- and the same is true on the other side.

If AG says we don't care what tourists want and we're not going to vote the way we want to want to vote, then all of a sudden they don't have money for their services either because the tourism is suffering. So the solution is to have us all at the same table discussing these things. And also before we put a policy together to discuss what the possible unintended consequences would be before the vector gets so big that now everybody's dug in and at each other's throats and this is what's been going on.

And we need to stop this because we are all in this together. We're agricultural or tourism or restaurants. That's our livelihood and if you separate us from being
able to talk with one another, it will do nothing but frustrate the services across the valley and frustrate the community as a whole. And with that, thanks for allowing me to talk. And you guys have a nice day.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. I would like to remind those calling in to please press star nine to raise your hand indicating you wish to comment. Please press star 9 to raise your hand indicating you wish to comment. For those that just called in right now, if you were calling in to make a comment, please press star 9 to raise your hand. And Chair, it looks like we do not have any hands at this time.

CO-VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: Okay. I just want to remind everyone who's watching and listening that we're going to be happy an upcoming Community of Interest meeting, which is going to be happening on Saturday, and that's going to be for the Los Angeles County area. So again, that's this coming Saturday and registration for that meeting closes today at 5 p.m.

So if you'd like to get a scheduled timeslot to be able to provide your input, please contact us and get it all registered by 5 p.m. today. And then we're also going to be having an additional one on 7/1, and that's going to be for Zone C and that includes counties like
Alameda County, Contra Costa, Moran, San Francisco, San Mateo, and surrounding counties.

So if you're going to need any translation services for that meeting, then we're going to need to get your requests for those translation services at least five days before the meeting.

So with that, Katy, do we have any other registered guests in the queue?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We do not, Chair.

CO-VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: Okay. So I think we'll go -- we'll return to the video that we started a moment ago and we'll check in in twenty minutes and continue from there. Thank you.

(Pause)

CO-VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: Okay. Katy, do we have callers in the queue?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We do not, Chair.

CO-VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: Okay. Could you read the instructions, please?

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when it is your turn to speak. And again, please turn
down the livestream volume. And at this time, Chair, we
do not have anyone in the queue.

CO-VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: Okay. Well, we'll hold for
a couple of minutes, please.
(Pause)

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: I would like to remind
those calling in that please press star 9 to raise your
hand indicating you wish to comment. Please press star 9
to raise your hand indicating you wish to comment. Thank
you so much. And we do have a caller at this time,
Chair.

CO-VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: Okay. Invite them in, please.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Will do. Caller 1381 last four, 1381. If you could please follow the prompts that Zoom is giving you. There you are. You are currently unmuted. Your speaker order number will be number 21. If you could make note of that for future reference. If you could also please mute your livestream audio and please remind the mapper of any area you would like brought up. And with that, the floor is yours.

MS. LLOYD: Well, good afternoon, everyone. My name is Sue Lloyd (ph.). I live in Bermuda Dunes, the unincorporated area of Riverside County. We love our community. We have a wonderful community. I belong to the country club here, like so many. We have, as you know, so many different groups of people. The snowbirds are gone pretty much right now. It's kind of hot.

But anyway, I lived in Newport Beach, raised our kids there, had a second home in La Quinta for -- oh gosh, it must have been thirteen years and then moved here to a full time community, which we when we moved out here full time, we wanted to be a part of, and we love it.

But what I'd really like to say is I've been
disappointed over the years with the last group of
redistricting that happened. It appears that it was just
not contiguous and that it was pretty much gerrymandered.
And you know, we have a majority of -- oh, I shouldn't
say majority, but the full timers are pretty much -- no,
how can I say this without sounding like I don't want to
sound.

I think you're well aware of our demographics down
here and you're probably well aware of how the districts
were drawn up. And it just appears to me that it's not
inclusive. It's just become more and more exclusive,
especially with the current powers that be allowing more
credence given to non-citizens. And I know that's not
one of the criterias that you're using for your
districting, but it's really a unique situation down here
in the valley.

And I really believe that we should be one district,
that we should all work together to be represented. And
that the way that it is now is just totally unacceptable
because it's pretty much just pits socioeconomic and
ethnic groups against one another down here. So I really
don't want the Coachella Valley to continue in this way.

So my input is just that you may consider -- I mean,
we have people working in agriculture that own businesses
in agriculture that are voting in different districts and
their businesses are. So some of those things just don't make any sense and they're just not making any sense in bringing all of us back together. I just want to close in saying that we in our country club, we have a lot of Hispanics working here, a lot of people that come from all over the country.

And you know, we as a unit in our country club, we love our workers. We're like a family. And I think that's true all over the valley. And I just want to --

MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

MS. LLOYD: -- give my input and say, all right. So just thank you so much for what you're doing. And I'm just going to opt for one district with everyone being represented. Thank you very much for your time.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

MS. LLOYD: Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: And with that, Chair, that is all of our callers at this time.

CO-VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: Okay. I know we paused the video. I was curious, Kristian, as to how much time did we have remaining on the video?

MR. MANOFF: Looks like we've got about twenty-three minutes left on that video.

CO-VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: I see. Okay. So with that, Katy, why don't we read -- if you would read the
instructions again, please.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Sure, Chair. No problem.

CO-VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: Thank you.

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And at this time, Chair, we do not have any callers in the queue.

VIEC-VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: Okay. So what we'll do is we'll wait a couple of minutes and if we don't have any callers that appear in the next two minutes, we'll complete the video which will take us right to about 2:00. So I'd ask everybody to standby if we do go to complete the video and then we'll check in around 2, see if we have any callers waiting. And if we do not, we'll adjourn for lunch about fifteen minutes prior. So that's the plan. And so let's wait our two minutes and go from there.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Sounds good.

(Pause)

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: And Chair, we are at two minutes.

CO-VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: Okay. Thank you for that, Katy. So Kristian, if you could restart, not restart -- Continue the Spanish language video, please. And I think you said there's about twenty minutes or so left. So if Commissioners could stay within earshot. Kristian will let us know when we come to the conclusion of the video. We will check in to see if we have callers in queue at that time; we'll take those calls. If we do not have callers in the queue at that time, we'll move to have
lunch just a few minutes early. So thank you, everyone.

CO-CHAIR KENNEDY: Welcome back, everyone, to
today's California Citizens Redistricting Commission
Communities of Interest input meeting. We also encourage
folks to visit our Communities of Interest tool online to
draw a map and describe your community. That tool is
located at drawmycacommunity.org.

As we noted at the start of our meeting today, every
ten years after the Federal Government publishes updated
census information, California must redraw the boundaries
of its Congressional, State Senate, State Assembly, and
State Board of Equalization districts, so that the
districts correctly reflect the state's population.

Our 14-member independent Citizens Redistricting
Commission was established by California voters to draw
those new district lines. We are here today to obtain
communities of interest information from Californians
directly. We encourage all Californians to participate
in this process. While there are no clear rules on how
to define a community of interest, we've identified a
number of ways for you to describe your community.

