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From: "Alison Wilk" <[REDACTED]>
To: <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, July 11, 2011 9:37 AM
Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles
From: Alison Wilk <[REDACTED]>
Subject: SCV Senate District

Message Body:

Please honor community of interest testimony and connect the Santa Clarita Valley with east Ventura County.

Our communities have similiar industries and challenges.

We have also been in the same Senate District for 30 years.

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From: "Chris Fall" <[REDACTED]>
To: <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, July 11, 2011 8:15 AM
Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles
From: Chris Fall <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Santa Clarita Valley Senate District

Message Body:

Your latest (July 8th) is NOT your greatest! This visualization does not reflect community of interest testimony nor does it reflect the direction the Commission previously gave to the line drawers.

The residents of the Santa Clarita Valley are affluent and we will continue to keep our finger on the pulse of this issue.

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From: "Sharon L. Cook, Ph.D." <[REDACTED]>
To: <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, July 11, 2011 7:50 AM
Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles
From: Sharon L. Cook, Ph.D. <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Keep Our South Bay Community Together

Message Body:

Your current maps look like as bad as the gerrymander we have now. Please go back to the old draft lines you release in June and keep Palos Verdes with Torrance, Lomita the Beach Cities and El Segundo -- the rest of the South Bay. Please leave us apart from Venice, Santa Monica and Long Beach -- we have no business with them and almost never even visit those areas. We elected you to stop the gerrymandering, not make it worse. Thank you.

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From: "Brandon Farkas" <[REDACTED]>
To: <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, July 11, 2011 7:30 AM
Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles
From: Brandon Farkas <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Keep Griffith Park Communities Together

Message Body:

The Silver Lake 90039 neighborhood fits much more logically into your July 3 LAGBP district. We share shopping, media, outlook, culture, and geographic continuity with the neighborhoods in the July 3 LAGBP district.

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From: "Larry Grooms" <[REDACTED]>
To: <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, July 11, 2011 9:48 AM
Subject: Objection to late revision of 17th State Senate Dist lines
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T=: California Redistricting Commission
FROM: Larry Grooms, citizen of Lancaster, CA
RE: Do Not Disenfranchise the People of the Antelope Valley

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I was just informed that your entity is on the verge of making an 11th=Hour change in your previously announced boundaries for the 17th Stat= Senate District that, if adopted, will serve to remove our desert valley =egion from effective representation.

Please keep the first draft plan that keeps our High Desert cities and=communities together, and does not divide our representation by putting th= twin cities of Lancaster a=d Palmdale in separate Senate district=.

The new district lines you are considering represent the worst kind of=gerrymandering, and will destroy any credibility your commission might hav= otherwise achieved. The issues we face in the High Desert cities of Lanca=ter, Palmdale and Victorville have lit=le to do with the metropolitan San Fernando Valley.

Please do not dilute our representation.

I hope I can thank you in advan=e for doing the right thing by staying with the first announced boundaries= keeping the the High Desert communities of Lancaster/Palmdale in northern=LA County together with East Kern and the Victor Valley cities in S=n Bernardino in the same Senate District.

The Senate District released in=the first draft was excellent, it unified the entire High Desert community=of interest. Please keep the Senate District in the first draft.

REGION 4: LOS ANGELES

Las Virgenes-Malibu Council of Governments

Member Cities: Agoura Hills, Calabasas, Hidden Hills, Malibu & Westlake Village
Hidden Hills, California 91302 •

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Via Email to voterfirstact@crc.ca.gov

Citizens Redistricting Commission
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Honorable Chair and Members of the Commission:

The Las Virgenes-Malibu Council of Governments would like to go on record in support of a redistricting plan that keeps our member cities (Agoura Hills, Calabasas, Hidden Hills, Malibu and Westlake Village) together, in the same Assembly, Senate and Congressional districts. The Las Virgenes-Malibu COG cities are geographically situated, which allows us to address shared environmental, transportation and public safety concerns.

