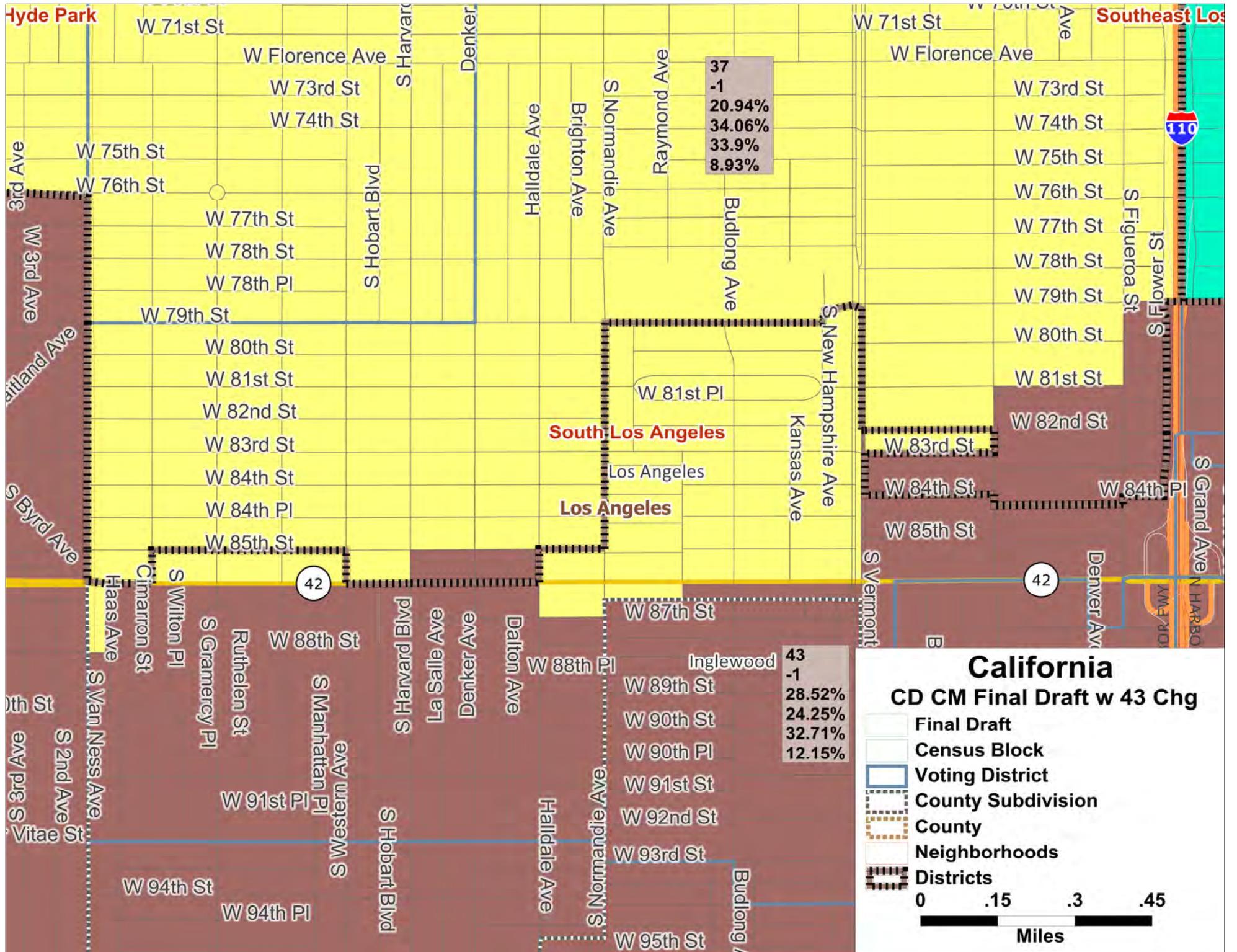






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**Subject:** Protect South LA - Don't Divide my Community

**From:** Bruce Gray <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Fri, 29 Jul 2011 17:46:58 -0400 (EDT)

**To:** [REDACTED]

**Subject:** Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

**From:** Beverly Sawyer <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Sat, 30 Jul 2011 01:33:26 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

**From:** Beverly Sawyer <[REDACTED]>

**Subject:** Beach Cities

Message Body:

The Redistricting Commission pledged to follow our wishes, when they drew the congressional and state legislative district lines. Hundreds of us told the Commission that the Beach

Cities should be kept together.

But the Commission put PV and the Beach Cities in with Santa Monica and took Lomita out of our district. Hundreds showed up at the Commission's hearing last month in Culver City and spoke about keeping us separate from Santa Monica. We are now one of the worst gerrymandered districts in the state.

