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April 11, 2011

California Citizens Redistricting Commission  
901 P Street, Suite 154-A  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: Vermont Knolls and LAX Airport Noise Mitigation COI Correction**

Dear Commissioners:

We are writing regarding a two district swap between IGWSGF and IGWSG to place the Los Angeles neighborhood of Vermont Knolls in the congressional district that contains Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) and other neighborhoods impacted by LAX.

Community members brought to our attention the fact that Vermont Knolls was indeed in the Inglewood District after the 1st Draft Maps and certain subsequent maps, but now appears to have been separated from its community of interest (COI). We are not sure when it was removed from the Inglewood district and placed in the district to the north—perhaps it was a technical issue when you modified the way you presented visualizations upon deciding not to issue a 2nd draft map. In any event, you received COI testimony in Los Angeles and Culver City from several residents of Vermont Knolls and the CRC has agreed that a strong COI exists among cities and neighborhoods that are adversely affected by a common airport, namely LAX. The Vermont Knolls area is part of the noise abatement/soundproofing program zone with the City of Los Angeles and should, therefore, be part of the IGWSG district. It also works closely with communities impacted by other operational practices of LAX and their efforts to identify and implement problem solving will be hampered by being paired with communities whose priority issues differ.

We understand that at your July 24 Business Meeting, you tentatively approved these districts. However, you will most certainly recall that close attention was not paid to these lines to the northeast and instead an alternative plan dominated your discussion that evening.

We are attaching the relevant technical information for ease of modification. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

**Blair H. Taylor**  
*President and CEO*

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Los Angeles, CA 90008-4936

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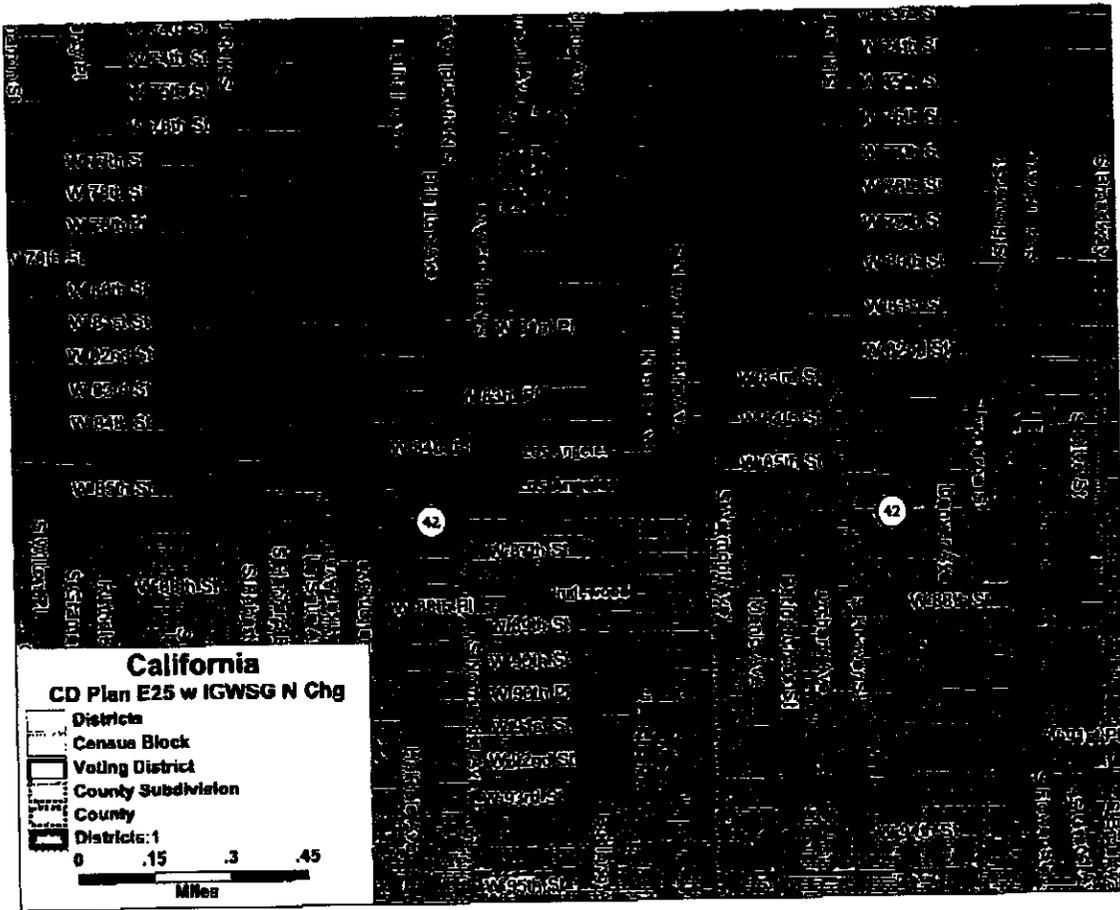
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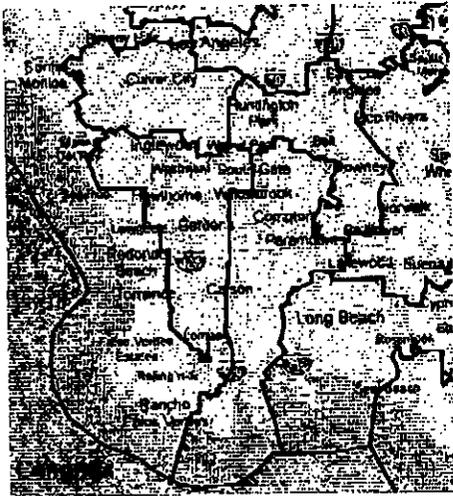


