

**From:** [Descanso Planning Group](#)  
**To:** [COSD, Redistricting](#)  
**Cc:** [Jo Ellen Quinting](#); [John Elliott](#); [Kerry Forrest](#); [Mark Gassert](#); [Terry Gibson](#); [Wayne Hay](#); [william Bauer](#)  
**Subject:** [External] Descanso Community Planning Group Comments on the ERC 11/13/21 Draft maps  
**Date:** Saturday, November 13, 2021 10:51:01 AM

---

Below are comments on the IRC's Draft Maps #9-12 from the Descanso Community Planning Group Chair Kerry Forrest

I attended the meeting on November 1 online. I was pleased to see the comments of the East County Community were heard and some changes made to the most recent batch of maps being considered on November 13 during your public meeting.

I am commenting on the November 13 draft maps 9-12. I would like to speak at the meeting but I have used up all my broadband internet for this month during the November 1 meeting. In many rural areas of the county, we do not have available and affordable broadband internet options!

In the review of the draft maps, I see only two, # 9, and # 11 which keep the East County area intact, and only one, Map 11, which keeps the voice of the residents of the rural East County audible. We love Santee and Poway here in the rural areas, they are like sister Cities who are grown up but still have their roots in the country.

Map #9 keeps the Mt Empire region intact but it includes municipal areas with much much louder strident voices. The voice of the rural East County would be drowned out by their clamor.

Maps # 10, m 12 A & B effectively dilutes the rural East County by separating into other districts and large municipalities. Our needs, actions, and values should be reflected in a Supervisor who hears us and does not discount our needs in favor of the larger pool of voices from the cities.

We have no mayor, nor city council to support us and hear us, only our County Supervisor. Descanso Community Supports Map #11

Kerry Forrest, Chair

Descanso Community Planning Group