

**Subject:** Public Comment: 2 - San Bernardino

**From:** Michael Kaiser [REDACTED]

**Date:** Mon, 27 Jun 2011 23:09:33 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Michael Kaiser <[REDACTED]>

Subject: redistricting

Message Body:

My wife and I are displeased with the Calif Redistricting Committee splitting Redlands into two Congressional Districts with half of Redlands in an absurdly large district all the way to Mammoth(300 miles away) the proposed separation among long time communities makes no sense

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 2 - San Bernardino

**From:** Donna Zdrojewski <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Tue, 28 Jun 2011 00:50:11 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Donna Zdrojewski <[REDACTED]>  
Subject: redistricting

Message Body:

I support the position of Inland Action.

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**Subject:** Re: Redlands redistricting

**From:** Kathleen Johnson <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Mon, 27 Jun 2011 13:08:51 -0400 (EDT)

**To:** [REDACTED]

Dear Commission: I am writing regarding your choice of redistricting my city, Redlands. I am appalled that you would even consider dividing a city that has been incorporated since approx. 1885. We need to stay united. In the 1960's Interstate 10 divided our city, and with hard work we were able to survive. No other city in our area has the history that our community has. Please do not align our community with Colton, or Fontana. Our city must stay as it is, represented by one individual who understands the community. Our school district serves, Loma Linda, Highland, Mentone, Forest Falls, Angeles Oaks, and Redlands it seems fair that our schools should all be represented by the same individual. Please reconsider, we have suffered a great deal in our area regarding base closures, and the real estate market in the past 25 years; Redlands must stay together. Sincerely, Kathleen Johnson (Redlands, CA 92373)

**Subject:** Redistricting Chino Hills, CA

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Date:** Mon, 27 Jun 2011 11:49:03 -0400 (EDT)

**To:** [REDACTED]

**I am opposed to splitting the city of Chino Hills between 2 districts.**

**Chino Hills should be represented by one Congressional Representative.**

**It is illogical to split the city between two districts. Chino Hills should not be split.**

**Chino Hills more closely relates the San Bernardino County and would better be associated with Pomona rather than an LA county city. Do Not split Chino Hills.**

**Arthur H. Ullrich**

[REDACTED]

**Chino Hills , CA 91709**

[REDACTED]

**Subject:** City of Rancho Cucamonga urges Revisions to District Maps

**From:** "Villenas, Fabian" <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Mon, 27 Jun 2011 15:16:28 -0700

**To:** <[REDACTED]>

Please find attached a letter from the City of Rancho Cucamonga urging the Citizens Redistricting Commission to revise Assembly and Senate Maps to keep Rancho Cucamonga whole and within San Bernardino County. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at [REDACTED] ext. 2006.

ATTACHMENT – Correspondence dated June 27, 2011

Fabian A. Villenas  
Principal Management Analyst  
City Manager's Office  
City of Rancho Cucamonga  
[REDACTED] extension 2006  
[REDACTED]

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## THE CITY OF RANCHO CUCAMONGA

June 27, 2011

Citizens Redistricting Commission  
1130 K Street, Suite 101  
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Proposed Assembly and Senate District Maps for the City of Rancho Cucamonga

Dear Members of the Citizens Redistricting Commission:

On behalf of the 168,000 citizens of the City of Rancho Cucamonga, I strongly urge the California Citizens Redistricting Commission (Commission) to reconsider its proposed Assembly and Senate District Maps and maintain the City of Rancho Cucamonga entirely under one Assembly and one Senate District, within San Bernardino County.

The proposed maps released by the Commission show that a portion of Rancho Cucamonga will be under the SBCUCA Assembly District and the SBBAN Senate District, respectively. Unfortunately, the entire Northwest portion of Rancho Cucamonga (bordered by Haven Avenue and the 210 freeway) which includes approximately 33,000 residents or 20 percent of the Rancho Cucamonga's population, is disenfranchised from effective representation with the rest of Rancho Cucamonga by being lumped into separate Senate and Assembly districts that are almost totally in Los Angeles County.