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# Community Conversation Evaluating Final Draft Maps

**Re-districting**—the process of re-drawing state districts—will determine whether our communities have a voice in government.

**Thursday,  
August 4<sup>th</sup>  
6-8pm**  
Location:  
West Angeles Villas  
6030 Crenshaw  
Blvd.

Join us for a community conversation as we discuss the final draft maps for state Senate, Assembly, and Congress that the Citizens Redistricting Commission approved on Friday, July 29th.

We still have time to tell the Commission to respect our communities and enable us to have a voice in South L.A.

The Commission needs to hear from us!

RSVP is appreciated.

Email [aarc@cocosouthla.org](mailto:aarc@cocosouthla.org) or call 323 629 3505



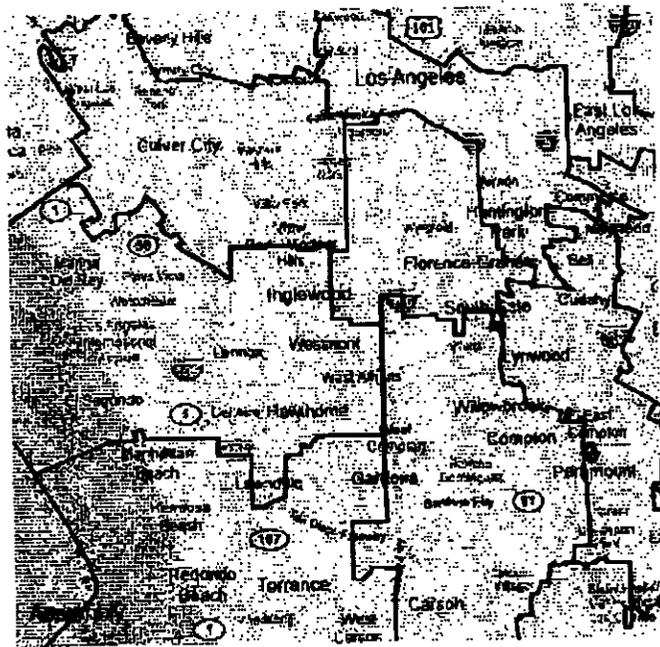
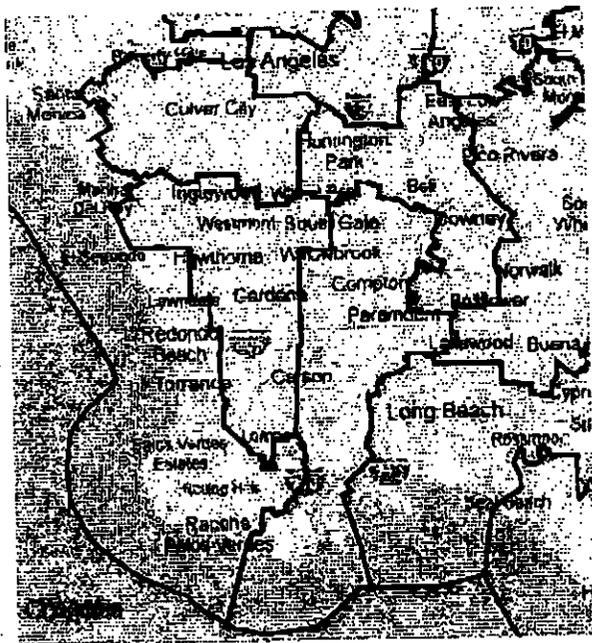
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# African Americans and Redistricting: A COMMUNITY RESPONSE TO THE FINAL DRAFT MAPS



## REDISTRICTING IN CALIFORNIA

Join us for a community conversation as we discuss the final draft maps for state Senate, Assembly, Board of Equalization and Congressional approved by the Citizens Redistricting Commission on July 29.