Put Lomita back in the Beach Cities Congressional District back together starting with Westchester and ending with PV or San Pedro. The Congressional District should include Westchester, El Segundo, Hawthorne, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, all of Torrance, the Pales Verdes Peninsula, Lomita, Harbor City, San Pedro and as much of Wilmington as possible.

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

**From:** Demirea Perry <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Fri, 29 Jul 2011 20:37:19 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Demirea Perry <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Maps

Message Body:

I want to know whats seats are in within this address 928 E Via Wanda Long beach ca 90805..

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

**From:** diana nave <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Fri, 29 Jul 2011 22:14:53 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: diana nave <[REDACTED]>

Subject: San Pedro Maps

Message Body:

The latest version of the Senate and Assembly Maps have kept San Pedro together. We really appreciate that. The latest version of the Congressional Map almost does that, however it still splits our Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council Area. It would not take much to move the line between Western and Gaffey north to Anaheim and then all of San Pedro and our Neighborhood Council would be together. We appreciate any assistance you can provide.

Diana Nave  
President  
Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

**From:** Dianne Erskine-Hellrigel <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Sat, 30 Jul 2011 01:07:47 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Dianne Erskine-Hellrigel <[REDACTED]>

Subject: UNHAPPY with division of my city

Message Body:

I am extremely unhappy, as is everyone I know with the current lines in redistricting. I am separated from my city and my state representatives would be in a completely different area and not the least concerned with our goals, needs, problems, etc. The city of Santa Clarita needs to stay together in one cohesive district.

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

**From:** Judith Neal <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Sat, 30 Jul 2011 00:43:00 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Judith Neal <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Final Maps

Message Body:

I am so disappointed with the Commissions final drafts. You should all be ashamed of yourselves. You are without a doubt the most corrupt group I have seen in years....

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

**From:** Lisa Novotny <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Fri, 29 Jul 2011 22:31:45 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Lisa Novotny <[REDACTED]>

Subject: What happens after Aug. 15?

Message Body:

The Hearing Schedule shows meetings until Aug. 31, 2011, but the agenda items appear to be from 2010. What happens after the Board approves final maps? What status will the maps have if they are challenged in court?

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

**From:** Lydia Gutierrez [REDACTED]

**Date:** Fri, 29 Jul 2011 23:51:48 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

**From:** Lydia Gutierrez <[REDACTED]>

**Subject:** New State Senate Seat #35

Message Body:

I am taking note that you are including those who ran for the seat but did not win as you have with seat #26 by naming Kevin Biggers. Biggers ran in the primary against Rod Wright, then seat #25 year 2008.

I ran against Rod Wright in the run off and my name is not present, the year 2008. Please explain why the double standard?

My name should be listed in #35 with Rod Wright because I live in San Pedro.

Thank you for your time,  
Lydia Gutierrez

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

**From:** Lydia Gutierrez [REDACTED]

**Date:** Fri, 29 Jul 2011 23:59:30 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Lydia Gutierrez <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Assembly #70

Message Body:

Wilmington should be included with San Pedro. The Harbor should not be taken away from them. They have to live with the pollution from the Harbor. Needs to be on the South Bay side.

Thank you for your time,  
Lydia Gutierrez

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

**From:** Timoth Smith <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Fri, 29 Jul 2011 17:21:53 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Timoth Smith <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Preliminary Final Maps

Message Body:

Hi - The map downloads available through your web-site all appear to have the same name and the name appears to suggest that the downloadable files only include assembly districts. Am I doing something wrong? Thanks in advance for your response. Tim Smith

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

**From:** Mary Sinclair <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Sat, 30 Jul 2011 01:21:29 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Mary Sinclair <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Look again

Message Body:

Communities of interest? What ever happened to that concept?

Why is Pasadena put in with the little towns of the San Gabriel Valley? What do we have in common with Glendora or Duarte? Not a lot.

Put Pasadena back in the same districts with Burbank and Glendale. Put all of these three cities in the same district.

These are communities of interest.

Thank you,

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

**From:** Michael DeLeeuw <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Sat, 30 Jul 2011 01:18:38 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Michael DeLeeuw <[REDACTED]>  
Subject: Pasadena

Message Body:

I have an idea for you. Put Arcadia and San Marino in congressional and assembly districts with the other bedroom, suburban communities of the San Gabriel Valley and put all of Pasadena back with Glendale and Burbank, the other CITIES we have more in common with.

