Hello and thank you for the greatly improved proposed map called, "FTHLL."

Although you have gone a very long way to restoring integrity to El Dorado County, there is still need for further adjustments that are easy to address and go further to meeting the goals of your committee. Currently the proposed map includes Auburn in Placer County and excludes El Dorado Hills in El Dorado Hills. This should be corrected for a number of reasons.

1. All other things being equal, the county should be intact;
2. There are great similarities between Cameron Park and Shingle Springs including a shared ZIP code;
3. Far greater economic, demographic, and social ties exist between those peoples in western El Dorado County then between northern El Dorado County and Auburn in Placer County;
4. A significant geological and topographic feature separates El Dorado County from Auburn in Placer County;
5. Interstate 80 is the main corridor into the mountains from North Sacramento and it passes through Auburn, not El Dorado County.
6. The proposed map has the appearance of the worst elements of political gerrymandering;
7. Shifting the Auburn area out of the FTHLL district and the El Dorado Hills - Cameron Park areas back into the FTHLL district would correct all these noted problems while maintaining a close ration of population numbers;
8. Concurrently, the shift would also equalize and balance the "NSAC map to more accurately reflect the concept of North Sacramento.

I look forward to your improvements as you move forward on you work,
Cris Alarcon

Placerville Newswire
http://www.prpond.com/51/
Dear Redistricting Commission members,

I am a resident of El Dorado Hills and am alarmed with the most recent draft of the Assembly/State Senate districts in my area. I am worried that we are being grouped with communities that have different concerns, interests, history and needs than the residents of El Dorado Hills and Cameron park. I think that we have much more in common with areas that are on the this side of the American River and along the Highway 50 corridor and our representation should reflect this. I realize that the task before you is extremely challenging and appreciate the work you are doing. Please consider my concerns when making your decision regarding this area.

Thank you,

Zoe McNevin
El Dorado Hills, CA 95762
Dear Citizens Redistricting Commission;

Thank you for all your effort with such a large task. We appreciate your efforts and considerations.

We live in El Dorado Hills, along the Highway 50 corridor.

It has come to our attention that at the last meeting you proposed that our community, El Dorado Hills, be grouped with communities along Highway 80. It is our hope that this proposal was due to the Commissions unfamiliarity with how folks in Sacramento identify themselves.

Most people who live east of Sacramento for any length of time can tell you that we fall into two main camps, the Highway 50 folks and the Highway 80 folks...In El Dorado Hills, we are most assuredly Highway 50 folks.

When we moved to the Sacramento area, we decided to “settle down” in El Dorado Hills. We didn’t even consider for a second looking at communities along Highway 80.

As “50” folks, are both physically and mentally separated from the “80” folks. Our lives, our friends, family, shopping, activities, tend to be concentrated along one corridor or another. The Highway 50 corridor has a natural boundary to the north, the American River which physically separates us from the 80 folks. People who live along the 50 really try to avoid crossing over the River, since it is a traffic chokepoint.

All this to say, we would like to urge the Commission to keep our Highway 50 corridor intact, and please include El Dorado Hills (and Cameron Park), as part of this larger community.

Sincerely,
Ron and Kathleen Barnett
El Dorado Hills, CA 95762

follow along with my garden adventures. You can sign up to follow“to get the latest from
Cradle Mountain Gardener
http://www.cradlemtgardener.blogspot.com/