

Subject: FEDERATION URGENT COMMENTS RE: SENATE DISTRICT EVENT

From: "klamorie" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Tue, 19 Jul 2011 10:18:51 -0700

To: <[REDACTED]>

Dear Commissioners:

Please find attached our urgent comments in regard to your proposed Senate District EVENT that does not work. We suggest alternative EVENT boundaries that do work.

Thank you very much for your consideration,

Kim Lamorie

President

LVHF

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Las Virgenes Homeowners Federation, Inc.

[Redacted], Agoura Hills, California 91301



"The voice and conscience of the Santa Monica Mountains since 1968"

Citizens Redistricting Commission
1130 K Street, Suite 101
Sacramento, CA 95814

Tuesday, July 19, 2011

Honorable Commissioners:

On behalf of the Las Virgenes Homeowners Federation, in our 44th year as the largest, oldest, non-partisan voice of over 6000 homeowners and 25 homeowner associations in the Santa Monica Mountains:

We strongly urge you to **re-draw** the lines of proposed Senate District **EVENT**. It is critically important because the current boundaries do **NOT** work as they combine two distinct and completely unrelated areas. *Simi Valley, Moorpark* and *Santa Clarita* are a north INLAND corridor and the **Santa Monica Mountain/Coastal communities** are a south **COASTAL** corridor.

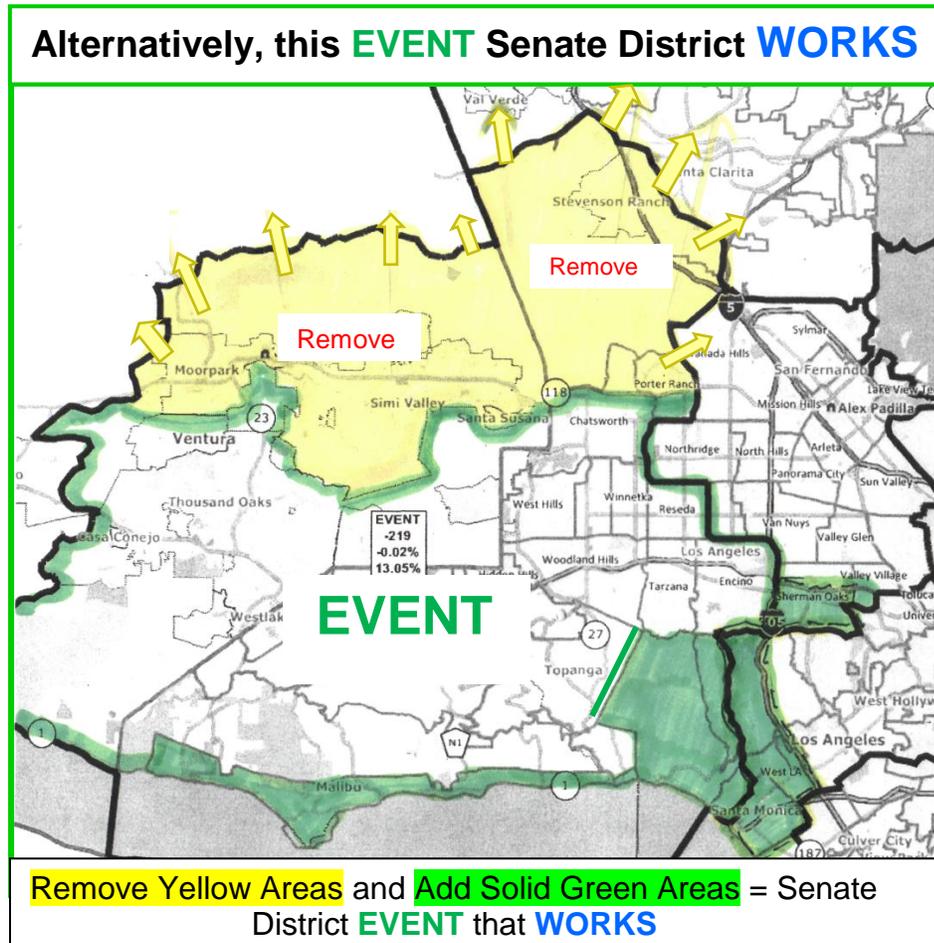


EVENT Senate District – Does NOT Work !

The Santa Monica Mountain/Coastal **communities of interest** all lie east/west, not north/south which is why the northern communities of *Simi Valley, Moorpark, and Santa Clarita* do **not** share any communities of interest with us and that includes having no socio-economic links. The Santa Monica Mountains/Coastal

region interests' are **all** connected in an east-west pattern, not in a gerrymandered north-south line. The Santa Monica Mountains/Coastal areas should not be amalgamated into a Senate District with these northern inland communities because we are adjacent to numerous other neighboring populations **east and west** with whom we do share

communities of interest! We do not share any transportation/commute corridors either – the Santa Monica Mountain/Coastal region has the 405, 101 and the Pacific Coast Highway (PCH) and the northern *Simi Valley*, *Moorpark* and *Santa Clarita* areas have the 118,126 and Interstate 5. The current **EVENT** lines split up our COG cities and the SMMNRA.



