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Comments to the Redistricting Commission Submitted by Leaders of Borrego Springs, Dec. 2, 2021

Many the residents of Borrego Springs have concerns relating to the redistricting that removes Borrego Springs from District 5, which we believe we will have a negative impact on the two-year effort of local organizations to develop programs and projects working with District Five Supervisory staff.

For the general population, it destroys the historic relationship in North County that has existed with the residents of Borrego Springs. This change will further isolate Borrego Springs in the County. Map 13A and Map 14 propose removing Borrego Springs from its natural connections with Palomar Hospital, Palomar College, and Cal State San Marcos. Borrego Springs has no hospitals. Our patients are taken to Palomar Hospital. Our high school graduates, overwhelmingly Latinx, generally attend Palomar College and Cal State University San Marcos. Our closest major city is Escondido.

The proposed maps will eliminate decades of affiliations that have served our community well, and will place us into a district with no historical affiliation. This will cause irreparable damage.

Remaining in District Five will have little or no effect on the demographics of the redistricting effort. The population of Borrego Springs, Warner Springs, and other North County communities is quite small. If these communities were added back to District 5, it would cause very little, if any, effect on balancing demographics.

To preserve the historical link of Borrego Springs to the communities of the North County, we request that District 5 boundaries be redrawn to the southern edge of Anza-Borrego Desert State Park, from the La Jolla Reservation, to the eastern border of San Diego County.

We would be available to discuss the needs and wishes of our community with the Commission Members.

Sincerely, Jim Wilson, 760-289-9595, jimw366@gmail.com Jim Wermers Martha Deichler Betsy Knaak Bruce Kelly Submit : Submit