The proposed LASGF Assembly District just west of Rancho Cucamonga which contains the Northwest section of Rancho Cucamonga and neighboring Upland (both in San Bernardino County), also includes the Los Angeles County communities of La Verne, San Dimas, Glendora, Azusa, Duarte, Sierra Madre, La Canada Flintridge and even touches the San Fernando Valley. The proposed LASGF Senate District west of Rancho Cucamonga which also includes the Northwest corner of Rancho Cucamonga, includes the aforementioned cities plus Pasadena, South Pasadena, Burbank, and Glendale and again stretches out to touch the San Fernando Valley. Some of these communities are more than 50 miles from Rancho Cucamonga and have virtually no commonality or shared interests with the City.

Clearly, the proposed Draft Maps do not meet the Commission's stated criteria to "respect counties, cities, communities of interest, and neighborhoods, where possible." In fact, the proposed Draft Maps bifurcate a substantial and well-established portion of our community and place it into obscurity with over a half-dozen prominent L.A. County communities. The voices of our 33,000 residents that live in the Northwest area will be

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completely drowned out by the 465,804 voices in the proposed Assembly District and 929,398 voices in the proposed Senate District that overwhelmingly reside in Los Angeles County.

The residents of Northwest Rancho Cucamonga share no community interests with these Los Angeles County communities. All municipal services for this area, including library, community services, community development, animal control, and others are provided by the City of Rancho Cucamonga. Law enforcement services are provided through a contract with the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department, and fire and emergency response is provided by the Rancho Cucamonga Fire Protection District, a subsidiary district of the City. On a regional basis, transportation issues are addressed through the San Bernardino Association of Governments (SANBAG) and CalTrans District 8. Public transit services for the San Bernardino Valley are provided by OmniTrans. The representation and services that these entities provide in no way overlap or have any connection or relationship with Los Angeles County and the San Gabriel and San Fernando Valley communities that are identified in the proposed District Maps.

The residents of Northwest Rancho Cucamonga have strong ties and a strong sense of identity with the rest of the Rancho Cucamonga community, San Bernardino County, and the Inland Empire. There are no commonalities between our residents and Los Angeles County, and the proposed Assembly and Senate District Maps needlessly split our community and our neighborhoods, effectively nullifying their voices and opportunity for strong representation.

**For these reasons, we respectfully request that the Commission keep Rancho Cucamonga whole and entirely within San Bernardino County and REVISE Proposed Assembly District Map SBCUCA and Senate District Map SBBAN to include the ENTIRE City of Rancho Cucamonga.**

Thank you for your consideration. Please feel free to call (909) 477-2700, ext. 2006 if you require any further information or have any questions.

