

From: [Patrick D. McDermott](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting - please use common sense!
Date: Monday, November 22, 2021 9:11:57 AM

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Dear Commissioners,

I am writing in support of maps #804, 404, 103, and 106 to be considered for final adoption.

We want cities kept whole as possible and we do not want IV and UCSB placed into a North County District.

Please use common sense.

Thank you.

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The finest compliment we can receive is an introduction to friends or colleagues from an appreciative client. Feel free to share our names with your friends.

From: [Mary Ellen Brooks](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: CPA comment letter for 11/22 meeting
Date: Monday, November 22, 2021 10:03:37 AM
Attachments: [CPA redistricting Draft11-22-21 meeting v2.docx](#)

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Dear Staff: I hope you are still accepting letters for tonight's meeting. I only now saw the notice that letters had to be in 24 hours prior to the meeting. I could have sent it last night but figured it would not be seen until office hours today. I could not find the info online this weekend. I hope to be able to attend tonight but if not, it is important that our letter becomes part of public testimony. Please let me know if/when this will be included for tonight.

Thank you. Marell Brooks, President, Citizens Planning Association



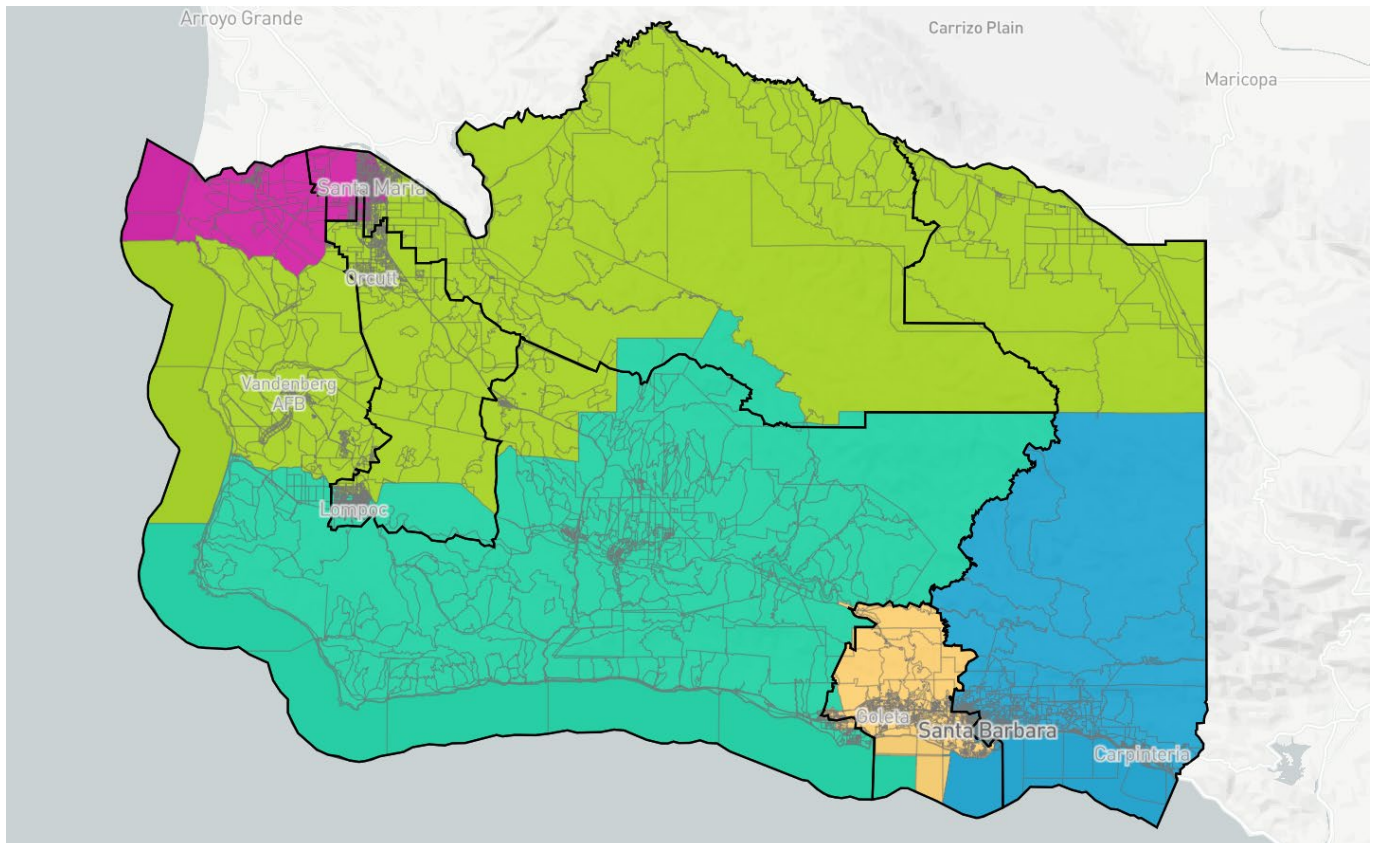
916 Anacapa Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101
November 22, 2021

Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

The non-profit Citizens Planning Association, representing residents from throughout Santa Barbara County, has supported sound land use policies on the Central Coast since 1960. As such we have seen many redistricting plans. We supported establishment of an independent redistricting commission.

Previously we advocated for a map which would provide for the fewest changes to balance population and comply with the Voting Right Act. As such we supported map 816B, which provided many appealing qualities, while creating a CVAP district of 60%. We are thankful that this is still under consideration. This map moves the fewest number of people, honoring Chumash heritage lands stretching from the Santa Ynez Valley, to point Conception and the Gaviota Coast to the Goleta slough. We also found much to admire about Map 818.

We listened carefully to the testimony of community that Guadalupe and western Santa Maria should be united, as they are in Map 818. A member of our organization, JL Duncan has submitted a modified map which seeks to blend the most admirable things of both Map 816B and Map 818 to address this issue. The new map is DistrictR 84365 – shown below with the current district showing.



With the exception of the Cuyama Valley and Guadalupe area, this map maintains most of the population centers in their current districts. It does shift the unincorporated areas around Vandenberg Space Force Base to another district, however this allows each district to “touch the coast.” This map honors the Chumash request to preserve the connection between the Santa Ynez Valley and the Gaviota Coast from the Goleta Slough to Point Conception, and keeps the watershed of the Santa Ynez River substantially unified.

It also maintains Isla Vista/UCSB & UCSB’s west campus many alignments with the Gaviota Coast, and it is logical to keep these areas connected within one supervisorial district. UCSB now owns a Las Varas Ranch on the Gaviota Coast, and it is logical to keep those parcels together. Likewise, UCSB has many academic connections along the coast up to and including substantial research at the Dangermond Preserve. This area should remain in a contiguous district.

Again, we urge you to make as few changes as possible to meet the requirements of the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

Marell Brooks, President
For Citizens Planning Association

From: [Vijaya](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Nov. 22, 2021 Joint letter from LWVSB and LWVSMV
Date: Monday, November 22, 2021 11:59:18 AM
Attachments: [Nov 22 2021 LWV Joint letter to SBCIRC.docx](#)

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To: Santa Barbara County Citizens Redistricting Commission
From: League of Women Voters of Santa Maria Valley and Santa Barbara

Please see comment letter, attached. Please distribute to the Commissioners for tonight's meeting. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Vijaya Jammalamadaka (she, her)

President

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November 22, 2021

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Via email: redistricting@countyofsb.org

SUBJECT: Map Selection

Dear Commissioners,

The League of Women Voters of Santa Maria Valley and the League of Women Voters of Santa Barbara supported the formation of the Citizens Independent Redistricting Commission, and our members have been following your progress.

Our Leagues are not taking a position in support of any particular map at this time, but as you now attempt to narrow down the number of maps under consideration, and consider possible changes to proposed maps to reflect the public input you have received, we would like to ask that you consider the following as guiding principles:

- Make as few changes as possible to comply with the Voting Rights Act, which means moving as few people as possible from one district to another and try to avoid changing election dates as much as possible. (i.e., individuals elected to the County Board of Supervisors last year should not be moved if possible; similarly, people who are expecting to vote in June and November of 2022 should retain those districts to the greatest extent possible).
- Maintain historic connections of communities as much as possible.

- Combine the community of Guadalupe with North/Northwestern Santa Maria to create a strong Latinx/Hispanic Citizen Voting Age Population (CVAP) majority district to comply with the Voting Rights Act, as requested by the City of Guadalupe and others.
- Support the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indian's request that the 3rd District retain the cultural connections between the Santa Ynez Valley, Point Conception, and the Gaviota Coast to the Goleta Slough;
- Keep the Santa Ynez watershed as intact as possible.

The League of Women Voters was a strong advocate for the establishment of the Citizens Independent Redistricting Commission, and we hope you are successful in creating fair maps for the County of Santa Barbara.

We acknowledge the tremendous task you have ahead of you within a very short time period, and the tremendous technical challenges we have all faced in getting accurate data. Thank you for your dedication.

Sincerely,

Vijaya Jammalamadaka, President **LWVSB**

Lisa Thornhill, President, **LWVSMV**

From: [Allison McAdams](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Public Comment Order
Date: Monday, November 22, 2021 12:11:50 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

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Good afternoon,

There are a few individuals who would like to make public comments at tonight's public meeting.

Can they be called for comment one after another, or is there already a predetermined list?

Thank you,

Allison McAdams

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From: [Greg Millikan](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Cc: [Joyce Millikan](#)
Subject: Preferred Maps
Date: Monday, November 22, 2021 12:18:07 PM

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Dear Commission,

We are Solvang residents. We've reviewed the 10 Maps under consideration at your 11/22 Meeting.

Here is our personal feedback on the 10 Maps, hopefully helpful:

1. Best (in order of preference):
 - a. 822 (unifies rural, agricultural, industrial, and urban areas by type while maintaining contiguity)
 - b. 104 (similar virtue to 822, different footprint)
 - c. 816B (lower contiguity than 104, but higher maintenance of communities of interest in Districts 3, 4, and 5)
2. OK, but less than the best: 818; 809; 104; 816B; 822;
3. Not OK, please avoid:
 - a. 801C (incongruously ties the Santa Ynez Valley to the South County Coast, i.e., Carpinteria, etc.)
 - b. 408B (unfortunately divides up Santa Ynez Valley)
 - c. 810, 815, and 821B (unfortunately splits off Lompoc from all other agricultural areas)

Thank you for all your work on this important project!

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From: [Carmen Kershaw](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Support 408B Map
Date: Monday, November 22, 2021 12:43:45 PM

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As a longtime resident of Lompoc, I can say Isla Vista and UCSB have nothing in common with the City of Lompoc.

Lompoc is a quiet community of many retirees and close ties to the agriculture community. It has very little in common with the hustle and bustle of college students.

Isla Vista and UCSB communities have very little desire to visit the low-keyed community of Lompoc.

Please keep Lompoc whole and support 408B.

Thank you,

Carmen Kershaw
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From: [Anna deLaski](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: comment regarding draft maps
Date: Monday, November 22, 2021 2:21:37 PM

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Dear Redistricting Commission,

I am a Santa Ynez Valley Resident and want to voice my support for the Santa Ynez Valley to remain unsplit in the Third District with as little change to the borders as possible.

I understand that small changes are necessary to reflect the current population, however the borders shouldn't be altered and manipulated drastically.

Therefore my preference is to move forward with **map 818** (followed by 816b or 809).

Thank you for listening to my concern.

Anna deLaski

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From: [Jessy Verkler](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting of Santa Barbara County
Date: Monday, November 22, 2021 4:10:22 PM

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Dear Redistricting Committee,

Thank you for your service working on this very important aspect of voting and government work. It is important to regularly look into our district lines. I would like to voice my concern with shifting the third district, which is the district I reside in. I believe it is important to maintain the third district lines as close to what it currently is. This connects our residents with a wider range of voters and participants. It also maintains diversity. The third district decreases in diversity if it changes too much in district lines. I believe that having diversity is the best way to account for our voices and our vote.

Thank you for taking the time to read this.

Jessy Verkler
Solvang Resident

From: [Gabriel Bustamante](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: The 816B Map
Date: Monday, November 22, 2021 6:14:51 PM

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To Redirecting Commission:

I am writing in support of plan 816B for the upcoming decision on redistricting. I am a resident of the North County and very much in favor of preserving the Third District's integrity as it relates to maintaining the large contiguous coastal boundary and more importantly keeping Los Alamos a part of the Santa Ynez Valley. In addition, the areas of overlapping interests running from the UCSB/Isla Vista area to the North County seem to me to be a much fit than fragmenting the current district lines.

Please keep Los Alamos and the greater SYV a part of the Third District.

Sincerely,

Gabriel Bustamante
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From: [Susan Anderson](#)
To: [Susan Anderson](#)
Cc: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Problems with Zoom this evening
Date: Monday, November 22, 2021 6:28:45 PM

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Hi,

I'm not able to access the BOS meeting this evening. The video is blank and there isn't any audio either. When I first logged on there was some scratchy audio and some video but within less than a minute it had dropped. I'll wait for about fifteen minutes. I'm hoping you can fix this so I can comment.

Thank You,
Susan

On Wed, Nov 17, 2021 at 12:58 PM Susan Anderson <sea75@yahoo.com> wrote:

Dear All,

I've lived in SB for a long time and I urge you to consider one of the maps in the 400 series. Give the people, especially the students, an opportunity to be united. The interests of the coastline are particularly improved by doing this.

Sincerely,
Susan Anderson

From: [Michael Nicola](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: District Three Map
Date: Monday, November 22, 2021 6:37:56 PM

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I am writing to strongly urge you to choose Plan 816B. As a resident of Los Alamos and a real estate professional whose main area of interest includes the larger Santa Ynez Valley, I am quite adamant in my support for this community's continued inclusion in the same county district as Santa Ynez.

The diversity of this district continues to amaze me and yet, after viewing other map options, I can see how the overlapping communities of interest are definitely best served by keeping our current lines mostly intact.

Your decision will have a huge impact on the quality of service and local participation in local and county civic affairs. I ask you to choose 816B as the best option of myself and my neighbors.

Michael Nicola
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From: [Lorin Bronson](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Fwd: Supports Map 408B
Date: Monday, November 22, 2021 7:16:07 PM

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Sorry, I forgot a salutation.
Lorin Bronson

-----Original Message-----

From: Lorin Bronson <r805bronson@verizon.net>
To: redistricting@countyofsb.org <redistricting@countyofsb.org>
Cc: Lorin Bronson <r805bronson@verizon.net>
Sent: Mon, Nov 22, 2021 7:14 pm
Subject: Supports Map 408B

I support Map 408B because Dist. 2 college students, faculty and staff constitute a community of interest. 408B boundary has low number of split places and so best complies with Voting Rights Act.

From: [Justin Ruhge](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Lompoc in 4th
Date: Tuesday, November 23, 2021 10:13:02 AM

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As a resident of Lompoc for 27 years and activist and members of the city council I urge you at the Redistricting Commission to place Lompoc in the 4th district where it is today, and please do not divide it with Goleta or IV. IV and UCSB must be placed in district 2 where it fits with that agenda. Please include Vandenberg Village and Mission Hills with Lompoc, because they act as one today. Lompoc is 45 miles from IV and is an agricultural, aerospace, mining and commuter town and as a whole provides our sense of identity. We have our own green energy and will be the home of one of the largest wind energy farms in the State of California. We have nothing in common with IV or UCSB and should not be incorporated in their areas. Lompoc was founded in 1787 as one of the ancient towns in California and was the second city formed in Santa Barbara County in 1888 so we have a long and rich tradition which we do not want diluted by redistricting plans. We support the proposed maps 804,404, 103 and 106. Keep Lompoc Valley undivided, and in the north County district 4, and move IV and UCSB to District 2 where they fit.

Thank you for your consideration.

Justin M. Ruhge, Lompoc, CA 805-7379536, County resident for 40 years.

From: [David Brandt](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: County Voters Referendum on Redistricting
Date: Tuesday, November 23, 2021 1:39:07 PM

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Dear Members of the Commission:

Several of the maps that are in the list of finalists do not respect communities of interest in the county, and if adopted by the Commission would lead to a countywide voters referendum.

It takes a petition signed by 10% of the number of voters who voted in the most recent gubernatorial election in the county to place a referendum on the county ballot. About 158,000 voters in the county voted in the November 2018 election. This means it would take a petition signed by 15,800 registered voters throughout the county to place a referendum on the June ballot.

There is widespread and strong opposition to placing Isla Vista and UCSB in the 3rd district. You have heard from dozens of county residents from throughout the county to this effect and of diverse political perspectives.

It's fine that community groups have turned college and high school students out, but this in no way reflects the community's will--including in Isla Vista and UCSB. The idea that students and others who live in Isla Vista have more in common with residents of Santa Ynez or Lompoc is breathtaking. This would be a sheerly political placement and would be met by a political response, including in Isla Vista and UCSB. Most UCSB and City College students oppose placement of UCSB and Isla Vista in a North County supervisorial district with which they have nothing in common, rather than a South County district where they attend school, work and live.

I hope you will do the right thing and respect communities of interest in Santa Barbara County. Please place UCSB and Isla Vista in a South County supervisorial district.

--David Brandt

From: [Judy Lundberg](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: County maps
Date: Tuesday, November 23, 2021 1:50:08 PM

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Commissioners,

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Sincerely,

**Judith a. Lundberg
Babe' Farms**

Sent from my iPhone

From: [John Broberg](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Support Map 818
Date: Monday, November 22, 2021 9:45:06 AM

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I would like to express my support for map 818, as the best way to retain the strengths of our current supervisorial map, and improve areas that would benefit from change.

As a resident of Santa Barbara's eastside, I feel strongly that our current first district does a good job of keeping the east and west sides of the City together, for a stronger voting block -- especially when connected to Carpinteria, whose residents are quite similar. Although we also have wealthy Montecito in our district, this configuration has enabled us to elect two people of color with strong ties to working and minority voters. I worry that the first district drawn by map 801C would disenfranchise Carpinteria and reduce the Santa Barbara east/west side's influence by separating them. It would make Carpinteria an afterthought to a district composed mostly of wealthy, white, and rural voters stretching all the way into the Santa Ynez Valley. And it would reduce the power of the east/west side community of interest by connecting it to the more white and suburban voters in the rest of the second district.

District 2 in its current form as drawn on map 818 also makes sense, as it is dense and should remain compact.

District 3 has always been the point of contention. I understand that some Valley residents think they should have their own district, but it just doesn't work that way. The population just isn't there, unless you do what map 821B does, and that creates a huge district, geographically much much larger than the others, just to avoid having a mix of voters. That would make it different than every other district, which has and should have a mix of populations in order to be compact and contiguous. Given the long history of having the third district include the Valley and IV/the Gaviota Coast, this should remain. I do like how part of Lompoc is included and connected with the south coast, as that would create a second community of interest of working families, renters, and minority voters, similar to what we have in the first district. Lompoc is already partially split, so it's not a matter of if you split it, but how.

District 4 in map 818 does do its best to create a manageably sized, mostly rural district.

District 5 in map 818, which is similar to what we see in a few other maps, would create a third worker/renter/minority area with stronger voting power. This is better than what other maps offer, and is in line with what the Guadalupe City Council has asked for.

Thank you,

John Broberg
Santa Barbara CA

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*“Although hundreds of thousands of explanations are given,
There is only one thing to be understood.*

Know the one thing that liberates everything,
Awareness itself, your true nature.”

(Dudjom Rinpoche)

From: [KEITH COFFMAN-GREY](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Support map 818
Date: Tuesday, November 23, 2021 4:20:35 PM

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I support map 818 for the new County of Santa Barbara Supervisor Districts. Map 818 creates a new Supervisor District 5 which would have the potential for a Latino member on the Board of Supervisors. It also keeps the Santa Ynez Valley with one representative. The First and Second District would be very similar to our current Districts which would not cause a disruption with our current representatives.

Keith Coffman-Grey

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From: [Bethania Lutheran Church](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting Maps
Date: Monday, November 22, 2021 2:43:37 PM

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Greetings,

My name is Chris and I'm a pastor in the Santa Ynez Valley. I'd like to express my deep support for redistricting map 818. I feel like this map would be similar enough to our current district map. As a pastor I hold to my faith's mandate to be a good steward to our creation. I feel that any major divergence from the current district map would result in a supervisor being elected that would not be as supportive of our environment and would enable drilling in our area that would be detrimental. Thank you for taking the time to receive these emails. I look forward to the future decision.

In Care,

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From: [Jed Hendrickson](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting maps
Date: Wednesday, November 24, 2021 1:50:12 PM

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Dear Commissioners,

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Sincerely,

Jed Hendrickson
Santa Barbara, CA

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Lee Heller](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: for public comment
Date: Wednesday, November 24, 2021 2:45:07 PM
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November 24, 2021

Dear Chair Morris and Commissioners,

As you move forward with your map choices, I would like to address a few points raised at Monday night's (long!) hearing.

First: the claim by some that the voters who passed Measure G were voting for change is demonstrably false. The Measure was only about changing how the districts are drawn. There was nothing in the Measure stating or requiring any changes in the districts themselves. Having knocked on many doors in support of Measure G, I know firsthand that people supported having the process depoliticized but did not object to the districts as currently drawn.

Second: I want to point to a flaw in the reasoning and putative data behind the argument for creating a "college student district." And here I am not only speaking from my own experience having taught at four-year colleges and at Santa Barbara City College, but with the voice in my head of late Commissioner Kate Adams (a fellow English professor and community college faculty member).

One speaker the other night claimed that 70% of City College transfers go to UCSB, making it a feeder school and thus connecting the two so closely as to justify a college-student-district. This figure is deceptive, as it implies that 70% of City College students want to attend UCSB. In fact, as *the table below* shows, about 55% of credit-enrolled City College students in total enroll with the intent to transfer. That's just a bit over half of the total credit-seeking student body, which means that (if the speaker's figures are correct), 70% of 55% of credit-enrolled students. So that is more like 38.5% of credit-seeking students, not 70%, and does not include non-credit-seeking students, which make up a quarter of enrollments. And even 38.5% does not mean the number of students who are actually accepted into UCSB, and enroll/attend. As a former college placement counselor, I can attest to the fact that there is a large gap between wanting to go to a school and getting in and then attending, especially one as competitive as UCSB!

Table 18. Percent of Credit Students by Educational Goal

Fall Semester	AA/AS	Vocational Degree/ Cert.	Transfer with AA/AS	Transfer without AA/AS	Basic Skills/ H.S. Diploma	Maintain Cert./ License/ Develop Skills	Educ. Devel.	Un-known
2015	10.3%	3.0%	45.6%	11.0%	12.0%	9.1%	1.3%	7.7%
2016	11.0%	3.3%	46.4%	10.7%	12.4%	8.0%	1.2%	7.0%
2017	10.8%	2.8%	47.0%	10.3%	13.6%	7.6%	1.3%	6.6%
2018	10.3%	3.0%	47.2%	10.2%	12.8%	8.0%	1.8%	6.6%
2019	10.4%	2.8%	46.5%	9.5%	14.8%	7.7%	2.0%	6.3%
5-Year Average	10.6%	3.0%	46.5%	10.4%	13.1%	8.1%	1.5%	6.8%

Source: SBCC. (2020). Credit Student Demographics [Tableau Dashboard]. Retrieved September 2020.

As the above table makes clear, City College students attend for a variety of reasons, not just as a pathway to UCSB or even to a degree. Some are high school students looking for academic enrichment; others trying to get a high school diploma or GED; yet others looking for licensure or skill acquisition (as with the nursing and culinary arts programs, both well regarded), and others to get a vocational certificate. These are not “college-age” undergrads – they are younger or older, community-based, and do not share goals with UCSB’s population.

As for the roughly 25% of enrolled non-credit students, they are clearly a very different population than those at UCSB:

Non-credit students tend to be older than credit students. Since fall 2018, those 40 years and older have comprised 70 percent of the noncredit student population. The proportion of individuals over 65 increased markedly from fall 2016 to fall 2017, by 22.3 percentage points. (*Santa Barbara City College 2021 Institutional Self Evaluation Report*, p. 37)

This large population clearly does not share experiences or residency with UCSB and Isla Vista.

As for where City College students live and if they would even be part of a Santa Barbara County voting community, a quick visit to the website shows this geographic distribution in enrollment:

	Fall 2020	(comparison) Fall 2009
In-District*	5,182	9,686
Elsewhere in Tri-Counties	3,763	2,969
Elsewhere in California	4,216	5,780
Out of State	564	865
International	454	932
Total	14,179	20,232

*In-District covers the geographic area from Carpinteria to Gaviota (excluding the Santa Ynez Valley)

So of roughly 14,179 enrolled students last fall, 8997 (counting every category above other than 'in-district') are not even Santa Barbara-County based. That's 63% of enrolled students who do not live in our region at all. Neither they, nor those scattered in the community, would be able to vote in any supervisorial district that SBCC ends up in.

Bottom line: By design, four-year universities and community colleges are very different from each other. The former intentionally draws in students for an immersive four-year residential experience on or near the campus. Community colleges, especially in California, are meant to serve a wide and diverse body of students, many of them older, working, and not looking for a B.A. or a residential college experience or to affiliate closely with the institution.

To claim that these two institutions should be packed into a single supervisorial district that otherwise makes little sense geographically is simply without merit.

Thank you for your attention and all your efforts.

Sincerely,

Lee E. Heller, Ph.D., J.D.
Santa Barbara CA

From: [Clayton Tyler](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting commission
Date: Wednesday, November 24, 2021 3:52:24 PM

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Dear Chair Morris and Commissioners,

I live in downtown Santa Barbara, and I want to object to what map 408B tries to do to my community.

This map splits the east and west sides of Santa Barbara, which are currently together in District 1, and which are a strong community of interest. Splitting them, and separating the westside from the rest of the first district and Carpinteria, substantially reduces the voting power of citizen aged voting Latinos. This is simply unacceptable.

It's all the more obvious that this is being done intentionally when you look at the way this map draws District 2 under the pretense of creating a college student based district. Clearly this is a thinly veiled attempt to take Isla Vista and UCSB out of the 3rd District, by packing it with SBCC. The reality is that UCSB and City College are very different institutions, serving very different kinds of students. Four year universities with resident populations are very different than community colleges that serve working adults, high school students, credential seekers, as well as transfer-bound students. While I'm sure that some number of the last category live in IV, it's hardly enough to justify the gerrymander that this represents.

In addition, this map would just pick up and move an entire community of 20,000 people --students, working families, faculty-- into another district. That is disruptive enough, but made worse by changing the voting cycle for those people. District 3 votes during presidential elections, which helps to encourage voter participation by students. District 2 votes on the gubernatorial cycle, so moving UCSB and IV residents to that district would disrupt their voting experience and likely reduce student turnout substantially.

I hope you will reject this map for its blatant attempt to reduce minority voting power and to disrupt the lives of 20,000+ voters for purely political reasons.

Thank you.

Clayton L Tyler
Santa Barbara CA 93101

From: [Allison McAdams](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Third Supervisorial District Map Comments - Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians
Date: Wednesday, November 24, 2021 4:24:11 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[SYBMI Redistricting Letter - 11.24.2021.pdf](#)

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To Whom it May Concern,

Please find a comment letter from the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians regarding the Third Supervisorial District redistricting attached.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Allison McAdams

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November 24, 2021

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The Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians support maps like 818 that maintain the cultural connection between the Santa Ynez Valley where the Tribe currently has its Reservation and the coastal areas near Gaviota and Isla Vista from where the Tribe traces its lineage. From the Goleta Slough west to Point Conception is a series of Chumash Villages. Point Conception itself has a major place in Chumash spiritual beliefs.

We support maps like 818 that:

- First, Maintain the cultural connects between the Santa Ynez Valley, Point Conception, the Gaviota Coast to the Goleta Slough; and
- Second, Do not split the Santa Ynez Watershed; and
- Third, Make as few changes to the boundaries of the 3rd District as possible while complying with the Voting Rights Act.

Acknowledgment of aboriginal and present day Chumash People:

We would like to thank everyone involved with redistricting for allowing the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians to recognize their ancestors as the traditional owners of the land the is now Santa Barbara County. The Chumash people consider their traditional territory to start in Paso Robles and continue south through all of Santa Barbara County all the way past what is now Malibu. The Chumash inhabited the islands of the Santa Barbara Channel and many Santa Ynez Chumash can trace their ancestors to the Gaviota Coast and the areas around UCSB and the Goleta Slough.

The letter will continue our efforts to present the connection of the Santa Ynez Chumash from their current reservation on the Zanja De Cota Creek just east of Mission Santa Inez where the tribe was forced to live until Mexican independence and the secularization of the Missions. Today Chumash tribal members will discuss the historic connections of the Santa Ynez Chumash with the following areas:

First, the Significance of the Goeta Slough and UCSB; and
Second, The Gaviota Coast and Dos Pueblos Ranch; and
Third, Point Conception and the Western Gate; and
Fourth, Santa Ynez Chumash Marine Protected Areas.

The Significance of the Goleta Slough and UCSB

The Area from Goleta west to UCSB is referred to as the Goleta Slough.

According to Dr. John Johnson at the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History, the Goleta Slough villages had the highest population density in the Santa Barbara region at the time of European settlement.” This is due to the great diversity of habitat and wildlife within this setting providing for a wide variety of subsistence adaptations.

One example of such villages within the prehistoric time frame of the Goleta Slough was the village of heló or Mescalitan Island. It was occupied continuously for thousands of years by the early Chumash. The members of the Portola-Serra expedition visited that Goleta Slough and wrote about the ethnography of the Chumash inhabitants.

There has been study after study by over a dozen accredited, credentialed archaeological specialists/professors regarding the Goleta Slough. No matter what was their particular expertise, all agree that these villages are significant and tell much about the prehistory of the Chumash.

Professor Jon Erlandson, along with David Stone, described the entire Goleta Slough as the sociopolitical nexus of the Chumash world.

The Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians support plans like 818 and 816B that maintain the cultural connection between the Santa Ynez Valley where the Tribe currently has its Reservation and the coastal areas near Goleta Slough and Isla Vista from where the Tribe traces its lineage.

Dos Pueblos and Las Varas Ranches

To the West of UCSB and Goleta, within what is today called Santa Barbara Ranch are the twin villages of “Mikiw” and “Kuyamu.” The documented locations of the prehistoric Chumash villages of Mikiw and Kuyamu, have also been referred to as by the name “Dos Pueblos” meaning “Two Towns” in Spanish.

The creeks, river valleys, and flood plains in the Dos Pueblos area, along with the fringing coastline, have supported a continuous cultural occupation for at least the last 8,000 years. The area is within an intensive area of Chumash settlement: the mouth of Dos Pueblos Creek. Twin villages named *Mikiw* and *Kuyamu* occupied the banks of Dos Pueblos Creek at its confluence with the Pacific, giving the creek its name. Archeological records searches conducted so far show at least four prehistoric archaeological sites previously recorded in or immediately adjacent to the Dos Publos area.

Immediately adjacent to the historic Dos Pueblos villages of Mikiw and Kuyamu, is the Las Varas Ranch, now controlled by UCSB.

The Las Varas Ranch property is highly culturally sensitive, with at least ten know sites within the bounds of the set of parcels, and a number of other sites in the vicinity. Most notably, David Banks Rogers, the first Director of the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History discovered a Chumash cemetary along with the remains of a large Chumash village with at least 13 house pits.

The Chumash People view this area as an extremely sensitive and sacred area, full of history. Given the vast amount of cultural resources and recorded archaeological sites (many that would be eligible for listing in the National Registrar of Historic Places), the Chumash people recognize this area as a Chumash community/neighborhood.

The connection of the current Santa Ynez Chumash Reservation and Dos Pueblos and Las Varas Ranch along with the lands to UCSB & Isla Vista, needs be respected and considered when considering the boundaries of the Third Supervisorial District. Which is why we support maps like 818 and 816B that honor those connections.

Point Conception and the Western Gate

Point Conception is called the Western Gate and is a sacred place for the Chumash – a gateway where the dead enter the heavens on their way to paradise.

The Samala Chumash historian named Maria Qiliqutayiwit reported to John Harrington, of the Smithsonian Institution, that Point Conception was a sacred place for the ancient Chumash. It was, she said, a gateway for the souls of the dead to enter the heavens and begin their celestial journey to paradise (*Similaqsa*).

Qiliqutayiwit's statement can be read in December's Child, which was edited by Thomas Blackburn and published by the University of California Press in 1975 of this relatively pristine part of the California Coast.

Qiliqutayiwit described a "gate" associated with Point Conception, which is one of the westernmost points of land in the ancient Chumash territory. Many contemporary Chumash call Point Conception the "Western Gate" and believe that this region deserves to be kept from development, because it is a holy place linked to the souls of the dead. In fact, many traditionalists believe that it is one of the most sacred places in the Chumash territory, deserving of the same protection of other sacred places such as Iwihinmu (Pine Mountain), Toshololo (Frazier Mountain), Wasna, Zaca lake, and other holy places.

What makes Point Conception special to the Traditional Chumash is that it is the only one in which an elder explicitly identified as a "gate" used by the souls of the dead. And since it was located in the westernmost area of the Chumash lands, it came to be called the Western Gate.

