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Linda Li
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Heather Perry
Donna McGuire
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Chris McGee
Catherine Nguyen
Albert Vallacillo
Jim Provenza, County of Yolo
Jake Whitaker, Woodland School Board
Kay Herosberry
Karen Snow
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Patty Casio
Lucas Frerichs
John Monsun, Nature For All
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Saturday, October 31, 2021 9:02 a.m.

CHAIR TURNER: Good Saturday morning. And welcome to the California Commissioners Redistricting Commission. And we are excited to hear from all of you on today. We are going to start our meeting with roll call.

Alvaro?

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR HERNANDEZ: Thank you, Chair.

Commissioner Vazquez.

Commissioner Yee.

COMMISSIONER YEE: Here.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Ahmad.

COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Here.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Akutagawa.

COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Here.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Anderson.

COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Here.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Fernandez.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: (In Spanish) Presente.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Fornaciari.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Here.
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Kennedy.
COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Here.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Le Mons.
Commissioner Sadhwani.
COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Here.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Sinay.
COMMISSIONER SINAY: Here.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Taylor.
COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Present.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Toledo.
COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Here.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR HERNANDEZ: And Commissioner Turner.
CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR HERNANDEZ: Roll call is complete.

CHAIR TURNER: And today is a continuance of the meeting that we've held the past few days, October 27th, 28th, 29th. And today is October 30th.

And the primary purpose of our call today is to hear from more Californians. We wanted to ensure that we were allotting enough time for public comment to call-in in regards to our agenda item; two, for visualizations; and three, for general public comment. And at this time lines are open.
I hope you have coffee and your specialty muffins this morning so that you're able to dial-in and engage with us on today. We are listening. And we are here to take your comments. At this time Katie will be in your hands.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Good morning, Chair.

In order to maximize transparency and public participation in our process, the Commissioners will be taking public comment by phone. To -- to call in, dial the telephone number provided on the livestream feed. It is 877-853-5247. When prompted, enter the meeting ID number provided on the livestream feed. It is 83289935025 for this meeting. When you have entered -- when prompted to enter a participant I.D., simply press the pound key.

Once you have dialed in, you will placed in a queue. To indicate you wish to comment, please press star nine. This will raise your hand for the moderator.

When it is your turn to speak, you will hear a message that says, the host would like you to talk, and to press star six to speak. If you would like to give your name, please state and spell it for the record. You're not required to provide your name to give public comment.

Please make sure to mute your computer or livestream
audio to prevent any feedback or distortion during your call.

Once you are waiting in the queue, be alert for when it is your turn to speak, and again, please turn down your livestream volume.

And we will be giving a warning at thirty seconds and fifteen seconds remaining of your two-minute public comment period.

And we will begin with caller 2788. And up next after that will be caller with the last four 9493.

Caller 2788, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

MALE SPEAKER: Hello, everybody. Good morning.

My name is Alberto. And I would like to ask for you guys to please consider the VRA Latino for our Senate for the cities of Riverside, Jurupa Valley, Lake Elsinore, Moreno Valley, (indiscernible), San Jacinto, Good Hope, Nuevo, Romoland, Lakeview, Woodcrest, High Grove, Lead Valley, Homeland, and Green Acres to keep our communities together. Thank you so much.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you.

And right now we have caller 9493. And up next after that will be caller 7856.

Caller 9493, if you will please follow the prompts
to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor
is yours.

MS. DUPONT-WALKER: Good morning. And before I
start, I want to report yesterday twice when he asked my
phone to unmute I did and was unable to unmute. That may
be a glitch the system.

But good morning. My name is Jacque Dupont-Walker.
And I represent the AME Church, African Methodist
Episcopal Church, with over one hundred across the state.
We are a partner in the Black Hub presentation. So we
commend their visualizations to this Committee.

I want to thank each of you for what you do. I
served on the LA City Redistrict Commission twice. So I
know exactly what you're going through. And thank you
for the fact I can do this from the comfort of my home
with my cup of coffee.

Thank you for what you've done with the Senate
match. It is so important to us here in the Los Angeles
area. I support the hard-working commission, the work
you have done to address the dilution of the African-
American voting strength in that map.

I urge you, however, to still work on the
Congressional line. Once again, the current lines
eliminated African-American district and representation
in Los Angeles, putting us in peril in the state. We
don't want this to be the legacy of the 2020, '21 effort. And work also remains to be done on the assembly line. The collapsing of African-American seats by half should not be the legacy of our work here.

We want to revive our communities. We want to honor the American Civil Rights movement. And we want to work in the spirit of the Voting Rights Act. It is so important for us to remember equity in action. And that's what we have the opportunity to do today. You represent a significant part of voting, then the census, and redistricting. It has been a stellar effort so far, and we support you going --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thirty seconds.

MS. DUPONT-WALKER: -- forward. We will be with you until the end. Thank you, again, for all that you're doing.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we will have caller 7856. And up next after that will be caller 2075.

Caller 7856, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is yours. Caller 7856, you are unmuted. Might want to make sure your telephone is not on mute.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you. We appreciate the work that you're doing throughout the state. And we are
particularly concerned about South LA. Please work with
us to make sure that our representation remains the same
and strong.

People of the African (audio interference), Asian-
Pacific, Latino, and our native Americans need to be
represented at the table. Look at the lines to ensure
there -- that there is good opportunity for us to be
represented in the seats of government, especially in the
halls of Congress and the Assembly and Senate. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

And right now we'll have caller 2075. And up next
after that will be caller 8458.

Caller 2075, if you will please follow the prompts
to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor
is yours.

MS. SINGH-ALLEN: Good morning. Third time's a
charm -- charm. I've been looking forward so much for
the last two days trying to share my feedback. So thank
you.

I want to thank all of the commissioners for your
public service as you make these important decisions
require redistricting.

My name is Bobbie Singh-Allen. I am the proud mayor
of Elk Grove, which is the second largest city in
Sacramento County. We have little over 180,000
residents. And we are also home of the fourth largest school district, the Elk Grove Unified School district. I am a proud Asian-American immigrant. And I wanted to share with you some important statistics about our city. We are a majority-minority city, including thirty-three percent representing the AAPI community.

And I am calling to strongly oppose being included in the Solano County visualization map. I have heard very loudly from many of my constituents who raised significant concerns. This is Senate District 6 and Assembly District 9.

We share the same goal of keeping communities of interest together with fair representation of minority groups. Our voice and residents are diluted in the Solano County map proposal. So just wanted to strongly urge staying as close to the current map with adjustments to reflect the population only.

I want to thank all of you for your service.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thirty seconds.

MS. SINGH-ALLEN: And thank you, again, for extending public comment period so that more of us can raise our concerns with all of you. Thank you, again, for the opportunity. Have a great morning.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you.

All right. Now, we will have caller 8458. And up
next after that will be caller 4835.

Caller 8458, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello. I'm calling in reference to Visualization Page 5, VSD_SWRIV_1027. I -- I am not in favor of including the Cities of Temecula, Corona, Coronita, Wildomar, Menifee, Murrieta.

With my communities of interest as a Latino resident here for all my life, these communities do not reflect -- not only the sentiments -- but the demographics of the rest of the cities that you mention on your visualization.

Are -- for the Senate district we want to make sure that our VRA is aligned with our communities of interest as Latinos. These communities: Temecula, Corona, Coronita, Wildomar, Menifee, Murrieta do not have the same demographics and income that we do in the Cities of Riverside, Jurupa Valley, Lake Elsinore, Marino Valley, Perris, San Jacinto, Good Hope, Nuevo, Romoland, Lakeview, Woodcrest, High Grove, Mead Valley, Homeland, Greenacres. The cities I just mentioned, that -- that's what we want our Senate district to be, as it reflects the Latino VRA. We want to make sure that our community has a voice, and it's not incorporated with communities
that have not had good sentiments toward Latino
residents. Especially Latino -- the City of Temecula has
passed many resolutions against -- anti-immigrant
resolutions which do not align with our -- with our
communities of interest as Latinos.

Please --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thirty seconds.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- consider not including the
cities that I mentioned in our Senate for -- for the
Riverside County. Thank you so much.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you.

All right. Now, we have caller 4835. And up next
after that will be caller 0983.

Caller 4835, if you will please follow the prompts
to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor
is yours.

MR. MCFARLAND: Hi. And thank you to the
commissioners.

My name is Patrick McFarland. And I am a -- a south
Los Angeles resident. And I'm commenting on the
Congressional Senate and Assembly maps.

While we -- while there is work on the map that
remains, I wanted to thank the Commission for addressing
the concerns about African-American representation in the
Senate plan, and the concerns of communities of interest
in West and South Los Angeles, and to support the new
architecture for Los Angeles.

I do think that there is still work to do on the
Assembly and Congressional maps to unite black
communities in Los Angeles.

South Los Angeles is a long-standing, well-
documented community of interest with shared common,
social, and economic interests that should be included
within common districts for the purpose of effective and
fair representation. Preserving this voting strength
means ensuring all of these communities in their sizable
African-American populations, stay connected in two
Senate districts and four Assembly districts.

I ask that the Commission should look at the options
submitted by the NAACP, My Black Counts, the California
Black Census and Redistricting Hub, and the Equal
Representation Project. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.
And right now we will have caller 0983. And up next
after that will be caller 4585.

Caller 0983, if you will please follow the prompts
to unmute at this time by pressing star six. And one
more time, caller 0983, you'll please follow the prompts
to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor
is yours.
MS. LI: My name is Linda Li. I -- I am -- I was happy to see the Commission recognize the current Little Saigon bordering of Garden Grove, Westminster, Midway City, and Fountain Valley together in sum up the latest map. And discuss of the bring back like extend area of Little Saigon to Los Alamitos, and Rossmoor. I really appreciate that you are hearing us.

However, I was sad to hear a Commissioner talk about adding -- adding Costa Mesa to Little Saigon instead of Huntington Beach and Seal Beach. If you need to add more area to Little Saigon, the best area where our community of interest -- interests come together is Huntington Beach and Seal Beach.

Huntington Beach Harbor in Huntington Beach has almost thirty percent Asian-American, roughly around 7,000 residents with one point four square miles. Huntington Beach, Westminster, Garden Grove, and Fountain Valley school district cross over each other city.

For example, Huntington Beach Union High School District oversees schools that are in Westminster and Fountain Valley. Fountain Valley School District it's in Huntington Beach, Garden Grove. And -- and (indiscernible) School District is the Westminster and Garden Grove.

My children have moved to Huntington Beach, but they
come over to visit us and go to the grocery store here. And we love it when --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thirty seconds.

MS. LI: -- they bring the grandkids over so that they can celebrate the festival with us and attend weekends -- we can (inaudible) temple with us.

Costa Mesa is different from City of Little Saigon. There are no school districts --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Fifteen.

MS. LI: -- that crossover with -- with Costa Mesa. We don't go to Costa Mesa to go grocery shopping or to restaurants there. We go towards Huntington Beach and seal Beach where it's close to my children. And a largest number --

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 4585. And up next after that will be caller 2966.

Caller 4585, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

MS. MCLEAN: Good morning. I'm Marsha McLean, Councilwoman for the City of Santa Clarita. I am also the current chair of the North County Transportation Coalition KPA, soon to become our own COG.

We are a large community as the -- the lines are now
drawn. We have a diverse population ethnically, socially, economically. We are a community of interest regarding our water, our infrastructure, our electricity, our education.

And there was, I heard, a map proposed by your consultant that stripped us away from the North County and put us into the San Fernando Valley quite heavily. And if you were to look at the demo -- the demographic, the topography, we are separated from the San Fernando Valley by mountains. And that just doesn't seem like it could possibly work.

So I'm asking you to look more closely at the lines that are drawn now, keep us whole with the North County. Keep our city whole. And take a look at the -- the lines, as I said, as they are drawn now. They're working very well for us along with Simi Valley, and the way we are looped into the other areas. North County has fought long and hard --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thirty seconds.

MS. MCLEAN: -- to get representation for us. And to take that away now would just not be good for our residents. As I said, very diverse population socially and economically.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Fifteen.

MS. MCLEAN: So thank you so much for taking that
And if anyone needs -- wants to come out to take a look at how we are out here and how we're separated by the mountains from the San Fernando Valley, I think it might be worthwhile.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

And right now we have caller 2966. And up next after that will be caller 6777.

Caller 2966, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you. And thank you for your service. And thank you for allowing for comment today, as I was unable to get on yesterday.

I live in Fresno County. And the way the visualizations are now it separates those communities of color, and will not allow them to have a voice in Congress. The Fresno map is all over the place right now, and it breaks up the Latino community, therefore muting their voices in government.

There needs to be representation for the Latino community just south of Shaw Avenue in Fresno.

Again, thank you for all you guys are doing. I know it's a lot to take into consideration for the whole State of California, but we do appreciate your time and your
effort. Thank you. And have a good morning.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

And right now have callers 6777. And up next after that will be caller 3966.

Caller 6777, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

MS. HEROSBERRY: Thank you. Thank you.

I live in Fresno County.

And first, I want to thank you so much for all your time and effort to serve on this Committee.

I live in Fresno. My name is Kay Herosberry (ph.). And I ask you to not divide our Hispanic communities.

Dividing up our communities takes our voice away, and it makes it difficult to elect people who really can represent us and know us well.

Please stay with the court -- current map. And again, please do not divide the Hispanic community in Fresno County. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

All right. Now, we have caller 3966. And up next after that will be caller 6058.

