

Subject: Public Comment: 8 - Alameda

From: Alejandro Diesta <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 9 Jun 2011 15:34:40 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Alejandro Diesta <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistrictin San Leandro

Message Body:

Dear Sir/Ma'am:

Please keep San Leandro in one district and not split it into two between Oakland and Hayward.

Thank you!

Alejandro Diesta
San Leandro, CA

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Subject: redistricting

From: ansuya phadnis <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 9 Jun 2011 10:59:24 -0700 (PDT)

To: [REDACTED]

Dear Commissioners:

We read the article this morning and are upset that the Commission is even thinking of putting Fremont outside Alameda County. We are proud of our elected officials in standing up for Fremont being part of Alameda County. We fully expect the Commission to restore Fremont to Alameda County by this Friday's maps.

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Please note that when the Bart system went into effect the idea was to have all five counties to go round. It was only Snata Clara county that did not want to participate and now after almost 35 years they have decided to have Bart and at huge expense. Fremont cannot afford these kind of ineffective and expensive projects.

As such I am against redistricting, and I hope you understand. what is good for the people of Fremont and not think of dividing a county for your benefit think of the people you want to serve.

Thank you,

Ansuya Phadnis

Subject: districting

From: louise lynch <[REDACTED]>

Date: Tue, 7 Jun 2011 19:12:34 -0700 (PDT)

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

NO WAY!!!

I am appalled that you would even consider taking our district apart and dumping us in San Jose!

On what grounds - we are **already** a very diversified community - with citizens from all races, religion, economic status, and political parties-???

Reconsider- **we are the tri- cities** , **we are CA13**, and wish to remain so- geography, issues, and interests in San Jose are totally not ours-

Sincerely,
Louise Lynch
Fremont, Ca,

Subject: Please keep Fremont in Alameda County

From: Karen Anderson <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 8 Jun 2011 17:05:58 -0700 (PDT)

To: [REDACTED]

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Thank you,
Karen Anderson

Subject: Redistricting

From: [REDACTED]

Date: Wed, 8 Jun 2011 15:32:20 -0700

To: [REDACTED]

Comissioners,

I have lived in San Leandro for 13 years and have been happy to have representatives who will listen to our whole city. Splitting us up would result in a fractured city whose interests are of little concern to those north and south of us.

Please do not split San Leandro!

Rhett Varnadore

[REDACTED]

[San Leandro](#)
[California](#)

Subject: redistricting - Fremont

From: Gene and Mary Bobik <[REDACTED]>

Date: Tue, 7 Jun 2011 12:47:10 -0700

To: [REDACTED]

Dear Commission,

We are very concerned about changing the congressional district to take Fremont away from Newark and Union City and having Fremont part of a San Jose district. This doe snot make sense. I do not feel any tie to San Jose, but I do feel a tie to Newark and Union City.

Please respect the people in the Tri-City area and keep our Congressional District intact. We urge the Commissioners to keep Fremont as part of the 880 corridor district. Doing so keeps it compact, contingous and preserves the communities of interest. Not doing so is making a mockery of the line-drawing process.

This cannot stand.

Mary and Gene Bobik

[REDACTED]
Fremont, CA 94536

Subject: Regarding Fremont Redistrict

From: Prasanna Kunisetty <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 8 Jun 2011 11:00:09 -0700 (PDT)

To: [REDACTED]

Dear Commissioners:

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Thank you,
Prasanna Kunisetty

Subject: URGENT REQUEST

From: Nivi Gupta <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 8 Jun 2011 11:15:43 -0700

To: [REDACTED]

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Thank you,
Nivi Gupta

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Nivi Gupta

Subject: Fwd: CA 13 Redistricting Map

From: Toni Shellen <[REDACTED]>

Date: Mon, 6 Jun 2011 23:23:59 -0700

To: [REDACTED]

Dear Commission,

I am very concerned with the proposed redistricting which would separate Fremont from Alameda County and place our congressional district in the county of Santa Clara. This also would disregard the historical relationship between the the tri-cities of Fremont, Newark and Union City. Our three cities have a lot in common and have built up wonderful cooperative working relationships over the years.

