

Subject: Redraw Arcadia - S.G. Foothill Mountains

From: PA2k <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 11:50:08 -0700

To: [REDACTED]

CC: Supervisor Mike Antonovich [REDACTED]

California Citizens Redistricting Commission

“Visualization” Maps – Berkeley/ CA State Wide Data Base

www.swdb.berkeley.edu/gis/gis2011/

Maps Referenced:

State Assembly ARC–LA Opt1 – 2011-07-14 @ 8:42AM

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These lines are radically changing the political landscape of our district while blatantly disregarding the "communities of interest" guidelines. The CCRC maps make no sense whatsoever, lines are drawn vertically rather than horizontally, leapfrog over boundaries and districts, and lack contiguous borders.

Redrawing the lines (by a friend and cartographer Brian M. Fuller) to include Arcadia is a fair and balanced option by swapping out other non-COI cities. The attached maps clearly show that Arcadia can be redrawn with the required derivatives, population deviation, and remain contiguous with all the Foothill 'communities of interest' in line with Sierra Madre > Monrovia > Duarte > Bradbury > et alia along the San Gabriel mountains.

Have written to the Commission before, attended the hearings, and still seems to be no real effort to make any changes to Arcadia's legislative lines. Yet, Arcadia's northernmost border extends into the Angeles National Forest in the San Gabriel Foothill Mountains and is gerrymandered / split between two cities of common interest. It's southern-most assembly & congressional border elbows into East L.A. and atop of Montebello (below the 60 Pomona freeway) This is both questionable and wrong.

Arcadia is a major player in the Foothill 'communities of interest' and shares the 210 Foothill freeway along with the Gold Line Metro Rail Transportation network with her Foothill neighbors. Arcadia's reputation for mutual support services in the northern communities include law enforcement, fire prevention, health care and medical assistance. It has many established assets and contributes

regularly to the mountain communities, and will expand East & West (not North & South) with its planned growth and development.

Please redraw Arcadia back into the Foothill Mountain 'Communities of Interest' (LASGF).

Thank you.

Sincerely,

s/ R. W. Thee

[REDACTED]
Arcadia, CA 91007

(See Comparison Map attachments)

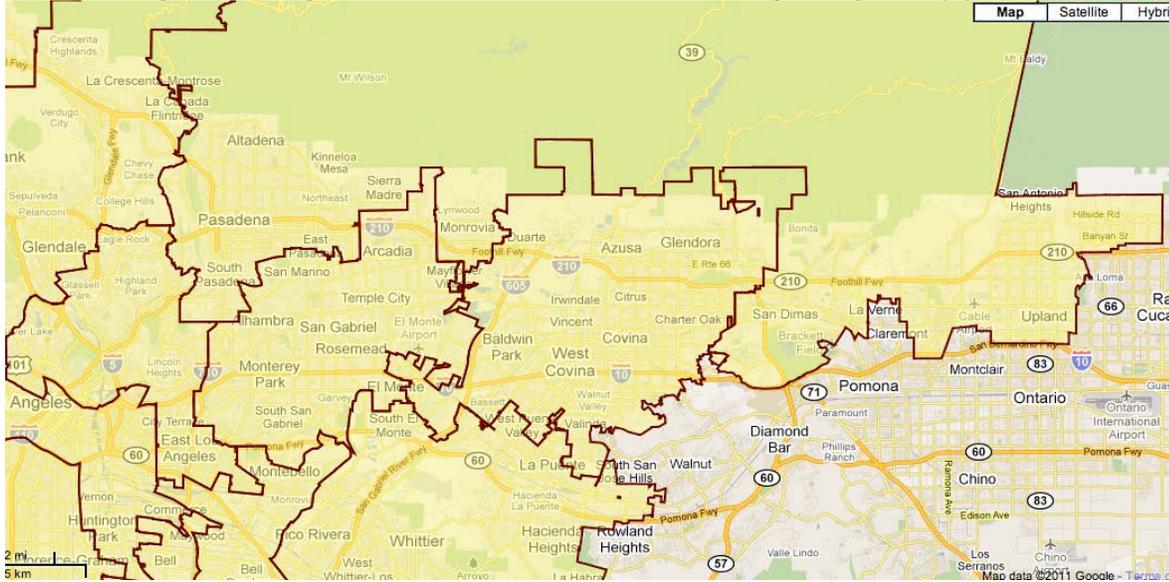
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ASSEMBLY – ARCADIA – CCRC REDISTRICTING MAP

CCRC Proposed Map “2011-7-1 8:42AM assembly la opt 1” (option 2 is similar)



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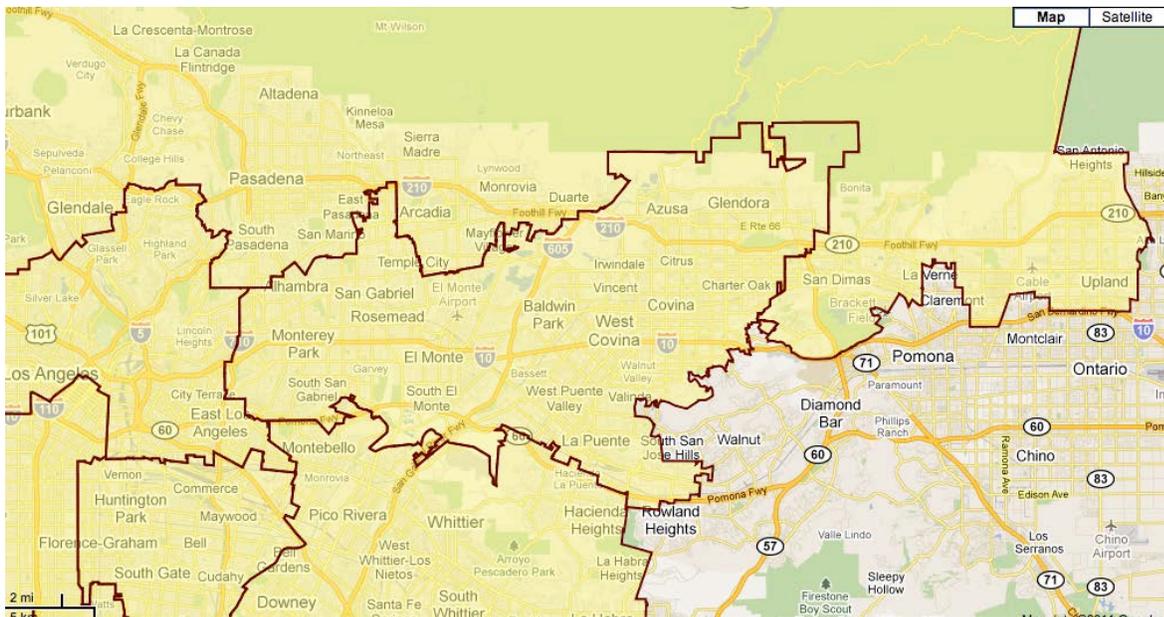
ASSEMBLY – ARCADIA REDISTRICTING REDRAWN Alternative Map (Blue Lines)



- More superior revision “Communities of Interest” with balanced populations

SENATE – ARCADIA – CCRC REDISTRICTING MAP

CCRC Proposed Map “2011-7-15 10:30AM senate la” (only map proposed)



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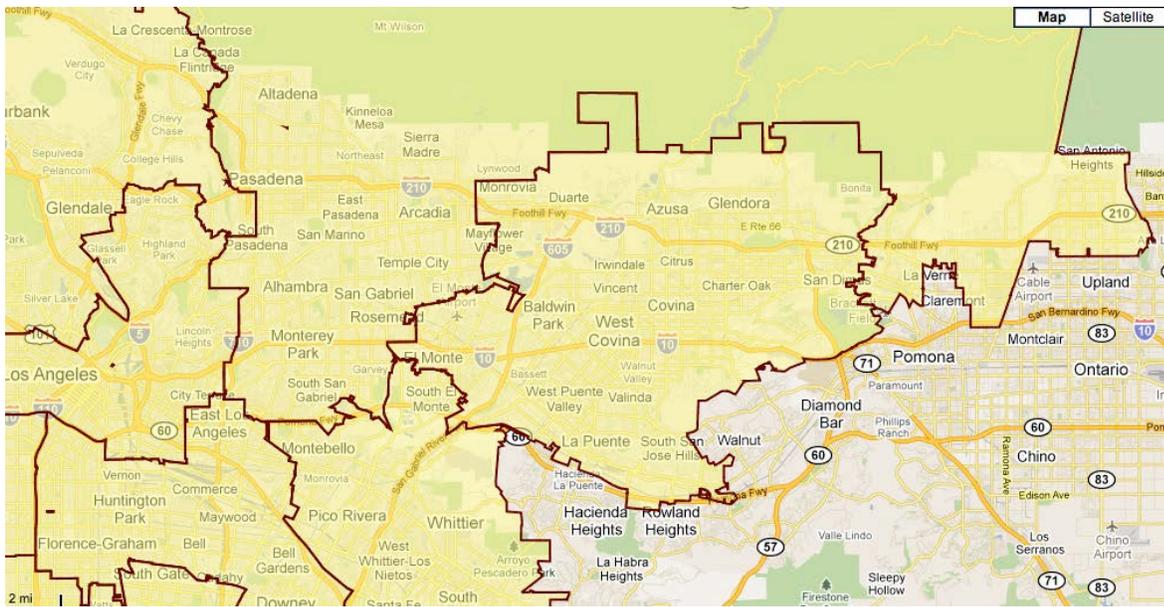
SENATE – ARCADIA REDISTRICTING REDRAWN – Alternative Map (Blue Lines)



The revised district logically combines Burbank, La Canada/Flintridge, Glendale, Pasadena, South Pasadena, Altadena, San Marino, Sierra Madre, Arcadia, Monrovia, Duarte, & Bradbury.

Congress – ARCADIA – CCRC REDISTRICTING MAP

CCRC Proposed Map “2011-7-13 10:16AM congress la opt 1” (one of four similar)



- CCRC Congressional lines are drawn too far south. Either move Monterey Park eastward into West Covina or west into Los Angeles.
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CONGRESS – ARCADIA REDISTRICTING REDRAWN Alternative Map (Blue Lines)



- The redrawn lines are more intact with “Communities of Interest” and more compact for legislative representation. Far more superior than the CCRC map.
- Swap exchange with San Dimas and Upland into West Covina district

Submitted by: R. W. Thee

[Redacted]
Arcadia, CA 91007

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Submitted by,

R. W. Thee

R. W. Thee

Arcadia, CA 91007-6103

2011-07-19

Subject: 36th district

From: "G&A Carabet" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 15:03:18 -0700

To: <[REDACTED]>

The rumors that I hear about the "fair" redistricting lines are very upsetting. I urge you in the name of fairness that you include Torrance in the 36th district and make the district everything south of Westchester. Please do what you were appointed to do and make the new lines less gerrymandered and more representative of all Californians with no partisanship bias.

George F. Carabet
Rancho Palos Verdes

Subject: Comments - Redistricting Maps

From: "Cherie L Paglia" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 16:42:19 -0700

To: "Commission Redistricting" <[REDACTED]>

Please see attached letter for comments from the City of Hidden Hills on the latest visualization maps prepared by the Citizens Redistricting Commission. Hard copy will follow via mail.

Cherie L. Paglia
City Manager
City of Hidden Hills
[REDACTED]
Hidden Hills, CA 91302
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City of Hidden Hills

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July 20, 2011

California Citizens Redistricting Commission
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Sacramento, California 95814

Honorable Chair and Members of the Commission:

Please accept the following comments from the City of Hidden Hills on the latest visualization maps prepared by the Citizens Redistricting Commission.