Chumash Marine Protected Areas

The history of the Chumash tribe is the history of the Santa Barbara Channel Islands and ocean. The Santa Ynez Band of Chumash can trace their lineage back to the Channel Islands. Before the Chumash were “discovered” they inhabited both the Santa Barbara Coast and the Channel Islands.

California tribes are trying to reverse the loss of their native languages, culture and history. The true history of the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians is the relationship of the Tribe with the ocean for food, ceremonial objects and their history.

The Santa Ynez Band of Chumash continue this connection today.

As part of this connection to the Santa Barbara Channel and its Channel Islands the Santa Ynez Chumash have been provided Chumash exceptions to Marine Life Protection Act (MLPA) State Marine Conservation Areas (SMCAs) in and near the Santa Barbara coast.

Just south of Gaviota State Park is the Kashtayit State Marine Conservation Area.
Just south of Dos Pueblos Canyon and Naples is the Naples State Marine Conservation.

In December 2019, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife adopted regulations making these State Marine Conservation areas open for Santa Ynez Chumash ceremonial fishing and gathering.

The Santa Ynez band of Chumash Indians desire to keep the Santa Ynez Chumash Reservation and these Chumash ceremonial fishing areas of the Gaviota Coast to the Goleta slough in the same supervisorial third district. Maps like 818 & 186B do that, and we urge you to adopt one of these. or make changes so that our ancestral lands remain united.

Conclusion

It is important to honor our Chumash ancestors, and we urge you to keep the Santa Ynez Valley and its watershed together with Point Conception and the Gaviota Coast in one district.

The existing Third District map has been in place for a significant period of time and therefore any revisions should be carefully reviewed.

In addition, The Santa Ynez Valley has been well represented in the historic configuration including the Gaviota Coast and Isla Vista/UCSB. The past 6 Supervisors (from both parties) have resided in the Santa Ynez Valley.

Please contact me or Sam Cohen, Government Affairs and Legal Officer (scohen@sybmi.org; cell: 805-245-9083), if you any additional questions or if the Tribe can assist you in any way.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K Kahn', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Kenneth Kahn,
Tribal Chairman

From: [AMY P](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: DO NOT REDISTRICT
Date: Thursday, November 25, 2021 1:12:42 AM

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Dear Commissioners,

I am writing in support of maps #804, 404, 103 and 106 to be considered for final adoption. We want cities to be kept whole as possible and we DO NOT Isla Vista and UCSB placed into a North County District.

Sincerely,

Amy

Sent from [Outlook](#)

From: [David Hudspeth](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting maps preference
Date: Thursday, November 25, 2021 8:45:48 AM

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Please tally my vote for the map number 408B. For the redistricting efforts now underway.

Thank you
David Hudspeth,
Resident of Santa Barbara County
In the city of Lompoc
503 N E St.

From: [Ron](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting map choices
Date: Friday, November 26, 2021 11:13:21 AM

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It would seem to me that the communities of Lompoc, Mission Hills, Vandenberg Village, Mesa Oaks and the surrounding ranches would easily fall into the category of “communities of interest”. Only two maps submitted by citizens, number [Public 815](#) and [Public 816B](#), seem to accomplish this goal. The other 8 maps under consideration dissect the Lompoc Valley and should be rejected.

I support either of these two maps.

Ron Fink
1332 North E Court
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From: [John Duncan](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Cc: [John Duncan](#)
Subject: Map 818 with or without Cuyama Modification
Date: Friday, November 26, 2021 2:08:27 PM

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Dear Commissioners,

I hope you all had a Happy Thanksgiving, allowing you to take a break from the very challenging task assigned you.

I was disappointed that the “Do No Harm” Map (816B) was not included in your final five maps to be considered. It was the least disruptive option before you but admittedly it did not include the creation of a Latino supermajority CVAP district.

Map 818 does include a Latino supermajority CVAP district, and it does so without disrupting the entire county. Map 809 which is a variant of 818, but does not show the Cuyama Valley attached to the First District, was also strongly supported, but it was clear that 818 could be modified to reassign Cuyama as shown on 809.

Two District R maps have been drawn incorporating minor revisions to the boundaries that serve to reduce the number of split places to 4 and reduce the population deviation. The map that reassigns Cuyama necessarily incorporates more rebalancing to account for that population shift.

Minor modifications to the boundary of the First and Second Districts within and around the City of Santa Barbara eliminate the “split” of the Eastern Goleta Valley in the San Roque area, reducing the number of splits to 4, and serve to rebalance the districts. All the remaining splits in the maps occur in “places” that have historically been split.

The map that takes Cuyama out of the First District shows Cuyama and the entire Hwy. 166 corridor as part of the Fourth District which encompasses the majority of the rural area in the northern part of the county. Although some have supported reassigning Cuyama to the North your commission has also heard testimony that it benefits Cuyama to be represented by two districts, particularly on groundwater issues.

Very minor modifications to the boundary of the Second and Third districts at the edge of Goleta simplify the line. Minor adjustment to the boundary between the Third and the Fourth Districts in the Lompoc area, allow Hwy. 246 to serve as the boundary east of Lompoc, and the Santa Ynez River to serve as the boundary west of Lompoc.

All five districts are connected to the coastline in their traditional sequence.

In addition to having balanced populations, all five districts appear proportional with no single district encompassing virtually all the unincorporated area of the county. Instead there are two somewhat larger districts, one in the north and one in the south, that include the more rural areas of the county.

DistrictR Map 86525 “818 Improved 3 w/o Cuyama” reassigns Cuyama to the north and has a total population deviation of 2.99%. Here is the link:

<https://districtr.org/plan/86525?event=sbcounty>

DistrictR Map 86543 “818 Improved w/ Cuyama” retains Cuyama in the First District and has a total population deviation of 2.29%. Here is the link:

<https://districtr.org/plan/86543?event=sbcounty>

Apart from the reassignment of Cuyama which Map 809 incorporated and has been discussed, these suggested modifications are all minor. As it stands, Map 818 is an excellent choice for adoption, but should you feel it would benefit from minor revisions, these are some suggestions.

Rather than turn the entire county topsy-turvy with a map that disrupts every district with questionable benefit, please consider how 818, with or without minor revisions, can result in a map that efficiently addresses the great majority of your goals and comports with the legal requirements of your very challenging responsibility.

Thank you for your consideration,

J. Lansing Duncan

From: [Nancy Emerson](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Supervisoral districts map selection
Date: Friday, November 26, 2021 7:22:42 PM

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Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

My recommendation is that you work with the 818 map. I am hoping you might be able to tweak it some so Cuyama Valley could be in District 4 or 5 and therefore physically a lot nearer its supervisor.

I lived on the South Coast for 20+ years and my husband worked with students, who had varying viewpoints. Now a Solvang resident for an equal number of years, having Isla Vista in the 3rd district has never been a problem for me. Having one district with both North and South county residents seems to bring balance to the County and has worked well for many years.

It is important to me that the Valley be kept as intact as possible. It seems to work well to have one district that is primarily small towns and rural with a beach town placed in that mix.

Thank you.

Nancy Emerson

From: [Lata Murti](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Cc: dphillips@ndcresearch.com; glenn@santamaria.com
Subject: Information in Support of Map 821B Modified, District R ID 86965
Date: Friday, November 26, 2021 8:39:54 PM

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Dear Dr. Phillips, Chair Morris, and Commissioners:

Thank you for including Map 821B (<https://drawsantabarbaracounty.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Plan-821B-Map.pdf>) in your latest round of five possible maps to adopt. I believe it is a viable map in that it meets the three major criteria for redistricting: 1. relatively equal populations among districts; 2. geographic contiguity; and 3. respecting communities of interest.

Nevertheless, County residents understandably have some concerns about Map 821B as it is currently drawn. I believe Map 821B Modified, District R ID 86965 (<https://districtr.org/plan/86965?event=sbcounty>) addresses these concerns by making slight modifications to Map 821 B.

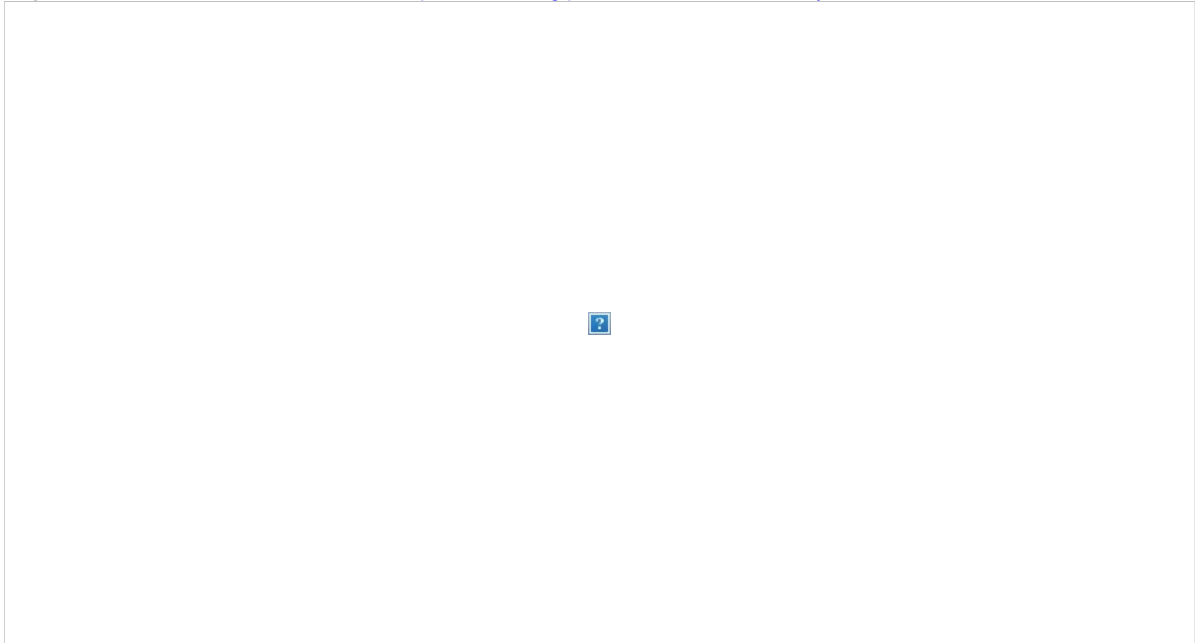
These modifications are listed below, in table format, along with reasons why these modifications would benefit specific communities in Santa Barbara County. Please also refer to the screenshots of the maps included.

I hope you will seriously consider Map 821B Modified as a map worth adopting for the county, for the reasons given here, in this message.

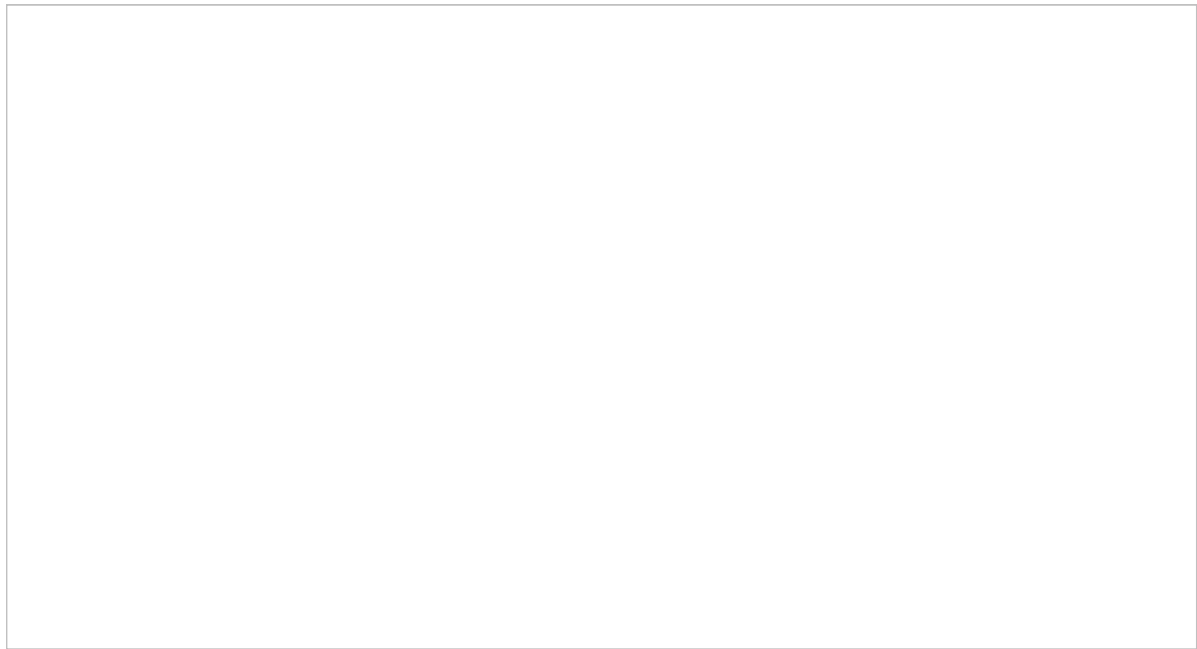
Thank you very much for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Dr. Lata Murti

Map 821B Modified, District R ID 86965: <https://districtr.org/plan/86965?event=sbcounty>



Original Map Plan 821B: <https://drawsantabarbaracounty.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Plan-821B-Map.pdf>



District	Map 821B (original)	Map 821B (modified)	Benefits of Modifications
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Smaller area• Does not include Cuyama Valley• Splits San Roque• Oak Park neighborhood separated from San Roque (split)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Larger area• Includes NE part of the Cuyama Valley• The San Roque neighborhood remains whole (not split) and in District 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Incorporates public comment asking that part of Cuyama Valley be in District 1• Maintains voting and election cycles for San Roque neighborhood of Santa Barbara• Land area more equal to other four districts
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lake Cachuma split from South Coast• Splits downtown of City of Santa Barbara between 2nd and 1st districts	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adds Lake Cachuma so it remains with the South Coast• Keeps most of downtown City of Santa Barbara whole (not split between 2nd and 1st districts)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Better aligns with communities of interest (Lake Cachuma and South Coast)• Maintains voting and election cycles for downtown City of Santa Barbara
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Splits Santa Rita Hills wine country from Lompoc Valley	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Keeps Santa Rita Hills wine country with the Lompoc Valley• 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Retains current community of interest (Santa Rita Hills and Lompoc Valley)

		Adjusts boundary near Ellwood, retaining all UCSB Staff and Faculty housing in District 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Note: the boundary at Ellwood is supposed to run North/South between the Cannon Green neighborhood and the Ellwood Beach Dr. Neighborhood (District R won't allow me to draw it correctly)
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Too large of a land area as compared to other four districts Includes Cuyama Valley even though Cuyama Valley residents prefer to be in 5th and 1st districts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Land area smaller Allows Cuyama Valley to be in 5th and 1st districts as preferred 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aligns with preferences of residents in Cuyama Valley More equal in size to other four districts
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Too small of land area as compared to other four districts Does not include Cuyama Valley, even though Cuyama Valley residents asked to be in 5th (and 1st) districts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Land area larger Includes part of Cuyama Valley as preferred by local residents 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> More equal in size to other four districts Incorporates stated preferences of Cuyama Valley residents to be in the 5th (and 1st) districts

From: [Sally H](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: County Redistricting
Date: Saturday, November 27, 2021 9:37:06 AM

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To the Redistricting Commission,
My name is Sarah (Sally) Hearon, and I have been a resident of Southern Santa Barbara County for 31 years.
I know you are in the last weeks of picking a final map for our County for the next ten years, and I thank you for your hard work!

The best map going forward, in my opinion, would be some kind of improved version of map 821B.

This map separates the Santa Ynez Valley from the coast. It is possible that the Chumash will not be happy about that, but I gather that some SYV residents are interested in the idea. It creates a new third district that connects Isla Vista with Lompoc, which is good because the transient, working Latinx, and renter populations in both communities would be strengthened. It does seem that the 4th district in that map is too large, though. Could it be reduced? It seems to me that once you get west of Buellton, it makes more sense to put that area with the Lompoc Valley. The wine interests there would benefit from a supervisor who can represent them together.

I also think it might be better to put Cuyama in the 1st or 5th districts, or to split that area, since its residents have repeatedly expressed that wish. And it would make that 4th district a more manageable size!

I also like map 818, but I do understand that it doesn't satisfy people who want the Valley and Isla Vista separated. Otherwise, it does a good job of keep communities of interest together and strengthening them, especially its 5th district.

What I do NOT support is what map 408B does.

To me, it is all about splitting and weakening communities of interest! Aren't you supposed to avoid that as a top priority? For that reason, I am surprised it even made it this far! How can anyone justify splitting the east and west sides of Santa Barbara, which are so closely tied by race, socioeconomic status, and proximity, and putting them in two districts?! The current first district has really empowered minority voters by having them together and with Carpinteria. Their last two supervisors have been people of color with working class ties. Splitting them is likely to make this impossible.

Also, it seems to make no sense to have a little coastal district composed of IV/UCSB, a random part of Goleta, Hope Ranch, Noleta, the Mesa and the westside, just so it can cram SBCC in too. This version of district 2 is very problematic; it doesn't split Goleta in a place that makes sense in terms of its socioeconomic and neighborhood groupings. UCSB and SBCC are both institutions of higher education, but beyond that, they don't have much in common. This seems like an attempt to create a gerrymandered district which will take students out of the voting mix.

I hope you will pick a map that draws on the best of what is in multiple maps (like parts of 818), or make improvements to a single map that has the most strengths (as with 821B).

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,
Sally Hearon

From: [Theresa Reilly](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting Map Input
Date: Saturday, November 27, 2021 9:55:46 AM

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To Whom It May Concern:

I am a 35 year resident of the Santa Ynez Valley, having raised my family here and taught in area elementary schools. Prior to that, I attended UCSB and lived in Isla Vista, Goleta, and Santa Barbara. The Third District as drawn fits well with my peer group, interests, politics, and community connections. We share similar concerns with agriculture, trails, tourism, and more. Please don't alter that as proposed in several of the redistricting maps under consideration!

The best map presented is #818. I would like to see the Santa Ynez River watershed remain connected along with the rural south coast area of Gaviota, with UCSB and Isla Vista included to balance out population numbers. It makes no sense for us to be thrown in with North county. There may be some fine-tuning needed for #818, e.g. keeping the Hwy 166 corridor connected, but it would be the least disruptive to those of us living in the Santa Ynez Valley.

Best regards,

Theresa Reilly
Buellton resident

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From: [Max Golding](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Map 818
Date: Friday, November 26, 2021 1:10:58 PM

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Dear Redistricting Commission members,

Please support maps 821B and 818 going into the next round.

Map 818 seems to me to be the best approach, minimizing the changes that would move too many voters around and protecting communities of interest. But if you feel that the Santa Ynez Valley and Isla Vista MUST be separated, then map 821B accomplishes that while also protecting important communities of interest. I do think that map should be adjusted, however, to put the Cuyama region into the 1st district (where it already is) or the 5th district, or both, as the residents have requested this. It could also be adjusted to be more proportionate in size to the other districts, since so much of it is very minimally populated. This map is strong in that it keeps the Lompoc Valley with Lompoc and the Santa Ynez Valley is not split up.

Although you have asked people to speak for the maps they like, I do have to speak against maps 408B and 822 or 822B. Map 408B has a high population deviation and one of the smallest CVAP percentages. It splits minority communities -- Santa Barbara's (where I live) and Guadalupe from Santa Maria. And it creates an implausible, non-compact second district that just seems like an excuse to get college students out of the 3rd district. If you want to do that, 821B is a much better and fairer way to do that.

Map 822B looks good at first but look more closely -- it also does a kind of gerrymander around Goleta, to put it in the 3rd district and take IV out. Again, if you want to do that, the approach that map 821B takes is much more logical from many perspectives.

Thank you for your hard work and for allowing me to participate in this process.

Max Golding

From: [Malmuth](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Map 818
Date: Saturday, November 27, 2021 10:45:48 AM

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Please adopt Map 818 for redistricting.
Thank you.

From: [Gay Infanti](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Support for Redistricting Plan Map 818
Date: Saturday, November 27, 2021 1:34:31 PM

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To: Independent Redistricting Commission of Santa Barbara

I am writing to urge you to adopt Map 818 for the third supervisory district of Santa Barbara County. As a resident of the Santa Ynez Valley (SYV), I feel it is critical to keep the Santa Ynez River (SYR) Watershed intact and in the third district. As you may be aware, the state of California passed the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act in 2014, which requires that medium priority groundwater basins, such as ours, submit a plan to the Department of Water Resources, to bring the Santa Ynez River Ground Water Basin into sustainable yield within the next twenty years. This plan will be implemented and managed by the Ground Water Sustainability Agency (GSA) for the basin, which will include the responsible County Supervisor. Joan Hartmann currently represents SB County on this GSA. It would not be a good idea to have this responsibility split into multiple supervisorial districts, by drawing district boundaries that would cross defined ground water basins and create management conflicts. Such conflicts could exacerbate water resource management issues to the detriment of the Ground Water Basin's stakeholders. Map 818 is the only map currently under your consideration that coincides with the defined boundaries of the SYR Ground Water Basin.

In addition, the SYV Band of Chumash have requested that Isla Vista and UCSB remain part of the third district to ensure the Gaviota Coast from Goleta Slough to Point Conception remain connected to their Santa Ynez Reservation.

Please adopt Map 818 to ensure the SYR Watershed is not divided, that our long-standing communities of interest are not separated, and that our SY Valley is not combined with larger urban areas, e.g., Santa Maria, which have very little in common with the residents and businesses in the Santa Ynez Valley.

Thank you for taking my comments into consideration as you make your final decisions.

Very truly yours,

Gay M. Infanti
Solvang Resident and
Member of the EMA GSA Citizens Advisory Committee

From: [Christian](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Written Public Comment
Date: Saturday, November 27, 2021 7:25:17 PM

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Dear Commissioners,

As a community member in District 1, I'm writing you to support Map #818 because it offers the best approach overall to supporting communities of interest, while minimizing population movement

If the continued connection between the Valley and coastal communities is not in the cards, then I think the next best option is 821B, especially the "less disruption" version that was posted on 11/24, as it still keeps majority/minority communities of interest together, as well as rural communities in the Santa Ynez and Lompoc Valleys; puts Cuyama in the districts it wants to be in; maintains logical district lines in the 1st and 2nd districts, minimizing disruption there, where there has also been least population growth.

Maps 408B and 822 or 822B should be eliminated. Map 408B is an obvious effort to reduce the voting power of minority populations, by putting Guadalupe in a heavily white/rural 4th district and not with its community of interest of western Goleta; it splits the east and west sides of Santa Barbara from each other and from Carpinteria, and clearly just as a way to put Isla Vista with City College and take it out of the 3rd district.

Map 822 also clearly tries to take IV out of the 3rd district, drawing a weird south county that puts Goleta all in the 3rd district and draws around IV to put it in the 2nd district -- this is geographically dubious, and also splits the community of interest of IV and western Goleta.

If the goal is to separate the Santa Ynez Valley and IV, then 821B is a much better choice, with more legitimate boundaries. The revised version is also better in terms of the size of the 5 districts both geographically and in terms of population deviation.

Thanks for considering my input!

From: [Joan Davidson And John Schnittker](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Third District comments
Date: Sunday, November 28, 2021 7:47:45 AM

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Dear Commissioners,

I have lived in the Santa Ynez Valley since 1991 and visited since 1980 when my parents moved here. My late husband and I have been active in many community service organizations from the beginning. My husband served many years on the Valley Blueprint task force.

The Third District has always included the Gaviota Coast, UCSB, and Isla Vista. Our connection to these areas is not unique to us...the Chumash have a historic connection to our coast even though they are now cut off from it. We have attended many events at the University over the years and value our proximity to it.

Quality time spent along the Gaviota Coast has left lasting memories. The proximity of its many opportunities for recreation made it a part of our lives on a weekly basis. The recent Alisal fire pointed out to me how closely we are connected as help came from Valley resources. This connection was brought to bear as once again water from our precious watershed was used to fight the fire. This watershed is very important to the Third District therefore it is imperative that it remain intact and not be divided between districts.

Map 818 best represents the Third District with minimum disruption to the Santa Ynez Valley and its historic boundaries which include UCSB, Isla Vista and the Gaviota Coast. My endorsement of Map 818 is not unique as I believe it is that of the majority of our community in the Third District. It comes from having lived, served and loved this Valley for many years.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this petition.

Sincerely,

Joan H. Davidson
1637 Calzada Avenue
Santa Ynez

Sent from my iPad

From: [Eileen Caris](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Cc: [Eileen Caris](#)
Subject: Redistricting request
Date: Sunday, November 28, 2021 7:52:00 AM

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Dear Independent Redistricting Commission,

Please adopt Map #818. We are residents of the Santa Ynez Valley and are requesting that you adopt Map #818. This map keeps the Valley and the SY River watershed intact and attached to the Gaviota Coast, and retains IV and UCSB in the Third District. This has been so for 137 years. We, as individuals, as well as most of our neighbors, are connected to the south coast and UCSB through work, UCSB's cultural events, and the myriad of recreational activities available to us on the Gaviota Coast.

We respect the hard work your commission has been doing for the County of Santa Barbara and respectfully request adoption of Map #818.

Thank You,

Eileen Thornton Caris and Gary Caris

Sent from my iPad

From: [Fred Shaw](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Comments to redistricting commission
Date: Sunday, November 28, 2021 9:36:11 AM

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Dear Chair Morris and Commissioners,

I am writing to express my concern about a few of the maps that you are considering as you decide how to redraw the district boundaries for the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors.

Both maps 408B and 801C draw a first district that separates Carpinteria from our important community of interest in downtown Santa Barbara. This approach would strand our city, separating it from similar residents, as Carpinteria also has a high percentage of Latino/a and working class residents. The result would be to put us only with whiter, wealthier communities like Montecito, Summerland, and the foothills of Santa Barbara.

Please instead consider maps that retain the current configuration of the first district, such as 821B and 818.

Thank you for your efforts on behalf of our county.

Sincerely,

Fred Shaw, former Mayor of Carpinteria

From: tamirabska@gmail.com
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Cc: [Gmail](#)
Subject: Redistricting input
Date: Sunday, November 28, 2021 10:20:13 AM

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Dear Commissioners,

I am writing in my support of maps #804, 404, 103 and 106 to be considered for final adoption.

Being born, raised, and lived in Santa Maria for over 55 years, and owning a local business, I have seen the redistricting efforts of the past. I am in support of the above mapping as they are keeping the cities as whole as possible. I DO NOT WANT IV and/or UCSB placed into a NORTH COUNTY DISTRICT.

Thank you for your efforts and time put into this immense project.

Sincerely,

Tami Rabska

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Santa Maria, CA 93455

tamirabska@gmail.com

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows

From: [Meg Brown](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Comments on Redistricting from Jean Gaillard
Date: Sunday, November 28, 2021 1:07:30 PM
Attachments: [Redistricting-final.docx](#)

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Please find attached Jean Gaillard's comments on the Santa Barbara redistricting and proposed Maps, e was not able to participate in the csll-in lsst week to present them.
We appreciate these being added to the other public comments on this issue.

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Meg Brown
PO Box 125
1381 Foothill Rd.
New Cuyama, CA

Cell: 661 565 5936

My name is Jean Gaillard and I'm farming and ranching in the foothills of the Cuyama Valley.

I'm supporting map 818.

The Cuyama Valley consists of farmers and ranchers scattered around 3 rural communities: New Cuyama, Old Cuyama and Ventucopa, which are classified as disadvantaged communities due to several factors including:

- 1) They have generally been neglected due to their small size and the fact that they are partitioned among four counties.
- 2) Because they are located far from the county seats and have not sufficient support from their respective counties, given their levels of poverty. Our resources have been depleted with very poor return. Even now other districts consider the CV as a dump place for what they don't want with total disregard to environmental and water issues.
- 3) During redistricting exercises, the communities have been split up and/or put in districts with which they have little in common.

The 3 communities are located in the only critically overdrafted water basin in the SBC. For the past 2 years, these communities have developed a draft Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) as mandated by the State intended to bring the water basin back in sustainable use. It is a critical issue necessary for the survival of the valley and the local economy.

We have received excellent support from District 1 and 5 Supervisors and their senior staff throughout the GSP progress, and we need stability and continuity from them as we continue to strengthen this Plan and begin implementation.

During the Commission's deliberations and public comments, my first choice of map 816B was eliminated. Of the existing maps, I believe that map 818 will assure the necessary continuity.

From: [Donna Will](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting citizen input
Date: Sunday, November 28, 2021 1:12:30 PM

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Dear Commissioners,

My family considers it vital to advance map 818, and keep the SY Valley and UCSB together as has historically been.

Thank you,

Donna Will & Family

From: [Karen Hartman](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Santa Barbara County Redistricting letter for meeting Dec 1, 2021
Date: Sunday, November 28, 2021 1:57:10 PM
Attachments: [Redistricting Letter.docx](#)

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Attached is my letter for the Santa Barbara County Redistricting meeting on December 1, 2021.

Thank you,
Karen Hartman

November 28, 2021

To: Redistricting at County of Santa Barbara:

I am a resident of Santa Ynez and have lived here for 11 years. Other residents and I in the Valley have chosen to live in this area because of its rural, open feel. No one can deny that the Valley is significantly different than an urban city or densely populated unincorporated area like Isla Vista, which has been housed within the same supervisorial district as the Santa Ynez Valley for ten years. Having such different communities within the same district creates an unfair situation for both the residents and their representative. Despite a supervisor's most vigilant efforts, no person can accurately represent the interests of such distinct communities at the same time. As a result, residents of District 3 have lacked adequate representation over the past ten years, and their supervisor has been torn between balancing incompatible interests. Given the differences between the communities in District 3, and the unnecessary challenges created by such a mismatched district, I strongly encourage your commission to consider removing Isla Vista from District 3 to create a more cohesive district that can accurately represent the rural communities of the Santa Ynez Valley. Support map 408B.

The maps that "Do No Harm" like 821C keeps the boundaries status quo. That is not the purpose here. Our residents in 2018 voted for this commission and now it is time to fix the lines. Take urban Isla Vista and UCSB out of the Agricultural corridor of Lompoc and Santa Ynez Valley, District 3, and move them to South County District 2 where they are genuinely aligned.

Thank you,

Christopher Hartman
1297 Highland Road
Santa Ynez, CA 93460

From: [Chris Hartman](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Fwd: Redistricting letter
Date: Sunday, November 28, 2021 1:58:22 PM
Attachments: [Redistricting Letter.docx](#)

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To: Chris Hartman <c.hartman@tkgfinancial.com>
Subject: Redistricting Letter

November 28, 2021

To: Redistricting at County of Santa Barbara:

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Thank you,

Christopher Hartman
1297 Highland Road
Santa Ynez, CA 93460

From: scottfina@gmail.com
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Comment on draft map 821B for the Commission's December 1, 2021 meeting
Date: Sunday, November 28, 2021 2:00:01 PM

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Dear Redistricting Commission:

I write in support of draft map 821B, and a recently adjusted version of it found here: <https://districtr.org/plan/86965?event=sbcounty>

My reasoning follows below.

821B and its adjusted version, best serve the interests of the two most economically distressed municipalities in Santa Barbara County: Guadalupe and Lompoc. Both cities have disproportionate poverty, heightened affordable housing issues, and insufficient tax bases to effectively support needed municipal services.

Current District Three boundaries geographically and politically marginalize Guadalupe, linking it to very different and distant socioeconomic constituencies.

Similarly, the current Fourth District links and makes Lompoc subservient to Orcutt—a place which controls the District's noncompetitive supervisorial seat and has a greater proportion of white and more financially resourceful residents.

Draft map 821B and its adjusted version help empower the city of Guadalupe by connecting it to nearby western Santa Maria which has a very similar socioeconomic constituency. This map and its adjusted version also help create a Latinx majority district.

Draft map 821B and its adjusted version also help empower Lompoc by disconnecting it from Orcutt and providing it with enhanced and fairer electoral influence.

The empowerment of Guadalupe and Lompoc through redistricting is not only a just and democratic objective, but one that benefits our entire County by targeting socioeconomic advantage where it is most needed.

Case in point: Orcutt (where I live) has a County Supervisor who has prioritized the nostalgic sentiment of some of his constituents by attempting to impede the conversion of an unprofitable, drive-in movie theatre in Santa Maria, into a desperately needed affordable housing project proposed by the one of the most respected, nonprofit housing agencies on the Central Coast.

Residents in Orcutt have little connection to, and even less empathy for, the needs experienced by residents in Guadalupe and Lompoc.

Thank you for your consideration and generous public service.

Scott Fina
4430 Old Mill Court
Santa Maria, CA 93455

From: [Judith M. Stauffer](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: In support of Redistricting Plan #818
Date: Sunday, November 28, 2021 3:02:07 PM

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Dear Commissioners,

I am writing and imploring you to **adopt Redistricting Plan #818**.

For the past 38 years, I have been a resident of Santa Barbara County — first as a resident of Santa Barbara (6 years) and now a resident of the unincorporated area of the Santa Ynez Valley (32 years). For 15 years, I was employed by UC Santa Barbara as its Director of Community Relations and commuted most of that time between the SYV and the UCSB. As such, I am connected to the south coast for culture / entertainment, shopping, and recreation.