This proposal disregards the many testimonials at the citizen commission explicitly stating that we want the Tri-Cities of Fremont, Newark, and Union City, to be united. The starting map shows no regard for this citizen input or understanding of our area. The crossing of county lines to place Fremont (Alameda County) in with San Jose (Santa Clara County) is very impractical. It is important that citizens be encouraged to participate as fully as possible in our government, yet this would require our active Fremont community to be separated, not only by physical distance, but by a lack of common issues with the rest of our congressional district.

I urge the Commission to respect our rights and keep the Tri-Cities together. In creating these maps, please listen to the actual testimony of citizens who live in these neighborhoods. Fremont residents do not identify with San Jose. We are, and always will be, part of the Tri-Cities and should have Congressional representation that reflects that. Historically the cities have shared so much towards being identified as larger "Communities of Interest". Fremont is an integral part of Alameda County and plays a pivotal role in its economy and its regional impact.

I retired from teaching in Fremont five years ago and I have lived here for forty years. There are many reasons why I choose this as my home, but if I had to state only one reason why I love my city, it would be our cultural diversity. I am concerned that moving Fremont violates the Voting Rights Act. Our Congressional district is the most diverse in the state. I believe that moving Fremont away undermines that diversity.

We are proud to have a congressional district that has been together for nearly 40 years, and was drawn by court lines and reflected as such in the recent Columbia University study as well.

I urge the Commissioners to keep Fremont as part of the 880 corridor district. Doing so keeps it compact, contiguous, and preserves the communities of interest. Not doing so would be a serious mistake and would be harmful to all three of our diverse cities.

Please respect the concerns of the citizens of our community.

Sincerely,

Antonette M. Shellen

[REDACTED]
Fremont, CA 94539

Subject: Keeping Fremont in Congressional District 13

From: Saleacia Taylor <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 8 Jun 2011 10:58:34 -0700 (PDT)

To: [REDACTED]

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Thank you,

Saleacia Taylor

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From: Jacqueline Kranich <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 9 Jun 2011 16:47:15 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Jacqueline Kranich <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Splitting Fremont into two congressional districts

Message Body:

Please vote against splitting the city of Fremont into two congressional districts. Fremont needs to remain with the Southern Alameda County district and the Tri Cities of Fremont, Newark and Union City.

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From: Morgan Mack-Rose <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 9 Jun 2011 21:49:21 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Morgan Mack-Rose <[REDACTED]>

Subject: San Leandro Redistricting

Message Body:

Dear Commissioners,

I am writing to urge you NOT to divide the City of San Leandro between two districts! We are a small city (84,000) with a mix of light industrial and residential neighborhoods. Our populations is extremely diverse and we have needs that are unique because of our size and our population. I would not characterize our challenges as being closely aligned with either Hayward or Oakland, both of which are diverse but large communities which, because of their size, have access to many more resources. We depend on the direct access and significant influence we can have on our representatives as a single voting block. Dividing our city would completely undermine our leverage and leave San Leandro out in a no-mans land politically. Thank you for considering my comments!

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From: Lori Parks <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 9 Jun 2011 17:02:04 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Lori Parks <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting

Message Body:

Keep San Leandro as ONE DISTRICT. Please do not split between surrounding cities.

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From: Sunil Dhawan <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 9 Jun 2011 14:06:56 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Sunil Dhawan <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Dividing Fremont

Message Body:

PLEASE DO NOT divide Fremont into 2 congressional districts as our interests are all aligned. Separating the city will lead to multiple problems.

The interests of the southern part of Fremont DO NOT lie with Santa Clara county!

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From: Janet Blondeau <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 9 Jun 2011 17:03:01 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Janet Blondeau <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Keep San Leandro Whole!