The five communities of Hidden Hills, Agoura Hills, Calabasas, Malibu, and Westlake Village comprise the Las Virgenes Malibu Council of Governments (COG), and are deeply connected communities. These five COG cities have been working together for many years, and are a prime example of a “community of interest” as defined by the California Constitution (a contiguous population which shares common social and economic interests). As we have stated in earlier letters, we believe our COG cities should remain together in any and all districts established. On the new visualization maps, the proposed Senate District encompasses four of our five cities, but excludes Malibu. The proposed Assembly maps place our COG cities into three different districts - Hidden Hills and Calabasas in one, Agoura Hills and Malibu in another, and Westlake Village in yet another. The Congressional maps totally decimate our COG, placing Hidden Hills alone with portions of the Western San Fernando Valley, and separating Westlake Village into a completely different district, while placing the remaining three cities (Agoura Hills, Calabasas, and Malibu) in yet another district. This type of division may make it very difficult for the five cities to continue to function as a closely knit community.

In addition to being a part of the beautiful Santa Monica Mountains area along with the other COG cities, we are also linked to our neighboring communities by the following: as contract cities, we are all serviced by the Malibu Lost Hills Sheriff Station and the L.A. County Fire Department; the Las Virgenes Unified School District and the Las Virgenes Municipal Water District service four of our cities; the *Acorn* is the only newspaper covering local news and city activities in our region; all five cities share a Hazard Mitigation Plan that was prepared through the COG. Sharing common goals and working together for the benefit of the entire region and all of our residents is very important to smaller cities such as ours to give us a unified voice.

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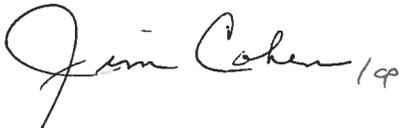
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Again, we would respectfully request that the cities of Hidden Hills, Agoura Hills, Calabasas, Malibu, and Westlake Village be placed together in all legislative districts, to allow us to maintain our long existing COG and to continue to work together to best address our common interests in relation to public safety, water quality, emergency preparedness, education, transportation, traffic, air quality, and any other issues that affect our cities and our region.

Respectfully,

CITY OF HIDDEN HILLS

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jim Cohen" followed by a small "19" at the end. The signature is written in a cursive style.

Jim Cohen
Mayor

JC/clp

Subject: Don't divide Brentwood

From: Laura Clark <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 15:45:20 -0700

To: [REDACTED]

As a resident, it's very important to me that the whole of Brentwood community be represented by one state representative. I ask that this be seriously taken under advisement.

Kind regards,

Laura Clark

[REDACTED]

LA 90049

Laura Clark
Managing Director

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[REDACTED]
Los Angeles, CA 90064

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Subject: Hawthorne

From: [REDACTED]

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 18:49:28 -0400 (EDT)

To: [REDACTED]

Dear Commissioners,

As a concerned Hawthorne citizen, I am again expressing my request for the redistricting of the boundaries of the City of Hawthorne.

Olivia Valentine

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OLIVIA J. VALENTINE, Esq.
[REDACTED]
Hawthorne, CA 90250
[REDACTED]

Citizens' Redistricting
Commission
[REDACTED]

Dated: July 14, 2011

Dear Commissioners:

I am a concerned Hawthorne citizen. I have previously written to you to express my position that Hawthorne be included in the 36th Congressional District (CD). I am now expanding that view based on the more recent boundary lines that are under consideration by the Commission. If it is not possible that Hawthorne be included in the 36th CD, Hawthorne should be included with the South Bay/beach cities which lie south of the #105 Freeway and west of the #110 Freeway. I am making the same request as to Hawthorne's placement in the State Assembly District and in the State Senatorial District.

Hawthorne is inextricably tied to the aerospace industry which it shares with the beach cities. A few years ago, Hawthorne worked in conjunction with the beach cities to prevent the closure of the LA Air Force Base, which saved thousands of Hawthorne and South Bay jobs at both the base and its affiliated aerospace partners. This protected a huge economic engine for the entire South Bay. The bonds which made this possible were issued by Hawthorne and Hawthorne's citizens will be paying approximately \$142 million to retire them. This action encouraged further development of aerospace, including SpaceX, which is headquartered in Hawthorne.

Moreover, Hawthorne has its own airport which is used on a daily basis by aerospace and film industry personnel who are doing business in the South Bay. The

Hawthorne Police Department helicopter, which is based at Hawthorne Airport, patrols and assists the other beach cities' police departments, who pay Hawthorne for this service.

Hawthorne also has significant ties to the entertainment industry due to its proximity to major studios in El Segundo and Manhattan Beach. Hawthorne is within walking distance from both the Manhattan Beach Studios and El Segundo Studios. Many movie and television shows including CSI Miami do location shooting in Hawthorne.

Hawthorne also shares north-south arterials Crenshaw Boulevard and Hawthorne Boulevard, and east-west arterials Marine Avenue, Rosecrans Avenue, and El Segundo, which are major business and shopping thoroughfares, with the beach cities. The residents of the beach cities frequently access the 405 Freeway by using entrances and exits located in Hawthorne. They also commute to downtown Los Angeles by using the 105 Freeway, which is located in Hawthorne, in order to access the 110 Freeway north into the downtown area.

Based on all of the above, I contend that Hawthorne's community of interest is primarily with the South Bay/beach cities which lie south of the #105 Freeway and west of the #110 Freeway and I request that Hawthorne be placed in the district which includes those cities.

Thank you for your consideration.

Olivia J. Valentine

Subject: Please Revise EVENT and LAVSF/LAMWS

From: [REDACTED]

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 15:40:33 -0700

To: [REDACTED]

CC: [REDACTED]

Honorable Commissioners:

I write for two reasons. First, I approve of the Congressional district WLADT, as defined by "option 1.2." Thank you for responding to my past request to redefine the Congressional district in respect of the needs of the Santa Monica Mountain Region. I ask that you PLEASE DO NOT MAKE FURTHER CHANGES TO WLADT.

I also write to disapprove of the currently proposed Senate and Assembly legislative districts for the Santa Monica Mountain Region: EVENT, and LAVSF/LAMWS. In particular, the EVENT Senate district is simply not acceptable.

The Senate district, EVENT, as shown online at <http://crcssmm.com>, divides the Santa Monica Mountain Region communities by separating Malibu from Calabasas, Hidden Hills, Agoura Hills, and Westlake Village, even though these communities share many economic and social interests. Inexplicably, EVENT combines the Simi Valley and Santa Clara regions with our communities of Calabasas and Hidden Hills. Simi Valley and Santa Clarita have absolutely no shared interests with our region. A much more acceptable map is shown online at <http://crcssmm.com>, which has also been socialized by the Las Virgenes Homeowners Federation. This map combines much of the West Valley region with Calabasas, Hidden Hills, and out to Thousand Oaks.

The Assembly districts, LAVSF/LAMWS, also shown online at <http://crcssmm.com>, divides Calabasas and Hidden Hills from the neighboring Santa Monica Mountain Region communities of Agoura Hills and Malibu. Calabasas and Hidden Hills should be returned to the LAMWS district.

The communities of West Hills, Hidden Hills, Calabasas, Agoura Hills, Westlake Village, Malibu, and the adjacent unincorporated communities are deeply connected through collaboration and services. These communities form the Las Virgenes - Malibu Council of Governments. The COG is the core of Los Angeles County's Disaster Management Area B. These communities collaborate in the Santa Monica Mountains Fire Safe Alliance. The inland communities are served by a single Sheriff's Station, located in Calabasas. These communities are served by three Fire Stations, located in Agoura Hills, Calabasas, and Westlake Village. The Las Virgenes Municipal Water District provides these communities with water and sewer services. The communities are also united through the distinguished Las Virgenes Unified School District.

Our strength as an interactive and collaborative community of interest rests on our ability to have a shared legislative voice. Our shared interest in preserving the ecology and beauty of the Santa Monica Mountains region is but one of the many elements that binds us together. Please respect the integrity of our communities and our quality of life by restoring the legislative integrity of our region following the suggestions outlined above.

Regards,

Donald Wallace

[REDACTED]
Calabasas, CA 91302

Subject: preservation of Mandeville Canyon as is

From: "Kristina Dubin" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 16:17:15 -0700

To: <[REDACTED]>

I am a resident of Upper Mandeville Canyon in the Santa Monica Mountains in the Brentwood neighborhood of Los Angeles. It is vitally important that the Santa Monica Mountains community of interest be drawn together in the same District. We ask that you preserve the community of interest that is comprised of Malibu-Topanga-Pacific Palisades-Santa Monica-Brentwood-Encino-Sherman Oaks. Please do so simply by combining the two proposed Assembly Districts (LAVSF and LAMWS) to draw the EVENT Senate District boundary. These two Assembly Districts have a population of 931,000, which is the size of a single Senate District. By drawing the EVENT District lines in this manner, the Commission would preserve our Santa Monica Mountains community of interest.

As a voter and as a resident, who loves her Canyon. Please know how important this is.

Sincerely,
Kristina Dubin

Kristina Dubin

DUBINmedia

Santa Monica, CA 90403

Subject: Proposed EVENT Senate District does not uphold the purpose for which it is intended!

From: "Kimberly Gustafson" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 15:14:19 -0700

To: <[REDACTED]>

We are homeowners in the Santa Monica Mountains and STRONGLY urge you to reconsider the boundaries of the proposed EVENT Senate District. The coastal and Santa Monica mountain communities run East/West and do not run North, especially as far as Moorpark, Simi Valley, and Santa Clarita. Creating a district of this character would severely disadvantage members of the coastal and Santa Monica mountain communities as well as take away from the members of the communities far north. It simply does not make sense.

Thank you,
Kimberly and Derek Gustafson

[REDACTED]
Calabasas, CA 91302

Subject: Proposed Senate Districting

From: "[REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 21:55:58 GMT

To: [REDACTED]

I am writing in protest the inane redistricting plan for our area. We feel it is especially wrong for this area in relationship to emergency preparedness. Knowing the specific aspects of "community awareness projects" have not been put into the mix it seems. We feel that the Redistricting Commission does not understand enough about the SMMtns/Coastal communities. The committee is reading the area north to south, not east to west, where the critical relationships of transportation, education, environment, emergency preparedness, and land use are well established and pivotal to the survival of our region. I respectfully request that the proposed lines be reconsidered.

Thank you for your attention, Gail McTune,

Topanga, Ca.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Barbara and Stanley Robert Schwartz <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 20:54:11 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Barbara and Stanley Robert Schwartz <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redrawing Brentwood district lines

Message Body:

The Brentwood District lines should NOT be redrawn!!!!!!!

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This mail is sent via contact form on Citizens Redistricting Commission

Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Jeff Benard <Jeffb[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 20:59:43 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Jeff Benard <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Valley Village Boundaries

Message Body:

Dear CRC, As a resident of Valley Village for 9 years I respectfully ask that you reconsider your plans to change the borders of Valley Village. I fear that the tight knit community that I now belong to will be eaten up once my home is no longer a part of Valley Village. I beg of you to keep the current Valley Village boundaries as Burbank Boulevard to the north, the 170 Freeway to the east, the 101 Freeway to the south and the Tujunga Wash to the west. Thank you for your time.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Mary Ann Jacobsen <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 21:04:34 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Mary Ann Jacobsen <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting

Message Body:

Please do not separate the Veterans Administration from Brentwood, Ca. The property of the Veterans Administration surrounds my neighborhood by the South and the West and we need to have a voice on matters involving activities at the VA which affect our neighborhood.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Maribel Ulloa-Garcia <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 21:05:55 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Maribel Ulloa-Garcia <[REDACTED]>

Subject: VALLEY VILLAGE DISTRICT SPLIT

Message Body:

I live in the community and all my neighbors and I are heart broke and upset to know that we would no longer be part of the Vlley village association.If you split our community

PLEASE make the boundary east oc Colfax to the 170fwy and not COLFAX.