Sincerely,

  
**L. DENNIS MICHAEL**  
Mayor

Cc: City Council

ATTACHMENT

City of Rancho Cucamonga  
City and County Boundaries

Los Angeles County

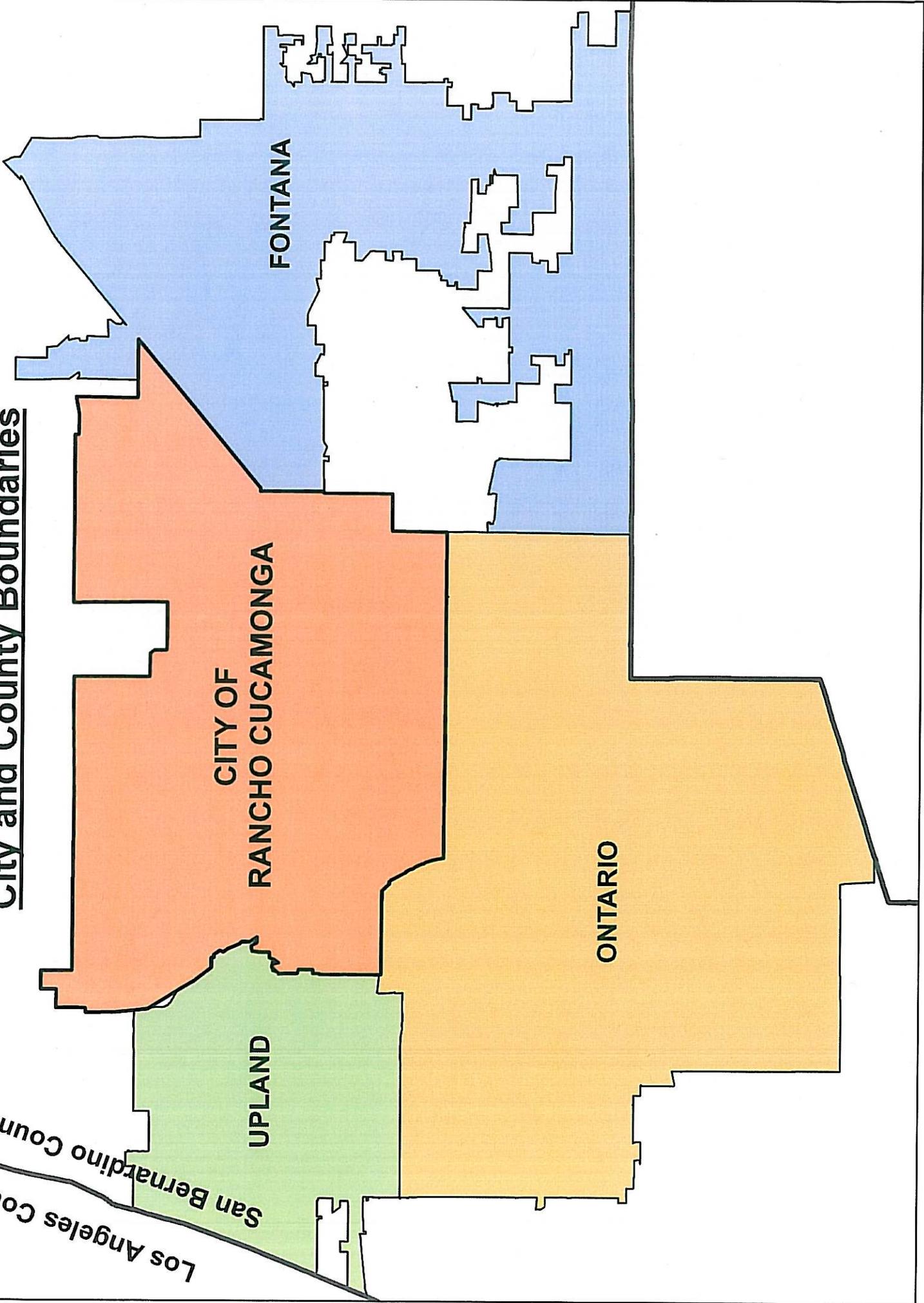
San Bernardino County

UPLAND

CITY OF  
RANCHO CUCAMONGA

FONTANA

ONTARIO



**Subject:** Public Comment: 2 - San Bernardino

**From:** gloria ybarra <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Tue, 28 Jun 2011 05:47:33 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: gloria ybarra <[REDACTED]>  
Subject: alta loma/ rancho cucamonga

Message Body:

when i moved into this area in 1973 it was quite different then los angeles area where i was born and lived for 24yrs moved here to improve the lives of our children.

my husband got transfered to this area in august of 1973to work at the colton yards of the southern pacife railroad. we were very much in volved with our catholic church and schools that our daughters went to. i have also worked the election board on and off for over 30 yrs.i m hoping that you have have taken into account that the latin voters have a lot at stake here and have kept them together in the different areas voting and not cut them off at the pass.

i wish to thank you for your time and efforts that you all have put into this project.i know it was a tough job so thank you all very much.