Caller 3966, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is yours.
UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I am calling in reference to the visualization page 95, MORPERHEM_1027. I am calling to notify that I am not in favor of including Hemet or the East Hemet in our Assembly district. As a Latino, these cities -- cities do not have and will not represent our community of interest. Please do not include Hemet or the East Hemet in our Assembly district. These cities do not reflect our community nor our population. Most of it would be racism. Please consider, instead, Good Hope for our Assembly district. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 6058. And up next after that will be caller 8348.

Caller 6058, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. And one more time, caller 6058, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. And caller 6058, there may be some connectivity issues. You may call back, or I will come back to you and retry.

At this time we -- we will be going to caller 8348. And up next after that will be caller 9244.

Caller 8348, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. And one more time, caller with the last four 8348, you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by
pressing star six. Caller 8348, we will also -- I will also come back to you. There may be some connectivity issues.

Caller 9244, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. Thank you so much. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (In Spanish) Buenos Dias.
PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: (In Spanish) Buenos Dias.
UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (In Spanish not translated).
PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.
And right now we will have caller 8777. And up next after that will be caller 0793.

Caller 8777, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

MS. PERRY: Hello. My name is Heather Perry. I live in Del Mar, and I support the Congressional visualization of (indiscernible). That connects our community with the other rural communities in the Inland Empire. Our community is definitely -- our community definitely fills a tie to other rural areas. And I think this visualization is a great example of giving rural communities fair representation.

I would urge the Commission to keep these maps as close to the final map as possible moving forward, and
also encourage the Commission to keep up the good work. My community feels heard. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: All right. Now, we will have caller 0793. And up next after that will be caller 84 -- 8348.

Caller 0793, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. And one more time, caller 07 --

MS. MCGUIRE: Okay.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: -- the floor is yours.

MS. MCGUIRE: Thank you so much.

My name is Donna McGuire. And I'm calling regarding the districting map that I viewed a few weeks ago. I live in Seal Bach, California. And the current map is showing -- bringing in three cities from Orange County into LA County. So Seal Beach is in Orange County. And those cities are Los Alamitos, Rossmoor, and Cyprus. Really, those three cities have nothing in common with going over the 605 into Los Angeles County. So really the -- the concept is keep LA County cities together, keep Orange County cities together.

There's a couple of just pertinent things. One, the 605 clearly defines Orange County and Los Angeles County. Also, these three cities we all share school districts, all of us. Also, all of the mutual aid agreements that
we have are all within these cities. And all the communications for first -- first responders. So we share no mutual aid with Long Beach, which is where you're trying to put these cities. All of the cities -- again, I'm in Seal Beach -- so we're saying these three cities are more like us in how we use things, schools, first responders, and mutual aid agreements.

So we hope you'll reconsider drawing and keeping LA County cities within LA, and Orange County cities within Orange County.

Thank you so much allowing this. Have a good day.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you.

And right now we will have caller 8348. And up next after that will be caller 1043.

Caller 8348, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

MS. DIOS: Good morning.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: The floor is yours.

MS. DIOS: Thank you. Good morning. Linda Dios here of Yolo County and the City of Davis. I'm quite concerned about the two visualizations I see here, both for our -- the Congressional district. That would be, I believe the Tehanapa 1027, and oh, no, sorry. For Congress, it's NORCAL 1027. We have -- we called in before. I called in last week, asking that we be placed
in with Solano County because we have so much more in common with Solano County and even Napa County.

With regard to our water needs, transportation needs, fire protection, education, and economic wherein we have UC Davis that is located in both Solano and Yolo Counties. We don't have any communities of interest with the counties bordering the Oregon border and further north.

Secondly, I'm calling in about the Assembly districts. Terados, Tehadapa, and Salona. You have split Davis into two. We have a very large community called El Nesaro that shops with us, shares our school district with us, shares our utility districts with us. But they are now in a separate Assembly district. You also split up the Town of Winters. And that makes no sense to us considering the fire dangers we had in the mountains there.

So please keep us all into one Assembly district. Right now, you've got Yolo split into three. Don't -- please don't use us as the way to keep your lines in order, keep us with our communities in interest. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we will have caller 1043. And up next after that will be caller 1212. Caller 1043, if you will
please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star 6. The floor is yours.

MR. WING: Hello my name is Long Wing (ph.). I am from Orange County, that's where I live. I am pleased for the Commission working has to draw this district. But I disappointed to hear the Commission talking about this adding (indiscernible) Little Saigon areas. Our two community -- communities do not have anything in common.

This Little Saigon district that the Commissioning had drawn contained a high concentration of the Vietnamese and Asian young relations so this is a 42 percent Asian -- percent Asian is not an Asian city. It is not -- it is only a nine percent Asian. Adding customization to Little Saigon would decrease the Asian nature of our area and hurt us to be able to elect candidates of our choice who truly have our community interests at heart.

This is hard to understand that any elected official would represent Costa Masa and Little Saigon where if our communities are so different. Our communities make a mistake ten years ago when we did not get involved and voice our voices. We enter from one Congress member who weak represent entire Little Saigon community and care for our concerns to three Congressional members who have
little interest in our community.

Only one of this member have one staff member who spoke with me. Our elderly prefer Vietnamese to English so it is so disappointing with two of our Congressional member don't have a -- need to have someone who speak Vietnamese when we call them. There is not a care to wanting to help or they are not able to any because no one can speak Vietnamese there.

This is what happened to us ten years ago and I am begging you do not use -- not to do it again to us. I would appreciate and ask Commission to keep Cosa Mesa away from our Little Saigon area and keep our Vietnamese, Asian inclusivity intact.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

All right. We will have caller 1212. And up next after that will be caller 3966.

And I'd like to remind those who have called in today, if you would like to star nine, this would raise your hand and give you an order in the queue.

Caller 1212, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

The floor is yours.

MR. MCGEE: Hello. My name is Chris McGee and I live in Westminster, California. Just over the line almost in Orange County.
I'm really concerned about the redistricting that's going on. I don't want to eventually be a part of Los Angeles County.

I think that the cities that we have in our districts right now are fine the way that they are. I hope that the Commission can keep things as close to where they are right now as possible.

But it, you know, I -- if anything -- if you wanted to keep Huntington Beach, Rossmor, Theo Beach (ph.), Westminster, Los Altos, Cypress, those communities together. We don't want any of our close to the border communities going into Los Angeles County. That's not why we live here.

I'm married to a Vietnamese. I'm black American. We enjoy the level of diversity and the inclusiveness of our current community down here. We don't want to see these changes.

We don't want to see, like the previous caller just said, other communities like Costa Mesa having to merge with our communities. We want to keep the current feel, the current tenor, the current temperature of our communities as close as we can as possible to keep it the way that we have it right now.

You know, I just don't see -- I don't see how we can keep the same culture of the community if you throw us
into Los Angeles County or add some of these other nonaligned cities to our district.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

All right. Now we will have caller 3966. And up next after that we will have caller 4967.

Caller 3966, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

The floor is yours.

MALE SPEAKER: Good morning. Thank you. Good morning, my name is Ricardo (ph.). And I live in Perris, California.

And I am not in favor of including Hemet or East Hemet in the Assembly district. As a Latino, this cities do not represent my community interests.

So please, take into consideration to not include Hemet or East Hemet because it could affect our culture. And there's going to be -- I believe there will be more racism with those cities combined.

So please take in consideration of including (indiscernible). Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

All right. Now, we have caller 4967. And up next after that, we have caller 1701.

Caller 4967, if you would please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.
The floor is yours.

FEMALE SPEAKER: Good morning. My name's Alita (ph.) and I would like to make a comment on Kings County.

Kings County and West Kern need to be with farmland on the west side of the valley. We are a community of interest and it's important to keep those together.

Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

All right. Now, we have caller 1701. And up next after that will be caller 9673.

Caller 1701, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

The floor is yours.

MS. NGUYEN: Good morning, Commissioner, do you hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

MS. NGUYEN: Okay. Good morning. My name is Catherine Nguyen and I'm living in West Mesa County for a year. And I'm -- today I'm calling about the district map.

I'm so sad and disappointed that this Commission has decided not to recognize the Vietnamese community with district like that preserve our unity and community.

In some of your map, you actually divide the Little Saigon in two. And in the order you fail to see that we
have grow our community beyond seemingly the Garden Grove and Westminster areas to Fountain Valley, Huntington Beach and Seal Beach. Especially our younger Vietnamese Americans who now reside in the cities nearby like Fountain Valley and Huntington Beach.

Do you know that over the last four years, Fountain Valley district has no more need for Spanish translator and needed a Vietnamese translator? In fact, because of the increase of Vietnamese speaking families.

And do you know that Huntington Harbor in Huntington Beach has over thirty Asian Americans over there now? Do you know that was the make a unified district has had an increase in Asian in the last year.

Okay. So we ask -- I'm asking you to keep our current Little Saigon, Westminster, Fountain Valley, Garden Grove and Midway City together. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we will have caller 9673. But I'd also to like to advise those in the queue that have called in that have not spoken, to please press star nine, to raise your hand. This will raise your hand in the queue.

Caller 9673, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. Caller with the last four 9673, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.
You have the floor.

MR. VALLACILLO:  Good morning.  Good morning, this is Albert Vallacillo (ph.) from Winters, California.  Thank you.  We appreciate the service you're putting in.  It's a lot of work to undertake this.

I'm calling to urge you to relook at the Congressional district of which Yolo County and Winters is part of. The way the most recent visualization, plus previous visualizations -- as a matter of fact, the most recent visualization made the situation even worse by joining Yolo County as the little appendage to the far northern counties with which -- while we do share agriculture, but that's the about all we do.

We do not share much in the way of community or culture. And so I'm urging the Committee to look at that again and reunite us with Solano County with whom we've been together for the last ten years. And it's a relationship which works very well.

We have many, many interests with community. The University of California at Davis, the I-80 corridor, which joins the state capital with the -- with the Bay area, and runs right through both our counties, a watershed that we share, and a regional economy.

Additionally, I'd like to speak to the Assembly district which divides Yolo County into three districts.
And takes a piece of -- takes Winters and parts of Davis --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thirty seconds.

MR. VALLACILLO: -- and separates it from two other parts of Yolo County which are separated into two other districts.

So I'm asking if relook at sort of maintaining or adjusting the current lines as they exist, as they work very well. As they say, don't fix it if it isn't broken.

Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we will be going to caller 6058. We will be retrying your number. And after that will be caller 8224.

Caller 6058, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Hello. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: You can hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes. My name's Heruni (ph.) and I live in the City of Cypress, 90630, West Orange County for over twenty years.
And this is regarding BCD, Long Beach Harbor Gateway, page 55. Our community of Cypress, Los Alamitos and Rossmoor are completely opposed to the Congressional district becoming part of Long Beach and L.A. County.

We are in Orange County. We need Orange County representatives to deal with issues that are Orange County based. We have schools that are part of Orange County School system. Our utilities companies are different from Long Beach and L.A. County.

Our law enforcement has mutual aid agreement between neighboring Orange County cities where they cross city lines and help one another. No such agreement exists with Long Beach or L.A. County.

We are part of Orange County Transit Authority and work with Orange County community to address issues of homelessness, health care, or education. We don't have the same demographics and housing as well as completely culturally different from Long Beach.

Our cities of Cypress, Los Alamitos, Rossmoor are with the community of interest with Huntington Beach, Seal Beach, Westminster, Garden Grove, Stanton, those cities.

We have nothing in common with Long Beach and L.A. County, again. If we end up with being part of Long Beach, we will be an outcast --
UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thirty seconds.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- with no sense of belonging. Don't make us orphan cities for carving out our -- out of Orange County and take our voice away. Please, don't separate us from the rest of Orange County. I implore you to leave the city -- cities of Cypress, Los Alamitos, and Rossmoor as part of Orange County Congressional district so that we can have representation that fits our needs and our concerns.

Thank you in advance for including our objection with your --

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 8224. And up next after that will be caller 6171.

Caller 8224, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Now?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Okay. Good morning. I want to answer this a really amount after you list my community in Little Saigon and Orange County into separate districts. One focus on Anaheim and some must focus on the coast, not splitting up Orange County.

To me, this is very sad. They will be divide the Vietnamese-American people in half. Why would you do
this to us? The southern district you add in first, we
don't know, must think of some reason of why you will.
This makes no sense.

If you live in our area, you are strictly in Santa
Ana and puts us in a very awkward stretch to make up the
district. But we have no community of interest in the
area. Second, you have us reaching over clearly so you
can try to get the population you missed.

How about moving all out counties (indiscernible)
Rossmoor and midway to make up for Spanish district.
This is where the current leaders in our area and where
our children and family are moving. This doesn't make
you skip over a city and should belong to population
number you need.

This should also work for our Congressional
representative. We (indiscernible)in resident by three
correct member since the last district. It was our fault
for voting -- or voting at all. We supported to come
here but have tried to create a strong, successful, and
round community.

We all business now but this is --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thirty seconds.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- in money. Teach our kids
and make -- to make sure our land -- our latent heritage
makes a priority for our next leader by making sure we
are united.

I thought this Commissioner rely (indiscernible) at one by uniting those under the net -- the same district again would still be (indiscernible) Rossmoor and Sun Valley together. Thank you for my time.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now, we'll have caller 6171. And up next after that will be caller 7930.

Caller 6171, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello, good morning. I'm calling in to ask -- I am not -- to tell that I am not in favor in including Hemet or East Hemet in my Assembly district. As a Latino, these cities do not and have not represented my community of interest.

Please do not include Hemet or East Hemet in my Assembly district. These cities do not reflect either our age consider including good hope instead of -- thank you for your time and please take this in consideration.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now, we will have caller 7930. And up next after that will be caller 7843.

Caller 7930, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.
The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (In Spanish, not translated).

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we'll have caller 7843. And up next after that will be caller 9731.

Caller 7843, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

And one more time, caller with the last four 7843, if you will please follow the prompts to -- the floor is yours.

