Subject: Public Comment: 9 - Sacramento
From: Kirven Dunham <kirven.dunham@citizensrc.org>
Date: Sat, 23 Jul 2011 01:49:07 +0000
To: rancho.cordova@citizensrc.org

Subject: Rancho Cordova must be one

Message Body:
What you are doing to Rancho Cordova is 100% wrong.

First, we are one people and should have one state senator.

Second, Rancho Cordova is a Democratic city but the latest 3-4 way split will put Republican in charge of this great and growing city.

Third, Rancho Cordova is a growing city and this will put a major slow down to future plans.

Please do not punish Rancho Cordova.

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This mail is sent via contact form on Citizens Redistricting Commission
Subject: Putting Fair Oaks in the appropriate district  
From: Penny Schott  
Date: Fri, 22 Jul 2011 22:25:18 +0000  
To:  

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Subject: Putting Fair Oaks in the appropriate district  

Message Body:  
I have lived in Fair Oaks for nearly forty years. My children went to San Juan schools and participated in Fair Oaks community activities. They now live in Roseville which is a great community but that population is totally unaware of the needs, links and interests of those of us in Fair Oaks. I urge you to move Fair Oaks back to the Sacramento County Assembly seat.  
    Penny Schott  

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

From: Austin

Date: Fri, 22 Jul 2011 18:49:54 +0000

To: [Redacted]

From: Austin

Subject: Assembly District WSAC SACEG

Message Body:
The splitting up of the Pocket neighborhood into two different districts makes no sense! If you type 95831 into the SWDB you’ll see that the Pocket is a nice symmetrical oval, with John F Kennedy High School roughly in the center. Everyone in the Pocket goes to high school there. But now you’ve drawn the district line straight across the center of the community and divided it! Now the kids and families who literally live right across the street from Kennedy High are in a different district from the school they go to, even though they just live on the opposite street corner! Keep the Pocket intact. This is everything west of I-5 to the Sacramento River. I trust that you will be able to achieve this task. It is not hard to rectify this issue as the population in this neighborhood is not that large, so it wont require much shifting of lines in other places.

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This mail is sent via contact form on Citizens Redistricting Commission
Subject: don't put Fair Oaks in Placer Co. assem. dist.

Message Body:
I've lived in Fair Oaks over 40yrs, belong to FOWoman's Thurs.Club, FOVillage Singers, St.FrancisEpis.Church, FO, Northridge School volunteer, was active in reg. planing groups, & in bringing light rail to Sac. County. FO is served by Sac.Co & several spec.dist. within it, our congr.dist. is in Sac.Co. and we have no contiguous borders with Placer Co. We don't "fit" in Placer Co.  

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Message Body:
I thought it was bad when Rancho Cordova was split into two (2) districts and now you have it split into four (4). This is absolutely crazy! I would like to know the reasoning behind this inane plan of yours. Please rethink your planning. DO NOT SPLIT RANCHO CORDOVA ... KEEP OUR COMMUNITY WHOLE!

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

From: "T. J. Askins" <tjaskins@earthlink.net>
Date: Fri, 22 Jul 2011 15:43:55 +0000
To: "Citizens Redistricting Commission" <Citizens_Commission@california.gov>

Message Body:
Fair Oaks is part of Sacramento County on Hwy 50. We do not have anything in common with Placer County on HWY 80. Please maintain our community usefulness by being represented by Sacramento County. We the people want to remain connected to the American River Parkway. We are served by Sacramento agencies such as SMUD, San Juan School and the Bd of Supervisors. We share NO placer County agencies. There is no rational reason to put us into a Placer County political map.

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The three senate districts that split up east and south Sacramento area need to be redrawn so that there is one urban district and two real rural districts. Elk Grove, Roseville, Rocklin, Citrus heights, Folsom, and some surrounding urban areas should be combined into one district and then what is left of the other three combined into two real rural districts - yes they will be large districts but watering down the rural districts with lots of urban voters violates the communities of interest provisions and the urban/rural split is very important one. using urban voters to limit the geographical size of rural districts is unacceptable, especially when all it does is split up a large urban area like the greater Sacramento area.

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This mail is sent via contact form on Citizens Redistricting Commission
Subject: Public Comment: 9 - Sacramento
From: "Robert G. Walters" <Robert.G.Walters@SacramentoCounty.com>
Date: Fri, 22 Jul 2011 18:47:59 +0000
To: public.comment@redistricting.ca.gov

From: Robert G. Walters <Robert.G.Walters@SacramentoCounty.com>
Subject: Keep Fair Oaks in a Sacramento County Dist.

