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COSD, Redistricting

**Subject:** [External] Redistricting of San Diego County - Please Review

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Hello,

Thank you for taking the time to read this comment about the factors that need to be considered with the redistricting plan for Ramona that include, geographical, representative, and financial impacts. I have lived in Ramona for 33 years. Ramona should not be split into two different districts. Ramona should remain as one community with a single county supervisor district. Ramona is different than places like Carlsbad and City of San Diego due to our values, lifestyles, and geographic location. We value agriculture, independence, autonomy, land/open spaces, and outdoor activities such as hiking, biking, rock climbing, hunting and more. Carlsbad and the City of San Diego, do not share these same values and lifestyles as they prefer dependence, convenience, and availability nearby of amenities, concerts, shopping malls, movie theaters, restaurants, amusement parks, and mass transportation. Communities that are like Ramona are Julian, Santa Ysabel, Borrego Springs, Wynola, Mesa Grande, Indian Reservations of Barona, Warner Springs, San Pasqual, Poway, and Lakeside. These communities should remain together.

Redistricting will affect the district that Ramona is assigned to and the San Diego Board of Supervisor that will be the representative for it. Ramona needs a San Diego Board of Supervisor that is willing to listen with an open heart to the concerns of their constituents that also live near the area to understand the real needs of the community.

Ramona is in need of its own rural investments for infrastructure, social services, fire prevention, parks, recreation, health care access, and education. Ramona would be at an extreme unfair disadvantage in having to compete with other cities for funds already needed, if put within a district of urban or coastal cities. The priorities for spending differ with the needs of a rural community vs the needs of coastal and urban communities. Please take the time to truly consider these factors, as they are important in the decision of redistricting for Ramona.

Your concerned Ramona constituent.