Subject: Objection to the proposed redistricting

Message Body:
Please reconsider your proposed redistricting to include Lake County with the Sacramento Region. We do not fit in that region. Lake County is a small County with its own unique resources. It is a more natural fit with other Counties in the Wine Country as Lake County is now a significant grape-growing area and also a tourist region. Lake County is also a good fit with Mendocino County, which is also a rural area similar to us.

We need to have a voice and putting us with the metropolitan Sacramento area would squelch that voice.

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This mail is sent via contact form on Citizens Redistricting Commission
Subject: Public Comment: 9 - Lake
From: Anna Ravenwoode <anna.ravenwoode@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, 19 Jul 2011 01:55:19 +0000
To: 

From: Anna Ravenwoode <anna.ravenwoode@gmail.com>
Subject: Keep Lake County with Mendocino, Napa & Sonoma Counties

Message Body:
The new Redistricting lines show Lake County aligned with Colusa, Yolo and Glenn counties, which includes us within the Sacramento Valley. This unfortunate redistricting proposal removes Lake County from its economic and cultural bases of Mendocino, Napa and Sonoma Counties.
Keep Lake County with our other Northern California coastal communities of Mendocino, Napa and Sonoma Counties. To do otherwise, would put us at an economic and political disadvantage.

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This mail is sent via contact form on Citizens Redistricting Commission
Subject: Public Comment: 9 - Lake

From: Hedy Montoya

Date: Tue, 19 Jul 2011 02:42:29 +0000

To: [REDACTED]

From: Hedy Montoya <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Keep Lake in same current district

Message Body:
I request that Lake County continue to be included with Napa, Sonoma and Mendocino because socially, economically and culturally, we are all part of the Northern California coastal community.

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This mail is sent via contact form on Citizens Redistricting Commission
Subject: Public Comment: 9 - Lake
From: Bryan Ridste <bryanridste@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, 19 Jul 2011 02:43:36 +0000
To: citizensredistricting@ca.gov

From: Bryan Ridste <bryanridste@gmail.com>
Subject: Same district

Message Body:
I request that Lake County continue to be included with Napa, Sonoma and Mendocino because socially, economically and culturally, we are all part of the Northern California coastal community.

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This mail is sent via contact form on Citizens Redistricting Commission
Subject: Public Comment: 9 - Lake

From: William Bennett

Date: Mon, 18 Jul 2011 07:16:46 +0000

To: 

Subject: Redistricting changes

Message Body:

Dear esteemed citizens:

What are you thinking with these changes to Lake County? We are not part of the Central Valley. That's just more of the same gerrymandering to artificially include populations of desired voters into the areas targeted for exploitation by nefarious legislators. Please excuse the strong language, but Mike Thompson has been our man in Congress for many years and is uniquely suited to represent the Wine Country. You may not be educated or aware of our land, people, and climate, but its soils are uniquely suited to vineyards of quality varieties including our own Lake County unique wine appellations. We are not a coast county but neither are we a Central Valley agricultural bucolic pastureland full of cows, corn, and melons, as you may assume. Lake County was MADE from Napa County, if I may illustrate our history for you. Our commerce and tourism is from the Bay Area and coastal regions, of which the wine industry including vineyards and winery tours are increasingly an economic part of. As for splitting our coastal state delegates away and giving us to Republican-held farming rural communities, I must strongly protest! Now the first drafts were very attractive and interesting, but these that follow are completely unacceptable and should you follow through on some of these ridiculous and ill-thought proposals, I can guarantee that they will be strongly protested to the California courts and on to the United States Supreme Court. You may very well be vilified in the public esteem which may I remind you, was why you were selected to be impartial and fair. Who, may I ask, has suggested these inane districts? Names, addresses, occupations, please- no Central Valley rich low-quality grape families or corporate masters headquartered outside of California? I hereby appeal to your reconsideration of this matter that is EXTREMELY important to the past, present, and future commercial and agricultural development and to the historic political attachments of Lake County. I await a response, please, regarding this matter.

William Edgar Bennett III

Clearlake CA 95422

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This mail is sent via contact form on Citizens Redistricting Commission
Subject: Public Comment: 9 - Lake

From: Theresa Logsdon <therezal@att.net>
Date: Mon, 18 Jul 2011 13:36:42 +0000
To: 

Message Body:
I oppose the suggested redistricting of Lake County into a new Yuba Congressional District.

Our geographic, recreational, agricultural, economic development, and tourism base are all more closely aligned to Napa/Mendocino than to Yuba/Sutter/Glenn.

Lake County was once a part of Napa county, and those ties remain. Our local Board of Supervisors recently went to Sacramento to successfully move our One-Stop services from alignment with the proposed area to Napa - where our economic and tourism base are more comparable.

Lake County is a member of the North Coast Tourism Council for good reason - we are more easily accessible from the North Coast than the Central Valley.

I am opposed to the proposed changes.

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This mail is sent via contact form on Citizens Redistricting Commission
Subject: Public Comment: 9 - Lake
From: Dwain Goforth <dewayne@netzero.net>
Date: Mon, 18 Jul 2011 13:46:19 +0000
To: 

From: Dwain Goforth <dewayne@netzero.net>
Subject: Congress and State Senate

Message Body:
Culturally, socially and economically, Lake County is much more aligned with Napa and Mendocino Counties than with Yuba, Sutter and Yolo Counties. And that includes the natural environment, communications and transportation.

Only ONE road connects Lake County with the proposed Congressional and state Senate districts, while numerous routes connect Lake with Napa and Mendocino Counties.