Although, this is not our preferred map for the Santa Monica Mountains/Coastal region, it meets the Commission's criteria.

- Communities of interest are consistent and established between the cities, major transportation corridors, and the Santa Monica Mountains and Coast.

- These boundaries comply with the Constitution and Voting Rights Act. This **EVENT** District has better geographical compactness and integrity.

- It keeps all cities whole (Santa Monica, Malibu, Agoura Hills, Calabasas, Westlake Village, Hidden Hills and Thousand Oaks) with the exception of LA. It also keeps all Neighborhood Councils as well as major communities whole - Pacific Palisades, Brentwood, Topanga, Encino, Sherman Oaks, Tarzana, Woodland Hills, West Hills, Oak Park, Bell Canyon. It keeps our school districts whole (except for City of LA which includes multiple senate districts). These are Oak Park, Conejo Valley, Las Virgenes Unified School District, Santa Monica/ Malibu USD.

- The population meets the threshold required by the 2010 census (932,061).

The Santa Monica Mountain/Coastal communities must be together in this east/west District that does not include the north inland areas of *Simi Valley*, *Moorpark*, and *Santa Clarita*!

Sincerely,
Kim Lamorie, President, LVHF

Subject: Proposed Senate District EVENT

From: Robert Lia <[REDACTED]>

Date: Tue, 19 Jul 2011 11:29:39 -0700

To: [REDACTED]

Citizens Redistricting Commission

I strongly urge you to re-draw the lines of proposed Senate District EVENT. This is critically important because the current boundaries you have drawn do NOT work as they combine two distinct and completely unrelated areas. Simi Valley, Moorpark and Santa Clarita are a north INLAND corridor and the Santa Monica Mountain/Coastal communities are a south COASTAL corridor.

The Santa Monica Mountain/Coastal communities of interest all lie east/west, not north/south which is why the northern communities of Simi Valley, Moorpark, and Santa Clarita do not share any communities of interest with us and that includes having no socio-economic links. The Santa Monica Mountains/Coastal region interests' are all connected in an east-west pattern, not in a gerrymandered north/south line. The Santa Monica Mountains/Coastal areas should not be amalgamated into a Senate District with these northern inland communities because we are adjacent to numerous other neighboring populations east and west with whom we do share communities of interest!

We do not share any transportation/commute corridors either – the Santa Monica Mountain/Coastal region has the 405, 101 and the Pacific Coast Highway (PCH) and the northern Simi Valley, Moorpark and Santa Clarita areas have the 118,126 and Interstate 5. The current EVENT lines split up our COG cities and the SMMNRA.

Very truly yours,

Robert Lia
[REDACTED]

Calabasas, CA 91301

Subject: Redistricting Senate district EVENT - DOES NOT WORK!!!!!!

From: [REDACTED]

Date: Tue, 19 Jul 2011 15:41:29 EDT

To: [REDACTED]

Dear Committee Members

I reside in the area that your committee has currently drawn as Senate district **EVENT** and this definitely **does not work, and makes no sense.** Simi Valley, Moorpark and Santa Clarita are a north INLAND corridor and the Santa Monica Mountain/Coastal communities are a south COASTAL corridor.

Our Santa Monica Mountain/Coastal **communities of interest** all lie east/west, not north/south which is why the northern communities of Simi Valley, Moorpark, and Santa Clarita do **not** share any communities of interest with us. The southern Santa Monica Mountains/Coastal areas should not be amalgamated into a Senate District with these northern inland communities. We are adjacent to numerous other neighboring populations east and west with who we do share communities of interest!

We do not share any transportation/commute corridors either – the Santa Monica Mountain/Coastal region has the 405, 101 and the Pacific Coast Highway (PCH) and the northern Simi Valley, Moorpark and Santa Clarita areas have the 118,126 and Interstate 5.

It is critically important that the lines of the proposed Senate District **EVENT** be re-drawn. The Santa Monica Mountain/Coastal communities should be together in an east/west District that does not include the north inland communities of Simi Valley, Moorpark, or Santa Clarita!

Please do not make this terrible mistake and tear our communities apart, you are required to keep communities of interest together and your proposed map is totally unacceptable.