You will get more competitive elections because the additional Republicans in Glendale and Burbank will balance out the Pasadena Dems.

Burbank, Glendale and Burbank have a lot in common. How many of the suburbs have an airport? Utility companies? Police departments and fire departments? Diverse populations?

Put Pasadena, Glendale and Burbank back in the same districts please.

Michael DeLeeuw

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

**From:** Nancy Lee <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Sat, 30 Jul 2011 01:28:58 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Nancy Lee <[REDACTED]>

Subject: splitting of Santa Clarita

Message Body:

S0000... no hearing in Santa Clarita area... with our over 350K people...

AND... where is the map(s)...

Seems like the same old, same old...

Thanks you for a prompt reply...

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

**From:** Paul Little <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Sat, 30 Jul 2011 01:10:01 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Paul Little <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Pasadena

Message Body:

Your final draft maps are very disappointing.

You put Pasadena into one congressional district but then shifted it east so that the remainder of the district has little in common with Pasadena and divorced us from Glendale and Burbank.

Communities of interest have things in common such as shared municipal facilities (like Bob Hope Airport), similar populations, economies, municipalities and common interests.

Had you considered real communities of interest, Burbank, Glendale and Pasadena would be in the same congressional district, assembly and senate district.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

**From:** Sheila Bray <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Sat, 30 Jul 2011 00:47:51 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Sheila Bray <[REDACTED]>  
Subject: 36th CD

Message Body:

I thank the Commission for giving me the opportunity to participate in drawing the lines for our community. I am (your name) and I am a resident of (your city).

I have reviewed the preliminary district maps issued by the commission on the Commission's website for the Palos Verdes Est-Beach Cities. I find much of the proposed districts to be acceptable, however I do respectfully request the Commission modify the maps per my recommendations that follow. My proposed modifications affect all three districts.

Others and I were very pleased with the preliminary edition of the 36th congressional district (CD) available on the website, June 2, 2011. It was almost a carbon copy of what many of us proposed and placed on the Commissions website prior to that date. However, between June 2nd and the June 10th preliminary releases, a few significant changes were made to the preliminary 36th CD. Specifically, several key cities of our community were removed from our proposed congressional district, namely Lawndale, Hawthorne, Lennox, Wilmington and a portion of San Pedro. These cities were replaced with Venice, Santa Monica, Harbor City and a portion of Harbor Gateway.

Please understand, Venice and Santa Monica are not a part of our Southbay community while the cities of Lawndale and Hawthorne are very much a part of our Southbay community. In fact, the city of Lawndale posts on their website that they are "The Heart of the Southbay." Except for the fact that Venice and Santa Monica are cities on the Pacific coastline, they have little else in common with the Southbay. Most of us seldom visit the cities of Venice and Santa Monica and we certainly do not work, shop or recreate in these cities. Further, folks from Venice and Santa Monica likewise testified at hearings that they are not part of the Southbay and wish to be removed from the proposed 36th CD.

To the contrary, many of those who reside in the cities of Lawndale and Hawthorne work at Southbay small businesses and are employed by our aerospace industry. Further, many of us residing in the peninsula cities have friends and relatives residing in these cities as well as own and operate businesses in these cities. The cities of Lawndale and Hawthorne are very much "communities of interest" to us.

I respectfully request the Commission include Lawndale and Hawthorne in the final 36th CD and eliminate Venice and Santa Monica from it. From the viewpoint of population, it is practically a one for one swap. Venice and Santa Monica have a combined population of approximately 129,000 and Hawthorne and Lawndale have a combined population of approximately 118,000. To accommodate the difference, I suggest the Commission consider adding the section of Harbor Gateway south of the 405 Freeway and north of Sepulveda to the section of Harbor Gateway already included. This adds approximately 6,000 people to the proposed final congressional district, thus making up most of the loss from the desired swap. Additionally, I strongly recommend all of San Pedro be included in our CD as well as Lennox and Gardena west of Western Ave. This yields a population of approximately 704,000, the required number of people for a congressional district in accordance with the 2010 census data.

Regarding the Assembly District, I request the elimination of Westchester and Marina

Del Rey from the Commission's preliminary map and the addition of Lawndale and the section of Del Aire south of El Segundo Blvd. This is practically a one-for-one swap in population numbers. This permits the city of Lawndale to be in the same assembly and congressional districts and it complies with the Assembly District population requirement of approximately 465,000.

I again thank the Commission for your interest in our community and your conscientious work in our behalf.

