Subject: Public Comment: 8 - Contra Costa

From: Carol M Hehmeyer <

Date: Sat, 18 Jun 2011 18:48:01 +0000

To:

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Subject: MISLABELING CITIZEN COMMENTS

Message Body:

In reading the comments you have posted on your website, I notice that you have clumped (dismissed, really) comments under the title CCAG. This is the title of the Conservative Citizens Action Group which is headed by David Salaverry.

However, the comments you have "clumped" are from the Coalition of Suburban Communities for Fair Representation (CSCFR). This is a different citizens' group.

Please do not cavalierly dismiss comments that way. You are charged with redistricting based upon valid community of interest testimony. To do that, you must keep track of it (you need transcripts!). You must also distinguish between racial and ethnic groups, which are NOT communities of interest under either our state Constitution or under Supreme Court law, and communities based upon common living circumstances, which are valid communities of interest.

It is those factors which we all live with and share in common in a community, and which we and vote upon that constitute a community of interest. Transportation, police, fire, library, college, water, and other such districts, along with shared styles of living such as urban, suburban, agricultural, industrial, rural, -- all constitute valid, Constitutional factors in communities of interest.

Best, Carol M. Hehmeyer

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Subject: Public Comment: 8 - Contra Costa

From: Leonard E Lloyd <

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Subject: Exclusion of city of Oakley

Message Body:

The separation into an unrelated district of the voters in Oakley, far east Contra Costa County is unacceptable. That Stockton-based district can replace the population by including Manteca. How can Oakley voters develop grass root candidates unless they are in the same district as their immediate neighbors with whom they share schools, churches, retail, medical care and employment? When Oakley must share a district outside CC Co, it has much more in common, including employment, with the Livermore-Pleasanton area of eastern Alameda County.

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