For example, the Las Virgenes-Malibu COG prepared a Hazard Mitigation Plan, Watershed Area Master Plan, Measure R Highway Improvement Project List and numerous other plans and projects that benefit the residents, businesses and those traveling to and through the region. In addition, all of the cities contract with Los Angeles County Sheriffs Department and Fire Department and work together on emergency preparedness and disaster response, which is of utmost importance due to the region's history of wildfires and flooding.

The Las Virgenes-Malibu COG hopes you understand how important it is for our five cities to continue to be in the same legislative districts. If you need any additional information, please let us know.

Yours truly,



Terry Dipple
Executive Director

cc: Agoura Hills
Calabasas
Hidden Hills
Malibu
Westlake Village

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From: "Harry Engel" <[REDACTED]>
To: <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, July 11, 2011 10:17 AM
Subject: Lancaster/Palmdale split

Please do not split Lancaster and Palmdale in the redistricting process.

1. We need unification up here, not separation. Palmdale has specific needs that are radically different from San Fernando valley.
2. Putting Palmdale with San Fernando will effectively eliminate representation, since the community is so much smaller in size than the rest of the district.
3. The high desert needs its own representation as a whole. It has its own very unique challenges and opportunities.

The First plan made much more sense.

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Harry Engel
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June 28, 2011

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Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: **CONCERN WITH THE CITIZENS REDISTRICTING COMMISSION'S
FIRST DRAFT MAPS**

Dear Commissioners:

I am writing to share my concern with the Citizens Redistricting Commission's First Draft maps released Friday, June 10, 2011. I am a resident of the City of Huntington Park and have lived and worked in this community for many years. The proposed draft maps severely diminish opportunities for future Latino political progress. The draft maps show that the Latino community will lose existing Latino effective districts at the State Assembly, State Senate and Congress.

In Los Angeles, the Commission must prevent loss of districts where Latinos can effectively choose their elected leaders, and create new opportunities for fair representation that reflect the changing demographics of our state. The Latino community accounted for 90% of the state's growth and is the second largest population group in the state. The Commission must ensure that revised maps for State Assembly, State Senate and Congress reflect our state's new demographics.

Furthermore, I request that the Commission look closely at the Los Angeles Southeast cities region. This region has small cities with high Latino populations, and the cities share many social and economic characteristics. The residents of this region are in districts where Latinos currently have the opportunity to elect candidates of their choice, the residents understand the importance of ensuring Latinos are not "packed" into districts in a manner that would dilute their votes. Thus, the residents of this region request that the Commission balance the dual goal of creating districts where the Latino community can elect their candidates of choice and respecting that the Southeast cities be placed into districts where the communities share common social and economic characteristics.

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For example, Congressional District ELABH places the City of Huntington Park with communities that have very different social and economic characteristics such as Los Feliz, Atwater, Silver Lake, and South Pasadena. The residents of Huntington Park are low income and working class and we share more common characteristics with East LA, Boyle Heights, El Sereno and Lincoln Heights to the north; as well as Lynwood and South Gate to the south, to name only a few communities.

We have worked hard to address many of the social and economic challenges that are unique to our community. However, there are still many challenges to overcome. It is important that the Commission give our residents a fair opportunity to continue electing candidates of our choice. We must have representation that understands our community priorities and will be our advocates in the State Assembly, State Senate and Congress.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Elba Guerrero".

ELBA GUERRERO, COUNCIL MEMBER
City of Huntington Park

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Molly Casey

From: "Sharon Nixon Escochea" <[REDACTED]>
To: <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, July 11, 2011 4:32 AM
Subject: Keep it together!

I'm writing to ask that you keep the district from Palos Verdes to Santa Monica (including Torrance) as one district. Anything else would be gerry mandering @ this time & shame on you for trying to do that!!

Thank you!

Sharon </p>