

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



**FROM:** Executive Office

**SUBMITTAL DATE:**  
May 3, 2011

**SUBJECT:** Adoption of Resolution 2011-118, Recommendations Regarding State and Federal Redistricting.

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board adopt Resolution 2011-118 and forward the approved resolution to the California Citizens Redistricting Commission prior to the commission's scheduled meeting on May 5, 2011 in the Norco City Council Chambers.

**BACKGROUND:** Under California law, the California Citizens Redistricting Commission must revise boundaries for state and federal legislative districts, and Board of Equalization districts, based on results of the decennial census. Riverside County's effectiveness in addressing issues such as transportation, public health, education and public-safety would be diminished if new boundaries fractionalize the county. Existing communities of interest within our borders have a long history of working together to address local and regional issues, especially those caused by the dramatic growth that has occurred over the past decade. Since the 2000 census, Riverside County's population has increased to nearly 2.2 million residents, almost a 42 percent increase. It is imperative that the California Citizens Redistricting Commission establish Riverside County as an intact entity to the greatest extent possible to avoid fractionalizing the county and reducing the ability to address community needs.

  
**Raymond Smith, public information officer**

<b>FINANCIAL DATA</b>	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 0	In Current Year Budget:	n/a
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	n/a
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	n/a

<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS:</b> n/a	<b>Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<b>Requires 4/5 Vote</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:**

**APPROVE**

**County Executive Office Signature**

BY:   
Bill Luna

- Policy  Policy
- Consent  Consent

Dep't Recomm.:  
Per Exec. Ofc.:

Departmental Concurrence

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2 **RESOLUTION NO. 2011-118**  
3 **A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE**  
4 **RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING STATE AND FEDERAL REDISTRICTING**

5 **WHEREAS**, State law requires the California Citizens Redistricting Commission to  
6 revise boundaries for state and federal legislative districts, and Board of Equalization  
7 districts; and

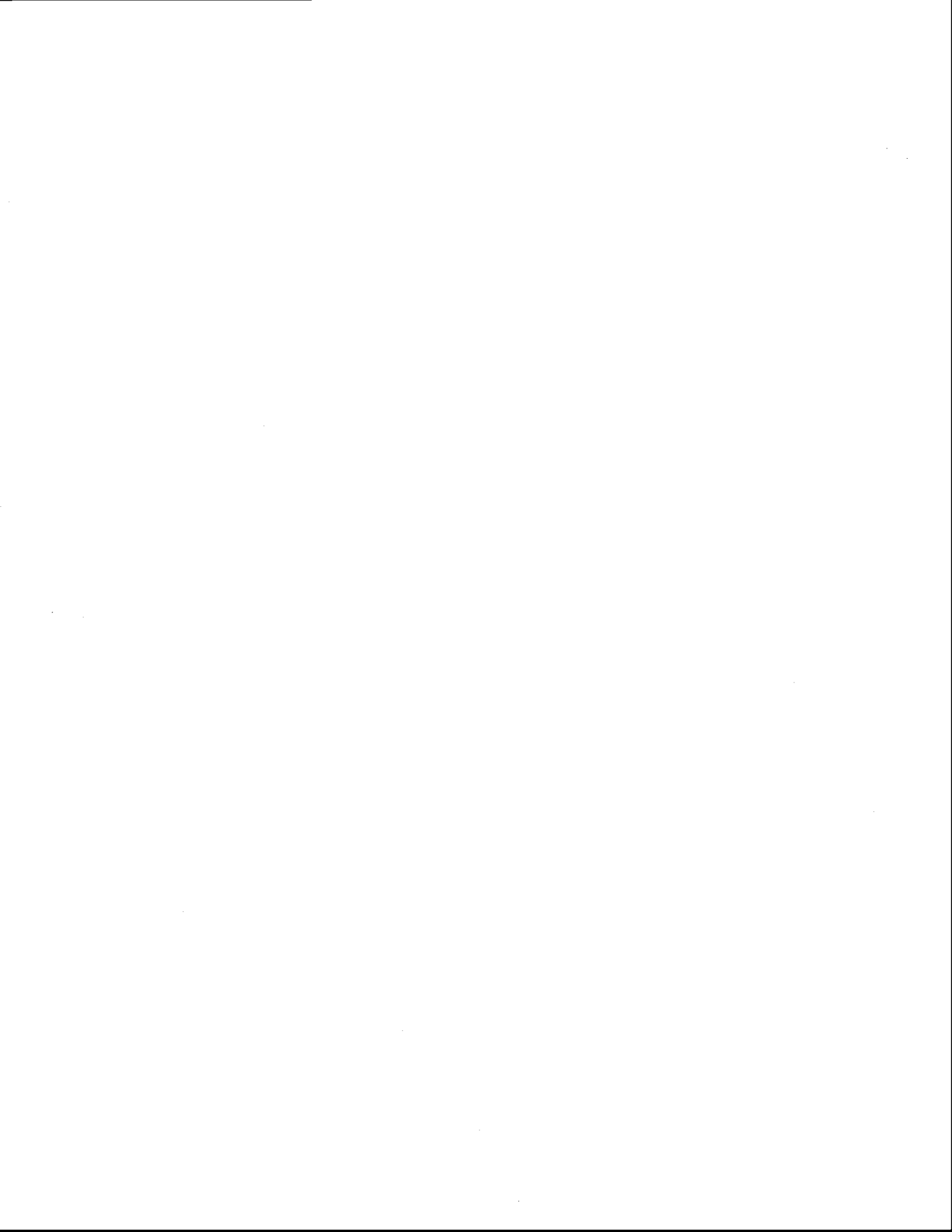
8 **WHEREAS**, Boundaries must be drawn based on criteria established in state law,  
9 which requires that districts shall be geographically contiguous so that the geographic  
10 integrity of any city, county, city and county, local neighborhood, or local community  
11 of interest shall be respected in a manner that minimizes their division; and

