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I am asking you all to please support and adopt Map 13a v.1-6 or Map 13A v. 5 with modifications to include the tribal lands to the east.

A couple of weeks ago I addressed the commission for the 7th time, either in person, by phone or through electronic communication. I have participated just about every meeting since August and given testimony whenever possible. Let me say that if people who historically have been left out of the democratic process don't readily participate and speak up in these public hearings, it in no way means that they are "happy". It could mean that they can't navigate the IRC public comment procedure or it could be that they feel that they haven't been heard in the past and wonder what is different today. And if we listen to some comments given in these public hearings, we see that there is good reason.

I take issue with groups and individuals not from our communities professing to know what is best for us and purporting to speak on our behalf. For someone to try to convince you that a particular map is the ONLY map that represents ALL groups better than any other is an example of what I referred to earlier, that we are not being heard. Please listen to North County folks speaking for our own communities. Map 14 DOES NOT BEST REPRESENT ALL OF THE VOICES THAT HAVE YOU HAVE HEARD FOR MONTHS. It dilutes and weakens our votes, particularly the influence that people of color might have in county elections. North County has also addressed you for months and we urge you to please listen to us as well. We in Fallbrook represent a very diverse population and we support Map 13a. which includes Escondido, San Marcos, Vista, Oceanside, Greater Fallbrook and eastward with the modification to extend further east to include the tribal lands.

Listen to North County as we speak for ourselves. Honor the purpose of the California Voting Rights Act. Please do not weaken the voting power of North County People of Color. Please adopt Map 13a v.1-6 or Map 13A v. 5 with said modifications.

Thank you.

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