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I reside in the rural border Boulevard Planning Area and Chair the County's Boulevard Planning Group (BPG). These comments are my own since we had to cancel a presentation at our November BPG meeting and our next meeting is December 2nd, the same date as the IRC meeting.

Maps 13A and 13B are preferable because they would keep our geographically large rural COI area together. It is critical for our backcountry / border area to be represented by just one supervisor and not have our limited voices be split between districts and / or drowned out by more urban communities that have their own elected representatives, beyond just one county supervisor. We struggle to be heard as it is. Please don't further dilute our voices.

It is my personal opinion that El Cajon and Santee should remain in the same district as our rural East County communities.

Map 14 should be rejected. Among other concerns, it splits up rural and backcountry communities that are located in the geographically huge Mountain Empire Unified School District . It even separates Mountain Empire High, with a Pine Valley address, from the actual community of Pine Valley.

As previously requested, it would be helpful to include the boundaries of Mountain Empire Unified School District so the public can ascertain impacts related to proposed changes to political boundaries.

The rural / urban disconnect is real. Urban voters are generally not even aware of our communities nor do they seem to care about our very real rural concerns and issues. It is hard to get media coverage of major issues of concern because we are simply too far out from the cities for them to bother to make the trip to cover the issues.

In fact, many urban voters seem to support shoving much of their unwanted industrial and renewable energy projects and infrastructure into our drought-impacted groundwater dependent and highly flammable areas where we have little to no services to protect ourselves from the dangers those major and massive projects represent to our residents and sensitive resources. We still have residents without electric, phone, or cell service available or affordable for them.

Thank you for consideration of these comments.

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