I am a very involved parent at my elementary and in the neighborhood. Many of us boght property here in this portion to be part of the valley village community, we spent close to \$700,000. some of my neighbors een more. We are upset to know that you are now taking it away from us. We want to continue to be part of the group

that we are so comfortable with. It is said to know that because the city allowed more big building to come into our boudaries, we property owners are being pushed out of our community. Now I understand why we should opposed to any more buildings coming in. If boudaries are being re done because of of amount of residents than, DO NOT LET OTHE NEW BUILDINGS TO BE PART OF OUR

area. I am the PTA prwsident of my school and I believe that our little Valley Village community is so special and we take care o it is because we work together in every single way.

Please consider changing the boundary to the 170 fwy and NOT COLFAX AVENUE.

After Burbank Blvd Colfax is North Hollywood.

PLEASE DO NOT PLIT OUR COMMUNITY THAT WE SO HAVE WORK SO HARD TO KEEP FOR OUR FAMILIES.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: marty <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 21:07:39 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: marty <[REDACTED]>

Subject: CA 26 re-districting.

Message Body:

palos verdes peninsula should remain with el segundo, the beach cities and torrance.this district should span wilmington to westchester.santa monica and venice are not a fit for this district. thanks, marty foster

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Erick Garcia <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 21:08:29 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Erick Garcia <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Valley Village

Message Body:

PLEASE DO NOT SPLIT VALLEY VILAGE ON COLFAX, I OWE PROPERTY AND BOUGHT MY HOUSE BECAUSE I WANTED TO BE PART OF VALLEY VILLAGE. MY HOME SITS 4 HOUSES AWAY FROM COLFAX AVENUE AND IS 1 BLOCK AWAY FROM THE 170 FWY.
PLEASE REDRAW THE BOUNDARIES TO THE EAST TO THE WALL OF THE 170 FWY.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Andrew Mukhey <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 21:08:30 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Andrew Mukhey <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting of area codes 90049 and 90025

Message Body:

Keep the VA in our district- we have worked diligently with them to improve, maintain and protect the contiguous land and its use.

Many of our programs and governance is done within our zip code area to strengthen our input as a community

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: jennifer moran <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 21:08:36 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: jennifer moran <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Veterans Administration

Message Body:

Please keep VA in 90049 -- decisions re land use affect people in 90049 -- we should not be cut off from VA.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Stacy Schulman <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 21:09:37 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Stacy Schulman <[REDACTED]>

Subject: 90049 Redrawing

Message Body:

PLEASE, leave our district AS IS

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Rodney Liber <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 21:15:35 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Rodney Liber <[REDACTED]>

Subject: VA Redistricting

Message Body:

Please keep the VA in our district. We have worked diligently with them to improve, maintain and protect the contiguous land and its use.

Many of our programs and governance is done within our 90049 zip code area to strengthen our input as a community

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: "Vera J. Hirtz" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 21:22:25 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Vera J. Hirtz <[REDACTED]>

Subject: redrawing of Brentwood's districting lines

Message Body:

Important to keep the VA in our district; we have worked diligently with them to improve, maintain and protect the contiguous land and its use.

Many of our programs and governance is done within our zip code area to strengthen our input as a community.

Splitting will be very harmful.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: MARIBEL GARCIA <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 21:22:36 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: MARIBEL GARCIA <[REDACTED]>

Subject: DISTRICT BOUNDARIES OPPOSITION

Message Body:

WE ARE RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THAT YOU REDRAW THE SOUTHEAST BOUNDARY OF THE DISTRICT TO KEEP VALLEY VILLAGE IN ONE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT.
PLEASE MOVE THE BOUNDARY EAST TO THE 170 FREEWAY.
PLEASE KEEP VALLEY VILLAGE TOGETHER IN THE SAME CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT.

THANK YOU.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Alice Goldstone <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 21:26:55 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Alice Goldstone <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting

Message Body:

Please do not split up our wonderful neighborhood of Valley Village. We have worked hard to develop a neighborhood spirit and homeowners association that works in tandem to promote our little village. Though we are smack in the middle of the huge city of Los Angeles, it feels like a small town of neighbors and events that bring us together. Please keep our district as one area.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Noel True <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 21:33:02 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Noel True <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Valley Village redistricting

Message Body:

I see that the new redistricting will cut my neighborhood Valley Village in half. Although the zip codes may differ, our neighborhood has boundaries at Burbank Boulevard to the north, the 170 Freeway to the east, the 101 Freeway to the south and the Tujunga Wash to the west. Please don't cut the new district off at Colfax Avenue. The neighborhood should remain intact as we all are members of the same Homeowners council, attend the same elementary school, and take our kids to the same park. Many thanks!

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: amy Ziering <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 21:37:22 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: amy Ziering <[REDACTED]>

Subject: redistricting

Message Body:

We need to keep the VA in our district- throughout the years we have worked diligently with them to improve, maintain and protect the contiguous land and its use and have a successful and productive working partnership that benefits both the VA and the Brentwood community at large.

It's best to keep these communities connected and under same jurisdiction and governance as that ensures maximum synergy of interests.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: gail kamer lieberfarb <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 21:51:18 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: gail kamer lieberfarb <[REDACTED]>

Subject: VA

Message Body:

keep the VA in the 90049 Brentwood district. this community has improved and protected the development of the VA.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: eden romick <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 21:56:56 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: eden romick <[REDACTED]>

Subject: do not redraw districting lines please

Message Body:

please please do not redraw the districting lines splitting our community!

our programs are designed within our community to maintain the strength and integrity of the people who live and work in our area

we have worked so hard to assist the VA in all their improvement efforts - do not divide us!

thank you kindly.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Marilyn & Howard GLUCK <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 22:04:47 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Marilyn & Howard GLUCK <[REDACTED]>

Subject: redistricting

Message Body:

We are writing to implore you to keep our district as it is. We have worked very hard for the V.A. improvements that have been instituted, our schools, streets, landscaping, and for our servicemen. We urge you to keep the V.A. in our district [90049]. Please do not change our district.

The Glucks

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: John Spohrer <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 22:09:01 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: John Spohrer <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Brentwood District Lines

Message Body:

Keep the Veterans Administration in our district. We have worked diligently with them to improve, maintain and protect the contiguous land and its use.

Many of our programs and governance is done within our zip code area to strengthen our input as a community.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Patricia Moore <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 22:12:11 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Patricia Moore <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Keeping 90049 together

Message Body:

It is important that our district lines remain as they are. We have been able to protect VA property and keep it for veterans, not greedy developers. We work as a community and should not be split into different districts

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: "Allen C. Richards" [REDACTED]

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 22:40:08 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Allen C. Richards <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Congressional Redistricting

Message Body:

This is a tough job that has been laid before to rearrange voting districts with fairness in mind. I want you to be honest with each other and be fair with the people of California so there is equality within each district based on political affiliations and classes of people. The Census has always been a tiring job to count all the people, yet it seems that there are always 25 - 30% who fail to be counted so you must muster the courage to account for that and I am aware that has happened in our City of Hawthorne. Be fair and accountable; that is all I ask.

As a 28 year resident of the City of Hawthorne, I have witnessed and worked as a volunteer in this city as a Scoutmaster, Civil Service Commissioner, President of the Ramona Neighborhood Association for 5 years and still active as a Trustee. I have worked with our police department and listened to reports where the Air 55 helicopter stops crime in its path not only in our city but shared with many So. Bay Cities such As El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Lawndale and Torrance.

Our city council members attend meetings with the So. Bay Council of Governments, So. Bay Workforce Investment Board and So. Bay Environmental Coalitions. Many of our residents have been trained in the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) and are prepared to assist ours and our neighboring cities in case of a catastrophic disaster.

What really ties us to the South Bay cities besides what I have already mentioned is our five (5) major hotels, most of which are less than ten (10) years old). They include the Ayres Hotel at 14400 Hindry, Candlewood Suites at 11410 Hawthorne Blvd., Springhill Suites at 14620 Aviation, Comfort Inn-Cockatoo at 11500 Acacia, Townplace Suites at 14400 Aviation, and El Segundo Inn at 4930 W. El Segundo Blvd.. What do they have in common with So. Bay cities? They all advertise as Hawthorne-Manhattan Beach-El Segundo-LAX which connects us to the So. Bay.

The City of Hawthorne has been the prime lead in South Bay police task forces such as So. Bay Gang Task Force, So. Bay Police Training Committees, So. Bay Regional SWAT Response Consortium and So. Bay DUI Team.

For many years our connection in the So. Bay has included Northrop Aircraft, Vought Aircraft and now Space X all located at the Hawthorne Airport.

I feel the correlation with Hawthorne as the gateway to the south bay should be included with the other So. Bay Cities of El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach and Torrance in the Congressional, Assembly, and State Senate Districts.

Allen C. Richards
[REDACTED]
Hawthorne, CA 90250-6828

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: William Glikbarg <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 22:45:00 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: William Glikbarg <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting

Message Body:

I am a WWII vet. I have lived in this present district for over fifty years. The VA property is important to me. I have visited it many times and hopefully contributed to it. Please do not take it from or political district. It belongs there. Thank you.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Mark Caplow <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 22:45:56 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Mark Caplow <[REDACTED]>
Subject: VA PROPERTY WEST LA, BRENTWOOD

Message Body:

PLEASE KEEP THE VA PROPERTY IN OUR BRENTWOOD DISTRICT. BRENTWOOD IS THE AREA CONTIGUOUS TO THE VA AND THEREFORE MOST AFFECTED BY WHAT HAPPENS TO THIS PROPERTY. THE VA PROPERTY SITS BETWEEN THE 405 FREEWAY TO THE EAST AND BRENTWOOD TO THE WEST. THE FREEWAY SHOULD BE THE EASTERN BORDER OF THE BRENTWOOD WEST LA DISTRICT. ANYTHING SHORT OF THIS IS JUST POLITICS AS USUAL!!!

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Sharon Schwartz <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 22:56:46 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Sharon Schwartz <[REDACTED]>

Subject: splitting up Valley Village

Message Body:

As a long time resident and mother of two children who attended Colfax Elementary school I am writing to request that Valley Village not be divided into two seperate districts. We are vibrant,connected community and need to be represented by a united one voice! Splintering the community will damage all we have worked so hard to create.

Sincerely,
Sharon Schwartz

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Sherie Zander <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 23:06:01 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Sherie Zander <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting of Brentwood

Message Body:

I request that you please not divide Brentwood up into several districts. We are a tight knit family. We work together and want to keep it that way. We have worked long and hard with the VA properties and want to continue with them in our district.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Dr. Sherie Zander

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Deborah Hild <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 23:06:16 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Deborah Hild <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Re-Districting in the San Fernando Valley

Message Body:

The boundaries of Valley Village are as follows: Burbank Boulevard to the north, the 170 Freeway to the east, the 101 Freeway to the south and the Tujunga Wash to the west.

I live in this little pocket just west of the 170 Frwy. and west of Colfax Ave. am a proud resident of Valley Village. I wish our congressional district to remain intact and not be divided into a separate district.

