

Subject: AVSCV Congressional District

From: "Greg" [REDACTED]

Date: 7/23/2011 1:07 PM

To: <[REDACTED]>

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I object to Simi Valley being tied into the Santa Clarita area without a major road access. Using the mountains to provide contiguity is certainly against the spirit of the law, if not the rule.

I also object to the approach you used in splitting Simi Valley. Madera (Olsen) makes a much more logical boundary. There are county islands in that area. If you need more population, there is a county island around Sinaloa Lake that could be added.

Greg Stratton

Subject: Public Comment: 5 - Ventura

From: david johnson <[REDACTED]>

Date: 7/23/2011 2:49 PM

To: [REDACTED]

From: david johnson <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Castaic fix

Message Body:

I am following up my previous testimony to help solve the EVENT district problem and reunite Castaic with its proper home. Please accept the following 3 way equal population exchange:

Take Reseda out of EVENT and put with LASFE:

The North boundary is Roscoe Blvd. The West boundary is Corbin Ave.. The East boundary is White Oak Ave. and the South boundary is Victory Blvd. Reseda is a square with four major streets- Roscoe Blvd., Corbin Ave., White Oak Ave., and Vicotry Blvd.

Take Granada Hills out of LASFE and put with LAAVV:

The southern boundary of Granada Hills is Devonshire Blvd. West boundary is Lindley Ave. Take Lindley Ave. North above the 118 Freeway. Take Hesperia Ave. North. Continue North, East of both Aliso Canyon Park and Porter Ridge Park until you get to Standard Oil Fire Road. Standard Oil Fire Road is the Northwest point of Granada Hills. Now head East across Corral Sunshine Mtway and take in Omelveny Park until you get to the Old Road, which is also the I5 and HWY14 connector (this is the Northeast Boundary). Take the Old Road South, which then turns into San Fernando Road then becomes Sepulveda Blvd. Continue South along I5 and South 405 until you reach Devonshire, which is the southeast corner of Granada Hills.

Take population form LAAVV and put into EVENT:

West boundary - head due north at LA County Ventura County line to Templin Hwy north of Castaic.

East Boundary - continue north on Newhall ave as current map. Newhall ave becomes Railroad ave contine north as Railroad ave becomes Bouquet Canyon Road. Proceed 2 miles to Haskall Canyon Road and make a left going north. Proceed through the city until you hit Bureau of Land Management parcels. Then proceed west to loop back toward Castaic.

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Subject: Simi Valley districts

From: "Greg" <[REDACTED]>

Date: 7/23/2011 3:42 PM

To: <[REDACTED]>

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The initial comments from the commission was that SV was to be removed from the Congressional district that contained the rest of Ventura County so that Thousand Oaks wouldn't be separated in all three offices. Now Simi Valley is separated in all three offices, and twice coupled with Santa Clarita with which there is minimal common interests.

Looks like the same old tricks.

Greg Stratton

Subject: Testimony for Redistricting - Eastern Ventura County

From: Chuck Ford <[REDACTED]>

Date: 7/23/2011 7:12 AM

To: [REDACTED]

To the Members of the Commission,

I've been viewing each of the preliminary maps since the first draft was released and I approved of each of the drafts plans for Eastern Ventura County. As a resident of the city of Thousand Oaks, I believe that we should be in a district with the majority of the county, as opposed to being placed a district with the San Fernando Valley. Being placed in a district with the San Fernando Valley would dilute the city from having a voice in the House of Representatives. In terms of compactness, it makes sense to keep most of the cities in the county together. Much of the county shares environmental and business interest, which would be well served by being placed in the same district, as those interests could be properly addressed.

Thank you,

Chaise Rasheed

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Geographic and Historical Background

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Every ten years our country, due to the census, has to draw new lines for state and federal districts. The point is to make representation as fair and equal as possible.

Two facets of our local redistricting conundrum that we are all concerned about have perhaps not yet been considered.

The Santa Susana/Simi Hills Mountains create a natural geographic boundary that has worked for local residents since the days of the Chumash Indians. Indian villages named Shimiya and Taapu (from which the words Simi and Tapo are derived) were their settlements, long before European influence began.

When the Anza expedition (1775-1776) first brought settlers northward into Alta California, a soldier named Santiago Pico, along with his family, was in the group.

In 1795, when Santiago Pico got a royal concession from the king of Spain to operate El Rancho Simi, it consisted of 113,000 acres that included Moorpark. Only a very small portion was in Los Angeles County, when the lines were finally drawn between the two counties.

Eventually when the American pioneers arrived (after 1865), the Spanish Rancho remained intact, and Simi Land and Water Company was formed to organize and promote settlement.

El Rancho Simi was the earliest Spanish Colonial Land Grant in all of Santa Barbara County, which later split into Ventura County as well.

Pioneers, working hard to begin a community, felt isolated "except for tax time." However those early families stayed with it and gradually Simi has gained stature along with the rest of our ten cities.

These are the reasons that Moorpark and Simi should not be at the outer edge of Los Angeles County. The geographic hurdle will be almost impossible to conquer. For all these years, these natural boundaries have been in place. There is no need to disregard them now.

Simi and Moorpark will be isolated once again.

Sincerely,



Patricia Havens, Simi Historian