

Subject: Public Comment: 7 - Santa Cruz

From: Rachel Dann <[REDACTED]>

Date: Tue, 5 Jul 2011 22:54:49 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Rachel Dann <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Do not split the City of Santa Cruz

Message Body:

I understand that the most recent visualization has the city of Santa Cruz split between two congressional districts. The City of Santa Cruz has been in the same congressional district as the rest of Santa Cruz County (virtually) for years. With a population of only 59,000, it is illogical to split such a small city. The City is the county seat and is a community of interest. The City of course shares the tourism industry, the University (which would be in a different congressional district than the rest of the City), and local media. This county already suffered through a horrid redistricting process 10 years ago which split our senate district into three districts. Please do not make the same mistake that the state legislators did 10 years ago by splitting the city of Santa Cruz.

Sincerely,
Rachel Dann

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Fwd: Redistricting Input

Voter <[REDACTED]>
To: [REDACTED]

Thu, Jul 7, 2011 at 10:38 AM

Region 7 - Santa Clara
July 5

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

Subject: Redistricting Input

Date: Tue, 5 Jul 2011 15:43:08 +0000 (UTC)

From: [REDACTED]

To: [REDACTED]

CC: Andrés Quintero <[REDACTED]>

Members of CRC,

At your hearing in San Jose, CA on 06/25/2011, the San Jose community presented the following concerns and asked for your help to resolve the concern of San Jose losing its influence in Sacramento due to San Jose being split in half by the boundary lines on the southern side of City Hall. Also, the redistricting map for Assembly District 23 dilutes the voting power of the existing ethnic group. It prevents them from selecting leadership that is representative of their community. It took many years of effort to achieve this voting power and the CRC is wiping it out with the proposed redistricting. Please change the northern boundaries to keep the voting power with the ethnic community so they can elect leadership from their community.

Forrest Williams,

San Jose Redistricting Commissioner

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From: Brenda Lawrence <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 6 Jul 2011 06:34:50 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Brenda Lawrence <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting

Message Body:

Please do not split Santa Cruz into two Congressional Districts. This would really hurt the city.

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From: John Wilson <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 6 Jul 2011 06:24:59 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: John Wilson <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Please don't divide our district.

Message Body:

Please don't divide our santa cruz district. Thank you

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From: Robert Williamson <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 6 Jul 2011 06:07:19 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Robert Williamson <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting proposal

Message Body:

At nearly 60,000, City of Santa Cruz is one of the smallest cities to be divided in the current statewide redistricting process.

The eastern and western portions of the City of Santa Cruz share a community of interest based on our media and local economy of tourism and visitor services, higher education and high tech.

With only four incorporated cities in Santa Cruz County, having the the City of Santa Cruz (County Seat of Santa Cruz County) not in the same Congressional District would disenfranchise the County as a whole.

In the 2001 redistricting, Santa Cruz County, the smallest county in California, was divided between two US House districts, two State Senate districts and two State Assembly districts.

The Commission is projecting to divide the community once again at the House and Assembly levels. Dividing the City of Santa Cruz would disconnect the most of the City of Santa Cruz from the shared community of interest of Monterey County, San Benito County and the majority of the County of Santa Cruz.

I agree with these points of view and hope the commission re-thinks it's goals.

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From: Ryan Coonerty <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 6 Jul 2011 05:25:24 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Ryan Coonerty <[REDACTED]>

Subject: City of Santa Cruz

Message Body:

Dear Citizens Commission,

Thank you for your work to make the state's districts more thoughtful and representative. I am writing as Mayor of Santa Cruz with a concern for your proposed split of our city into two congressional districts. We are a small city (58,000). We are cohesive community -- politically, socially, and from a business and environmental perspective. To divide our small community into two districts would make it very difficult to have our voice heard in Washington, particularly as it relates to federal funding and issues for our river levee, metro system, UCSC, and coastal trails. Please reconsider the proposed plan and feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Ryan

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From: Denise OConnor <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 6 Jul 2011 05:24:02 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Denise OConnor <[REDACTED]>

Subject: District Splits

Message Body:

Please Do Not split our district.