I don't want Lake County to become an ignored step-child in future state government.

Please keep cities and counties with natural affinities within the same districts.

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This mail is sent via contact form on Citizens Redistricting Commission
Subject: Public Comment: 9 - Lake

From: Jerry G Beckmann

Date: Mon, 18 Jul 2011 14:04:37 +0000

To: [redacted]

From: Jerry G Beckmann

Subject: Redistricting

Message Body:
Mike Thompson has been our rep for many years. Please leave our district alone. Great things are happening in Lake County. Don`t throw us to the wolves!

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This mail is sent via contact form on Citizens Redistricting Commission
Subject: Public Comment: 9 - Lake
From: Martha Steward <person@example.com>
Date: Mon, 18 Jul 2011 14:31:58 +0000
To: <person@example.com>

From: Martha Steward <person@example.com>
Subject: Redistricting

Message Body:
The future plans to align Lake County with Sacramento is not good. Keep Lake County in the original district, align with Napa and Mendocino counties. Our Congressman and State presentives know best how to assist these three grape/wine industries, plus the small country setting of stimulating small agricultural farms, wineries, and growers for pear, walnuts. Lake County is not a metropolitan community nor will it ever be large scale producer.
Thank you, Martha Steward

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This mail is sent via contact form on Citizens Redistricting Commission
Subject: Public Comment: 9 - Lake
From: Philip Murphy <philip.murphy@example.com>
Date: Mon, 18 Jul 2011 14:52:17 +0000
To: 

From: Philip Murphy <philip.murphy@example.com>
Subject: your plan sucks

Message Body:
we are moderately happy with the current crook we have in charge and don't want to have to start bribing someone new, plus we don't want to be associated with those rednecks over in the central valley as we have enough self esteem issues already and they smell funny too.
Is secession an option? Just promise to leave us alone, we promise to keep sending money.

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Environmentally, culturally, and economically, Lake County is much more aligned with Napa and Mendocino Counties than with Yuba, Sutter and Yolo Counties. Including the natural environment, communications and transportation, it would be horribly misrepresenting Lake County to align it with Yuba, Sutter and Yolo and I oppose any attempt to do so.

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This mail is sent via contact form on Citizens Redistricting Commission
Subject: Public Comment: 9 - Lake

From: "Michael C. Coragliotti" <michael.coraglio@clearlakeca.gov>

Date: Mon, 18 Jul 2011 20:58:53 +0000

To: citizens-redistricting@cwrc.org

Message Body:
I find the new redistricting of Lake County's Congressional District unacceptable, incompatible and seemingly irrational. As a citizen and taxpayer I want the best legislative representation for Lake County and it's needs, residents and business community. It makes no sense to remove Lake County from it's long standing geographic, social, cultural and economically compatible neighboring counties. As a now established grape growing and wine producing county, our common interest with the proposed new district are extremely remote. We have very little in common with the central valley and long standing, extensive common interests with the coastal counties. PLEASE reconsider this new detrimental planl for the proposed congressional redistricting for Lake County.

Sincerely,

Michael C. Coragliotti
Clearlake, CA 95422

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This mail is sent via contact form on Citizens Redistricting Commission
Subject: Public Comment: 9 - Lake

From: "John A. Carlisi" <jcarlisi@carlisi.com>

Date: Mon, 18 Jul 2011 21:09:07 +0000

To: [Redacted]

From: John A. Carlisi <jcarlisi@carlisi.com>

Subject: Redistricting of Lake County; CD 1

Message Body:

As a citizen of Lake County, I was shocked to see the current version of the draft Congressional District map prepared by the Commission. This map isolates our county from the geographic, economic, and social "communities of interest," which has been historically been the North Coast/wine country/northern Coastal Range. Recently this community has been re-establishing its common identity and Lake County is now considered a rising wine growing and agricultural region.

The proposed map attaches Lake County as an afterthought appendage to the Central Valley, an area which we have less in common with than the Central Coast.

A closer look at Lake County's characteristics show that while we are a farming community, our production is not commercial but primarily specialty crops. The future prosperity of agriculture here depends on further, and focused, diversification, expansion of markets, and innovative value-added production. This is different from the operative constraints in Colusa, Glenn, and other Sacramento Valley counties. These areas while useful, are not congruent with the situation in Lake County. Lake County's growing identity as a premium wine-growing area is particularly important for our continued economic growth. This implies that we should remain in common ground with Napa, Sonoma, and Mendocino Counties.

Lake County's future also requires the creative, adaptive redevelopment of our resources for visitors. Preservation of the natural beauty of the area, and maintenance of the health of our air and waters is essential to our well-being and prosperity. These considerations are important throughout the county.

In addition, the proposed redistricting detaches Lake County from both of the urban centers (Santa Rosa and Ukiah) where most of our residents seek out goods and services that are not locally available.

We are anything but a natural fit in the region to which the Commission proposes to attach us.

Redistricting using the proposed lines would be particularly inappropriate because our economy does not fit with the more rural counties and our voices will always be of comparatively small account in any larger legislative district.

Up to now we have been fortunate in being heard. We have elected leaders who are responsive to our needs and, as important, our needs have coincided with those of the larger district in which we are now included.

Redistricting along the lines now proposed would completely abolish the congruence that is such a necessary component of true representation for our community.
My objection to the proposed Congressional redistricting also apply, to a diminished degree, to the proposed State Senatorial district, which does at least have the virtue of keeping us connected to Napa County.

The Commission's original recommendations were more preferable to these revisions. I strenuously recommend returning to them.

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