

**Subject:** Public Comment: 8 - Napa

**From:** Nicole Dolinar <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 6/27/2011 8:35 AM

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Nicole Dolinar <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Re-districting

Message Body:

In this voter's opinion it is vital to keep Napa and Sonoma counties intact. Decades of effort have gone in to creating and preserving a balance between growth and agriculture. Hacking the counties in to pieces goes a long way towards reversing those efforts.

Sincerely,

Nicole Dolinar

Napa county

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**Subject:** Comments on redistricting

**From:** "Tony Benedetti" <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 6/27/2011 3:13 PM

**To:** <[REDACTED]>

June 27, 2011

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

Dear Commissioners,

We write you as an owner and as employees of Honig Vineyard & Winery located in Rutherford, California in the center of the Napa Valley. We have reviewed the proposed boundaries for the redistricting of the 1<sup>st</sup> Congressional District and have some concerns. It is our opinion that any new boundaries align the interests of the area it encompasses.

While Napa County varies from the agricultural north to the more populous south, it is a county that is geographically small, and from the north to the south, we have very common interests in our watersheds, transportation, recreation, threats to agricultural, growth issues, and economic goals. We also share many of these issues with the counties to our west and north and feel that we should be joined together in representative districts. We support the 1<sup>st</sup> Congress as it is currently defined.

Sincerely,

Michael Honig  
President  
Honig Vineyard & Winery

Tony Benedetti  
Chief Financial Officer  
Honig Vineyard & Winery

[REDACTED]  
Rutherford, CA 94573  
[REDACTED]

**Subject:** Napa-Sonoma-Mendo: Keep Them Together

**From:** Melissa Matheny <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 6/27/2011 4:47 PM

**To:** <[REDACTED]>

Dear Citizens Redistricting Commission,

I am writing to comment on the drafted realignment of Napa County's congressional district.

I voted for the existence of the Citizens Redistricting Commission, and I appreciate the Commission's efforts to be as fair as possible. With the same breath, I feel compelled to disagree with the current redrawing of the congressional districts.

There is no question that Napa has many more shared interests with Sonoma and Mendocino than with Yolo and Solano! Napa County is clearly bound to Mendocino and Sonoma due to the counties' shared dependence on the industries of wine, tourism and agriculture. Industrial commonalities are key when drawing lines for congressional districts, and it is key that we share a district with neighboring Sonoma and Mendocino counties.

I strongly urge the Commission to reconsider keeping Napa, Sonoma and Mendocino counties in one U.S. Congressional District.

Sincerely,

Melissa Munoz-Matheny  
Napa County, California  
[REDACTED]

**Subject:** Public Comment: 8 - Napa

**From:** Robert Matheny <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 6/27/2011 5:17 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Robert Matheny <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Congressional Redistricting

Message Body:

I strongly oppose the preliminary redistricting lines of the former 1st congressional district. I believe that the economies of Napa, Sonoma, Mendocino, Humbolt & Del Norte Counties are so interrelated and interdependent that to break them up would cause severe representational harm. Additionally to separate American Canyon from the rest of Napa County would be harmful for that city's identity. It would separate the workers living in American Canyon from many of their employers in Napa and the rest of Napa Co. Please give this issue the utmost consideration. Thank you

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