

**Caller 7900:**

Cities represent to San Bernardino County transportation authority where I served as president for one year. I'm calling today to voice my concern with the commission's line drawing visualization request that would put our high desert community with the Los Angeles County based antelope valley. Historically speaking, we have been part of several districts that were based in Los Angeles County, and we have always seemed to be the redheaded stepchild. The representatives were almost always elected from Los Angeles County side and they prioritized them over us. Our community also has dramatically different needs from the antelope valley and Los Angeles County in general. One example of this is our transit needs are very different from antelope valley and our voices were always drowned out by the much larger Los Angeles County. Our priorities are on interstate 15 which we used to ship resources and commute down the hill as well as the 395 and the 40. None of these vital transit corridors affect the antelope valley and they could care less if the widening of 395 gets funded. I had to work extremely hard on our county transportation authority to get projects in the high desert and victor valley funded but competing for resources against Los Angeles County would be an almost impossible task. Our community does not have a major transit corridor with the antelope valley which means we would be directly competing with them for resources. Our economy is almost also dramatically different from the antelope valley. They focus on aerospace while our economy is dependent on logistics, mining and people re-creating in our desert. Our community has much more in common with San Bernardino County, high desert communities to the north and east than antelope valley. I would ask the commission to keep the victor valley basin, San Bernardino County and respect the county boundary. Thank you.