MR. PROVENZA: Hello, thank you. This is Jim Provenza. I am a the chair of the Yolo County Board of Supervisors. We continue to be concerned about being placed in districts with a large number of counties that do not share our community of interest.

Our community of interest is along the I-80 corridor with Solano/Sacramento area. We are working on major issues on a daily basis. For example, the transportation issues along the I-80 corridor are a major impact on our community. We have traffic getting off the freeway, coming through Solano and Yolo creating a severe traffic situation in both areas.

As I mentioned last time, we are working on Delta water issues. We've been doing that for ten years. We share seats on the Delta conservancy and are working on
issues of mutual concern. And we have very similar
issues as to agriculture and agricultural development.

We're not an urban county. We're not a rural
county. We're a combination of both. And we share more
with areas like Solano than we do with the small northern
California counties.

So urge you to draft a district that would respect
this community of interest and draw a district that would
allow us to continue to work on --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thirty seconds.

MR. PROVENZA: -- federal and state issues in a way
that is most productive to the citizens of Yolo County.

Thank you. Thank you very much.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
right now we have caller 9731. And up next after that
will be caller 3529.

 Caller 9731, if you will please follow the prompts
to unmute at this time by pressing star six. And one
more time, caller with the last four 9731, if you'll
please follow the prompts -- the floor is yours.

MR. WHITAKER: Hello. My name is Jake Whitaker.
I'm the school board president for the Woodland Joint
Unified School District. A lifelong resident of
Woodland, California. And a lifelong resident, of
course, of Yolo County.
And I'm just calling in today because I'm very concerned about the draft maps that have been presented by the Commission. And echoing a lot of what Supervisor Provenza, who spoke before me, said, that the alignment with the communities that we're being grouped with in these draft maps, do -- it just doesn't have a strong community of interest alignment.

It feels like we're being more or less used a population count instead of having our overall totality of interests as a region considered. Where Yolo is very strongly connected to the larger Sacramento region, the Delta, the agriculture in this area around us.

And so I would strongly urge the Commission to please reconsider the way that you're using Yolo County and drafting these maps. To take that into account because, you know, we have a lot going on here. It's a fantastic place. And I feel that these Commission boundaries are going to stall the progress that we're making as a community to improve the quality of life for our residents.

So thank you very much. And I hope you'll take that to heart as you consider these draft map proposals.
Caller 3529, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

The floor is yours.

MS. SNOW: Good morning. My name is Karen Snow and I'm a resident of Kern County. Your proposal shows that Bakersfield and Fresno are Clovis in one Congressional district.

But these two major cities with separate media, separate city councils, board of supervisors, et cetera, I see no legitimate reason to combine these large cities who are hundreds of miles apart.

I would ask that you look at the map again and consider not combining these two large cities. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 0765. And up next after that will be caller 3242.

And I'd like to invite those that have called in to please press star nine on their telephone keypad. This will raise your hand.

Caller 0765, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing start six.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Hello, the floor is yours.
FEMALE SPEAKER: Hello. This -- yes. Good morning, this is Clair and I'm the resident of Cypress. And I saw the proposal on your website that draw Rossmoor, Los Alaminos, Cypress, and a part of the Long Beach election district.

I strongly oppose that because Los Alaminos, Rossmoor, and Cypress, these three cities are current Orange County. And we have our Assembly value and our community culture.

We always enjoy the Orange County fair and the residents here don't want to go that Los Angeles fair in the autumn every year. So kind of like you divided part of the Orange residents -- Orange County residents to Long Beach. And this is totally cannot accepted.

And that will hurt our, you know, the whole community. So please reconsider your -- with the -- with the redistrict draw map. And just to leave us as is, as currently in Orange County.

Thank you for your attention. Thank you. Bye.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. At this time we have caller 3242. And up next after that will be caller 7609.

Caller 3242, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

The floor is yours.
UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi there. I'm a resident of Los Alamitos. And I'm calling in to urge the Commission not to include Rossmoor, Los Alamitos, and Cypress with any district for the Long Beach area.

We are a completely separate community. We are neighboring count to Long Beach but we are completely separate in our values, in our politics, in our communities.

And if you do include Rossmoor, Los Alamitos, and Cypress with a district like -- with Long Beach, you are basically diluting our ability to be represented in our government.

And for us, as a community, we value the same values. We participate in the same events. We know our families. Our children go to school together. We need to stay in Orange County with representatives for the Orange County area.

And I -- please, I urge you, please do not include us. Do not dilute our power, our representation. Please keep us together in an Orange Country represent -- representative area. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. All right. Now we have caller 7609. And up next after that will be caller 6171.

And again, I'd like to invite those who have called
in to please press star nine. This will raise your hand.

Caller 7609, if you will please follow the prompts
to unmute at this time. And the floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi. Yeah, I was calling in
regards to the current visualizations that are showing
for Kern County and the City of Bakersfield,
specifically.

The last round of visualizations seem to show
western Bakersfield lumped in mostly with the district
that goes up to Kings County. I think that would -- it
just doesn't represent Bakersfield -- western
Bakersfield.

I think would probably dilute the Latino vote in
that district quite a bit. And there really is just more
of an east/west split to Bakersfield.

Also, to accolade a previous caller that called in.
I'm not sure if it makes a whole bunch of sense to have a
Kern County district connected to Fresno. Really, just
totally separate communities.

If anything, you know, the Bakersfield/Kern County
should be south a little bit would make even more sense,
Lancaster, that sort of thing.

So thank you. Appreciate all the hard work.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
right now we have caller 6171. And up next after that
will be caller 0985.

   Caller 6171, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

   The floor is yours.

   UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi. Good morning. I'm calling in reference to Senate visualization, page 5, number VSD_SWRIV_27 (sic). I am not in favor of including the cities of Temecula, Corona, Coronita, Baltimore, Pala Mesa, Murrieta.

   As a Latina, I am very concerned of including these cities as they do not relate to my Latino VRA. By including these cities, you weaken our Latino community of interest and the opportunities of my Latino community to have a voice.

   Please include the following cities in my Senate district as -- such as Moreno Valley, Riverside, Jurupa Valley, Lake Elsinore, Perris, San Jacinto, Good Hope, Nuevo, Romoland, Lakeview, Woodcrest, Highgrove, Mead Valley, Homeland, and Green Acres.

   Thank you very much and I hope this is taken into consideration.

   PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. And right now we have caller 0985. And up next after that will be caller 7212.

   Caller 0985, if you will please follow the prompts
to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

And once again, caller 0985, if you'd please follow
the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:  Hello?  Yes.  I'm calling in
about the redistricting in Los Alamitos, Rossmoor, and
Cypress to include those in the L.A. district is
absolutely ludicrous because they're unrelated.

Their activities and support are totally different.

They are different communities and to include them in the
redistricting to L.A. is silly.

It makes no sense and I think you're diluting
support for everybody if you do that.  And you're
ignoring the needs of each one of those areas.  Thank
you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR:  Thank you so much.  And
right now we will have caller 7212.  And up next after
that, we have caller 8540.

Caller 7212, if you will please follow the prompts
to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

And one more time.  Caller 7212, if you will please
follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing
star six.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:  (In Spanish, not translated).

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR:  Si.
UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Si?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Si.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (In Spanish, not translated).

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Please continue. Por favor, continua. Por favor, continua Espanola. You are unmuted. You may speak in Spanish.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (In Spanish, not translated).

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We can come back.

CHAIR TURNER: Thank you, Katie.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Okay. Thank you so much.

All right. Now we will go to 8540. And up next after that will be caller 4051.

Caller, 8540, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Can you hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: I sure can. We all can.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good morning. Good morning.

I'm calling representing Hacienda Heights. Hacienda Heights prides itself in our diversity and respect of all cultures.

We have in our unincorporated area the largest Buddhist temple on the west coast. And St. John Unity Catholic Church, there is a continuous cultural connection between Hacienda Heights and Rowland Heights.
in our diverse population and a strong sense of community amongst all of our residents.

Hacienda Heights has, for decades, strived to maintain relevance with our L.A. County board of supervisors, supported by our Fourth District Supervisor, Janice Hahn, and our place in the Thirty-ninth Congressional District. We wish to leave that as is.

Through our efforts Hacienda Heights is continually improving our community and quality of life. Many counties' entities treat Hacienda Heights and Rowland Heights as a connected entity and our state and Congressional district lines should as well.

Our identity and strength is in our partnership with our neighbor and surrounding cities such as Walnut and Diamond Bar. Together Hacienda Heights and Rowland Heights fight to maintain that incorporated areas are not forgotten and will not accept being pushed upon.

As a resident of Hacienda Heights, I feel the first draft of the redistricting lines removing Hacienda Heights from its neighbor, Rowland Heights, and pushing us into a district along Wittier to the west, the City of Industry to the north, is not acceptable.

I strongly recommend that the Executive Director and all of you Commissioners, please, do not change Hacienda Heights district lines. And that Hacienda Heights not be
redistricted in a manner suggested in your first draft.

Thank you very much for accepting my comments. I really do implore upon you to make no changes to Hacienda Heights. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 4051. After up next after that will be caller 1942.

Caller 4051, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

The floor is yours.

MS. NUNEZ: Hello. My name is Maribel Nunez. How is everybody doing? I'm with the Brown and Black Redistricting Alliance. We submitted -- this is regarding visualization for the Victorville Assembly District.

Visualization -- it's VICVAL, pages 1027. And through -- as a Brown and Black Redistricting Alliance and partners in Victorville, we did submit a map that was compliant with the Voting Rights Act.

It's about 71.3 percent see that for Hispanic, African American, Asian American. And we did ask for Victor -- Victor Valley to stay together. And we did include some rural areas around L.A. that were adjacent to Victor Valley and Hesperia and all those areas.

And so we did include in Pearblossom, Littlerock.
But we feel that we're not aligned with Big Bear and we're not aligned with Palmdale and Lancaster.

The Big Bear, it's just like some folks had mentioned, those are mountain, Big Bear, mountain areas. And then, Palmdale and Lancaster, are more cities so that really doesn't align with our borough in the desert area that we're at.

So we ask that there's no -- that we have an Assembly district that is around Victor Valley, Hesperia, Barstow and Adelanto. And like I said, we did comply with the Voting Rights Act.

And like I said, we're looking at the our little desert mountain communities are all tied together. The central Victor Valley for shopping and Tukane Mid recreation.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thirty seconds.

MS. NUNEZ: -- will be cultural activities and government access. So like I said, we have a lot of community organizing that's happening there in that area.

And we really want to respect the area of Victor Valley. So yeah, like I said, these areas that we listed in our map, our rural community that share the same common interests like water usage, highway infrastructure, business development, desire to preserve our rural farming and ranching lifestyle.
So thank you so much for your time.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Right now we will have caller 1942. And up next after that will be caller 3781. Caller 1942, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello and good morning. Can you hear me okay?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Wonderful. I'm actually calling in to express my deepest regards into not combining the Long Beach School District under the -- to be merged into Rossmoor, Los Alamitos, Seal Beach, and Cypress.

Long Beach is our neighbors and we do respect them. However, we do have quite a different bit of cultures. The Long Beach School District is really more reflected with the Los Angeles County culture. The Rossmoor, Seal Beach, and Los Alamitos, and Cypress have more in common with the Orange County.

In addition, our school district is in Orange County. So my big concern is why is Long Beach trying to come in and to merge our school district with theirs? I would highly recommend that the board takes this into consideration.
We have much different cultures. We do not have much in common with the -- with the presence and the residents of Long Beach. So I would really highly suggest that the board take into consideration to not merge the Los Alamitos, Rossmoor, Cypress, and Seal Beach School District with the Long Beach School District.

And I would highly recommend that we keep them separate. Thank you for your time. I really appreciate you listening.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. All right. Now we will have caller 3781. And up next after that will be caller 4690.

Caller 3781, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

The floor is yours.

MALE SPEAKER: Thank you. Good morning Commissioners and thank you for hearing me on my public input. My name is Andrew and I was raised in Santa Clarita, and I'm a current resident.

I did want to thank the Commissioner who brought up keeping our Senate district -- districts to match our Congressional districts yesterday during the public input. And I did want to bring up the most recent visualization of VSD_SCSFY_1027.

It just doesn't really make much sense in regards to
combining us with Van Nuys and North Hollywood. We clearly have a greater relationship to our neighboring Cities of Antelope Valley and the higher desert. And so looking at, if we need to increase population, I could really see us more going immediately to Sylmar. It's near our mountain range and it's just kind of more relatable to our region.

I did also want to say that the NAACP California/Hawaii conference submitted a state Senate map that protects the interests of the Bah community in the high desert. And also the NAACP of San Clarita Valley pointed out that the new map cuts the black communities' representation nearly in half with the current map.

I do want to commend the Commission, however, for our Congressional map for this region. It really is a true representation of who we are. And I believe that our Senate district should probably reflect that as well. So probably a lot more overlapping.

Another thing I did want to say is I have heard a couple of calls saying Simi Valley belongs to this district and you know, I remember calling in advance for that. I -- there was no reason that that region should be a part of this.

It does not protect the community --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thirty seconds.
MALE SPEAKER: -- of interest. It tends to overlap again with our two counties. And so there is no clear indication as to why they should be with us. There's no economic sense. It doesn't make sense in regards as population as well or any other of the reasons given by the Commission's points. So thank you again.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. All right. Now we will have caller 4690. And up next after that will be caller 7930.

Caller 4690, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes. Can you guys here me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes, hi. I represent the San Bernardino County area. And I am calling in regards to Assembly map -- the Assembly map on page 11.

