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Subject: Redistricting of Santa Barbara County

Board of Supervisors,

I am a resident of the Cuyama Valley. In watching the video of the August 2, 2011 Board of Supervisors meeting concerning the redistricting of Santa Barbara County I was very surprised that the Cuyama Valley had not been involved in any of the preliminary meetings. I would like to speak to Supervisor Carbajal rational for making the Cuyama Valley part of District 1. Cuyama does not fit the Community of Interest criteria. We do not have anything in common with Carpentaria. Cuyama is remote, with no government services or other services relative to an urban area such as Carpentaria. The distance from Santa Maria vs. Carpentaria is not relative since 57 miles along Hwy 166 is not the same as 82 miles along Hwy 33 which crosses more than one other county line. The agriculture in Cuyama is extremely different than Carpentaria. Here in Cuyama we have the two largest carrot companies in the world growing thousand of acres of carrots. There is no transportation from Cuyama to Carpentaria as there is transportation from Cuyama to Santa Maria. I would like to support the original redistricting map that the Board was to approve before map #9.

Thank you, Kathleen Ricci