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I am a longtime resident of North County (since 1979) and have lived in Fallbrook since 1988.

It is my understanding that a redistributing option under consideration is to move Fallbrook, Valley Center and Bonsall from District 5 to District 2, which is currently comprised of El Cajon, La Mesa, Lemon Grove and Santee, as well as suburban and rural unincorporated communities such as Lakeside, Spring Valley, Jamul, and Alpine.

This idea is problematic.

1. There is no geographical justification for this move. Moving these communities currently in District 5 into District 2 conflicts with the redistricting criterion that states: "Easily identifiable boundaries that follow natural or artificial barriers (rivers, streets, highways, rail lines, etc.)" will be used in setting boundaries. If Fallbrook, Bonsall and Rainbow were moved to District 2, the communities would NOT be connected by established routes or identifiable boundaries to the existing District 2 areas. These areas that you want to combine are not even adjacent...they are several miles apart. Fallbrook, Valley Center and Bonsall are accessed by highways 78 and 76. The existing District 2 communities are accessed by highways 8 and 52, which are miles away from Fallbrook, Bonsall and Rainbow. The areas we would be grouped with are in EAST county— and Fallbrook, Bonsall and Rainbow are the communities farthest north within the NORTH county region. There's literally no connection.

2. The identity of North County as a region – which includes coastal, urban and rural areas - is anchored in historical relationships with government agencies, health care entities, youth sports leagues and social & cultural institutions. These relationships are decades in the making. We have an interactive, symbiotic, successful relationship. To detach the

unincorporated communities of Fallbrook, Bonsall and Rainbow from North County damages these connections and violates our community of interest.

Unincorporated areas have many challenges in developing and nurturing their community identities. One of the lynch pins in pursuing this civic vitality is maintaining a cohesive supervisorial district known as North County – including Fallbrook, Bonsall and Rainbow - represented by one County Supervisor.

For these reasons, I do not support moving these communities out of District 5 and into District 2.

Thank you,
Catherine Robinson

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