And I would just like to mention that we would like to remove Lake Arrowhead, remove Running Springs, and Crestline, and Highland. And add Barstow and Lynwood and surrounding unincorporated communities to our map.

These communities are a part of the high desert of these communities, travel the 15 freeway, and are communities of interest. They utilize the resources in the high desert and they utilize the major highway.
Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we will have caller 7930. And up next after that will be caller -- call-in user 1.

Caller 7930, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (In Spanish, not translated).

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Una momento por favor.

We're going to call in user 1. We will come back to the previous caller. Calling user 1, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

The floor is yours.

MS. O'CONNOR: Yes, hi. My name is Ann O'Connor.

And I represent the northern part of Sherman Oaks, called Poso, about 7,000 residents in L.A. County. Our boundaries are approximately Oxnard on the north, Burbank on the south, 405 freeway on the west, and Hazelton on the east.

You want to rename Sherman Oaks in 2009, L.A. council file 08-2758 and the 2010 Commissions in a de facto policy decision to maintain and respect communities that have been identified by the Los Angeles Community policy.

They were then grandfathered into the Sherman Oaks city map even though we are still in the Van Nuys
neighborhood council.

None of your three visualizations, keep Poso all with -- and united with greater Sherman Oaks. Please listen to us. Poso has submitted over 100 comments in the last two weeks. Even before this last set of visualizations.

We have sent letters dated March 13th, '21, and 10/14/21. And gave testimony 6/26 and 10/18, '21. Sherman Oaks Home Owners Association bought Anderson. Also submitted letters in testimony to the Commission with our concerns.

Please keep us united with greater Sherman Oaks in all California maps. We worked hard on our renaming and it took a couple years to obtain. I really hope that Commission is listening.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: You have thirty seconds remaining.

MS. O'CONNOR That's -- I'm done.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: And up next, we will have caller 0113. And after that will be caller 3974. Caller 0113, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

The floor is yours.

MS. GOH: Good morning, Commissioners. This is
Karen Goh, K-A-R-E-N G-O-H. I'm mayor of the City of Bakersfield. Thank you for the opportunity to speak.

I understand you have a daunting responsibility and that your work is not easy. And I appreciate that you want to be fair in this process.

As mayor of Bakersfield and a long-term resident of Kern County, I do not believe Bakersfield is divided correctly. The current visualization does not fit our communities of interest. The lines unfairly divide Bakersfield and do not take into account our shared values and culture. I ask that you keep our communities of interest together as we share the same values, culture, and public service.

As you move to the next steps, I will provide additional comments. Thank you again for your willingness to listen.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we'll have caller 3974. And up next after that will be caller 6270.

Caller 3974, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

MS. CASIO: Hello?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: The floor is yours.

PATTY CASIO: Hello, can you hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.
MS. CASIO: Hi, this is Patty Casio (ph.). I'm in District 22. And in Fresno County, we have a large Latino community that should have a Congressional seat to represent their interests. And currently, the visualization drawn up separates the Latino community and makes it difficult for them to elect a member who truly represents them.

And the Commission should draw up an anchor district that is mostly Latino in Fresno and not separate them. In addition, the visualization also separates the Black and Asian communities in Fresno as well. Which harms their representation in Congress.

And also, more importantly, I would ask the Commission not include Bakersfield in combined with Fresno as we are separate communities with separate interests and needs. Fresno County should not be combined with Kern County.

That is all. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Right now we'll have caller 6270. If you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

The floor is yours.

MR. FRERICHS: Good morning Commission. My name is Lucas Frerichs. I am the vice-mayor of the City of Davis. And I'd also like to speak on behalf of our city
council today.

We appreciate the hard work and the difficult task the Commission faces in accomplishing this task, and the chance to provide early input on proposed maps that it's considering. We are greatly concerned by the proposed Senate and Congressional maps presented for Davis and Yolo County.

We believe the Assembly map is generally reasonable but could be improved. Our greatest concern is that the Senate and Congressional maps shift Davis and much or all of Yolo County to a new inland north state district that stretches all the way from Yolo County to the Oregon border through sparsely populated rural areas.

It divorces our city and county from adjoining urban and suburban areas in the Sacramento metropolitan area, the Napa/Solano area, East Bay and northern Sacramento Valley which is a better fit for us. This is a radical and unfortunate departure from existing boundary lines.

The current districts place Davis in a much more compact geographic area comprised of midsized urban and suburban communities in a coherent community of interest.

The new Congressional and Senate lines are contrary to the principles upon which the state Commission is supposed to operate and would greatly hinder the
effective representation of residents of the City of
Davis and Yolo County.

Thank you very much for your allowing us to provide
input and we will continue to provide input as the
process moves forward. Thanks so much. Have a good day.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And I
believe we have one -- time for one more before break.
And caller 3966, if you will please follow the prompts to
unmute at this time by pressing star six.

The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi, I'm calling in reference
to the Senate visualization page 5, and of the
VSD_SWRIV_1027. I am calling to notify that I'm not in
favor in including the following cities: Temecula,
Corona, Wildomar, Murrieta, and Menifee.

By bringing these cities it will end all the hard
work that our Latino community has built. It will weaken
our Latinos voices and opportunities.

Please include the following cities in my Senate
district: Moreno Valley, Riverside, Lake Elisnore,
Perris, Good Hope, Romoland, Homeland, and Mesa Valley.

Thank you.

CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

CHAIR TURNER: And with that, we won't risk another
call so that we can be on time for our required break. So we are going to go to break now. We will return at 10:45.

We ask those of you that are in the queue, to continue holding, we will be back at 10:45. Thank you.

(Whereupon, a recess was held from 10:29 a.m. until 10:45 a.m.)

CHAIR TURNER: Thank you so much for waiting and welcome back. If you're just joining us, you are joining our public redistricting meeting that was from October 27th through 29th. We had a continuance for today to allow for additional public comment.

I'd like to let you know that today our meeting will run until 1 p.m. or until close of business. However, are lines will close at 1 p.m. At that time, we will work to engage with as many people as possible after 1 o'clock.

Wanting to let you know, give you some background in what we're try -- attempting to do. Thank you to those of your that are calling in.

We are drawing district maps for Assembly, eighty maps that have to be the size 494,043 people. Congressional maps, we'll be drawing fifty-two maps and they need to be 760,066 people. We are drawing Senate maps, forty of them, that will be sized 988,086 people
and board of equalization for maps that will be 9,880,859 people.

I'd like to remind our public that's calling in -- and this information is available on our website, but we do have criteria that is required. We are required to follow criteria -- this -- these criteria in this order. We have to have equal population, as nearly as practicable in some places and equal population, period with our Congressional maps.

That is our first criteria and it is the top criteria. Followed by, following our Voting Rights Act. Our third criteria is continuity. Fourth criteria is community of interest. Also fifth, is geographically compact. And then, sixth, there are nesting requirements.

So I remind you of that as you are making public comment and so that you can appreciate the enormity of the task that we are attempting.

Also a couple of helpful tips I'd love for you to please consider as you are writing or -- writing in and calling in. First of all, when you're calling in for a couple of callers that's naming my district, I would love to know exactly who you are and where your district is. But it's helpful when you name your district and say this the district that I'm in.
It's helpful to name what you want along with what you don't want. So to call in and say, I don't like this and don't tell us what you do, doesn't really provide a lot of helpful instruction. So we are listening, but it's helpful when you can add in -- when you know, what you'd like to see.

And then, thirdly, I'd just like to suggest, when applicable, if applicable, please indicate which visualization you're responding to. Is it the Assembly, the Congressional maps visualizations? Is it the Senate visualizations? And it kind of will allow us to focus on specifically what you're speaking concerning. So with that, I thank you for those that are in the queue, those of you that have raised your hands. Our next break period will be 12:15, and so we will continue to listen to your public comment and your input based on our visualizations. And so with that, I'll turn it into the hands of Katy. Thank you so much.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you, Chair. And right now we will have caller 7930. And up next after that will be caller 1699.

Caller 7930, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

The floor is yours.

Caller 7930, you are unmuted. And want to double-
check and make sure you're not muted on your phone? Now, you have muted yourself again. There you are. Can you --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:  (In Spanish, not translated).

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR:  Thank you so much. All right. Now we will have caller 1699. And up next after that will be caller 9302.

Caller 1699, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

MR. MONSEN:  Well, hello. Thank you very much. Just to confirm you can hear me.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR:  We sure can.

MR. MONSEN:  Well, thank you. This is John Monsen, M-O-N-S-E-N, from Nature for All. And we made comments a week ago, and very pleased to, to the Commission, on how to draw the lines for the new Congressional district's new versions of District 25, 27, 28, and 29, and 31. We had strong recommendations on how and why the foothill cities community of interest should be included in the same Congressional district as the Angeles and Western San Bernadino National Forest.

We appreciated Commissioner Kennedy's October 23rd direction to the line drawers regarding the San Gabriel Mountains and the Angeles National Forest in protecting
the relationships between the forest and the bordering communities. So we very much thank you for, obviously, having listened to us, and having created a very interesting model district, which I'm referring to as the 210 corridor VCD, the 210 corridor 1027.

However, we also mentioned some -- we didn't -- even we don't think it's going to be practical in the long run to keep all of the community of interest in one district. And we even recommended that potentially it could be in four districts in the maps we offered to you. And so we're just asking, as you adjust these maps and react to other interests and other advice, that you keep in mind the good things you did in establishing the relationship between the foothill communities and the Angeles National Forest.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thirty seconds.

MR. MONSEN: We also -- what?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thirty seconds remaining.

MR. MONSEN: We also pointed -- how many?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Twenty seconds.

MR. MONSEN: Well, okay. We pointed out the existing 27, 28, and 29 districts already met our standards. So again, we appreciate the direction you're taking but we thinking that in the end it will work out better if the community of interest is actually in
multiple districts. So thank you very much.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now, we will have caller 9302. And up next after that will be caller 9081.

Caller 9302, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is --

MS. HIBBERT: Hi. My name is --

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: -- yours.

MS. HIBBERT: Thank you so much. Good morning, fellow California residents and the Commission. Thank you -- thank you so much for listening to our input. Again, my name is Emily Hibbert (ph.), and I am a resident of Los Alamitos in Orange County. And I wanted to call -- I apologize if I'm out of breath; I was exercising while I'm listening to everyone. I wanted to call in today because the residents of Cypress, Los Alamitos, and Rossmoor do not want to be grouped in -- into any sort of representation, whether it's Assembly District, or Congressional District, with Long Beach or LA County.

I was born and raised in the East LA suburb of Downey. And it was a great childhood, but I love Orange County for the Orange County culture, which, if you live in Orange County, you know and appreciate the Orange
County culture. We have different schools; we have
different utility providers; we have different police
departments, and that's what we love about it. I'm just
on the other side of the freeway from Long Beach, and it
is a totally different world. So we're really excited
since the last census -- for the 2020 census, and for the
possibility of finally getting representation in our own
county, someone who understands our culture, understands
us, and can represent us to the best of their ability
because they are one of us.

So again, we do not want to be represented by Long
Beach or LA County. So thanks so much. I appreciate it.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. And up next,
we have caller 9081. And after that will be caller 1007.

Caller 9081, if you will please follow the prompts
to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor
is yours.

MR. DOWLING: Hi. My name is Bernard Dowling (ph.).
I'm in Siskiyou County, so that's Doug LaMalfa's
Congressional district. And I just want to say I'm in
agriculture, and my local town and county seat will be
split right down the -- and it's very small, anyway.
We're pretty isolated here, and now this will split our
county; it will split our county seat, and we're already
sorely underrepresented, although Doug has done -- Doug
LaMalfa -- has done his best, and he's been good for us. So now we will be thrown in with people on the coast.

I went to the coast once in the last ten years. It's basically isolated from us. It's six hours on windy roads to get there, and we have no common business together. I guess we have wildfires, but we don't have -- we don't share agriculture. We don't share the same water issues, and we sure don't share common cultural values. So I just -- I hope this doesn't happen -- this redistricting. And I guess, that's all I need to say right now. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now, we have caller 1007. And up next after that will be caller 0047. And I'd like to invite those that have called in to please press star nine on your telephone keypad. This will raise your hand.

Caller 1007, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

MS. BELIN SMITH: Good morning. My name is Belin Smith (ph.), and I would like to thank you to the Redistricting Committee for listening to me. I've lived in Seal Beach for seventeen years now, and I live at Leisure World. And I and many of us here at Leisure World are completely opposed to becoming part of Long Beach and Los Angeles County. We have nothing in common
with Los Angeles County from our Orange County Transit, healthcare, education, our utility companies, water companies, et cetera.

Our law enforcement has a mutual agreement between the Orange County neighboring cities where they go across city lines and they help one another, unlike Long Beach and Los Angeles County. And we will become an outcast if we don't become Long -- if we become a Long Beach or LA County, we become outcasts. So please, don't make us orphan cities. Please, don't separate us from the rest of Orange County. I love Orange County. That was one of the reasons why I moved here to Orange County when I -- I moved her because it is a wonderful place, it's completely different from Los Angeles County.

So we need representation that fits our needs and our concerns. So I am prayerfully asking, and I am -- and I make an earnest appeal that you include our objections with your Committee decisions. And I really thank you for listening to me, and I will be praying and trusting God. Thank you for taking time out to listen to me. And have a blessed day.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now, we will have caller 0047. And up next after that will be caller 0045.

Caller 0047, if you will please follow the prompts
to unmute at this time by pressing star six. And one more time, caller with the last four 0047, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

Caller 0047, we will come back to you. There appears to be some connecting issue with you unmuting at this time, but I have note to come back.

Caller 0045, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

Caller 0045, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

Caller 0045, I will come back to you momentarily.

Caller 0793, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

Caller 0793, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (In Spanish, not translated).

