

**Subject:** California's proposed redistricting

**From:** Toni Miller <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Tue, 28 Jun 2011 16:03:21 -0700 (PDT)

**To:** [REDACTED]

The redistricting of areas in northern California is very unfair to the voters in the Lodi area. Lodi will lose its political representation in the valley if these district boundaries are made. These cities have much larger populations.

We do not want someone from the North Bay to represent us. Those communities you have grouped us have a much different agenda and vote differently and connect more with the views of the Bay area, not the San Joaquin Valley. We witnessed what happened in the last election when Harmon was elected to represent us and was elected by his Bay area population. Just check the percentage of eligible voters from our area against the percentage of those closer to the Bay area who voted for him. When was the last time Mr. Harmon was in Lodi or Stockton to ask our views before he voted on anything. Our votes really did not count. Lodi needs to stay in the valley area!

Is this not just another plan by Bay area politicians to elect their cronies which will lead to still more corruptness in government. Enough is enough, we want equal representation from our area not from the Bay area. Please re-evaluate your plan for more fairness and equality in representation.

Toni Miller

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

**Date:** Tue, 28 Jun 2011 14:49:10 -0700

**To:** [REDACTED]

I am very much opposed to the redistricting plan to include Lodi and environs in with the bay area. the valley tends to be conservative, while the bay area is not generally known to be, and will actually cancel the valley vote. this is not good for the area. Lets rethink this and include likes with likes.

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*Robb*

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**From:** [REDACTED]

**Date:** Tue, 28 Jun 2011 18:39:22 +0000 (UTC)

**To:** [REDACTED]

San Joaquin County should be a complete entity. We should have two Assembly districts, taken as a whole in a State Senate district and our own congressional district. Please stop the long time practice of chopping up San Joaquin County

June 21, 2011

California Citizens Redistricting Commission  
1130 K Street, Suite 101  
Sacramento, CA 95814  
Fax: (916) [REDACTED]

**Re: San Joaquin County's State Senate and Assembly Districts (1<sup>st</sup> draft maps)**

Dear California Citizens Redistricting Commission,

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Please consider these concerns and the desire for effective representation in the Lodi area.

Sincerely,

**Larry P. Mettler**  
[REDACTED]

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Sincerely,

**Jason Eells**  
[REDACTED]

**Subject:** Redistricting Map Suggestion

**From:** "Tallberg, Rolf" <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Tue, 28 Jun 2011 22:26:35 +0000

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

Commissioners,

I saw in the first draft maps that you've placed Lodi in an assembly district in the Bay Area! Please change this. Lodi belongs in a district in the San Joaquin Valley. I live in Stockton, located in San Joaquin County, and I work in the greater Stockton/Lodi area.

Lodi, ideally, belongs with Stockton first, but I know you have to "spread the pain" as I've heard you say. So, I have another option: join Lodi with Galt in a southern Sacramento district. This way, Lodi still has representation in a valley district and Lodi is paired with communities like itself rather than with more urban populations with different priorities "over the hill."

Thank you for considering this small change that will make your first draft map much better.

Sincerely,

Rolf Tallberg

**Subject:** Redistricting Map Process

**From:** Marc Bourget <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Tue, 28 Jun 2011 17:34:23 +0000

**To:** <[REDACTED]>

June 28, 2011

**California Citizens Redistricting Commission**  
[REDACTED]

Re: Greater San Joaquin County Area,  
Congressional, State Senate and State Assembly Districts

Honorable Commissioners,

I had the privilege of speaking before you at your Stockton appearance on June 24<sup>th</sup>.

I wish to reinforce the points touched upon in my presentation, on this the last day for submission of public comment.

By the efforts published to date, it is obvious that this Commission has attempted to identify "communities of interest" as described in Article XXI §2 of the California Constitution, but I believe insufficient emphasis has been placed on how these "communities of interest" can and will be served by their representative(s).

This Commission appears to ignore the criteria established in §§(4), (5) and (6) of Article 21.

You cannot have "effective and fair representation" and "geographical compactness" that will promote efficient service by the Representative when you bundle Lodi with Sausalito or join Antioch and Brentwood with Stockton.

You can best comply with §(6) by placing a Congressional District over a State Senate District superimposed over two State Assembly Districts.

Compact, co-located Congressional, State Senate and State Assembly Districts in the greater San Joaquin County area would effect the most efficient, service oriented, redistricting scheme for this long neglected area.