I strongly support Redistricting Plan #818 because it:

- Is far less disruptive of the existing district map;
- Keeps the Santa Ynez Valley and the Santa Ynez River watershed intact and attached to the Gaviota Coast; and
- Retains the historic (137 years) relationship between the Isla Vista / UCSB area and the Third District.

In contrast, the other Plans fall far short:

- Plan 408B doesn't achieve a Latino supermajority vote; has almost double the population deviation, would split the Santa Ynez River watershed, and would terminate the historic relationship between Isla Vista / UCSB area and the Third District.
- Plan 801C would turn the Santa Ynez Valley into a stepchild of Montecito / Carpinteria, would split the Santa Ynez River watershed, and terminate the historic connection between the Santa Ynez Valley and the Gaviota Coast.
- Plan 821B would turn the Santa Ynez Valley into a stepchild of Santa Maria / Orcutt, would split the Santa Ynez River watershed, and terminate the historic connection between the Santa Ynez Valley and the Gaviota Coast.
- Plan 822 doesn't achieve a Latino supermajority vote, and terminate the historic relationship between Isla Vista / UCSB area and the Third District.

For all of the reasons stated above, **I strongly believe that Redistricting Plan #818 best serves the residents of Santa Barbara County.**

Thank you.

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1610 Cougar Ridge Road
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From: [Teresa McNeil MacLean](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Draw Santa Barbara: County My choice out of remaining 5 maps
Date: Sunday, November 28, 2021 5:29:25 PM

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Santa Barbara Redistricting
To whom it may concern:

I am writing you again to voice my continued support for Map #818, the map that keeps the unique Santa Ynez Valley intact, continues our historic link with the Gaviota coast & disrupts the county districts the least. I believe this is the most sensible choice & will allow for the smoothest transition for redistricting.

—Teresa McNeil MacLean
Santa Ynez

From: [GLENN BATTLES](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting map
Date: Sunday, November 28, 2021 6:52:13 PM

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Commissioners,

I would like to cast my vote for Map # 822. It seems to be a good representation in keeping like operations together.

Thank all of you for your time and effort in this task.

Glenn Battles
Santa Maria

From: [Bill Cirone](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Request that you adopt Map # 818
Date: Sunday, November 28, 2021 6:57:56 PM

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To Members of the Redistricting Commission:

I live in Solvang and strongly urge that you adopt Map #818.

There is much talk about community of interest, yet many of the proposed maps would destroy the strong community of interest among all the towns and rural areas in Santa Ynez Valley. Map 818 allows for the continuation of the strong community of interest that currently exists including the strong shared interest in the Santa Ynez watershed . Please do not accept proposals that weaken or destroy either communities of interests or local control. Map 818 preserves those shared interests and local control while meeting the broad goal of the committees charge. Thank you for your service and consideration.

Bill Cirone

From: [Lindsey Reed](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Santa Barbara County Redistricting comment
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 7:08:33 AM

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This is to encourage you to adopt Map 818 as you make decisions on Santa Barbara County districting. It is very important to me to keep our districts logical and traditional. Thank you for listening to all voters for whom this issue is so important.

Lindsey Reed and Jimmy Dominguez

From: [Ellen.mccafferty](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Please
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 7:33:42 AM

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Adopt map #818 for redistricting purposes.
Ellen Mccafferty

Sent from my iPhone 310 435 1000

From: [Sarah Rebstock](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Please adopt map 818
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 7:38:24 AM

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Dear Redistricting commission,

I am a member of the Gaviota coast community writing to urge you to adopt map #818 as the map for the north county. The Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians has asked that their reservation remain culturally and politically connected to the Gaviota Coast, and it feels imperative to honor the political sovereignty of the tribe and vote for map 818.

Thank you,
Sarah Rebstock
Gaviota Coast

From: [JAMES BRADY](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: adoption of map #818
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 8:03:34 AM

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As a native of SB county, and resident of Gaviota/SY Valley, I am strongly In Favor of adopting map #818.

Thank you.

James Brady

From: [Dorothy Jardin](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistributing
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 8:23:34 AM

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Please adopt 818 for fairness.

Thank you.

Dorothy Jardin

Los Olivos

Sent from my iPhone

From: [John Copeland](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Map #818
Date: Sunday, November 28, 2021 8:34:03 AM

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Greetings, Independent Redistricting Commission:

I am writing the to urge the county to adopt Map #818 as the final redistricting plan. It is the least disruptive of all the proposed maps. It keeps the Santa Ynez Valley and the Santa Ynez River watershed intact and attached to the Gaviota Coast, and retains IV and UCSB in the Third District. Map #818 also supports the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians request that the Gaviota Coast, from the Goleta Slough to Point Conception, with its historic and spiritual significance to the Chumash, remain connected with their reservation in the Santa Ynez Valley.

The IV and UCSB area has been in the Third District for 137 years! The Third District has always straddled the Santa Ynez Range Clearly, many of the maps are drawn to be very disruptive to the county's demographics and concerns. The current Third District Supervisor lives in the Santa Ynez Valley. The previous five Third District Supervisors, also have all lived in the Santa Ynez Valley. The other maps break the Third District up, divide the valley and propose, on some maps putting a district boundary line through Lake Cachuma - to what purpose. Connecting the Valley to Santa Maria, makes little sense and connecting the Valley to Carpinteria makes even less.

The Santa Ynez Valley needs to remain connected to the South Coast and UCSB.

Sincerely,

John Copeland

John Copeland
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A friend will always bail you out of jail, but a true friend will be there sitting next to you saying, "Damn that was fun."

From: [Barbara Cirone](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Map #818
Date: Sunday, November 28, 2021 6:36:22 PM

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To Members of the Redistricting Commission:

I strongly and respectfully ask that you please adopt Map #818. Not only will Plan 818 keep the SY Valley and the SY River watershed intact and connected to the Gaviota Coast, but it retains Isla Vista & UCSB in the Third District where it has been for 137 years. We live in Solvang which is mid-county, not north or south county, and I strongly believe that Map #818 not only reflects what's best for SYV, but for SB County as a whole.

Barbara Cirone
218 Valhalla Drive,
Solvang 93463

From: [Lauren Malloy](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Map #818
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 8:25:33 AM

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Adopt map #818 and keep the gerrymandering out!

Lauren malloy

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Ron](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: map choice
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 8:36:05 AM

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Following your recent narrowing of map choices I support map 821B because it maintains Lompoc, Mission Hills, Vandenberg Village, Mesa Oaks and the surrounding ranches into the category of “communities of interest”.

https://www.noozhawk.com/article/santa_barbara_county_redistricting_commission_picks_5_focus_maps_20211128?omhide=true&utm_source=Noozhawk&utm_campaign=a72ab2efe1-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2019_03_18_03_36_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_9ec8acd2c4-a72ab2efe1-247208837

Ron Fink
Lompoc

From: [Glenn Morris](#)
To: ["Hans Duus"](#)
Cc: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: RE: SBC Redistricting comments
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 9:07:55 AM

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Thanks, Hans.

I will make sure this gets added to the public record so the full commission gets a copy.

Glenn Morris

SBC Citizens Independent Redistricting Commission
cell: 559.909.1012 | glenn@santamaria.com

From: Hans Duus <hansduus@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 8:49 AM
To: Glenn Morris <glenn@santamaria.com>
Subject: SBC Redistricting comments

Good morning Glenn

The current district divisions have been problematic for the past 10 years, In particular; First district is geographically and demographically split with Cuyama Valley tied to Montecito, Summerland and Carpinteria. These are vastly different areas with no ties whatsoever.

Third district is also geographically and demographically split, with again, vast differences between Isla Vista, Santa Ynez Valley and Guadalupe.

In my estimation there are 3 regions within the county.

South Coast: Pacific Ocean to the Santa Ynez Range.

Urban population, professional, education government and tourism. There is a very liberal population, with ties to Southern California. I actually consider the South Coast as the northern boundary of So Cal.

Lompoc/ Santa Ynez Valley: Santa Ynez Range to San Rafael Range encompassing the Santa Ynez watershed.

Lompoc Valley has an urban center, Lompoc, agriculture and Vandenberg AFB
SYV is comprised of small communities, ag related businesses and operations, wine industry and tourism.

Santa Maria Valley: San Rafael Range to SLO County. Santa Maria watershed area. Santa Maria Valley is the urban center for north county and has the largest city in the county. Diverse agriculture is prominent in the area. Industrial and manufacturing as well as education. It is a regional retail area for North County as well as Southern SLO County. It serves as a bedroom community with residents going both north and south. The area has demographically ties to Southern SLO County.

My recommendation is Map 821B , with a population deviation of 2.7%. There will only

be 3 communities split. These splits will not result in vastly different geographics or demographics.

Two areas that I consider critical are; Cuyama Valley must not be included in the 1st district. Only 4th or 5th districts can work. Secondly, the City of Lompoc must not be split between 2 districts. Doing so will just heap more injustice and lack of representation to this community.

Thank you for your efforts in leading the task of redistricting. My hope is the committee can look beyond partisanship and do what is right for our communities and residents.

Hans Duus

From: [Doyle Hollister](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: map#818
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 9:08:36 AM

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To whom this may concern,

As a Gaviota resident, frequenting the Santa Ynez Valley and the Goleta area, keeping the districts according to map #818, makes more sense than dividing these areas up in some random chaotic manner. Please keep these areas more in line with their history and sensical cohesion.

Thank you,

Doyle Hollister
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Gaviota, Cal 93117

From: [Christopher Brady](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Urgent
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 9:47:57 AM

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Pls adopt the most sensible map 818. The most sensitive and logical choice
Thank you...

Sent from my iPhone

From: [S Reimers](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Please adopt Map 818
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 10:39:51 AM

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To Whom it May Concern:

As a citizen residing in an unincorporated area of SB County south of Lompoc, I urge you to adopt map #818 as it reflects the socio-economic diversity of our current district.

If our diversity is not represented we will be in danger of abandoning the needs and interests of many who are of more limited resources, resources which include time to devote to civic matters and political action, leaving us with a higher likelihood of being subjected to the policies that favor the wealthier among us.

Sincerely,

Sheryl Reimers
3226 Jalama Road
Lompoc 93436

From: [Sarah Rebstock](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Please adopt map 818
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 7:38:24 AM

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Dear Redistricting commission,

I am a member of the Gaviota coast community writing to urge you to adopt map #818 as the map for the north county. The Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians has asked that their reservation remain culturally and politically connected to the Gaviota Coast, and it feels imperative to honor the political sovereignty of the tribe and vote for map 818.

Thank you,
Sarah Rebstock
Gaviota Coast

From: [Gail Teton-Landis](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Written Comment
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 2:32:46 PM

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Dear Redistricting Committee,

Over Thanksgiving I couldn't help but think about the history of Native Americans, and the local Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians in particular. The Chumash have requested that their lands be kept together, and therefore support maps such as 818.

Someone in public comment last week made a remark to the effect that the third district was created a long time in the past and that much has changed. I believe it is true, that the third district has been configured as it is for decades. But it is important to honor the Chumash, to keep their ancestral lands together and not marginalize their request or discount their viewpoint because this land was theirs so far in the past.

We should honor their desires as the traditional people of the land that is now Santa Barbara County, and support Map 818.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Gail".

Gail Teton-Landis
South County

From: [BL Borovay](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Re: Automatic reply: Redistricting
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 1:40:45 PM

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My apologies. My email was sent to you in error and I would greatly appreciate it if you can delete it from your stack of emails. Thank you.

On November 29, 2021 at 4:32 PM CEO Redistricting RES
<redistricting@countyofsb.org> wrote:

Thank you for your email to the County of Santa Barbara Redistricting Commission. We will review your email shortly.

From: [Robert Egenolf](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Concerns about Maps 822 and 408B
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 1:23:27 PM

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Redistricting Commission

While I thank you for your efforts in the redistricting process this year, at the same time, I have significant concerns about several very clear substantive defects in two of your final five selected maps.

Map 822:

1. Creates only the illusion of contiguity with the western end of District 2 and Isla Vista by including census block S of the airport which has virtually no population;
2. Creates only the illusion of being cohesive by again reaching around the unpopulated airport to include UCSB/IV in the 2nd District by moving much of the current 2nd District portion of Eastern City of Goleta into the 3rd District;
3. Arbitrarily splits and divides a neighborhoods of very similar houses and concerns at Cambridge Street.
4. Effectively disenfranchises a large number of Goleta voters in the 2nd district by moving them to the 3rd district, effectively delaying their right to vote until 2024;

Map 408B:

1. Arbitrarily divides Goleta North and South, presently parts of the same community with common concerns, at Highway 101 with no apparent justification;
2. Assumes a non-existent commonality between UCSB and SBCC and, in order to do so, irrationally connects Goleta with the Mesa and downtown SB. These two educational institutions serve far different communities, and have dramatically different interests, students, faculty and staff;
3. Effectively disenfranchises a large number of Goleta voters in the 2nd district by moving them to the 3rd district, effectively delaying their right to vote until 2024.

Thank you for your work

Robert F. Egenolf
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From: [Geneva Lovett](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Geneva Lovett - Public Comment
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 12:29:14 PM

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Commissioners,

Thank you for your willingness to consider the concerns and opinions of Santa Barbara County residents as you decide how to redraw our County's supervisorial districts. Your attention to public input is so important to us, as we hope for a truly independent process for choosing the next map!

I spoke at Monday night's meeting. I hope to speak again on Dec. 1, but in case I can't, I wanted to share my views on the focus maps you chose at the end of that long night.

Map 818 remains the best choice, I feel, because it retains some of the strengths of map 801C, but also makes far fewer drastic changes. As a Santa Barbara resident, I did not support changing the 1st district as map 801C does; I think map 818 does a far better job retaining the logical and successful boundaries of districts 1 and 2. And it protects the vulnerable communities of interest that I live in, Santa Barbara's east/west side, two neighborhoods which (while not right next to each other) are extremely similar in their demographic makeup and needs.

I am very opposed to map 408B for doing the exact opposite. It would split the city in a way that makes no sense and break apart the east/west side community of interest -- not to mention cutting it off from Carpinteria, which has the highest percentage of Hispanic voters in the south part of the County. Apparently the justification is to create some kind of "college student district," but that's an obvious ploy to take Isla Vista out of the 3rd district. As a UCSB grad, I think it is ludicrous to claim that this would strengthen the power of college student voters. Sure, a small number of City College kids live in IV, but the overwhelming majority of SBCC enrollees aren't even college age kids living near either campus.

Map 821B has some strengths, keeping together important communities of interest in north county as well as in Santa Barbara/Carpinteria, and creating more by connecting Lompoc and IV/parts of Goleta. I guess it would also make some Santa Ynez Valley residents happy by separating them from IV and UCSB, although I don't think all Valley residents will share this view. I do think that the map should be tweaked to put Cuyama in the 1st or the 5th district, as they have asked for that and it would also help to reduce the size of the 4th district, which is too big in the current version.

I gather there is interest in 822 if it is changed in some way. That would have to include changing the 3rd/2nd district boundary, which currently draws Goleta out of the 2nd district in order to draw Isla Vista into it and out of the 3rd district. It also draws a weird 1st/2nd district boundary on the west side that doesn't really make sense. That seems to me to violate some pretty basic gerrymandering rules.

I appreciate you taking the time to read this.

Sincerely,

Geneva Lovett

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Geneva Lovett
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From: [Maureen Ellenberger](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: SB county Redistricting Recommendation Map 821B with some changes
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 11:38:12 AM

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Dear Commissioners,

I had hoped to speak at the last Redistricting Commission meeting, but wasn't able to stay up that late! I am not sure I can speak at the next one, so please accept these comments below.

I think map 821B is probably the best map going forward, especially if you request changes to fix some of its weaknesses.

This map keeps communities of interest together, but could do a better job by taking all of the 5th District from Guadalupe across the top of the county. This would put Cuyama with us, where it wants to be.

Map 821B keeps rural central county communities together, but it's just too big. Why not move some of the unoccupied territory into other districts (1 and 2) and also draw the western boundary so that it's just west of Buellton, where the Sta Rita Hills wine region connects with Lompoc's wine region?

Those are the major changes I would suggest, to make a map that keeps minority communities together, puts people where they want to be (as the Santa Ynez Valley, Guadalupe, and Cuyama have all expressed their desires).

Thank you!

Sincerely,

Maureen Ellenberger

1401 Shoreline Drive

Santa Barbara

From: [Mark Oliver](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting Map Comments for 12.1.21 Meeting
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 4:03:31 PM
Attachments: [Mark Oliver Redistricting Comments 11.30.21.pdf](#)

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Dear Commissioners,

Please find the attached PDF letter with my comments for the meeting December 1, 2021.

If possible, please acknowledge receipt.

Thank you.

Mark Oliver
Former president, Santa Ynez Valley Alliance
606 Alamo Pintado Rd, Ste 3-256
Solvang, CA 93463

November 30, 2021

Citizens Independent Redistricting Commission

RE: **Arguments in favor of map 818.**

Dear Commissioners,

The commission cannot claim a mandate to overthrow 141 years of precedent.

Since 1880, the areas of the south coast hosting Isla Vista and UCSB areas have been in the Third District. And for almost as long folks in the north county seem to have been complaining that they have nothing in common with that area.

Partisan gerrymandering, which James Madison labeled "factionalism," excludes from an area people with whom others disagree. The definition of factionalism is putting your special interest above that of others, in this case, putting the interests of one northern county area above that of a geographic area of the south coast which has historically been set within in the third district.

Population growth has occurred, of course, and some areas require more representation, that's true. But historically, a relative balance has been achieved in County by having the current Third District lines drawn as they are today—a noteworthy political success. And it should remain that way if every resident of this county is to be equally represented.

The Third District should maintain its current shape as much as possible by using **MAP 818**. All of the different district areas, one through five, function as a balance to one another, yielding a democratic representation of many interests. And, isn't that what this moment requires, genuine balance, not catering a to the cries of special interests, but true representative government?

The Santa Ynez Valley daily sends hundreds of people to the south coast and the USCB area. Jobs, cultural events, recreation and education tie the

lives of people in the Valley to those of the South Coast. Moreover, tearing up old boundaries will disrupt vital existing Community Service Districts. The re-division of resources and people will require additional money not now in the County budget. Maps such as 408B, 801C and 821B are destructive of communities and interruptive to maintenance of infrastructure.

Map 818 is a natural and "evolutionary" change, not a radical one. I urge rejection of the other maps and the adoption of Map 818.

Thank you for consideration of my comments.

Sincerely,

Mark Oliver
Former president, Santa Ynez Valley Alliance
Solvang

From: [Jennifer Cooper](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting comments
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 4:09:16 PM

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Dear Redistricting Commission Members,

We own a home in Carpinteria and are raising our family here. We are quite concerned about maps 408B and 801C in regards to where they place Carpinteria in the redistricting process.

It seems that both maps would separate Carpinteria from a community with which we have much in common and have long been connected -- Santa Barbara's 'downtown,' the east and west sides. As you know, many Carpinteria residents are working and middle class, many residents are renters, and we have more in common with the downtown Santa Barbara population as opposed to the residents in the foothills of Santa Barbara and Montecito.

We understand that you must draw new districts to deal with population changes resulting from the 2020 census, but feel that no unnecessary changes should be made, and do not want to be part of a drastically new district.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Jen and Jonathan Cooper

1333 Tomol St., Carpinteria, CA 93013

From: [Joseph Borjas](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Written Comment_12-01-21 Meeting
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 4:15:59 PM
Attachments: [Borjas_Joseph_Map408B_Public Comment_11-29-21.pdf](#)

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Chairperson Morris,

The attached letter should be considered and included as written comment for the meeting on Wednesday, December 1, 2021. Please confirm receipt at your earliest convenience.

Thank you,

Joseph Borjas
Attorney

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November 29, 2021

Mr. Glenn Morris, Chairperson
Santa Barbara County Independent Redistricting Commission

Dear Chairperson Morris,

As a lifelong resident of Santa Barbara County, supporter of Measure G and author of map 408B, I want to thank you for your dedication to this Independent Redistricting process as well as the future of our County.

This is a difficult task and there are a number of hard decisions to be made by December 8th, and for this reason, I wanted to once again provide the members of your commission with the rationale behind map 408B and the reasons I believe this is the best map to use as your baseline going forward.

This map was drawn with two concepts in mind:

1. Clear boundaries help people understand their district and identify their representative.
2. All districts should have a blend of unincorporated and incorporated areas and/or residents.

408B Analysis

As you enter Santa Barbara County from Ventura on US 101, you are in the First District (D1) and that continues until you get to the Zoo. At the Zoo, the Second District (D2) begins on the south side of the freeway and extends to El Capitan. D1 continues on the north side until you get to San Marcos Pass. If you continue on US 101, you now have the Third District (D3) to your north and that extends all the way to the north end of Highway 154. Once you pass El Capitan, D3 is on both sides of the freeway.

As you drive up the San Marcos Pass from the south end, D1 is to your right (west) and D3 is to your left (east). This split continues until you pass Lake Cachuma, where it becomes D3 on both sides until you get back to US 101. As you continue north on US 101, to your left you briefly enter the Fifth District (D5) until you get through Los Alamos where it turns into the Fourth District (D4) all the way to Betteravia Road, where D5 extends to the San Luis Obispo County line.

Santa Maria is split north/south between D4 and D5, by the Four B's: Blosser, Battles, Broadway and Betteravia.

In the western end of mid-County, exiting US 101, heading west on Highway 246, you are in D3 until you get past Buellton, where it becomes D4 to the north and D3 to the south until you get into the Lompoc Valley. At that point, the division line becomes the Santa Ynez River to the Pacific Ocean.

The idea behind this map is anyone could quickly identify roads or landmarks to understand where they are in the County and the District in which they reside.

District 1:

Includes— Parts of the City of Santa Barbara. Unincorporated areas: Montecito, Summerland, Toro Canyon

District 2:

Includes— Parts of the City of Santa Barbara and Goleta. Unincorporated areas: Eastern Goleta Valley and Isla Vista

District 3:

Includes— Parts of the City of Goleta, Buellton, Solvang and Lompoc. Unincorporated areas: Los Olivos, Santa Ynez, Eastern Goleta Valley, Gaviota

District 4:

Includes— Part of the City of Santa Maria and Guadalupe. Unincorporated areas: Orcutt, Vandenberg Village, Casmalia and Vandenberg Space Force Base (VSFB)

District 5:

Includes— Majority of the City Santa Maria. Unincorporated areas: Sisquoc, Garey, Los Alamos and Cuyama Valley

Additional Information:

- Cachuma is a major water supply for South County residents. It would now be fully encompassed by a South County District.
- Creation of a college-focused District with SBCC and UCSB together.
- Lompoc gets their beaches back! Jalama and Surf Beach are in the district with their community.
- Orcutt and Vandenberg Village residents make up a large portion of the VSFB workforce and this would bring them together.
- Cuyama gets closer to their representative, and D5 picks up new unincorporated communities.
- There are three minority-majority districts, ensuring our Latino voice is heard all throughout the County, not just in one area or one District.

Sincerely,

Joseph Borjas
Resident, Santa Barbara County

From: [Christian](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Written Public Comment
Date: Saturday, November 27, 2021 7:25:17 PM

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Dear Commissioners,

As a community member in District 1, I'm writing you to support Map #818 because it offers the best approach overall to supporting communities of interest, while minimizing population movement

If the continued connection between the Valley and coastal communities is not in the cards, then I think the next best option is 821B, especially the "less disruption" version that was posted on 11/24, as it still keeps majority/minority communities of interest together, as well as rural communities in the Santa Ynez and Lompoc Valleys; puts Cuyama in the districts it wants to be in; maintains logical district lines in the 1st and 2nd districts, minimizing disruption there, where there has also been least population growth.

Maps 408B and 822 or 822B should be eliminated. Map 408B is an obvious effort to reduce the voting power of minority populations, by putting Guadalupe in a heavily white/rural 4th district and not with its community of interest of western Goleta; it splits the east and west sides of Santa Barbara from each other and from Carpinteria, and clearly just as a way to put Isla Vista with City College and take it out of the 3rd district.

Map 822 also clearly tries to take IV out of the 3rd district, drawing a weird south county that puts Goleta all in the 3rd district and draws around IV to put it in the 2nd district -- this is geographically dubious, and also splits the community of interest of IV and western Goleta.

If the goal is to separate the Santa Ynez Valley and IV, then 821B is a much better choice, with more legitimate boundaries. The revised version is also better in terms of the size of the 5 districts both geographically and in terms of population deviation.

Thanks for considering my input!

From: [Jovany Medina](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Written Public Comment
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 3:16:46 PM

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To the Commissioners:

I am a resident of Santa Maria and am writing in support of maps 821B (modified) and 818, as the best maps to serve my community.

It is important to keep Guadalupe and western Santa Maria together. These constitute a community of interest, as so many speakers have said. Map 408B is a bad map because it puts Guadalupe with Orcutt and other rural, mostly-white communities. This will likely result in racially polarized voting. It also has a very high population deviation.

By contrast, maps 818 and the modified version of 821B that I support (it has the number 86965 in District R) have a majority-minority district that keeps this community of interest together. Map 801C does also.

I like the modified 821B best because it also places Cuyama and the Cuyama Valley in the 1st and 5th districts. Its residents say that this helps them because of the critical groundwater issues they face, and the need for proper representation for those problems.

Map 818 would be my second choice, mostly because it puts part of the Cuyama region in District 4, which is not what the residents have asked for. Most of the modified versions on District R do this, but at least they all put part of Cuyama where it wants to be. Otherwise I feel that map 818 is a strong map.

There is one version of 822B that puts Cuyama in the 1st and 5th districts, but it has other serious problems, and I have not seen a version of 822 that does not.

So the best approach right now seems to be to narrow down to maps 818 and 821B (version 86965), and I hope you will do this.

Thank you.

Jovany Medina
Santa Maria CA

From: [Geordie Scully](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Written Public Comment
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 5:38:35 PM

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Dear Commissioners,

I spoke at last week's meeting (11/22) but am not able to attend this week, so I wanted to share my views with you in writing. I hope you receive this email in time!

I ask you to support maps 818 and 821B because they do not separate the east and west sides, and do not separate us from Carpinteria. I believe map 822 also keeps us together, which is good, but district 2 drawing around Goleta to put most of it in the 3rd district in order to put Isla Vista in the 2nd district seems to be Gerrymandering which takes away the power of student voices who contribute significantly to the community.

I live on Santa Barbara's west side. We have a long and strong connection to the east side; we are, truly, a community of interest so splitting us would go against the Voting Rights Act. Maps 801C and 408B split us from the East Side. Map 408B uses the 101 as the divider, although the west side itself is on both sides of the freeway, as it really begins west of State St.

Map 408B creates a 2nd district that goes around closer neighborhoods in order to create a coastal district that places UCSB and SBCC together, despite the fact that these two academic institutions are quite different (I attended both and can attest to this). This effort comes off as an excuse to take Isla Vista and the University out of the 3rd district. If that must be done, there are better ways to do it that don't separate a majority-minority community of interest.

I hope you will focus down to maps 818 and 821B to end up with a map that does not seek to injure communities of interest or gerrymander just to get Isla Vista out of the 3rd district.

Thank you for your time and commitment to our community.

Sincerely,

Geordie Scully, M.S.
Santa Barbara CA 93101

From: [GLENN BATTLES](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting map
Date: Sunday, November 28, 2021 6:52:13 PM

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Commissioners,

I would like to cast my vote for Map # 822. It seems to be a good representation in keeping like operations together.

Thank all of you for your time and effort in this task.

Glenn Battles
Santa Maria

From: [Brenda Juarez](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: redistricting Map
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 6:11:46 PM

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Please adopt Map #818!

Thank you,

Tom and Brenda Juarez

From: [Mccurdy](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: comment letter for December 1 2021 hearing of the Redistricting Commission
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 7:48:54 PM
Attachments: [Redistricting 11.29.2021.pdf](#)

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Please include the attached letter in the comment letters for this week's hearing of the Redistricting Commission.

Thanks,

Al and Alice McCurdy

Albert and Alice McCurdy
2550 Baseline Avenue
Ballard, CA 93463

November 29, 2021

To the Redistricting Commission:

We are writing again to reiterate our request that your Commission select Map 818. This option is the most rational and balanced of the remaining options; it is also the least disruptive. Map 818 is the optimal choice from both historic and land use perspectives. It would keep the Santa Ynez Valley and its watershed intact, a vitally important concern. Map 818 would also respect the interest of the Chumash to keep the Gaviota Coast, from the Goleta Slough to Point Conception, connected with their reservation in the Valley.

Several aspects of the other remaining options would negatively impact planning for and governance of the Santa Ynez Valley. These include options which would link us to Santa Maria or Carpinteria, communities to which the Valley has no historic or land use connection. Similarly, options which would divide the Valley from Lake Cachuma, or which would separate the Valley from the Gaviota Coast, would be counter to historic trends and impede important land use goals.

As longtime residents of the Santa Ynez Valley, we urge your Commission to respect these historic and land use issues in your decision making process and to select Map 818.

Sincerely,



Albert and Alice McCurdy

From: [John Duncan](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Cc: [John Duncan](#)
Subject: Map 818, Some IV and UCSB History
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 8:21:26 PM

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Dear Commissioners,

Based on the comments of those who would ban Isla Vista and UCSB from the Third District one would think that both communities were recent gerrymandered additions to the district. The actual history of IV and UCSB and their relationship to the Third District is far more complex, dating back to 1880 and even further back in time.

Map 818 reflects that history and honors the Chumash request to preserve the connection between the Santa Ynez Valley, and the coastal area from Goleta Slough to Point Conception.

Following the split of Ventura County from Santa Barbara County in 1873, Santa Barbara County redrew its administrative districts. Between 1873 and 1880 there were three townships that were vestiges of the original county divisions. In 1880, presumably informed by the most recent census, the five Supervisorial Districts that preceded our current districts were established.

In 1880 the First District went from the Ventura County line to the City of Santa Barbara. The Second District was the City of Santa Barbara. The Third District started from the SB city limits, running west along the Gaviota coast until just beyond Gaviota Pass (where US 101 turns north now). Then the western boundary headed north, turning east at a point north of Los Olivos but south of Los Alamos. The district encompassed the Santa Ynez Valley and a large part of the backcountry, largely following Spanish and Mexican land grant boundaries, before eventually reconnecting with the SB city limits.

The area of IV and UCSB has been in the Third District ever since 1880.

Isla Vista was originally named and subdivided in the 1920s as a seaside residential community. During World War II, the Marine Corps maintained a base on the mesa land that is now UCSB. Creation of the airfield for the base involved bulldozing Mescalitan Island and filling the Goleta Slough. The area was the nucleus of one of the largest Chumash settlements on the California coast and the site of extensive sacred Chumash cemeteries.

After the war the Marine Base was deemed superfluous and ultimately transferred to the University of California in 1948. In 1953 the Regents relocated Santa Barbara College, originally a teacher's college, from the Riviera campus above Santa Barbara to the current site, and chartered it in 1958 as a UC campus. Isla Vista and UCSB both expanded dramatically in the latter half of the 20th Century like much of California.

There is no justification for exiling Isla Vista and UCSB from the Third District. The Third District has traditionally straddled the Santa Ynez Mountains and has balanced the lower population density of the Santa Ynez Valley with higher density areas on the South Coast. The City of Goleta specifically chose not to include Isla Vista when it incorporated, leaving Isla Vista unincorporated in the Third District.

Map 818 honors the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians' request to preserve the connection between the Santa Ynez Valley and the Gaviota Coast from the Goleta Slough to Point Conception, and "leave the boundaries of the Third District unchanged as much as possible." Considering that the Marine Corps built a sewage processing facility on the bulldozed Chumash cemetery and this is the site of today's Goleta Sanitary District facility, a little respect for this request might be justified.

Map 818 achieves the goal of creating a Latino supermajority citizen of voting age population district. It does so without turning the rest of the county topsy-turvy. It is the least disruptive of the five maps under consideration, and it recognizes that Isla Vista and UCSB have been a part of the Third District since 1880.

Thank you for your consideration,

J. Lansing Duncan

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From: [Lawanda Lyons-Pruitt](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Cc: [Lawanda Lyons-Pruitt](#)
Subject: Comments from Santa Maria-Lompoc NAACP re Focus Maps, 12/1/21
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 8:47:13 PM
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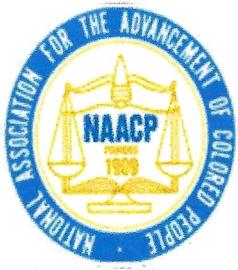
Thank You.
Best Regards,
Lawanda

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Dear Chair Morris and Commissioners,

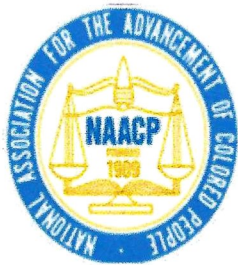
On behalf of the Santa Maria-Lompoc Branch of the NAACP, its officers, executive committee and members, we want to begin again by applauding you, the Commission, for the work that you all have done thus far, demonstrating a commitment to creating a final MAP that truly is reflective of the diversity of our county.

We strongly OPPOSE any MAP that will result in the dominant culture continuing to have control which does not reflect the demographic makeup of our community as noted by the latest Census demographics.

