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Of the maps that seem to have decent support, Map 13a v1.6 appears to do the best job representing the Community of Interest most dependent on the San Diego County Board of Supervisors, unincorporated area residents. While the vast majority of San Diego County residents live in cities and are fully represented by their city councils, unincorporated area residents rely on the Board of Supervisors to act as their city council. And even so they are underrepresented compared to those living in San Diego County's cities due to fact that most decisions by the Board will be made by those who are politically accountable to city residents as opposed to the unincorporated area residents the BoS's decisions will most heavily impact. Still, Map 13a V1.6 does give San Diego County two BoS districts (District 3 and District 5) in which unincorporated residents have enough presence to ensure that the Supervisors in those districts will have to pay attention to their interests. In contrast, Map 14 look jerrymandered/designed to ensure that only one Supervisor will be politically accountable to unincorporated area residents. Another important point to keep in mind that many of the groups who have been pushing Map 14 are already extremely well represented by their city council members and that because most live is cities, the power to make the important decisions largely resides with their city councils, not the BoS. So, from a practical viewpoint, the only thing Map 14 really accomplishes is to diminish the influence of rural and unincorporated area voters - further lessening the value of their votes.

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