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Subject: Public Comment: 7 - Santa Cruz

From: Jennifer Karno <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 6 Jul 2011 05:18:03 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Jennifer Karno <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting

Message Body:

Please do not split Santa Cruz into two congressional districts. It is imperative that as a city we have collective agreement and unity. We need more shared investment in our interests. Separating the City will be a detriment to this goal.

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From: Darren Odden <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 6 Jul 2011 05:15:01 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Darren Odden <[REDACTED]>

Subject: No redistricting

Message Body:

Please leave our area intact so that we can still make sure we have good representation for our unique concerns.

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Subject: Public Comment: 7 - Santa Cruz

From: Jeremy Neuner <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 6 Jul 2011 05:14:25 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Jeremy Neuner <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Do NOT Split the City of Santa Cruz

Message Body:

Splitting the City of Santa Cruz into two congressional districts will be incredibly disenfranchising for the citizens of this amazing city. Santa Cruz is a tight-knit community of interest, sharing the common links of tourism, higher education, a growing high tech sector, and a commitment to environmental sustainability. By not having the ability to speak with one voice in Congress, Santa Cruz will have difficulty getting the getting the federal resources and attention that it needs to achieve its goal of becoming the premier small city on the west coast. Santa Cruz is on the cusp on an exciting, enviable rebound. Splitting the city into two congressional districts will hamper this rebound irreparably. That's bad for Santa Cruz, bad for the state of California, and ultimately bad for our nation.

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From: Meredith Vivian <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 6 Jul 2011 04:59:02 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Meredith Vivian <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting in Santa Cruz

Message Body:

Please do not split Santa Cruz into two Congressional Districts as it will hurt our ability to compete for federal funds.

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Subject: Public Comment: 7 - Santa Cruz

From: Leslie Auerbach <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 6 Jul 2011 04:48:58 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Leslie Auerbach <[REDACTED]>

Subject: redistricting

Message Body:

Please resist any "solution" that splits Santa Cruz; the loss to integrity -- politically, socially, rationally -- would not be worth the quick fix. There are urban, albeit small urban, issues to be solved here. Let Santa Cruz take on its responsibilities in a rational fashion. We'll all gain.

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From: Glen Schaller <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 6 Jul 2011 02:59:13 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Glen Schaller <[REDACTED]>

Subject: MONTEREY CD

Message Body:

Your most recent visualization prepared for the MONTEREY CD shows the City of Santa Cruz cut in half.

As the second smallest county in CA, we did not like it 2001 when we were gerrymandered into two CDs, 2 SDs and 2 ADs (I guess we should be happy for small favors that we have been in just one B of Eq district).

The CCRC's current plan would divide a city of fewer than 60,000 people.

Please keep our community of interest, the City of Santa Cruz, whole within the MONTEREY CD.

Thank you for all your hard work.

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From: Don Lane <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 6 Jul 2011 01:36:21 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Don Lane <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Santa Cruz

Message Body:

I understand your latest idea is to split the City of Santa Cruz between two congressional districts.

We are a small, compact city with a population of just under 60,000. Both parts of the city share similar characteristics and the same economic base. Please find a way to avoid dividing the city in two.

Thank you for your consideration.

Don Lane
Vice Mayor
City of Santa Cruz

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Subject: Public Comment: 7 - Santa Cruz

From: Celia Scott <[REDACTED]>

Date: Tue, 5 Jul 2011 23:46:32 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Celia Scott <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Keep the City of Santa Cruz Whole

Message Body:

As a forty two year resident of the City of Santa Cruz, and a former City Council member and Mayor, I was disturbed to learn that the CCRC is proposing to divide the City of Santa Cruz into two Congressional districts. I urge you to reconsider this unfortunate proposal and keep the City of Santa Cruz Whole.

The eastern and western parts of Santa Cruz are beyond dispute a "community of interest", which is linked in every possible way, including the selection of our City Council by voters in both areas. The City of Santa Cruz is also the County seat of the County of Santa Cruz, and it is illogical to split the City itself in its Congressional representation. Dividing the City of Santa Cruz would also disconnect most of the City from the community of interest of Monterey County, San Benito County, and the majority of Santa Cruz County. Monterey Bay itself is a community of interest in the most fundamental way.

I voted for the Commission but never imagined that our City could be split in this way. It has had intact representation in Congress all of the 42 years that I have lived here. There is no compelling reason to change it now.

Thank you for consideration of these remarks.

Celia Scott

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