

**Subject:** Public Comment: 8 - San Mateo

**From:** Ruth Stoner Muzzin <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Tue, 9 Aug 2011 18:20:59 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

**From:** Ruth Stoner Muzzin <[REDACTED]>

**Subject:** Redistricting - Assembly - San Mateo Coast

Message Body:

Dear Commission-

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed redistricting maps. I'm pleased that the latest maps show my San Mateo County coast community of Montara in the same senate and congressional districts as our sister communities of Moss Beach, El Granada, Princeton and Half Moon Bay.

However, I'm troubled by the latest assembly map that divorces Montara and Moss Beach from those same communities, with which we have much in common. The latest assembly map pairs us up with less comparable communities to the north.

Montara and Moss Beach have much in common with the other coastal communities that lie to the south, with our mutual focus on agricultural lands, open space preservation and the ocean resource and tourism interests that fuel the San Mateo coast economy from Devil's Slide on south past Pescadero to the Santa Cruz County line. Montara and Moss Beach are less aligned with Pacific and other SF bedroom communities to the north, so it would serve us better to be included in the same assembly district as Half Moon Bay.

This purpose is well accomplished with the current senate and congressional district maps. Please consider a modest modification to the assembly district map so as to keep Montara and Moss Beach in the same assembly district as Half Moon Bay and our similar, neighboring non-urban coastal communities of El Granada and Princeton.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

Sincerely,

Ruth Stoner Muzzin

Montara, CA

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 8 - San Mateo

**From:** Martha Reber <[REDACTED]>

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**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Martha Reber <[REDACTED]>

Subject: CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Message Body:

In reviewing the maps, a local Senior Citizen group found problems in how the districts throughout the state were drawn.

I would like to see Commissioner Michael Ward be permitted to talk about the problems within the group. In just a simple review of the background of member -- they do not represent a "Citizen's Committee" in that over half work or have worked for the government (local, state or federal), an NGO that works with government or 2 private company employees who interact with state agencies.

THESE COMMISSIONER CLEARLY WERE NOT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CITIZENS OF THIS STATE WE WERE TOLD.

The maps clearly continue to be "gerrymandered" for political reasons in many area.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM ALL COMMISSION MEMBERS ON WHY THIS IS HAPPENING -- including Commissioner Ward.

Thank you for considering my request on behalf of our Senior Group.

Martha Reber.

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