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May 15, 2001

Agenda: May 22, 2001
June 5, 2001

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
County of Santa Cruz
701 Ocean Street
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

Redistricting of Supervisorial Boundaries - Public Meeting

Dear Members of the Board:

On May 8, 2001 your Board scheduled a public meeting on the Redistricting of Supervisorial boundaries for May 22nd, to occur during your Board's regular scheduled agenda. Your Board has set a second public meeting to receive public comment on the Redistricting of Supervisorial boundaries for June 5th at the Watsonville City Council Chambers, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Announcements of these public meetings have been placed in the **Scotts Valley Banner/Valley Press** for the Wednesday prior, in the **Register Pajaronian** for the Saturday prior, and in the **Santa Cruz County Sentinel** for the Sunday prior to each public meeting.

Section 21500 of the Elections Code states that "following each decennial federal census, and using that census as a basis, the board shall adjust the boundaries of any or all of the supervisorial districts of the county so that the districts shall **be** as nearly equal in population as may be...". On April 17, 2001, your Board accepted a report that included information on the target for numerical equality for each district. The following table illustrates the census population for each Supervisorial district, and shortages or excesses, as compared to the target.

District	Population Target	Census Population	Over/Under Population Target
1 st	51,120	49,297	(1,823)
2 nd	51,120	47,325	(3,795)
3 rd	51,120	47,178	(3,942)
4 th	51,120	57,196	6,076
5 th	51,120	54,606	3,486
County Population		255,602	

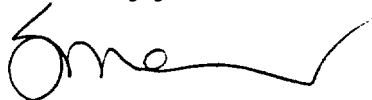
Your Board approved a process to allocate the County's population to registration precincts, and maps and tables demonstrating this data have been placed on file with the Clerk of the Board.

The Redistricting Working Group, which includes a representative from each Supervisorial District and County technical support staff, is scheduled to meet weekly as may be required through June 15th, to consider public comment received at these meetings, and to develop county-wide redistricting plans.

Your Board will consider the various plans at your regular meeting on June 26th and provide direction to staff to develop materials demonstrating the preferred plan(s) for consideration by your Board during public hearings that are scheduled to begin on August 7th.

It is therefore RECOMMENDED that your Board receive public comment on the Redistricting of Supervisorial boundaries.

Very truly yours,



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