Begin with your county or city, mention street
names, and significant locations in your neighborhood to
help us identify the parameters of your community. Then,
tell us what are your shared interests; what brings you
together as a community; what's important to your
community; what are your priorities; are there nearby
areas that you want to be in a district with? If so,
tell us what makes those communities logical to group
together in a district. Are there nearby areas that you
don't want to be in a district with? If so, tell us why
it doesn't make sense to be in a district with those
other communities.

You can tell us if your community has come together
to advocate for important services, like better schools,
better roads, health centers, or any number of other
things that communities come together to advocate for.
And if you would prefer to submit your Community of
Interest input over the internet, you can do so from our
website or by visiting drawmycacommunity.org. You can
skip the line by going online.

I'll now pass this over to Katy, our comment
moderator, to continue with public input. We'll start
with those people who are registered, and then open the
phone lines, assuming there's time before the next
session.

So Katy, thank you very much, and over to you.
PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you, Chair.
Welcome to the public input session. Please use the
Raise Hand button at the bottom of your screen to enter
the queue. When it is your turn to speak, you'll be identified by your assigned unique ID number. You'll be reconnected to the session with the ability to enable your own video and/or audio.

You will then be assigned a speaker order number before you begin speaking. Please make note of your speaker order number for future reference. The Commission will be enforcing a three-minute time limit with a warning at thirty seconds and fifteen seconds remaining. At the end of your public input, or at the end of your time, you'll be reconnected in a listen and view-only mode. At the beginning of your input, please remind the mapper of what area you would like to see on the screen.

Right now, we will have 027, and up next will be 023. So right now, we will start with 027, and up next will be 023. And I'd like to remind those just joining to use the Raise Hand button at the bottom of your screen to join the queue. So right now, is 027. 027, your speaker order number will be number 22. If you'll please make note of that for future reference. You are now able to enable your audio and video in the lower left corner of your screen. Please remind the mapper what area you would like to see. And with that, the floor is yours.
MR. FOLKS: Hi, good afternoon, Commission members. Can you hear me fine?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, we can.

MR. FOLKS: Okay, let's see. Can you hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, we can hear you.

MR. FOLKS: Thank you so much. I'm going to be speaking today briefly about the desert community, known as Yucca Valley, that is right on the border between San Bernardino and Riverside County. Yes, right near that Greek blotch, correct. Thank you so much. And thank you for the opportunity to provide input today with respect to the redistricting effort.

My name is Tyler Folks (ph.), and I'm a resident of the town of Yucca Valley, where I've lived for half of my life. Prior to moving to the High Desert town of Yucca Valley, I lived in what is colloquially known as the Lower Desert, or more formally known as the Cahuilla Valley.

When my family and I made the decision to move from the Lower Desert, we chose to live in Yucca Valley, due to both its proximity to the Cahuilla Valley and its likeness. It was important for our family to live in a community that was familiar and that shared many of the same resources and interests. The connection between the Cahuilla Valley and the Morongo Basin is ultimately why
my family and I chose to live in the town of Yucca Valley.

The connection the two communities share is critical to one another, as they share many key resources, including geographical interests, tourism, education, healthcare, and human capital. These shared interests, I believe, are paramount to both communities and should be sustained.

As an example of how the two communities are connected, my family members and I commute from the Morongo Basin to the Cahuilla Valley each day during the work week for employment. As I'm speaking to you today, I'm calling from the city of Rancho Mirage, which is located in the heart of the Cahuilla Valley. This daily commute that my family and I have undertaken is not unique to our family.

The town of Yucca Valley is largely comprised of a commuting demographic. Most of them travel to the Lower Valley and its many desert cities for employment. The Lower Desert communities such as Palm Springs, Rancho Mirage, and Cathedral City also reciprocate in this special relationship, as many of their residents and tourists often commute to the High Desert for both work and leisure.

While I'm a resident of the town of Yucca Valley,
and I'm a contributing member of the larger Morongo Basin, I receive my employment, my healthcare services, and many of my recreational opportunities from the Cahuilla Valley. Decisions that are my by or for the Cahuilla Valley directly impact the High Desert community and vice versa. It is due to the reasons stated that I believe it is critical to recognize that the Cahuilla Valley and the Morongo Basin are important to one another, as they share a strategic relationship.

I hope the Commission will take into consideration the comments I provided today, and will recognize and sustain this shared community interest through the redistricting process. And that will be it for my comments. I really appreciate your time.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

Right now, we have 023. And I would like to remind those calling in, that -- 023 will be right now. 023 disappeared into the abyss? There they are.

023, you can now enable your audio and video in the lower left of your screen. Your speaker order number will be number 23. Please remind the mapper what area you would like to see. And the floor is yours.

MR. YAKIMOW: Thank you. You can hear me today?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, we can.

MR. YAKIMOW: Terrific. Thank you. Good afternoon,
Honorable Commission members. Thank you for the opportunity to provide critical input today with respect to communities of interest. My name is Curtis Yakimow, and I serve as the town manager of the town of Yucca Valley here in the Morongo Basin. I'm also a resident of Morongo Valley or the unincorporated San Bernadino County that borders the Riverside county line.

As the Commission begins its work through this community outreach process, I wanted to share a couple of important thoughts related to Yucca Valley, the greater Morongo Basin, and our definition of what we would like to see as communities of interest with respect to Yucca Valley. And while I'm speaking today, representing the town of Yucca Valley, I'm also speaking as a resident, and I know that my story is not unique.

I was born and raised in Palm Springs, moved up to Yucca Valley in 1995, when I joined the town of Yucca Valley -- excuse me, I moved to Morongo Valley. I chose to live in Morongo Valley due to its proximity to both, Palm Springs and Yucca Valley. It was important for me to find a community that was unique and allowed for the sharing of critical resources such as healthcare, transportation, and employment. I found just that in the Morongo Basin, including communities like Morongo Valley, Joshua Tree, Yucca Valley, other unincorporated areas in
San Bernadino County.

As a unique community, yet we are in an area that shares so much with our neighboring cities down the hill, including Palm Springs, Cathedral City, Rancho Mirage, and others. This affiliation between the Cahuilla Valley and the Morongo Basin is such a part of the fabric of our community. It is clearly a community of interest that needs to be sustained. Like me, many residents in Yucca Valley depend on the desert cities for healthcare. Having our four children born at Desert Hospital is a great example. Those resources are critical.

Our local hospital in Joshua Tree is one of three facilities operated by Tenet Health, with the other two hospitals located in Palm Springs and Indio. It is so common for our residents to rely on the specialty healthcare available down the hill. And while that may be a strange saying to some, everyone in Yucca Valley or even the Morongo Basin knows what down the hill means. It's where people go for connection to healthcare, entertainment, dining.

Similarly, when we engage with our residents in Yucca Valley, many will say, I work down the hill. Or put in another way, if the Yucca Valley resident working in Palm Springs is asked where they live, they will often respond, up the hill in Yucca Valley. While there are
many other examples, suffice it to say that our residents, and me personally, consider the Cahuilla Valley to be heart and parcel of the way of life here in Yucca Valley. And we trust that the Commission will recognize and sustain this shared community of interest in the redistricting process.