Please, please consider shifting the boundary of the proposed Tujunga district in the San Fernando Valley...to reflect the 170 boundary (a more natural one) as the eastern-most boundary. Using Colfax Avenue (the proposed boundary) as the border cuts out all the folks in my neighborhood who use the Colfax Elementary School and other amenities in Valley Village and would make them part of a different congressional district.

It makes no sense to divide Valley Village into two separate Congressional Districts!!!!

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: juliann hinton <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 23:11:18 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: juliann hinton <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Brentwood redistricting

Message Body:

Do not move the VA out of our district! The VA is an important part of our community. Over the years our Brentwood community has worked with the VA concerning land use issues that are vital to all of us!

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: JOHN NUNN <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 23:26:19 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: JOHN NUNN <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Los Angeles County NewSouth Bay CD & AD

Message Body:

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Commission,

I would like to plead for CD and AD map lines that are compact and include whole cities of our neighboring communities. In 1812 Governor Gerry signed a bill that redistricted Massachusetts in such a way that gave a political advantage to his party. Because one of these contorted districts resembled a salamander, the name Gerry-Mander was coined combining the Governor's name with salamander. This name has been used ever since when district shape manipulation is used for partisan gain.

The purpose of establishing the Redistricting Commission was to take the blatant partisanship out of the redistricting process. The 46th CD was subjected to the practice of packing in 2001. The district was 30 miles long and in some spots less than 300 yards wide. The dragon shaped CD had it's head in Palos Verdes, long skinny neck in San Pedro and Long Beach in LA County and it's body in Orange County all the way to Costa Mesa. Thankfully the new South Bay District will combine Palos Verdes and the beach cities of Redondo, Hermosa and Manhattan, but the latest version I saw bore a striking resemblance to Governor Gerry's salamander. This time the contorted boundaries run north of Palos Verdes instead of south, as they did in 2000. We respectfully request that our new CD include Playa Del Rey, Playa Vista, Lennox, El Segundo, Hawthorne, Lawndale, Gardena, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, Torrance, Harbor City, San Pedro, Rolling Hills, Rolling Hills Estates, Palos Verdes Estates, Rancho Palos Verdes and Catalina. Also that our new AD include: El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, Torrance, Del Aire, Lawndale, Lomita, Rolling Hills, Rolling Hills Estates, Palos Verdes Estates, Rancho Palos Verdes, San Pedro and Catalina. These new districts conform to city boundaries and are compact and more uniform in shape than the current version. Also residents in these new districts interact with each other on a regular basis in commerce and trade. Please consider putting like adjacent communities together in the same district. Please help take California out of the Gerrymandering Text Book with the most extreme examples of redistricting abuse.

Thank you for your consideration,

Sincerely,

John Nunn

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Ellen Morehead <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 23:20:32 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Ellen Morehead <[REDACTED]>

Subject: 90049 - It's not broken

Message Body:

so please don't fix it. Many of our programs and governance is done within 90049 - to keep and strengthen our community - a community that is vital, and works well. Keep the VA in 90049 as it, it grounds and it's employees belong here. DO NOT SPLIT 90049.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: "warren n. lieberfarb" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 23:30:06 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: warren n. lieberfarb <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Keep the VA in our District

Message Body:

The area residents have worked in a dedicated and comitted manner to improve, maintain and protect the contagious land and its use. These community initaitives have involved private funding and have been exemplary By bifurcating the district many of the programs that have strengthened the contribution wiukd be lost, while retaining the status quo will benefits all.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Gil Kofman <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 23:42:19 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Gil Kofman <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Brentwood's Districting Lines

Message Body:

Please keep the VA in our district- we have worked diligently with them to improve, maintain and protect the contiguous land and its use.

It's become a vital part of the Brentwood community. ANd there is real forward progress and community there.

Thank you.

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Subject: Re: Redistricting Alert

From: "Essner, Deborah" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 15:36:36 -0700

To: [REDACTED]

Dear Commissioners:

I am a resident of Brentwood Hills, a neighborhood within the Mandeville Canyon area of the Santa Monica Mountains, located in the Brentwood community of Los Angeles. It is vitally important that the Santa Monica Mountains community of interest be drawn together in the same Senate District. We ask that you preserve the community of interest that is comprised of Malibu-Topanga-Pacific Palisades-Santa Monica-Brentwood-Encino-Sherman Oaks. Please do so simply by combining the two proposed Assembly Districts (LAVSF and LAMWS) to draw the EVENT Senate District boundary. These two Assembly Districts have a population of 931,000, which is the size of a single Senate District. By drawing the EVENT District lines in this manner, the Commission would preserve our Santa Monica Mountains community of interest.

Sincerely,

Deborah Essner

Subject: Redistricting

From: [REDACTED]

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 18:51:11 EDT

To: [REDACTED]

To: Redistricting Committee

From: Gerald Marcil

I sent the enclosed letter 2 days ago. What I didn't say is that I am the past Chairman of the Board of the South Bay Torrance YMCA. I'm still on that Board and am Chairman of the Annual Support Campaign. 33,000 different people in the SOUTHBAY use our programs. We are located in Torrance. I am intimately familiar with our issues. We have nothing in common with South Central L.A. or Santa Monica. Our people need to stay together. That would be every city south of the 105 FWY and west of the 110 FWY including San Pedro. THE SOUTHBAY!

Thanks for listening.

Gerald Marcil
[REDACTED]

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7-18-2011

To: Redistricting Committee

From: Jerry Marcil

Re: 36th District

What is going on?

The 36th District MUST include Torrance. Please put your politics aside and get this right.

Torrance is a Beach City as is Redondo Beach, Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach, etc. You can't just pull it out and say that it's issues are the same as Inglewood and South Central L.A. and put Torrance in a new district. Torrance has as much in common with South Central L.A. as Beverly Hills has with South Central Los Angeles.

What was wrong with the old 36th District - - before it got gerrymandered by the 2 political parties so that the incumbents (Rohrabacher and Harman) were protected. We can all see how professional politicians have run this country. If we want to make a change - - how can that be done if there is gerrymandering?

Go back to the old district - - that will satisfy the most people and be the pairings of cities/communities that should be together.

BTW - - I consider the South Bay a community: (Torrance, Lomita, Harbor City, Palos Verdes, Gardena, Hawthorne, Redondo Beach, Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach, El Segundo, San Pedro, Wilmington). That is a geographically consistent district (bordered by 105 FWY on North and 110 FWY on the east). THE SOUTHBAY.

Everything else you have proposed for the 36th is just political gerrymandering..... AGAIN!

Gerald Marcil

Subject: Redistricting Maps

From: eduardo castrojr <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 16:07:39 -0700 (PDT)

To: [REDACTED]

To Whom It May Concern: I am airing my concerns that you need follow the law of the Voting Rights Act in Los Angeles County and give Latinos an opportunity to elect candidates of their choice.

Subject: redistricting south bay

From: Steve Ebey <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 14:36:14 -0700 (PDT)

To: [REDACTED]

I am concerned that the redrawing of districts will cause more problems than it will solve. Specifically, my concern is that the south bay area is being torn apart. According to what I understand about the proposal, Torrance, where I've lived for 37 years, is not a part of the south bay district 36. Torrance, Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach, Redondo Beach, El Segundo, Hawthorne, Palms Verdes, Rolling Hills, Gardena, and San Pedro have ALWAYS been considered the SOUTH BAY-- from the airport - south to the port. These cities belong in the same district. THE SOUTH BAY IS OUR COMMUNITY. Torrance belongs to the south bay.

Put Torrance back in the 36th Congressional District (and Assembly District)

I am strongly opposed to this gerrymandering and want a district with common interests. I want a representative who lives in our community and can actually represent us.

Steve Ebey

Subject: Redistricting

From: michele christensen <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 14:28:10 -0700

To: [REDACTED]

The Congressional District should include
Westchester, El Segundo, Hawthorne, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, all of
Torrance, the Pales Verdes Peninsula, Lomita, Harbor City, and San Pedro.

Subject: Redrawing district 36

From: Judy Ebey <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 14:42:03 -0700 (PDT)

To: "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>

I am opposed to the proposal to redraw the lines for Congressional district 36. It seems to me that the south bay area is being torn apart. According to what I understand about the proposal, Torrance, where I've lived for 37 years, is not to be a part of the south bay district 36. Torrance, Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach, Redondo Beach, El Segundo, Hawthorne, Palos Verdes, Rolling Hills, Gardena, and San Pedro have ALWAYS been considered the SOUTH BAY-- from the airport - south to the port. These cities belong in the same district. THE SOUTH BAY IS OUR COMMUNITY. Torrance belongs to the south bay.

Put Torrance back in the 36th Congressional District (and Assembly District)

I am strongly opposed to this gerrymandering and want a district with common interests. I want a representative who lives in our community and can actually represent us.

Judy Ebey

Subject: Urgent ask to change the South East cities congressional lines

From: Cyndi Bendezu <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 14:25:13 -0700

To: "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>

Dear Citizen Redistricting Commission,

As a concerned resident of South Gate, CA one of the South East Cities in Los Angeles County. I would like to express my disappointment in the current map released 7-18- 2011 la county congress map visualization. I urge you as a Latino resident to not divide communities of interest. The communities of interest that should stay together with are: Paramount, Walnut Park, Downey, Bellflower, Lynwood and Lakewood. We share more community needs and interest than the cities we share parks, local shopping areas, and have similar needs when it comes to health and education.

Our voice would not be equally represented if we have to share the same congressional seat with another community of interest who also has important issues to address. I have grown up in this community for over 20 years, this is my home and I hope that our area stays united and is not continuously disenfranchised.

We do not belong with Carson, San Pedro, Wilmington, Avalon Village, and other areas in the South Bay. The Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund MALDEF maps submitted on June 28th, 2011 clearly show how we can have a district that fairly represents all communities but keeps communities of interest together and does not violate the Voter Rights Act. We do not want to be packed to a highly dense Latino population and leave out the voices of the African- American community. I strongly urge you to follow the MALDEF June 28th Congressional District Statewide maps.

Thank you for your time and consideration,
Cyndi Bendezu

Subject: Valley Village

From: Tracy Kingi <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 13:52:20 -0700

To: "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>

Please do not separate Valley Village into two districts. Keep it as it stands, the east boundary being at the 170- not colfax! This a very close community and it is of the utmost importance that we stay together!

Tracy Kay

Sent from my iPhone

Subject: Valley Village

From: Ravi Kapoor <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 14:16:06 -0700

To: [REDACTED]

Dear CRC

Please keep the Valley Village boundaries intact. Do not split it at Colfax Ave but go east to the 170 freeway. Please!

It will take me out of Valley Village a community I am proud to be a part of and am committed to. My children's school is in the Valley Village neighborhood. My friends are in the Valley Village neighborhood. My local coffee shop and meeting place is in Valley Village, we have block parties and 4th of July parades and use the park in what is now Valley Village. We have a real community here that makes life so much richer for us. The 170 creates a "natural" boundary. Using Colfax Ave cuts a chunk out of our heart.

Please keep Burbank Blvd as the north boundary, the 170 as the east boundary, the 101 to the south and the Tujunga Was to the west.