Message Body:

Please keep San Leandro as one urban unit in the setting of district boundaries. San Leandro is a cohesive community. We are not like any other community. To best provide for the San Leandro community, we should be considered as one unit. I urge the Commission to maintain San Leandro as one unit in the same district and not split San Leandro between two districts.

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From: Edward McKnight <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 9 Jun 2011 15:50:23 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Edward McKnight <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting affecting San Leandro

Message Body:

To Whom,

It has come to my attention that a redistricting is being proposed in which San Leandro would be split between two of our larger neighbors. I would like to voice my opposition to this and request that you not split San Leandro. Our little town has a hard enough time dealing with larger issues (proposed East Bay transit issues, for example) and if split between two very different neighbors we'd be lost and not have a city voice.

thx, Ed McKnight
the Broadmoor

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From: Ed Pentaleri <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 9 Jun 2011 15:33:11 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Ed Pentaleri <[REDACTED]>

Subject: City of Fremont, Southern Alameda County

Message Body:

Fremont is a large, diverse city of nearly 220,000 people that has long been represented with other Southern Alameda County cities in a single congressional district. As such, we have long worked collaboratively with our neighbors on regional issues of common interest, including regional transit, housing, and economic development.

Please, please, please -- the interests of this city are already complex enough without splitting its congressional representation between districts. Combining only part of Fremont with cities in Santa Clara county makes no sense in terms of historic patterns of regional planning, coordination, and development, and would greatly complicate the task of governing this already complicated city.

As a very strong first preference, Fremont should be kept wholly in a single district with other cities in Southern Alameda County. As a second preference, it should be moved wholly into a single district with other Cities in Santa Clara County. Under any circumstances, however, it would be a true and needless hardship on the people of Fremont to split this community's representation between two districts whose respective centers serve such different communities and interests.

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From: Shawna Holmes <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 9 Jun 2011 20:54:15 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Shawna Holmes <[REDACTED]>

Subject: City of Fremont

Message Body:

To whom it may concern: I am strongly against the proposal to split the City of Fremont into two separate Congressional Districts. Fremont not only needs to remain with one congressional boundary to have its interests proportionally represented, but it needs to remain connected to Union City and Newark as well. Dividing our community between two Congressional offices would not double our support base would but instead would further marginalize our interests. Please vote no against such a recommendation. Thank you.

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From: Shelley Martin <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 9 Jun 2011 20:49:40 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Shelley Martin <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting San Leandro

Message Body:

Keep San Leandro in one district!

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Subject: Public Comment: 8 - Alameda

From: Vijay Sethna <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 9 Jun 2011 13:03:26 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Vijay Sethna <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting of Fremont

Message Body:

Fremont is one of the largest cities in the Bay area with a strong ethnic population comprising of Pacific and South East Asian communities, it also is home to the largest Afghani population in the US. Besides the population diversity, Fremont boasts of a varied business home like the Tesla Motor plant, Solyndra solar panel manufacturer, hard drive manufacturers like Western Digital and Seagate and various other conventional as well as high tech businesses. This all rounded diversity cannot be matched elsewhere and hence its integrity must be maintained.

Splitting Fremont to have two different representatives in Washington and/or Sacramento makes no sense. Splitting Fremont up into two different districts will require twice the effort to contact two different representatives and have them both work cohesively together in the best interests of Fremont. Anyone who has worked with the various Government agencies will attest to this. This will in addition put a greater financial burden on the city which it can least afford.

Surely you can find a more reasonable and cost effective solution than splitting the city up into two and urge you to develop an alternative plan.

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From: madhu grandhi <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 9 Jun 2011 23:21:01 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: madhu grandhi <[REDACTED]>

Subject: redistricting of Fremont

Message Body:

Please do not split Fremont between congressional and legislative districts.

thanks

Madhu

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Subject: Public Comment: 8 - Alameda

From: Ross Kinnie <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 9 Jun 2011 15:56:58 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Ross Kinnie <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Keep San Leandro in one district

Message Body:

Dividing a city into two districts will make it hard for it to be represented properly

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