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 2 - San Bernardino

**From:** John Zdrojewski <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Tue, 28 Jun 2011 00:51:10 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: John Zdrojewski <[REDACTED]>

Subject: redistricting

Message Body:

I support the position of Inland Action.

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**Subject:** San Bernardino County

**From:** Earl De Vries <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Mon, 27 Jun 2011 22:05:19 -0700

**To:** [REDACTED]

Dear Committee,

Please do not cut off parts of San Bernardino County cities and attach them to surrounding counties. Mixing the counties does not serve the residence well.

Thanks,

Earl De Vries

Ontario

[REDACTED]

Commission,

I have lived in Redlands for almost 25 years. All three of my children attended Redlands Public Schools where they graduated. Redlands School Districts covers Loma Linda and Highland. It is important to keep Redlands City whole and connected with Loma Linda and Highland.

In addition, Loma Linda, Redlands Highland and San Bernardino are connected through our transportation system, freeways and public transit. All four Cities share and support shopping areas such as the Citrus Mall in Redlands, Clarks Health Food Grocery Store in Loma Linda, Inland Center Mall in San Bernardino and the Highland Strip Mall. These four Cities are Urban and more alike to each other than any of them are to Yucaipa, the neighboring City east of the Redlands cluster. Also, on the far West side of San Bernardino County is Rancho Cucamonga which is more like the Redlands cluster than Yucaipa even though it is larger than Redlands and has more population to give up than Redlands. Though Rancho Cucamonga's population is more like Redlands, it still has more of a neighborly connection of schools, transportation and commerce with its West end Cities than it does with Redlands.

As a citizen of Redlands, my request is that you keep Redlands, Loma Linda, Highland and San Bernardino a cluster and the cities whole.

Renea Wickman  
City of Redlands

**Subject:** Redistricting Input

**From:** David Tennies <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Mon, 27 Jun 2011 09:54:28 -0700

**To:** "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>

Although I am very happy to see that redistricting is occurring, I do not agree with all of the proposed districts.

When you are considering the districts, please address the following:

Chino hills is part of San Bernardion County, not Orange County. It should be part of San Bernardino County for all of the revised districts for both state and US representatives.

To this end, I request that you consider the following district proposals:

**Chino Valley Suggested Assembly District:**

Pomona  
Chino  
Chino Hills  
Ontario

**Chino Valley Suggested State Senate District:**

Pomona  
Ontario  
Montclair  
Chino  
Chino Hills  
Upland  
Rancho Cucamonga  
Fontana  
Fontana/Southridge  
San Antonio Heights

**Chino Valley Suggested U.S. Congressional District:**

Pomona  
Chino  
Chino Hills  
Ontario  
Montclair  
Rancho Cucamonga

Thank you for your consideration,

David Tennies

[REDACTED]  
Chino Hills, Ca. 91709  
[REDACTED]

**Subject:** Redistricting

**From:** Daniel Pepper <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Mon, 27 Jun 2011 06:37:52 -0700

**To:** [REDACTED]

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

I first of all want to thank you for your efforts in this very tedious process. Your professionalism and openness are to be highly commended. I also want to apologize on behalf of some of the public who seem to attack you in personal ways that are not warranted for the task you have taken on.

I am writing you today to offer some answers and observations to some of the questions that arose at both the San Bernardino and San Diego public hearings this past week. For your reference I was speaker number 32 in San Bernardino and was speaker number 3 at the Palm Springs public testimony held in May.

During my testimony in San Bernardino I made a suggestion that the map makers should think about starting their drawing process from the eastern border of California and move west. I am actually very serious about this suggestion. After hearing the testimonies in San Bernardino and San Diego, I believe this would help address a lot of the concerns voiced by not just eastern Riverside County, but the communities of San Diego and San Bernardino/Redlands area.