We fully support Maps 818 and 821B (in tweaked form), as both Maps are balanced approaches that account for population changes. Map 818 reflects the best part of Map 801C by uniting Guadalupe and NW Santa Maria as the two communities are connected by Main Street and Route 166 which is heavily impacted by traffic congestion from Santa Maria to Guadalupe. It keeps together a key community of interest, strengthening the CVAP population of Guadalupe and NW Santa Maria. The fact that Guadalupe students are sent to Righetti High School does not mean the two communities have anything in common--in fact we believe Guadalupe youth past and present, will themselves tell you how isolating and difficult it is for them to be dropped into a high school in a community so different from their own. Simply put, Guadalupe and Orcutt are not communities of interest. If anything, combining them could result in racially polarized voting, which we strongly oppose! If you look at the Hancock College Board of Trustee districts, Orcutt is put with southern and eastern Santa Maria while Guadalupe is with northern and western Santa Maria. This is because unlike high school boundaries, these election districts are actually based on voting rights considerations.

With respect to Lompoc and the Lompoc Valley, which currently has two supervisors, there is no reason not to split part of the City of Lompoc into the 3rd and 4th districts. We support the boundaries in Map 818 which are along North Avenue. However, 821B in tweaked form does keep Lompoc and the Lompoc Valley together, and that

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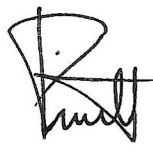
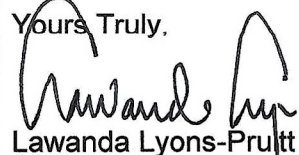
is a workable approach as well. If you choose an approach that separates the Santa Ynez Valley from the coast -- although the Chumash people object! -- then it is one district. (The original version of 821B creates a 4th district that is just too large.). We support a version of 821B that places the Santa Ynez Valley in a portion of the 4th district with other similar communities, draws a boundary west of Buellton, and then combines the rural areas there with the Lompoc Valley. 821B also united working and Latinx voters in the City of Lompoc with similar communities on the south coast, which is important to strengthening their voting power as well.

Although our focus is north county, we feel strongly that minority voters in southern Santa Barbara County should not have their voting power reduced! That is why we oppose Map 408B, which not only puts Guadalupe with Orcutt (see above) but splits Latinx and working class voters in Santa Barbara from each other and from Carpinteria. This is WRONG and unacceptable! And although Map 822 does not do this, it draws a 2nd district which looks to us very much like it is gerrymandering around Goleta in order to include Isla Vista. The very shape of that district in Map 822 says it all!

In summary: we support Maps 818 and a revised 821B that strengthens minority communities of interest and has manageable district sizes.

Thank you for your time and commitment to creating representative Districts where all citizens can be represented, participate in, and be proud of.

Yours Truly,


Lawanda Lyons-Pruitt

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From: [Charles Lopez](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Comment in support of 818
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TO THE REDISTRICTING COMMISSION:

I spoke at last week's meeting, in support of maps that protect and advance the voting power of minority and renter communities of interest. Now that you have reduced your focus maps to five, I would like to reiterate my support for this approach and against maps that weaken communities of interest.

Map 818 remains a strong map in supporting and strengthening Latinx residents, working families and renters. Map 821B comes in a close second, although I think it would be better if the 4th District were smaller and Cuyama's residents were put where they want to be, in the 1st or the 5th District. Both maps also protect the south coast communities of interest in Santa Barbara and Carpinteria. And they strengthen the voting power of similar communities in Lompoc by connecting them with Isla Vista and western Goleta. I don't think the Chumash will prefer map 821B because it disconnects their valley and coastal ancestral territories. But 821B would address the concerns of Santa Ynez Valley voters who don't want to share a district with UCSB's students.

I **strongly object** to map 408B for doing the OPPOSITE of what 818 and 821B do. It separates communities of interest throughout the county -- putting Guadalupe with Orcutt and other white, rural, property owner communities; creating a completely fabricated college district (sorry, UCSB and most SBCC students do not have much in common and most of the latter don't even live near City College!); and disrupting another community of interest by splitting the east and west sides of Santa Barbara, which are so obviously a community of interest. (I won't even mention how it strands Carpinteria, which has been and should remain connected to the east/west side.)

I gather there is a new version of 822 that you are interested in -- I have not seen it, but I see similar problems with the current version of 822 where Guadalupe is concerned. It also draws a weird second district that seems to deliberately gerrymander Isla Vista out of the 3rd District and Goleta into it in a way that is clearly not compact and barely contiguous:



So I would urge you to focus on maps 818 and 821B (with edits) going forward.

best,

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Carlos Lopez
Santa Barbara CA



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From: [Laura Selken](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Map comments for Redistricting Commission
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 10:34:54 PM

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Dear Commissioners,

I spoke at last week's meeting, and I hope to speak again Wednesday night. However, I am not sure if I can make it, so in case I can't, I am submitting these comments for your review.

You chose five maps at the end of the last meeting. Here are my thoughts on them as briefly as possible:

Map 408B: this map gerrymanders to reduce majority-minority voting power. It puts Guadalupe in the 4th District with communities it does not share interests with while splitting it from the community it does - western Santa Maria (my community)! From what I can see, it also splits Santa Barbara's east and west sides in the same way. That and the implausible 'college district' it tries to create in the south county make it a map that seems to be more about weakening minority voting power than anything else.

Map 822 or 822B: this map isn't as bad as 408B, but it's still inferior. I have looked at a revised version on DistrictR that does a better job with my community. However, it seems to directly gerrymander Goleta into the 3rd district just so it can take Isla Vista out of the 2nd district, literally drawing a line around it to avoid putting those voters in a district which they are right next to and with which they have much in common. So I would reject this map as well.

Map 801C: I like how 801C draws my community in District 5, but not where it places Cuyama (based on what those residents have asked for) and not how it draws the 1st District. Like 822, it goes around the closer community of Santa Barbara to put Carpinteria and south county foothill communities with the Santa Ynez Valley. That's not a logical grouping.

Map 818: This map does a good job with my community, and at least has part of Cuyama where they want to be. It strengthens Latinx and renter communities by connecting Lompoc to Isla Vista and parts of Goleta, and it keeps Santa Barbara's communities of interest together as they should be. It also honors the Chumash desire to connect their ancestral valley and coastal lands. I very much support this map. However ...

Map 821B: A modified version of this is my top choice. **86965** was just posted, and it is my favorite. It treats my community as it should. It respects the choices of the Cuyama area. It connects Lompoc to the south coast community and keeps it with the Lompoc Valley. It draws a line that keeps the Santa Ynez Valley together while connecting the area west of Buellton to Lompoc and that region. It respects communities of interest in Goleta and Santa Barbara and does not try to gerrymander around them as 822 does. The only bad thing is that it separates

traditional Chumash lands, which saddens me. However, perhaps you will decide that this is the better choice since it sounds like some Valley residents don't seem to like being connected to the coast.

Thank you for your consideration. Please move ahead with **maps 818 and the version of 821B that is numbered 85965.**

Laura Selken
Santa Maria CA

From: [Puck Erickson](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting Maps
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 10:37:00 PM

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Thank you the Redistricting Commission. You are charged with the task of selecting a new map that best reflects the County's population's needs and interests in these very fluid times; I have a great deal of respect for all of the time and effort you have expended on this effort.

When reviewing the maps, I carefully explored the potential impacts of each map. Ultimately, I concluded that Map #818 reflects longstanding interests bound together by the northern and southern flanks on the Santa Ynez range. We have had a continued relationship with IV for many years. Along the Gaviota coast and in the Santa Ynez Valley, a cultural landscape based on very specific agricultural practice, tourism and public lands.

I have heard the word 'disenfranchised' bandied about. Nothing could be further from the truth. Although we have our differences within our communities at times on how policies should be implemented or regulations enforced, the community shares a great deal of support for maintaining our unique natural environments.

As a former member of the General Plan Advisory Committee and current member of the Central Board of Architectural Review, I believe these boundaries truly capture an area with great commonality.

Again, after much consideration, I would ask you to support Map #818.

Sincerely,
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PO Box 914, Los Olivos, CA 93441

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From: [Leah Braitman](#)
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Subject: Comment for December 1st Meeting
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 11:44:37 PM

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Dear Chair Morris and Members of the Commission,

I am a resident of Lompoc and would like to weigh in the focus maps you are considering. I currently support maps 818 and a modified version of 821B.

Map 821B revised, which you can view at <https://districtr.org/edit/86965?event=sbcountry>, seems to me to be the best compromise map. It creates a strong 5th district for Guadalupe and Santa Maria, so that majority-minority voters will have real power for the first time in north county. It also puts Cuyama and its environs into the two districts they prefer, the 1st and the 5th. It creates a new bridge district between north and south county that includes Lompoc and the Lompoc Valley, and connects it via the Gaviota coast to similar communities in Isla Vista and western Goleta. It maintains the 1st and 2nd districts roughly as is, but with territory moved around so that the huge 4th district in the original 821B is more manageable. It keeps the Santa Ynez Valley together and separates it from the coast, as some Valley residents have requested. It places the 3rd/4th district line in a logical place, to provide stronger supervisorial representation to that wine region, which has been really growing. And it has a low population deviation and few split places, although the latter seems to matter less for your five focus maps.

I also like map 818, although it has some differences from 821B revised. It also creates a strong majority-minority 5th district, and it puts at least part of the Cuyama area in the 1st district. It connects Lompoc to the south coast as does 821B revised. This map splits Lompoc, which I think is fine -- the Goleta and Santa Barbara City Councils both seem to like having two Supervisors, so why shouldn't we get one too? It minimizes changes to the 1st and 2nd districts. It does keep the Santa Ynez Valley connected to the coast and Isla Vista, which OTHER residents want, including the first residents here -- the Chumash People.

I hope you will move forward with these maps as the best way to narrow down to a final choice.

Warm regards,

Leah Braitman
Lompoc

From: [Lucille Boss](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Focus Maps Round 2
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 4:53:04 AM

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Dear Chair Morris and Commissioners,

Thank you for taking the time to read my comments as follow-up to your choice of focus maps made on Monday, 11/22.

I see a common pattern in the final five maps -- between those that keep racial minority communities of interest together, and those that split them. ***I support the former (maps 801C, 818, and 821B) and oppose those that split communities (822, 408B).***

I support maps that strengthen those communities of interest, as 801C, 818, and 821B do by connecting Isla Vista and parts of Goleta with the City of Lompoc.

I support the revised version of map 821B that keeps the same north county districts as the above maps, puts Cuyama in the 1st and 5th districts, and draws districts somewhat more equal in size. The original version of 821B has a much-too-large 4th district -- but the posted corrected version fixes that issue.

As an SBCC alumna and former employee of the Santa Barbara City College Foundation, I object to map 408B -- not just for splitting key communities of interest, but for creating a 'college district' that is purely fabricated. As I know first-hand, UCSB and Santa Barbara City College serve diverse populations and function very differently. A small number of enrolled City College students may live in Isla Vista at times. Some students do go on to transfer to the University. But City College is primarily a community college serving a wide range of non-four-year bound students, from high schoolers seeking higher educational opportunities, to young adults seeking career-focused certificates, to seniors pursuing new hobbies and interests. City College students who are local live all over the community college district; others are distance learners who don't even live in Santa Barbara County. Map 408B draws a district that makes no sense, and does so by splitting key communities of interest in Santa Barbara. I have been a homeowner on the Mesa for ten years; putting Santa Barbara's westside in my district, and separating it from the eastside, is a clear attack on the longstanding east/westside connection. Map 408B also separates Guadalupe from Santa Maria and moves it to a 4th district where it will be isolated.

Although map 822 is not as outrageous as 408B, I am concerned about how it clearly tries to draw Isla Vista out of the 3rd district by detouring around Goleta (moving Goleta in to the 3rd district) and putting IV in the 2nd district. It makes no sense to do this. Goleta can be in both districts, but to disconnect it completely from the 2nd district just to keep IV out of the 2nd district is a blatant tactic to exclude that population. If the Santa Ynez Valley doesn't want to be connected to IV, and says that it is a very different culture from the coast, then how does it make sense to put Goleta in the same district? That district is definitely not compact.

Based on the above observations, ***I urge you to move forward with maps 818, the revised version of 821B, and possibly 801C if you are selecting three options. I ask you to eliminate 408B and 822 in either its original or revised form.***

Thank you,

Lucille Boss

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Subject: Map vote 822
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I vote for Map 822 which appears to me is the most sensible and fair to all. Please consider selecting Map 822.

Janice battles

Santa Maria

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From: [John Wickenden](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Maps
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 8:16:14 AM

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I support the redistricting maps 822 & 408B.

Thank you,
John Wickenden
7181 Foxen Canyon Rd.
Santa Maria, CA 93454

From: [Erica A. Reyes](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Support for Maps 818 and 821B
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:34:57 AM

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To the Redistricting Commission --

After participating in Monday night's hearing, I want to follow up to express concern for one of the maps chosen for further review, map 408B.

Map 408B would split the east and west sides of the city, breaking up a well-defined community of interest. In so doing, it would put the west side in a second district that would have very few CVAP voters, thus weakening an important voting block that has long been in the first district. As a member of the Latine, I object to this effort to reduce the voting power of my community.

Map 408B also does the same thing in north county, by putting Guadalupe with a largely white, more rural population. The City of Guadalupe voted to be placed with Santa Maria, recognizing that being put with Orcutt and other similar communities is not in the best interest of its working, farmworker, immigrant, Latine residents.

Finally, it's ridiculous to pack IV and UCSB in with a community college most of whose students are part time working people, not 18-22 year old residential college students. This is also clearly an attempt to reduce the voting power of this population.

408B makes a lot of changes that will disrupt the voting cycles of voters for no good reason, or for patently bad ones. It should also be rejected for that reason.

Maps 818 and 821B (with some improvements) respect and strengthen communities of interest, and minimize disruption. They are much better choices.

Sincerely,

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From: [Karen Rice](#)
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Subject: Supporting Map 801C at the Dec 1 meeting
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:48:37 AM

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Thank you to the commission for all their hard work. I'm writing to support map 801C, requesting that the commission move it into the final 2 or 3 maps they will be considering.

Thank you!
Karen

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Dr. Karen Rice
Way Collective Co-Curator
[Pronouns](#): she/her/hers

From: [CMO](#)
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Subject: Resident Redistricting Map Preference
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Hello,

I am a resident of SB county and would like to see Map 408B by the new lines.

Thank you

Ciara Main Odhiambo

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From: [Lexthedj](#)
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Hello,

I am a resident of SB COUNTY and request Map 408B be new lines for districts.

Sincerely,

Alex Odhiambo

From: [Lanny Ebenstein](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Maps 822B & 822C
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:57:54 AM
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November 30, 2021

Citizens Independent Redistricting Commission
County of Santa Barbara

Re: Map 822B (revised 11/24/2021) ID: 86568
Map 822C (revised 11/30/2021) ID: 87993

Dear Members of the Commission:

Thank you again for your great time and dedication in service to Santa Barbara County. The charge you have been given is a great one. I hope these maps help you to fulfill it.

Please note that the above identified maps are the most recent revisions prepared by the undersigned of the original map 822 (others in the community have also submitted revisions to the original map 822). For your convenience, I attach copies of the revised Maps 822B and 822C I have prepared to this email, with detailed geographical areas also included. Revisions have been prepared on the basis of comments by Commissioners and public testimony.

MAP 822B

Map 822B has Guadalupe in the 5th Supervisorial District, but not the Cuyama valley.

Map 822C

Map 822C has both Guadalupe and the Cuyama valley in the 5th Supervisorial District.

Population Deviation

Both maps have very equal populations in each supervisorial district:

Map 822B Population deviation: 0.38%

Map 822C Population deviation: 0.04%

The population deviation in Map 822C is probably about as little as can be obtained--less than one twentieth of one percent. The ideal district size is 89,341. All supervisorial districts in Map 822C vary between 89,311 and 89,376.

Latino Voting Age Population

Both Maps 822B and 822C meet the requirements of the California Voting Rights Act and create a 5th Supervisorial District that is more than three-quarters Latino Voting Age Population:

Map 822 B 5th District: 76.1% Latino Voting Age Population

Map 822 C 5th District: 76.3% Latino Voting Age Population

In addition, both Maps 822B and 822C have one other district (District 4) with a Latino Voting Age Population above 41%; and two other districts (Districts 1 and 3) with Latino Voting Age Populations between 35% and 38%.

Non-White Voting Age Population

Both Maps 822B and 822C have three supervisorial districts (Districts 3, 4, and 5) with majority non-white Voting Age Populations.

Geographical Contiguity, Undivided Neighborhoods and “Communities of Interest,” Undivided Cities and Census Designated Places, Easily Identifiable Boundaries, Compactness, Cohesiveness

Every attempt has been made in Maps 822B and 822C to maintain and respect geographical contiguity, undivided neighborhoods and “communities of interest,” undivided cities and census designated places, easily identifiable boundaries, compactness, and cohesiveness to the greatest extent possible.

In both maps, Guadalupe is included with the City of Santa Maria and UCSB-Isla Vista is included with the 2nd District and Santa Barbara. This is intended as a compromise with respect to representation issues that have divided the county and to provide the best and most appropriate representation for the residents of both Guadalupe and UCSB-Isla Vista.

Major roads are generally boundaries between supervisorial districts in populated areas. In areas that are not densely populated or rural, existing supervisorial districts lines are used to demarcate supervisorial district boundaries to the greatest extent possible.

All supervisorial districts have coastal territory and coastal access.

All supervisorial districts have significant urban and rural areas (including, in the case of the 2nd District, the Channel Islands).

Conclusion

By all the criteria identified by the Santa Barbara County Citizens Independent Redistricting Commission, Maps 822B and 822C are the preferred alternatives for supervisorial districts following the 2020 United States Census.

Thank you for your consideration and for your service.

Sincerely,
Lanny Ebenstein, Ph.D., President
California Voting Rights Project

Department of Economics
University of California, Santa Barbara



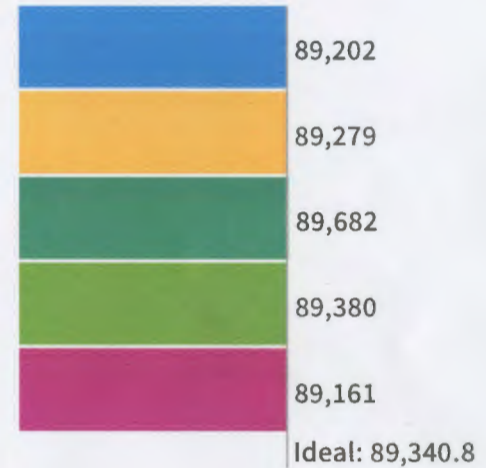
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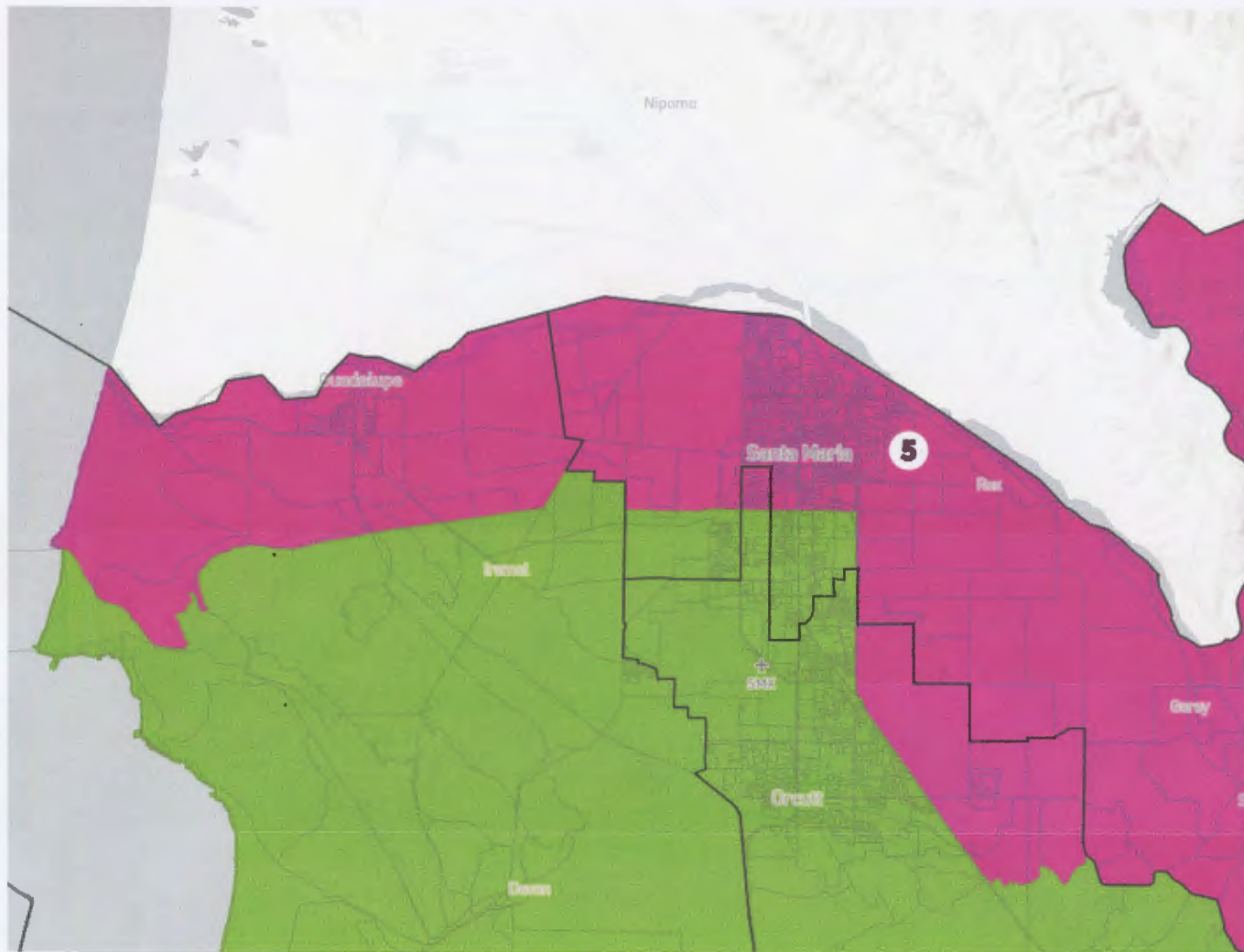


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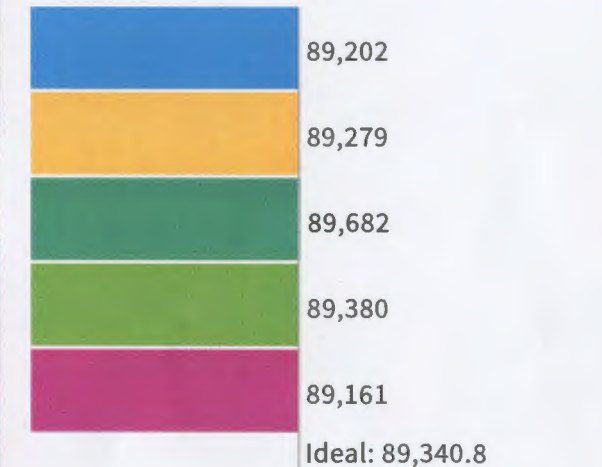
Revised Map 822 B (11/24/2021)

Existing, 2010-2020, district lines in black
and on following detail maps



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Guadalupe and Santa Maria



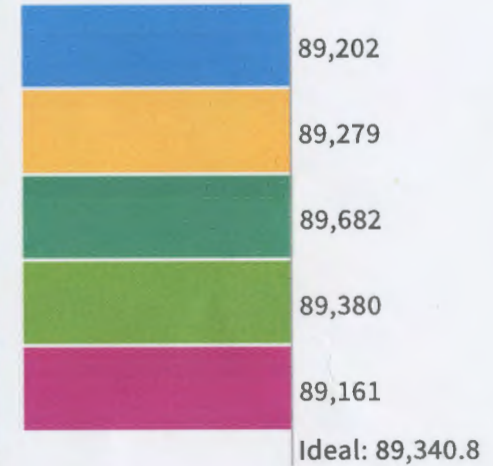
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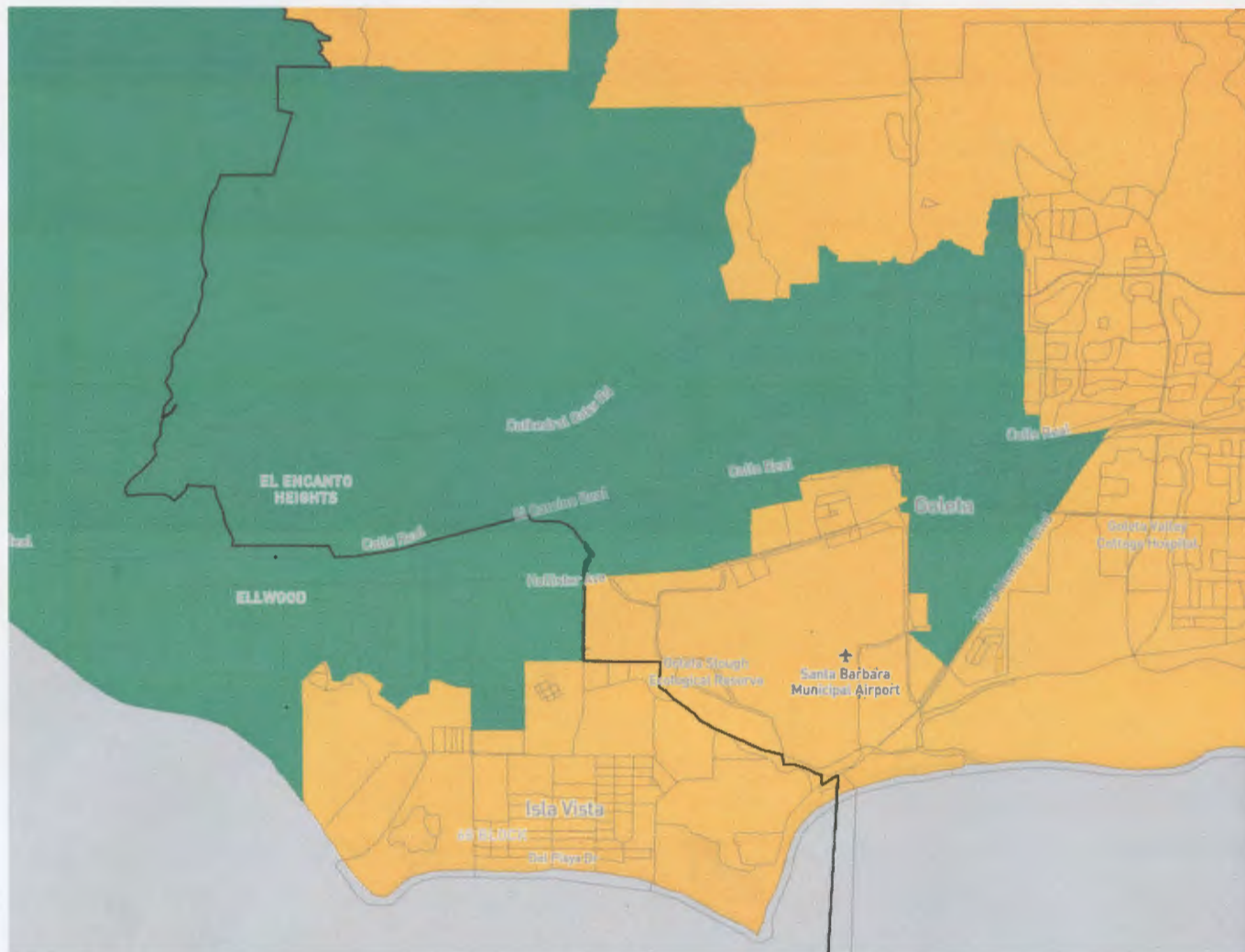


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Detail: 4th District and 3rd District,
City of Lompoc



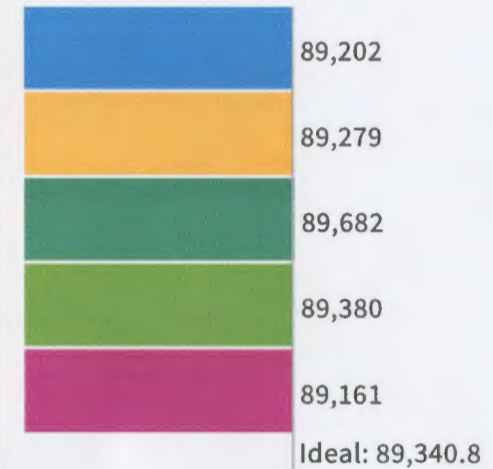
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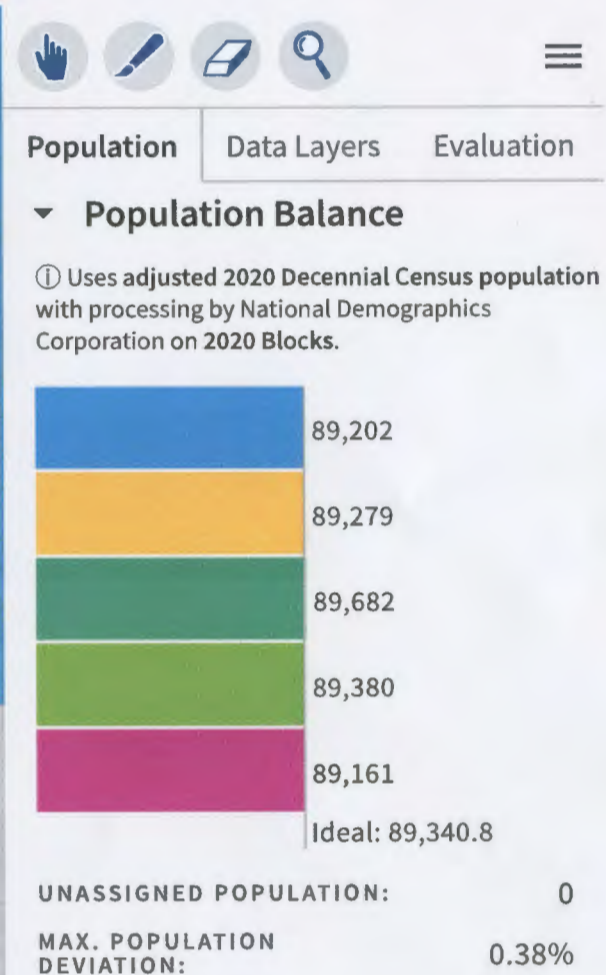
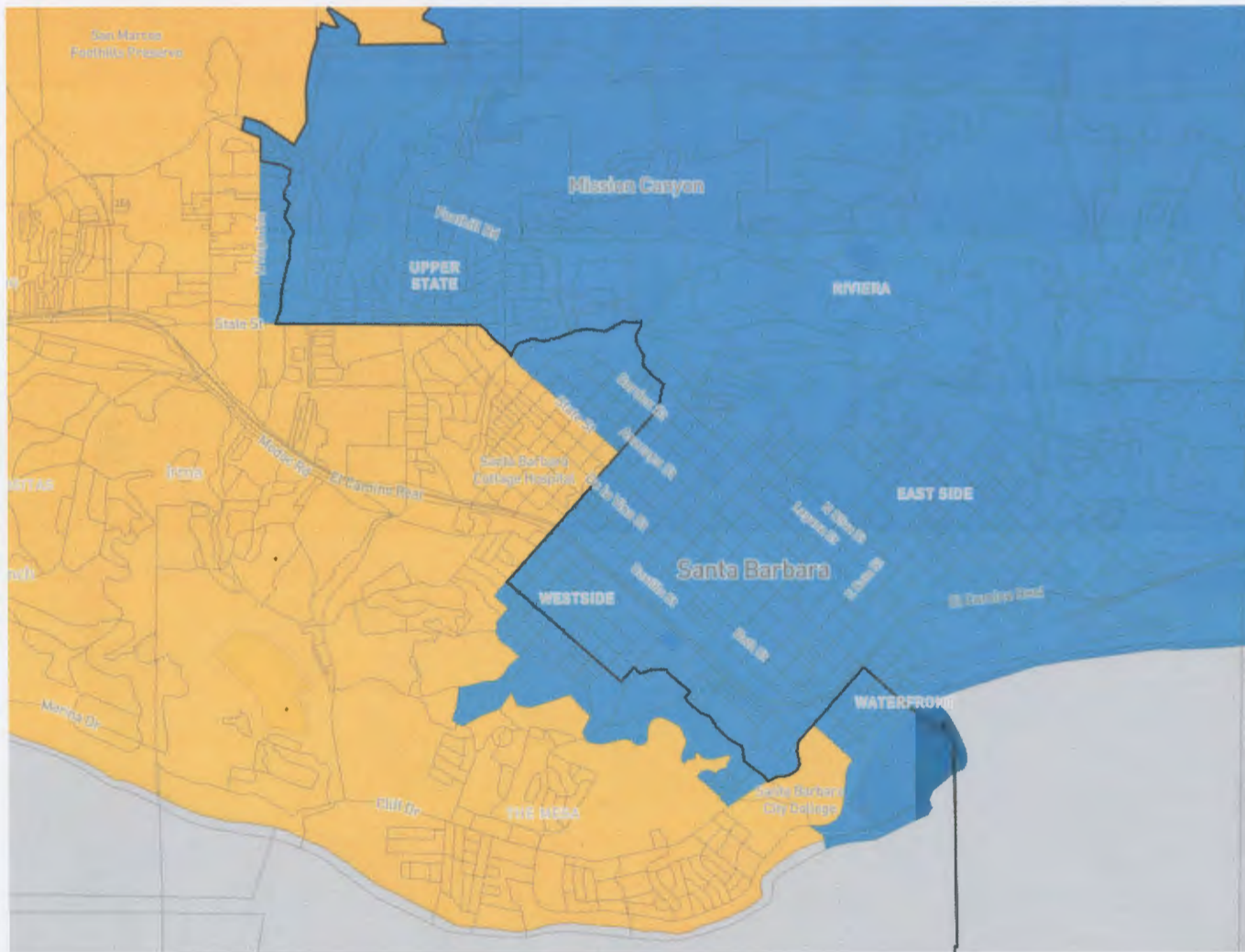