Message Body:
As stated under the subject heading, I believe it is important, pursuant to the standards expressed regarding redistricting, that Fair Oaks remain in a Sacramento County Assembly District where it has community of interest for its residents. That community of interest is reinforced by the fact that it is governed, as an unincorporated community, by the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors, it is in the San Juan Unified School District, all in Sacramento County, its primary sources of transportation, community participation and activities, including cultural and civic are all primarily in Sacramento County and the level of state representation which overlaps with other counties and jurisdictions is already done through its Senate District.

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This mail is sent via contact form on Citizens Redistricting Commission
I am not in favor of the redistricting of Fair Oaks to Placer County. We citizens get no benefit from it at all!
I have lived here 13 years and I vote!

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This mail is sent via contact form on Citizens Redistricting Commission
Dear Commissioners:

I am forwarding an email sent by you from Ken Cooley in Rancho Cordova. Please know that I totally endorse what he is saying and respectfully ask that you reconsider what your proposed 4 senate districts will mean for our city. I am probably one of many that already thinks our State government is dysfunctional right now, and I can't help but feel that this will greatly add to that dysfunction. I totally don't understand the reasons why you have set up such wide and diverse districts, with people having absolutely nothing in common with each other. And yet those of us who DO have something in common and split into FOUR, yes FOUR, districts. And how do you expect any senator to adequately represent ALL of his/her constituents with such weird populations and wide-ranging and huge areas??? I have lived in Rancho Cordova since 1973 and feel our wonderful city deserves better than this. Please re-consider and do the right thing so that we will have good representation in our State government, and so that we will have ONE (or possibly two) person(s) looking out for our interests. Thank you.

Jeanette Brown
3073 Ramsgate Way
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670-5342

From: Rancho Cordova Councilmember Ken Cooley
Sent: Monday, July 18, 2011
To: [redacted]
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: NorCal Sen Maps Split City of Rancho Cordova & it's Sphere of Influence (SOI) 4 Ways

Dear CRC Commissioners,

I write to express deep concern that unlike earlier drafts, the recent NorCal State Senate visualizations carve up the vibrant community and jobs powerhouse of Rancho Cordova, splitting our city and planning area neighborhoods among 4 Senate Districts. (Yuba, MtnCap, Foothill & Sac)

For reference, I have attached a map of our city and planning area boundaries which indicates how the recent Senate Visualizations overlay our city.

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Since the community of Rancho Cordova is a highly diverse, urbanized jobs powerhouse community, one recognized nationally for a distinctive civic life, i.e. designated a 2010 All America City by the National Civic League, 2010) the spreading of its voters across four Senate districts that cover 38% of the entire state of California defies ready explanation.

The purpose of this note is to document a provide a number of Rancho Cordova's distinctive features which make this parceling out of the voters within our 96 square mile city and planning area especially difficult to grasp.

Facets which document Rancho Cordova's distinctiveness as a community of interest include:

1. Solid Community Identity: The only new city in Sacramento County in the last 30 years to be approved by its local voters the first time the question was placed on the ballot. It passed by 78%.

2. 2010 "All America City" Honoree: Just last year, Rancho Cordova was selected by the National Civic League as one of 10 "All America Cities" nationwide. To win this honor, a community must demonstrate innovation, inclusiveness, civic engagement, and cross sector collaboration by describing successful efforts to address pressing
local challenges.

3. A Community of Famously Diverse Neighborhoods: In 2002, Rancho Cordova's community was recognized by the Public Policy Institute of California, in a study entitled "Who's Your Neighbor", as the Number 1 community in the entire state for growing diversity between 1990 and 2000 and the Number 2 community statewide for maintaining diverse neighborhoods. (See: http://www.ppic.org/main/publication.asp?i=163 )

4. A Highly Urbanized, Regional Jobs Powerhouse: Rancho Cordova grew up as an Air Force town and the headquarters city for Aerojet where work was performed that placed American astronauts on the moon. When the Air Force closed Mather Field in 1993, this community reinvented itself as a regional jobs center. Today, more persons are employed at Mather Field than at the time of its closure. The city and its adjacent neighborhoods have more private sector commercial office space than downtown Sacramento; employment in the city is estimated at 50,000 people, making Rancho Cordova among the largest employment subcenters in Northern California. Our industries cover a broad array of professional and business services, aviation, financial and insurance enterprises, and education and health services, trade, transportation. As just one part of this whole, our Mather Commerce Center has over 2 million sq.ft. of office space.

5. The Region's Top Jobs/Housing Ratio: By a standard measure of economic vigor, Rancho Cordova has the highest jobs/housing ratio of any city in the Sacramento region. In the region, the average is 1.2 jobs per Housing Unit. The estimated Jobs/Housing ratio of Rancho and other communities follows:

   a. Rancho Cordova 2.7
   b. City of Sacramento 2.0
   c. Elk Grove 0.6
   d. Folsom 1.3
   e. Roseville 1.4

Regarding the 38% Figure, Key Land Area Metrics are:

Rancho Cordova City Area - 35 Sq Mi
Rancho Cordova City Area + Sphere of Influence (SOI)/Planning Area - 96 Sq Mi
Estimated Area of the 3 Proposed Senate seats inside city borders plus the 4th on city's western edge. - 62,493 Sq Mi
Total California Area is 163,000 Sq Mi

Thus the latest Senate "Visualizations" spread Rancho Cordova and its immediate neighbor voters (meaning across Bradshaw and surrounding the Rancho Cordova Library on our western edge) among 4 districts which cover 38% of the state's land area.