During my testimony in Palm Springs I included a power point presentation (I have reattached to this email as a pdf for you) that included maps for your consideration. I strongly believe that if you use these maps, especially those for the 45<sup>th</sup> Congressional, 80<sup>th</sup> and 65<sup>th</sup> Assembly Districts and the 40<sup>th</sup> Senate Seat, this will allow you to address the concerns of the citizens of Imperial County, Eastern Coachella Valley, and the eastern portions of Riverside County.

I also believe that by following these maps, you can utilize the current cities and communities in the first draft maps to accommodate the changes desired in the San Bernardino Redlands area and the areas of San Diego that were spoken about on Monday night. The cities that are included in the first draft maps that border the western portion of the maps I proposed at the Palm Springs hearing could be used to make up for the population shifts required to satisfy the eastern portions of San Diego County, but especially the communities of San Bernardino and Redlands and the western areas of Riverside County.

I would just like to close reemphasizing the overwhelming testimony you have heard in our area about including Imperial County with the Coachella Valley. Including both of these areas in the Congressional District should satisfy the Voting Rights Act as well as the numerous communities of interest expressed throughout all the hearings. Creating an Assembly District with Imperial County and the Eastern portions of Coachella Valley will also accomplish these two objectives.

I know that there were questions from commissioners about including Palm Springs in this AD, but that would not be the case if you look at the proposed maps I submitted in Palm Springs. I am suggesting that the 65<sup>th</sup> AD extend from the western portions of the Coachella Valley to the Beaumont Banning area which again share many commonalities expressed during public testimony. The dividing line would be Bob Hope Street which divides the eastern and western portions of the Coachella Valley.

In San Diego there seemed to be a recurring theme about the affluence of Palm Springs. While it is true that there are some affluent people in the Palm Springs area, the majority of our full-time residents do not fit that criterion. One only has to look at the statistics for the Palm Springs Unified School District which encompasses the cities of Palm Springs, Rancho Mirage, Cathedral City, Desert Hot Springs and Thousand Palms that show 85% of our children are on free and reduced lunch.

Finally, as I expressed at the conclusion of my testimony in San Bernardino, the proposed Senate seat does not satisfy the nesting requirements and includes communities that have absolutely no common interests with each other. Once again, I refer you to the original maps I proposed that would nest the 80<sup>th</sup> and 65<sup>th</sup> AD's into the 40<sup>th</sup> Senate seat.

Thank you,  
Daniel Pepper  
Indio

**Subject:** Public Comment: 2 - San Bernardino

**From:** Rebecca McKeever <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Mon, 27 Jun 2011 20:04:20 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Rebecca McKeever <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redlands

Message Body:

I adamantly oppose redrawing the lines in Redlands. I DO NOT want Joe Baca to represent me nor do I want the agenda that he seeks!! I do not support his tax and spend agenda or his views on illegal immigration!!!!!!! Keep him out of Redlands!!!!!!!

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**Subject:** Redistricting Drafts

**From:** Mychal-Ray Rodriguez <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Mon, 27 Jun 2011 19:26:16 -0700

**To:** [REDACTED]

Good evening,

I hope you will take my input into consideration.

You have placed the Chino Valley (San Bernardino County) with cities located in the East of the County with whom we share NO common interests or goals. Below are my **suggested** drafts. As you can see, this keeps all of the West-End cities together. Collectively, we have so much in common - our culture, our history, our goals, where we shop, where we worship and where we enjoy family entertainment. As a father, I want my child to establish long term friendships with those he plays with and against during Little League games within the cities of Common Interest.

In addition, placing these cities within the below districts assists in helping us elect individuals with the same beliefs and heritage as the majority of the population in the cities listed below.