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: One moment, please. I need to confer with Kristian.

Caller 2116, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

MS. PIMENTEL: Hello. Thank you for providing this opportunity to make comments on your proposed redistricting. My name is Carolyn Pimentel (ph.). I'm
from Siskiyou County. I've been a rancher here for fifty-two years, and I am concerned with the lines that are drawn for Siskiyou County. It splits our county in half along the I-5 corridor, which puts us half with the Bay Areas and the Delta communities of Yolo, Solano, and Sacramento. And the other half of it with the coastal communities, both of which are areas that we do not have common interests with, and in fact, have competing interests, and making meaningful representation difficult or impossible.

We travel mostly from north to south; east to west is difficult. We are geographically isolated from each other, as well as economically and culturally. Our community interests are predominately rural, agricultural, forest management and water resources, and we need to be connected with other communities of similar interests. We cannot be connected under any circumstances to the coast -- Sacramento or Yolo Counties. Sacramento and Yolo are Delta counties that have conflicting --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thirty seconds.

MS. PIMENTEL: -- interests with us. They are urban and more connected to the Bay Area and coastal California, and our interests are with forest management, water, and agriculture and require proper representation
a such. And so --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Fifteen.

MS. PIMENTEL: -- thank you for providing us this opportunity. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we will be going to caller 1007. If you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

MS. SMITH: Oh, hi. My name is Belin Smith. Good morning, Redistricting Committee. I am calling back because I think I forgot to leave my name. I was just saying that I've lived in -- my name is Belin Smith, and I've lived in the City of Seal Beach for seventeen years, and I live at Leisure World. And I and many of our Leisure World community are completely opposed and are against becoming part of the Los Angeles and Orange County redistricting. We have nothing in common with the Los Angeles County from our Orange County transit, our healthcare, our education, and utility companies, and water companies.

Our law enforcement have a mutual agreement between the Orange County neighboring cities where they cross the city lines and help one another. Unlike Long Beach and Los Angeles County, and that's really very important to us, especially as senior citizens. We will become an
outcast if we become Long Beach or Los Angeles County, so please, please don't make us an orphan city. Please don't separate us from the rest of Orange County. We really need representation that fits our needs and our concerns, and I truly am prayerfully asking and making an earnest appeal that you include our objections; please listen to our pleas with your community discussions. And I want to thank you in advance, and once again, God bless you and have a blessed day, and I will continue to pray believe for America. Thank you very much.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. All right. And now, we will have caller 3437. If you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

One more time, caller 3437, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

And caller 3437, I will have to come back to you. There appears to be a connectivity issue.

Caller 4047, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. One more time, caller 4047, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time. Caller 4047, I will have to come back to you momentarily.

Caller 6058, I do see that hand. If you will please
follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing
star six. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello. Yes. Thank you very
much. I'm a resident of Cypress for a long time, and
this is regarding VCD: Long Beach Harbor Gateway, page
55, and this concerns the cities of Los Alamitos,
Cypress, Rossmoor. Those three cities have been carved
out of Orange County and added to Long Beach and LA
County. As per previous advice by the Commissioner, Ms.
Akutagawa, if you could please move us back to Orange
County and remove us from Long Beach and LA County. And
instead, add cities like Paramount, Cudahy, South Gate,
Maywood, that is already in LA County. Because Long
Beach and LA County are completely different from Orange
County. We have no common interests and our district
representation could be completely muted. So please, add
back our three cities of Los Alamitos, Cypress, Rossmoor,
into Orange County, where we belong. Thank you very much
for your attention, and thank you for all your hard work.
Have a good day.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.
Right now, we'll be going to caller 4080. If you
will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by
pressing star six.

Caller 4080, if you will please follow the prompts
to unmute at this time. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good morning, Commission.
Thank you. I'm a forty-seven-year Rossmoor resident. I'm requesting the Commission not include the northwest Orange County redistricting proposal, which includes Cypress, Los Alamitos, and Rossmoor. While we're respectful neighbors to Long Beach, our needs and services are not similar in any way. Our communities do not share the same county government, fire authority, sheriff's protection, mutual aid contracts, and 911 systems, to name a few. Our services fall strictly within the Orange County boundary.

Furthermore, if this proposal were to go forward, our representation would be greatly diluted. It's for these reasons, I'm adamantly opposed including Rossmoor, Cypress and Los Alamitos for redistricting, and propose that Inglewood and Compton, who are within Los Angeles County boundaries, be a more sensible consideration. I'd like to extend a sincere thank you to the Commission for your service and consideration on this matter.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. Right now, we will go to caller 5273. If you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time.

Caller 5273, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.
And one last time, caller 5273 -- there may be some connectivity issues -- but please, one more time, please press star six. And we'll come back to you.

Caller 3437, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

I'd like to invite those in the queue to please press star nine to raise your hand, indicating you wish to give comment. Please press star nine if you wish to give comment at this time. There appears to be some connectivity issue. Please press star nine if you wish to give comment at this time.

If you have not shared today, please press star nine. If you have not shared today, please press star nine.

Caller 8816, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

The floor is yours.

MS. WESTERCAMP: Yes, hi. My name is Robin Westercamp (ph.) and I live in Cypress. And Cypress, and Los Al, and Rossmoor are all part of the northwestern part of Orange County, but we do border Long Beach.

However, Long Beach and Los Angeles County -- we are completely different. We're different demographics. We have, as others have mentioned, we're under different laws, for example. In other words, right now in Los
Angeles, there's a vaccine mandate and mask mandates in certain areas that we do not have in Orange County.

That's just one example.

If I want to start a business here, I have to follow rules in Orange County. If I want to get married here, I do it at Orange County Courthouse. If I want to do something with my house -- buy it or sell it or real estate transaction, it's all through the Orange County system. I don't understand -- and I believe it's for political motives, actually, why you are trying to redistrict Cypress, Los Alamitos, and Rossmoor into a Congressional district with Long Beach, which is part of the LA County District. People who live here have different concerns. We are small bedroom suburban communities for the most part. We are not densely packed together like Long Beach, which is a big city. And we have --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thirty seconds.

MS. WESTERCAMP: -- as others have mentioned -- school districts are different, water district is different. They have DWP and we have --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Ten seconds.

MS. WESTERCAMP: -- a different water district here. So we just -- we don't want to be part of that, and we -- if we did, we would move to Long Beach. We didn't move
here to be part of LA. We moved here to get away --

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now, we have caller 5820.

And again, I'd like to invite those who are calling in to please press star nine. If you have not spoke today and you wish to give comment, please press star nine. This will raise your hand, indicating you are near your phone and ready to give comment.

Caller 5820, you will be right now, and up next after that will be caller 6515.

Caller 5820, if you will please follow the prompts -- the floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yeah, hi. I'm from the Fresno area of the Central Valley. I called a couple of days ago regarding the VRA District in the Valley. Just wanted to -- just wanted to thank you guys for your conversation, specifically yesterday morning about the Central Valley. I know Commissioner Sadhwani brought up kind of the idea of kind of doing a little reevaluation of those two VRA districts, and where they're anchored at in the Valley.

I just wanted to say, we completely agree with that. We appreciate your conversation, your willingness to kind of take a second look to see what would really kind of elevate the communities of color in the area, especially
like you said, having one anchored more in the City of Fresno in that south of (indiscernible) area and even Bakersfield are really great ideas that we look forward to seeing. And so I just wanted to thank you guys for the conversation. And we're very excited and look forward to kind of seeing what those next visualizations look like. Thank you so much.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now, we have caller 6515. And again, I would like to invite those that have called in that have not spoke today to please press star nine. This will raise your hand, indicating you are prepared to comment.

Caller 6515, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

One moment. I believe caller 6515 hung up.

All right. Caller 8554. If you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good morning. Can you hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you for taking my call. I've been waiting. I'm a resident of Los Alamitos, and I grew up in Long Beach, but I bought a house in Los Alamitos to get away from Long Beach, because Long Beach
is a big city, and I wanted to live in Orange County, like where my taxes are paid and my everything. The building apartment, if I work on my -- everything goes through Orange County. LA County is part of Long Beach. I grew up -- I was born in Long Beach. They're neighboring cities but they have nothing in common, just like these other callers have been saying.

The redistricting, we're dead against that. Leave Orange -- Seal Beach and Los Alamitos, Cypress, and all part of Orange County is what it is. And like the other callers were saying, we don't want that because, Leisure World is part of Orange County. And my mother lived in Leisure World for many years. And it's a different way -- it's a different situation. If you're not from the area, you really don't understand it because you're not from around that area. You know what I mean?

So please, vote to leave -- don't include Long Beach with those other -- Cypress, Los Al -- and our schools and our police are separate. It's all separate -- everything -- the water -- everything. We're dead against it. Please, don't vote that way. Because, I'm ready to leave California if this continues with what you people are doing, because all you guys are doing -- people are doing, is ruining the quality of life for the
people that live in these areas because you keep doing these things, and people are just -- it just -- it ruins --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thirty seconds.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- communities. It ruins communities, which you're doing. Just leave it alone and let it stay the way it is. It's been that way for many, many, many, many years, and if you change things, people are going to leave, because we don't want to live in LA County.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Fifteen seconds.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: And we don't want to live there. We live in Orange County. We don't live in LA County with all the problems there. We live in a separate area, so please, just leave it alone. I beg you. I pray for that. Otherwise, I'm getting ready to leave the state and move to Tennessee. I'm --

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. At this time I'd like to -- caller 5273, I do see that hand, and I will be coming to you momentarily.

Caller 3437, please press star nine if you wish to give comment today.

Caller 6058, please press star nine if you wish to give comment today.

Caller 7693, please press star nine if you wish to
give comment today.

And caller 9104, please press star nine if you wish to give comment today.

Caller 5273, I see your hand -- and caller 6120, you will be next.

Caller 5273, please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is yours. You are --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good morning.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: -- unmuted.

FEMALE SPEAKER: Yeah. Yes. This is Wi (ph.) and my boy is a Los Alamitos High School student and our neighborhood are very peaceful. And it's very good communication, and I like everything here. And I have a son here, and I raise my kid here. And I really cannot take that the district combine Long Beach with Los Alamitos, Cypress, and Rossmoor. It's just -- I cannot accept it. I wish commissioners will listen to our voice and take serious consideration, and keep Los Alamitos, Rossmoor, and Cypress in Orange County. Thank you very much for your time to listen to us. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. At this time, caller 6120, you will be right now.

I'd like to give the opportunity to caller 3437, caller 6058, caller 7693, and caller 9104: if you wish
to give comment during this session, please press star
nine, indicating that is what you wish to do.

Caller 7693, I see that hand. You will be next
after caller 6120. Please follow the prompts to unmute
at this time by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

MS. VALLON: Good morning, everyone. My name is
Recina Vallon (ph.). I am a resident of Kern County. I
don't believe the current district lines are adequate as
they do not keep communities together. Rural cities,
like Lamont, Arvin, and Weedpatch do not share common
interests with folks in the gated community of
Bakersfield. A change is urgently needed, and I thank
you for your time. Thank you so much. Bye-bye.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: And thank you so much.
Caller 7693, if you will please follow the prompts to
unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is
yours.

MS. ROWE: Hello. I'm Christine Rowe (ph.). I live
in Assembly District 45, Congressional District 30, and
State Senate District 27. I live in the community of
West Hills, which is the far end of the west San Fernando
Valley. It's very, very important that you separate LA
County from Ventura County. And it's very, very
important to me that we be compact and contiguous, but we
have LA County unincorporated areas that should be
combined with the west San Fernando Valley, and you
should not go north up into the Antelope Valley or the
Santa Clarita Valley, for example with Porter Ranch. I'm
talking about the Congressional district map. And I'm
talking about -- within the San Fernando Valley -- I've
studied this a great deal at LA County and LA City level.
I'm a former member of the West Hills Neighborhood
Council, and so I've looked at the Valley, and we have,
for the city, about 1.4 million population of LA City in
the San Fernando Valley. So we'd like to bound those at
Mulholland for like the Congressional districts, and at
the north part at the Santa Susana Mountains.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thirty seconds.

MS. ROWE: At the Simi Hills on the west. But if
you're doing a -- depending on the district, you can also
pick up cities like Calabasas, Agoura Hills and Westlake
Village, and especially, for the Senate district, go down
further --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Ten seconds.

MS. ROWE: -- to the ocean. But keep like -- stick
to the Pacific Palisades and then come up north. And
then divide the --

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. I'd
like to invite those that have just called in to please
press star nine on your telephone keypad. This will
raise your hand, indicating you are prepared to give
comment at this time.

Caller 0293, caller 1430, I see that hand. Caller
6058, and caller 6369, as you just called in, please
press star nine. This will raise your hand, indicating
you are prepared to give comment.

Caller 1430, you will be right now. And up next
after that will be caller 6369. And I do see that hand,
caller 0293.

Caller 1430, if you will please follow the prompts
to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor
is yours.

MS. GUIADO: Wow. I've never done this before. My
name is Louise Guiado (ph.) and I live in Yreka, which is
in Siskiyou County. It's the furthest county up north
that you can get on fifty miles from the Oregon border.
And this is very intimidating, but I felt it was
important for me to call in. I saw the early
visualization map that has split Siskiyou County in half.
Is that correct?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Please, share your
comment.

MS. GUIADO: Hello? Am I on?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, please share --

MS. GUIADO: Pardon?
PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: -- your comment.

MS. GUIADO: I'm sorry, I didn't understand what you said.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Please, share your comment.

MS. GUIADO: I thought that's what I was doing. Can you hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We can hear you.