It would also reduce unnecessary expense and improve efficient government.

Respectfully submitted,

Marc Bourget,  
Stockton, California

**Subject:** Redistricting in San Joaquin Co.

**From:** "Jerry Fry" <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Tue, 28 Jun 2011 16:48:51 -0700

**To:** <[REDACTED]>

To: Members of the California Citizens Redistricting Commission

I would like to express my disappointment in the Commissions draft maps as presented. As a resident of San Joaquin Co. in the Lodi area, I don't feel we will have adequate representation in a Senate or Assembly district that includes Yolo, Napa, Marin, and Solano Counties. These communities are too far distant, and do not have enough common interests to be represented by the same legislator.

It seems reasonable that San Joaquin Co. should have a State Senate District, and an entire state Assembly District, but should not be broken up as is currently proposed.

I respectfully request that further consideration be given to keeping local areas together, and the Districts be redrawn to this effect. The Commission's currently proposed maps continue the gerrymandering that we voted to change for our representative districts.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

**Jerry Fry**

[REDACTED]  
Lodi, CA 95240



**Subject:** Redistricting and Lodi, CA

**From:** Linda Miller <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Tue, 28 Jun 2011 12:53:48 -0700

**To:** [REDACTED]

**To the California State Redistricting Committee,**

What follows are a few comments that I hope will be helpful:

**US Congress:**

This proposal is very well done! The old district was clear gerrymandering as we have nothing in common with Fremont and San Jose. The new proposal appropriately groups us with Stockton and our surrounding communities. The only community missing is Galt and is the only change I would suggest.

**State Senate:**

This proposal I do not understand after the congressional map was so well done. In this proposal, Lodi is now disassociated from Stockton and San Joaquin County but associated with Santa Rosa and Napa? Yes, grapes are grown in Napa Valley but these communities have nothing else in common with Lodi. This is alarmingly similar to the districting scheme used in the present congressional district and is not acceptable. Why can't this district be similar to the proposed US Congressional district where Lodi is properly grouped with its neighboring communities and San Joaquin County? Are you aware that Stockton and Lodi have some shared schools?

**State Assembly:**

This proposal is better than the State Senate proposal but still comes up short as we are again disassociated from Stockton and San Joaquin County. Woodland is north of Sacramento – what do we have in common with Woodland? Once again, why can't a district, similar to the proposed congressional district, be developed for the State Assembly district?

Thank you for considering my comments and for your efforts in developing fair districting within California.

Regards,

Linda Miller

[REDACTED]  
Lodi, CA 95242

[REDACTED]

**Subject:** Public Comment: 9 - San Joaquin

**From:** Roger McCarthy [REDACTED]

**Date:** Tue, 28 Jun 2011 22:59:00 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Roger McCarthy <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Lodi

Message Body:

Lodi needs to be included in the San Joaquin Valley district, not in the district with Santa Rosa, Benicia, Vallejo, Suisun City, Fairfield, Napa, Winters & Woodland. The great majority of the above district is Bay Area, and has Bay Area concerns. Lodi is a San Joaquin County city, and has Valley concerns.

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 9 - San Joaquin

**From:** "Diane A. Steele" <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Tue, 28 Jun 2011 22:53:41 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Diane A. Steele <[REDACTED]>

Subject: redistricting

Message Body:

Leave Lodi in the valley. Do not link it up with bay area. Their needs & ours vary, alot.

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**Subject:** Placing the City of Citrus Heights in Two Different Districts

**From:** "John David" <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Tue, 28 Jun 2011 16:04:15 -0700 (Pacific Daylight Time)

**To:** <[REDACTED]>

CENTURY 21 Noel David Realty



CA Redistricting Commission Members: I do not understand why the city I live in is being divided into two different districts. It took all the strength we had to make this city a reality... Our state is renowned for being dysfunctional and this is just another confirmation of that... I suggest you use the Rotary four way test as you listen to constituents... Is it the Truth? Is it Fair to all concerned? Will it Build Goodwill & Better Friendships? Will it be beneficial to All Concerned... Please keep our city of Citrus Heights whole, john

John (Tony) David



**Subject:** Lodi - District

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

**Date:** Tue, 28 Jun 2011 09:16:22 -0600

**To:** <[REDACTED]>

Dear Commission Members,

Please don't put Lodi in Solano County! Lodi is where I lived and worked for a year and a half and it is where I still have a home. It is a Central Valley community through and through and belongs in the Central Valley, *not* in Solano which is known as one of the nine San Francisco Bay area counties!