Sincerely

Ravi Chandna
[REDACTED]

Ca 91602

Subject: 36th Congressional District

From: lawrence Bach <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 16:49:30 -0700

To: [REDACTED]

Greetings,

I've seen the re-drawn boundary plan for the 36th District. These new boundaries aren't consistent with the mission assigned the committee as voted into law by California citizens. Torrance has been part of the district since I was a child and should be retained in the newly drawn district borders. The historical area called the "South Bay" includes the part of Los Angeles City called Westchester and south to encompass the other beach cities and Torrance. The proposed district boundaries gives the appearance as if it were designed "capture" specific constituencies and leave others out. I urge you to revise the proposed 36th District plan to include all of the City of Torrance, and make Westchester the northern district boundary. Respectfully submitted.

Lawrence J. Bach

[REDACTED]
Torrance, CA 90505
Democrat and voter

Subject: 36th District - Redistricting

From: "Mike Gage" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 22:13:58 -0700

To: <[REDACTED]>

The 36th District MUST include Torrance. Please put your politics aside and get this right. As a conservative taxpayer my vote has not counted for most of my adult life as I live in a liberal, democratic state. Nothing I can do about it as that is how the system works. All I can do is have my voice heard and vote.

Torrance is a Beach City as is Redondo Beach, Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach, etc. Please remember there is also a "Torrance Beach" where the Redondo Beach residents go every day to enjoy their beach. You can't just pull it out and say that it's issues are the same as Inglewood and South Central L.A. and put Torrance in a new district. Torrance has as much in common with South Central L.A. as Beverly Hills has with South Central Los Angeles. That is not an opinion, it is a fact.

What was wrong with the old 36th District - - before it got gerrymandered by the 2 political parties so that the incumbents (Rohrabacher and Harman) were protected. We can all see how professional politicians have run this country. If we want to make a change - - how can that be done if there is gerrymandering?

Go back to the old district - - that will satisfy the most people and be the pairings of cities/communities that should be together.

BTW - - I consider the South Bay a community: (Torrance, Lomita, Harbor City, Palos Verdes, Gardena, Hawthorne, Redondo Beach, Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach, El Segundo, San Pedro, Wilmington). That is a geographically consistent district (bordered by 105 FWY on North and 110 FWY on the east). THE SOUTHBAY.

Everything else you have proposed for the 36th is just political gerrymandering..... AGAIN! Please do the right thing.

Thank You

Michael Gage

Subject: 36th District

From: [REDACTED]

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 21:39:15 -0400 (EDT)

To: [REDACTED]

CC: [REDACTED]

Honorable Ladies and Gentlemen of the Redistricting Committee;

I write to request that you reconsider your decision to reform the 36th Congressional District without the City of Torrance. If there is one City that is the heart of the South Bay, it is Torrance. It is the economic engine of the area I've lived and worked in for more than 30 years. Although I live in Manhattan Beach, my offices, at various times have been in Torrance and Redondo Beach, all three of which cities we who live in the South Bay call "our home." The South Bay cities from El Segundo in the north through and including the Palos Verdes Peninsula cities and San Pedro to the South, as well as Gardena, Hawthorne, Lomita, and Wilmington to the east and Torrance, Harbor City, Manhattan Beach, Redondo Beach, and Hermosa Beach to the west comprise one indivisible community of interests and relations. I urge you not to break this up for the purpose of political convenience or any other reason. Thank you for your consideration.

Darryl Nyznyk.

Subject: 36th District? Please Correct

From: "Mike Kurz" <att[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 20:20:05 -0700

To: <[REDACTED]>

Dear Redistricting Commission.

I have lived in the South Bay (Manhattan Beach) for 35 years. I know this district and its natural boundaries.

We are a moderate area and have been disenfranchised for 25 years because of gerrymandering. I was looking forward to having a fair redistricting and a chance to participate in elections on a fair basis after passage of Prop 11 last year. I even applied to be on the commission.

I just discovered that the commission is actively gerrymandering this district so that it reaches from San Pedro all the way to Calabasas, through Santa Monica and Bel Air, areas that have nothing in common with the South Bay. I also discovered that Torrance was removed from the South Bay!!?

Something fishy is going on here!

The 36th should be all cities Westchester and south, including El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, Torrance, Lomita, Palos Verdes, Rolling Hills, San Pedro, Hawthorne, and Gardena

Put Torrance back in the 36th Congressional District (and Assembly District)! This is where the unfairness of the commission's proposal is glaring! ***Torrance is the financial hub of the South Bay!!!***

This is our community. Our personal lives, business interests, economic activity and everything else are intertwined with our neighbors and our community. We never go to Santa Monica, or Bel Air or Calabasas, and they don't come here.

Please, allow our votes to count!!! Change the 36th district to include cities Westchester and south, including El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, Torrance, Lomita, Palos Verdes, Rolling Hills, San Pedro, Hawthorne, and Gardena. This is a natural district, these cities go together and always done so!

By cc of the e-mail to other South Bay Residents, I invite them to also contact the commission to plead for a correction. The present plan is not what us voters wanted from the commission...more of the same... corruption. Please correct

I look forward to hearing from you.

Very truly yours,

Michael Kurz
Manhattan Beach, 90266

Subject: 36th district

From: [REDACTED]

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 01:13:07 -0400

To: [REDACTED]

WHY are you breaking up the South Bay by removing Torrance and "stringing" things up the coast (Malibu???)

Looks like more political cronyism!! Is there no longer any integrity/objectivity in any public service organization?

G Grobien

Subject: Bel Air Skycrest Redistricting Letter

From: [REDACTED]

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 02:12:40 -0400 (EDT)

To: [REDACTED]

Attached is a letter from Bel Air Skycrest to the Commission concerning Senate Redistricting. Thank you for distributing this letter to the Commission.

BelAirSkycrestSenateRedistrictingLetter.pdf



July 20, 2011

Citizens Redistricting Commission

[REDACTED]
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: New Boundaries for the 23rdth Senate District Are Unacceptable

Dear Redistricting Commission Members:

I am writing on behalf of the residents of Bel Air Skycrest to express our displeasure with the latest proposal for our Senate District boundaries. The current iteration of the LAPVB Senate District (as of July 17, 2011, at 5 pm), which encompasses our Bel Air Skycrest neighborhood, would isolate Bel Air Skycrest from the Santa Monica Mountains “community of interest” that we described in our May 2011 letter. We ask that the Commission restore this Mountains community of interest by redrawing the Senate EVENT District to conform with the proposed boundaries for the LAMWS and LAVSF Assembly Districts.

First, the proposed LAPVB Senate District would divide our community at Mulholland, which, as we explained in our May letter, would improperly sever our immediate neighborhood.

Bel Air Skycrest is just south of Mulholland Drive, at the top of the Santa Monica Mountains, one mile west of the San Diego Freeway. Since the neighborhood’s origin in the mid-sixties, there have always been special problems and needs binding us to our neighbors on both sides of Mulholland. First it was the Mission Canyon landfill and the years of political and legal battles to close it and keep it closed. Now it is the ongoing issue of development on the Mulholland Institutional Corridor and our need for a Master Plan. And in a few more years there will also be the issue of turning the former Mission Canyon landfill into parkland.

We have a lot at stake up here, and this is why we can never support the proposal to use Mulholland as a dividing line for Senate Districts, putting those of

us on one side of Mulholland in one district and our neighbors on the other side of the road (in some cases just yards to the north) in another. In addition, the current proposal divides us from the institutions themselves. This would make it much more difficult to address the longstanding institutional-residential conflicts and issues when they arise (as they frequently do) and will greatly compromise our ability to work together to solve problems. The artificiality of this boundary is further highlighted by the fact that a number of the institutions own property on *both* sides of Mulholland – the Bel Air Presbyterian Church, itself located on the north, is currently going through the environmental review process for facilities it wants to build on the south side; and the Stephen S. Wise Temple on the north owns Milken High School and Saperstein Middle School on the south sides of Mulholland.

Second, the current draft would sever Bel Air Skycrest from the neighboring Santa Monica Mountains communities that share our unique hillside and transportation interests.

The Santa Monica Mountains themselves, along with our proximity to one of the City's major transportation corridors, the 405 freeway, and to the oversaturated two-mile stretch of religious, cultural, and educational institutions known as the *Mulholland Institutional Corridor*, define many shared issues for West Los Angeles – environmental preservation, public safety, quality of life. As hillside and hillside-adjacent residents, our needs and our sympathies are united with those of other Westsiders in communities of interest extending all the way to the Pacific Ocean.

In the realm of public safety, the Santa Monica Mountains on both sides of Mulholland are an extremely high risk fire area, as demonstrated by the series of fires that have broken out in the past few years in very close proximity to our neighborhood. The closest of these, the Mountain Gate/ Sepulveda Pass fire of September 4, 2010, was less than a mile away from us. Hillside neighborhoods were put on alert both in the Valley and on the Westside. The fact that these at-risk areas on both sides of Mulholland are currently consolidated in a single district (the 23rd) makes sense, both in terms of access to prevention resources and of emergency response during actual times of crisis. Do not dilute that representation. Our public safety depends on it – and when I say *our*, I refer not only to hillside residents like those of Bel Air Skycrest but also to the 4,000-plus students who spend their days on the Mulholland Institutional Corridor.

And then there is Mulholland itself. In addition to offering, for many of us, the only access route to and from our homes, schools and places of business (a powerful uniting factor as regards both our daily commutes and emergency services/evacuations), this two-lane country road is a designated Scenic Highway and Scenic Parkway. People come from all over the world to drive, walk, hike and bike along Mulholland and to take in the amazing city views from the scenic overlooks managed by the Mountains Recreation and Conservation

Authority. This resource is enjoyed by the general public as well as the local residents and should be kept in one Senate District.

These are just a few of the reasons why it is absolutely essential that the dividing line between Senate Districts should not run smack down the middle of the Mulholland Scenic Parkway! Mulholland is itself a resource in need of protection as well as a focal point for the shared community of interest that flanks both sides of the Santa Monica Mountains, including us, Encino, Sherman Oaks, all of Brentwood, Pacific Palisades and Santa Monica!

In sum, the proposed redistricting would be a disaster for these mountains and for all who live in and enjoy recreational and cultural use of them. Please ensure the ongoing ability of citizens and politicians to work together to protect and preserve this very important part of Los Angeles by redrawing the boundaries to create a Senate EVENT District that encompasses our Mountain community of interest. The boundary lines for this requested *Senate* District are identical to the combined boundaries of the proposed LAMWS and LAVSF *Assembly* Districts.

Respectfully,

Barbara Bloom, Interim President and 1st Vice President
Bel Air Skycrest Property Owners' Association

██████████
Encino, CA 91426

Lois Becker, Past President and current Community Action Liaison
Bel Air Skycrest Property Owners' Association

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Encino, CA 91426

Subject: brentwood redistricting

From: et <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 17:37:18 -0700

To: [REDACTED]

Dear Commissioners:

Brentwood Hills Homeowners Association ("BHHA") represents over 450 families residing in the Brentwood Hills neighborhood to the west of Mandeville Canyon Road in the Brentwood neighborhood of west Los Angeles. We are writing in response to the latest versions of the redistricting maps for the EVENT and LAPVB Districts.

We were surprised to see that the July 14, 2011, Working Draft Visualization would make Mandeville Canyon Road the dividing line between the two proposed Senate Districts. We strongly oppose dividing the Brentwood Hills and the Upper and Lower Mandeville Canyon communities -- encompassing over 1200 households -- down the middle along Mandeville Canyon Road. These communities share a strong community of interest and work closely together to ensure the safety of our communities, to protect the precious parkland and open space that make up the Santa Monica Mountains Recreation Area, and to achieve common objectives in terms of traffic control and sensible development in our area.