Thank you so much for your time today. I do appreciate it.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

I would like to ask 015, if they are prepared to make their public comment at this time, to please use the Raise Your Hand button at the lower part of your screen.

015, if you could use your Raise the Hand button at the lower part of your screen, indicating you wish to comment. All right, 015 will be right now. Hold on, I'm going to promote you. One second.

015, you can now enable to your audio and video in the lower left of your screen. Your speaker order number will be number 24. Please make note of that for future reference. And remind the mapper what area you would like to see. And the floor is yours.

MS. ROWE: Thank you very much.

I am looking to see the entire Morongo Basin, and even up to Bakersfield, so probably a zoomed-out view would be helpful.
So my name is Dawn Rowe, and I am the Vice Chairman of the San Bernadino County Board of Supervisors. And a part of the area that I represent on the board includes the Morongo Basin.

I moved to the area almost twenty years ago when my husband was stationed at the Marine Corps base in Twentynine Palms. And unfortunately, he was killed in Iraq. But I chose to make the Morongo Basin my home, where I raised my two kids who are now in college. I have a unique perspective of this entire area, not only because of my Marine Corps affiliation, but also because I worked as both an Assembly and a Congressional Field Representative for the area for over ten years.

While the community of interest for the federal level for our area is really appropriately aligned to serve the communities well, and it makes sense to have the Morongo Basin included in there. I don't necessarily feel that that's the case with the Senate district. The Morongo Basin in the 8th Congressional District has military members who reside in the area, who seek services aboard the installations.

We have natural resources in the area that are shared with our congressional representatives, who work well for that area. And we have intertwined relationships with other federal partners, such as the
Bureau of Land Management and National Park Services, since nearly ninety percent of the 8th Congressional District is comprised of public lands.

And unfortunately for our residents in the Morongo Basin, the 2012 redistricting plan drew our community into the 16th State Senate District, which stretches as far north as Bakersfield and Kern County, which is really why I'm here to speak.

That State Senate District has a population based that, for me, is over 200 miles away from this community of interest that I am speaking of today. And it is a very difficult task for any elected official to understand the scale of our local concerns, let alone dedicate the appropriate time and resources to solving our problems in the Morongo Basin.

There are several critical State issues facing our community that require strong representation from our State elected officials. These include illegal cannabis cultivation, and threatened species management. To date, there are over 860 illegal cannabis farms operating in San Bernadino County, many of which are located in the Morongo Basin.

Additionally, our community is facing the prospect of the California Fish and Game Commission permanently listing the Western Joshua Tree as a threatened species,
which is a move that will have a devastating effect on
the future growth of the Basin. And in the absence of a
regional conservation plan, we will really struggle. In
order to adequately address these critical issues of our
community and the local governments in the Morongo Basin,
we need intervention and help from our State resources.

So accordingly, I respectfully request that this
Commission consider including the Morongo Basin in a
State Senate District with a population base that has
more shared interests. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

I would like to ask those calling in to please press
star-nine to raise their hand, indicating they wish to
comment. As for caller 8518, as I believe you're a
registered caller, if you will press star-nine,
indicating you're ready to comment. Perfect. So we have
caller 8518 right now.

Caller 8518, if you will follow the prompt from Zoom
to press star-six to unmute yourself. There you are.

Caller 8518, you are unmuted. I've got a couple of
instructions for you. Just one second. If you'll make
note, your speaker order number is number 25 for future
reference. And please, let the mapper know if there is
any area you would like brought up on the map. And with
that, the floor is yours.
MR. STRACK: Thank you. Can we bring up the city of Riverside, please? And just for information, I'm caller 016. I was on the Zoom and I got booted off. So just -- so for reference, that's where that's at.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you.

MR. STRACK: Riverside is one of the fastest growing, and most diverse, largest region in California now. In 2010, Riverside had representatives in the State, had up to six representatives between Congressional Assembly and Senate districts. The city was carved up. It had no representation, because there was no majority of voters for the city of Riverside that were able to be elect representatives that could be directly representing the city of Riverside in the State Legislature or the Senate Assembly, or Congress.

Riverside is now the largest, and has been for a long time, the largest city in the Inland Empire, the 13th largest estate, and is also a member of the Big City Mayors Coalition.

This city is still growing. The region is growing. It is a substantial economic driver. It is still a place where houses can be built. It has affordable housing, open land to build those housings, and many new jobs that are coming.

In 2020’s redistricting, Riverside was considered a
strong community of interest that needed to be assembled
to be able to have its own Assembly -- two of its own
Assembly district majorities, its own Senate majority, and a Congressional majority, all coming from the ability
for the city of Riverside. With this, now the city of
Riverside has a substantial voice in the inland -- from
the Inland Empire in Sacramento and in Washington, D.C.

Riverside's representation should still be
substantial and have the ability to have majorities that
we can send to Sacramento and to Washington. Riverside
deserves this continue as the 13th largest city, and also
a major driver here in all different types if the
economy, healthcare, transportation, manufacturing,
agriculture. Many people live here that commute to L.A.
and come back from work, and this is one strong community
interest that should be considered left intact.

If indeed the city of Riverside needs to be split up
more, we strongly encourage that the lines be matched up
with the ward lines, as the city is represented by seven
council members that have seven different wards --

MR. MANOFF: Fifteen seconds.

MR. STRACK: We thank you for your time. And I
believe I missed it, my name's Tim Strack (ph.), and I'm
a resident here of the city of Riverside. Thank you very
much.
PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you.
And right now we have caller 5107. Right now we have caller 5107.
And I would like to remind those calling in to please press star-nine to raise their hand, indicating they wish to comment. Right now, our caller is 5107, and then up next we have caller 8688. So right now we have caller 5107. Up next is caller 8688.
Caller 5107, if you will please follow the prompts Zoom is giving you. If you'll press star-six. There you go. Caller 5107, you are unmuted. I have a couple of instructions real quick, you are unmuted. So your speaker order number will be number 26. If you will please make note of that for future reference. If you will let the mapper know if there's an area you would like brought up on the map.
And with that, the floor is yours.
UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: All right. Good afternoon, Commissioners. My name is Brianna (ph.), and I'm an educator in the city of Chino Hills. And Chino Hills is a quiet community in west San Bernadino County. And the boundaries are Los Angeles County, the cities of Pomona and Diamond Bar to the north and northwest. There is the 51 Freeway -- so sorry, 71 Freeway to the east, and the Orange County cities of Brea and Yorba Linda to the
south.

There are some really awesome little treasures there, including Chino Hills State Park, that has hiking trails and a lot of diverse plant and animal life. Last year, there was the Blue Ridge fire, which burned a lot of the State Park, 8,700 acres, and they forced mandatory evacuations of many residents in Chino Hills, Brea, Yorba Linda. A lot of my students and other teachers had to get ready to evacuate -- and evacuate.

So the cities of Chino Hills, Brea, and Yorba Linda have common fire safety issues in a mutual aid agreement. And additionally, these cities are connected by Carbon Canyon, which is SR-142. It's a major thoroughfare that connects Chino Hills to the city of Brea and north Orange County.

