

Subject: Public Comment: 6 - Merced

From: Marshall Stephen Jones <[REDACTED]>

Date: Tue, 21 Jun 2011 23:31:53 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

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Subject: Merced Region should not include Santa Clara

Message Body:

Thank you for your work. Having lived, worked, and voted in both Merced and Santa Clara as an adult, I find them to have few local issues in common. Merced is an agricultural economy (7th or 8th largest in the world) with little non ag industry. Santa Clara while it has some ag most are gentlemen farms and the primary industry is semi conductors and non ag industry. Our living standards are different. Merced's average family income is a fraction of Santa Clara. Our needs in Merced the 7th youngest County in the Nation needs more education which we are trying to achieve. We need more low cost youth programs to bring up our youth as productive adults. Santa Clara is much more mature and doesn't have the same level of needs Merced County has. Santa Clara needs our water yet Merced needs the water if we are going to continue to feed the Country and World. Santa Clara rural is still primary urban as they work and live as urbanites. Merced is rural in by definitions use!

d by the State and Federal governments. Health care and social programs are defined as rural by the Federal government. Santa Clara is urban. Merced shares very little with Santa Clara in addition to socio economic issues we are separated by the coastal hills. A 2 plus hour commute. Don't share the same Transportation Congestion issues. Our commutes are less than 10 minutes. The Valley air is negatively impacted by Santa Clara pollution as it blows over the hills and sites in the Valley, while the afternoon breeze cleans their air and makes our unhealthy. Neither area understands or can relate to the others problems and solutions. This is absolutely not a good fit.

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Subject: Public Comment: 6 - Merced

From: "N. Montgomery" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Tue, 21 Jun 2011 23:55:47 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: N. Montgomery <[REDACTED]>

Subject: ReDistricting

Message Body:

Merced has no community interest with the Coastal counties and we do NOT like the draft.

Thank you,
N.Montgomery, Social Worker

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Subject: I oppose the new draft lines

From: "Gort, Joy" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Tue, 21 Jun 2011 17:01:33 -0700

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

I live in Merced and oppose the new district that includes coastal communities. We in the Valley have to fight for our issues and being a smaller community, we would lose ground over areas such as San Jose. If coastal communities are running the show for the valley we will see nothing and in an economy that is already poor, with little jobs and many foreclosures, this district change will literally leave us in the dust. Please reconsider redrawing the lines with more of the valley incorporated instead of the coastal counties. This will ensure our voice and concerns are heard.

Thank you for your time,

Joy Gort

[REDACTED]

Merced CA 95340

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Subject: redistricting

From: "McGuinness, Janet" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Tue, 21 Jun 2011 16:46:36 -0700

To: "[REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>

I think this is the biggest waste of time & money. Leave the 12th senate district the way it is. Merced Co. is a Farming town & county-San Jose, Santa Cruz are coastal big city communities. I think it a mistake to combine the area's into one just for voting purposes.

Sincerely

Janet McGuinness

[REDACTED]

Merced Ca 95340

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