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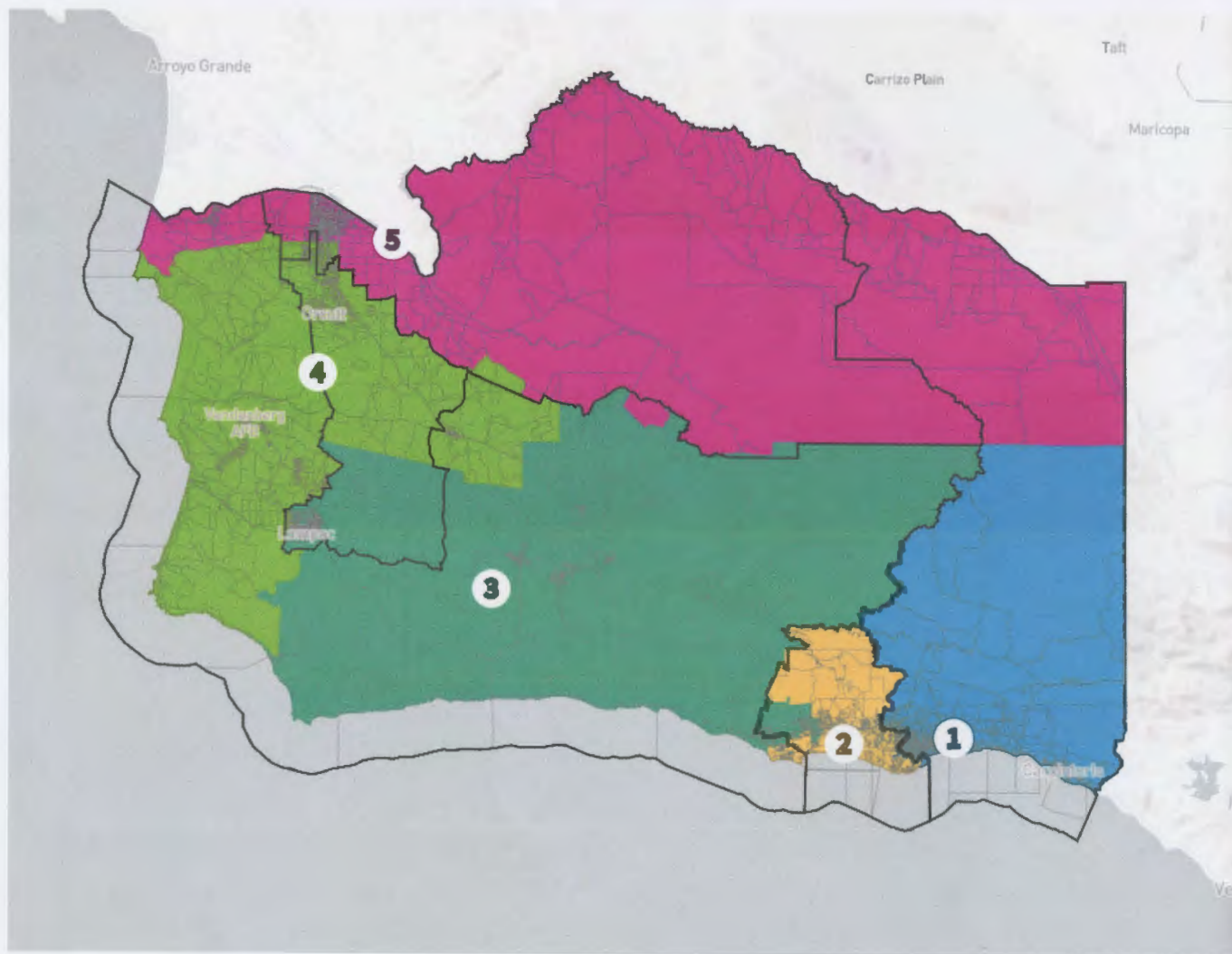
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Detail: 3rd and 2nd Districts,
Goleta and UCSB/Isla Vista



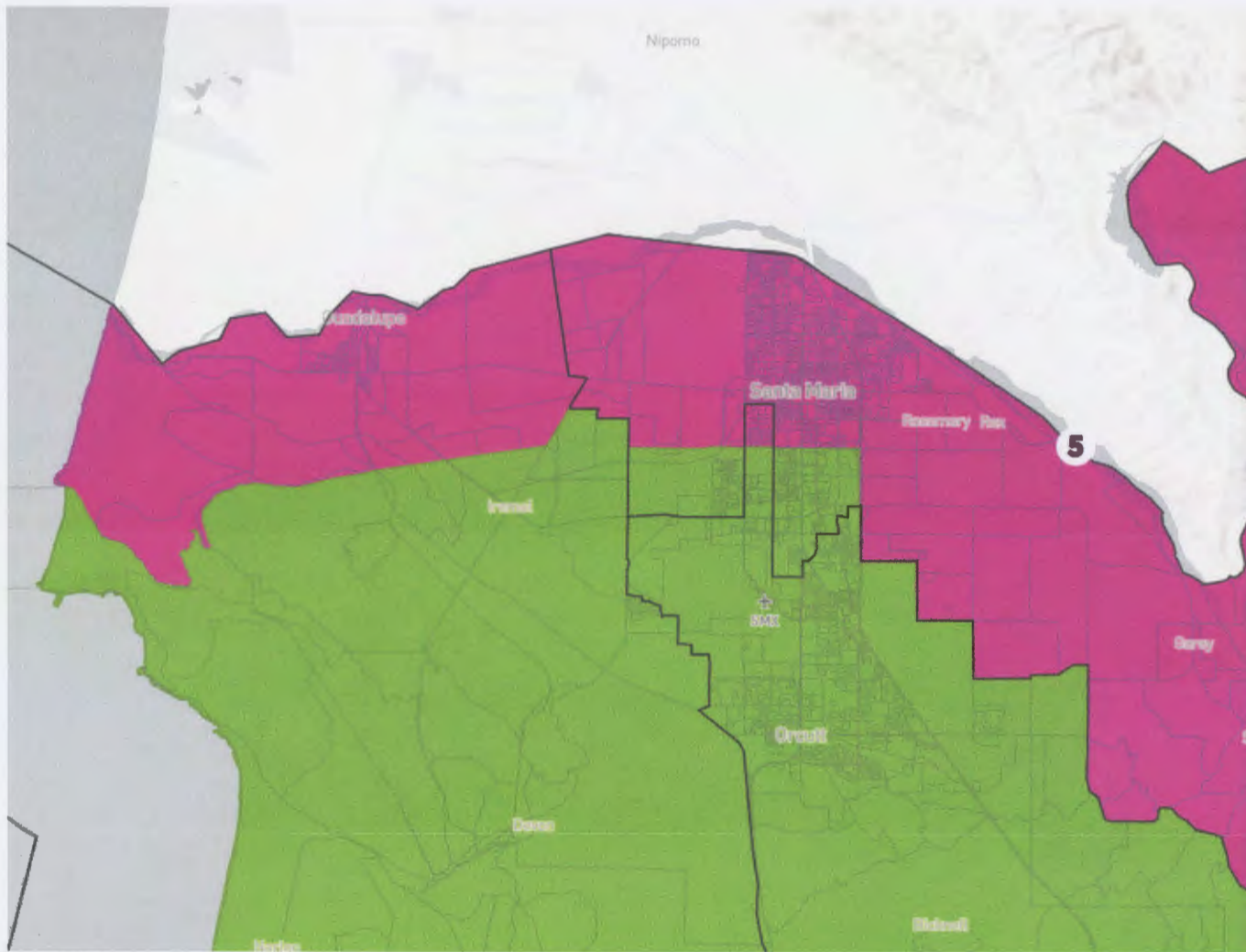
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Detail: 1st District,
Western boundary



Revised Map 822C (11/30/2021)

Existing, 2010-2020, district lines in black and on following detail maps



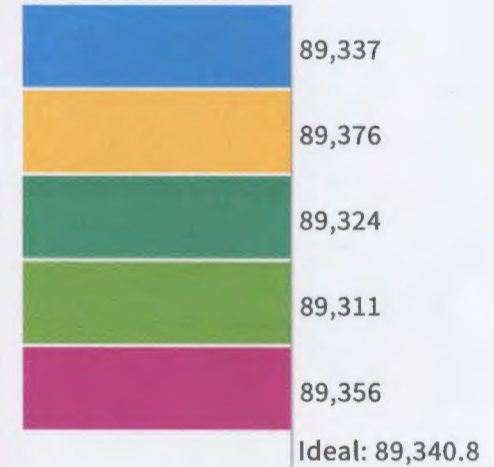
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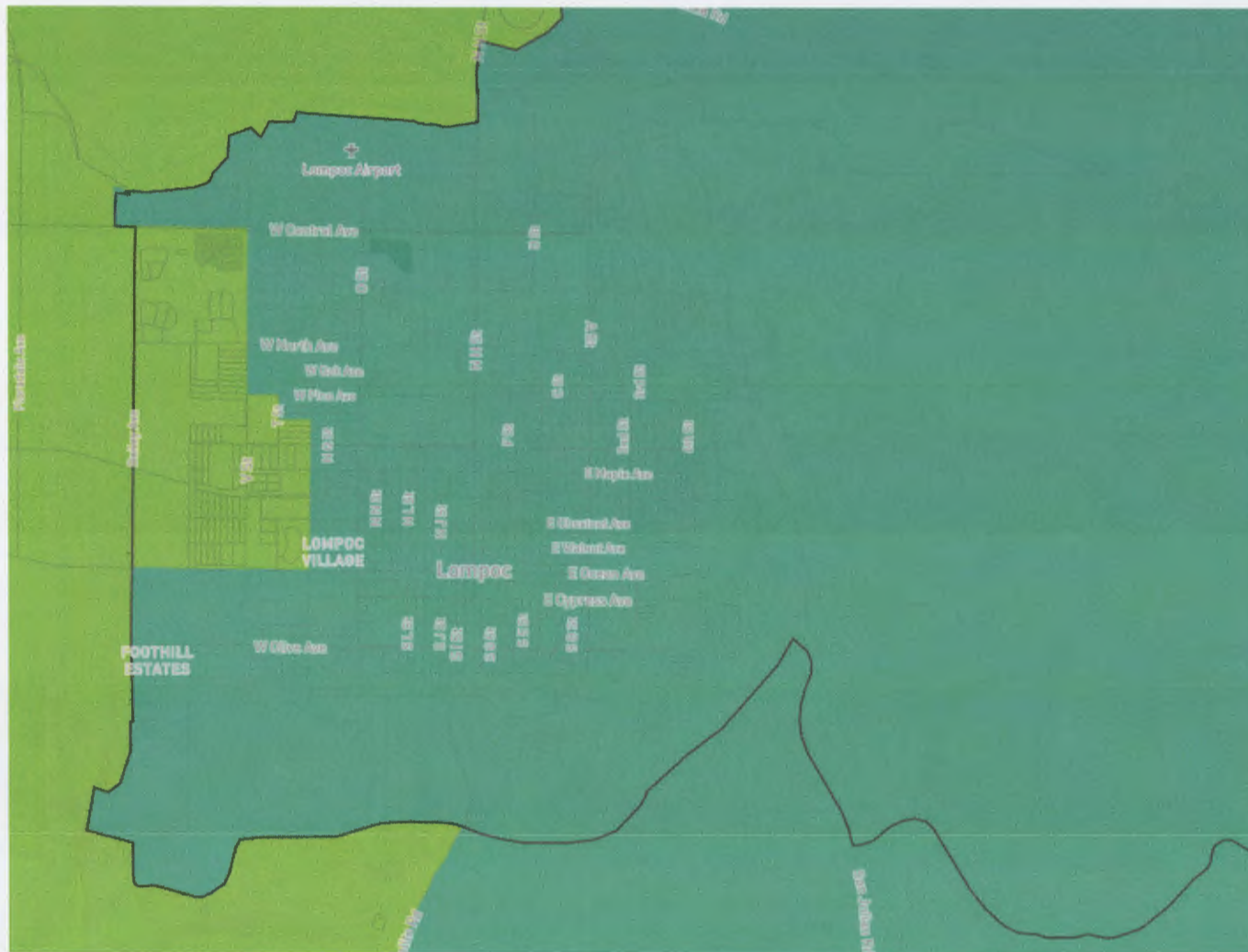


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Detail: 5th District,
Guadalupe and Santa Maria



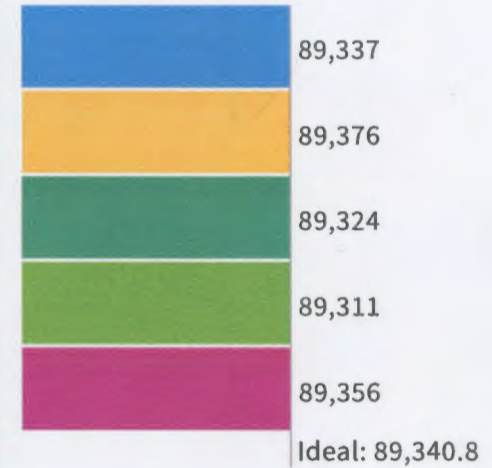
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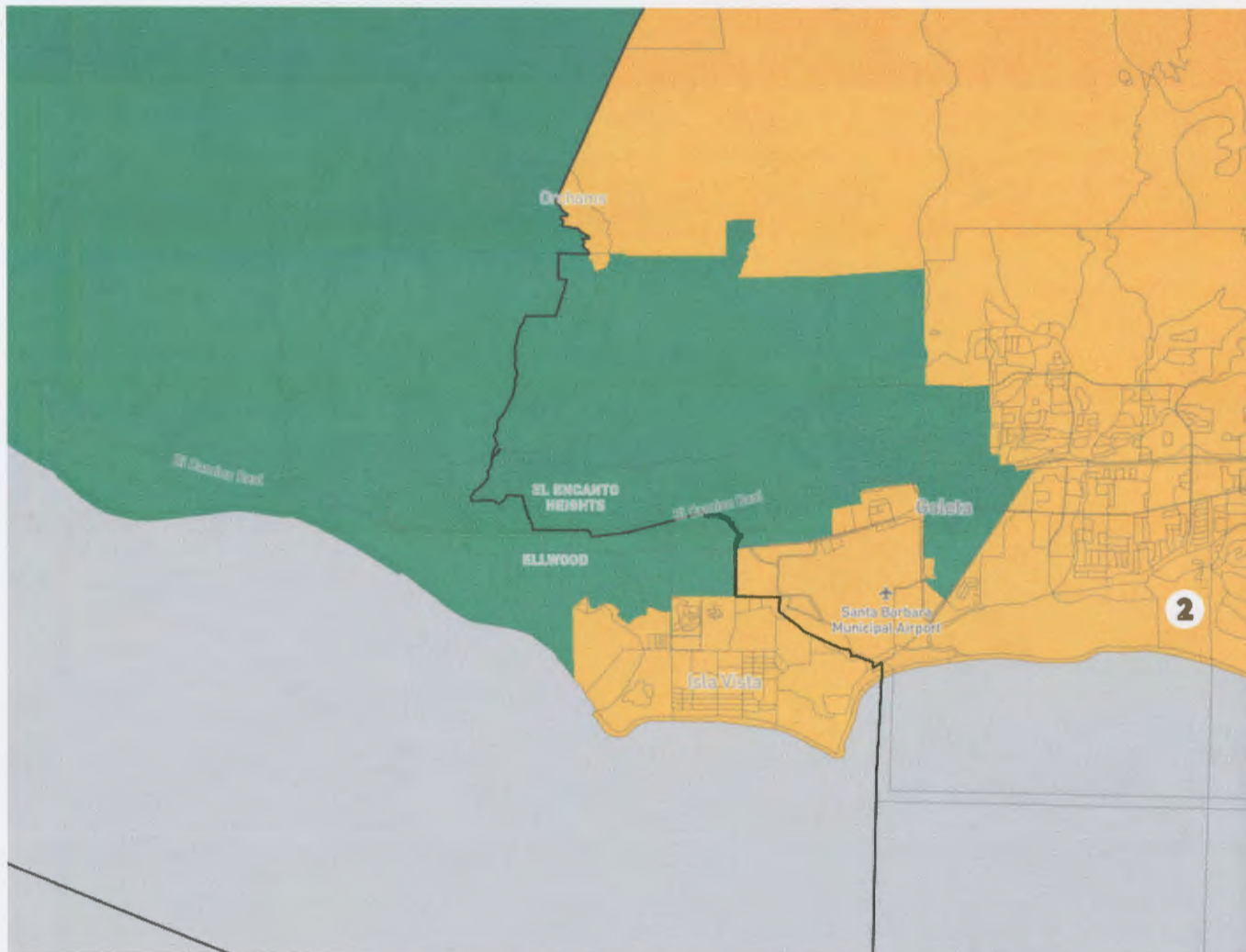


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Revised Map 822C (11/30/2021)

Detail: 4th and 3rd Districts,
city of Lompoc



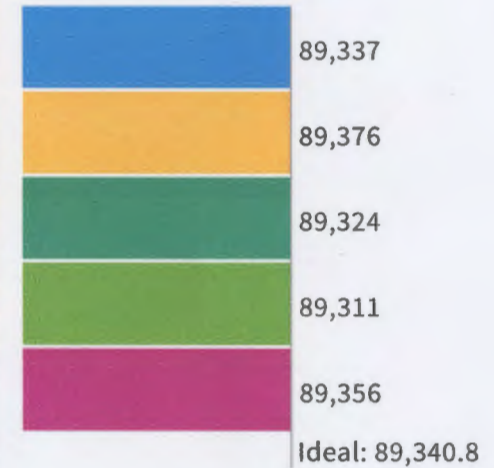
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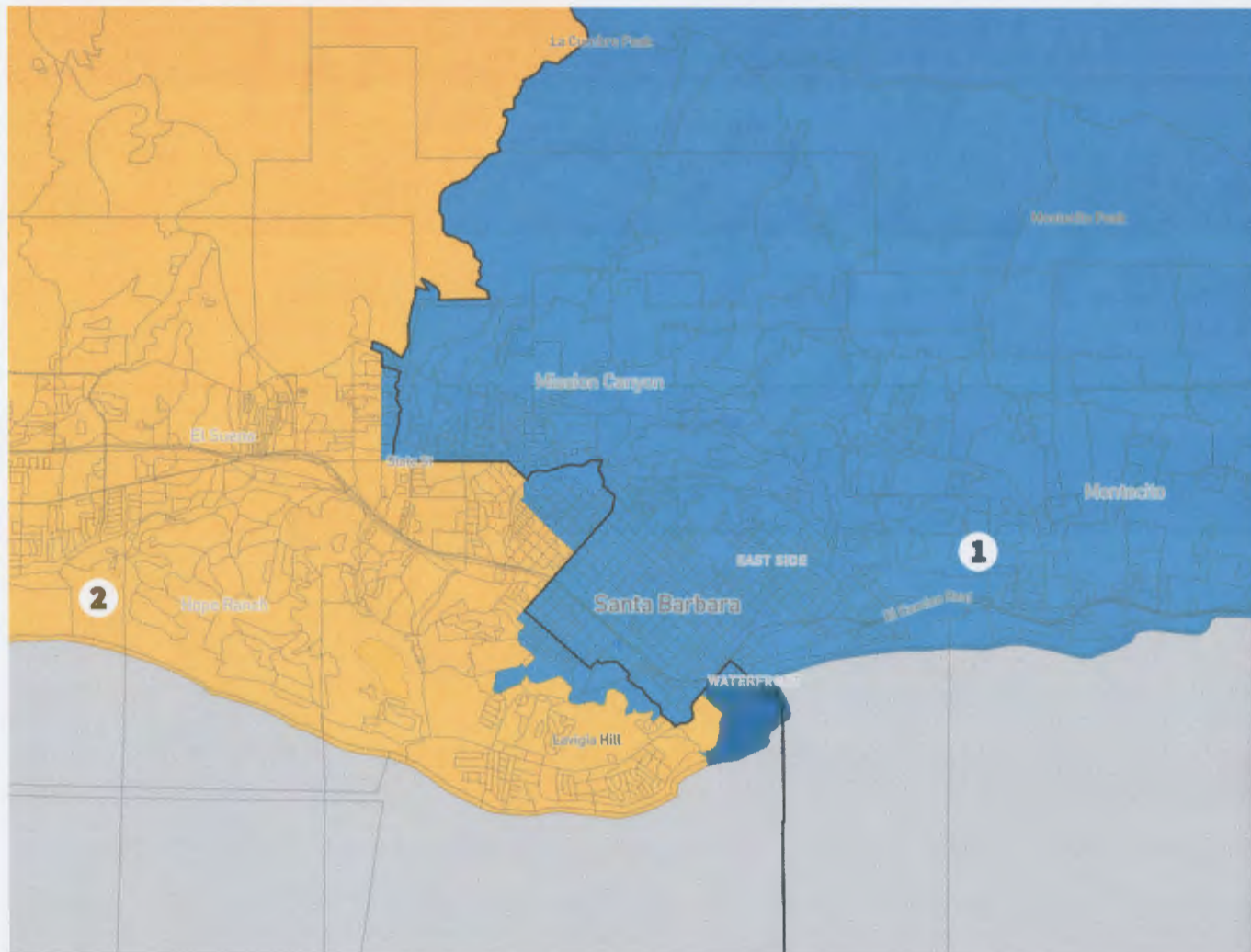


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Revised Map 822C (11/30/2021)

Detail: 3rd and 2nd Districts,
Goleta and UCSB/Isla Vista



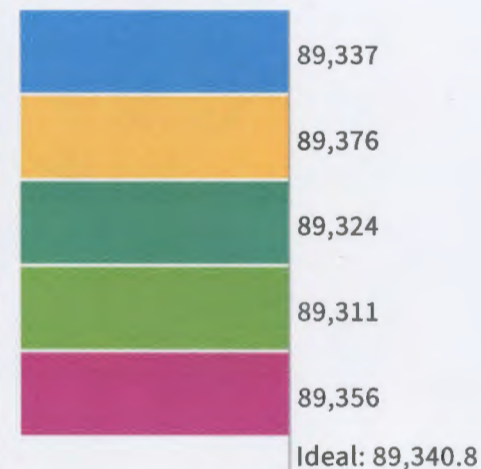
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Revised Map 822 C (11/30/2021)

Detail: 1st District,
Western boundary

From: [deb.robinson](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Email Comments for redistricting meeting December 1, 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 11:29:54 AM

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Hello,

I am Deb Robinson and I have lived in Lompoc, CA for over 30 years. I currently live in District 3.

I support map plan 408B where Isla Vista and UCSB would be included in District 2 instead of District 3.

Isla Vista and UCSB are very urban progressive communities and Lompoc is comprised mostly of family neighborhoods and farms.

With Isla Vista and UCSB in District 2, I feel the people of Lompoc and surrounding areas would be able to elect a supervisor that would more effectively represent our area and meet the needs of our rural community.

Thank you,

Deb Robinson

Lompoc, CA

From: [Kit Boise-Cossart](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Please adopt draft map 818
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 11:48:27 AM

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Thank you.

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From: [Arcelia Sencion](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting
Date: Monday, November 22, 2021 3:06:32 PM

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November 22, 2021

Dear Re-Districting Commissioners:

I support the following principles to consider when choosing a new map for Santa Barbara County.

I urge you to comply with the Voting Rights Act by putting Guadalupe and a majority of Santa Maria in one district.

I am a 24-year resident of the Santa Ynez Valley. I have friends and family that work in the agricultural sector in this area and it is crucial to have continuity and similar identities to that of the Guadalupe. I worked at a local nonprofit organization that assisted low-income individuals and families primarily working in the agricultural sector, one of the lowest-paying jobs in Santa Barbara County. Many are in disbelief of the need for this segment of our community. Sometimes it was glossed over or ignored.

I believe Map [816B](#) embodies these principles with the highest (except for map 809) CVAP, very acceptable population deviation, and an acceptable number of “splits”.

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From: [Stacey Thompson](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting
Date: Monday, November 22, 2021 5:20:29 PM

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I am a lifelong resident of Santa Ynez and I am in favor of staying with the existing boundaries of the Third District as much as possible. I am in favor of the map created by Lansing Duncan, 816b.

Thank you for your consideration,
Stacey Thompson

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Stacey Thompson, LMFT, Registered Art Therapist

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From: [Consuelo Vargas](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting
Date: Thursday, November 25, 2021 3:29:12 PM

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Dear Commission Members,

I am a long time resident of Carpinteria. I live and work in my community, and know it very well.

I understand that you are looking at two redistricting maps, #801C and #408B, that would separate Carpinteria from the City of Santa Barbara. This is just not acceptable. Carpinteria is a working class, substantially Hispanic community. We have a long common relationship with the east and west sides of Santa Barbara, whose residents are very similar to us. If you put us with just the rich white landowners in the foothills and maybe the Santa Ynez Valley, our voices will be drowned out by them.

I hope you will reject this approach and support maps that keep us connected to the east and west sides of the City of Santa Barbara.

Thank you,

Connie Vargas
Carpinteria CA 93013

C.Vargas

From: [Kelly Gray](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting
Date: Friday, November 26, 2021 4:29:25 PM

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Dear Chair Morris and Members of the Redistricting Commission,

I live in the Santa Ynez Valley, and have been very happy with the representation I have received on the Board of Supervisors. I don't understand those who complain about being connected to Isla Vista and the University. One of the 5 districts is going to have to bridge north and south county, and it's just a fact of geography that the Valley has been in the middle of the county and is too small to be its own district. The closest south coast urban population is Isla Vista/UCSB and western Goleta. So I am personally in support of map 818.

However, I do understand that some people really feel that the Valley should be connected to other central county communities, and I think there is a version of map 821B that might do that. The current version has a 4th district that is just much too large to be managed by a single supervisor. It also has Cuyama, which isn't what Cuyama residents feel is best for them. I can imagine a map that shifts them to the 1st or 5th district (where their water issues will be better addressed), and also reduces the size of the district by moving the line there further east, just outside Buellton. Since that area links to Lompoc around wine appellations, it would make a lot of sense for the wine industry based west of Buellton and in the Lompoc Valley. 821B also keeps Lompoc and the Lompoc Valley together, which makes some sense.

I strongly oppose map 408B, and think it may in fact be in violation of the California Voting Rights Act, for its blatant efforts to reduce minority voting power. By connecting Guadalupe to all the rural, whiter unincorporated communities, Latino/a voters will have their voices overwhelmed. This is at odds with the spirit and letter of the VRA. The same pattern seems to be in place in the 1st District, since 408B splits the east and west sides of Santa Barbara, and disconnects the west side from Carpinteria. Doing that in order to create a factitious "college district," as it has been described, is just an attempt to reduce the voting power of minority voters in the first district, and UCSB students as well.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my thoughts.

Sincerely,

Kelly Gray
Los Olivos CA

From: [Nick Di Croce](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting
Date: Saturday, November 27, 2021 9:13:33 AM

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I live in the SYV and would insist that the Valley and the SY River watershed remain intact and attached to the Gaviota Coast and retain IV and UCSB in the Third District. IV and UCSB have been in the Third District for 137 years and it makes sense to retain that connection.

Nicholas Di Croce
ndicroce34@gmail.com

From: [Glenn Teton](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting
Date: Saturday, November 27, 2021 11:18:19 AM

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Dear Commissioners,

I am a resident of Carpinteria, and I want to express my concern about maps 801C and 408B and how they split us off from supervisors' districts where we belong.

Map 801Cs and 408B puts Carpinteria with the wealthy communities of Montecito, the Santa Barbara foothills, and the Santa Ynez Valley. This makes no sense to me. It separates us from a nearer community where we have much more in common—downtown Santa Barbara, where we shop, and where our population has so much in common with the people living there.

I urge you to support maps that do not make these changes, which make no sense, and would hurt Carpinteria's voice in Santa Barbara County.

Thank you.

Glenn Teton
Carpinteria 93013

From: [Cornelia Calitz](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting
Date: Sunday, November 28, 2021 9:31:07 AM

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Dear Redistricting Commission,

I am a Carpinteria resident and I do not understand why you would consider map 408B as a good way to redraw supervisorial district boundaries. It splits us off from similar and nearby communities in Santa Barbara -- the east and west sides, which are most like us, definitely more so than the wealthy monoracial residents of Montecito, the Santa Barbara foothills, and the Santa Ynez Valley! (Ditto for map 801C, by the way.)

As I look at map 408B, it looks to me like a map that tries to silence the voices of minority voters. It does to Guadalupe what it does to Carpinteria. And it puts the westside of Santa Barbara with the Mesa, Noleta, Hope Ranch, etc. This is pretty obviously a way to reduce minority voices, whether they be Hispanic working class voters or University students.

Please pick a map that treats us with respect and doesn't try to separate working and minority voters from similar communities and put them with communities that will make our participation in elections virtually meaningless. Maps 818 and 821 are much better when it comes to this crucial issue.

Thank you in advance for making the best choices for us all.

Sincerely,

Cornelia Calitz
Carpinteria

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Robin C. Brady](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 5:32:08 AM

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I am a third district land owner and strongly urge that the Redistricting Commission adopt Map #818, which among other things is less disruptive than the other maps by keeping the Santa Ynez River watershed intact, and attached to the Gaviota Coastal area, and retains IV and UCSB within the third district. The SY band of Chumash Indians have requested the Gaviota Coast remain connected with their reservation in the SY Valley.

Map 818 accomplishes the goals listed above.

Sincerely,
Robin Brady
7500 San Julian Rd.
Lompoc, CA 93436

Sent from my iPad

From: [Michael Dunn](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 9:15:24 AM

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Dear Commission,
I urge you to adopt plan #818 regarding the plan for our third district.

Thank you,
M. Dunn
Resident

From: [BL Borovay](#)
To: [Marian Shapiro](#); [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Re: Redistricting
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 1:32:25 PM

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You are the most supportive and helpful person around and I really, really appreciate it. Will you also be able and willing once again to sign up and speak on Wed. evening?

Since you've already sent this message to Commissioners, I'm hoping you're comfortable with this message and can turn it into a 1 minute oral testimony. And I'm guessing we don't need to speak at this point, right?

Thank you so much for your speedy action.

Have a great afternoon walk before it gets cold and dark. I really dislike this time change.

On November 29, 2021 at 4:14 PM Marian Shapiro
<marianshapiro@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear Commissioners,

We've written and said at your other hearings, we're longtime West Goleta homeowners and former IV residents. We favor Map 818, especially because it connects Guadalupe with Santa Maria as so many commenters have supported, it doesn't make any big changes to Goleta's 3rd and 2nd district sections, and it keeps Cuyama and New Cuyama in the 1st district as we've heard people speak in favor of. We also agree with the many reasons given in written and oral comments by Mr. Duncan about 818 boundaries including the long history of the 3rd district.

Some Santa Ynez Valley residents have spoken for and against this map. While we see many reasons to keep SY Valley in the Third district, if you decide that doesn't work, we would support a version of 821B that places the Valley into the 4th District, but keeps the other important aspects of Map 818 in place. 821B also respects Goleta's neighborhoods and doesn't move most Goletans into a different district, unlike what 408B and 822 do and it doesn't go to questionable lengths to move IV and UCSB into the 2nd or 1st districts.

Thank you so much for all your work. We appreciate it! Please

keep both 818 and 821B in your next group of maps.

Marian and Martin Shapiro
Goleta, 93117

From: [Tom Ryder](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 2:40:01 PM

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As a 41 year resident of the Santa Ynez Valley, I strongly encourage adoption of map #818 because it is less disruptive and keeps the SYV and SY River watershed intact and retains IV and UCSB in the third district.

Thank you,
Tom Ryder
Los Olivos

From: [Owen Bailey](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: redistricting
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:33:52 PM

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Dear Members of the Commission,

Because of a serious health issue, I have not been able to participate in your meetings except to submit a few written comments. I regret this very much, as the outcome of your work matters a great deal to me and my family.

I live in a modest neighborhood of western Goleta with my wife and two children. I am very concerned that two of the maps you are considering, 408B and 822 (in various forms) would move Goleta around in ways that don't make sense for us. Both maps seem more interested in drawing districts to take Isla Vista out of the 3rd District than in drawing districts that make sense and don't move voters around unnecessarily. 408B creates a 2nd district that moves many of us out of our current district and puts us on a different voting schedule, just to create a supposed "college student district" that is not based on real data about SBCC students, where they live, etc. Map 822 in its various forms seems to draw AROUND Goleta, putting almost all of the city in the 3rd district, just for the purpose of putting Isla Vista in the 2nd district.