So I use this Carbon Canyon daily for my commute between Chino Hills and north Orange County. However, Carbon Canyon doesn't permit large trucks to utilize it, and it's a very tight road, which can lead to accidents, and it can narrow, and users can get stuck in traffic for a very long time.

I'm happy that Chino Hills is working with the nearby city of Brea on solving some of the traffic issues. I would like to see that Chino Hills -- I would like -- it would make sense that Chino Hills to be
included in the same legislative or congressional
district as Brea and Diamond Bar due to the environmental
and wildfire, and transportation issues, that all three
of those communities share.

So thank you again to the Commission for your time,
and for your service to all the residents of California.
Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.
And with that, we do not have any other callers at
this time.

CO-CHAIR KENNEDY: Very good. Thank you, Katy.
If you could please go ahead and read the full call-
in instructions at this point.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, Chair.

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participation in our process, the Commissioners will be
taking public comment by phone. To call in, dial the
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press the pound key. Once you have dialed in, you'll be
placed in queue. To indicate your wish to comment,
please press star-nine. This will raise your hand for
the moderator. When it is your turn to speak, you will hear a message that says, the host would like you to talk, and to press star-six to speak.

If you would like to give your name, please state and spell it for the record. You are not required to required to provide your name to give public comment. Please make sure to mute your computer or live stream audio to prevent any feedback or distortion during your call. Once you are waiting in the queue, be alert for when it is your turn to speak. And again, please turn down the live stream volume.

We do not have any callers in the queue at this time.

CO-CHAIR KENNEDY: Very well. Thank you, Katy. We will stand by for a couple of minutes to see if we have some callers joining us.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: I would like to remind those coming into the queue. 018, if you are ready to make your comment at this time, please use the Raise your Hand button at the bottom of your screen. That is 018. If you are ready to make your comment, please use the Raise your Hand button at the bottom of your screen. Perfect. We have 018 at this time.

018, your speaker order number will be number 27. You can now enable your audio and video in the lower left
of your screen. Please remind the mapper of what area
you would like to see. And with that, the floor is
yours. And please, mute your speakers so that you don't
have that -- there you go.

Oh no, not mute yourself.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Sorry, it's my first time.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Oh no, you're great. The
floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: So I'd like to look at the
Pomona area. And I'm calling because we'd like to keep
Pomona whole in the same district that we have now.
We're bordered on the north by Interstate 210, and
Highway 60 to the south, with Interstate 10 bisecting.
We're about twenty-three square miles large. And
although we're in Los Angeles County, Pomona is in the
Pomona Valley, which includes the cities of Chino --
Chino Hills; Claremont; Diamond Bar; La Verne; Montclair;
Ontario; Pomona; Rancho Cucamonga; San Dimas; Upland; and
Walnut.

Pomona's economic, social, and political interests
are aligned with these communities, and not with the San
Gabriel Valley. Those include traffic, transportation
issues, homeless issues, which are big, shopping, and
dining. All of these cities would benefit from
development along Interstate 10, linking them together in
commerce, leisure, and entertainment.

And that's the extent of my comments.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. I would like to remind those calling in to please press star-nine to raise your hand, indicating you wish to comment. Please press star-nine to raise your hand, indicating you wish to comment.

And we do have caller 8694 at this time with their hand raised. We'll open up the line. That was caller 8694. If you will follow the prompts from Zoom. Caller 8694, you are unmuted. I have a couple of instructions for you. Your speaker order number will be number 28. If you please make note of that for future reference. If you let the mapper know of any area you'd like brought up on the map. And with that, the floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you very much for your time. My area of concern is the Coachella Valley. And if you could bring that up on the map, that would be great.

And right now, the Coachella Valley is divided into two Assembly districts, and they are not contiguous. I think that one of your mandates is to make sure that these districts are contiguous. We've got Desert Hot Springs, and then it skips Rancho Mirage, Palm Desert, Indian Wells, and then hops over to Indio. So we're
not -- it's a very much chopped up area.

And we would really like your consideration in this upcoming mapping to make sure that our districts are contiguous. Those are my comments, and I thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

And with that, Chair, we do not have any other callers at this time.

CO-CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Katy. It looks like some people are calling in, but not staying around. I'm wondering if they're having problems. So could you read the short instructions again at this point?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: I will gladly do that.

The Commission will now be taking public comment by phone. To give a comment, please call -- one moment, please. To give comment, please call 877-853-5247, and enter the meeting ID number 93910267047.

Once you have dialed in, please press star-nine to enter the comment queue. The full call-in instructions are read at the beginning of the session, and provided on the livestream landing page.

And there is no one in the queue at this time, Chair.

CO-CHAIR KENNEDY: Very good. We will stand by for two minutes, and then, if we still have no callers, let's go to a -- to the five-minute video.
(Pause.)

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: I'd like to remind those calling in to please press star-nine to raise your hand, indicating you wish to comment.

If you will please press star-nine to raise your hand, indicating you wish to comment.

And we do have a raised hand. Caller 3130. And it's caller 3130. Caller 3130, if you'll follow the prompt of -- there you go. Caller 3130, you are unmuted.

I have a couple of instructions. Your speaker order number will be number 29. If you will please make note of that for future reference. And if you'll please let the mapper know of any area you would like brought up on the map. And with that, the floor is yours.

Caller 3130, your line is open.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi folks, can you hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, we can.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible).

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: If you would mute your livestream audio. Ma'am?

SPEAKER 3130: Hi, I'm here.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes. If you will mute your livestream audio?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Oh mine, on my end?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, if you will mute
your computer.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I'm not actually on -- I'm not actually on the Zoom, but --

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: No, your livestream audio. Or if you're watching the livestream, if you could mute that audio?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes, yes, yes. Okay, got you. I'm off of there.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: There you go. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: You're welcome.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you, Committee, for taking input. My name is Jan (ph.), and I'm calling from the Coachella Valley, which is the area that I would like you to look at on the map. I just have a few points about the Coachella Valley to keep in mind when you're redistricting this area.

First is, that our Assembly district should be contiguous and include all of the Coachella Valley cities. It should also include the Palo Verde Valley, which has 25,000 people, and goes all the way to the Arizona border.

Second, our communities should not be segregated by ethnic or socio-economic groups. We are one community,
and we need to work together to achieve our goals and solve our problems together as the Coachella Valley community.

Third, are all of the Coachella Valley cities and our local Indian tribes work together through the Coachella Valley Association of Governments, where they jointly address public safety; infrastructure; homelessness; conservation; environmental issues; and energy needs, etcetera. So we need to stay united.

Number four. The 2019 population of the Coachella Valley was approximately 388,000 full-time residents. However, that population increases in the winter months. When over 100,000 snowbirds arrive, we are large enough to have one Assembly district. Although, these visitors are not residents of California, they do increase the size of our community, and should be considered when drawing the lines.

Number five. Tourism and agriculture are the two large economic factors in the Coachella Valley, together with the Palo Verde Valley, and Blythe, and the Imperial Valley, which we have shared agricultural interests, which would be better represented if they were in one district.

I think that's all. The main point that I want to make is that we need one contiguous district, including
all of the Coachella Valley cities.

