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To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: redistricting@countyofsb.org
Date: Wednesday, December 8, 2021 9:50:54 AM

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Honorable Redistricting Commissioners

I'm a resident in Santa Barbara County, specifically in Carpinteria. I've worked here for nearly 4 years. I encourage your Commission to support map 821B. The proposed district boundaries are consistent with keeping alike neighborhoods and communities together. And reflects a rational and logical district proposal that reflect the 2020 Census data. Furthermore, we support including Buellton with the Santa Rita AVA area.

Thanks,
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From: [Betsy Court](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Please finalize the Final Preferred Map tonight
Date: Wednesday, December 8, 2021 10:13:07 AM

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Dear Commissioners,

I am a resident of SB/Goleta who supported Measure G in 2018 for fair boundaries for our supervisor districts.

The 11-0 vote Dec. 4th after months of public testimony shows your ability to compromise . This common-sense final map is truly commendable . This is a job well done.

Please finalize the Final Preferred Map tonight.

Thank you for these efforts,

Betsy Court

From: [Carmen Kershaw](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: SB Redistricting Final Preferred Plan
Date: Wednesday, December 8, 2021 3:09:05 PM

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Dear Commissioners,

As a native of the Lompoc Valley for many years, thank you for all that you have done in support of our county redistricting efforts. This was not an easy undertaking and you should be proud of what you have accomplished.

I am pleased that the City of Lompoc has not been split and that Lompoc Valley has been placed with the Santa Ynez Valley where we have many common interests. I agree with the final map choice and I applaud your overwhelming approval of it. This is the right thing to do and it will serve all residents well over the next 10 years.

Thank you,

Carmen Kershaw
Lompoc, CA

From: [B.Grace Wallace](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Appreciation Letter
Date: Wednesday, December 8, 2021 3:11:54 PM

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Thank you redistricting committee for Preferred Map 822. I appreciate all the timeless hours over the last months you've spent on a fair community driven process. Special thanks to Cheryl Trosky, for keeping the committee honest and transparent making sure it represents the voice of the people of our communities! Special thanks to the chair of the committee who so patiently listen to the public as well as the committee members in a nine hour meeting I attended until the end on Saturday.

I feel that the Preferred Map 822 was citizen designed and represent the voice of the public. It gives the people a chance for a fair and transparent election considering other fraudulent practices are eliminated. This is a great start! It gives the people their power in the form of a vote that counts, that's not pre-determined based on unfair voting policies.

I caution certain board members to not allow yourselves to be drawn back into suggestions of adjustments on the map in order to accommodate special interest groups, government officials or political parties. Please honor the voice of the people, for they have spoken. Please show "Integrity" and maintaining "Transparency".

Thank you again redistricting committee and all who participated in this process. This open the door for change so our area, Santa Barbara County, can be a good place for all to live where everyone has a voice in the governmental process regarding our communities!

Change is happening!

Thank you,

B. Grace Wallace

From: [David Fierro](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting map
Date: Wednesday, December 8, 2021 5:00:31 PM

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Commissioners,

I want to thank you all for your service and dedication in drawing out the district map lines. Government needs to be transparent and accountable with the communities affecting their own futures and not being politically gerrymandered as was with the last lines drawn. And the last map that was put in at the eleventh hour did not go through because it was illegally done and the people are watching as government is the people. The map that was posted is fine the way it is and should not be altered. I commend all of you for the work that you all have done for the last eight months and I hope you will put this map in place and vote yes to uphold the lines drawn.

Thank you,
David Fierro

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*Thank you and blessings,
Dave*

From: [Mary O'Gorman](#)
To: [Megan Turley](#)
Cc: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Fwd: Letter for 12/8/21 Commission hearing
Date: Wednesday, December 8, 2021 6:21:59 PM
Attachments: [EGV CDP Redistricting 12-8-21 O'Gorman letter.pdf](#)

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Please see date and time I sent this- yesterday at 830am

Begin forwarded message:

From: Mary O'Gorman <mary.ogorman@gmail.com>
Subject: Letter for 12/8/21 Commission hearing
Date: December 7, 2021 at 8:33:43 AM PST
To: redistricting@countyofsb.org

Good morning,
Please include the attached letter as comment on the D-4 action item on the Dec 8, 2021 Commission agenda.
Thank you
Mary E. O'Gorman

December 6, 2021

TO: County of Santa Barbara Citizens Redistricting Commission
From Mary E. O’Gorman, resident, Second District

Dear Chair Morris and Commissioners:

RE: Eastern Goleta Valley- elimination of fragmentation in draft map

Dear Commissioners:

The Supervisorial integrity of the Eastern Goleta Valley Census Designated Place [EGV CDP] and Community Plan Area [CPA] must be restored to the greatest extent possible. If it remains in the configuration your Commission left it Saturday night, it will be the only unincorporated County Community Plan Area (CPA) to have more than one County Supervisor-instead, it will have three Supervisors. The impact of an unincorporated CPA being fragmented is much greater than an incorporated City having more than one Supervisor. Residents of a City have a Municipal Government/City Council that remains intact to provide services, irrespective of the number of Supervisorial Districts City residents fall under. However, residents of unincorporated areas have only their County Supervisor to represent them. To fracture an unincorporated CPA in the manner done to the EGV last Saturday, is to fragment the representation residents of an otherwise intact neighborhood must rely upon for services. ***That is not good governance and is contrary to the principles of redistricting.*** The EGV was finally able to achieve a **Census Designated Place [CDP] distinction** in the past few years, as this was an effort that emerged from the last redistricting effort, when the population and demographics of the EGV were difficult if not impossible to discern.