MS. GUIADO: Okay. Well, my comment is that the last visualization that I saw, the map for Region D has -- I live in Siskiyou County and it looks like Siskiyou County is split in half, and I'm wondering what you're thinking of, doing that to our community? We only have 44,00 people in Siskiyou County, even though we're the fifth largest county geographically, and I totally object to that.

Is that what the most -- latest visualization is?
Can someone answer my question?

ACTING CHAIR TURNER: The Commission has elected to not comment on the comments for this time, so we are hearing your comment, and we hear what you desire to have happen.

MS. GUIADO: Okay. Well, then since you can't answer my question, the last time I looked at the visualization map, you split Siskiyou County in half, and
you put the other half on the coast. We mainly live on corridor I-5, and that's where we do all our business. That's where I have my doctors. I go up to Medford for a specialist there, which is I-5, and it's fifty miles. And I go to -- I go to Redding on I-5, which is an hour-and-a-half. So mainly, people here in Siskiyou County use I-5 for all our commerce and everything that we do. And so the last visualization I saw is totally unacceptable to me, that you would split Siskiyou County in half and put it on the coast where we have absolutely nothing in common with the people on the coast, nor do they have anything in common with us.

Also, I wanted to make a comment that I have been in the public input comments, and I noticed that there's someone who's frequently put input in there by the name of Matt Steiner, and just FYI in case the Commission doesn't know, Mr. Steiner is running for Congressional District 1, and --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Ten seconds.

MS. GUIADO: -- his map appeared -- am I done speaking? Have you cut me off?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: You have eight seconds.

ACTING CHAIR TURNER: Go ahead.

MS. GUIADO: I have eight seconds. Okay. Mr. Steiner has, I believe, he has drawn the map which puts
us on the coast, and it appears to me that he's doing
that so that he can have a better chance of winning the
district. So that's my comment. So please be aware of
that he is running for Congressional District 1 and
I don't think he ever disclosed that in any of his
comments. Thank you very much for listening to me. I
appreciate it.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
right now, we will have caller 6369. And up next after
that will be caller 0293.

Caller 6369, if you will please follow the prompts
to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor
is yours.

MR. ZIMMERMAN: Hello. My name is John Zimmerman
(ph.). I live in Rossmoor, which is in Orange County.
And I object to being included in the Long Beach
District, as opposed to being includeable in Orange
County. First of all, this is for the Congressional
district.

Number 1, we have Orange County sheriffs that handle
our police department, as well as the Los Alamitos, which
we share our mailing address.

Also, my property taxes I pay to Orange County and
it has no support for Los Angeles County or Long Beach,
to be specific.
And number 3, our school district here is in Orange County. We have a different school district than Long Beach has. So for these reasons, I think it'd be more appropriate that the City of Rossmoor and Los Alamitos and Cypress, which are all included in Long Beach, should be all put into -- in Orange County District, as it was a number of years ago. I appreciate my time, and thank you for hearing me.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

And right now we will have caller 0293. And up next after that will be caller 3647.

Caller 0293, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

MR. MARTIN: Hi. I'm Charlie Martin (ph.) from Scotts Valley. I've been a lifelong resident of Scotts Valley. We own and operate a ranch outside of Fort Jones. We're opposed to the proposed redistricting because we are physically and ideologically separate. In some cases, we have conflicting resource interests. I want the Siskiyou County to stay unified as one district. Thank you. That's all I have to say. Bye.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we have caller 3647. And I'd like to give an opportunity to those that have called in and have not
spoke today.

Caller 1327, caller 1620, caller 2978, caller 6058, caller 6205, and caller 9104. If you wish to give comment today and are prepared to do so at this time, please press star nine on your telephone keypad. This will raise your hand, indicating you are ready.

Caller 0045, I see that hand, and caller 6205, and caller 1620, thank you so much.

Caller 3647, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi. Can you hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Okay. Great. Thank you. Just want to thank you all again for your efforts and for extending public comment to today. It's much appreciated. I'll keep it very brief. I think a lot of callers have mentioned that it makes sense for northern LA County to be its own area at the Congressional Senate and Assembly levels. I want to reinforce how well-drawn the north LA County map was for the Senate in Set A of the original visualizations, and voice my concerns about VSD_SCSFV_1027, which extends from Santa Clarita, where I live, to Van Nuys in North Hollywood. I don't think you'll get a single call from anybody, I'm willing to
wager, saying that that map makes sense to those of us who live here.

So we think that the mountain range just south of Santa Clarita's a good dividing line. We're northern LA County, and we've been aligned and had districts shared with the Antelope Valley for a very long time. It makes all the sense in the world to us. And so if you need additional population, we have Sylmar and areas that are right near our mountain range, as well, but it doesn't make any sense to connect us with the Greater San Fernando Valley.

So again, I just want to thank you all. The Congressional and Assembly Districts in our region make a lot of sense here in Santa Clarita. The Senate District just needs work. Thanks so much.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

And right now, we will have caller 0045. And up next after that will be caller 6205.

Caller 0045, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

MR. MENDOZA: Good morning, Commissioners. Can you hear me, Commissioners?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

MR. MENDOZA: My name is John Mendoza (ph.). I live in the working class City of Pomona, and I'm calling in,
because I'm asking you, please do not falter in putting Chino -- the City of Chino into the Riverside County area. Chino does not share the same -- the City of Chino -- the same interests as the people of Ontario, Pomona, Fontana, Coach, and Montclair and Ontario. A strong working class community is there, and primarily not as conservative as Chino. So please -- and I'm specifically talking about the 20th Senatorial District. Please, move the City of Chino into the Riverside County. Thank you very much, and have a good day, Commissioners.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now we will have caller 6205. And up next after that will be caller 1620. Caller 6205, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you. Can you hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you so much for this opportunity to speak. I'm calling from Lake County in northern California. And we are a county that has been besieged by wildfire after wildfire, famously so, for some of the largest ever. Sixty percent of our county has burned in wildfires, and that was actually as of a few years ago, so it's more now. And I'm very concerned that the changes being made on the map apparently are
going to change our representation in the government.
And we are so -- I'm a Valley fire survivor myself, and
still -- along with so many others trying desperately to
rebuild and recover.

I'm concerned that if you remove our existing
representation, we will lose more by losing continuity of
all the work that's been done up till now to support the
rebuild. And it's just absolutely crucial that this area
do that while facing the fact that we are the most
vulnerable to wildfire area. And we need to be
absolutely as prepared as we can be, and our current
representation is aware of that, has been working --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thirty seconds.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- on that. And I don't -- I
fear that a change will harm our well-being. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

And right now we will have caller 1620. And up next
after that will be caller 2978.

Caller 1620, if you will please follow the prompts
to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor
is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Can you hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Okay. Thank you very much.

I also just want to say thank you for allowing --
extending comments and allowing me to talk today. I know that you guys have so much on your plate, and I just want to thank you for all your hard work, and keeping Long Beach together. One of the things that I just want to say is that we try so hard as a regional partner to work well with all the cities along our border, regardless of whether they're from LA County or from the Orange County cities.

I heard -- we all heard earlier that a commissioner requested to move Paramount into a Congressional district with our neighbors Bellflower, Lakewood, and Long Beach, and I really want to support this because we definitely do share a border with Paramount, and both of our cities border the 710 and the 91 freeways, too. And Paramount is with Lakewood and Long Beach in the Senate map, so adding us to the Congressional map also makes sense. So thank you so much, and appreciate your time.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

And right now we'll have caller 2978. And up next after that will be caller 1327.

Caller 2978, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

MS. TANNO: Hello. My name is Laura Tanno (ph.), and I live in Rossmoor, California. And I became aware
of this redistricting idea about two weeks ago. I'm very concerned about the redistricting of Los Alamitos, possibly Cypress, and Rossmoor -- I'm sorry -- Los Alamitos, into Long Beach. Right now, my entire life is centered around Orange County. I live there; I shop there; we pay our taxes there; our sheriffs come from there; our school district -- all is about Orange County.

We feel any redistricting from the Senate and the Assembly to be included in Long Beach -- the voices and the concern to the residents of Rossmoor, Los Alamitos, and Cypress will not be heard because we'll be drowned out by the large constituent base that they have in Long Beach.

Long Beach is a great city. LA has amazing things in their county, but our county has unique concerns and unique challenges, and we want our representation to come from Orange County so those concerns can be addressed by somebody who is coming from Orange County and their ideas and their values share are more similar to the ideas that we share with Orange County than with Long Beach, LA County. So I ask -- I plead, I beg, that we in Rossmoor, and Los Alamitos and Cypress are not redistricted into Long Beach. We really want the representation to be coming from somebody who is elected from Orange County.

Again, we have our own unique concerns, and our own
unique challenges, and only a representative who comes from Orange County can adequately address those concerns and be our voice in the district -- in the state. Thank you so much for your time.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

And right now we will have caller 1327. And up next after that will be caller 5157.

Caller 1327, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

MS. LUBIN: Good morning, Commissioners. Can you hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

MS. LUBIN: Thank you. Thank you for this opportunity to speak. My name is Kathleen Lubin (ph.). I live in Santa Clarita Valley. I've lived here for ten years -- the past ten years. I'm calling to request that Santa Clarita Valley and Simi Valley be in one district -- Congressional district, and possibly remove San Fernando Valley. The reason is, Simi Valley and Santa Clarita Valley are situated between mountains and hills, and we're -- our communities are high-risk areas for wildfires that sweep through the southern California mountain ranges.

The communities share resources and we have lived
through -- recently, we've lived through horrifying wildfires and power outages in our communities. Our house had substantial damage in the Tick Fire, so our neighborhood is still rebuilding. So I would like to be unified in one district, Santa Clarita and Simi Valley. We are currently working towards making our area safer and we would like representation so our concerns -- our unique concerns can be addressed. And I thank you -- thank you for your time.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

And right now we will have caller 5157. And up next after that will be caller 9104.

Caller 5157, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.

The floor is yours.

MALE SPEAKER: Thank you. Good morning, Commissioners. My name is Michael (ph.). I live in East Highland, part of San Bernardino County. The reason I'm calling this morning is I wanted to voice my support for Assembly Visualization of VICVAL High Desert, and Congressional Visualization of VIAVICVAL. I'm a business owner and resident of the City of Highland on the east side of the 210 Freeway. We are connected to Big Bear and the rural parts of San Bernardino County by the fact that we are adjacent to the national forest and are
threatened by wildfires, and by the 330 Freeway that goes up to the mountains. Our city is split by the 210 Freeway and is split into different school districts, even. I agree with the idea of splitting our city along the 210 Freeway into different districts, for several reasons.

First, the east and west sides are very different. The east side is more rural and literally touches the natural forest, and it's got hiking paths and biking and all that connected to it. West Highland shares the same school districts as the City of San Bernardino, has similar neighborhoods and demographics, and does not touch the national forest.

My only issue is I would also like to see East Highland, where I live and work, put into the Congressional visualization of BEAVICVAL. Because of our connection to the rural communities around us, both VAD_VICVALHIGDES and VAC BEAVICVAL look great. I would just like to see my community kept with the mountain and the rural areas at the Assembly and Congressional levels.

I really appreciate all your time and taking my considerations. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now, we have caller 9104.

I would like to invite caller 6058 to press star
nine, as you've just called in. This will raise your
hand, indicating you wish to give comment.

And I'd like to give caller 3437 one more
opportunity to please press star nine to raise your hand,
and you can voice your comment.

At this time, caller 9104, if you will please follow
the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six.
The floor is yours. Caller 9104, you are unmuted. I
want to double-check and make sure your phone is not on
mute. Oh. Oh, they hung up. Maybe they will return.

All right. We have some people calling in right
now. Caller 6058, if you wish to give comment, please
press star nine.

Caller 6996, if you wish to give comment, please
press star nine.

Caller 1520, if you wish to give comment, please
press star nine.

Caller 6996, please follow the prompts to unmute at
this time by pressing star six. One more time. Caller
6996 -- oh, the floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you. I'm calling to
make a comment to request that the cities of Rossmoor,
Los Alamitos, and Cypress not be districted with Long
Beach in Los Angeles County because we're Orange County,
and we want to stay with Orange County. And I -- that's
what I would like to say.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
right now, we'll go to caller 0047. I see that raised
hand. Let's give this another try.

And caller 5882, I see you have just called in. If
you wish to give comment, please press star nine.

Caller 0047, if you will please follow the prompts
to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor
is yours.

MS. CHEN: Hi. My name is Betty Chen. I live in
Rossmoor for over thirty years. And I cannot believe if
your district, Los Alamitos, Rossmoor, Cypress, being
belong to Long Beach or LA County. No. I don't want
that. I was in -- in Orange County and have been the
proud resident of Orange County. So please don't put us
into the LA County or belong to Long Beach.

We are on the east side of 605 Freeway. If you look
at a map, you would see that. We don't belong to LA
County at all. So just please, please don't put us in LA
County. It's totally different. Orange County is Orange
County. The school is Orange County. The place that we
go for shopping, restaurants, all the activity, even
culture is different. Orange County is not LA County, so
don't put us in Long Beach or LA County, please. Thank
you very much. Have a good day.
PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Right now, we will go to caller 5882. And up next after that, we will return to caller 9104.

Caller 5882, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you. I live in the City of Redlands, which is split in a variety of ways, currently -- politically, economically -- and there's also often splits in the Congressional districts that are proposed with the visualizations. And so I guess following from the commissioners' discussions of yesterday, which -- you know, which towns, which cities get to be split, which get to be kept whole, who would join together is -- is bewildering.