Yours sincerely  
Sheila Bray

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**Subject:** Redistricting Public Comment - San Fernando Valley Congressional Districts

**From:** Paul Waters <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Fri, 29 Jul 2011 20:03:37 -0700

**To:** <[REDACTED]>

Dear Redistricting Commission,

The 2000 redistricting of the two congressional seats in the San Fernando Valley split the Latino community between them. This was inappropriate, and done strictly in the interest of preserving incumbency.

The proposed 2010 congressional seats for this area well addresses this issue, with the creation of a Latino-majority seat centered in the northeast San Fernando Valley. While there may be minor adjustments that could be made to better-retain the integrity of specific communities. Should there be any changes, please retain the integrity of this seat with boundaries closely aligned to those as currently proposed.

Sincerely,

Paul Waters

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Paul Waters

[REDACTED]

Valley Village, CA 91607-3610

[REDACTED] Fax: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**Subject:** Redistricting-Walnut

**From:** Suzanne Ly <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Fri, 29 Jul 2011 23:30:53 -0700 (PDT)

**To:** [REDACTED]

Hi,  
I just want to know how the redistricting are made? I live in the City of Walnut and pay city taxes for Walnut. However, part of Walnut is Rowland District which is how the boundaries are split up. I don't understand that at all because my kids are not allow to attend Walnut district school. It is not fair when you live and pay taxes and not even allow to attend the walnut district school. I wanted to know if Walnut will ever get their city back and be in the same district(Walnut)? Other people that live in other district such as West Covina and so forth are allow to attend school in Walnut District while people like myself who live in the city are not allow to. Seem very unfair. Please forward this comment to the representatives and try to get part of Walnut city back into the district boundaries. I would like to see all Walnut city to belong in the Walnut district boundaries not just part of Walnut. Its very unfair how boundaries are split. It is sad to live in the city like Walnut and not be able to let our kids attend the district. Please do something about it and please let me know if anything can be done.

Thank you

Suzanne

**Subject:** Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

**From:** Ellis Lai <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Fri, 29 Jul 2011 16:47:42 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Ellis Lai <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Palos Verdes Peninsul redistricting

Message Body:

I don't understand why PVP will be lumped with Santa Monica. Just because both communities are near the ocean doesn't mean the people have anything in common. PV people have more similar lifestyles to people in the South Bay like Torrance and Redondo Beach, not the hyperliberal socialists on the Westside like Santa Monica. Plus the demographics are completely different. The South Bay have far more diversity with a higher level of Asians in the community while the Westside is mostly White.

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

**From:** Kim Hughes <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Fri, 29 Jul 2011 16:10:41 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Kim Hughes <[REDACTED]>

Subject: City of South Pasadena

Message Body:

Dear Commissioners:

I would like to voice my concern over the re-districting that is impacting the City of South Pasadena.

For one office, the new boundries are being drawn in such a way that the city is being divided in half and for a city of only around 25,000 this would be devastating.

In addition, one of the new alignments has the City of South Pasadena associated with part of east Los Angeles. While there are some common themes and issues, the historical and common association would be better if the alignment was with fellow San Gabriel Valley cities.

I would like to request that your honorable commission review the re-districting, so as to not divide this samll community and to keep the San Gabriel Valley association in tact.

I applaud your community servie and taking the time to give of yourselves to this groundbreaking and worthy effort.

I believe that the re-thinking of the current boundries that are impacting the City of South Pasadena would result in a stronger association for the greater community.

Thank you again for your service and your attention to our views and comments.

Warmest Wishes,

Kim Hughes

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Blocks, something went wrong. But without an explanation from the Statewide Database regarding their methodology, I cannot confirm what it is that went wrong. Given that the plan data files were only released yesterday I have not had the time to determine if the differences could drop any of the barely-majority CVAP districts below 50%.

- Doug

Douglas Johnson

Fellow

Rose Institute of State and Local Government

m [REDACTED]

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**Subject:** Vermont Knolls LAX Noise Mitigation COI Correction (note from AARC expert and files)

**From:** E Teasley <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Fri, 29 Jul 2011 08:59:28 -0700

**To:** "Office, Communications" <[REDACTED]>

**CC:** [REDACTED]  
<[REDACTED]>  
[REDACTED]

"There is a 3803 person exchange between CD37 and CD43 (they numbered the districts). This leaves the districts population where the Final Draft had them. The change should take them less than 5 minutes for each governmental level. (CD, SD, ASM). The reports may take an additional amount that could add up to an hour depending upon the type and amount of reports."

