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Theoretically or idealistically, San Diego County districts are determined to enable equal participation and equal voice across all of the socio- and eco- subgroups of County citizens. However, the currently proposed divisions, if enacted, will accomplish the opposite of equal participation and equal voice.

That is, the currently proposed horizontal striation of the districts will muffle the voice of those who live in the less populated and less affluent areas of the County, while favoring those who live in the urban and suburban areas located in the coastal and mid-city regions.

The concerns and needs of those who reside in the County's east backcountry, who lack a city government, who lack infrastructure such as multilane roads with shoulders, sidewalks and streetlights, who depend on groundwater for survival, and who live with a continuing threat of wildfires, will be muffled by more densely populated areas with a more affluent population whose concerns and needs include too many Air B&Bs in their neighborhoods and a lack of public parking spaces.

Redistricting must be determined using vertical striations, not horizontal as currently proposed. It is only through vertically-distinguished districts that all County citizens will have equal representation.

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