Public comment on the maps is being accepted until August 15.

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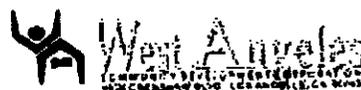
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**RSVP:** [aarc@cocosouthla.org](mailto:aarc@cocosouthla.org) or 323-629-3505  
**REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED**



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August 9, 2011

Citizens Redistricting Commission  
901 P Street, Suite 154-A  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Gentle People,

I am writing to ask you to support our communities and keep us together in the same legislative district, so that we can continue to speak with a unified voice and elect people who will represent everyone in this area.

The California Redistricting Commission's (CRC) newly reconfigured district lines do not accurately reflect the communities of interest in South Los Angeles. I live in Leimert Park in South Los Angeles. My neighborhood's boundaries include Coliseum to the North, MLK Blvd. to the South, and Van Ness to the East and Crenshaw Blvd. to the West. My neighborhood is a quiet residential area with a high percentage of hard working middle class families. Many families have lived in this community at the same location for forty years or more. This community should not be divided or split into smaller communities; this could result in a loss of political and economic power for us.

Our communities of interest include: Vermont Knolls, Baldwin Hills, Ladera Heights, West Adams, Crenshaw, Jefferson Park, Hyde Park, View Park, Windsor Hills, Culver City, Playa Vista, Mid-city Palms and Pico-Robertson. These neighboring residential communities also share similar demographics and should be included in the Congressional District which includes LAX. Your support of keeping our district lines the same would greatly benefit us all. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Ann Edwards



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## **FAX COVER SHEET**

**August 12, 2011**

**From: Wes Joe**

**To: Citizens' Redistricting Commission**



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Re: Proposed Boundary between Assembly Districts 43 & 51

Dear Commissioners:

Thank you for your hard work. I live in the Sunset Junction neighborhood of the Silver Lake area of Los Angeles and have been active in local community organizations – the Silver Lake Improvement Association and the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council – for the last 10 years. I'm writing with respect to the proposed division of the commercial heart of our area between Assembly Districts 43 and 51.

I understand that one of your mandates calls for respecting communities of interest. Well, Sunset Junction (centered at the intersection where Santa Monica and Sunset Boulevards meet) is the longstanding commercial center of our area. The MTA and SCAG very recently completed a Compass Blueprint streetscape study of the area which calls for the creation of a transit plaza at Sunset & Santa Monica (see Attachment "A"). And our local blog, [theeastsiderla.com](http://theeastsiderla.com) published an article on this just last month (see Attachment "B").

The current redistricting proposal leaves the blocks immediately to the north and west of the plaza in AD 43, while the rest of the area, including nearby residential hillsides, is in AD 51.

Please don't split up our area in this manner. Attachment "C" is the Google Earth overview of the Sunset Junction area taken from your website. The main intersection is marked with a blue dot, the proposed transit plaza with a yellow triangle and of course the proposed boundary between ADs 43 and 51 is in purple.

Kitty-corner from the transit plaza, where Sunset meets Manzanita, is a new 43-unit condominium complex at 4111 Sunset Boulevard (marked with a green dot on Attachment "C"). About 7 years ago the developers appeared with their proposal before our new Neighborhood Council. This project has a block long façade along Sunset Boulevard. But rather than placing the main entrance in the center of the building, they purposely put it at the east end of the complex facing Sunset Junction, with the expectation that this would be the direction in which pedestrian traffic would flow. (See Attachments "D" and "E")

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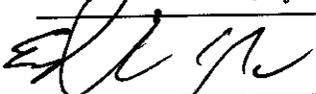
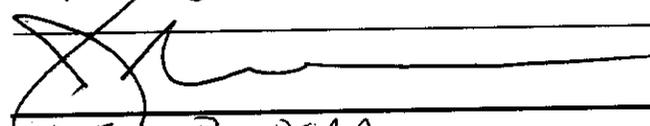
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Nancy Snyder Los Angeles August 11, 2011

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