

Subject: Public Comment: Redistricting**Date:** Monday, May 16, 2011 8:12 PM**From:** Robert Ross [REDACTED]**To:** <votersfirstact@crc.ca.gov>**Conversation:** Public Comment: Redistricting

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Message Body:

Dear Redistricting Commission...

I've been a resident of the north coast (Mendocino, Caspar, Fort Bragg) since 1965. I treasure the clean air, woods, and ocean life. As a community member, voter, and citizen I consider myself to be part of a network of stewardship of our resources: air, woods, ocean.

I'm writing to ask you, in your redistricting work, to preserve the current north coastal districts as they are now, reflecting our coastal consciousness and our community stewardship of coastal resources.

It would be a shame to shift our districts to a "horizontal" scheme, which would involve people who do not live on the coast, and who may rarely or never visit the coast, in making decisions which directly affect the coast. I traverse the coast, up and down, as the norm in my life, and I don't want to see our coast interests chopped up and fragmented, and turned into a district of which the main purpose is extraction of resources instead of long-term renewability.

Please keep our districts as they are, to most accurately represent the consensus of those who currently live in it.

Many thanks for your consideration of this important issue, and for your work.

Best, Robert Ross

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