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Good Morning Darcy,

I would like to make the following comment regarding the current re-districting proposal. This comment is being made by me as a tribal citizen, not as an official Tribal Representative of the Lone Pine Paiute-Shoshone Reservation.

A proposal for a Tribal County Supervisor would lead to a dilution of each Tribe's voice at the County level. Most issues before the Board affect certain geographical areas. If none of the Supervisors voting, except the Tribal Supervisor, had to consider the needs and desires of the Tribes, that one vote of 6 could easily be defeated very often. As it is now, each Supervisor with Tribal communities in their district has a responsibility to consider those constituents. Take the Tribes out of their districts and they can easily override the local Tribe's voice.

Thank you. Mel O. Joseph