And that is, I guess, you guys' task to figure out how to -- how to aggregate all of these testimonies that you're getting from us. But I find it distressing, some of the assumptions that are being made about towns. So I would encourage, in the case of Redlands, that while we are, unfortunately, have some social segregation and economic segregation in our town, that we are more oriented, currently, to the west. The Arrowhead Line is going to come out from San Bernardino and draws us more towards the west.
We also look east, but we are an urban community. And most of the Congressional visualizations that are being drawn, I don't think that Redlands would serve well because of the more rural nature of those concerns in the desert. And so I would encourage you to think about the orientation of different cities when we're thinking about the western neighbors, eastern, southern, northern.

And I really liked Commissioner Sadhwani's comment yesterday about through us thinking about the anchors and then maybe letting things flow from there, because right now, the process seems a bit arbitrary.

Thank you very much for your work.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. All right. Now we have caller 7028. And up next after that will be caller 9104. Oh, wait, no. I was going to caller 9104. I apologize. Caller 9104, and then up next after that will be caller 7028.

Caller 9104, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is yours. Caller 9104, you are unmuted in the Zoom meeting. You may want to double-check and make sure your phone is not muted.

MS. HASTY: Hello. Can you hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can. The floor is yours.
MS. HASTY: Okay. Thank you. My name is Jennifer Hasty (ph.), and I live in Orange -- I've lived in Orange County my entire life. And I'm a Los Alamitos resident for the last eighteen years. With the redistricting, I'm opposed to Los Alamitos, Rossmoor, and Cypress being with Long Beach, which is a completely different county.

And as you've been hearing, Orange County has different school districts, police, fire, utility than Long Beach. Our Orange County cities need to have appropriate representation. And I'm asking for Los Alamitos, Rossmoor, and Cypress to not be grouped with Long Beach. And I just want to thank you for listening. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

At this time, we have caller 7028. And up next after that will be caller unknown at this time.

Caller 7028, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello, Commissioners. Thank you for the opportunity to give public comment today. I genuinely appreciate your time and all of the energy and thought that you have put into this process, which I know is not an easy one.

I'm calling from Long Beach. And I'm specifically a resident of North Long Beach, way up at the top of the
town near the 91 Freeway. I want to thank you for keeping our community mostly connected. We have a lot in common with our neighbors we have been drawn with, including Bellflower. And we have a lot in common with our neighboring cities that are currently -- that are not currently included in our Congressional lines but are included in the Senate visualizations.

One specific example would be Paramount, which is to the north of me and very, very close. I can walk to Paramount from my home. We heard this mentioned as an idea yesterday, and I completely agree with going as far north as Paramount. I will tell you, quickly, why.

I've owned a home here for almost five years. And when there are environmental justice issues stemming from some of the industry that employs many people -- and -- and I'm not against it, necessarily, but the industries that are in Paramount do impact the health and quality of life of my family and my growing children.

Having one unified voice at the State legislative level would really make sense to me. And so I am in favor of those proposed changes. I thank you again for your work. I know you have so much to consider, and thank you for your time. Bye.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

And right now we have a caller with no caller ID.
And up next after that will be caller 2978. Please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six on your telephone keypad if you are hearing the prompts in your ear. I do not have a phone number to identify you with. The floor is yours.

MS. IBERRA: Hello. I am Rosa Iberra (ph.), and I live in North Long Beach. I'd just like to thank you for helping each district in my school advocate for itself. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. Oh. Right now, we will have caller 2978. And I'd like to invite those that have just called in -- caller 8626, caller 1520, caller 3437, caller 6058, and caller 8626 -- please press star nine on your telephone keypad. This will raise your hand, indicating you wish to give comment at this time.

Caller 2978, you will be right now, and caller 8626, you will be up next after that. Caller 2978, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

MR. TANNER: Hi. This is Jack Tanner, currently a resident of Rossmoor, 90720, and just calling on the redistricting, of course.

I was born and raised in Long Beach and had gone through all the -- the schools. My -- I've been running
my -- my small business there in Long Beach for, gosh, eighteen years now. And when we had our child back in 2007, we -- we decided to make a move. And my wife grew up in -- in -- in that area as well. So we made a move specifically to get into Orange County, just because it was a -- a different feel, different cultures, different beliefs, and it was just -- it was different.

And so I'm being told that the -- the areas of Long Beach feel like they're the same and that we share a lot of the same services. And -- and we don't. We -- we tend to -- we're right on the border there, right between LA-North County, but we -- we tend to stay in Orange County and head into Orange County for everything. Our school districts are different, our services, our police departments, everything. So we really would like to -- to retain the representation of people that are specifically identifying and -- and representing this county and our thoughts and beliefs.

So thank you for taking the time to hear this, and we hope that it makes a difference.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

And right now, we have caller 8626. If you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

MS. TAYLOR-WHITE: Good morning. First, I want to
thank the commissioner for the service that you provide. And we appreciate your services. My name is Rosine Taylor-White. I live in the community of Santa Clarita, California. I'm also on the board of the NAACP -- NAACP, and I'm calling in that behalf.

As the maps displayed, what -- from the redistricting, you have reduced the black vote by fifty percent. And according to a Voting Act's right, the -- it's there to protect the vote of those of minorities. What we would like to see done is a readjustment to that because communities in the black community throughout California needs their voices heard too.

Now, we only have less than ten percent of black votes in Santa Clarita. To reduce it even more is cutting our power in half. We -- we'll have no voice. So I -- I would like for you to recon -- to reconsider or look at this again to make some adjustments for that and take that into consideration.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: You have thirty seconds remaining.

MS. TAYLOR-WHITE: Well, I would appreciate a response, if I can, to just what can be done about that. Thank you.

CHAIR TURNER: Thank you so much. The Commission has elected not to respond to comments at this time, but
we have indeed heard your request and your desire. And thank you for calling in.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: At this time, I'd like to invite caller 4047, if you are ready to give comment at this time, to please press star nine. This would be a retry for you. Otherwise, I'd like to give caller 1520, caller 3437, caller 5384, caller 6058, and caller 8626 to please press star nine if you wish to give comment during this session.

Caller 1520, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi. Thank you so much for taking comments. It's so wonderful in California to have this process available to us, when I learned that in other states, it's just run by elected officials.

I am calling in regards to the Inland, Northern, and Central areas of California. I live in Nevada County. I lived in Placer County for ten years before I lived here. And the newest map that was issued this week, which is labeled VCD_ECA_1027, is just geographically really challenging to imagine how any representative could ever effectively represent this area, being that it's 400 miles long.

And in the winter, in order to access the southern
areas of this, like Inyo and Mono Counties, a
representative would have to travel into Nevada and back
out in order to cross the mountains because the only path
that's open in the winter is the one that goes through
South Lake Tahoe or I-80, which -- both of which one must
tavel into Nevada.

It just seems kind of really crazy to ask a elected
official to realistically represent the interests of
people who live right down by Sacramento and then drive,
you know, hundreds and hundreds of miles or fly. It's --
the geography of this new drawing, I just don't see how
it could work.

And in terms of the community of interest, Inyo and
Mono County are linked much more closely with the areas
to the south, towards Bakersfield, because of the Owens
River Gorge.

Anyway, I thought in the previous week, you did
a really awesome job with the map that was -- that put
Nevada and Placer County and El Dorado County with the
Greater Sacramento area. And that map --

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.
And right now, we have caller 3605. And up next
after that will be caller 7863.

Caller 3605, if you will please follow the prompts
to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor
is yours.

MR. WEDEMEYER: Oh. I guess I was muted. Sorry.

My name is Bradley Wedemeyer. I am a San Francisco Bay
Area resident. And I've looked at the visualizations up
and down the State, and I'm appreciative of all your
work. I know there's so many things to be considered.

I do want to remind other people. I've heard this
concern about having towns divided. But you know,
there's a plus in that sometimes too, where you get two
representatives and a chance, if one's not doing the job,
to work with the other.

Anyway, but I -- I'm very concerned about
representation for the working class. Traditionally,
we've looked at other things. And I'm afraid that some
of the visualizations, you know, chop up working-class
neighborhoods. And I don't know if there is a majority
working-class district in the whole state.

You know, this is represented by not having labor
people as the Secretary of Labor. You know, this,
obviously, is for districts for Congress and the State.
But I think it's really important where we have, like in
urban Southern California and in the San Francisco Bay
Area, where there's -- along the Bay, both sides, there's
working-class neighborhoods where you have higher union
representation. There is a district that stretches from
Napa and Vallejo up over a luxury sort of residential districts in the hills and then goes back down to East Oakland. So you get --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thirty seconds.

MR. WEDEMEYER: -- you know, sort of a dumbbell working-class district with Vallejo at one end and East Oakland at the other end. But it seems like, you know, you could have a majority district going along the working-class neighborhoods along the Bay --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Fifteen seconds.

MR. WEDEMEYER: -- between, instead. And we need to have class representation as well. And I don't think that it's been accomplished. On the west side of the Bay, there's the -- you know, we have more concern in our working-class neighborhoods of San Francisco with San Bruno than Pacific Heights and stuff.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

Right now, we will go to caller 7863. And up next after that will be caller 8608.

Caller 7863, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

MS. ESQUIVEL: Yes, good morning, California Redistricting Commissioners. My name is Yolanda Esquivel. And I would like to address the visualization
map for Western Riverside County.

The first map is the Congressional visualization map on page 59. And I live in the City of Riverside, and I would like to thank the Commission for taking into consideration our communities of interest. They are Jurupa Valley, Riverside, Moreno Valley, Perris, and surrounding areas. And we approve and totally endorse this map. Thank you.

The second map that I would like to address is the State Senate on page 48. This map crosses the San Bernardino County line. And as residents of Riverside County, we feel that all the cities in San Bernardino which have been connected to our area are not communities of interest and never have been. The City of Riverside, being the seat of the county, needs to be represented and in -- in its entirety in the Senate district.

Together with Jurupa Valley, Moreno Valley, Perris, and surrounding communities, which are our true communities of interest, we would sincerely appreciate you taking into consideration our testimonies in the past.

The third map I would like to address is the one on the Assembly on page 94.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thirty seconds.

MS. ESQUIVEL: Our City of Riverside, again, needs
for this district to cover the entire City of Riverside and not Corona and Coronita. They're not communities of interest. And also, the City of Grand Terrace --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Fifteen seconds.

MS. ESQUIVEL: -- needs to go in San Bernardino.

Thank you very much, and we hope you will take our recommendations into consideration. Thank you very much, and have a wonderful day.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

Chair, with transition time, I would not suggest trying to do another one prior to break.

CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Thank you, Katy.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you.

CHAIR TURNER: So at this time, the Commission will take break at this time from 12:15. We will return at 12:45. 12:45 we will return. And I'd like to remind you that our lines will close at 1 p.m. today, but we will address those that are in queue. I invite you to take a quick lunch with us. Do not hang up or disengage. And we will be back at 12:45. Thank you.

(Whereupon, a recess was held from 12:14 p.m. until 12:45 p.m.)

CHAIR TURNER: Thank you and welcome back. Thank you for those of you that have held on while we had to take our quick break. We will go, without further delay,
directly back into our public comment. This is our continuation from our meeting October 27th, 28th, 29th. And we will be taking -- the line will remain open until 1 p.m. And at that time, the lines will close, and we will continue to hear as many as we can. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much, Chair. All right. Now, we will start with caller 5384.

Oh, I apologize. We will start with caller 8608. And then up next after that will be caller 5384.

Caller 8608, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

MR. CALLOWAY: Hello. My name is Arthur Calloway. I would like to talk about the new -- one of the new possibilities on Senate District 21 in North LA County. I think that it would be better to do what y'all did with the Congressional map with the Senate map. The Congressional map, you combined Antelope Valley and Santa Clarita Valley, left off Simi Valley. That is the correct direction for all of our maps up here, Senate, Assembly, and Congressional.

I am a president, Democratic Club, so I can speak from political perspective. I'm also the founder of Vote Your Power Back last year. If you saw the protests that were happen -- many of the protests that were happening,
I was a part of many of those. The community is very adamant on not being -- continuing to be drowned out for the next ten years. I am also the chair of the Black Chamber of Commerce in the Antelope Valley.

So from a business perspective, me working at Northrop Grumming and -- or Grumman, many of my coworkers, colleagues, and friends worked and do business in Santa Clarita. We don't go down to Simi Valley. And I think that that shows our -- how that the Santa Clarita Valley and also Antelope Valley should be together in all of it, any of the outcomes of these maps, and shouldn't be tried to separate Antelope Valley by itself or with -- only with the San Bernardino County-type cities that are more rural, and it would drown out the actual voices of the Antelope Valley.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thirty seconds.

MR. CALLOWAY: So that -- that really is all that I need to say. Please make sure to keep Antelope Valley and Santa Clarita Valley together in any of the maps in -- in all three of the districts. Thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

All right. Now, we will have caller 5384. And up next after that will be caller 7882.

Caller 5384, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor
is yours.

MR. GRIGGY: Hi. Can you all hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

MR. GRIGGY: Perfect. My name is Zachary Griggy, and I'm an undergraduate student at UC Irvine. And I also represent around 6,000 UCI undergraduates in the student senate.

I'm very grateful for the Commission's new visualizations around the UC Irvine area. And I was -- I was very concerned about previous visualizations, especially Visualization A, which would have split Irvine into as many as three Senate districts and paired UCI, which has a large population of first-generation and low-income students, with the gated communities of the Orange County Coast.

For those of you that are unfamiliar with UCI, we are a community of over 30,000 undergraduates and 6,000 graduate students, many of whom live off-campus throughout Irvine and commute to campus. And we have -- our campus has struggled with a lack of affordable housing near the main campus, especially during the pandemic.

I believe that the most recent visualizations better represent UCI's student body, especially our off-campus students who live in other parts of Irvine where rent is
less expensive. Around the main campus, rent can get as high as 3,000 dollars a month, which is not affordable for many of our students. And in fact, some students have to resort to cramming as many as five people into a two-bedroom apartment to meet rent. So many students live throughout Irvine and commute to students (sic).

