Subject: Public Comment: 7 - Santa Cruz

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Date: Mon, 18 Jul 2011 20:26:28 +0000
To: [Redacted]

Message Body:
Don't split up the City of Santa Cruz. It dilutes the voter impact of the city. All of the City should remain in the district which contains Santa Cruz County.

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The line in downtown Santa Cruz is unfortunately drawn. IMHO it would be better to draw the line down the middle of the San Lorenzo river and adjust the population of the district elsewhere. I do not know the reason why you have chosen this alignment but please know that historically a significant student population has rented apartments in the "beach flats" near the Boardwalk that is now between the line and the river. This community has clear ties to the University of California campus which is, of course, on the other side of the line. In sum, it would be much more intelligible for laypeople if the line went down the river, as then West Santa Cruz with the University would be lumped in with Silicon Valley and East Santa Cruz would go with the rest of the county and Monterey County. Thanks for you consideration.

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Subject: Don't split the city of Santa Cruz in half!

Message Body:
This would not be good for our region which shares common business and cultural interests.

Thank you,
Manu Koenig

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