After some confusion and consternation, we discovered that three different maps are provided on the www.wedrawthelines.com website. Apparently, the two July 17, 2011, versions of the map would situate all of Mandeville Canyon within the LAPVB District. We hope that the July 14 Mandeville Canyon Road dividing line was an oversight that will not be repeated in any future versions of the map. BHHA joins UMCA and MCA in taking exception to any version of the map that, like the July 14, 2011 version, would divide Mandeville Canyon down the middle.

The LAPVB District presented in the July 17 maps, however, still fails to honor the established community of interest surrounding the Santa Monica Mountains, and separates Brentwood from its closely aligned neighbor, Pacific Palisades, and most of the other areas within the Santa Monica Mountains community of interest.

On May 20, 2011, UMCA and MCA submitted emails asking that the Commission, in drawing the maps for the Senate Districts, maintain our Santa Monica Mountains "community of interest" so that the community comprised of Malibu-Topanga-Pacific Palisades-Santa Monica-Brentwood-Encino-Sherman Oaks remains intact. This community of interest is essential for protecting the unique and recurring issues confronting residents within the Santa Monica Mountains and watershed areas, with our shared interests in hillside issues, including hillside stability, fire safety, flood control, the protection of open space, and public access to recreational trails in the Santa Monica Mountains. All of these neighborhoods serve as points of entry to the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area. This community is also defined by the key transportation corridors of Pacific Coast Highway and the 405 and 101 Freeways. This east-west mountain area community is the essential community of interest for all of us in the Malibu-Topanga-Pacific

Palisades-Santa Monica-Brentwood-Encino-Sherman Oaks region.

We therefore ask that the boundary of the EVENT District be redrawn in conformity with the Santa Monica Mountains community of interest, encompassing Malibu-Topanga-Pacific Palisades-Santa Monica-Brentwood-Encino-Sherman Oaks. We note that the two Assembly Districts noted as Assembly Southern CA Option 2, dated 7-18-11 would make up an appropriate Senate District for our area (see below).

I am also attaching the thoughtful letter written by one of BHHA's members, John Given. BHHA supports Mr. Given's suggestions and asks that the Commission give them serious consideration. [Link to John Given letter: http://www.brentwood-hills.org/images/given_crc_letter_7-20-11.pdf]

Sincerely,

elliott tyson

Subject: City of Hawthorne Redistricting - Resolution 7391 in support of Hawthorne to be part of the Southbay Districts

From: Betty Yee <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 18:10:36 -0700

To: [REDACTED]

To Whom It May Concern

I am writing in reference to resolution 7391. Like many of my neighbors have probably already written, I am in support of the City of Hawthorne to be INCLUDED in the South Bay Cities Congressional, Assembly, and State Senate districts.

Our city identifies with the South Bay because of our proximity and long standing relationships to the other neighboring beach cities. In fact, I actually live across the street from Manhattan Beach, El Segundo, and Redondo Beach. It really makes the most sense for Hawthorne, CA to be part of the south bay cities districts.

Many businesses and people have been moving into Hawthorne over the years, because of the firm belief that the city has been on the path for improvement and socio and economic growth. I purchased my first home with my husband in a brand new community in Hawthorne because I believed that it's future was bound to reach it's potential like our neighbors in the beach cities (Manhattan, Redondo, Hermosa, El Segundo). We as citizens of our great city of Hawthorne, would like to continue on this path towards growth and we have to be matched with cities that believe in its similar core values for socio and economic achievement. To take that away from Hawthorne, would cause backsliding of its sustained growth in both the business sector, as well as, private home owners. This would overall be bad for Los Angeles, and California.

I am sincerely appealing to the Commission to read all the comments by our Hawthorne community of people and understand that we have a very strong belief that our city and our hearts belong to the South Bay Cities Congressional, Assembly, and State Senate districts.

Thank you for your time.

Betty Wan

Subject: COI : Eagle Rock, CA Bilingual English-Spanish Dr. E. C. Orozco

From: Martin Enriquez <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 23:51:27 -0700

To: "[REDACTED] we draw the lines" <[REDACTED]>

CC: Astrid Garcia <[REDACTED]>

July 20, 2011

Citizens Redistricting Commission

[REDACTED]

Sacramento, CA 95814

Region IV, Los Angeles County:

Pasadena COI's, Spanish Speakers, Ethnic bloc, etc

Attention: All CRC Commissioners,

Dear Honorable Members of the Citizens Redistricting Commission:

They undersigned person has the following COI's in common:

Dr. E. C. Orozco

zip code: 90041

city: Eagle Rock, CA

CC: Pasadena City College

Language: Bilingual English-Spanish

Professor, Social Sciences Division, Coordinator, Chicano Studies

Unified School districts should be respected.

Zip Codes are the domain of the United States Postal Service, a GSE. They are a Federal sanction of sub-units of geography. Therefore well under your jurisdiction to determine for your consideration.

In testimony COI's are give the same weight as county lines.

Sincerely,

Martin A. C. Enriquez*Marquez

CC: Astrid Garcia([REDACTED])
Spanish speakers, Neighborhood School, Community College

Enclosures:

- 1) Pasadena Area Community College District

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—3. Pasadena Area Community College District, Trustee Area #3 VRA district.pdf

3. Pasadena Area Community College District, Trustee Area #3 VRA district.pdf

—5. Chicano, Hispano, Latino in PACCD.pdf

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Citizens Redistricting Commission

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NAME: Dr Enriquez C Orozco

ZIP CODE 90041

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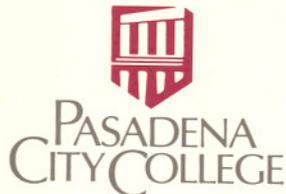
COMMUNITY COLLEGE Pasadena City College

LANGUAGE SPOKEN, GEOGRAPHY, SCIENTIFIC, CULTURAL, SOCIO-ECONOMIC, PLACE OF WORSHIP, PHILOSOPHICAL, RECREATIONAL:
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SIGNATURE Enriquez C Orozco, Ph.D.

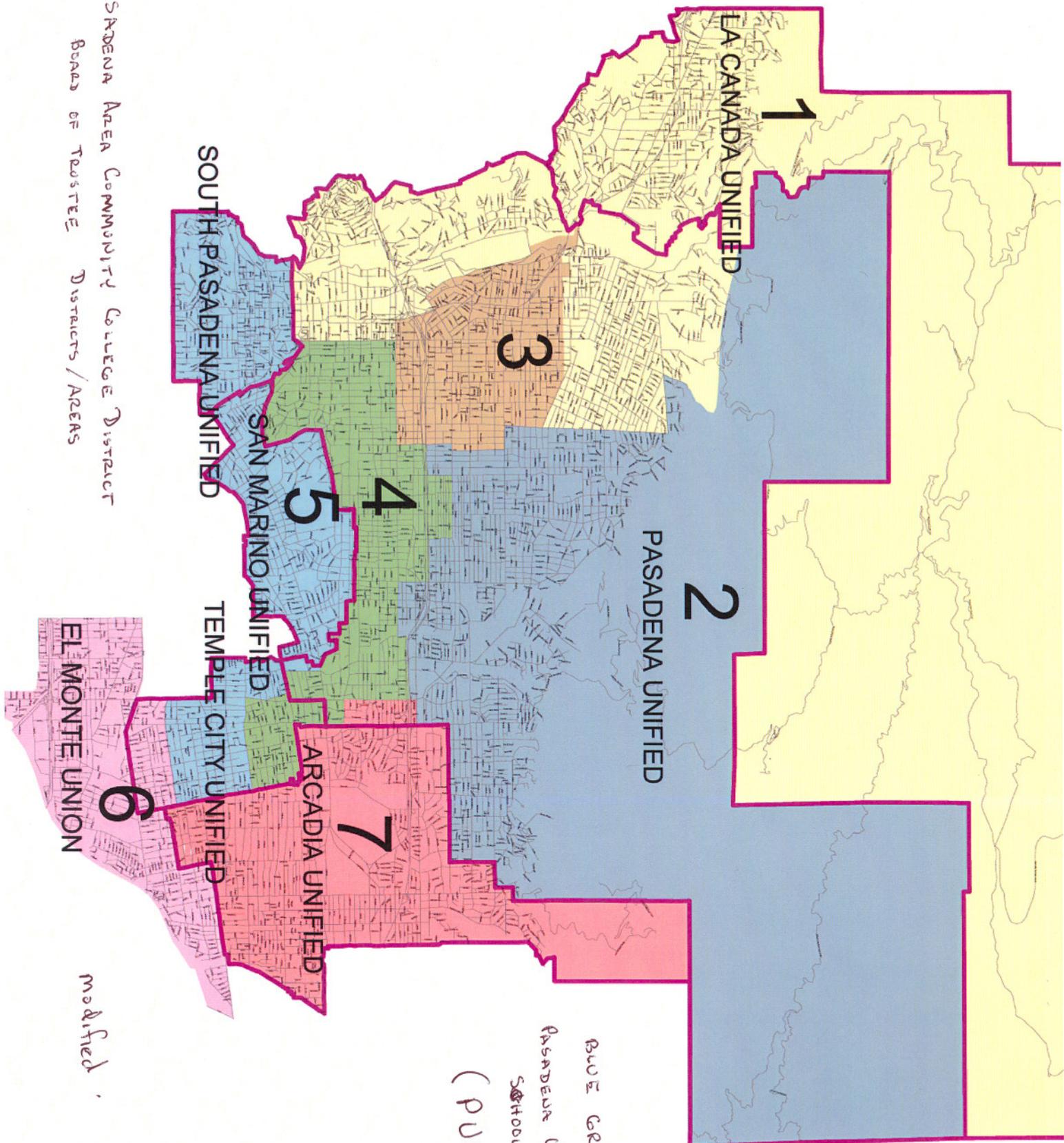
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BLUE GREY
PASADENA UNIFIED
SCHOOL DISTRICT
(PUSD)

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Subject: EVENT

From: Mary Ellen Strote <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 17:38:49 -0700

To: [REDACTED]

Dear Friends (who have worked so hard):

Your Assembly and Congressional maps represent the needs of those of us in the LA County unincorporated Calabasas area pretty well, and I thank you. The state senate district, however, has major problems!

Our area is a coastal one (it's a 9-minute drive from my home to Pacific Coast Highway), yet you have situated us with Moorpark (an inland agricultural area) and Simi Valley and Santa Clarita (both deeply inland) and inland eastern Ventura County. Our area has nothing in common with Santa Clarita, Moorpark and Simi.

The current EVENT Senate district splits up communities in and around the Santa Monica Mountains that share economic and cultural interests. It divides us from our neighbors who share our recreational and tourism interests. It eviscerates hard-won services that protect our mutual public safety, including fire suppression, law enforcement, disaster preparedness and clean water.

There's an old saying: Let the land dictate the use.

Please "listen" to the Santa Mountain Mountains and the coastline and let the Senate district retain Malibu, Pacific Palisades, Santa Monica Canyon and the rest of the mountain-coastal communities that have worked hand-in-glove with us for decades on parkland preservation, beach access and other recreation and land-use efforts that benefit the the entire state of California.

Thanks for considering my message,

Mary Ellen Strote

[REDACTED]
Calabasas, CA 91302
[REDACTED]

Subject: Fw: Action Needed - State Senate Redistricting Impacts UMCA

From: Christine Sanchez <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 18:28:04 -0700 (PDT)

To: "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>

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From: "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>

To:

Sent: Wednesday, July 20, 2011 4:10 PM

Subject: Action Needed - State Senate Redistricting Impacts UMCA

Upper Mandeville Residents:

The Redistricting Commission is in the process of drawing new district maps/boundaries based on new census data and public input. The currently proposed State Senate District would not only divide Brentwood, it would separate our section of Brentwood from the other hillside areas within our Santa Monica Mountains "community of interest." We have a lot at stake in having a single State Senator who represents both sides of the mountains and makes resource protection, public safety and recreational opportunities a priority. The Upper Mandeville Canyon Association submitted a comment letter this morning (see below).