And thank you, for considering my comment. And I think that's all for now.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

With that, I'd like to remind those who called in to please press star-nine to raise your hand, indicating you wish to comment. Please, press star-nine. Thank you so much.

So we have caller 5136 at this time, caller 5136. Please follow the prompts that Zoom is giving you.

That's caller 5136, if you will press star-six to unmute yourself. There you are, caller 5136. You are unmuted.

MS. PAZANT: Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: I have a couple of instructions. Your speaker order number will be number 30. If you will please make note of that for future reference. If you'll please let the mapper know if there's an area you would like brought up on the screen.

And with that, the floor is yours.

MS. PAZANT: Thank you very much. My name is Karen Pazant (ph.). I am a school board member for the Alta Loma School District in Alta Loma, which is a part of Rancho Cucamonga, California, obviously. And I'm calling regarding the situation where our city is divided into two Assembly districts. Not even our city, just our
little corner, Rancho Cucamonga.

So I don't know if you know that Rancho Cucamonga is located in the foothills of San Bernadino County's west end. It's made up of three minor communities, or smaller ones, Etiwanda, Alta Loma, and Cucamonga. Our school district consists of ten schools. And two of our tenant schools belong to Assemblyman Holden, who resides in Pasadena. And the rest of our district belongs with Mr. James Ramos, which is part of San Bernadino County.

And the part that makes it so difficult for us and for this area, is that we are definitely a member of San Bernadino County. And to be represented just a teeny, tiny bit by Assemblyman Holden, who is, you know, an hour away from us, west of us, in a different county, in a different city, makes it very improbable for us to be serviced correctly for those two schools in that area.

We would appreciate the redistricting to include all of us in San Bernadino County with Mr. Ramos, because we're definitely all in San Bernadino County.

Mr. Ramos is very attentive to our school district needs and our city's needs, because he lives in San Bernadino County, and we do too.

Mr. Holden, on the other hand, is from Pasadena, Los Angeles County. He rarely comes out to see us. He rarely services the people that live in that teeny, tiny
part of his district. He'll send out an email occasionally, or maybe come, if we invite him, he'll show up maybe once a year, because his major interest is Los Angeles County. And I get that. And he is a fine Assemblyman for them, but for us, in San Bernardino County, we need to be contiguous and be represented by Mr. Ramos in the county where we reside.

The last Commission drew most of our community into Los Angeles County for that little bit. But we want to stay all in the county that we reside in, so we can be best served, and best have our needs be met, and best served our state if we're all in one Assembly district.

That's all I have to say.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

And with that, Chair, we do not have any other callers in the queue.

CO-CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Katy. We will stand by for a couple of minutes. We've had good luck so far in people coming in just at the end of the time that we're on standby. So let's stand by for a couple of minutes to see if we get some new callers, and then we'll take it from there.

(Pause.)

CO-CHAIR KENNEDY: I would like to remind everyone that we have a Communities of Interest input meeting
focusing on Los Angeles County coming up on Saturday, that is from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. For those who are interested in signing up for a specific block of time for their public input, the online registration for specific time blocks will close at 5:00 p.m. today for Saturday's Communities of Interest input meeting focusing on Los Angeles County.

We have another Communities of Interest input meeting coming up on Monday. That one is focusing on Zone C. So the deadline for signing up for speaking slots on that would be 5:00 p.m. on Saturday.

Also, reminding folks that language interpretation requests are needed five business days in advance. So for those who are interested in, or needing interpretation for participating in the Zone A Communities of Interest input meeting on Thursday, July the 1st, those requests would need to be in to us by today at 5:00 p.m. That can be done as part of the speaker registration process. There is also an email address for that, or you can call our main phone number at 916-323-0323. The interpretation request email address is interpreter.request@crc.ca.gov.

After that Zone A Communities of Interest input meeting on Thursday, the 1st, we also have a Zone B Communities of Interest input meeting scheduled for 11:00
a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Friday, July the 2nd.

And with that, with no callers in the queue, could we have the five-minute video, please?

Welcome back. Katy, would you please read the long form of the call-in instructions, please?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, Chair.

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when it is your term to speak. And again, please turn
down the livestream volume.

We do not have any callers at this time, Chair.

CO-CHAIR KENNEDY: Very good. We will stand by for
a few minutes. We do have a number of individuals who
had signed up for speaking during this session, who have
not yet called in. So we will hope that they will call
in while we're waiting.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, Chair.

(Pause.)

CO-CHAIR KENNEDY: I would like to remind folks also
that we have times established for our Communities of
Interest input meetings only through the 12th of July.
After that, we have not yet set times. The Commission is
working to make these meetings, these public input
meetings, as convenient as possible for members of the
public. And we would be very happy to hear from members
of the public about the best timing for these.

We'll have public comment, general public comment,
when that sort of input would be appropriate later in
today's meeting. We will also be having a business
meeting tomorrow from 9:30 to 4:30, at which time that
sort of input would be very much appropriate. And there
will be a public input design committee meeting at 5 p.m.
on Tuesday, the 6th of July. So at any of those points,
we would be very happy to hear from the public about what would be the best time for these public input meetings.

Katy, I see that we do have a caller in the queue.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We do. I wanted to let them know to please press star nine to raise your hand indicating you wish to comment. Please press star nine to raise your hand indicating you wish to comment.

We do have caller 2475 with their hand raised to make a comment at this time. I had to make sure I was on the right page on the spreadsheet.

And caller 2475, if you will follow the prompt from Zoom to press star six to unmute yourself. Caller 2475, you are unmuted.

I have a couple of instructions. Your speaker order number will be number 31. If you'll please make note of that for future reference. If you'll please let the mapper know if there's an area you would like brought up on the map. And with that, the floor is yours. Go ahead.

You are live. Caller 2475, the floor is yours.

Caller 2475, if you would like to talk, your line is open. You are unmuted. Can you hear us?

MR. WATERS: (Indiscernible) --

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Hello?

MR. WATERS: Can you hear me now?
PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: I can hear you.

MR. WATERS: Yes. Can you hear me now?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, we can hear you. Go ahead.

MR. WATERS: Okay. I can. All right. Okay.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: The floor is yours.

MR. WATERS: Okay. My name is Reese Waters (ph.). I am a former director of Three Valleys Municipal Water District, District 1, in Pomona.

The areas that are related to my two cents here are basically all the cities in the eastern most part of Los Angeles County and some cities in the western part of San Bernardino County and the north or west part of Riverside County.

So these are cities that include Pomona, where I live, Claremont, La Verne, San Dimas, Walnut Diamond Bar, and parts of Covina. And the other cities are like Montclair, Chino, Chino Hills, et cetera.

So what I -- the point that I would like to make is that in the work that we did with state representatives and the Assembly District and state senators was very important in educating delegates on the critical issues at hand about water and any and all legislation related to water issues that impacted our region.

And it was very, very important that we understood
that the water issues were of a regional nature and a
statewide nature, not just selected to one little city or
what have you, that these were very critical issues that
impacted the shortages of water, for example, in
especially like Walnut and Diamond Bar, which do not have
their natural -- any natural spring water. And they rely
on imported water for 100 percent of their water.

