

Subject: Carmela Perez

From: Moshi Moshi <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 20:03:53 -0400 (EDT)

To: [REDACTED]

Dear Commissioners,

Your recent changes to the MRCED assembly district that includes Merced and Stanislaus County are wonderful. Thank you for improving what was already a good job for my area and honoring our neighborhoods.

In Appreciation,
Carmela Perez

Subject: Keep Communities of Interest Together

From: Chamber of Commerce <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 10:03:29 -0700

To: <[REDACTED]>

Dear Redistricting Commission:

As a resident and member of the Central Valley business community, I am writing to urge rejection of the July 7th Board of Equalization Visualization.

These maps destroy the Central Valley's representation on the Board of Equalization by splitting the Central Valley among two districts, one with population centered in San Diego and Riverside and one with population centered in urban City of LA and the Bay area counties of Yolo and Solano. The Central Valley is our Community of Interest and for the first time in our lifetimes, the Commission is poised to take away our voice on the Board of Equalization.

At a minimum, we ask that you go back to your June 10th First Draft maps. Those kept our agricultural Central Valley community of interest intact, although we weren't comfortable with so much of the City of LA in the first draft, at least the Central Valley would have the ability to elect a member from our community.

Under the July 7th Visualization, urban communities get an additional district and the Central Valley gets none.

We support the Ventura and Greater Los Angeles African American Chamber of Commerce proposal to address the problems with the June 10th maps by swapping agricultural Ventura for the City of Los Angeles, but at a minimum, if you cannot solve the only problem with the June 10th maps, that of the City of LA in the East District, at least adopt the June 10th maps as presented and reject the terrible July 7th Visualization.

Thank you.

Jacki Flanagan, Manager

Chowchilla District Chamber of Commerce

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Chowchilla, CA 93610
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Serving Chowchilla area businesses since 1965.

Subject: Merced Senate District

From: "Garcia's Market" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 12:01:06 -0700

To: <[REDACTED]>

Hi I am Councilmember Guillermo Ochoa from the City of Ceres and I testified at your hearing on June 24th in Stockton. Thank you for hearing our comments. The current visualization of the Merced Senate Seat is not perfect, but is a significant improvement from before. Thank you for understanding that we did not believe San Jose and Ceres had much "community of interest". As currently depicted, the Merced seat could be enhanced by including Turlock with Ceres in the Merced seat. I know my councilmember counterparts in Turlock have expressed concern that they are now part of a mainly mountain region that stretches from Sacramento to Death Valley. Like Ceres, Turlock is an agricultural based community and so should be kept in a district comprised of mainly of other valley floor communities. Like Ceres, Turlock's commerce is heavily tied to the Hwy 99 corridor. It makes little sense to me to carve Turlock out in between Ceres and Merced County along Hwy 99. I'd strongly recommend adding Turlock to Ceres in the Merced Senate map.

Thank you for your consideration.

Guillermo Ochoa
Councilmember, City of Ceres

Subject: Public Comment: 6 - Merced

From: Gary Potter [REDACTED]

Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 15:32:08 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Gary Potter <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting Maps

Message Body:

How stupid to put Turlock with DeathValley !!!!!!! Why not with Merced which is 30 miles away !!!!

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This mail is sent via contact form on Citizens Redistricting Commission

REGION 6: MADERA

Chowchilla District Chamber of Commerce[REDACTED] Robertson Blvd., Chowchilla, Ca 93610
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July 15, 2011

Citizens Redistricting Commission
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Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Commission Members,

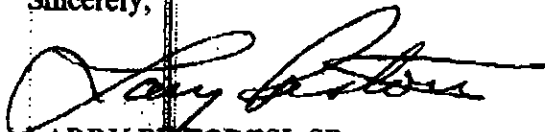
The Chowchilla District Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors has reviewed the 1st Draft Redistricting maps for Assembly, Senate, Congressional and Board of Equalization Districts.

The Board of Directors has instructed me to provide comment regarding these maps.

The Board voted unanimously via a motion that Madera County should remain whole when drawing all District lines to maintain representation of common interests.

It is the consensus of the Board of Directors that Madera County that keeping the county whole would give our membership and the County the best representation for our citizens. If it is necessary to meet the population requirements for each District map; drawing no more than two (2) lines would provide the best representation for our membership area and our County.

Sincerely,



LARRY PISTORESI, SR.
President