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As a resident and planning commissioner for the City of Placerville I think it is important that District 3 be centered around the Highway 50 corridor with the more urban and agro-tourism interrelated areas that have the same population of people working, living, and shopping being kept together in a single District, similar to the current District 3 boundary. A single supervisor should be representing Camino, Placerville and Diamond Springs as the interests of these three communities and the issues affecting them such as traffic on highway 50 associated with Apple Hill and the Placerville lights, the intersection of highway 49 and 50, and the interrelated development of housing, hotels and businesses between these three communities are integrally connected. Additionally, keeping District 3 similar to the current boundaries makes sense with having a district that is centered around the county seat. Many of the people who live in the 95667 zip code have Placerville addresses and think of themselves as part of the Placerville community even if they live outside the city limits. Splitting more of those people off into separate districts with different supervisors representing them does not make sense. The interests of the people that live in more rural areas like the Divide, Garden Valley/Georgetown/Cool are significantly different than the interests of the people that live in the Placerville/Camino/Diamond Springs area. A person from Placerville may have never even been to Georgetown or Cool and vis versa. Grouping the city of Placerville together with those more rural communities would make it impossible for the District 3 supervisor to do a good job of representing the interests of all of their constituents. Of the four alternatives presented my first preference would be for the the City Map based alternative (1). The Communities of Interest alternative (3) also seems like it could be an appropriate option for representation of the interests of the people. I am strongly opposed to the CSD alternative (2) and Community Regions alternative (4) that split up communities with similar interests from each other. Why would people in Pollick Pines on the north side of Highway 50 get a different supervisor than if they live on the south side of Highway 50, when everyone living in Pollick Pines has similar interests regardless of what side of the highway they live on? The CSD and Community Regions alternatives would provide poor representation of the people and should not be used for redistricting.

Thank You,
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