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Dear CRC,

I am writing to ask that you please keep Imperial County with Eastern Coachella Valley which includes everything from Imperial County boarder to the City of Indio.

Imperial County and Eastern Coachella share deep liabilities around the environmental impact of the drying up of the Salton Sea and air quality- related illnesses, especially asthma. All of this is a result of the dust particles that come from the “playa,” the sea’s dry, exposed lakebed. We are also both growing communities, which share pioneer families across the Sea’s perimeter.

The Salton sea was once a tourist attraction that tied together the residents of Imperial and Eastern Coachella. Some people even used to call it the “Salton Rivera.” There were hotels, yacht clubs, and vacation homes. This “miracle in the desert” was destroyed by agricultural runoff and decades of mismanagement, but I believe we can make it a desert oasis once again.

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