Over the past few weeks, I have kept an eye on the draft plans and most recently, the finalist drafts, to ensure that the Eastern Goleta Valley CPA remained intact, in the Second District. It seemed like most of the final drafts did so, so I was shocked on Saturday evening when a text from a friend informed me that in fact the EGV CDP was being carved up into three districts. I quickly went home to zoom into the meeting and spoke briefly. While the last-minute changes that were made following and in response to the final round of public comment somewhat keep the most populated areas of the EGV whole, I want to urge you to restore as much of the foothill area of the EGV above Cathedral Oaks and as far west as possible towards 154 to the Second District.

The EGV Community Plan -linked here- was developed after a several-year process with extensive community engagement.

https://www.countyofsb.org/uploadedFiles/plnDev/Content/Code_and_Policy/EGVCP%20Adopted%20w%20CCC%20Modifications%20FINAL%20Online%20Version.pdf . One of the underlying principles of the plan was *“land use and development respects the constraints and*

protects the resources of the natural environment based on the ecological function of local watersheds" [Pg 16, EGV CP]. This "watershed-based plan" resulted from the recognition that several watersheds comprise the EGV, from the mountainous areas and foothills to the sea. Pg. 122 of the above-linked document provides a visual illustration of the several watersheds contained within the EGV Community Plan area. The Rural Land Use map on Pg. 25 of the EGV Plan illustrates the relationship of the foothills/mountainous area of the plan to the more urbanized area.

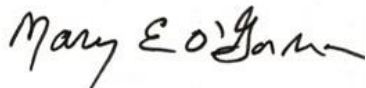
While I have attempted to utilize the "maptitude" and "District R" sites to drill down on population numbers, it has been difficult if not impossible to use those tools with just a couple days' notice. However, it does appear that by extending the District 2 line east as far as possible towards HWY 154, North to Stagecoach Road, and west above Cathedral Oaks it is feasible to at least capture the bulk of the sparsely populated foothills and mountainous areas to the Second District. These lands encompass many "EDRNs"- Existing Developed Rural Neighborhoods which are incorporated into the EGV Community Plan, and which rely upon the roads that enter the more urbanized EGV for evacuation routes, fire protection and defensible space. In fact, Page 35 of the **EGV Wildfire Protection Plan**, linked here:

https://sbfiresafecouncil.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/SMPEGV-CWPP_2019.pdf

illustrates the connectedness of these mountainous and foothill communities to the greater EGV. These are ALL unincorporated areas that lack any municipal governance OTHER than their County Supervisor. Their efforts to advocate for their needs and concerns and for the environmental protection of the surrounding lands should not be fragmented over three County Supervisor Offices and elected Supervisors.

I urge you to restore the Supervisorial contiguousness of the Eastern Goleta Valley. Please do not allow it to be the only County unincorporated Community Plan Area that has more than one Supervisor

Sincerely,



Mary E. O'Gorman

Second District

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From: [Blanca Sanchez](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Cc: [Blanca](#)
Subject: Redistributing
Date: Wednesday, December 8, 2021 7:42:44 PM

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My name is Blanca Sanchez. I'm a resident born and raised in Santa Maria. I'm pleased to see Guadalupe added to the 5th district. That makes sense. What doesn't makes sense is why we have these jagged lines thru the rest of S.M. A simple straight line a Stowell and the 101 fixes everything. North of Stowell keeps all of our SM landmarks in the 5th. Using the 101 as the dividing line between the 4th and 5th just makes sense. Let's fix this and make this map better.

Thank you

Sent from my iPad

From: [Carol Gregor](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Final report
Date: Wednesday, December 8, 2021 9:17:21 PM

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I can't seem to locate the final report for the final map approval that moved forward tonight. How do I specifically find it?

Thanks
Carol Gregor

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Steven Battaglia](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting
Date: Thursday, December 9, 2021 9:06:35 AM

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I support map 822.

I have lived in the Santa Ynez Valley for over 20 years and can verify that the 3rd district has always during that time been made up of dissimilar communities with very little in common. Lompoc and Santa Ynez Valley is home to folks seeking a quiet place to live, while Isla Vista is a fast-paced urban and beach environment which is very different. These communities are very different and have divergent interests which create a divided district. I have never felt the 3rd district supervisor represents Lompoc and the Santa Ynez Valley.

Please remove Isla Vista/UCSB from District 3 and placing it with South County where they have numerous common interests.

I Support map 822.

Best Regards

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From: [Calvin Marble](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Good changes to the new redistricting map
Date: Saturday, December 11, 2021 9:40:46 AM

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Thank heavens Isla Vista has finally been moved to the same district as SBCC. These two major student communities are obviously communities of common interest. This should have been done ten years ago. Please don't let any misguided protests change this.

Calvin Marble

From: [joseph.murphy](#)
To: [CEO Redistricting RES](#)
Subject: Redistricting in Santa Barbara California
Date: Sunday, December 12, 2021 4:58:41 AM

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To whom it may concern,

This is funny as hell! I live in Santa Barbara, but I cannot vote for Mayor, City Council Members or any propositions because of my Zip Code, but I have to live with their taxation and decisions. History tells us the people of the city I lived in as a child had the same sentiment about this same problem. I think they called it Taxation without Representation.

God Bless and Happy Holidays.

Joseph Murphy

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