As Goletans, we have no problem with the city being split and having two supervisors. It actually helps to have two different people advocating for our needs. But where and how it is split matters, and these two maps do a bad job of that, and would also change many voters' voting schedules.

Maps 818 and 821B do a much better job handling Goleta by splitting it in more logical ways. They also connect western Goleta, where I live, with similar communities up the coast. The reality is: some district has to bridge north and south counties. 818 keeps to the traditional approach by combining Isla Vista/UCSB and the Santa Ynez Valley, but also connects us to similar communities in Lompoc. If that is unacceptable, at least 821B has a similar connection with Lompoc. This makes far more sense to us.

Thank you for your work and for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

Owen Bailey
Goleta Ca 93117

From: Daniel Phillips
To: Lata Murti
Cc: CEO Redistricting RES; Glenn Morris
Subject: Re: Information in Support of Map 821B Modified, District R ID 86965
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:42:02 PM

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Dear Dr. Murti,

Thank you for this clarification. We will make sure that it is reflected in the public record.

Daniel Phillips, PhD
Consultant
National Demographics Corporation
dphillips@ndcresearch.com
(805) 305-5347

On Tue, Nov 30, 2021 at 12:32 PM Lata Murti <latamurti@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear Dr. Phillips, Chair Morris, and Commissioners:

I apologize for the somewhat last-minute communication. However, I've made some adjustments to Map 821B, specifically, changes to the boundary between Districts 4 and 5.

When drawing 821B to include the Cuyama Valley in Districts 4 and 5, I made the mistake of removing Tanglewood from the 5th District. Tanglewood is an unincorporated community in Southwest Santa Maria. Its residents attend schools in the Santa Maria Bonita School District, and their racial and ethnic makeup are in alignment with District 5.

Additionally, although Tanglewood is not in the City of Santa Maria, many of its community's concerns are affected by decisions made by the City and County, including adjacent development, transportation to schools, and more.

Here is the link to Map 821B Modified #2, in District R (ID 88189) with my adjusted edits: <https://districtr.org/edit/88189?event=sbcounty>

Thank you very much for considering these further changes.

Warmly,
Lata

On Mon, Nov 29, 2021 at 10:31 AM Lata Murti <latamurti@gmail.com> wrote:

Hello Dr. Phillips,
I appreciate your reply and confirmation. I also appreciate everyone's time and consideration.
Warmly,
Lata

On Mon, Nov 29, 2021 at 10:23 AM Daniel Phillips <dphillips@ndcresearch.com> wrote:

Dear Dr. Murti,

Thank you for your thoughtful contribution. Your submission and comments will be reflected in the public record. If one or more commissioners would wish to take up your revised 821B for consideration as one of the focus maps, I will process and post it accordingly.

Daniel Phillips, PhD
Consultant
National Demographics Corporation
dphillips@ndcresearch.com
(805) 305-5347

On Fri, Nov 26, 2021 at 8:39 PM Lata Murti <latamurti@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear Dr. Phillips, Chair Morris, and Commissioners:

Thank you for including Map 821B (<https://drawsantabarbaracounty.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Plan-821B-Map.pdf>) in your latest round of five possible maps to adopt. I believe it is a viable map in that it meets the three major criteria for redistricting: 1. relatively equal populations among districts; 2. geographic contiguity; and 3. respecting communities of interest.

Nevertheless, County residents understandably have some concerns about Map 821B as it is currently drawn. I believe Map 821B Modified, District R ID 86965 (<https://districtr.org/plan/86965?event=sbcounty>) addresses these concerns by making slight modifications to Map 821 B.

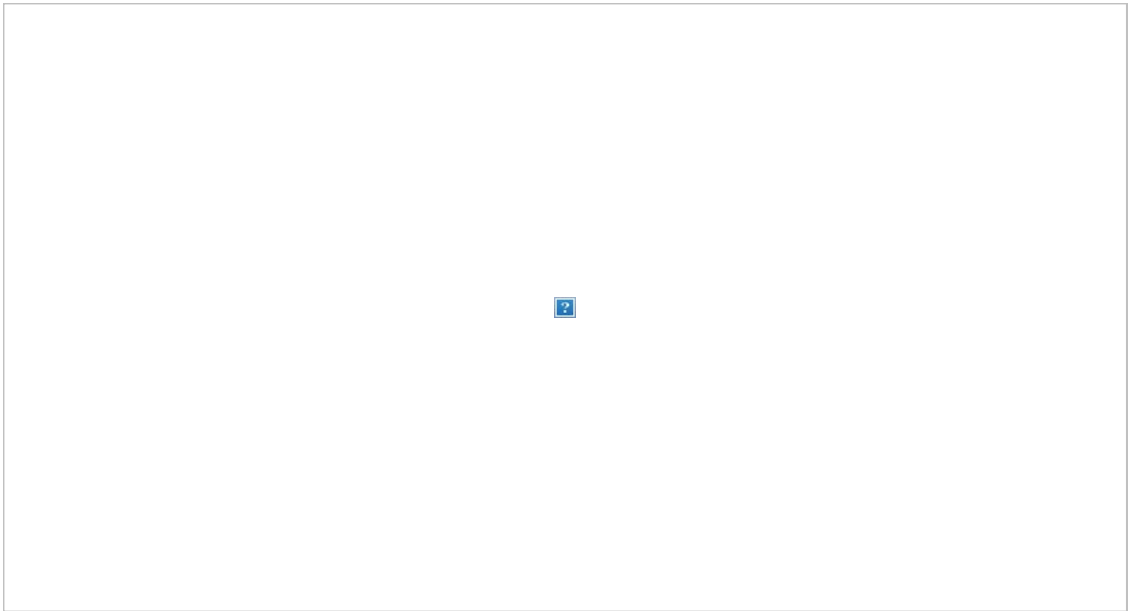
These modifications are listed below, in table format, along with reasons why these modifications would benefit specific communities in Santa Barbara County. Please also refer to the screenshots of the maps included.

I hope you will seriously consider Map 821B Modified as a map worth adopting for the county, for the reasons given here, in this message.

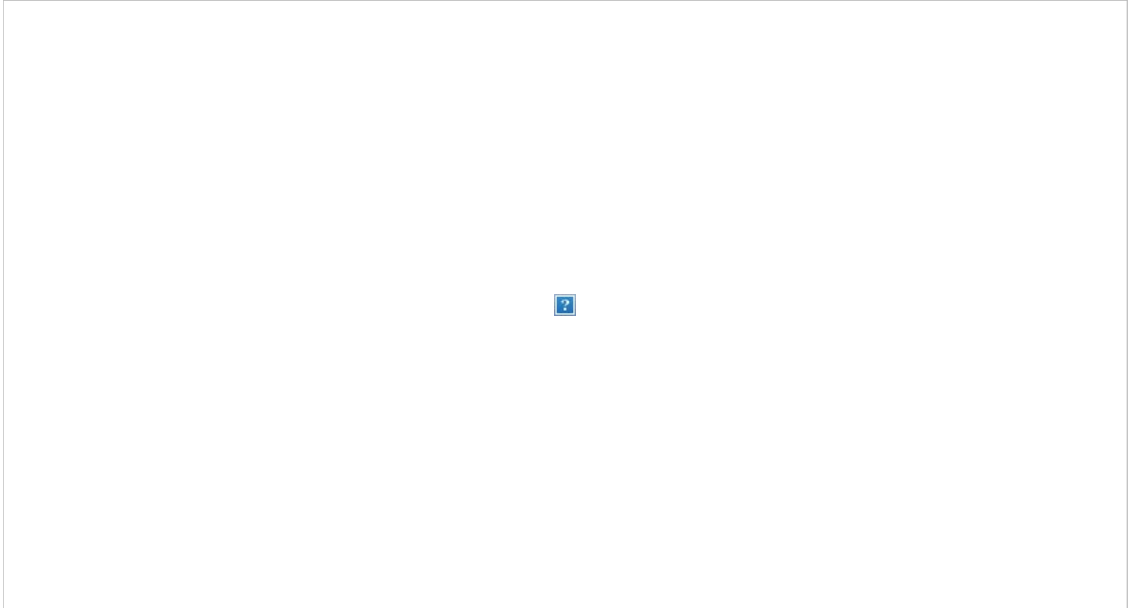
Thank you very much for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Dr. Lata Murti

Map 821B Modified, District R ID 86965: <https://districtr.org/plan/86965?event=sbcounty>



Original Map Plan 821B: <https://drawsantabarbaracounty.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Plan-821B-Map.pdf>



District	Map 821B (original)	Map 821B (modified)	Benefits of Modifications
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Smaller area• Does not include Cuyama Valley• Splits San Roque• Oak Park neighborhood separated from San Roque (split)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Larger area• Includes NE part of the Cuyama Valley• The San Roque neighborhood remains whole (not split) and in District 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Incorporates public comment asking that part of Cuyama Valley be in District 1• Maintains voting and election cycles for San Roque neighborhood of Santa Barbara• Land area more equal to other four districts
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•

	<p>Lake Cachuma split from South Coast</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Splits downtown of City of Santa Barbara between 2nd and 1st districts 	<p>Adds Lake Cachuma so it remains with the South Coast</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keeps most of downtown City of Santa Barbara whole (not split between 2nd and 1st districts) 	<p>Better aligns with communities of interest (Lake Cachuma and South Coast)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintains voting and election cycles for downtown City of Santa Barbara
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Splits Santa Rita Hills wine country from Lompoc Valley 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keeps Santa Rita Hills wine country with the Lompoc Valley Adjusts boundary near Ellwood, retaining all UCSB Staff and Faculty housing in District 3 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Retains current community of interest (Santa Rita Hills and Lompoc Valley) Note: the boundary at Ellwood is supposed to run North/South between the Cannon Green neighborhood and the Ellwood Beach Dr. Neighborhood (District R won't allow me to draw it correctly)
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Too large of a land area as compared to other four districts Includes Cuyama Valley even though Cuyama Valley residents prefer to be in 5th and 1st districts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Land area smaller Allows Cuyama Valley to be in 5th and 1st districts as preferred 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aligns with preferences of residents in Cuyama Valley More equal in size to other four districts
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Too small of land area as compared to other four districts Does not include Cuyama Valley, even though Cuyama Valley residents asked to be in 5th (and 1st) districts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Land area larger Includes part of Cuyama Valley as preferred by local residents 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> More equal in size to other four districts Incorporates stated preferences of Cuyama Valley residents to be in the 5th (and 1st) districts

From: [Lata Murti](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: public comment for Wed., Dec. 1 meeting
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:54:21 PM

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Dear Chair Morris and Commissioners,

As you are selecting a final map for the county, please take the following into account.

Several members of the public have spoken in support of a college district comprising Santa Barbara City College's student population as well as University of California Santa Barbara's student population. Although seemingly a community of interest sharing a common identity and concerns, non-traditional, adult learners (such as those attending SBCC) share little in common with more traditional college students attending a four-year state university.

I have been teaching non-traditional, adult learners for more than ten years. In that time, I have learned that their primary identity is not that of "student." On the contrary, as working adults, often with their own families and established places of residence located at some distance from their campus, these students identify more with their occupational status and family roles than their identity as college students. And it is their occupational status and family roles that determine their community concerns and voting patterns and interests, which tend to be similar to those of residents in their surrounding neighborhoods.

Meanwhile, the lives and identities of younger college students at four-year universities often revolve around their campus and campus community; and it is the concerns of their campus and campus community, as well as their lives as students, not homeowners, that determine their voting patterns and interests.

Therefore, viewing SBCC's student population and UCSB's student population as a community of interest demonstrates little understanding of each population's different lived experiences. They share little in common and neither group would benefit from a shared county voting district.

Thank you for considering these comments in voting on a final map for the county.

Sincerely,
Dr. Lata Murti

From: [Lindsey Reed](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Santa Barbara County Redistricting comment
Date: Monday, November 29, 2021 7:08:33 AM

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This is to encourage you to adopt Map 818 as you make decisions on Santa Barbara County districting. It is very important to me to keep our districts logical and traditional. Thank you for listening to all voters for whom this issue is so important.

Lindsey Reed and Jimmy Dominguez

From: [Carla Frisk](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: RE: Santa Barbara County Redistricting comment
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 1:01:31 PM

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SB County Redistricting Commission:

I submitted the comment below to you on November 21st. Since that time, your Commission has reduced the number of maps from 10 to five, including Map 818. I want to take this opportunity to reiterate my support for Map 818, for all of the reasons I cited below. Please retain Map 818 tomorrow when you make your decision on further reducing the Maps.

Thank you for your consideration. Carla Frisk

As a former long-time resident of the Santa Ynez Valley, I want to express my support for the adoption of Maps 818, which keeps the Santa Ynez Valley, the Gaviota Coast and the community of Isla Vista in the same supervisorial district, as they have been for decades. In addition, this map achieves the goal of creating a Guadalupe / Santa Maria Fifth District with a Latino supermajority.

In addition, Map 818 respects the Chumash belief that their cultural lineage is connected from north to south, from Point Conception to the Goleta Slough because it contains the bulk of this area (including Isla Vista, the Gaviota Coast and the Santa Ynez Valley. While at first blush, these areas may appear to be diverse, however, such is the case with all supervisorial districts as Santa Barbara County is a diverse county.

Finally, as required, these communities are geographically contiguous.

Again, I am urging the Commission to adopt Map 818.

Sincerely,

Carla Frisk
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From: [Michele WeslanderQuaid](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Input for final Redistricting selection
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 1:18:43 PM
Attachments: [Letter to Santa Barbara County Redistricting Committee - 30 NOV 2021.pdf](#)

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RE: Santa Barbara County Redistricting

Please see the attached letter, which contains my inputs.

Thank you for your consideration.

Regards,
Michele R. Weslander Quaid

Hello, Santa Barbara County Redistricting Committee,

This letter contains my inputs regarding the redistricting map, which I understand you will be selecting tomorrow, December 1st.

I was raised in Santa Barbara and spent the first 14 years of my life here. My mom and I moved away in 1983 and I returned with my family in 2016. I reside at the property that originally belonged to my grandparents off Patterson Avenue towards Cathedral Oaks in what is now known as “Noleta” because it is not in the City of Santa Barbara or the City of Goleta.

The districts need to be redrawn in a more logical manner, specifically Districts 2 and 3. Isla Vista is urban and does not belong in District 3, which is primarily Santa Ynez Valley. Isla Vista better fits in the more urban District 2. The 408B map creates a coastal district whereby SBCC and UCSB are in the same district, giving them a unified voice, and makes both District 2 and District 3 more cohesive.

Of all of the final maps you are considering, I believe 408B is by far the best with regard to incorporating neighborhoods within appropriate district lines. The second best choice would be 822. So, I ask that you please choose 408B or 822 as an alternative. The other maps in your final selection are illogical in my view and appear to be gerrymandered.

Thank you for your consideration.

Regards,



Michele R. Weslander Quaid
534 Tepic Place, Santa Barbara CA 93111

From: [Denice Spangler Adams](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: I support Maps 408B and 822; keep UCSB in City District 2
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 1:36:28 PM

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Greetings Redistricting Commissioners,

Both Maps 408B and 822 keep UCSB and IV within the comparable community of City of Santa Barbara District 2 as per Redistricting guidelines. Students and renters need collective representation. Both 408B and 822 meet criteria.

The other three maps do not meet federal guideline criteria and consequently should not, and must not be further considered.

I am a 41-year District 1 resident. It has never made any sense to me or anyone I know WHY UCSB and IV have been part of District 3 with the dissimilar communities of Goleta and Solvang/ Santa Ynez.

Now is the time to correct, to follow federal guideline parameters, to keep similar constituent groups together by selecting either Map 408B or 822.

Cordially,
Denice Spangler Adams
District 1
CallDSA@gmail.com
805-680-3939

From: [Katie Davis](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Please support map 818
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 1:40:45 PM

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Dear Redistricting Commission,

I've taken a look at the current list of proposed maps and I support map 818, or as second choice 821B, because they keep Goleta apportioned as it is which has worked well for City residents.

I urge you to please not approve maps 408B and 822 or any variations of them. These would be very disruptive and confusing for Goleta voters, disenfranchising many by delaying our ability to vote for Supervisor, and mixing up Santa Barbara and Goleta in arbitrary and unnatural ways.

As map 818 does, it is important to keep the historical and logical connection between Goleta, IV, UCSB and the Gaviota coast as these areas are most affected by decisions about the Gaviota coast and invested in its preservation. Note that UCSB owns an 1800 acre ranch in Gaviota and does extensive research and restoration work all along the coast.

Regards,
Katie Davis
Goleta, CA

From: [Joan Vignocchi](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: I support Map 818
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 1:46:12 PM

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Dear Chair Morris and Commissioners,

I spoke at last Monday's marathon meeting and live in District 2. In case I cannot make it tomorrow night (or you have another marathon!), I am submitting comments in advance regarding the best maps to focus on for the next round.

To me, it's all about protecting communities of interest, especially those for traditionally disenfranchised voters, like Latinx community members and lower income/working families. I am an eviction defense lawyer and live in affordable housing myself. It was what I needed to move out of childhood poverty and into the middle class to become a professional and become a lawyer recently. I give back through my job at Legal Aid where I see the need for more representation of working class concerns in our community. People can't afford housing nor can they find it to rent, let alone buy.

Map 818 does the best job of keeping communities of interest together.

As a resident of southern Santa Barbara County, I am **opposed** to maps 408B and 822 (original or revised) for splitting communities of interest or gerrymandering to push University students out of the 3rd district. Map 408B actually splits the east and west sides of Santa Barbara -- a true and long-linked community of interest -- just so it can create a ridiculous district that puts IV/UCSB and City College together, drawing around closer communities to do it. Map 822 (in every version I can find) draws around closer population to do the same thing, just to get IV/UCSB out of the 3rd district. A better way to separate IV/UCSB and the Santa Ynez Valley would be what map 821B does, which does not involve gerrymandering.

I liked the map endorsed by CAUSE and UCSB students, until I heard the presentation last week from the Cuyama resident who explained the groundwater representation situation, and I switched my support to Map 818.

Yours truly,

Joan Vignocchi, J.D.

Legal Aid Foundation Santa Barbara County
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From: [Bethania Lutheran Church](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting Maps
Date: Monday, November 22, 2021 2:43:37 PM

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Greetings,

My name is Chris and I'm a pastor in the Santa Ynez Valley. I'd like to express my deep support for redistricting map 818. I feel like this map would be similar enough to our current district map. As a pastor I hold to my faith's mandate to be a good steward to our creation. I feel that any major divergence from the current district map would result in a supervisor being elected that would not be as supportive of our environment and would enable drilling in our area that would be detrimental. Thank you for taking the time to receive these emails. I look forward to the future decision.

In Care,

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From: [Jed Hendrickson](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting maps
Date: Wednesday, November 24, 2021 1:50:12 PM

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Dear Commissioners,

I am writing in support of maps #804, 404, 103, and 106 to be considered for final adoption.

We want cities kept whole as possible and we do not want IV and UCSB placed into a North County District.

Sincerely,

Jed Hendrickson
Santa Barbara, CA

Sent from my iPhone

From: [John Richards](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting maps
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 1:49:41 PM

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Ladies and Gentlemen,

I prefer Maps 408B and 822.

Thank you for your time and effort.

John Richards
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Santa Maria, CA 93455

From: [Sullivan Israel](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Public Comment
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:08:18 PM

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Hello, Commissioners.

My name is Sullivan Israel. I moved to Santa Barbara when I was 10-years-old (from Los Angeles), and I am now attending UCLA after taking classes at SBCC. I feel very connected to the local community that I grew up in, as well as the SBCC and UCSB student communities, in which I have made many friends.

Of particular concern to me in this redrawing process is the fact that the current supervisor lines split the communities of UCSB and Isla Vista off from a significant portion of Goleta and Santa Barbara City College.

Students at UC Santa Barbara students work, live, visit, and spend time in the city of Santa Barbara. For most students, despite being only 30-minutes from Lompoc, Santa Ynez or Santa Maria, these communities are worlds apart. Likewise, the homeowners of the North County see their communities as significantly different than the University area.

On the contrary, Santa Barbara City College and UCSB have a symbiotic relationship. Between 2006 and 2011, [71% of SBCC's transfers to the UC system went to UCSB](#), and one of every three UCSB transfer students came from SBCC. The majority of UCSB students live in Isla Vista, along with nearly 20% of SBCC students. The schools reside in the same school district and UCSB students and staff vote in SBCC governing board elections. These shared interests in representation are evidenced by the fact that UCSB students drove Johnathan Abboud, Isla Vista's Community Service District General Manager, to win a seat on the SBCC governing board.

Compare that relationship with that of UCSB and Allan Hancock Community College. Allan Hancock students are more likely to commute from their homes, less likely to rent, and there is no student housing on campus. The student population of Allan Hancock is widely dispersed throughout the North County while UCSB and SBCC students and faculty are largely concentrated in the same neighborhoods.

By far, shared interests are most visible through the lens of housing issues. No issue has a larger impact on the everyday lives of communities in Goleta, Isla Vista, UCSB, and SBCC than housing.

In the wake of the [resignation of architect Dennis McFadden](#) from the Munger Dorm project and the ensuing [media and public ire](#) towards the construction of the hideous structure, the question arises: while the Munger project is definitely closer to a cruel physiological experiment than a college dorm, is this outrage doing to relieve the housing crisis? The communities surrounding UCSB are suffering, and housing shortages plague the area. With the return to in-person instruction this fall, the school [resorted to housing students in hotel rooms](#). Rental prices in Isla Vista have already held the spot of ["most expensive per bedroom in Santa Barbara county"](#) for years, and the best solution UCSB has come up with so far is a window-less dorm akin to a prison.

The City of Goleta, home to a large population of students and professors, has resorted to [suing the University](#) due to the damages that over-enrollment and underdevelopment are causing for the Goleta economy and housing market. The UC Santa Barbara [Long Term Development Plan](#) had stated that before 2025 or the student body exceeds 25,000, they would build more housing, yet in 2018 had already exceeded that student population by nearly 1,000, and had built no additional housing.

The community is fracturing under the weight of these issues, and that division is fed by the fact that these communities are represented by two different Supervisors with conflicting goals and priorities.

To start bringing some unity to this issue, combining representation of communities with like interests to encourage cooperation over conflict would be a great place to start.

Isla Vista, Goleta, UCSB, and SBCC have complex, interwoven interests, and should be kept together in one district. The current lines split this unique community, and place half of it with distant cities that share absolutely no commonalities with the Santa Barbara area.

Our community is stronger together. We need a representative that can speak for *all* of the university community in Santa Barbara, for everyone who is feeling the effects of the housing shortage, and for the most diverse and environmentally conscious area in Santa Barbara. This year the Santa Barbara County Citizens Redistricting Commission has the opportunity to right the wrongs of ten years ago. They should draw UCSB and SBCC, along with all of Goleta and Isla Vista together in the same district to ensure that we can bring real, consensus solutions to issues facing our beautiful community.

Due to these issues, I ask that you implement map 408B or 822.

Thank you,
--Sullivan Israel

From: [Haddon, Stacey](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Cc: [Throop, Jim](#)
Subject: City of Lompoc - Resolution No. 6462(21)
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:24:51 PM
Attachments: [Res 6462\(21\).pdf](#)

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Good Afternoon:

Please see the attached adopted resolution from the City of Lompoc regarding the redistricting process for the County of Santa Barbara.

Thank you,

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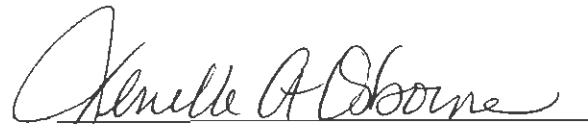
3. Due to their related interests, Vandenberg Space Force Base, Vandenberg Village, Mission Hills, the federal prison, and the City of Lompoc should all be contained within a single Supervisorial District.

The above and foregoing Resolution, proposed by Council Member Vega, and seconded by Council Member Starbuck, was duly passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Lompoc, at a regular meeting on November 16, 2021, by the following electronic vote:

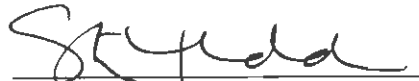
AYES: Council Member(s): Victor Vega, Dirk Starbuck, Gilda Cordova, and Mayor Jenelle Osborne.

NOES: Council Member(s): Jeremy Ball

ABSENT: Council Member(s): None


Jenelle Osborne, Mayor
City of Lompoc

ATTEST:


Stacey Haddon, City Clerk
City of Lompoc

RESOLUTION NO. 6462(21)

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Lompoc, County of Santa Barbara, State of California, Providing Input to the County of Santa Barbara Citizens Independent Redistricting Commission Regarding the Designation of District Boundaries

WHEREAS, redistricting is the regular process of adjusting the lines of voting districts in accordance with population shifts; and

WHEREAS, the Citizens Independent Redistricting Commission ("Commission") is a commission designed to designate district boundaries for the County of Santa Barbara with the purpose of letting the citizens accurately represent the population every 10 years; and

WHEREAS, fair, representative redistricting maps help ensure that elected officials will be responsive to the voters in their communities. Redistricting ensures that every person has equal representation by drawing districts with approximately equal numbers of people – one person, one vote; and

WHEREAS, the Commission is proceeding with analyzing supervisorial districts to update them based on 2020 census data; and

WHEREAS, this process provides the opportunity for citizens to provide public comment and criteria to be considered; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lompoc represents 44,444 residents and has the opportunity to provide Lompoc-specific input as it seeks the best representation from County officials.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOMPOC, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The recitals above are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2. The City Council provides the following policy input to the Commission:

1. Cities within Santa Barbara County should be considered Communities of Interest and wholly contained within a single Supervisorial District to the extent possible.
2. The City of Lompoc, with its population being less than that of a single Supervisorial District, should be wholly contained within a single Supervisorial District.

From: gowingcnynranch@aol.com
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Fwd: Please read
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:26:38 PM
Attachments: [MarkGowing.docx](#)

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-----Original Message-----

From: gowingcnynranch@aol.com
To: gowingcnynranch@aol.com
Sent: Tue, Nov 30, 2021 2:24 pm

Dear Commissioner,

My wife and I live and work in the Cebada Canyon Area of the Lompoc Valley. We raise and train quarter horses for the last 20 years. Our environment is very akin to Santa Ynez Valley. Our vet is in Santa Ynez and the SY Equestrian Center is a facility we often use. Many of the ranchers in Lompoc are also members of Cattlemen Associations or Rancheros from both areas.

Lompoc cattle ranchers, vineyards and agricultural fields are very like those ranches and fields found in Santa Ynez Valley. They include the Santa Rita Wine Trail and both Lompoc Valley and Santa Ynez Valley are part of the Regions Santa Barbara Vintner's Association. Horse and bike trails travel from Santa Rita Hills of Lompoc to the Zaca Creek and Foxen Canyon of the Santa Ynez Valley. They enhance each other's experience of the region.

In addition, residents in both communities have concerns regarding the impact of Cannabis growth and development next to vineyards and horse ranches. They both share concerns about water and are connected by the terrain with mountains and the Santa Ynez River. Neither ranching community want to be connected to UCSB/IV.

Our residents in 2018 voted for this commission and now it is time to fix the lines. Take urban Isla Vista and UCSB out of the Agricultural corridor of Lompoc and Santa Ynez Valley, District 3, and move them to South County District 2 where they are belong. We prefer map 408B. Please support map 408B.

Sincerely

Mark & Kelly Gowing

Lompoc

From: [John Duncan](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Cc: [John Duncan](#)
Subject: Map 822B, Process, & Map 818
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:30:51 PM

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Dear Commissioners,

I do hope your meeting scheduled for December 1st does not run so late as your last meeting, Nov. 22. That night, you were still hearing public comment at 11:30pm and you did not wrap up until almost 11:50pm.

Unfortunately, the very important work of narrowing the focus maps from 10 to 5, occurred after an exhausting evening of testimony that was delayed by your closed session. Although you ultimately voted, we did not get to hear the rationale behind your votes, and the vote itself appeared rushed. Considering the late hour that was understandable.

I am wondering about the tabulation of votes shown on the excel spreadsheet document. There were two votes for Map 822B. I have been unable to find this map in the listing of Draft Maps or the Focus Maps. It also does not appear as a layer on the Interactive County Map. Nevertheless those votes were tabulated as though they were votes for 822.

If there was discussion suggesting that 822B is a revised version of 822 and therefore should be credited as a vote for 822, that assertion is not one that can be verified by the public. No member of the public was able to speak about the merits or demerits of Map 822B.

The six votes credited to 822 advanced it to the group of five focus map. But there were actually only 4 clear votes for 822 on Nov. 22.

I am certainly glad that I do not have the grave responsibility that your commission has. And I would never attempt to make the decisions you are making at such a late hour in the evening. I have worked with an eleven member commission before and know the difficult challenge of balancing time management with thorough consideration when there are so many voices to be heard.

In light of how influential and far-reaching the redistricting process is, I hope you are considering the wisdom of moderation. I encourage you to act cautiously and adopt a map that achieves your goals without unnecessary disruption of the county. Map 818 is clearly your best choice.

Thank you for your consideration,

J. Lansing Duncan

From: [Greg Millikan](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Cc: [Joyce Millikan](#)
Subject: Preferred Map(s)
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:39:18 PM

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Dear Commission,

We are Solvang residents. We've reviewed the 5 Maps under consideration at your 12/1/2021 Meeting. Here is our personal feedback and preference regarding each of them:

1. Best (in order of preference) – Please advance to the final three:
 - a. 818 (unifies rural, agricultural, industrial, and urban areas by type, while maintaining historic and practical contiguity);
 - b. 822 (similar virtue to 818, different footprint in North County Districts 4 & 5 and Isla Vista).
2. Not OK (in order from bad to worse) – Please do not advance to the final three:
 - a. 821B (Bad – Unfortunately (i) splits off Lompoc-Vandenberg from all other agricultural areas, (ii) separates Santa Ynez Valley from Lompoc-Santa Rita Hills, and (iii) ties SYV only to rural agricultural areas)
 - b. 408B (Worse – Unfortunately (i) divides up Santa Ynez Valley, (ii) splits off Los Alamos, and (iii) throws Vandenberg Village and Mission Hills in with Guadalupe)
 - c. 801C (Worst – Incongruously and nonsensically (i) divides Lompoc from Vandenberg, Vandenberg Village, Mission Hills, and the SYV, yet ties Lompoc to Isla Vista, (ii) separates the SYV from the surrounding ag and ranching areas, and (iii) ties the Santa Ynez Valley to the South County Coast, i.e., Carpinteria, etc.)

At the very least, Plan 818 or 822 should be included among the final three, and 801C or 408B should be excluded, for final detailed, comparative analysis.

Thank you for all your work on this important project!

Greg & Joyce Millikan

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From: [Susan Anderson](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: County Map
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:45:18 PM

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Hi,

I've lived in Santa Barbara County for many years and am concerned about District 3, which is the least unified and cohesive district in our county.

We live in an era where people are trying to be divided by ethnicity, and the CAUSE Map (801c) consolidates one ethnicity- Latinos- into District 5. This also occurs in maps 821B and 818.

The coastline of IV & UCSB deserve to have considerable influence in the housing market of SB.

We need to unite the coastal areas. In addition, we need to unite the SB Foothill agricultural areas of the County. We don't need divisions based on ethnicity- we need unity based on the population and use of land.

Please support map 408B.

Sincerely,

Susan Anderson

From: [Tami Bollay](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting Santa Ynez
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:46:20 PM

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Please consider maps 408B or 822 for Santa Ynez.

The valley is largely agricultural in nature. Vineyards, cattle, Olive Trees, and equine. Solvang is, of course, tourism and small business.

Isla Vista /Goleta is a college area. The area has little to do with the needs of this community. Many people in North County do not feel they are well represented by our County Supervisors.

Please consider the economic uniqueness of this area and put us with Lompoc and Santa Maria which have many common economic traits with Santa Ynez.

Thank you,
Denny and Tami Bollay
162 White Oak Road

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From: [Julie Bischoff](#)
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Subject: Redistricting Comments for Dec 1, 2021
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:56:04 PM

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Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

Having grown up in Santa Barbara and attended SBCC and UCSB, I have watched election after election where the students of UCSB and Isla Vista residents have been able to override the needs of the residents, homeowners and agricultural businesses of Lompoc and the Santa Ynez Valley.

These two areas are vastly different. The UCSB students and Isla Vista residents shop, live, study and work along the coastline, rarely venturing over the mountains into Lompoc and surrounding areas.

The two areas have vastly different school, water, electric and sanitation districts.

They need separate representation on the Board of Supervisors.

It has been stated that the renters of Lompoc should be with the renters in Isla Vista, but that doesn't make sense. The Isla Vista renters are made up of mostly students and those involved with Goleta, Santa Barbara, and the University. The renters in Lompoc are mostly families involved with agriculture, the prison system, Vandenberg and neighboring Santa Ynez communities.

Finally we have a chance to address and correct this imbalance.

I am in support of Map 408B first, and 822 second.

Thank you for all of your immense time and effort.