I know you have a challenging job. Here is a suggestion: take Lodi and Galt out of the Solano County district and put them both into the southern Sacramento County district you call "SACEG" on your first draft maps on your website so we can both stay in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley.

Lodi, Galt and South Sacramento depend on Highway 99. Solano uses Interstate 80. We are on one side of the Delta. They are on the other. There are no good roads to get from Point A to Point B. We are different economically, socially and politically.

There is no community of interest and no reason to put us together. Please do not treat my city like leftovers after making everyone else happy and put us in a Frankenstein district. Keep Lodi in a district on the right side of the Delta.

Thankyou for considering this small change in your second draft maps.

Sincerely,

John Jonassen

June 28, 2011

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901 P Street, Suite 154-A  
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Honorable Commissioners:

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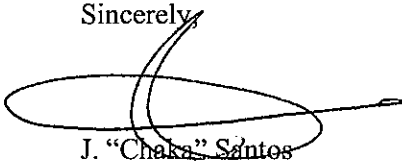
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As a growing city, Lathrop's ties to San Joaquin County have been essential to stable growth and development. This partnership has facilitated the provision of important support services, such as the San Joaquin County Sheriff's contract that established the Lathrop Police Department in 1990. With this in mind, I would oppose Lathrop being redistricted into the fringes of a State Assembly District that predominately represents Stanislaus County and which would undoubtedly dilute the voice of our nascent community.

Given the nature of the redistricting process, I understand that as one Assembly District is changed, others must also be amended to account for the shifts in population. I recommend that the Commission consider communities to the east of Stockton as potential additions to the Stanislaus Assembly District to offset the addition of Lathrop to the San Joaquin Assembly District.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this very important matter. Should you have any questions or should you wish to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact my office at (209) 941-7215.

Sincerely,



J. "Chaka" Santos  
Mayor, City of Lathrop

# City of Lathrop



**From the Desk of:  
Vice Mayor Christopher Mateo**

[REDACTED]  
*Lathrop, California 95330*  
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Sincerely,

Christopher Mateo  
Vice Mayor, City of Lathrop

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**From the Desk of:  
Councilmember Sonny Dhaliwal**



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Sincerely,



Sonny Dhaliwal  
Councilmember, City of Lathrop





# Fwd: REDISTRICTING ... UNACCEPTABLE!!!!!!

Voter <[redacted]>  
To: [redacted]

Wed, Jun 29, 2011 at 2:41 PM

Supporters - Lodi  
June 28 prior to 5 pm

----- Original Message -----

**Subject:** REDISTRICTING ... UNACCEPTABLE!!!!!!

**Date:** Tue, 28 Jun 2011 13:38:57 -0400

**From:** Betty Winn <[betty@REIGroup360.com](mailto:betty@REIGroup360.com)>

**To:** [redacted]

**CC:** Matthew [redacted]



Dear California Citizens Redistricting Commission:

I am a resident of Lodi. I have seen the 1<sup>st</sup> draft maps and Lodi will not have any effective representation if these maps are adopted. I am addressing the Commission because I do NOT want to be in a Senate or Assembly District that includes Yolo, Napa, Marin, and Solano counties. Those are far distant communities that have nothing in common with Lodi. It is important to me to be in a district with my neighbors here in San Joaquin County.

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In 2001 San Joaquin County was irrationally divided between four Assembly Districts that tears the county apart. The Senate Districts are not much better. That has been terrible and as a result I do not have any effective representation in Congress. Don't do that to us again!

Keeping Lodi in an Assembly and Senate District with the balance of San Joaquin County would preserve the city and county boundaries and give those in Lodi an effective political voice. If population requirements compel the Commission to split a San Joaquin County city off to be joined with other counties, it should be Tracy, as it has much more in common with the Bay Area than Lodi does with Davis or Santa Rosa. There are many commuters in Tracy who travel to the Bay Area for work. I'm sure there is no one in Lodi who commutes to Santa Rosa for work.

So, I think it is only natural that the City of Lodi and San Joaquin County be kept in a single Senate District; and that we have an entire Assembly District, but not more than two Assembly Districts in the county. Thank you for your time.

BETTY ROBINSON-WINN  
Partner Educator Investor



Every Friday Night "Cashflow" Game by Rich Dad Poor Dad  
Every Monday Night Mixer/Briefings  
\*\*Must RSVP for Time and Locations\*\*