Please take a moment to add your voice to this issue. Submit your comments to:

[REDACTED] The deadline is Friday, July 22, 2011, but the hearing is tomorrow so **the sooner the comments are received the better**. Thank you, UMCA

SAMPLE COMMENT EMAIL:

Send to: [REDACTED]

I am a resident of Upper Mandeville Canyon in the Santa Monica Mountains in the Brentwood neighborhood of Los Angeles. It is vitally important that the Santa Monica Mountains community of interest be drawn together in the same District. We ask that you preserve the community of interest that is comprised of Malibu-Topanga-Pacific Palisades-Santa Monica-Brentwood-Encino-Sherman Oaks. Please do so simply by combining the two proposed Assembly Districts (LAVSF and LAMWS) to draw the EVENT Senate District boundary. These two Assembly Districts have a population of 931,000, which is the size of a single Senate District. By drawing the EVENT District lines in this manner, the Commission would preserve our Santa Monica Mountains community of interest.

Thank you for considering these issues,

Christine Frauchiger-Sanchez

From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Sent: 7/20/2011 10:09:08 A.M. Pacific Daylight Time
Subj: Senate Re-Districting Proposals

Dear Commissioners:

The Upper Mandeville Canyon Property Owners' Association ("UMCA") represents approximately 300 families residing in the upper portion of Mandeville Canyon in the Brentwood neighborhood of Los Angeles. We are writing in response to the latest versions of the redistricting maps for the EVENT and LAPVB Districts.

We were shocked to discover that the July 14, 2011, Working Draft Visualization, would make Mandeville Canyon Road the dividing line between the two proposed Districts. The UMCA vehemently opposes this proposal to divide our community down the middle. By doing so, the July 14 map would not only divide Upper Mandeville Canyon in two, it would divide the entire Mandeville Canyon area, encompassing more than 1,200 households, including those residing in the lower portion of Mandeville Canyon, represented by the Mandeville Canyon Association, and the Brentwood Hills area, which is also within Mandeville Canyon. The July 14 map would divide our unified Canyon community into two separate Senate Districts.

After much confusion, we discovered that three *different* maps are provided on the www.wedrawthelines.com website. Apparently, the two July 17, 2011, versions of the map would situate all of Mandeville Canyon within the LAPVB District. We hope that the July 14 Mandeville Canyon Road dividing line was an oversight that will not be repeated in any future versions of the map. The UMCA would take special exception to any version of the map that, like the July 14, 2011 version, would divide Mandeville Canyon down the middle.

The LAPVB District presented in the July 17 maps, however, fails to honor the established community of interest and separates Brentwood from its closely-aligned Santa Monica Mountains neighbor, Pacific Palisades, and most of the other areas within the Santa Monica Mountains community of interest. On May 20, 2011, the UMCA submitted a letter asking that the Commission, in drawing the maps for the Senate Districts, maintain our Santa Monica Mountains "community of interest" so that the community comprised of *Malibu-Topanga-Pacific Palisades-Santa Monica-Brentwood-Encino-Sherman Oaks* remains intact. This community of interest is essential for protecting the unique issues confronting residents within the Santa Monica Mountains and watershed areas, with our shared interests in hillside issues, including hillside stability, fire safety, flood control, the protection of open space, and public access to recreational trails in the Santa Monica Mountains. All of these neighborhoods serve as points of entry to the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area. This community is also defined by the key transportation corridors of PCH, the 405, and the 101. This east-west mountain area community is the essential community of interest for all of us in the Malibu-Topanga-Pacific Palisades-Santa Monica-Brentwood-Encino-Sherman Oaks region.

We therefore ask that the boundary of the EVENT District be redrawn in conformity with the

Santa Monica Mountains community of interest, encompassing Malibu-Topanga-Pacific Palisades-Santa Monica-Brentwood-Encino-Sherman Oaks.

Sincerely,

James Wright, President
Upper Mandeville Canyon Association

Subject: Please adopt option 2 (July 14 plan) for the Glendale area

From: Shushanik Marashlian <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 21:45:30 -0700 (PDT)

To: [REDACTED]

Dear Redistricting Commission:

As a resident in the foothills of Glendale in LA County, I am apposed to the earlier visualization that would split Glendale into two districts. Glendale is such a small city that it does not make sense to split it up. Also, dividing Glendale between two Congressmen would dilute the votes of the local Armenian American community, which has important concerns, local and Federal, that might not receive the same level of attention that a single Congressman would provide. Therefore I applaud you for adding option 2 (the July 14 plan) for consideration, because it does not split Glendale and also includes the Foothills and adjacent areas which have large concentrations of Armenian Americans.

I respectfully urge you to choose option 2. Thank you for considering my views.

Shushanik Navasardyan

[REDACTED]

Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Bruce Katzman <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 00:07:22 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Bruce Katzman <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Valley Village

Message Body:

It makes no sense to redraw the lines of our district. We are fortunate to have the 'natural' landmark of the 170 freeway as the easterly boundary. Keep it that way!

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This mail is sent via contact form on Citizens Redistricting Commission

Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Cori Solomon <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 00:11:09 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Cori Solomon <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting In the Brentwood Area

Message Body:

I think it is really important when the entire community of Brentwood stay in one district and not be divided into two districts. One representative is what we need to insure that Brentwood is unified.

In addition our neighborhood, Brentwood Glen is the most impacted by issues involving the VA. The VA borders the Brentwood Glen on both the South and the West. Therefore it is important the the VA stays in the same district and that should be in a district with all of Brentwood. Many of Brentwood's issues involve the entire Brentwood community.

Thanks for your time.

Cori Solomon

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Nancy Cochran <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 00:14:25 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Nancy Cochran <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Don't divide the Brentwood

Message Body:

Please don't chop up Brentwood in the redistricting and cut us off from our neighbors since we share common problems and interests. Would be a bad move to separate us.

Thanks, Nancy Cochran

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: "John E. Orswell" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 00:16:18 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: John E. Orswell <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting

Message Body:

I fully support the position of the Arcadia City Council to keep the district boundaries with the other foothill communities in the San gabriel Valley. As a member of the law enforcement community, I know first hand the importance of being able to work with other nearby agencies to solve common public safety issues. Thank you.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Pamela de Maigret <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 00:19:58 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Pamela de Maigret <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Veteran's Administration

Message Body:

The VA should not be cut off from the rest of Brentwood as it is an integral part of the community.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Rich Toenes <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 00:22:38 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Rich Toenes <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Valley Village, CA

Message Body:

Hi. I just wanted to say that I'd like my house to stay in the district with the rest of Valley Village.

Here are the boundaries:

- The 170 Freeway to the east, Burbank Boulevard to the north, the 101 Freeway to the south and the Tujunga Wash to the west.
- Valley Village is now part of the 28th Congressional District of California and represented by Congressman Howard L. Berman. I'd like to stay in this district.

Thank you.

Rich Toenes

[REDACTED]
Valley Village, CA 91601

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: "Mrs. Barbara Freeman" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 00:31:26 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Mrs. Barbara Freeman <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Los Angeles

Message Body:

We have fought to preserve the VA property for it's original purpose -- as deeded to the Veterans for their specific uses. Splitting it off from our area would eliminate our purposes in this regard. We do not wish our area to be split thereby giving the VA interests to another group. We are a cohesive group. Please DO NOT work to alter that in any way.

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This mail is sent via contact form on Citizens Redistricting Commission

Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Lawrence and Nancy Ackard <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 00:32:55 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Lawrence and Nancy Ackard <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting of VA property

Message Body:

We strongly urge to vote to keep the VA in its present district. This property by right should not ever be separated.

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This mail is sent via contact form on Citizens Redistricting Commission

Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Ellen Gennaro <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 01:06:39 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Ellen Gennaro <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Please don't split up Brentwood

Message Body:

Please keep the VA in our district- don't split our community. We have worked diligently with the VA to improve, maintain and protect the contiguous land and its use. Many of our programs and governance is done within our zip code area to strengthen our input as a community.

Thanks for your consideration.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Gail Schneider <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 01:09:30 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Gail Schneider <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting of Valley Village

Message Body:

I would like to understand what is going on with the redistricting of Valley Village and what the reasoning is for taking out a section of Valley Village that is already established. If someone could contact me, I would really appreciate it.

Thank you,

Gail Schneider

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Alfred Newman <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 01:09:47 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Alfred Newman <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Brentwood Redistricting

Message Body:

I think that it would be detrimental to redraw the Brentwood (90049) districting lines which will cut our community and put the West Los Angeles VA in another district. The VA has been an important part of our community for many, many years and we in the district have worked diligently with them to improve, maintain and protect the contiguous land and its use. Breaking the VA away would dilute the integrity of our community and negate all of the hard work that we have done in the past. Please do not make this unnecessary change.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Judy Allegra <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 01:27:28 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Judy Allegra <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Santa Clarita Valley Senate District

Message Body:

On July 8th, the Commission reviewed a visualization of an Antelope Valley/Santa Clarita Valley/Northeast San Fernando Valley Senate District.

This visualization does not reflect community of interest testimony.

This visualization does not reflect the direction the Commission gave to the line drawers.

Please connect the Santa Clarita Valley with East Ventura County. These communities are similar and have been together in a State Senate district since 1982.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Scott Wilk <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 01:31:00 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Scott Wilk <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Santa Clarita Valley Senat Districts

Message Body:

Thank you for keeping the SCV congressional and Assembly districts relatively whole.

If you are going to continue to divide the City of Santa Clarita into two Senate Districts, please alter the boundaries so it respects the 4 communities that comprise Santa Clarita.

Please place Newhall and Valencia in the EVENT district and Saugus/Canyon County in LAAVV district.

To accomplish that continue the current eastern boundary north on Railroad Avenue (which turns into Bouquet Canyon Road). Take a left north onto Seco Canyon Road and proceed through the city until you reach BLM land. Then take the boundary back west toward the I-5 and Highway 126 junction.

This line adjustment recognizes local communities of interest which will convey respect from the CRC. Also I believe it will keep both districts within the deviation.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: "Michael W. Croft" [REDACTED]

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 01:35:56 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Michael W. Croft <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Re-Districting and the West LA VA

Message Body:

Please keep the VA in the Brentwood(90049)district - we have worked hard w/ them to maintain and improve the contiguous land. Many of our programs and governance is done within our zip code to strengthen our input as a community.

Splitting the district is likely to allow piecemeal planning which will dramatically worsen traffic in a badly congested area.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Vanessa Safoyan <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 01:36:03 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Vanessa Safoyan <[REDACTED]>

Subject: SCV Senate Seats

Message Body:

If you are going to split the city of Santa Clarita then honor the boundaries of our 4 local communities - Valencia, Newhall, Canyon Country and Saugus.