Pomona/San Bernardino County **Suggested** Assembly District:

Pomona  
Chino  
Chino Hills  
Ontario

Pomona/San Bernardino County **Suggested** Senate District:

Pomona  
Ontario  
Montclair  
Chino  
Chino Hills  
Upland  
Rancho Cucamonga  
Fontana  
Fontana/Southridge  
San Antonio Heights

**Pomona/ San Bernardino County Suggested** Congressional District:

Pomona  
Chino  
Chino Hills  
Ontario  
Montclair  
Rancho Cucamonga

*Mychal R. Rodriguez*  
*Concerned parent*



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**SAMUEL CROWE – ATTORNEY AT LAW**

Ontario, CA 91762

Email: [sam@samcrowelaw.com](mailto:sam@samcrowelaw.com)

June 27, 2011

**\*\*SENT VIA FACSIMILE, E-MAIL & U.S. MAIL\*\***

Citizens Redistricting Commission  
301 P Street, Suite 154A  
Sacramento, CA 95814  
(916) 651-5711-Fax  
[votersfirstact@crc.ca.gov](mailto:votersfirstact@crc.ca.gov)

Re: Redistricting

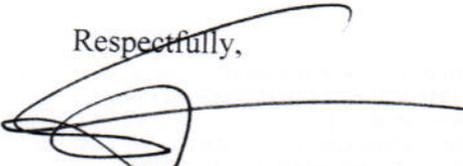
Dear Sirs:

Thank you for your service in trying to provide some common sense in your efforts to redistrict various districts. I have resided and worked in Ontario for over 50 years and I believe you have finally combined areas of common interest.

Ontario, Chino, Montclair, Pomona and Rancho Cucamonga are really culturally and historically connected. I served as City Attorney for both Ontario and Rancho Cucamonga. My clients are substantially from the Cities of Ontario, Chino, Montclair, Pomona and Rancho Cucamonga. It will be good that their assembly, Senate and Congressional representation will have common goals.

I hope you will be able to keep your promised boundaries.

Respectfully,



A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large, stylized loop followed by a horizontal line extending to the right.

SAMUEL P. CROWE

SPC:acr

**Subject:** Redistricting Input

**From:** Yvette Hernandez [REDACTED]

**Date:** Mon, 27 Jun 2011 19:10:39 -0700 (PDT)

**To:** [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>

Good evening,

I appreciate all the time you have spent on the 1st drafts, but they are not good drafts for those of us that live in the West-End of San Bernardino County.

You have placed us with cities in the East-end of the County with whom we have NO common interests or goals. Below are my suggested drafts. As you can see, this keeps all of the West-End cities together. Together, we have so much in common - our culture, our history, our goals, where we shop, where we worship and where we enjoy family entertainment. Little League teams within these cities play against each other and we are able to build relationships within our communities.

In addition, placing these cities within the below districts assists in helping minorities have a voice of who we want to represent us in all levels of the Legislature.

Please consider these drafts, they are the best for our Communities of Interest.

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Pomona  
Chino  
Chino Hills  
Ontario

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Chino  
Chino Hills  
Upland  
Rancho Cucamonga  
Fontana  
Fontana/Southridge  
San Antonio Heights

**Pomona/ San Bernardino County Suggested** Congressional District:

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*Yvette G. Hernandez*  
*Concerned Resident*

**Subject:** Public Comment: 2 - San Bernardino

**From:** James H Belote MD <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Mon, 27 Jun 2011 17:21:47 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: James H Belote MD <[REDACTED]>

Subject: partition of Redlands

Message Body:

Sirs:

Highland Ave in Redlands is a historic designated street because of its unique character and the combined efforts of its owners. By placing the street in two different districts, you make it difficult if not impossible to assure its status in the future. This re-districting is absurd.

James H Belote and Patricia C Belote

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 2 - San Bernardino

**From:** Tobey Robertson <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Mon, 27 Jun 2011 15:09:49 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Tobey Robertson <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting

Message Body:

Please support Inland Action's proposed maps for San Bernardino and Riverside counties.

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**Board of Supervisors  
County of San Bernardino**

**NEIL DERRY**  
SUPERVISOR, THIRD DISTRICT



June 27, 2011

California Citizens Redistricting Commission  
901 P Street, Suite 154-A  
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: San Bernardino County

Dear Redistricting Commission Members:

As a longtime resident of the County of San Bernardino and the representative for the Third District of the Board of Supervisors, which is also in the midst of the redistricting process, I am intimately familiar with the communities of this county. Upon reviewing some of the proposed maps, I wanted to express my concerns.

