Subject: Public Comment: 8 - Contra Costa

From: Paige Miller <paige.miller@email.com>
Date: 7/25/2011 6:15 AM
To: public.comment@redistricting.ca.gov

From: Paige Miller <paige.miller@email.com>
Subject: Pleasant Hill/Martinez - RAMON District

Message Body:
I am very frustrated with the idea the the redistricting commission is considering moving the Pleasant Hill and Martinez from the RAMON district to the WINE district. Under commission guidelines, districts should share geographic, social, and economic traits, but under this proposed change I will not share the same district with my neighbor literally across the street. Meanwhile, the new representation of Pleasant Hill/Martinez (MY COUNTY SEAT) will have representation from a completely absent and different political, social, geographic, and economic base. Please reconsider this proposal as bad for everyone involved.

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Subject: Public Comment: 8 - Contra Costa
From: John Fingarson <johnfingarson@citizensredistricting.org>
Date: 7/25/2011 11:43 AM
To: 

From: John Fingarson <johnfingarson@citizensredistricting.org>
Subject: DO NOT move Pleasant Hill and Martinez

Message Body:
Pleasant Hill and Martinez SHOULD NOT be moved from RAMON to WINE. These cities share nothing in common with that region. It would be the same as taking a part of San Francisco and realigning it with Oakland--doesn't fly! We may be close geographically, but there is a world of difference between the bridges!! Thank you, John Fingarson

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Hello,
I live and work in Contra Costa County. I rarely if ever go into Solano County, or Yolo, Lake, Napa. I, as a resident of Pleasant Hill, have no desire to have my senate district moved from RAMON to WINE. Please keep Pleasant Hill and Martinez in the same senate district it has always been in. Thank you.

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This mail is sent via contact form on Citizens Redistricting Commission
Subject: Public Comment: 8 - Contra Costa
From: Julie Peterson <julie.peterson@citizensredistricting.com>
Date: 7/25/2011 2:20 PM
To: Public	Comment:	8	-	Contra	Costa

From: Julie Peterson <julie.peterson@citizensredistricting.com>
Subject: Moving Martinez & Pleasant Hill into New Region

Message Body:
Thank you for your time and attention to the matter of redistricting. While I understand that you have no way of pleasing everyone with the changes you will be making, the change involving the move of the cities of Martinez & Pleasant Hill from the RAMON region to the WINE region makes little sense. Furthermore it doesn't seem to follow the "community of interest" guidelines. Martinez and Pleasant Hill are separated from the other counties in question by the Suisun Bay, thereby not being geographically contiguous. Martinez is the county seat of Contra Costa County so it would seem odd to remove it from the RAMON district. Most of our job opportunities, our media market and our "identity" directs us toward the East Bay and San Francisco, not Sacramento or Santa Rosa. It is my opinion that the Commission needs to rethink this recommendation. Thank you.

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From: Marian Shostrom <mshostrom@epix.net>
Date: 7/25/2011 9:48 AM
To: [Recipients]

From: Marian Shostrom <mshostrom@epix.net>
Subject: Redistricting

Message Body:
I appreciate the difficult work the commission is doing. I want to comment on the proposal to move Pleasant Hill and Martinez into a district with Yolo, Napa, Solano, and Lake counties.
Pleasant Hill and Martinez are NOT geographically part of the rest of this proposed district, as we are physically separated from them by Suisun Bay. Our two cities are an integral part of the East Bay region as well as being major cities in central Contra Costa County. As such, we share no specific social or economic characteristics with the four northern counties mentioned above. Our media market is completely different from these other counties. The vast majority of our residents are employed in the East Bay or San Francisco. There is very little overlap between us and these other counties when it comes to employment or other interests. Please keep Martinez and Pleasant Hill with other Central Contra Costa cities.

Sincerely,
Marian Shostrom

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Subject: Public Comment: 8 - Contra Costa
From: Donna Love <donnalo123@gmail.com>
Date: 7/25/2011 6:53 PM
To: redistricting

From: Donna Love <donnalo123@gmail.com>
Subject: redistricting

Message Body:
Do not take Pleasant Hill and Martinez out of RAMON, please ... the other plan makes no sense to me.
Sincerely, Donna love

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From: Margery Llacuna <margery.llacuna@domain.com>
Date: 7/25/2011 4:59 PM
To: 

From: Margery Llacuna <margery.llacuna@domain.com>
Subject: Pleasant Hill and Martinez

Message Body:
Keep Pleasant Hill and Martinez in the RAMON district. Do not redistrict us with the northern counties.

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Subject: Public Comment: 8 - Contra Costa
From: Don Andrews <don.andrews@example.com>
Date: 7/25/2011 2:17 PM
To: 

From: Don Andrews <don.andrews@example.com>
Subject: Pleasant Hill

Message Body:
This makes absolutely no sense at all - we live in Pleasant Hill within 3 blocks of Walnut Creek and Lafayette and a mile or so from Concord - we share NOTHING with communities north of Suisun Bay.

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This mail is sent via contact form on Citizens Redistricting Commission
Subject: Public Comment: 8 - Contra Costa
From: Michael Geraghty <michael.geraghty@conracosta.gov>
Date: 7/25/2011 8:51 PM
To: Michael Geraghty <michael.geraghty@conracosta.gov>

Subject: Pleasant Hill Redistricting

Message Body:
I am opposed to the state senate redistricting plan to move Pleasant Hill and Martinez into a district with Napa, Yolo, Lake and Solano counties. We are geographically separated and have much more in common with our own county. Some one please explain to me what reasoning could possibly be used for this proposal? I am appalled.

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Date: 7/25/2011 9:48 AM
To: Marian Shostrom <marianna.shostrom.com>

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Subject: Public Comment: 8 - Contra Costa
From: Jamie Lyn Guzman <Jamie.Lyn.Guzman@citizensredistricting.com>
Date: 7/25/2011 12:50 PM
To: citizens.redistricting.com@listserv.sfgov.org

From: Jamie Lyn Guzman <Jamie.Lyn.Guzman@citizensredistricting.com>
Subject: PH and Martinez “redistricting”

Message Body:
Pleasant Hill and Martinez are no where even remotely near Yolo or Napa Counties! THIS is the definition of Gerrymandering.

Hands off Contra Costa County!

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