Juliet Bischoff
Santa Barbara

From: [Tom Martinez](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Cc: [Shalice Tilton \(stilton@ndcresearch.com\)](#); [Glenn Morris \(glenn@santamaria.com\)](#)
Subject: RE: Letter Supporting Map 408B
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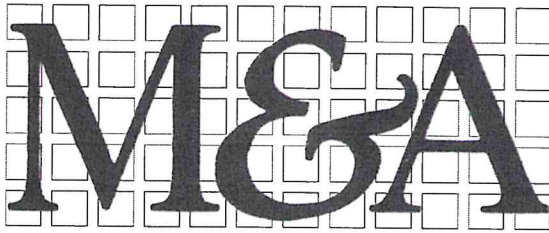
For input into tomorrow's hearing.

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November 30, 2021

Chair Morris and commissioners:

As a life long resident of the Santa Maria Valley, I respectfully request your serious consideration of Map 408B. I believe this map best represents the desires of the general public and has been one of my favorites for some time now.

As an architect, I have had several clients in the Cuyama Valley, that felt they had no representation in the County, since their supervisor was in Carpinteria, a 3 hour drive away? Having never been involved in politics in the past, I was astonished after the last redistricting that the map was distorted to include Cuyama in District one? I'm still not certain how that reflects areas of common interest or geographic cohesion.

In the last few hearings, I've heard several comments about a preference for map 818, recommending minimizing the amount of change in the districts. I would remind the Commission that one of the reasons the public voted in favor of an independent commission, was the gerrymandering of districts for political reasons, and a total disregard for areas of common interest or geographic cohesion. I believe the establishment of this commission by a public vote, was in fact a "NO VOTE" for the status quo and thusly Map 818.

The issue that needs serious consideration is ability to represent, so cohesiveness of districts, as well as areas of common interest become paramount. The map that best presents the ability to "readily" represent a district, is Maps 408B.

While I would prefer to think of Santa Maria as one district, I realize that our population would exceed the parameters, so **we must** be thinking what is in the best interest of the County as a whole and not just ourselves. So it appears the only way to satisfy this is split Santa Maria so district five can include Cuyama and be better served by it's supervisor. I believe the map, for the most part, keeps the majority of the remaining cities whole. Keeping these cities as a whole gives them a viable voice, rather than diluting them in split districts.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading 'Tom B. Martinez', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Tom B. Martinez, Architect
Tom B. Martinez & Associates

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Commissioners,

I am asking you to select 818 as the preferred map because it is least disruptive to the current district boundaries. I support maps 818 and 821B because they keep Goleta apportioned as it is, which has worked well for City residents.

Thank you for your hard work,

Barbara S. Massey
7912 Winchester Circle
Goleta, CA 93117

From: [CH CLOUSE](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Public comment on redistricting maps
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:56:29 PM

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Dear Redistricting Commission Members,

We are writing as long time Santa Barbara residents. We appreciate all the work you have done on redistricting, especially with the challenges of delayed census data!

We are concerned about maps 408B and 822, both of which seem to want to gerrymander a second district that pretends that UCSB and Santa Barbara City College have so much in common that they should be in a district together. As long-time readers of admissions applications to UCSB, we are very familiar with the differences between the two institutions of higher learning. Although some students do apply to transfer to the University from City College, it's a small number compared to the large number of adult/working students who live all over the area, not near either campus, and the many distance learners who don't even live in the County. So we urge you to reject both of these maps. 408B has the additional black mark of splitting the east and west sides of Santa Barbara, which are tightly bound as Latino/a working class communities with closely aligned interests.

Although map 801C does not gerrymander an indefensible student district, it is similar to 408B in splitting the community of interest of east/west side Santa Barbara from Carpinteria. So if you move forward with this map, we suggest not using the 1st district that it has currently drawn.

Maps 818 and 821B do not gerrymander to cram students together, nor do they split important communities of interest. They strengthen the latter in the north and central county, which is important to these traditionally underrepresented communities. Both maps put Guadalupe with Santa Maria, which is the best way to move forward. So we urge you to move forward with these. We do think that 821B can and should be revised to reduce the size of the 4th district. It looks like some of the 'empty' spaces could be reassigned to adjacent districts, and at least part of Cuyama could be reallocated to the 1st or 5th district. The central inland portion of the county could be divided to bring the line closer to Buellton -- Buellton belongs with the rest of the Santa Ynez Valley, but west of it are wine regions that should align nicely with those in the Lompoc area.

Thank you again.

Jan and Charlie Clouse
Santa Barbara CA 93103

From: [mikeys](#)
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Subject: Map 408B
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Please choose Map 408B.

This map seems to keep the like type educational institutions in one district.

Thank you,

Michael C. Schaumburg
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From: [William Bailey](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
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November 30, 2021

Dear Commissioners of the Santa Barbara County Redistricting Commission,

Santa Barbara is where I was born and have lived most of my life. I worked in the construction industry for decades, graduated from Cal Poly, and as a construction manager oversaw hundreds of projects at SBCC, UCSB, in Santa Barbara, Goleta and the Santa Ynez Valley.

There is a world of difference between the communities on the coast, and the communities inland.

UCSB and Isla Vista need to be with Goleta, where they students and residents shop and work.

The drive on 154 or 101 north from Santa Barbara over San Marcos Pass brings you into a very different world from the Valley.

Many of our employees came from Lompoc and their concerns were different from our Santa Barbara/Goleta employees.

Please give Lompoc and the Santa Ynez Valley their own voice on the Board of Supervisors. Please choose Map 408B. Alternatively choose map 822.

Thank you.

William R Bailey
Santa Barbara

From: [JJ](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
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Keep UCSB in District 2

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From: [Lucas Zucker](#)
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Dear Santa Barbara County Redistricting Commission,

Please find attached CAUSE's comments on the final district maps for Santa Barbara County Supervisors.

Thank you!

Lucas Zucker
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Central Coast Alliance United for a Sustainable Economy (CAUSE)
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November 29th, 2021

Dear Santa Barbara County Citizens Redistricting Commission,

Congratulations on the hard work of the Commission in narrowing down to final maps. It has been an honor for CAUSE to engage in this process and advocate for the strongest possible representation for people of color, immigrants, working-class neighborhoods, young people, renters and farmworkers in Santa Barbara County.

As identified in the last commission meeting, there are several decision points ahead of you. In particular, as the Commission has chosen decisively to alter the current 3rd district, this creates the choice of where to place Guadalupe and Isla Vista. We believe that the best way to make this decision is to **simply listen to the democratically elected voice of the people of those two communities**. The City of Guadalupe has endorsed joining Guadalupe in the 5th district with the western and northern parts of Santa Maria with the highest Latino, immigrant, and farmworker populations. The Associated Students of UCSB have endorsed placing Isla Vista and the university in a 3rd district together with Lompoc as a community that is majority people of color and renters, rather than the more affluent Santa Ynez Valley or Hope Ranch.

CAUSE submitted maps 801 and the slightly modified 801C, and we have been proud of the immense broad-based public support for these two maps. However, it seems clear that a majority of the commission is not in support of this architecture. **We believe that of the remaining maps, 821B is the best option to accomplish similar goals of strengthening the representation of working-class communities, renters, immigrants, young people, and people of color while meeting the needs of the most members of the public who have spoken at the commission.**

Map 821B, like three of the five focus maps, would maximize the Latino vote in the 5th district, with 68% Citizen Voting Age Population (CVAP) by putting Guadalupe with western and northern Santa Maria.

The intent of the Voting Rights Act is for underrepresented groups, or “protected classes”, to be able to elect the candidates of their choice in as many districts as possible. Maps 408B and 822 would not achieve this intent, by watering down Latino CVAP in the 5th district to the extent that **Latino voters would no longer make up a majority of actual voter turnout** during the midterm elections in which the 5th district supervisor is decided. Because the 5th district is the **only** district countywide where it is possible for Latino **voters** to make up a majority, the result would be to **rob the county’s Latino community of the ability to elect the candidate of their choice in any of the five districts**. NDC’s data shows that under maps 408B and 822, Latino voters made up only 48% and 47% respectively of the 2018 voter turnout for District 5. With a long history of racially polarized voting in Northern Santa Barbara County, the result would be districts that do not effectively carry out the intent of the Voting Rights Act.

The idea of placing Guadalupe with Orcutt to enhance the Latino vote simply does not pass the smell test of common sense, or a data-driven demographic analysis. Orcutt has one of the lowest Latino populations in the entire county, lower than 6 of the county’s 8 cities, while

Guadalupe has the county's highest Latino population. Orcutt has double Guadalupe's median income, and triple its rate of college attainment. Guadalupe has triple Orcutt's share of Latino population and triple its poverty rate. If the advocates of Guadalupe/Orcutt maps truly wanted to maximize Latino population in the 4th district as well as the 5th district, they would instead have advocated for Guadalupe to be placed with Lompoc, which has the county's next highest Latino population. Those advocating for Guadalupe with Orcutt are either severely misinformed about the demographics of our county, or perhaps have another political agenda altogether.

Santa Barbara County - Plan 408B							
Category	Field	1	2	3	4	5	Total
2020 Census	Total Population	89,139	89,883	94,175	87,370	86,137	446,704
	Population Deviation	-202	542	4,834	-1,971	-3,204	8,038
	Pct. Deviation	-0.23%	0.61%	5.41%	-2.21%	-3.59%	9.00%
Total Pop.	Hispanic/Latino	35%	34%	40%	49%	79%	47%
	NH White	56%	47%	48%	39%	14%	41%
	NH Black	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%
	NH Asian/Pac.Isl.	6%	16%	7%	7%	5%	8%
	NH Native Amer.	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%
	Total	65,740	64,347	60,412	54,093	34,933	279,525
Citizen Voting Age Pop	Hisp	22%	24%	27%	32%	59%	30%
	NH White	71%	62%	64%	56%	32%	60%
	NH Black	2%	3%	3%	3%	2%	3%
	Asian/Pac.Isl.	5%	10%	6%	8%	7%	7%
	Native Amer.	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%
	Total	58,248	47,866	56,083	46,418	29,604	238,219
Voter Registration (Nov 2020)	Latino est.	21%	24%	26%	35%	64%	31%
	Spanish-Surnamed	20%	22%	24%	32%	59%	29%
	Asian-Surnamed	2%	4%	2%	2%	1%	2%
	Filipino-Surnamed	1%	1%	1%	2%	3%	1%
	NH White est.	77%	71%	72%	63%	38%	68%
	NH Black	2%	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%
Voter Turnout (Nov 2020)	Total	51,941	40,738	48,321	38,963	22,096	202,059
	Latino est.	19%	23%	23%	32%	59%	28%
	Spanish-Surnamed	18%	21%	21%	30%	54%	26%
	Asian-Surnamed	2%	4%	2%	2%	1%	2%
	Filipino-Surnamed	1%	1%	1%	2%	3%	1%
	NH White est.	77%	71%	72%	63%	38%	68%
Voter Turnout (Nov 2018)	NH Black	2%	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%
	Total	40,545	33,630	36,445	27,594	13,222	152,207
	Latino est.	16%	20%	17%	25%	47%	22%
	Spanish-Surnamed	15%	19%	16%	24%	45%	20%
	Asian-Surnamed	2%	5%	2%	2%	1%	2%
	Filipino-Surnamed	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%
	NH White est.	80%	72%	77%	69%	48%	73%
	NH Black est.	2%	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%
	age0-19	19%	28%	26%	29%	35%	27%

Santa Barbara County - Plan 822							
Category	Field	1	2	3	4	5	Total
2020 Census	Total Population	89,202	89,277	89,670	89,149	89,406	446,704
	Population Deviation	-139	-64	329	-192	65	521
	Pct. Deviation	-0.16%	-0.07%	0.37%	-0.21%	0.07%	0.58%
Total Pop.	Hispanic/Latino	39%	26%	43%	49%	78%	47%
	NH White	52%	55%	45%	40%	14%	41%
	NH Black	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%
	NH Asian/Pac.Isl.	5%	15%	8%	7%	5%	8%
	NH Native Amer.	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%
	Total	62,200	70,981	54,387	55,287	36,671	279,525
Citizen Voting Age Pop	Hisp	24%	21%	29%	32%	59%	30%
	NH White	69%	67%	61%	57%	31%	60%
	NH Black	2%	2%	3%	3%	2%	3%
	Asian/Pac.Isl.	5%	10%	7%	7%	7%	7%
	Native Amer.	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%
	Total	55,908	52,992	50,978	46,695	31,646	238,219
Voter Registration (Nov 2020)	Latino est.	24%	18%	28%	34%	64%	31%
	Spanish-Surnamed	22%	17%	26%	32%	59%	29%
	Asian-Surnamed	2%	4%	3%	2%	1%	2%
	Filipino-Surnamed	1%	1%	1%	2%	3%	1%
	NH White est.	75%	77%	69%	64%	37%	68%
	NH Black	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%	2%
Voter Turnout (Nov 2020)	Total	49,374	46,126	43,761	39,144	23,654	202,059
	Latino est.	22%	17%	25%	31%	59%	28%
	Spanish-Surnamed	20%	16%	23%	29%	55%	26%
	Asian-Surnamed	2%	4%	3%	2%	1%	2%
	Filipino-Surnamed	1%	1%	1%	2%	3%	1%
	NH White est.	75%	77%	69%	64%	37%	68%
Voter Turnout (Nov 2018)	NH Black	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%	2%
	Total	38,214	38,954	32,350	27,888	14,801	152,207
	Latino est.	17%	16%	19%	24%	48%	22%
	Spanish-Surnamed	16%	15%	18%	23%	46%	20%
	Asian-Surnamed	2%	4%	2%	2%	1%	2%
	Filipino-Surnamed	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%
	NH White est.	79%	78%	74%	70%	46%	73%
	NH Black est.	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%	2%
	age0-19	21%	26%	27%	29%	35%	27%

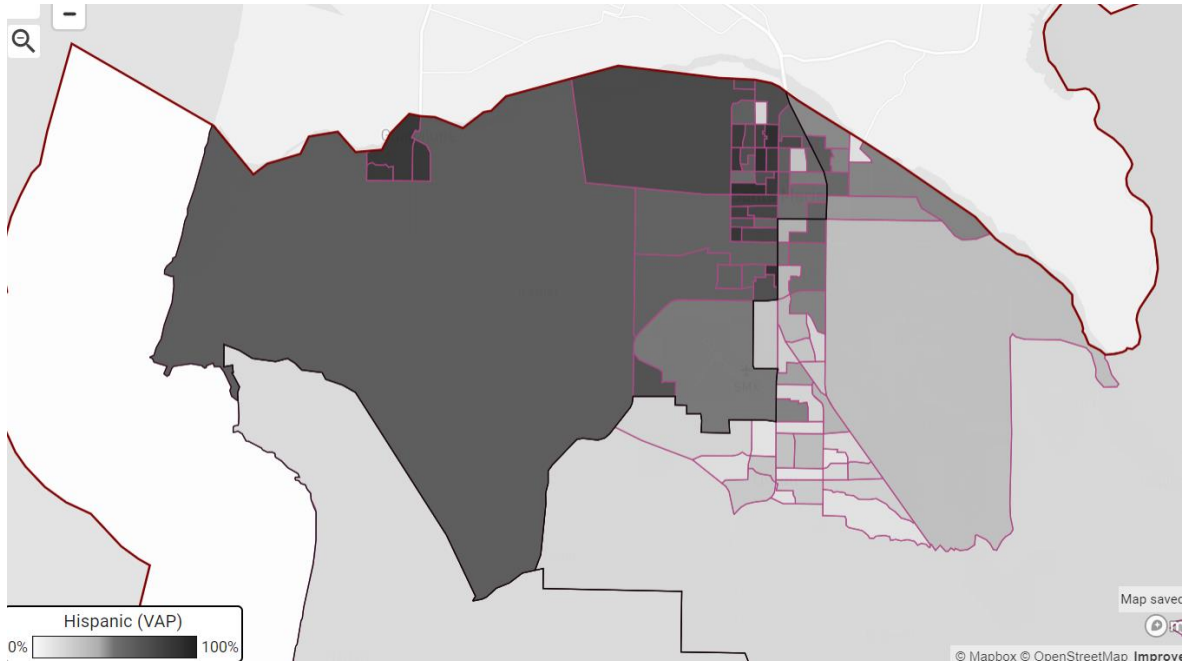
The table below demonstrates that Guadalupe shares far more in common with Santa Maria than Orcutt not just along racial lines, but in a wide array of demographic characteristics. **Drawing maps based on “Communities of Interest”, similar social and economic traits, is the highest ranked legal criteria for redistricting after the basic requirements of the US Constitution and the Voting Rights Act.**

	Santa Maria	Guadalupe	Orcutt
Latino population	76%	90%	27%
People of color population	84%	94%	36%
Immigrant population	35%	38%	8%
Homeownership rate	50%	51%	77%
Speak language other than English	67%	76%	17%
College attainment	14%	19%	30%
Poverty rate	15%	18%	7%

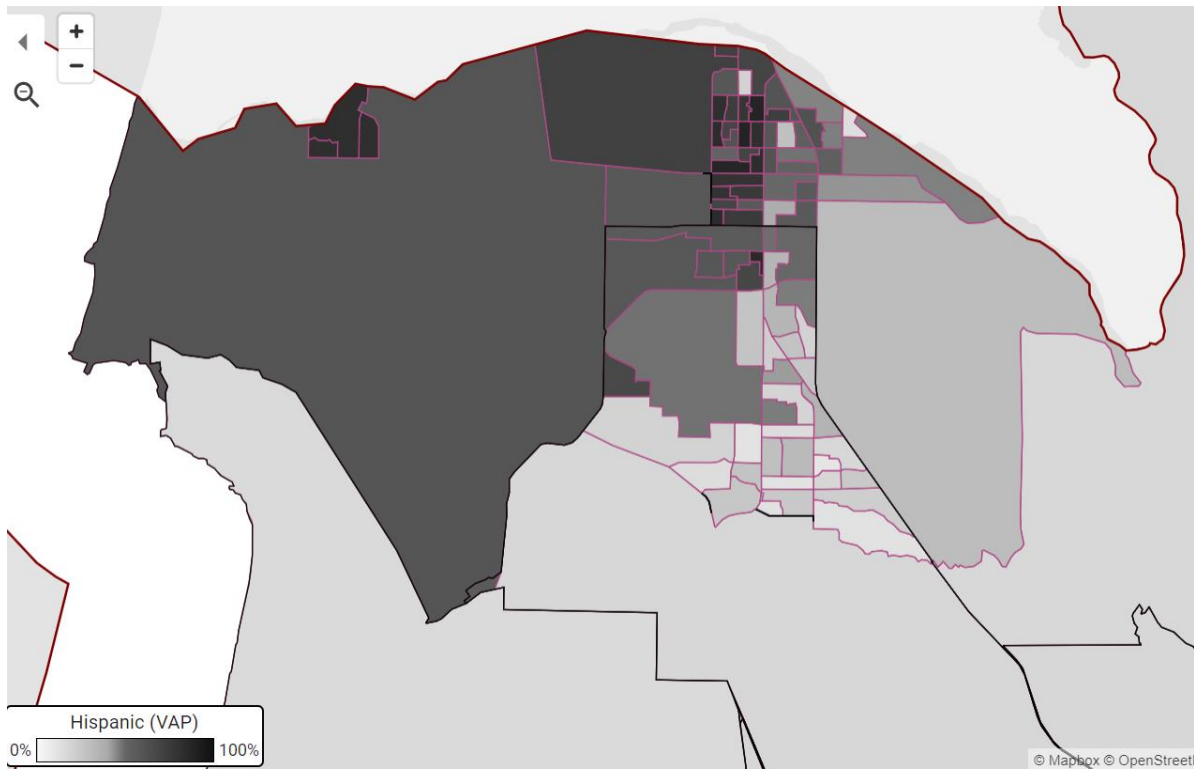
Map 821B would create a 3rd district that is 61% renters and 61% people of color in total population by combining Lompoc, Vandenberg, and Isla Vista, while placing the Santa Ynez Valley with Orcutt in the 4th district, which it shares many demographic and economic similarities with. The Commission has heard extensive testimony from both Isla Vista and Santa Ynez Valley residents that neither community wishes to be placed with the other. **The vast majority of students who testified at the commission wanted Isla Vista connected to racially and economically diverse Lompoc to ensure their representative would address the pressing issues of housing affordability and racial equity that are impacting UCSB students.**

Once the Commission selects the architecture of a map, we can expect residents to advocate for smaller tweaks to the map on the margins. Some of these ideas may be valuable and can enhance the goals of the map without fundamentally altering its architecture. **For example, with only small population changes of a few hundred residents, the Santa Ynez Chumash Reservation could be added to District 3 even if the rest of the Santa Ynez Valley is not included, in order to keep the reservation connected to the historic Chumash heartland of the Gaviota Coast and Goleta Slough.**

However, other adjustments could drastically alter the map’s architecture. **For example, cutting the 5th district east across the 101 freeway would dramatically shift the demographics of the 5th district, reducing Latino CVAP by nearly 7 percentage points by moving over 10,000 people.** Eliminating Southwest Santa Maria from the 5th district in favor of Northeast Santa Maria would be a grave mistake, undermining the original purpose of this district to increase Latino representation on the board.

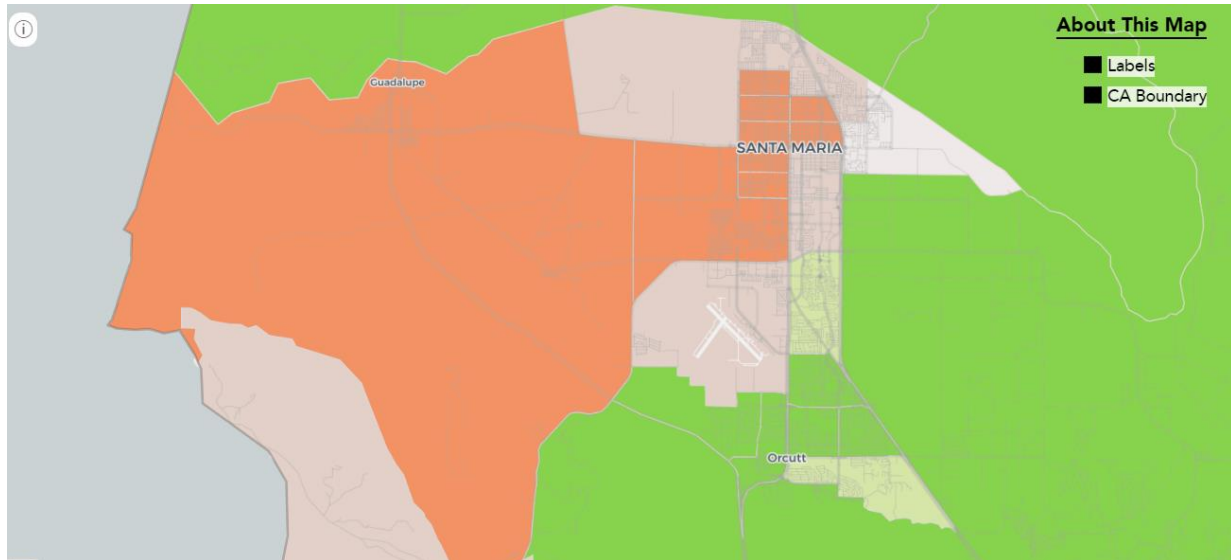


Current 821B district lines between 4th and 5th district effectively match demographic factors, aligning them with communities of interest and maximizing Latino voice in Northern Santa Barbara County.



Altered lines would significantly reduce Latino CVAP and create arbitrary district boundaries in Santa Maria rather than boundaries based on communities of interest.

The statewide Redistricting Equity Indicators mapping tool created by the civil rights research center the Advancement Project ranks census tracts throughout California according to social, economic, and environmental factors that indicate disadvantaged communities in need of voting rights protection. There are 11 census tracts in Santa Barbara County given the highest rank, 9 of which are in the Santa Maria and Guadalupe areas.



Drawing a 5th district based on these objective, data-driven redistricting criteria would result in one that exactly mirrors the lines that so many residents submitted in their district maps, putting Guadalupe with the northern and western portions of Santa Maria, not with Orcutt.

We strongly encourage the Commission to listen to the people of both Guadalupe and Isla Vista and adopt a map that places Guadalupe with Santa Maria and Isla Vista with Lompoc. Map 821B is the best choice to as fully as possible meet the desires of residents throughout the county who have testified before the Commission over the past several months.

Thank you for your service to the Commission and your work to advance voting rights and fair representation in our county.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Maricela Morales'.

Maricela Morales
Executive Director
CAUSE

From: [cecilia brown](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Comment for Dec 1 meeting of Redistricting Commission meeting
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 3:48:53 PM

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Dear Mr. Chair and Members of the County of Santa Barbara Redistricting Commission,

Please accept my letter as you and your commissioners make a decision on map selection for county redistricting.

I have lived in the city of Goleta for many years and most recently was the 2nd District Planning Commissioner, so I am familiar with the county, the current district alignments and even the character of various parts of the County and the supervisors who represent those districts. Also, I have been participating in the City of Goleta redistricting efforts so I have thought a lot about maps appropriate for City of Goleta redistricting and by extension the County's Redistricting Commission considerations in county redistricting efforts.

I believe it is very important to keep Goleta voters as closely aligned as possible in the district where they reside now which is either the 2nd or the 3rd. Thus, **I support maps 818 and 821B.** These two maps would be the least disruptive and less confusing to voters about which district they live in when it comes time to vote. They know, if they have lived in the City long enough to have voted for either a 2nd or 3rd district supervisor, what district they live in and who their supervisor is. This little fact is really important in getting people interested in the voting process and for a supervisor.

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Goleta must not be placed in any district with Montecito or Carpinteria (Map 801C). Our issues are different and communities of interest different at the western end of the South Coast than at the eastern end, so the map that would do this, **801C, is simply unacceptable.**

Similarly, Map 401B which would place the City of Goleta in a district with part of the City of Santa Barbara to include the Mesa and SB City College doesn't make any sense to me at all either. **Map 408B is unacceptable.** To suggest that UCSB and SBCC are a community of interest is magical thinking. The schools, their location and many other considerations are just different. Dividing the City of Goleta by 101 for a supervisory district is not optimal, it promotes a boundary separating our community in order to place it with a community of interest where there are no common interests. **No on Map 408B**

Map 822 is equally not acceptable because the border dividing 2nd and 3rd Districts in this map would be Cambridge Ave, a neighborhood street splitting in half a long-recognized community of interest. The City of Goleta wouldn't even consider that kind of division of my neighborhood in any maps the City council draws for Goleta nor should the County in their redistricting efforts. **No on Map 822.**

The Redistricting Commission needs to consider the opinions of City of Goleta residents in any

map ultimately drawn/chosen for the City. I don't have any opinion on what district Santa Ynez should be located in because I don't live there nor know what is important to them in the redistricting effort. So, please consider my comments and those from the City of Goleta residents and those from the City of Goleta Council, before others.

Thank you for your considering my comments and best wishes on your efforts.

Cecilia Brown, a Goleta resident

From: [Mindy Steward](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: District map 408B or 822
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 3:59:16 PM

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Dear Commissioners,
Please choose map 408B or 822 that keeps UCSB in District 2.
Thank you,
Mindy Steward

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Connie Ford](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Cc: [Connie Ford](#)
Subject: Redistricting Map comment
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 4:07:22 PM

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Dear commissioners,

I live in Orcutt and I am emailing regarding the focus maps you have selected in case I am not able to speak tomorrow night.

I believe Guadalupe should be placed with Santa Maria and not with Orcutt. This will ensure better minority representation than if Guadalupe is placed with Orcutt. On that basis I believe you should eliminate map 408B.

Thank you,

Connie Ford
Orcutt

From: [Charles Williams](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Committee Members re districting
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 4:07:51 PM
Attachments: [Committee Members re districting.docx](#)

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Commissioners Pleas see attached comment

Committee Members,

I am a resident of Orcutt, our voting system is a mess because the different life styles from rural conservative North County to Liberal South County. Two completely different mentalities. Isla Vista and UCSB needs to be in their own environment District 2 which is more compatible with their own urban city life styles. Keep district 3 Lompoc and Santa Ynez Valley, which clearly are agricultural, cowboy, ranch, and farming country. District 408 B. is where Lompoc & Santa Ynez belongs.

Thank You,

Chuck Williams

From: [Hillary Blackerby](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Input on maps for 12/1 meeting
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 4:08:31 PM

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Dear Members of the Redistricting Commission:

I spoke briefly at the Nov. 22 meeting of your Commission, as you narrowed down to five focus maps. In case I am not able to speak again tomorrow night, I wanted to offer my views on a few maps. I worked for the state legislature for 10 years representing various parts of SB County, I am very familiar with the entirety of the county and its various communities.

Here is my input on some of the maps:

Yes to 821B: this version is the best approach for this map-
- <https://districtr.org/edit/86965?event=sbcounty> It improves on the original version by connecting the Guadalupe/Santa Maria community of interest with much of the rest of north county, including most of the Cuyama region. The remainder of Cuyama is in the 1st. Having worked on Cuyama groundwater issues at the state level, I can affirm that they have serious needs that would be best met by representation from the 1st and/or 5th districts. It also makes the 4th district less massive--an extremely large geographic area is difficult for elected officials to serve and represent, so this improves on other maps. This version of 821B takes some of that large territory from the 4th district in the original map, by allocating more minimally populated territory to the 2nd district, and by moving the line between the 3rd and 4th districts. The new line includes Buellton with the Santa Ynez Valley, a logical connection, while connecting the area west of Buellton with the wine regions in its new 3rd district. Having watched the wine industry grow in our county, especially west of the 101, I can see the power of having those wine industry interests share supervisorial support. It keeps Lompoc and the Lompoc Valley together. Finally, this version of 821B separates Isla Vista and the SY Valley, as some residents have requested, without doing acrobatics to separate the two communities. Its south county district boundaries are not tortured and gerrymandered.

Yes to 818: This map has similar strengths to 821B revised. An improved version of 818 would also put the Cuyama Valley in the 5th rather than the 4th. It does split Lompoc and the Lompoc Valley, but that is already the case, and there are advantages to having two supervisors, as City Council Members from Santa Barbara and Goleta have testified. It keeps the communities of interest of southern Santa Barbara County together as they should, and strengthens the 3rd district by linking IV and western Goleta with parts of Lompoc. It does continue to keep the Santa Ynez Valley with Isla Vista, which is a strength if you choose to respect the wishes of other Valley residents, including its indigenous tribe.

No to 408B: this map is the worst of the five, so I hope you reject it outright. It yokes Guadalupe to communities it does not share interests with, against the wishes of its City Council. It gerrymanders the south county to create a college

district that is no such thing -- having worked with both SBCC and UCSB professionally for years, I can affirm how different these two populations are! To accomplish this, it also splits key south county communities of interest -- the west and east sides of Santa Barbara, and the City of Carpinteria. The latter has much more in common with Santa Barbara's east and west sides than wealthy white communities in the foothills. (This is an argument against the 1st district drawn by map 801C, also.)

No to 822: I am not sure which version is your preference, but all of them have a serious flaw -- a gerrymander to take Isla Vista OUT of the 3rd district and put SBCC in the 2nd district with it. The result is clearly a district that is not compact, bypassing nearer communities to exclude others. (The shape of the 2nd district in all versions of 822 is a dead giveaway.) It also makes major changes to Goleta just to do this, moving most of it into the 3rd district in no logical fashion. Many voters who expected to vote again in 2022, on the 2nd district voting schedule, would then be disenfranchised and have to wait until 2024 to vote. This would also reduce UCSB turnout, as moving the University and Isla Vista to the 2nd district would put them on a gubernatorial, not a presidential, cycle. If the Commission really wants to separate Isla Vista from the Santa Ynez Valley (as I assume is the motive), then 821B does a much better job. Also, this map has the same yoking of IV/UCSB and SBCC in its second district, with the same gerrymandering effect of going around closer neighborhoods to draw SBCC into the 2nd district. In this way, 822 is as flawed as 408B.

Thank you for your work on this important endeavor--I do not envy your task!

Sincerely,

Hillary Blackerby
Santa Barbara resident

My pronouns: she/her/ella

From: ehsconsult@comcast.net
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting and Map 818
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 4:12:20 PM

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To Whomever it may Concern,

Please use map 818 when looking at your redistricting tomorrow. I have worked in Santa Barbara and the South Coast for years, but due to housing pricing live in Santa Ynez. I also have a close affiliation to UCSB as I took classes there and have worked with many people and students in my consulting business of the years.

I truly appreciate the Board taking into consideration of Map 818 tomorrow.

Regards,

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From: [Lawanda Lyons-Pruitt](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Cc: [Lawanda Lyons-Pruitt](#)
Subject: Santa Maria-Lompoc NAACP comments for 12/1/21 meeting
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 4:26:39 PM
Attachments: [NAACP LETTER TO CITIZEN REDISTRICTING COMMISSION 11-29-21 2.pdf](#)

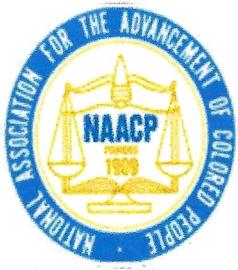
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Dear Chair Morris and Commissioners,

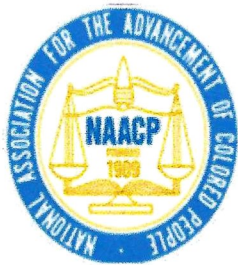
On behalf of the Santa Maria-Lompoc Branch of the NAACP, its officers, executive committee and members, we want to begin again by applauding you, the Commission, for the work that you all have done thus far, demonstrating a commitment to creating a final MAP that truly is reflective of the diversity of our county.