And previous visualizations, especially Visualization A, would have divided us into multiple districts, diluting our off-campus student-body voice in Statewide and federal politics.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thirty seconds.

MR. GRIGGY: I also appreciate this -- that these new maps pair UCI with Irvine Valley College, which allows us to collaborate with the community college and better advocate for students. So in the future, I'd hope that you will avoid -- continue to avoid dividing the City of Irvine, especially for Senate and Congressional districts, that you avoid using I-5 as the dividing line, and that you avoid pairing UCI with South Irvine or with South Orange County and the Orange County Coast. Thank you so much for your time, and have a great day.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you.

Right now, we will go to caller 7882. And up next after that, we will retry caller 4047.

Caller 7882, if you will please follow the prompts
to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor --

MS. GARCIA: Hi.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: -- is yours. Hello.

MS. GARCIA: Thank you. Hi. Can you hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

MS. GARCIA: Hello?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes, hello.

MS. GARCIA: Okay, perfect. Thank you. Great. My name is Victoria Garcia (ph.). I live in San Fernando in the San Fernando Valley. And I just want -- well, thank you for all your hard work.

I wanted to just comment on -- I'm concerned about the Latino population and our representation. I'm looking at -- I was freaked out of the last map, when you were putting the Northeast Valley with Studio City. But you guys or the line drawers changed that, so I'm thankful for that.

But as far as Assembly, I don't think we should be with Burbank. Burbank is more affluent. It's whiter, and it's just different. I also don't understand, given, like -- like, I live in San Fernando. It's, like, ninety-five percent Latino. And I know the valley, the San Fernando Valley, is heavily -- I don't know why there's only one VRA for Latinos and zero for the Senate.
So I'm asking for you guys to look at that for our representation.

As far as -- sorry, I don't know why I'm nervous -- the Senate seat, okay, the same thing. I don't know why the valley always gets split up. Like, there is millions of people in the valley -- San Fernando Valley. Why are we being put with LA? Why are we being put with Santa Clarita? Why are we put -- put in Ventura? What the exception is -- I'm not familiar with, like, Calabasas. Maybe they want to be with Ventura. I don't know. I'm not talking about them.

But with the exception of, like, sure, Studio City, Encino, Sherman Oaks, Tarzana, maybe they want to be with LA. But the rest of the valley, we shouldn't be with LA. And I don't know why we're with Santa Clarita.

And then I'll just say for Congressional, I didn't see Sunland-Tujunga with us, which they should be --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thirty seconds.

MS. GARCIA: -- in the Northeast Valley. So I don't know if it's just not included. But I -- I used to live in Tujunga, and we were with, like, going La Canada, San Gabriel. That makes no sense. So I guess my concern is just drowning out our voices, because I'll just say I grew up in Sun Valley, and there is a elementary school. It has fifty percent of the kids experiencing
homelessness. And I heard since the pandemic, that's risen to seventy-five percent.

So please be thinking about that when you tie us up, like, put us in these really affluent districts, as we're going to get drowned out.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

Right now, we will go to -- we will retry caller 4047. And up next after that will be caller 9048.

Caller 4047, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is yours. You are unmuted. Can you hear me?

MR. GREEN: Yes. I'm sorry. This is --

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Wonderful.

MR. GREEN: Can you hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

MR. GREEN: Okay.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: The floor is yours.

MR. GREEN: Thank you so much. This is Robert Green (ph.). I've been a resident of Acton since 1991. My children have gone to school in the Acton-Agua Dulce school district and in Palmdale. And I wanted to say how pleased I am with the Assembly map, currently, that connects us with the communities of the High Desert. We really are the High Desert. While we have Palmdale, Lancaster, many of the High Desert communities, like we,
live on dirt roads. We have septic tanks. We have wells. We have no broadband. We need to be together as we try to get the resources we need.

Our -- our area is -- is quite different. And -- and I'll use the term that we use. Not fair, but the down below communities, like Santa Clarita and Simi Valley and the rest, they have (indiscernible) college. We have less resources, you would be interested to know. I don't know how many dirt roads, septic systems, and wells and poor broadband down there.

So I think I'm very pleased with the current map and the maps that hold us together with the High Desert, even reaching to Tehachapi, California. So the -- this is my community. This is where I go. This is where I go to shop. This is where I go to restaurants. It's where my children go to school. These are the people I interact with, and -- and this is the community that needs to speak in a strong voice and try to move forward in this world.

I will also say I've heard a number of people from Santa Clarita and below claim that they -- they really belong with the Antelope Valley. I think -- but my assessment is that's purely political. I think it's been acknowledged as such, in some cases. So I would just --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thirty seconds.
MR. GREEN: -- say how pleased I am with the current Assembly map and the approach of connecting Acton-Agua Dulce with the High Desert, where we belong, and as much of that High Desert together as possible so we can all work together because we have the same common issues.

My final point --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Fifteen seconds.

MR. GREEN: -- for all of you is we have temperatures that get down into the teens, into the seventeens and sixteens. I think that's just another indication. We get snow. It -- it's a very different place in the High Desert than I think the -- the other side, down in the Los Angeles, San Fernando, Santa Clarita, Simi Valley area. I don't --

CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

And right before we go to our next caller, just a reminder that our lines will close now in four minutes, at 1 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much, Chair.

Right now, we will have caller with the last four 9048. And then up next after that will be caller 9843.

Caller 9048, if you will please follow prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

MR. COHEN: Thank you very much. My name's Jim
Cohen (ph.). I'm a thirty-year resident of the East San Fernando Valley and just thank you for all of your work today, Commissioners. I saw information at a -- in -- in a local meeting and decided to call in today.

I -- I really want to say, first, I -- I support your current -- I think it's called the West San Fernando Vis -- Valley Visualization. I support that for the Assembly as is. I think it does a really good job of -- of keeping kind of working-class neighborhoods together here in the Valley. So just again, supportive of the Assembly visualizations as they look.

But I will say the Senate side is -- is kind of wacky as hell and -- and wish that it really all just stayed in the San Fernando Valley. We get tied into Santa Clarita Valley often. And the -- the needs are just vastly different. So again, if you could take a look at the -- the Senate seats, keep as much of the Senate seat in the -- in the Valley as whole as possible. That'd be greatly, greatly appreciated.

Thank you again for your service, Commissioners.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

And right now, we will go to caller 9843. And then up next after that will be caller 3471.

Caller 9843, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor
is yours.

MS. PESANTE: Good afternoon. My name is Lori Pesante. My pronouns are she, her, and hers. I am director of civic engagement for the Dolores Huerta Foundation, based in the Central Valley. We have been facilitating equitable map coalition spaces throughout the Central Valley since January and have been involved in the redistricting process in the Central Valley for many years now.

We have never known equitable prosperity in the Central Valley. And indeed, the gap between haves and have-nots in our region reflect the gap between the Central Valley itself and the rest of California, exacerbated and maybe even created by inequitable district maps at all levels of government.

Thank you for recognizing that the Central Valley cannot be an afterthought in this process. And indeed, as we have engaged with over 5,000 marginalized resident participants in the Central Valley, we have a submission package that is forthcoming to you that will present district maps that we believe absolutely gets us where we want to go, with regard to the fact that we now have all eleven Central Valley counties at over fifty percent Latino population.

Currently, the visualizations don't seem to align
with what we believe the VRA obligations are in our region. And absolutely, the VRA obligations, we are asking them to be prioritized. For example, we will be submitting in our package a list of VRA communities that we have identified --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thirty seconds.

MS. PESANTE: -- and non-VRA communities so that things can be more surgical within your visualizations. For example, West Bakersfield, west of Gosford Lane (ph.), north of Panama Lane, this is an area that in the general plan for Kern County extends with affluent development all the way out to I-5, along the Ming Avenue and Stockdale corridors. This is not an area that should be in a VRA district.

There are other examples of this. It will be in our pack --

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And right now, we'll go to caller 3471. Then up next after that will be caller 9512.

Caller 3471, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

MS. ALLEN: Thank you. This is Sheila Allen. I'm from Davis and -- Davis, California, and which is in Yolo County. And I -- the ten years ago, we had a part of
Yolo County, West Sacramento, was removed from our Senate and Assembly and Congressional districts, which has been -- I'm an advocate for seniors and work a lot with older adults. And we've found it very difficult for advocacy measures to be able to get people to listen to us and to have a strong voice. And so we have been advocating from the beginning of making Yolo whole.

And now, with the latest lines that were drawn, now we're divided into three different districts. So I am really frustrated by that and hope that we can redraw the line so that Yolo can stay together, instead of being separated into three different Assembly districts.

And then for the Senate and Congressional districts, Yolo has been removed from where we historically have been connected to our neighbors to the west. We are -- Yolo is cut out, and then it goes all the way up to the Oregon border. And the -- the mountain and the far northern counties have -- are a much different part of California than what Yolo County is.

There -- Yolo has quite a bit of rural, but we're more similar to the rural areas of the Central -- you know, Central Valley --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thirty seconds.

MS. ALLEN: -- and more towards Napa -- Napa. So I'm asking that you take a -- a careful look at that and
do not connect Yolo to the far north counties and bring us back similar to where we are now. It's been very effective. So thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. All right. Now will be caller 9512. And up next after that will be caller 2161.

Caller 9512, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

MR. GEE: Hi. Good afternoon, Commission. Thank you for your time and energy on reshaping California. I'm Zachary Gee (ph.), he, him, his. I'm advocating to keep National City together in the same Assembly, which currently is split between the 80th and 79th, and also our Senate and Congressional districts.

Additionally, I'm curious the thought process of why the current rendering of Congressional map places us with our neighbors in north and San Diego and pulls us away from Chula Vista and the South Bay. I'm not sure how folks feel about that, but -- because then the Assembly and State Senate maps overlap with each other but mirror or the opposite to Congressional maps, where the variable is the City of National City, where we only really can relate to Spring Valley, Lemon Grove, and La Prensa, but nothing in common with Rancho, San Diego.
I just want to stress that it's so important to keep our Latinx and Filipinx populations together. Thank you so much.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

And right now, we will be going to caller 2161. I'd like to invite caller 0045, caller 3437, caller 6058 to please press star nine. This will raise your hand, indicating you wish to give comment in today's session.

Caller 2161, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

MR. WILSON: Hello. Can you hear me?

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

MR. WILSON: Okay. Thank you so much. My name is Daniel Wilson. I am a resident (indiscernible) in Ventura County. And the current Congressional lines proposed or the visualizations show that while it's often that Simi Valley is projected to be reincluded into the county district of CA26, I would like to please urge the districting commission to not cut out Ventura County or Ventura City, San Buenaventura City, from CA26 and Ventura County's largest district because that is one of the most progressive portions of our district.

And if we cut that out, it will greatly skew our current process to where we are moving towards CalCare
and other legislations that will help provide more social justice and equity to our low-income and Spanish-speaking communities, who often do not get to use their voice.

Thank you so very much for your time. Please keep Ventura City, San Buenaventura City within the CA26 or Ventura County district. Thank you so much.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you.

I'd like to give one last opportunity to those who have not spoken today to raise their hand and indicated that -- indicate that they have comments to give. That will be to caller with the last four digits 0045, caller with the last four digits 3437, and caller with the last four digits 6058. You've not given comment during this session. If you wish to do so, please press star nine. This will raise your hand, indicating you have comments to make.

Chair, I am not seeing any hands at this time. I will be deferring to you.

CHAIR TURNER: Katy, sometimes you just pull them in. And so now we're waiting for them to raise hands.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: I will gladly pull them in. There were some connectivity issues earlier, and so I was trying to avoid that. But I will gladly go ahead and just try.

CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Thank you.
PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Uh-huh. Caller 0045, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six if you wish to give comment.

MR. MENDOZA: This is --

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: The floor is yours.

MR. MENDOZA: This is, Chair, John Mendoza from Pomona. I already spoke.

PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Oh, there you go. Thank you so much.

All right. Caller 3437, if you wish to give comment, please follow the prompts by pressing star six. And one more time, caller with the last four 3437, if you wish to give comment, please follow the prompts by pressing star six to unmute. Thank you so much, caller 3437. You have been here all day listening. So I will just go with them, and we'll be moving to the next.

Caller 6058, if you wish to give comment, please follow the prompts to unmute at this time by pressing star six. And one more time, caller 6058, if you wish to give comment, please press star six.

Chair, that is everybody who has not spoken today.

CHAIR TURNER: All right. Thank you so much, Katy.

And thank you to all of our Californians that have elected to listen in and participate and give us information. Thank you for spending your Saturday with
us. I'd like to thank my fellow commissioners, staff, ASL interpreters, the AV team for your dedication to this process.

Commissioners will now have just a couple of days to absorb the input received today and compare it to the next set of visualizations that we will see on November 2nd, November 3rd, and November 4th. So starting Tuesday, when we see visualizations that will be based on previous direction, we will carry your input with us into the session to determine where new direction may be necessary. We have one other opportunity just for visualizations.

And so we heard you today and yesterday. We see the input that's coming in online. We're going to take all of that information. We are anxious to see the visualizations in their next iteration. And we'll add in where we can make adjustments and changes.

So with that, we are going to conclude our business for today. So I'd like to thank you and hope you'll join us next week. Thank you all.

Oh, thank you. Thank you. I have reminders coming in.

On Monday, we had posted a business meeting as necessary, if there were actionable items. And there are no actionable items on Monday, so we will not have a
business meeting on Monday. We will start with our
visualization meetings on Tuesday.

And so I thank you, and we -- with that, our meeting is adjourned. Thank you.

(Recessed at 3:21 p.m.)
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