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[SD County Compromise 11.20 .geojson](#)

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Dear Commissioners,

My name is Jose Lopez and I am writing this email on behalf of ACCE, the Alliance of Californians for Communities Empowerment. After Friday's night meeting, it's clear that many commissioners are divided over competing priorities. Several subjects came up in the 7-hour long hearing that could have drastic impact on representation on the county level over the next 10 years. These issues include: how to populate the east county district while preserving communities of interests in the area, uniting the AAPI community north of Interstate 8, keeping communities north and south of Escondido together, not splitting the voices in North County coastal cities, and creating a majority-Latino district in South County that preserves the voice of communities along the U.S.-Mexican border. Attached is our attempt at proposing a compromise map that addresses these concerns.

Components of this plan include:

- Maintaining a majority Latino district in the South Bay in compliance with the Federal Voting Rights Act that keeps the two border crossings in Otay Mesa and Potrero together. This districts causes minimal disruption to the community planning groups in unincorporated East County.
- A contiguous line from Coronado to the City of San Diego without splitting the core of downtown. The map uses census blocks west of Pacific Highway to connect the two areas.
- Keeping the BIPOC, refugee together from El Cajon to city heights and in City Council District 4. The district also maintains the LGBTQ+ neighborhoods together in one district and keeps communities north and south of the 8 together. The map proposes splitting the city of El Cajon to keep the urban portion of the City together with similar urban communities like Lemon Grove and Spring Valley.
- Preserves the AAPI communities north of the 8 and improves upon previous drafts released by the commission. The map keeps Mira Mesa, Carmel valley, sorrento Valley, Linda Vista, UCSD, and Convoy together in a coastal district. It maintains the city of san diego together.
- Creates a North County coastal district from Camp Pendleton to Del Mar. The district keeps most of the cities along the 78 together, including oceanside,

Carlsbad, Vista, and san marcos.

- Keeps Escondido together with Valley Center, Bonsall and Fallbrook.
- Preserves the unincorporated districts around El Cajon together in an East County district and splits El Cajon to adhere to public testimony delivered to the commission.
- Maintains a low deviation between the most and least populated districts.

This map is not intended to create a perfect map, but rather was created as a compromise that adheres to sometimes conflicting community of interest testimony. Attached are images of the map along with a geojson file of the plan. We hope that the commission can take this map into consideration as it approaches the deadline to pass a final map.

Respectfully,

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