We strongly OPPOSE any MAP that will result in the dominant culture continuing to have control which does not reflect the demographic makeup of our community as noted by the latest Census demographics.

We fully support Maps 818 and 821B (in tweaked form), as both Maps are balanced approaches that account for population changes. Map 818 reflects the best part of Map 801C by uniting Guadalupe and NW Santa Maria as the two communities are connected by Main Street and Route 166 which is heavily impacted by traffic congestion from Santa Maria to Guadalupe. It keeps together a key community of interest, strengthening the CVAP population of Guadalupe and NW Santa Maria. The fact that Guadalupe students are sent to Righetti High School does not mean the two communities have anything in common--in fact we believe Guadalupe youth past and present, will themselves tell you how isolating and difficult it is for them to be dropped into a high school in a community so different from their own. Simply put, Guadalupe and Orcutt are not communities of interest. If anything, combining them could result in racially polarized voting, which we strongly oppose! If you look at the Hancock College Board of Trustee districts, Orcutt is put with southern and eastern Santa Maria while Guadalupe is with northern and western Santa Maria. This is because unlike high school boundaries, these election districts are actually based on voting rights considerations.

With respect to Lompoc and the Lompoc Valley, which currently has two supervisors, there is no reason not to split part of the City of Lompoc into the 3rd and 4th districts. We support the boundaries in Map 818 which are along North Avenue. However, 821B in tweaked form does keep Lompoc and the Lompoc Valley together, and that

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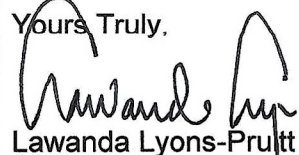
is a workable approach as well. If you choose an approach that separates the Santa Ynez Valley from the coast -- although the Chumash people object! -- then it is one district. (The original version of 821B creates a 4th district that is just too large.). We support a version of 821B that places the Santa Ynez Valley in a portion of the 4th district with other similar communities, draws a boundary west of Buellton, and then combines the rural areas there with the Lompoc Valley. 821B also united working and Latinx voters in the City of Lompoc with similar communities on the south coast, which is important to strengthening their voting power as well.

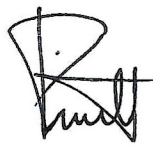
Although our focus is north county, we feel strongly that minority voters in southern Santa Barbara County should not have their voting power reduced! That is why we oppose Map 408B, which not only puts Guadalupe with Orcutt (see above) but splits Latinx and working class voters in Santa Barbara from each other and from Carpinteria. This is WRONG and unacceptable! And although Map 822 does not do this, it draws a 2nd district which looks to us very much like it is gerrymandering around Goleta in order to include Isla Vista. The very shape of that district in Map 822 says it all!

In summary: we support Maps 818 and a revised 821B that strengthens minority communities of interest and has manageable district sizes.

Thank you for your time and commitment to creating representative Districts where all citizens can be represented, participate in, and be proud of.

Yours Truly,


Lawanda Lyons-Pruitt



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From: [Margaret L. Hammel](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Argument In favor of Redistricting maps 408B and 822
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 4:45:53 PM
Attachments: [miki_H_County_Districts.docx](#)

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Dear Redistricting Committee,

I am a resident of Goleta north of the freeway. The Santa Ynez valley and Guadalupe do not have any common cultural or geographic commonalities with Isla Vista which are all currently located in district 3. Isla Vista is an urban area with students who are mostly from other areas of California. They have little or no common interests with the agricultural areas of the Santa Ynez valley and Guadalupe.

Also, district 3 as it currently exists isolates western Goleta and Isla Vista from the important common intersectional areas of eastern Goleta, Santa Barbara and SBCC. The district 2 and 3 boundaries are not equitable and do a great disservice to the residence of Santa Barbara, the Goleta Valley, Isla Vista, and City College. We citizens of Goleta have been frustrated by the lack of cohesiveness of the district maps. They currently are not serving the needs of our citizens across the south county.

We have the opportunity to eliminate these inequities. Please look at the 408B map. This map provide much needed equity to Isla Vista, SBCC, Guadalupe, Goleta, Santa Barbara and the Santa Ynez valley.

The strength of map 408B include:

- 1) District 2 captures the mutual interests of Goleta, Isla Vista, Santa Barbara, and SBCC. Please review the district 2 boundaries. There is coherence with these citizens as they share similar geographical, growth, educational (college: higher learning), housing and cultural issues.
- 2) UCSB and SBCC share common interests.
 - a. Thousands of SBCC college students live in Isla Vista and share mutual housing, cultural, and educational interests.
 - b. UCSB students work, live, visit, and spend time in Santa Barbara City. They seldom travel to Lompoc, Santa Ynez or Santa Maria.
 - c. SBCC is a strong feeder school for UCSB.
- 3) Unite the Goleta and Santa Barbara foothill region. This community is alike as the agricultural region of Goleta and Santa Barbara as well as the high fire areas that are impacted by forest management. The proposed district 2 provides a voice for the people who are impacted by the fire.

Citizens of Goleta request that we unite the Goleta Valley, Santa Barbara, Isla Vista and SBCC into one district. Our common interests are at stake. Please support map 408B.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter,

Margaret Hammel

From: [Sandra Boyd](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 3:38:39 PM

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Dear Commissioners,

I cannot participate in your meetings, but I do want to send in my thoughts regarding the maps you are considering.

I believe that the two best maps going forward are 821B (with alterations to make District #4 smaller) and 818.

I support maps that put Guadalupe with Santa Maria and that keep racial minority communities together. I believe that these two maps do this best.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

Sandra Boyd

From: [Greg Hammel](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: FW: Redistricting
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 4:48:24 PM
Attachments: [CAUSE violation of Measure G2018.docx](#)

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Dear Redistricting Committee,

I am a citizen who submitted a redistricting map for SB county 2021 and am concerned with regards to statute Measure G2018. Measure G2018, section 2-10.9A.060 (6) states:

“Communities of Interest shall not include relationships with political parties, incumbents, or political candidates”. The full text of the section 2-10.9A.060 is in the attachment, “Redistrict_bylaws”.

The political non-profit group, CAUSE, is playing a huge part in creating and endorsing maps as part of the redistricting process. CAUSE is defined as a 501 (C) (4) non profit and part of its charter is political lobbying. As such, it has a long, documented history of political lobbying throughout Santa Barbara county. Specific political lobbying examples pertinent to the redistricting process include the endorsement of 3 of our current SB County Supervisors. See attachment for specific examples.

The reason for my concern is that CAUSE is directly influencing the redistricting process by having its own map with its own communities of interest. They and their dozens of supporters are endorsing maps in the 800 series including 801C which is referenced as the “CAUSE” map in public comment.

The CAUSE involvement in the redistricting process violates Measure G on two fronts per the requirement, “Communities of Interest shall not include relationships with political parties, **incumbents**, or political candidates.” :

1. CAUSE has direct political involvement and lobbying within Santa Barbara County
2. CAUSE has direct political interest with the direct endorsement of 3 County Supervisorial **Incumbents**

CAUSE should be excluded from the redistricting process because that is what the law states. Please consider the ethical and legal ramifications of having CAUSE involved in the redistricting process.

Sincerely Yours,

Greg Hammel

(a) The commission shall establish single-member supervisorial districts for the board pursuant to a mapping process using the following criteria as set forth in the following order of priority:

- (1) Districts shall comply with the United States Constitution and each district shall have a reasonably equal population with other districts for the board, except where deviation is required to comply with the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. Sec. 10101 et seq.) or allowable by law.
- (2) Districts shall comply with the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. Sec. 10101 et seq.).
- (3) Districts shall comply with the California Voting Rights Act of 2001 (Division 14; Chapter 1.5 Rights of Voters of the Election Code (commencing with Section 14025))
- (4) Districts shall comply with California election code section 21500, and in establishing the boundaries of the supervisorial district the commission shall give consideration to the following factors (a) topography, (b) geography, (c) cohesiveness, contiguity, integrity and compactness of territory, and (d) community of interests of the supervisorial districts.
- (5) Districts shall be geographically contiguous.
- (6) The geographic integrity of any city, local neighborhood, or local community of interest shall be respected in a manner that minimizes its division to the extent possible without violating the requirements of

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paragraphs (1) to (3), inclusive. A community of interest is a contiguous population that shares common social and economic interests that should be included within a single district for purposes of its effective and fair representation. Communities of interest shall not include relationships with political parties, incumbents, or political candidates.

(7) To the extent practicable, and where this does not conflict with paragraphs (1) to (6), inclusive, districts shall be drawn to encourage

Below are examples of Cause Action Fund (501 C4 group) voter guide showing endorsements for Santa Barbara Supervisors Gregg Hart, Das Williams, and Joan Hartman. These endorsements and the fact that CAUSE is directly involved in the process of creating communities of interest and redistricting maps is in direct conflict with Section 2-10.9A.060 (6) of Measure G2018.

Also, Joan Hartmann is a direct donor to CAUSE. See “organizer sponsors” list below. All of this is in violation of s Section 2-10.9A.060 (6) of Measure G2018. CAUSE and its political endorsements are interjecting politics into the process which is in violation of Section 2-10.9A.060 (6) of Measure G2018.

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CAUSE ACTION FUND

Joan Hartmann for County Supervisor

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Salud will work to pass immigration reform and support healthcare and education for our communities.

Yes on Prop 55 Keep taxes on the wealthy to prevent school cuts	Yes on Prop 56 Cigarette tax to fund affordable healthcare	Yes on Prop 57 Reduce our overcrowded prison population
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CAUSE Action Fund
October 10, 2017 · 📍
Ballots have just been mailed out for the 2017 Santa Barbara city election! Here's our Social Justice Voter Guide!

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Santa Barbara is in a housing crisis.
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From: [Cage Englander](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Support Map 408B
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 4:49:08 PM

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Our University Community Deserves a Voice in County Government. Keep It Whole in Supervisorial Redistricting.

Cage Englander

The Santa Barbara Citizens Independent Redistricting Commission is currently in the process of redrawing the district lines that will be used for the next ten years of elections to the County Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors oversees the County budget, sets local priorities, controls County property, and administers a vast array of programs in healthcare, social services, environmental protection and more. The decisions made by the Board of Supervisors have demonstrable effects on the everyday lives of UCSB and SBCC Students. Adequate representation on this critical local elected body will determine the ability of our students to effect change in our region.

For the past ten years, the UC Santa Barbara campus and Isla Vista were separate from most of Goleta, which encompasses most of our campus to the north, has close ties to the university, is less than a 5-minute drive from the campus, and provides housing to a significant portion of students, faculty, and staff. Additionally, SBCC students have been separated from our community and deserve to be represented by a Supervisor who understands the needs of students.

The UCSB area is a unique “community of interest” that shares concerns regarding housing affordability, environmental sustainability, and equitable and diverse education. Splitting the student body between two districts dilutes the ability of students to elect representatives who will advocate for their interests at the county level. As a former SBCC student and public office candidate, I know our political strength is not derived from our ability to contribute vast sums of money to candidates running for office. Our power comes from our ability to organize and speak collectively. Having multiple elected representatives splitting the student and faculty population minimizes the opportunities for students to use that collective power to influence the direction of Supervisor campaigns. This is why City College, UCSB and Isla Vista should be included in the same district.

One can only assume that the current lines were drawn with the implicit purpose of dividing the voting strength of our university community so that the values of the wealthier, older, and more conservative areas of our county continue to dominate.

While most students live in Isla Vista, we all know colleagues that live in Goleta and Ellwood which offer more affordable housing to many students, especially low-income and post-graduate students. The [University Division of Student Affairs](#) Community Housing Office provides resources for unhoused students in Goleta, Isla Vista, and Santa Barbara. These dynamics are symptoms of the [housing crisis](#) our community is facing. This year alone, [hundreds of students scrambled](#) to find expensive off-campus housing while their name was on a waiting list for university housing. The problem only worsened by the restrictions on capacity due to the pandemic. Given the enormous role the county plays in planning and development, it is critical that we have a champion on the Board of Supervisors who is focused on this crisis and relieving the negative impacts on our student population.

Since the 1969 Oil spill in the Santa Barbara Channel, UCSB has dedicated itself to environmental conservation. Greenhouse gas emissions by the school have fallen [more than 20%](#) since the 1990s, despite the increasing size of the campus. UC Santa Barbara and the Cities of Santa Barbara and Goleta host the [Central Coast Sustainability Summit](#). These efforts have at times been in stark contrast to the surrounding communities who have been too slow to address the climate crisis. Keeping our gaucho community together at the county level would maximize the effectiveness of UCSB's environmental sustainability efforts.

As a Minority serving institution, UC Santa Barbara is dedicated to diversity, equity and inclusion. The University has adopted the [Thriving in the Academy Initiative](#), which states that "With diversity, [and] inclusion, ...at the forefront of the University of California's core values, we strive to promote a culture that...fosters a sense of belonging for ALL members of the UCSB community." Part of this belonging involves allowing all students to participate in the free and fair election process and be represented in their own community. As a whole, the UC Santa Barbara student population is significantly more racially diverse than the population of Santa Barbara County. The minority population of Santa Barbara County is [15%](#), as opposed to [63%](#) in the UCSB student population. By "cracking" the university community, the Citizens Independent Redistricting Commission would be diluting the voice of under-represented BIPOC residents.

The bottom line is that our community is stronger together. We face unique challenges related to affordable housing, climate, and equity, and share a determination to enact progressive solutions. Arbitrary lines that sew division and dilute our power are only holding us back.

I strongly encourage the Santa Barbara Citizens Independent Redistricting Commission to keep Isla Vista, Goleta, and the Santa Barbara campuses (UCSB and SBCC) together in the same Board of Supervisors district. For students interested in getting involved in this process and making your opinion heard, visit DrawSantaBarbaraCounty.org.

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From: [Briggs Wayco](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting Request
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 4:49:22 PM

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To whom this may concern,

The communities represented in district map 408B place a far more fairly balanced redistricting layout than all other maps.

Retaining areas with very low housing turnover (long term residence) is best with map 408B, since it keeps Isla Vista/UCSB and the highly influential student population within those regions and those regions' businesses/housing. Other communities, such as Santa Ynez, are influenced drastically differently.

Please support map 408B.

Thank you!
Briggs Wayco

From: [Sara Macdonald](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Public Comment On Map Selection
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 4:50:03 PM

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Dear Commissioners,

My name is Sara Macdonald and I live in southeast Santa Maria in the 5th District. I have been a resident of Santa Maria all my life (61 years). My family has owned and currently owns (Guadalupe Hardware) in Guadalupe for over 65 years.

I support maps that put Guadalupe with Santa Maria, and that keep racial minority communities together. For this reason, I believe that the two best maps going forward are 821B (with alterations to make district #4 smaller) and 818.

I believe that these two maps do this best. Let us keep the Marys together. Our Lady of Guadalupe and Santa Maria.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

Sara Macdonald

From: [James Fenkner](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Public Comment
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 4:56:15 PM

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Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

My name is James Fenkner and I have lived in Santa Barbara County with my family since 2009. I live on the Mesa in the City of Santa Barbara in country district 2.

I am extremely concerned is that the unbiased, non-partisan intent of Measure G is being so blatantly undermined. All commissioners should be aware that a partisan political organization called CAUSE is proposing specific maps and dominating public comment.

As you should all know, Measure G is explicitly non-partisan as it pertains to communities of interest, the groupings of which are used to comprise individual districts. Specifically, 2-10.9A.060 (a)(6)) of Measure G states that "Communities of Interest shall not include relationships with political parties, incumbents, or political candidates."

So why are so many people calling into public comment asking to endorse "the CAUSE map"? It should be noted that nearly every pro-CAUSE public speaker is either a member of CAUSE's Facebook page and/or is a member of CAUSE's executive committee. As you many also know, CAUSE is a political 501(c)(4) organization. CAUSE has also endorsed AND walked precincts for 3 out of the 5 current county supervisors, including Greg Hart, Joan Hartman and Das Williams. If this doesn't violate the letter AND spirit of Measure G, what does?

If this commission is to have any credibility, all CAUSE maps, including 801C, must be removed from any further consideration. Moreover, all public comment from CAUSE activists should be dismissed as it too is a blatant political attempt to sway this commission.

The choice is simple: either take politics and political operatives out of redistricting or face legal and/or repetitional consequences.

Sincerely,

James R. Fenkner, CFA

From: [lisaostend](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Advocating for certain maps
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 4:56:28 PM

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Dear Redistricting Commissioners,

Out of the 5 maps being considered today, only 2 maps, Map 408B and Map 822 keep UCSB and IV within a similar and comparable community, which would be City of Santa Barbara District 2. These 2 maps are also the only ones that follow the federal redistricting guidelines. Students and renters need collective representation and 408B and 822 are the ones that meet this criteria.

Since the other 3 maps do NOT meet FEDERAL guidelines, they absolutely must not be considered further, and thrown out.

I have lived in Santa Barbara for 37 years and am a graduate of UCSB. As a former student, I would advocate for students being represented in like communities. Now, as a resident and tax payer, I would like my voting community to represent those needs and not those of students. UCSB and IV should never have been part of District 3 which includes Goleta and Solvang/Santa Ynez.

Please correct this incongruous situation and conform to federal guidelines and keep similar constituent groups together by choosing either Map 408B or 822.

Sincerely,

Lisa Ostendorf

From: [Peggy Wilson](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Supporting Maps 408B & 822
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 5:01:40 PM

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Commissioners,

As a long time resident of **SB** and attending both **UCSB & SBCC** it is important to keep these these major concentration of students in **District 2 with Santa Barbara**. My reasons are simple:

Meets Federal Law

US Constitution says reasonable and equal populations

No gerrymandering

Voting Rights Act

Meets CA State Law & Measure G

Geographical Contiguity

Communities of interest

Compact

Cohesiveness

Peggy Wilson

From: [Joanne Hollister](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: adopt Map #818:
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 5:10:24 PM

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Joanne Hollister
1 Hollister Ranch Road
Gaviota, Ca 93117

November 30, 2021

Redistricting Commission,

The Hollister family has had a long history on the Gaviota Coast. William Welles Hollister moved to the Gaviota coast in 1866 and purchased large parcels of land . He also had a ranch in the area of Glen Annie Road which was named after his wife. My husband and I have lived full time on the Gaviota Coast since 2013. Our land looks out over the western Gate which is the westernmost points of land in the ancient Chumash territory.

It has come to our attention that the redistricting commission is considering restructuring the third district. We encourage you to do whats right and adopt map #818 which is less disruptive and keeps the valley and the Santa Ynez River watershed intact and attached to the Gaviota Coast as well as retains IV and UCSB in the district. UCSB has played an important part in watershed preservation along the Gaviota Coast with it's environmental research and by educating it's students and the public about the importance of preserving wilderness areas for the future. UCSB has also done extensive studies on the Gaviota Creek watershed which is the largest watershed along the coast and is the most important steelhead stream in Southern Santa Barbara County. So its important to keep UCSB in the third district to help with the preservation of the Gaviota Creek.

Map #818 also honors the Chumash's request to keep the Gaviota Coast, from the Gaviota Slough to Point Conception connected to their SY reservation. There is such spiritual and historical significance of the Gaviota coastline for the Chumash. The western gate is considered to be one of the most sacred sites in all of North America. Map #818 is the only right solution for the Redistricting Commission to choose.

Please do whats right and adopt map #818.
Thank you,

Joanne Hollister

From: [Susan Fowler](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Adopt Map #818
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 5:13:50 PM

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I Have been a resident of Santa Ynez for the past 23 years and previously lived in Goleta and Santa Barbara. I believe that I, and many others in the Santa Ynez Valley, have a strong connection to the South Coast and UCSB and am writing to encourage the adoption of map #818. I have worked for Direct Relief for the past 35 years and have also had significant contact with UCSB and the UCSB community over the decades, both professionally and personally. It is important that the redistricting process is not influenced by politics but is based on the long-term connections that residents in the affected areas have experienced.

Sincerely,
Susan Fowler

Sue Dixon
6882 Del Playa Dr.
Goleta, CA 93117

I have lived in Isla Vista for 40 out of the last 50 years. Isla Vista/UCSB and Western Goleta are a community of interest, and should remain in the 3rd District with Gaviota. I am supporting Map 818.

- I support map 818 because it minimizes changes to the 3rd district, and keeps Isla Vista with our neighbors in the Ellwood Area.
- Isla Vista has historically always been in the 3rd district.
- Isla Vista is unique, so it is understandable that many communities in Santa Barbara see themselves as unlike us. But we have to fall somewhere on the map.
- In addition to students there are hundreds of working families and long term residents like myself in Isla Vista.
- Isla Vista and western Goleta are impacted by decisions about the conservancy of Gaviota Coast. UCSB owns the Las Varas Ranch, which is 1800 acres on the Gaviota Coast 6 miles from western Goleta. Many UCSB departments conduct ocean and ecological research along the Gaviota Coast. UCSB's environmental restoration work extends into western Goleta, where they are restoring the former Ocean Meadows Golf Course into the North Campus Open Space. It is important that we remain in the 3rd district with the Gaviota Coast.
- Map 818 would honor the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash request that the tribe be kept whole in one district with their ancestral homeland on the Gaviota Coast and in Isla Vista.

Other factors:

University and Students

- Isla Vista and western Goleta are linked by the University. Undergraduate and graduate students, as well as UCSB staff and faculty, are concentrated in these areas, including the Ellwood area.
- Students have unique circumstances and unique issues that affect them at the County level (examples: public transportation, food and housing insecurity).
- Students across Santa Barbara County should be able to express those concerns to all five supervisors.

Shopping and Transit

- Isla Vistans shop in western Goleta because Isla Vista has no major retail stores.
- Isla Vistans also receive a variety of other services, such as medical care, in western Goleta.
- They are connected by transit service, and the lines that connect them have some of the highest bus ridership rates in the entire South County.

Housing

- 98% of our residents, be they students or long term residents, are renters.
- Right now we are facing a housing crisis. At the beginning of the fall quarter, there were 900 UCSB students without housing.
- Working families are affected by this as rental prices rise, and displacement pressure grows.
- I think Isla Vista should be kept with other large renter communities like Ellwood in Goleta.

Moving IV to District 2

- Moving IV, UCSB, and Western Goleta into the 2nd district would change the voting year of over 30,000 people – just one year after they elected a Supervisor.
- I think it makes the most sense to keep us paired with smaller cities and unincorporated areas that have small community service district governments, and areas where lots of renters live, than it does to put us with larger cities, and wealthy upscale areas.

From: [Yahoo! Mail](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Advocate for maps 408B and 822
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 6:30:28 PM

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Keep UCSB in District 2

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From: [Cheryl Jaworski](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: SB Board of Supervisors Redistricting Meeting
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:12:01 PM

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Dear Sir or Madam,

I'm writing to bring your attention to District 3, the least cohesive district in our county.

I lived in Isla Vista as a student for 4 years, and I am well aware of the differences between this community and nearby rural communities, both of which are currently part of District 3. More specifically, Isla Vista and the Santa Ynez Valley are 2 very different communities. Unlike Santa Ynez, Isla Vista does not contain farms or ranches and most of its residents are busy students or those who prefer an urban lifestyle. Therefore, Isla Vista should not be included in the same district as the Santa Ynez Valley. Please support map 408B.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Cheryl Jaworski

From: [Janet Price](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting Santa Barbara County
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:19:47 PM

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As a long-time resident of Santa Barbara, I can attest to the fact that District 3 currently includes very different communities with little in common. I can't understand why these two areas would be lumped together geographically, or culturally. Santa Ynez Valley residents include older folk, retirees, farmers, and ranchers, and those seeking a quiet place to live, while Isla Vista is a fast-paced urban environment with a young and transient student population. They come, they vote, they leave.

These communities, given their obvious differences, often have diverging interests, creating a divided district. By following map #408B or #104 it creates a coastal district whereby SBCC and UCSB are in the same district which gives them a unified voice. Three thousand SBCC students live in Isla Vista. Students at SBCC can have dual enrollment with UCSB, and UCSB students can also take classes at SBCC. In addition, the residents of IV and UCSB vote for Area 6 on SBCC Trustee board. Students from both colleges live, work and play in Santa Barbara. They surf at local beaches, play volleyball at East Beach, paddle boarding and sail from SB City Harbor area. Many of them enjoy the "Funk" Zone, restaurants and shopping in Downtown Santa Barbara as well as in Goleta. They rarely go to Santa Ynez, Lompoc or Solvang. Urban IV is not a community sharing interests with Santa Ynez or Lompoc.

Please support map #408B.

Thank you.
Janet Price
Santa Barbara 93105

From: [Cheryl Hermann](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Support for Map 818 from Solvang Resident
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 11:16:08 PM

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Dear Redistricting commissioners,

I am a resident of Solvang and request that you continue consideration of Map 818.

It is vital that our community remains intact: SYV including SY Reservation and Goleta/IV.

The Santa Ynez Valley has a large base of local low wage retail, ag and service workers, deeply affected by economic downturn followed by fire, mudslide and Covid shutdown.

We also have a large diaspora of commuting workers, low to middle income, who drive 35 minutes to UCSB, Cottage, Sansum, Hollister/IV tech and county services, mostly in maintenance and service sectors who live here due to high cost of housing in Santa Barbara. They also combine households under one owner, sublet, and rent. Most receive medical care from Tribal Health and Cottage.

I know this to be true for my family. Our block alone has 5 households who work within this SYV/Isla Vista sphere. It is a pattern, a local community of interest.

I have used demographic data on housing and employment to write nonprofit grants supporting services for the disabled that reveals our community needs and those throughout the county. SYV has food insecurity, housing and transit needs, rural access disadvantages, and diverse views even among families. Like Santa Maria, we have a few large rural land owners. But we are not Montecito. And many here in SYV would have no access to form a functioning community with Montecito or Carp. Or Santa Maria.

Thanks for your thoughtful consideration,
Cheryl Hermann

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From: [Lisa Sloan](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Re: Redistricting Hearing November 12
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 7:28:55 PM

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FYI, This message was intended to be considered public comment for the December 1, 2021 redistricting hearing.

Lisa Sloan

On Tue, Nov 30, 2021 at 4:55 PM Lisa Sloan <lsloan728@gmail.com> wrote:
Hello Committee Members,

Thank you for your service to Santa Barbara County's redistricting process. As a 30-year resident of District 3, I am grateful that you have selected a map from the 400 series as one of the remaining top five to be considered for the final map. Another map that is very appropriate would be map 822.

Both 822 and 408B will give the majority of the types of residents of District 3 a more representative voice on the Board of Supervisors. These two maps combine the rural, agricultural and coastal communities that have more in common with one another than with the more urban communities of Goleta and Isla Vista currently included in District 3.

Again, please choose map 408B or 822 for the final map. Either one would provide a more fair representation of the communities within the County of Santa Barbara.

Sincerely,
Lisa Sloan
Goleta

On Thu, Nov 11, 2021 at 4:03 PM Lisa Sloan <lsloan728@gmail.com> wrote:
Dear Redistricting Committee,

Would you please include my comments on the draft redistricting maps?

As a long term resident of Goleta, I prefer the 400 series maps for two reasons:

- 1) They unite the transient student population. The students from SBCC and UCSB mostly live in Isla Vista and the apartment complexes along the coast. With 55000 new or returning students moving into the area each year, they belong in the same district so they can have a united voice.
- 2) The 400 series maps unite the urban and suburban areas of the south coast foothills. The families who live in this region send their children to the Santa Barbara Unified School District Schools. These urban and suburban residential areas are far more similar to each other than they are to the more rural areas to the north and west of them.

For these reasons I ask the commission to pick one of the 400 series maps, with 407 being my first choice. In this way, similar populations are grouped together to give voice to the southern region of the County. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Lisa Sloan

From: [Michelle Oaks](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: redistricting
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 6:05:15 PM

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We have lived in the Santa Ynez Valley for 47 years. Our concerns specific to our needs and area are never represented. We always fall under the Isla Vista community election bias. The UCSB community is heavily influenced by the Goleta election issues. This transient population robs us of our voices as a rural agricultural community. We need our own voice with the Lompoc Valley to address our needs and desires. It is time we had a Supervisor who supports the Santa Ynez and Lompoc Valleys. It is time to put the Isla Vista community where it belongs with the Goleta community.

Thank you for listening,

Steve and Michelle Oaks

From: [kksyv \(null\)](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 7:53:11 PM

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Dear Commissioners,

My husband and I have lived and worked in Santa Ynez for over forty years.

During that time the Third District has always included the Gaviota Coast, UCSB and Isla Vista.

We have regularly attended concerts, films and other Arts & Lectures events at UCSB and value having this University in our community.

We frequently use the Gaviota Coast for recreation, both beach-going and hiking, and consider this to be another wonderful part of our community.

Water is a very important concern for our community and it is important that the watershed of the Santa Ynez River remain intact.

The Chumash have requested that the Gaviota Coast, from Goleta Slough to Point Conception, with its historic significance, remain connected.

We do not see the need for major changes to the Third District that we have lived in since 1980.

Please adopt Map 818 that minimizes disruption. It keeps the Santa Ynez Valley intact and attached to the Gaviota Coast with Isla Vista and UCSB.

Map 818 reflects the community that we know and happily call home.

Thank You,

Katherine Koch

From: [Judith Lundberg](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 8:00:42 PM

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Dear Commissioners,

I am writing in support of maps #804, 404, 103, and 106 to be considered for final adoption.

We want cities kept whole as possible and we do not want IV and UCSB placed into a North County District.

Sincerely,

**Judith A Lundberg
1858 Prell Road
Santa Maria, California 93454**

From: [Michael English](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:47:41 PM

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It has come to my attention that the Santa Barbara County Redistricting Committee has narrowed down the map possibilities and will be making a final decision this week. I reviewed the candidate maps and found that map 408B makes the most sense to me, as it keeps Isla Vista and Goleta together. The citizens of these two areas have much more in common culturally and socially than with the other area. Map 822 would be acceptable also as a second-best fit. The other maps have clear marks of gerrymandering, so I strongly urge you to not use them.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Michael English
Santa Barbara

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— Michael

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From: [Amy Blair](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting, 408B
Date: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 12:50:40 AM

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Hi,

I email you in support of map 408B.

This map qualifies in every category needed in redistricting, without stepping into illegal territory, unlike CAUSE's maps. Those are using race as a common ground, for "common" representation. But that is illegal, and this map couldn't be more gerrymandered, it has tons of loopholes that will not serve the greater community specifically. Overlooking this atrocity leads to actual legal repercussions.

It's important to honor the people of SB county, and their voices. And we wouldn't want to drown out any perspectives over other peoples perspective. Hence 408B.

Every demographic will be honored fairly, And I personally think that is best. I remember being a UC student, and an old rancher told me "you UC students move here from all over, vote for your first time from your inexperienced mindframe, and then leave us to deal in your aftermath" it was hard hearing that, but it was the truth. Therefore the UC and SBCC must be in same district, to make sure they are really staying in their lane of like minds.

Thank you, Amy Blair, Mesa resident.

From: [Gerardo Ayala](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: no on map 408B
Date: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 4:50:03 AM

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Dear Commissioners,

I was hoping to be able to participate in person at today's meeting (12/1), but my work as a health advocate means I will likely not be free this evening. So I am submitting written comments again, now that you have narrowed down your map choices.

As I mentioned previously, I was born and raised in Santa Barbara. I have family all over the County, from Carpinteria to Santa Maria. That, and my work advocating for Latinx residents and their health care needs, makes me very aware of how map 408B discriminates against the Latinx community in our County.

A map that separates the east and west sides of Santa Barbara, and disconnects them from Carpinteria, looks like racial gerrymandering plain and simple to me. You have been charged with not splitting communities of interest, but that is exactly what this map does. It creates a whiter, wealthier first district while going around closer communities. And it makes the westside of Santa Barbara an afterthought to a new 2nd District. That district looks pretty gerrymandered too, as it tries to cram UCSB and Santa Barbara City College together just to get Isla Vista out of the 3rd District and reduce the voting power of students. This 2nd district makes no sense.

Although the mapping is different for north county, I see the same impact with the 4th District as it is drawn by 408B. Just as Santa Barbara's west side is reduced to a small voice in a new 2nd District, Guadalupe's Latinx and immigrant population would be silenced by being a small minority in a large rural district composed mostly of white voters. This splits Guadalupe off from the community of interest right next to it -- western Santa Maria.

The Taxpayers Ass'n, which drew this map, says that they speak for all County residents because we are all taxpayers, but they most certainly do NOT speak for me or my family or my community! It is presumptuous and dishonest for them to claim to represent communities that have not joined their organization and that do not support their partisan agenda. I suspect that many other Santa Barbara County residents would express outrage if they knew that this claim was being made!

Please do not advance map 408B, which reflects this hyperpartisan and, in effect, discriminatory approach to voter suppression.

Sincerely,

Gerardo Ayala
Santa Barbara (93103)

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