So providing a reliable resource of water in the
area was very much a part of a working relationship with
our state senators and our state assembly members in our
district. And these districts are overlying in the
different counties. And it was very important that we
had these type of working relationships and continue to
do so in the future, especially at this particular time
when there is a severe water drought in The State of
California.

So I just wanted to --

MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

MR. WATERS: -- let you guys know that it was very,
very important to have these outlying districts as they
are right now, and they should remain pretty much the
same.

MR. MANOFF: Fifteen seconds.

MR. WATERS: Thank you so much for listening today
and have a good meeting. Thank you.
PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.
I'd like to remind those calling in to please press star nine to raise their hand, indicating you wish to comment.
That is for caller with the last four, 5560. And we do have a caller with their raised hand. Caller 5560 has raised their hand. I'll open the line. If you will please follow the prompt from Zoom. That's caller 5560. If you will press star six to unmute yourself. You are unmuted.
MR. BUKLEMAN: Hello. Hi.
PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Hi. I have a couple of instructions. Just one second. Your speaker order number will be number 32. If you will please make note of that for future reference. And if you'd like the mapper to bring any area up on the map, please let them know where that is. And with that, the floor is yours. Go ahead.
MR. BUKLEMAN: Okay, great. Yeah.
So my name is Mark Bukleman (ph.). I'm with basically the equestrian community, but we do the Hesperia Wranglers, so we do a lot of horseback riding and things like this.
So I'm a long time resident of the High Desert and been involved in the equestrian community for many years.
San Bernardino County is the largest county in the lower forty-eight states, obviously. So it's very diverse with a lot of communities. One community that can be often overlooked is our rural communities, like the one that I currently live in.

As you guys know, there's a lot of different communities, and we think that they should obviously be kept together. We are usually some of the most frequent users of public lands. Besides riding horses, obviously, I'm big into dirt bikes and things like that, so we obviously want to be fairly represented and kept together.

And so when we look at communities, and I see the Mojave Desert, I look at communities like Phelan, Yucaipa, Yucca Valley, Apple Valley, Hesperia and the mountain communities and Rancho Cucamonga, are all overlooked and should not be overlooked.

So please remember to give rural San Bernardino County a voice. And we definitely appreciate you guys for all the time that you're doing and just hope that as the maps go forward that we see a lot of our rural communities kept together. So thank you again.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

And that was all of our callers at this time, Chair.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Very good.
Kristian, could we have the twenty-minute English video?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Wait, we do have 021.
Yes. Sorry. My mistake. We have 021 right now.

021, you can now enable your audio and video in the lower left of your screen. Your speaker order number is number 33, if you can make note of that for future reference. And if you could let the mapper know if there's an area you would like brought up on the map.

With that, the floor is yours.

MS. PASADENA: Thank you. Thank you so much. Yeah. So the map. If it's okay, I will just read my testimony. I'm not very good with maps. I'm in the High Desert region, so perhaps looking at -- zoning in to that region, Victorville area. That might be helpful. There we go. Yeah. Go up north.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Well, we need to go west from there. Southwest.

CHAIR KENNEDY: A little further south and west.

MS. PASADENA: Yeah. Yes. Thank you. There we go, Apple Valley of (indiscernible) -- there we go.

CHAIR KENNEDY: There you got.

Okay. So it helps me to read my statement so I can stay within two minutes now.

So thank you so much for your help and for providing me the opportunity to testify with you all today. My name is Stephanie Vita Pasadena (ph.), and I am a resident of this region in Victorville. I've lived here for the last ten years, and I just wanted to testify on behalf of the community that our neighborhood can best be described as a suburb region with urban problems.

As you can see on the map, we are a suburb, but we are unique in that we have urban problems because of the high migration that we have seen over the last ten years. And even on the map, you see the division on Highway 15 and that natural boundary that the mountain creates.

It becomes very difficult for our residents to migrate down the hill -- we actually call it that. We call it, saying, down the hill -- in order to attend university, Cal State, San Bernardino, or UC Riverside.

Unfortunately, in the High Desert region, which is the region I'm speaking of today, we do not have any universities. We only have two community colleges that cover that entire region, which makes it really difficult for people that are wanting to attend school. It can take at least five years just to do two years' worth of schooling.
We also don't have specialty hospitals. If you want even anything specialty for like women's care, fertility, you have to go down the hill and you can be trapped in traffic for over two hours.

Also, our seniors for their eye specialties, it's the same thing. Currently, (indiscernible) --

MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

MS. PASADENA: -- is not included and so that should also be included in our area.

And we can be classified as a high poverty area with very limited assets and investments.

Overall, our demographics have shifted with the high population --

MR. MANOFF: Fifteen seconds.

MS. PASADENA: -- of Latinos and people of color.

And that always isn't considered in how we are represented in our region.

Okay. Thank you so much for hearing me out. Have a good day.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

And with that, Chair, I believe our queue is empty again.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. So we can go back to the video.

VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: Welcome back to the California
Citizens Redistricting Commission Community of Interests input meeting.

We also encourage you to visit the Communities of Interest tool to draw a map and describe your community. You can do so by visiting, drawmycacommunity.org. Again, that's drawmycacommunity.org.

I will pass to Katy, our comment moderator, to open the phone lines for input. This session is open to anyone who would like to give input. It doesn't require an appointment, and we will be taking comments on San Bernardino and Riverside Counties, as well as any other parts of The State, if you wish. But our focus today is on the San Bernardino and Riverside County.

Katy?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, Chair.

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Once you are waiting in the queue, be alert for when it is your turn to speak. And again, please turn down the livestream volume.

And at this time, we do have one caller. It is caller 9792. And caller 9792, your speaker order number is number 33. If you will please make note of that for future reference. And if there's an area on the map you would like brought up, please let the mapper know. And with that, the floor is yours.

Your line is open. No. No, it's not now. If you'll press star six to unmute yourself. Caller 9792. Star six. There you are. You are unmuted.

MR. THORP: Here I am. Okay. Sorry about the confusion.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: That's fine. Your
speaker order number is number 33, if you'll make note of
that. And the floor is yours.

MR. THORP: Okay. Thank you. Hi, I'm Jon Thorp.

First name is Jon, J-O-N. Last is Thorp, T-H-O-R-P. I
am a city councilman for The City of Yucaipa within the
San Bernardino County. I've lived in Yucaipa for twenty
plus years.

We, like other communities in San Bernardino County,
are a more rural area and face more of unique challenges
related to a rural area.

For instance, we are located next to the National
Forest and are under threat of wildfires. You may have,
in the past year, heard of a large fire that started near
our community from a gender reveal incident gone wrong.

We also have issues related to management of and
access to some public lands. And we also have to make
sure that we manage our water resources very carefully as
well.

I would like to ask that you consider our community
of interest along with other rural communities of San
Bernardino County, for instance, like our mountain
communities, Big Bear, Lake Arrowhead and the High Desert
communities.

Want to make sure that our rural communities
continue to get the fair representation related to our
concerns and issues that we face in our community as well.