Valencia & Newhall should be with East Ventura County and Saugus & Canyon Country with the Antelope Valley Senate district.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Melvin Andrews <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 01:47:22 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Melvin Andrews <[REDACTED]>

Subject: CA State Senate LAPVB

Message Body:

We believe the VA property should be in our district, State Senate District LAPVB, since its planning and development will impact our community which is contiguous to it. We further believe Westwood and Culver City should also be in our district, since we have similar planning issues relating to traffic, housing, retail, office and industrial development.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Cathy Kersh Millstein <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 01:51:29 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Cathy Kersh Millstein <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Brentwood Glen

Message Body:

To Whom It May Concern -

I live in the Brentwood Glen neighborhood of Los Angeles. I am writing to encourage you to keep the VA in our district- we have worked diligently with them to improve, maintain and protect the contiguous land and its use. Many of our programs and governance is done within our zip code area to strengthen our input as a community

Also point out that the VA is our immediate neighbor on both the South and West of Brentwood Glen and many issues with the VA impact the Brentwood Glen.

Thanks,
Cathy Kersh Millstein

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Pamela Scott <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 02:05:26 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Pamela Scott <[REDACTED]>

Subject: DO NOT SPLIT UP VALLEY VILLAGE

Message Body:

I was informed that your commission is in the process of redistricting and will possibly decide to split up my community. Please reconsider. This is a very tight knit community with local pride. Visit valleyvillageha.com and myvalleyvillage.com to read about our wonderful community. We all work hard to do what is best for all of our neighbors and to maintain our community integrity. Please help us to continue with this mission and keep us united. Our boundaries are Burbank Blvd. to the north, 170 Fwy to the east, 101 Fwy to the south and the Tujunga Wash to the west. We have two zip codes, 91607 and 91601. Thank you!

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: "William J. La Belle" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 02:10:02 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: William J. La Belle <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Redistricting

Message Body:

Gentlemen and Ladies,

I am very much opposed to redistricting that will remove the Vets ADMINISTRATION property from the Brentwood area. We citizens have spent countless hours working to have this facility a part of our community. Please listen to us. A concerned Brentwood resident, tax payer and voter.

William J. La Belle

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Sarah Willoughby <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 02:22:36 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Sarah Willoughby <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Valley Village redistricting

Message Body:

My family moved to Valley Village 3 years ago & have enjoyed the neighborhood block parties and July 4th get parade & socials. Moving from out of state, my son made new friends more quickly because of the community of Valley Village being so closely tied to one another.

Please extend the boundaries East from Colfax to I-170 so that we can maintain the close bonds we have had up to this point. We love our safe neighborhood where we can walk our dogs & allow kids to ride their bikes to school & want to keep it that way.

Sarah Willoughby
Valley Village Resident

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Monica Banken <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 02:54:57 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Monica Banken <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Splitting up the San Fernando Valley

Message Body:

I looked at your assembly district lines and see you've split my mom's neighborhood into four assembly districts. In the past, the San Fernando Valley - in particular, Granada Hills/Northridge was considered one community of interest and represented by one Assemblyperson. The San Fernando area was represented by a different assembly member. With the entire valley cut up into four parts, it only decreases the ability for a member to adequately represent the North Valley. Northridge should not be put into the Van Nuys district, it should be with its neighbor Granada Hills. This seems to be a power ploy by downtown LA interests to water down the power of the Valley, don't be fooled.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: "Tori Bailey, MS" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 02:59:02 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Tori Bailey, MS <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting Maps/Boundaries

Message Body:

I would like the lines to be kept as they were prior to commission selection and if not a definitive reason publically announced/presented to the public at large of why the proposed lines are drawn prior to the 28th so citizens can be informed and make informed comments for concurrence.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Nicholas Bubnar [REDACTED]

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 03:13:05 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Nicholas Bubnar <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting for Hawthorne, California

Message Body:

I support Resolution#7391 of the city council of Hawthorne, Calif. That Hawthorne, Cal. be placed in the same congressional district as the other South Bay cities of Torrance, Redondo Beach, Manhattan Beach, and El Segundo

P.S. Any other way would be like putting San Francisco in the Livermore Valley. It just would'nt be prudent.

34 year resident

Thank You

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Margaret Heymann <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 03:13:56 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Margaret Heymann <[REDACTED]>

Subject: VA Complex, Brentwood

Message Body:

The VAcomplex is an integral part of this community, one devoted to GIVING BACK IN A NOBLE SETTING and is warmly supported by the citizenry. DON'T DESTROY its measure and spirit!!!!

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Barbara Wold <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 03:17:03 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Barbara Wold <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting

Message Body:

The residents in the Brentwood Homeowner's Association have worked hard and long to improve the appearance of the VA grounds. No other group is going to give this area the same level of support. We fought to limit business ventures proposed for the grounds, which would add more traffic to a very congested intersection.

Please do not remove the VA from our district.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Catherine <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 03:32:04 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Catherine <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Valley Village Redistricting

Message Body:

I think that if you lived here you would understand that this very tight knit community and dividing it based on a piece of paper takes away from the very community that so many strive to have. It makes much more sense for the group of people who have a vested interest in their area to be able to have one voice instead of having to divide a community and try to make our voice heard in two separate districts.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: barry smooke <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 03:33:02 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: barry smooke <[REDACTED]>

Subject: redistricting

Message Body:

The effort to redistrict the VA is a pure political move designed to allow commercial development leading to increased congestion in an area which is already impossible. Please consider the residents who enjoy and want to improve the living standards on the Westside.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Meg Gallagher <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 03:41:06 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Meg Gallagher <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Splitting UP Valley Viillage's Congressional Districts

Message Body:

Please keep our beautiful Valley Village in tact. I am pleading to keep the boundaries: Burbank Boulevard to the north, the 170 Freeway to the east, the 101 Freeway to the south and the Tujunga Wash to the west.

Many Thanks,

Meg Gallagher

Mom of 2, Colfax PACE Committee Co-Secretary, Personal Stylist

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Nancy Fretheim <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 03:49:27 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Nancy Fretheim <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Santa Clarita Valley Senate Seat

Message Body:

Thank you for keeping the SCV congressional and Assembly districts relatively whole.

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Also I believe it will keep both districts within the deviation.

Thank you for your consideration.

Nancy Fretheim

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Daniel Viguera <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 04:31:21 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Daniel Viguera <[REDACTED]>

Subject: City Of Hawthorne

Message Body:

I live in the city of Hawthorne "the Gateway to the South Bay" This city is a wonderful place to live and as a homeowner of this Great city I am a very proud home owner. To redraw the lines and exclude us from the SouthBay would be a disaster, we are proud people and have really built this city to a new freshness of secure home life. I'am 62 years old and Please leave us alone, I'am secure, My neighbors are secure, our surrounding cities are secure, and most of all my future grandchildren that will be born and reaised in my home will be secure. I love this city and the government we have , the representation we have is Great, why take it away? It would be a Sin. Thank You.
Mr. Daniel Viguera [REDACTED]
Hawthorne california 90250

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Patrice Curedale <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 05:44:46 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Patrice Curedale <[REDACTED]>

Subject: "EVENT" lines need redraw

Message Body:

I live, work and vote in the COASTAL community of Topanga, in the Santa Monica Mountains, and I believe that inland communities such as Simi Valley, Moorpark and Santa Clarita are NOT communities of common interest. The EVENT district lines should be re-drawn using an east/west axis in order to encompass true communities of interest. The majority of our northern inland communities feel the same way.

Please take our voices into account.

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Subject: Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

From: Jennifer Weisel Bailey <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 06:13:13 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Jennifer Weisel Bailey <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Valley Village redistricting

Message Body:

I'm writing to address the alarming idea that Valley Village might soon be broken into two Congressional Districts. This is a community and dividing it into separate districts hurts all of us. My kids go to Colfax Charter elementary, and to think that some of their neighborhood friends will be living in a different district totally disrupts the village that we are building here as a community for our children to grow up in. We are proud of Valley Village and to have it be sliced in two along Colfax Avenue puts the community in jeopardy.

The idea that our neighborhood council (myvalleyvillage.com) and our homeowners association (valleyvillageha.com) would have members in different districts threatens our bonds and our interests.

Please do not break up Valley Village. Please move the congressional boundary east from Colfax Avenue to the 170 Freeway.

The boundaries of Valley Village are Burbank Boulevard to the north, the 170 Freeway to the east, the 101 Freeway to the south and the Tujunga Wash to the west.

Please keep our community intact. We are neighbors, parents, and friends who are always working hard to improve our Village, for our families and our kids. Please help us by not breaking it apart.

Thank you,
Jennifer Bailey

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Subject: Re: 36th District? Please Correct

From: "Smith, Gary" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 20:52:56 -0700 (PDT)

To: [REDACTED]

I agree, The 36th should be all cities Westchester and south, including El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, Torrance, Lomita, Palos Verdes, Rolling Hills, San Pedro, Hawthorne, and Gardena

Thank You

*Gary P Smith
Westchester, Ca 90045*

--- On **Wed, 7/20/11, Mike Kurz** [REDACTED] wrote:

From: Mike Kurz [REDACTED]

Subject: 36th District? Please Correct

To: [REDACTED]

Date: Wednesday, July 20, 2011, 8:20 PM

Dear Redistricting Commission.

I have lived in the South Bay (Manhattan Beach) for 35 years. I know this district and its natural boundaries.

We are a moderate area and have been disenfranchised for 25 years because of gerrymandering. I was looking forward to having a fair redistricting and a chance to participate in elections on a fair basis after passage of Prop 11 last year. I even applied to be on the commission.

I just discovered that the commission is actively gerrymandering this district so that it reaches from San Pedro all the way to Calabasas, through Santa Monica and Bel Air, areas that have nothing in common with the South Bay. I also discovered that Torrance was removed from the South Bay!!? **Something fishy is going on here!**

The 36th should be all cities Westchester and south, including El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, Torrance, Lomita, Palos Verdes, Rolling Hills, San Pedro, Hawthorne, and Gardena

Put Torrance back in the 36th Congressional District (and Assembly District)! This is where the unfairness of the commission's proposal is glaring! ***Torrance is the financial hub of the South Bay!!!***

This is our community. Our personal lives, business interests, economic activity and

everything else are intertwined with our neighbors and our community. We never go to Santa Monica, or Bel Air or Calabasas, and they don't come here.

Please, allow our votes to count!!! Change the 36th district to include cities Westchester and south, including El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, Torrance, Lomita, Palos Verdes, Rolling Hills, San Pedro, Hawthorne, and Gardena. This is a natural district, these cities go together and always done so!

By cc of the e-mail to other South Bay Residents, I invite them to also contact the commission to plead for a correction. The present plan is not what us voters wanted from the commission...more of the same... corruption. Please correct

I look forward to hearing from you.

Very truly yours,

Michael Kurz

Manhattan Beach, 90266

Subject: Redistricting 2011 - Lincoln Heights

From: Teresa Villegas <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 17:15:05 -0700 (PDT)

To: [REDACTED]

Attached please find our letter of concern regarding Lincoln Heights and are strong desire to keep this small community whole. Thank you for your attention.

Teresa

redistricting 2011.pdf

Subject: Redistricting Topanga Community Comments

From: wendy forrester <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 20:09:13 -0400 (EDT)

To: [REDACTED]

Please take into consideration the common geography concerns and interests of the Santa Monica coastal communities, including Topanga, and keep these communities together when planning redistricting.

Thank you,

Wendy Forrester

[REDACTED]

Topanga, CA 90290

Subject: Redrawing Unwise

From: [REDACTED]

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 02:22:16 +0000 (UTC)

To: [REDACTED]

Please do not divide Valley Village. We feel very strongly that this is unwise for a number of reasons. We need cohesive communities. We need to identify with like-minded neighbors. We need to know our neighbors. We need to protect our values and our families. Please put people first, not politics. Please follow the 170 freeway and keep us together. We only want one representative. We do not need a split community.

Thank you,

Don and Elaine Jukam
Homeowners, Huston St.