12 **WHEREAS**, A community of interest is defined in law as a contiguous population that  
13 shares common social and economic interests that should be included within a single  
14 district for purposes of its effective and fair representation; and

15 **WHEREAS**, Shared interests include those common to areas in which the people  
16 share similar living standards, use the same transportation facilities, have similar  
17 work opportunities, or have access to the same media of communication relevant to  
18 the election process; and

19 **WHEREAS**, Establishing Riverside County as an intact entity to the greatest extent  
20 possible is imperative based on the county's dramatic population growth during the  
21 past decade, which surpassed the next two fastest-growing California counties  
22 combined; and

23 **WHEREAS**, Riverside County's population in the past 10 years increased by nearly  
24 42 percent, reaching 2.2 million residents, with continued rapid growth projected  
25 during the next decade; and



1 **WHEREAS**, Coordinated efforts to address countywide transportation planning and  
2 the pursuit of funding for road and highway improvements are vital in order to  
3 improve quality of life and to reduce traffic congestion that creates pollution and  
4 poses health risks to residents; and

5 **WHEREAS**, Coordinated efforts within Riverside County's communities of interest  
6 have provided invaluable opportunities to implement programs that improve:  
7 transportation corridors through the addition of commuter lanes and other resources;  
8 health services through the development of a medical school at the University of  
9 California, Riverside, and other programs; and public-safety programs through law-  
10 enforcement task forces that target illegal narcotics operations, organized street  
11 gangs and sex offenders.

12 **NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors  
13 recommends that in redrawing boundaries for state and federal elective offices, the  
14 California Citizens Redistricting Commission establish Riverside County as an intact  
15 entity to the greatest extent possible. With this resolution, the Board of Supervisors  
16 also expresses its concern that fractionalizing Riverside County would diminish local  
17 agencies' effectiveness in seeking coordinated assistance from legislators; in  
18 protecting access to communication relevant to the election process for, in many  
19 instances, a poor, minority population; and in addressing health, transportation,  
20 education and safety issues that affect the quality of life for every resident.  
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