

**Subject:** Comment to Redistricting Commission

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**Date:** Mon, 23 May 2011 23:58:28 -0700

**To:** <[REDACTED]>

I have been a resident and registered voter in District 1 (Albion) for 32 years and have a great appreciation for the political and ecological community that is particularly strong and evident in our region.

The coastal region embraced by the Eel and Russian rivers defines the needs for conservation and environmental concerns for this thinly populated area.

The coastal counties in particular have managed to retain a community of cooperation and mutual stewardship for the land we have embraced. Our communities embrace a multitude of native American areas and have found much mutual inclusion in our caring for the land and ocean.

That ocean is arguably the most productive on Earth and we have a special concern for it's health as expressed in much interchange of expert stewards.

By this interchange we have managed to provide a unique experience of the outdoors for Californians and people from all walks of life and places in the world.

I strongly request that the integrity of district 1 be maintained in the revision of California's political districts.

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**Subject:** Public Comment: redistricting

**From:** "L. Ann Thrupp" <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Tue, 24 May 2011 02:06:02 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: L. Ann Thrupp <[REDACTED]>

Subject: redistricting

Message Body:

I believe it is important to keep Mendocino county within the same district as Sonoma, Napa counties. These counties share common interests in many ways, in terms of having the excellent North Coast wine industry, and commerce, tourism opportunities, etc.

Thank you

Ann Thrupp

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On behalf of the Mendocino Coast Audubon Society, we would like to commend the commission on its efforts to re-draw the lines for Congressional, State Senate, and Assembly districts. While we appreciate your holding public hearings, the Region 9 hearings in Redding were not conducive to attendance from those of us on the North Coast.

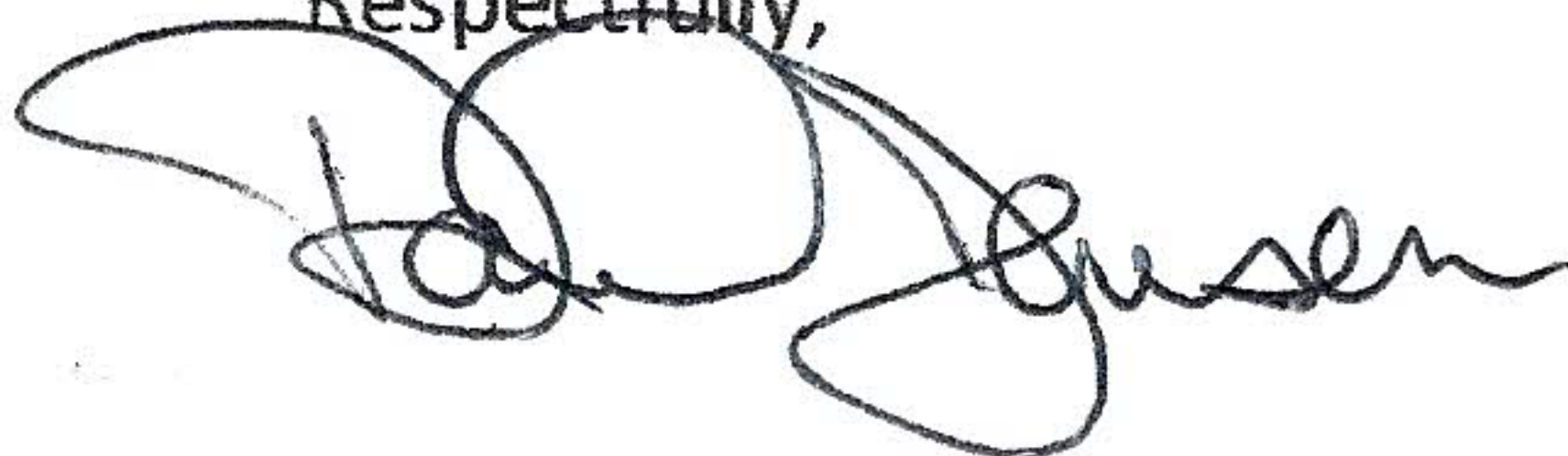
Had we been able to attend, we would have expressed our concern with an east-west division of the northern part of the state. Those familiar with the inland versus coastal environments will be aware of the vast differences in topography, flora and fauna. While we share a concern for the environment with our inland neighbors, our environments are quite different.

Historically, these unique differences, and the coalitions that have developed have recognized the north-south corridors (Highway 101) that unite us. We are further united by our proximity to the ocean. We share watersheds and redwood forests. Our avian wildlife, particularly shore birds are north-south migrants. Decisions made at federal and state levels need to consider our unique ecology. We are best served by representatives who are able to visit our area and understand our needs.

Our Audubon society is engaged in citizen science projects that cover the northern California coast. In conjunction with other coastal Audubon societies, we conduct shore bird and sea bird research projects. We work with the California Coastal National Monument and BLM on these projects. We work with our State Parks to monitor the beaches and study shore bird migration. These projects are done in collaboration with state and federal agencies and other coastal groups. Recently a representative participated in the Marine Life Protection Act Stakeholders group. This project was unique to the coast of California and included our state representatives who have knowledge of coastal issues from all political sides.

Again, we thank you for your work and urge you to keep the north coast counties in the same Congressional, Assembly and State Senate Districts. The California coast, a national treasure, will be better served, as will the avian residents and migrants who depend upon it.

Respectfully,



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