

**Subject:** Public Comment: 8 - Marin

**From:** Donna & Mike` <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Fri, 27 May 2011 02:59:47 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Donna & Mike` <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Support CCAG Bay Area Maps!

Message Body:

Dear Commissioners:

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5. We strongly oppose the California Institute for Jobs, Economy, and Education (CIJEE) plan and insist that districts not jump across the East Bay hills, because the communities from San Leandro to Milpitas have little in common with the Tri-Valley, and everything in common with each other. The commission received overwhelming testimony in the Oakland input hearings to this effect, both from Tri-Valley and from Oakland, San Leandro, Milpitas, Richmond, El Cerrito etc. to the effect, "Keep the Berkeley Oakland Hills as a natural geographic barrier between urban, ethnic, diverse communities west of the hills and suburban bedroom, and office park communities east of the hills."

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Thank you.

Thank you,  
(Your Signature)

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**From:** Ann Paget <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Fri, 27 May 2011 06:21:18 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Ann Paget <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Marin and Sonoma redistricting

Message Body:

Attn: California Redistricting Commission:

Dear Commissioners:

My name is Ann Paget. I support fair and competitive districts that fully comply with Proposition 11 with district geography criteria of natural geographical boundaries such as mountain ranges, bodies of water, of equal population and that comply with the Federal Voting Rights Act. I want my district lines to maintain district contiguity, and compactness by keeping cities, communities and neighborhoods intact as much as possible.

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 8 - Marin

**From:** Sue Campbell <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Fri, 27 May 2011 05:25:23 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Sue Campbell <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting Statement

Message Body:

I am strongly in favor of having Marin and Sonoma Counties placed together for our Assembly District as well as these two counties and Napa kept together for Senate District.

Sincerely,  
Sue Campbell

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**From:** Michael Orton <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Fri, 27 May 2011 05:20:40 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Michael Orton <[REDACTED]>

Subject: California Redistricting Commission:

Message Body:

Dear Commissioners:

My name is Michael Orton. I am one of 250+ supporters that testified and those who are following what you are doing and we want our communities kept together. I am writing to urge your support of all of the Bay Area Maps being submitted by the California Conservative Action Group.

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**From:** Sean Walsh <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Fri, 27 May 2011 03:39:22 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Sean Walsh <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting Issues

Message Body:

Dear Commissioners:

My name is Sean Walsh; I am one of the supporters that want our communities kept together. I am writing to urge your support of all of the Bay Area Maps being submitted by the California Conservative Action Group.

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**Date:** Fri, 27 May 2011 03:14:44 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Elizabeth Manning Bitter <[REDACTED]>

Subject: fair redistricting

Message Body:

Attn: California Redistricting Commission:

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Thank you for your attention to fair lines,  
Elizabeth Manning Bitter

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