That's all I have to add at this time. I thank you for the opportunity to call in and voice our concerns and to give our input.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

And that was all of our callers at this time, Chair.

VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: Okay. Just a reminder to visit our website at, wedrawthelinesla.org. You might also sign up for our email list to learn more about Commission meetings, updates and announcements.

Please also connect with us on social media. We're on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, LinkedIn and YouTube @wedrawthelinesca. Again, that's @wedrawthelinesca, for our social media handles at Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, LinkedIn and YouTube.

There are various ways that you can participate in public input to the Commission. These community of interest public input meetings taking place throughout the summer, like the one we're having today. Visit wedrawthelinesca.org for more information on where those meetings will be taking place.

The communities of interest mapping tool can be found at drawmycacommunity.org. Again, that's drawmycacommunity.org. The online community of interest

Tutorials are also available in those languages on our website, www.wedrawthelinesca.org, and you can click on, Draw My California Community icon, and be able to be taken right to the community of interest map.

By email, you can reach us at votersfirstact@crc.ca.gov. Again, that's votersfirstact@crc.ca.gov.

And by mail, you can send us correspondence at California Citizens Redistricting Commission at 721 Capitol Mall, Suite 260. That's 721 Capitol Mall, Suite 260, Sacramento, California 95814.

And if you need an interpreter, please request an interpreter at least five business days prior to any of the meetings where you need an interpreter. You can submit your request via email to interpreter.request@crc.ca.gov -- lot of dots there -- again, that's interpreter.request@crc.ca.gov, on the community of interest meeting appointments form, or you can call our office at 916-323-0323. Again, that's 916-323-0323.

Katy, do we have any callers in the queue?
PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR:  No chair, not at this
time.

VICE-CHAIR LE MONS:  Okay.  If you could read the
instructions, please.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR:  Yes, Chair.

VICE-CHAIR LE MONS:  Thank you.

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audio to prevent any feedback or distortion during your
call.

Once you are waiting in the queue, be alert for when it is your turn to speak. And again, please turn down the livestream volume.

And we do not have any callers at this time, Chair.

VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: Okay.

Kristian, if you could run the five minute video, please.

Okay. I just want to reiterate that we are taking community of interest input today for San Bernardino and Riverside. We also want to open the lines for general public comment as well at this time. So if listeners want to offer general public comment to the Commission, you can also do so, as well as continued community of interest input for the remainder of our time here today.

So Katy, if you'd read the instructions, please.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, Chair.

VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: Thank you.

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And the Commission is taking general public comment at this time in conjunction with community of interest input.

And we do not have anyone in the queue at this time.

VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: Okay. We'll stand at ease for a couple of minutes.

(Pause)

MR. MANOFF: That's two minutes, Chair.

VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: Thank you, Kristian.
Katy, do we have any callers in queue?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Oh. Just as you said that, Chair. See.

I'd like to remind those calling in, if you could please press star nine to raise your hand, indicating you wish to comment.

And that would be caller 0046. And they did choose to raise their hand. We'll open that line.

Caller 0046, your speaker order number will be number 34. If you'll please let the mappers know if there's any area that you would like brought up on the map. And with that the floor is yours.

MR. LETNER: Thank you. My name is Brad Letner (ph.) and I live in Spring Valley Lake next to Victorville, California. So if you could bring the map up of the high desert area of Southern California surrounding Victorville?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes.

MR. LETNER: My call --

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Go ahead.

MR. LETNER: Thank you. My call is regarding the time that I've spent here. I've been a long term resident. I was recalled to active duty and retired after twenty-seven years in nine -- oh. Wow. Nope. 2013. During that time I was stationed at Fort Irwin,
California on the other side of Barstow. Currently, I'm working as a civilian employee at 29 Palms Marine Corp Base in, obviously, Twentynine Palms.

And reason I'm calling regarding this mapping, is what I've noted is Victorville is the home to the former George Airforce Base. Has a tremendous presence of military retirees. Barstow, where I lived briefly, has the Barstow Veterans Home and the Marine Corp Logistics Base. And of course the -- Fort Irwin -- the only town close to Fort Irwin is Barstow. And now that I'm here in Twentynine Palms working on this Marine Corp base, I note the great similarity of all the retired marines in this area.

And so I know currently we're single-district. I don't know the exact boundaries. But I just wanted from that perspective to make it clear that it's very, very similar. All of the military interests, the interest in the infrastructure and the roads because of the remote nature of the reason. It's a -- it's a very homogenous area. Very -- very easy for one representative or senator to be able to gather and understand and represent our interests; both, again, the military retirees and the infrastructure for transportation and access to things like medical care both for veterans and for being so remote -- medical care for just residents.
And so I'm calling to strongly recommend and request your consideration to treat the Fort Irwin/Barstow area, the Victorville area, and Twentynine Palms --

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thirty seconds.

MR. LETNER: -- as a homogenous community.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And with that Chair, that was all of our callers at this time.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Let's go to the twenty minute video, Kristian.

(Audio Break)

CHAIR KENNEDY: Welcome back to the California Citizens -- welcome back to the California Citizen's Redistricting Commission, community of input imp -- community of interest input meeting. That is a tongue twisters for me this afternoon. So with that, Katy, I understand we have some people in the queue to give us input.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We do have a couple. I would -- Chair, would you like me to read the brief instructions?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Please.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Okay.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Please.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: That's what I was
UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you, Katy.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: -- and then we'll just go straight there. Perfect.

The commission will now be taking public comment.
To give comment please call 877-853-5247, enter the meeting ID number 93910267047. One you have dialed in, please press star, nine to enter the comment queue. The full call-in instructions have been read previously and are provided in full on the livestream landing page.

And we do have two callers. Right now will be caller 7111 and then up next will be caller 3074 -- I'm sorry. 3073. That is caller with the last four 3073. Right now it is caller 7111.

And caller 7111, if you'll follow the prompt -- there you are. You are unmuted. You have a couple of instructions. Your speaker order number will be number 35. If you will please make a note of that for future reference. If there is an area of California you would like brought up on the map, please let the mapper know of that area.

And with that the floor is yours. Go ahead.

MS. HERRERA: Thank you very much. My name is Jacqueline Augustine Herrera. I'm a resident of Hesperia and have been a resident of Hesperia for thirty-five
years. I'm also a dean of the School of Humanity's arts and social sciences at Victor Valley College, and have been a part of Victor Valley College community for thirty-four years.

I'm calling today to express my concern with the redistricting. The community of the Victor Valley, the San Bernardino County high desert, makes up unique community. And this is different from the other areas that we have in our county. I really believe that this redistricting is cutting up the high desert, which is detrimental to our representation.

I would like to see the Victor Valley, San Bernardino County high desert remain together and not be divided again. In the past our representation has been cut up and it's really made many residents of the high desert feel that we were red-headed step-child, because our community was cut up and it hurt our representation.

