Fwd: Public Comment: 7 - Santa Cruz

To: Region 7 - Santa Cruz
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Subject: Public Comment: 7 - Santa Cruz
Date: Thu, 21 Jul 2011 22:48:08 +0000
From: David K Watson
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Message Body:
I've watched enough of the hearings to understand that it may simply not be possible to keep the city of Santa Cruz in a single congressional district.

If the city cannot be kept whole, please draw the lines so that the main downtown business and civic area is not arbitrarily split up the middle.

This can be accomplished by moving the proposed boundary line slightly to the east or to the west. In both cases, it assumed that the line that comes ashore and follows West Cliff Drive will remain as is.

If shifted slightly to the west, the line could follow Chestnut Street to the Mission Street/Highway 1 intersection, follow Mission Street to Center Street and meet the current proposed line.

If shifted slightly to the east, it could follow Front Street, Soquel Avenue, South River Street, and River Street to the intersection of River Street and North Pacific Avenue and meet the current proposed line.

If a greater shift to the west is needed, then Bay Street is a logical dividing line.

If a greater shift to the east is needed, the San Lorenzo River, Ocean Street, or Ocean View Avenue & Branciforte Avenue all make more sense as a north-south dividing line than the current proposal.

Thank you for your consideration.

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