I have serious reservations over the proposal to divide Redlands into two different congressional districts such that a part of Redlands would be in the same district as other counties hundreds of miles away. Not only is the City of Redlands arguably one of the most unified and cohesive communities in the county, it shares a long-standing relationship with the City of Loma Linda. They are essentially "sister cities" and their bond is strong. I urge you to reconsider.

Additionally, the San Bernardino mountain communities stretching from Crestline to Big Bear and the Victor Valley epitomize the definition of "communities of interest." It is difficult for me to understand the rationale behind your decision to divide these homogenous communities.

At times, leaders in the Victor Valley have pitched the idea of consolidating their local jurisdictions into a singular municipality; and others have initiated efforts to form their own county.

Whether it is the fallout from the real estate crash, water and renewable energy sources, military base impacts and transportation corridor implications, the overwhelming majority of the issues these residents encounter fall along the same continuum of importance. Be it environmental concerns, invasive insects and pests, concerns about being discriminated against by insurance companies, development and urban sprawl, our mountain communities share commonalities on many issues.

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These communities have been ravaged over the last decade by a series of wildfires and a bark beetle infestation that has killed hundreds of thousands of trees. They are susceptible to storms, flooding and earthquakes which can destroy major routes of transportation and impede evacuation efforts. During an emergency, it is imperative these communities be represented by a single elected representative that has invested his or her time in becoming keenly aware of their needs and concerns.

Undoubtedly, the task before you is very difficult – one that I do not envy. And though I have no doubt that you all are doing your very best to reconcile all the competing interests before you, I cannot help but feel that to some degree our county is being treated as an afterthought. San Bernardino County is the largest county in the nation with arguably the most diverse population and topography in the nation. Because your commission is lacking a representative from San Bernardino County, I truly hope that you will give serious consideration to the concerns I have brought forth in this letter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'NEIL DERRY', with a stylized flourish at the end.

NEIL DERRY  
Supervisor, Third District

**Subject:** Letter on redistricting.

**From:** Winona Hendrickson <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Mon, 27 Jun 2011 02:00:25 -0700 (PDT)

**To:** "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>

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Respectfully,

Winona Hendrickson

[REDACTED]

Palm Desert, CA 92260

[REDACTED]

**Subject:** CITY OF REDLANDS SPLIT

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Date:** Tue, 28 Jun 2011 01:29:22 -0400 (EDT)

**To:** [REDACTED]

26 JUN 2011

California Redistricting Commission  
901 P Street, Suite 154A  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Commissioners,

I am somewhat appalled that the district where I reside and vote will be split into two (2) districts. Your last meeting in the San Bernardino (CA) County Building on Sunday 19 June, did not allow many people to attend due to previous engagements and the lack of information published in our local papers on that meeting date.

Therefore, I will submit the following information to be considered in your final draft:

- \* The Inland Empire split will cause many to enter other districts that don't support their common cause.
- \* The City of Redlands will be split in two with the City Hall on one side of the street and the majority of businesses on the other side of the street and to the west.
- \* Redlands has no commonality with the north western portion of San Bernardino, Rialto, and Colton and a total disregard to the relationship economically or even socially.
- \* Geographic integrity, local neighborhoods, school districts will be split without consideration of Community Interests. This is a disrespect of togetherness.
- \* Economically, Redlands has no common similarities to the Cities of Colton, Rialto, and San Bernardino. It does have commonality to the City of Loma Linda on the west.
- \* The western half of the city will be placed in a district that doesn't hold the same ideas to the political base and therefore rendering their votes mute going from a plurality to a 32% minority. This is a splitting of the electorate.
- \* Split denies the City of Redlands citizens fair representation as called by in the Constitution.
- \* Split denies the City of Redlands citizens the representation as stated in statements by the commission that "Community Interests SHALL be respected". "Shall" is a mandatory word in all instructional writings and legislation.
- \* The web site states that redistricting shall "keep Counties, Cities, and Communities, especially Communities of Interest" as an important issue.
- \* All Mountain communities should remain in one district for commonality also.