As an aside, Rancho Cordova's entire 96 square mile planning area (basically city plus nearby neighborhoods) is just .058896% of the California's total area.

Thank you, Commissioners, for your diligent work in this vital endeavor and, of course, for your thoughtful consideration of this appeal on behalf my All America community.

I recognize this arrives late in your process but as stated at the outset, it was only when the latest Senate visualizations emerged that the gravity of what was proposed struck home. Our city currently hosts four separate school districts. We have learned the hard way how extraordinarily difficult it is for a single local government to maintain healthy and productive relationships with so many similarly situated entities. The four Senate district approach will severely disadvantage my community. I confess I find it difficult to imagine any single community elsewhere in California which could possibly be proposed for such a dramatic "slicing and dicing".

Onward and Upward,

Ken Cooley
Councilmember
City of Rancho Cordova
Cell
Home
City Hall
NorCal Sen Maps Split City of Rancho Cordova & it's Sphere of Influenc...
Subject: Public Comment: 9 - Sacramento
From: Verna Verspieren <verna.verspieren@gmail.com>
Date: Fri, 22 Jul 2011 14:19:00 +0000
To: 

From: Verna Verspieren <verna.verspieren@gmail.com>
Subject: Fair Oaks redistricting

Message Body:
Please allow Fair Oaks to remain in Sacramento County and not be moved to Placer County. Our interests align with those of our Sacramento County neighbors of Carmichael and Citrus Heights. My family has lived here for 12 years and look forward to remaining Sacramento County residents and continuing to be served by Sacramento County agencies. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Verna Verspieren

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This mail is sent via contact form on Citizens Redistricting Commission
Subject: Comments of Redistricting Map in South Sacramento County - Congressional
From: Michael Wackman
Date: Fri, 22 Jul 2011 10:48:08 -0700
To: <]

Dear Sirs,

As a 5th Generation farmer in the Elk Grove area, I have some concerns about current redistricting map. In the current mapping the area in Sacramento County south of the city of Elk Grove and north of Twin Cities road west of Highway 99 has been included in a district which encompasses an area to the east of Elk Grove, and to the north of Sacramento all the way to Orland CA which is 120 miles north of the area. I would have you consider including this area either in the district which lies to the south and encompasses San Joaquin County or the district the east which encompasses a large portion of Sacramento County.

The reason for this change is that residences in this particular area have many of the same issues and concerns as those in the proposed districts to the east and to the south. Issues such as water, agriculture and resources are very similar to those in the districts to the east and south. In fact, this area is considered part of the Lodi Appellation when labeling bottles of wine due to the similarities in climate and conditions between the area and the Lodi region.

I have attached a map with the area I have discussed.

Thank you for your consideration.

Mike Wackman

Elk Grove, CA 95757

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Locate an address within a district: 2850 Telegraph Ave, Berkeley, CA

Click on any district area to view its attributes.
Subject: Public Comment: 9 - Sacramento

From: Dr Bijan Bijan <dr.bijan.bijan@ucdmc.ucdavis.edu>
Date: Sat, 23 Jul 2011 05:49:37 +0000
To: 

From: Dr Bijan Bijan <dr.bijan.bijan@ucdmc.ucdavis.edu>
Subject: Fair Oaks should stay in Sacramento County

Message Body:
Hi
I would like to extend my concern regarding the re-distriction of fair Oaks to placer rather than Sacramento County.
I want you to consider our concerns and keep Fair oaks as part of Sacramento County.
Sincerely
Bijan Bijan
Professor Of Radiology
UC Davis Medical Center

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This mail is sent via contact form on Citizens Redistricting Commission
Subject: Public Comment: 9 - Sacramento
From: Robert Bernstein <rbernst@berkeley.edu>
Date: Fri, 22 Jul 2011 22:11:36 +0000
To: 

From: Robert Bernstein <rbernst@berkeley.edu>
Subject: Sacramento east/south split between 3 rural districts

Message Body:
I have reviewed the assembly and senate districts for the sacramento area and splitting the east/southern sacramento area into parts of 3 rural senate districts does not work. the parts of the greater sacramento area should be combined to form a senate district that looks a lot like assembly districts NSAC and ESAC combined and then the 3 remaining rural districts should be combined into two large really rural districts leaving out all of sacramento count roseville-rocklin up to about cameron park or whatever is needed to even out the population numbers.

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