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My COI is Granite Hills, Crest, Harbison Canyon, and Dehesa, These four small communities are in the unincorporated area of East County District 2 and share one sub regional planning group that shares borders with the following communities:

- The city of El Cajon to the west. Shares a boundary line with Granite Hills. A mapping reference is the intersection of Interstate 8, Greenfield and nearby La Cresta Road.
- Lakeside to the North. Shares a boundary line with Crest. A mapping reference is I8 up to Alpine.
- Alpine to the East. Shares a boundary line with Harbison Canyon. A mapping reference is Harbison Canyon Road and Arnold Way.
- Jamul to the South. Shares a boundary line with Dehesa. A mapping reference is Highway 94 and Jamacha Road. The communities of Steel Canyon, Rancho San Diego and Spring Valley should also be referenced.

I believe my COI and this portion of East County should remain connected within Supervisorial District 2 for the following reasons.

To maintain

- the continuity of established planning groups.
- support established fire districts, establish and improve wild fire evacuation routes, emergency notifications, and emergency response assistance throughout the East County
- Equestrian culture relevant to zoning codes in line with rural unincorporated areas of the county.
- The Grossmont Union High School District and it's established bus routes that include all roads and two highways mentioned above for mapping references.

- The connection between unincorporated areas and the city of El Cajon.

Granite Hills is the western portion of my COI where mostly flat El Cajon turns into the foothills of the unincorporated area of East County.

It is voter approved bonds and tax dollars of those property owners in the unincorporated area of the East County who have been a participant providing tax dollars needed to maintain and improved our public schools districts, community colleges, and a health care district which connect residents to these resources. Many of these vital amenities are in the City of El Cajon.

The city of El Cajon is important to its residents of many cultures and religions. El Cajon has both public and private K-12 schools, large and small places of worship, a Courthouse, small business owner shops and services, larger retail shopping plazas, community parks, grocery stores, entertainment centers, city recreation centers providing

services for persons with mutual interests from the many neighborhoods that make up the demographics of El Cajon in District 2. Large Middle Eastern populations have settled in El Cajon adding to the social characteristics of the streets and down town area with many Middle Eastern restaurants and businesses.

- Areas of the sub region where topography and naturally occurring attributes and preserved open space and trails limit growth.

Crest

Crest elevation is 1600' 3 miles up is a semi rural with limited outward growth due to naturally occurring attributes such as steep granite cliffs and mountainsides. Crest is accessed by La Cresta Road off Greenfield and is a connecting road to Harbison Canyon, Alpine, Dehesa, Jamul and eventually Rancho San Diego. Originally small lots were sold along with a newspaper subscription to encourage the building of cabins to rent to summer tourists. The 2800 acre Crestridge Ecological Reserve main entrance is in the community of Crest. A connection linking nearby Lakeside to Crest is the rare native plant Lakeside Ceanothous. The reserve provides trails for biking, hiking, equestrian use, Indian relics and outdoor education opportunities for all ages and all residents of San Diego County. Harbison Canyon

The canyon below Crest is named after bee keeper John Harbison. Homes are nestled among steep cliffs of granite boulders and sheltering native oaks. Streams that run through the canyon, Indian relics can be found near the stream that runs the county maintained Old Ironside Park and community center. School bus stops are provided for Middle and High school students for the GUHSD and CVUSD. Harbison Canyon is borders Alpine at the corner of Arnold Way and Harbison Canyon Road.

Dehesa

The Dehesa Valley follows the Sweetwater Water River. Originally founded in the 1860's and became known for growing grapes, olives and citrus. The reservation of the Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation runs along the border of Dehesa. Dehesa is also the home of the Sycuan Casino.

Dehesa borders Harbison Canyon and the Jamul Dulzura sub region. Steel Canyon High School is in the Grossmont Union High School District.

Final thought, a social characteristic that many East County residents share is a love of nature and open space. Many express this love through an equestrian life style. Preserved open space provides trails for horseback riding, hiking, mountain biking and the opportunity to get closer to nature. Similar zoning codes, land use and nearby trails link sub region to a neighboring sub region. We are a region of no sidewalks or street lights, preferring dark sky policy. While some roads are county maintained, many are not. Private roads are maintained by those who live on the roads. Generally the sub regions are rural in character since there is no sewer system and many households are on septic or propane.

- A culture equestrian use, caring for farm animals, 4H, backyard gardening, composting, horticulture, large and small nurseries, open space, dusty little league fields, Lakes, fresh water fishing, starry nights, hot summers and chilly winters and it's connection to more urbanized cities.

Thank you the opportunity to voice my opinion for the future of my COI beautiful San Diego County. It's sounds like draft map ten is most tolerable but have been unable to make one. I believe more time needs to be provided for this very important redistricting.

Lindin Brooks, Crest Resident.

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