Redlands history starts back in 1890 and has always been a close community that makes it unique, is an economic leader, is family orientated socially and is strong in schools. It has been a setter in many areas for other cities try to follow. This is why we should remain as "one".

It is imperative that the Commission consider these important issues relating communities as a whole and redraft the lines for the City of Redlands.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Pearce, Capt USNR (ret)

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Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

*I am writing in support of the speaker at the hearings as indicated in this letter I am a 12 year resident of the Coachella Valley and was born(1938) and raised in California. I urgently request that you give the following testimony due consideration.*

I am writing you today to offer some answers and observations to some of the questions that arose at both the San Bernardino and San Diego public hearings this past week. For your reference I was speaker number 32 in San Bernardino and was speaker number 3 at the Palm Springs public testimony held in May.

During my testimony in San Bernardino I made a suggestion that the map makers should think about starting their drawing process from the eastern border of California and move west. I am actually very serious about this suggestion. After hearing the testimonies in San Bernardino and San Diego, I believe this would help address a lot of the concerns voiced by not just eastern Riverside County, but the communities of San Diego and San Bernardino/Redlands area.

During my testimony in Palm Springs I included a power point presentation that included maps for your consideration. I strongly believe that if you use these maps, especially those for the 45<sup>th</sup> Congressional, 80<sup>th</sup> and 65<sup>th</sup> Assembly Districts and the 40<sup>th</sup> Senate Seat, this will allow you to address the concerns of the citizens of Imperial County, Eastern Coachella Valley, and the eastern portions of Riverside County.

I also believe that by following these maps, you can utilize the current cities and communities in the first draft maps to accommodate the changes desired in the San Bernardino Redlands area and the areas of San Diego that were spoken about on Monday night. The cities that are included in the first draft maps that border the western portion of the maps I proposed at the Palm Springs hearing could be used to make up for the population shifts required to satisfy the eastern portions of San Diego County, but especially the communities of San Bernardino and Redlands and the western areas of Riverside County.

I would just like to close reemphasizing the overwhelming testimony you have heard in our area about including Imperial County with the Coachella Valley. Including both of these areas in the Congressional District should satisfy the Voting Rights Act as well as

the numerous communities of interest expressed throughout all the hearings. Creating an Assembly District with Imperial County and the Eastern portions of Coachella Valley will also accomplish these two objectives.

I know that there were questions from commissioners about including Palm Springs in this AD, but that would not be the case if you look at the proposed maps I submitted in Palm Springs. I am suggesting that the 65<sup>th</sup> AD extend from the western portions of the Coachella Valley to the Beaumont Banning area which again share many commonalities expressed during public testimony. The dividing line would be Bob Hope Street which divides the eastern and western portions of the Coachella Valley.

In San Diego there seemed to be a recurring theme about the affluence of Palm Springs. While it is true that there are some affluent people in the Palm Springs area, the majority of our full-time residents do not fit that criterion. One only has to look at the statistics for the Palm Springs Unified School District which encompasses the cities of Palm Springs, Rancho Mirage, Cathedral City, Desert Hot Springs and Thousand Palms that show 85% of our children are on free and reduced lunch.

Finally, as I expressed at the conclusion of my testimony in San Bernardino, the proposed Senate seat does not satisfy the nesting requirements and includes communities that have absolutely no common interests with each other. Once again, I refer you to the original maps I proposed that would nest the 80<sup>th</sup> and 65<sup>th</sup> AD's into the 40<sup>th</sup> Senate seat.

*Dear Commissioners. I strongly support the comments of the above speaker at the hearings.*

Sincerely

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