We are a unique area, and I think it's important to have that unifying representation to represent the residents of the high desert, so there are concerns in that. Thank you for allowing me to express my views and opinions on this all important matter.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And with that we have another caller. Caller with the last four 3073, if you will follow the prompt from Zoom.
Caller 3073 you are unmuted. I have a couple of instructions. Your speaker order number will be number 36. If you have an area of the map you would like brought up, please let the mapper know what that area is. And with that, the floor is yours.

MR. MOON: Hi, everyone. My name is Austin Moon and I am a resident of Chino Hills. It's in Western San Bernardino County. And I'd just like to express my support to have Chino Hills grouped with the inland empire communities in State and Federal legislative district. Chino Hills is currently grouped with some LA and Orange County communities. And I think that the city would really benefit by having the same representative as Chino and the other communities that we do share a lot of our, like, public works and services with Chino. So I think it would just make a little bit more sense.

We also share a school district, the -- the fire district, things like that. Yeah. And then the population housing development in Chino Hills have also grown at a much faster rate than other communities that currently share State and Federal districts with us; such as Walnut, Denver, and North Orange County. The growth expansion is much more in line with that of Chino, Ontario Ranch, and Eastvale.

I'd also like to advocate moving a little bit
westward toward Cal Poly Pomona and Walnut -- San Antonio College. These are two institutions that belong in the same legislative district as -- I mean -- sorry. In the same legislative district.

I was the former student government president for Mt. San. And I know that the two schools often share a lot of advocacy programs and things like that. And I just think it would be a lot more beneficial that way. And that's it. Thank you for -- for your time and consideration.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And with that, Chair, that is all our callers at this time.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Could you read the long instructions, Katy, indicating to our listeners that we're taking both community of interest input as well as public comment at this time?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Absolutely.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you.

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And we do not have anyone in the queue at this time, Chair.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. We'll stand at ease for two minutes, please.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, Chair.

(Pause)

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: And we are at two minutes, Chair.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Why don't we run the five-
minute video, Kristian?

(Audio Break)

CHAIR KENNEDY: Hi, Katy. Do we have any callers in the queue?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Chair, we do not at this time.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Would you read the instructions, please?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, Chair.

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And there is no one in the queue at this time, Chair.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. We'll stand at ease for two minutes, please.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, Chair.

(Pause)

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: And that's two minutes, Chair.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: And we do not have --

CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: And we do not have anyone in the queue at this time.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Let's go to the twenty-minute video, please.

(Audio Break)

CHAIR KENNEDY: Welcome back. I'd like to thank the
individuals that are waiting patiently to give their testimony. So let's go right to it, Katy.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Absolutely. So up first we have caller 3969, and up next, we will have caller 4578. Caller 3969 if you'll follow the prompts from Zoom.

Caller 3969 you are unmuted. I have a couple of instructions for you. Your speaker order number will be number 37. If you'll please make note of that for future reference. If you have an area of the map you would like brought up, please let the mapper know. The floor is yours.

MS. VANZANTEN: Thank you for taking the time to listen to our concerns regarding redistricting. My name is Cowa Vanzanten (ph.). I have lived in Palm Desert. One of the cities -- one of the cities compromising Coachella Valley for twenty-two years.

Palm Springs and Desert Hot Springs are on the west end Coachella, Fairmont and Mecca are on the East end and incorporates Native American tribal lands and casinos across the valley.

Agriculture and tourism continue to be the primary industry in our valley. And during my twenty-two years in Palm Desert the demographics have changed dramatically from a seasonal brief retirement dominated population
that all but shut down across the valley for the summer. We have become a vibrant year-round full-time population including residents from diverse socio-economic, ethnic, and cultural backgrounds. We also have several who are part-time residents who also have homes in other parts of the State.

This welcomed growth and diversity has brought about more around the year -- year-round business opportunities and consumer demands that support our local small businesses.

The Coachella Valley cities work well together to bring their residents a degree of cooperation and cohesiveness across the valley while maintaining their independence and uniqueness, including the predominantly agricultural and unincorporated areas.

We have a Coachella Valley administration of government that work together on cross-valley issues such as homeless commissions, shared-infrastructure projects, public safety coordination, transportation and traffic light synchronization along cross-city traffic corridors, etcetera.

After the last census our single district was broken into two, divided along a North/South Street and took two cities on the West end and assigned them to the non-contiguous district cities on the East end of the valley.
We share common issues, challenges, and tourism surges and should be one district rather than what appears to be the result of arbitrary and capricious jerrymandering.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And with our other caller, caller 4578, if you'll follow the prompts that Zoom is giving you. Caller 4578 you are unmuted. I have a couple of instructions for you. Your speaker order number will number 38. If you will please make note of that for future reference. If there is an area of the map you would like brought up, please let the mapper know that area. And with that the floor is yours.

MR. HOWDIGEE: Thank you. I'm calling regarding -- my testimony regarding senate district number 31. My name is Russel Howdige (ph.) I'm an attorney, a board member of the Indian Empire Latino Lawyers, I'm also a UC Riverside graduate. And I am speaking in my individual capacity as an immigration lawyer in private practice and also with my pro-bono efforts we've worked with clients through Riverside and San Bernadino Counties.

Specifically, West and Riverside County is a home to a dynamic and large Latino/Latinx Community. And we've recently seen Latino candidates have success at winning local office and the State Assembly.
We have a senate district now, number 31, that is a good contiguous mix of similar and diverse communities of interest. But on the Western side of Riverside Counties, specifically Riverside/San Bernadino Valley, Paras, and well as Corona and Norco. Latino/X assembly members currently represent both assembly district 60 and 61, which are currently nested together in Senate District 31.

The only problem with the current configuration of Senate District 31 is that we have yet to have a Latino candidate win an election to the State Assembly -- excuse me. To the State senate -- State senate in Western Riverside County. Thus, the current district has not worked to provide us our representation.

Today, I'm respectfully -- respectfully requesting the commission adjust the lines of Senate District 31 consistent with the California Constitution and the Voting Rights Act to allow us the opportunity to elect a Latino candidate to the State senate in district -- Senate District 31.

And this is something that's really important to our community. And I'd like to thank the commission for their time. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And with that, that is all our callers at this time, Chair.
CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. If you could read the instructions, please, Katy.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, Chair.

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interest input for those who have not called today.

There is no one in the queue at this time. I will defer to you, Chair.

CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Katy. We'll stand at ease for two minutes, please.

(Pause)

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: And we are at two minutes, Chair. And there is no one in the queue at this time.

VICE-CHAIR LE MONS: Thank you. At this time I'm going to announce our next community of interest input meeting, which will be happening this Saturday, June 26th, at 10 a.m. And it will be focused on LA County and surrounding areas.

And on Monday, June 28th, at 10 a.m. we will be taking community of interest input on Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, and Solano Counties and surrounding areas.

Callers of course are not limited to those counties. You can visit the meeting page at our website, see a list of additional upcoming community of interest input meetings at www.wedrawthelinesca.org/meetings.

On behalf of myself and Co-Chair, Ray Kennedy, I'd like to thank Californians for joining us in our statewide community of interest input meeting today, and
we look forward to seeing you all on Saturday.

   With that, meeting's adjourned.

   (Whereupon, the CRC Public Comment Meeting adjourned.)
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