Yours truly
Carol Elliott

[REDACTED]
Calabasas, CA 91302

Subject: Senate District EVENT ... DOES NOT WORK

From: "Mary T. Sipple" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Tue, 19 Jul 2011 22:40:29 +0000 (GMT)

To: [REDACTED]

CC: Mary Sipple <[REDACTED]>

Dear Senate District Redistricting Commissioners,

I am a resident of the Santa Monica Mountains and live in the community of Topanga Canyon. The e-mail is to convey to you that your proposed Senate District EVENT does not work for our Santa Monica Mountains / Coastal communities. Simi Valley, Moorpark and Santa Clarita are a north INLAND corridor and the Santa Monica Mountain/Coastal communities are a south COASTAL corridor.

Our Santa Monica Mountain/Coastal **communities of interest** all lie east/west, not north/south which is why the northern communities of Simi Valley, Moorpark, and Santa Clarita do **not** share any communities of interest with us. The southern Santa Monica Mountains/Coastal areas should not be amalgamated into a Senate District with these northern inland communities. We are adjacent to numerous other neighboring populations east and west with who we do share communities of interest!

We do not share any transportation/commute corridors either – the Santa Monica Mountain/Coastal region has the 405, 101 and the Pacific Coast Highway (PCH) and the northern Simi Valley, Moorpark and Santa Clarita areas have the 118,126 and Interstate 5.

It is critically important that the lines of the proposed Senate District **EVENT** be re-drawn.

The Santa Monica Mountain/Coastal communities should be together in an east/west District that does not include the north inland communities of Simi Valley, Moorpark, or Santa Clarita!

Thank you,

Mary Sipple

[REDACTED]

Topanga, CA 90290

Subject: Senate District Event

From: "Rothenberg, Nancy" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Tue, 19 Jul 2011 09:09:49 -0700

To: <[REDACTED]>

Dear Commissioners:

The currently drawn Senate district lines of EVENT are not workable and should be redrawn. Simi Valley, Moorpark and Santa Clarita are a north inland corridor and the Santa Monica Mountain/Coastal communities are a south coastal corridor.

Our Santa Monica Mountain/Coastal communities of interest all lie east/west, not north/south which is why the northern communities of Simi Valley, Moorpark, and Santa Clarita do not share any communities of interest with us, however we are adjacent to numerous other neighboring populations east and west with whom we do share communities of interest. We do not share any transportation/commute corridors either – the Santa Monica Mountain/Coastal region has the 405, 101 and the Pacific Coast Highway (PCH) and the northern Simi Valley, Moorpark and Santa Clarita areas have the 118,126 and Interstate 5.

The Santa Monica Mountain/Coastal communities should be together in an east/west District that does not include the north inland communities of Simi Valley, Moorpark, or Santa Clarita!

Thank you.

Nancy Rothenberg

[REDACTED]
Calabasas, CA 91302

Subject: Your proposed Senate District EVENT does not work for our Santa Monica Mountain/Coastal communities!

From: "Candice Weber" <[REDACTED]>

Date: Tue, 19 Jul 2011 06:13:05 -0700

To: <[REDACTED]>

Dear Commissioner

Your proposed Senate District **EVENT does not work** for our Santa Monica Mountain/Coastal communities! **I live in Calabasas, California 91301**

Despite repeated complaints from stakeholders in the south (Santa Monica Mountains/Coastal), and north (Santa Clarita), your Redistricting Commission is still combining these two completely unrelated areas. Even worse, you have just added the *Ventura County* communities of *Simi Valley* and *Moorpark* to **EVENT**. That leaves us isolated with a greatly diminished voice.

Our Santa Monica Mountain/Coastal **communities of interest** all lie east/west, not north/south which is why the northern communities of Simi Valley, Moorpark, and Santa Clarita do **not** share any communities of interest with us. The southern Santa Monica Mountains/Coastal areas should not be combined into a Senate District with these northern inland communities. We are adjacent to numerous other neighboring populations east and west with whom we do share communities of interest!

We do not share any transportation/commute corridors either – the Santa Monica Mountain/Coastal region has the 405, 101 and the Pacific Coast Highway (PCH) and the northern Simi Valley, Moorpark and Santa Clarita areas have the 118,126 and Interstate 5.

It is critically important that the lines of the proposed Senate District **EVENT** be re-drawn. We strongly object to your obvious, POLITICALLY MOTIVATED, machinations in this effort. You, the Commission at [REDACTED] should be ashamed to so boldly ignore the wishes of your voters and try to connect communities of unrelated interests into Senate Districts for politically motivated reasons only! The Santa Monica Mountain/Coastal communities should be together in an east/west District that does not include the north inland communities of Simi Valley, Moorpark, or Santa Clarita!

We will have to live with your decisions – you won't!

Thanks for your attention to this matter and for actively listening and doing something about this!

Candice Weber, M.S. Calabasas, Ca 91301

HR - Consultant

