Subject: Public Comment: Napa County Region

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From: Janet Kirtlink

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Message Body:
Dear Commissioners,

I'm writing to you as a concerned citizen of the Napa County.

As a resident of Napa for 63 years I know my county well and would like to see it it remain as part of a region that has been rich in growing crops for many years. When I was growing up in Napa students worked in the orchards picking prunes in summer. Sun Sweet employed many local parents to work sorting fruit and working in drying the fruit. Since that time the valley has become a premier wine growing region. Tourist have made the Napa Valley a top destination for vacationing.

I respectfully ask you to consider the importance of the area as a whole with the counties that border Napa County. Napa County should be connected with Lake County, Sonoma and Mendocino, possibly Yolo too. These Counties are wine growing and tourism areas as well.

It is a short drive for many in Lake County to come to St. Helena Sanitarium Hospital for medical care. Many doctors in Napa County have offices in Lake County to service patients in the area.

All of these counties mentioned above are agricultural recreational for camping, boating, fishing, hunting, hiking and sightseeing. From wine tasting to whale watching, water skiing to enjoying groves of Califonia redwoods all within a hours drive to each of these counties.

The regional interest are very similar and would be in keeping with geography of this area.

Please consider these counties for remaining in the same State Assembly and State Senate Districts.

Sincerely,

Janet Kirtlink, Retired small business owner

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