I am voicing my opposition to the proposed redistricting of Pleasant Hill and Martinez out of the RAMON Senate District into the WINE District as follows:

1. Pleasant Hill & Martinez are NOT geographically part of the WINE District, i.e. the counties of Napa, Yolo, Lake & Solano, as we are physically separated from them by Suisun Bay.

2. 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 and/or economic characteristics with the four northern counties mentioned above.

3. Our transportation facilities (BART) as well as our media market is completely different than these other counties.

4. 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.

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This is in response to the Commission’s most recent proposed maps of State Senate districts, released on July 14, which have the cities of Martinez and Pleasant Hill being taken out of the proposed senate district for Contra Costa (referred to as RAMON) and moved into a district which incorporates the counties of Yolo, Lake, Napa and Solano (WINE).

I voice my opposition to the proposed redistricting and support moving Pleasant Hill and Martinez back into the RAMON senate district with the rest of Contra Costa County.

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Our schools are in the MDUSD which would then be served by different senates. The MDUSD is already in enough problems to have our Pleasant Hill schools be at the bottom of the priority for either area.

Our sports leagues play Walnut Creak, San Ramon, Clayton, Alamo, Lamorinda and other teams in the Contra Costa county.

Our issues should be addressed by someone who lives and works in Contra Costa County. We are not wine country and quite frankly, don't want to be.

Sincerely,

Uni Ortegon-Uribe
Message Body:
I am writing to express my opposition to the proposed State Senate District (WINE) which would result in the removal of Pleasant Hill and Martinez from current Senate District 7. There are many reasons why this is not supported by the community of interest guidelines ... we are not a contiguous population which shares common social & economic interests...

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I strongly urge you to reconsider this redistricting and place Martinez and Pleasant Hill where they belong, with the rest of Contra Costa in the RAMON district.

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Subject: Public Comment: 8 - Contra Costa

From: Maria Eunice <maria.eunice@gmail.com>

Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 15:07:51 +0000

To: "Contra Costa Redistricting"

From: Maria Eunice <maria.eunice@gmail.com>

Subject: Pleasant Hill Redistricting

Message Body:
Please move Pleasant Hill and Martinez back into the RAMON senate district with the rest of Contra Costa County.

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We only go through Solano County on our way to Sacramento or the Pacific Northwest. Please bring back Pleasant Hill and Martinez back to into the RAMON Senate District immediately.

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I would like to strongly urge you to not redistrict Martinez and Pleasant Hill cities into Yolo, Napa, Lake and Solano counties. Some of my reasons for this request include, but are not limited to:

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5. Lastly, Martinez is the county seat for Contra Costa County, so it makes little sense to redistrict it into the other counties.

Please be reasonable and thoughtful in your considerations.

Respectfully,

Jeanne Schwass
Subject: Public Comment: 8 - Contra Costa

From: Mark Gotvald <mark.gotvald@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 15:58:56 +0000
To: <hidden>

From: Mark Gotvald <mark.gotvald@gmail.com>
Subject: Redistricting Pleasant Hill

Message Body:
Hey, who flunked California geography? Who in their right mind would lump Martinez and Pleasant Hill with counties to the north?

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Keep these towns with the rest in Contra Costa County.

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Subject: Public Comment: 8 - Contra Costa
From: Pamela & Wayne Mosher
Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 16:28:05 +0000
To:  

Message Body:
Cannot understand what you are proposing - it makes no sense!!
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Subject: Public Comment: 8 - Contra Costa
From: Rita Poulsen <[redacted]>
Date: Wed, 20 Jul 2011 18:11:13 +0000
To: [redacted]

Subject: Pleasant Hill is Contra Costa not Suisun Bay.

Message Body:
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