

Subject: Redistricting SD12**Date:** Saturday, May 21, 2011 11:26 PM**From:** Gregory <[REDACTED]>**To:** <[REDACTED]>**Conversation:** Redistricting SD12

Dear Commissioners,

My name is Gregory Rivera, I live at [REDACTED] Hollister, near Monterey and Santa Cruz.

San Benito County has more in common with Monterey and Santa Cruz County.

1. California State University at Monterey specifically recruits students from San Benito High so does The University of California at Santa Cruz.
2. Hollister and San Juan Bautista or more conveniently assessable to Monterey and Santa Cruz County.
3. I would have to cross over a mountain to travel to Merced County, which, I never have for any reason.
4. The state's geography, history, economy and demography all make clear that San Luis Obispo, Merced and Santa Barbara, for example, should not be part of the same district as San Benito, Monterey or Santa Cruz County's.
5. My brother's softball team has nothing in common with San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara or Merced county's, they would travel to Monterey, Salinas or Santa Cruz for a game.
6. Since early childhood, I've only known of Monterey and Santa Cruz County being a communities of interest for recreation, entertainment and nature for San Benito County ie: Hollister and San Juan Bautista.
7. Please consider incorporating Assembly District 27 and 28 into one Senate District.
8. San Benito, Monterey and Santa Cruz County's share a strong marriage of history, diversity, economy, bay, and media markets.
9. All local governments are all in AMBAG and have air basin and watershed in common.
10. The above facts only make sense for a San Benito County and it's interests to Monterey and Santa Cruz Counties.

Please consider my opinions when deciding redistricting lines and thank you for your service to the state of California.

Thank you,

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Gregory Rivera