My name is Angel Garcia and I’m a resident of Ventura County. The Oxnard Plain, including the communities of Oxnard, Port Hueneme and El Rio, is an important Community Of Interest in California’s Central Coast, which should be kept together and ideally united in the same districts as the nearby Santa Clara Valley, including the communities of Santa Paula, Fillmore, and Piru.

We are a community of interest because:

- We are an agricultural, working-class, and farmworker community facing disparities in housing, education, and healthcare with unique economic needs
- We are a community of immigrant families with a much larger share of Latinx residents, immigrants, and Spanish and indigenous language speakers than the surrounding region
- We are an environmental justice community who has been disproportionately impacted by pollution from oil and gas, agricultural chemicals, and groundwater depletion.

Thank you for your consideration.

Angel Garcia
Neighborhood Vice Chair, Commissioner, Volunteer.