Zoom Map of Change (.pdf)

<http://www.censuschannel.net/clients/aarc/Cong CM Final Draft 072811 w 43 Chg/Cong CM Final Draft 072811 w 43 Chg.pdf>

Shape Files for CD 37 and 43

<http://www.censuschannel.net/clients/aarc/Cong CM Final Draft 072811 w 43 Chg/Cong CM Final Draft 072811 w 43 Chg Shape.zip>

On Fri, Jul 29, 2011 at 8:51 AM, E Teasley <[REDACTED]> wrote:

The file we sent yesterday was prepared based on the last map available (pre-wetlands addition and VA removal). This is revised to the Final Draft Maps released yesterday morning.

On Thu, Jul 28, 2011 at 8:56 AM, E Teasley <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Dear Commissioners:

Please see the attached letter re: the Vermont Knolls neighborhood in Congressional District IGWSGF (West L.A./Culver City/View Park). It appears that it was removed from the rest of the LAX noise mitigation/soundproofing area COI at some point in your process.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Erica

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

**From:** Georgia Mae Brewer <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Fri, 29 Jul 2011 19:15:06 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Georgia Mae Brewer <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Sherman Oaks is NOT in the West SF Valley

Message Body:

It is very appalling to see that our Sherman Oaks community is being gerrymandered into the West San Fernando Valley. Look at the map, we are stuck in the far end of an "L" shaped district, most of which is far west of the 405 freeway.

Why are we not part of the other Central San Fernando Valley communities, with which we share a climate and a socio-economic reality? We are far more diverse, with a larger first-generation immigrant community that Calabasas!

And we are contiguous with Van Nuys and North Hollywood! Why would we be lumped in with communities so far west of us?

I thought that this commission was supposed to prevent exactly what is happening - amazingly insensitive divisions that lack any reasonable explanation at all.

Please provide the facts that supported this decision. Without facts, I can only conclude that someone on your commission wants Sherman Oaks to be associated with "white" "rich" and "exclusive." Well, we're not!

Thank you.

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**Subject:** In Support of the Final Preliminary maps for LASGF Senate 25 and Assembly 41 districts

**From:** Fabian Paredes <fb[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Fri, 29 Jul 2011 00:54:54 -0700 (PDT)

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

Dear Commissioners,

I just want to congratulate you on a wonderful job with the redistricting maps. I watched while you took into careful consideration all the community of interests and contiguity. I could feel your passion to protect these communities with minimal impact respecting the Voters First Act. I especially appreciate the consideration of LASGF Senate 25 and Assembly 41 districts. Finally someone understands the history of the Gracious City of Upland and its connection to the San Gabriel Mountains and Foothill region.

Please keep these maps intact with no changes to the final preliminary maps for LASGF Senate district 25 and Assembly 41. It is important our community of Upland is connected with the Foothills communities that include Claremont, Laverne, etc... I hope the information that I previously submitted was helpful regarding the history, traffic stats, hospital services and Upland Consumer Confidence report 2010 on ground water extracted from Claremont Heights. We submitted a petition of citizens in support of the LASGF Senate district 25 and Assembly 41. I hope you vote unanimously in favor of the final preliminary maps for LASGF Senate district 25 and Assembly 41.

Thank you again for the excellent work.

Sincerely,  
Fabian Paredes

**Subject:** redistricting maps

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Date:** Fri, 29 Jul 2011 12:36:59 -0400 (EDT)

**To:** [REDACTED]

Commissioners:

While I applaud your Assembly and Congressional maps (with minor reservations), the Senate boundaries are completely contrary to the mandate of your commission. I would never have voted for Prop 11 had I imagined that strong, persistent lobbying by special interests (i.e. VICA, and others) would have the same disastrous effect as the legislative groups had in the past.

Our new proposed district is without cohesive integrity. We are coastal, mountain communities with school districts, water, transportation, commerce guided by our east-west geographical layout, not a north-south squeezed parcel, a leftover group of communities, neither of whom want to be together. This is not the creation of communities of interest mandate you were given. PLEASE reconsider. This is 10 years of our lives struggling to make our voices speak stronger as communities of interest - your MANDATE.

Joan Slimocosky 36 year resident of Monte Nido, long time advocate and worker bee of saving the Santa Monica Mountains.

**Subject:** Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

**From:** Francine Hill [REDACTED]

**Date:** Fri, 29 Jul 2011 15:40:14 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Francine Hill <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Maps and how they came to their decision

Message Body:

I applied for this, since I am a volunteer for other entities, my main reason for wanting to be a part of this commission was because it would have been a learning experience for me, learning how it is determined how the lines are drawn and why. Since, I have nothing to lose, no property, no job (retired) I feel my decision would really be in the best interest of the people who live in these communities.

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