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Subject: Re: Redistricting meeting August 3-5

Thank you for the update. Much as I would like, I will be unable to attend any of the three sessions, but am planning to attend some as soon as I can clear my calendar.

One email is woefully insuffient to address all of the issues brought on by redistricting.

However, after being a candidate since the Last Supper, there is are two that I must address in the PRC.

Inadvertently, when the PRC was first set up in time for the 1998 election, the Legislature packed Indians into PRC 4.

Pueblos and Navajos were lumped together as though if you seen one you have seen them all.

Packing Pueblos in a district where they are outnumbered by Navajos deprives the Pueblos of any chance of electing someone to the PRC of their choice.

Consequently, I favor placing all of Sandoval County and all of Rio Arriba into the Northern District so that as many Pueblos as possible are in the Northern District along with the independent and independently wealthy Jicarilla Apaches.

The Jicarillas are also in the Northern Electric Coop with Chama, but the legislature put part of the coop members in one district and part in another doing a gross disservice to both.

Electric coops should not be divided by PRC boundaries. It harms the harmony, operations and economic development to divide members of a single electric coop into two or more PRC districts.

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