

From: CommServ
To: Faith
Subject: RE: Oppose S2 and T1 redistricting maps

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From: Faith [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: Friday, September 23, 2011 3:49 PM
To: CommServ
Subject: Oppose S2 and T1 redistricting maps

Dear Board of Supervisors:

I write to urge you to oppose adoption of the proposed S2 and T1 redistricting maps.

As a homeowner in Sherman Oaks, I urge you to keep Sherman Oaks in District 3.

I have familiarity with the communities that share my present supervisorial district. We share business and social and services concerns. When a supervisorial issue comes up, I know what is being talked about. I have no familiarity with the issues and politics of cities distant from me, such as Vernon, Lomita or Cerritos.

Sincerely,
Faith Yang

[REDACTED]
Sherman Oaks, CA

From: CommServ
To: Emoretta Yang
Subject: RE: Re-districting Vote, Sept 27

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

From: Emoretta Yang [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: Friday, September 23, 2011 3:43 PM
To: CommServ
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re-districting Vote, Sept 27

TO: Los Angeles Board of Supervisors

I am writing to ask that on Sept. 27th, you vote for Plan A3, to keep the San Fernando Valley and the Westside as one district. My sister and I are shared owners of a house in Sherman Oaks which my parents built thirty-five years ago. We love the house and the area. Though it may appear strange to say so, since boundaries such as those in L.A. can from the outside feel arbitrary, I feel strongly that the identity of the area where we are has evolved closely with the Valley & the Westside, and that the neighborhood organizations that have grown up here have been important in establishing ties and a network with city agencies and representatives. Re-doing the districts will undo a lot of that history, to the detriment of a spirit of the locale. Please vote for Plan A3. .

Thank you for your consideration.

Emoretta Yang
Sherman Oaks

From: itscrm [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, September 23, 2011 10:58 AM
To: CommServ
Subject: Plan A3

Please keep Plan A3. The San Fernando Valley and the Westside need and must remain as one unified District.

Charlotte Miller
Colfax Meadows

From: Cynthia Kawa [redacted]
Sent: Thursday, September 22, 2011 5:32 PM
To: CommServ
Cc: Trujillo, Benita
Subject: FW: Important Message from Supervisor Yaroslavsky

From: Cynthia Kawa [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Thursday, September 22, 2011 4:39 PM
To: Trujillo, Benita
Subject: RE: Important Message from Supervisor Yaroslavsky

Dear Benita,

As per our conversation yesterday, I deeply regret that I will be unable to attend the public hearing on September 27 as I will not be in town.

Please know that I support Supervisor Yaroslavsky and am absolutely opposed to the two proposed T1 and S2 maps. Splitting the San Fernando Valley in this way can only cause irreparable harm to our tightknit community.

New Horizons has been part of the Valley for nearly 60 years and serves over 1,000 people with developmental disabilities and their families. We highly respect Supervisor Yaroslavsky's judgement.

Should any further comment be needed, please contact me directly.

Thank you,

Cynthia Kawa, CEO
New Horizons
[redacted]

From: David Steinman [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, September 22, 2011 8:52 PM
To: CommServ
Cc: AJ; [REDACTED] jennifer kress; [REDACTED] derek
jeanne; Ryan Ulyate; Susan James; Joseph Rosendo; [REDACTED] Rebecca Goldfarb-
Duggal; Stacy Sledge; akemi smith; paula mazur; [REDACTED]; Molly Jordan; Bruce
Royer; Sue; Rosi Dagit; Joanna; Mary Benjamin; Nissman, Susan; [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Topanga's future jeopardised--public comment for the LA County Board of Supervisors

Dear Board of Supervisors:

My name is David Steinman. I am a resident and business owner in Topanga, California, employing approximately 15 fulltime and parttime employees. I also volunteer at engine station #69 here in Topanga and am in the process of becoming a call firefighter for our local community. I am also the Green Party candidate for Congress in 2012 for our congressional district. The views below are strictly mine and the information above is simply provided for context. I do not represent the views of the LA County Fire Department by any means and am trying to convey how I personally see this situation.

I am writing in regard to the proposed redistricting as shown online on the maps (denoted as T1 and S2) that were recently submitted as part of the redistricting plan and that would radically redraw the Board of Supervisors' district boundaries, leaving communities fragmented and an estimated 3.5 million people suddenly represented by a supervisor for whom they never cast a vote. Worse, some of these same people would be denied the right to vote for a supervisor for as long as six years because of the timing of elections.

We need to keep our current District 3 as geographically and sensibly unified as possible. This is important both both emergency responders as well as the economy of government. The challenges we face here are nothing like those in the South Bay or other areas of the county as with whom we would be paired in the proposed redistricting. We are largely a rural district and our concerns with public safety, for example, are vastly different in this northern mountain portion of the county than the Beach Cities, Hawthorne, Torrance, etc.

Just having worked for the short time I have to learn about fireighting and response plans, I can see that planning these kinds of responses in my opinion are more relevant to Calabasas and norther unincorporated areas and cities where there are vast tracts of open land than urban areas far away and distant. The new districts would be inefficient as well. We're going to be fighting now for resources against other areas that we need not be, simply because there is no common interest. What Torrance needs for urban public safety for example is far different than how the current district responds. I think the proposed redistricts will result in confusion, chaos, inefficient use of funds, and unnecessary bickering between municipalities that isn't even necessary. A supervisory will be put in the role of deciding winners and losers when a more cohesive approach would avoid this. Environmentally, there are similar concerns. I urge you to support the plan and suggestions put forth by Supervisor Yaroslavsky. He isn't up for re-election and in his own analysis I truly believe he is trying to do what is right and best. Extending the district so far is a sure recipe for inefficiency, poor planning, and incohesive policies.

Very Truly Yours

David W. Steinman

[REDACTED]

From: Walt Gorsey [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, September 22, 2011 5:36 PM
To: CommServ
Subject: FW: District Boudaries

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From: Walt Gorsey

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[mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, September 22, 2011 5:34 PM
To: 'scommserv@bos.lacounty.gov'
Subject: District Boudaries

Dianne and Walt Gorsey residents of Sherman Oaks since 1969 support Plan A3.

Walt Gorsey

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From: GG Verone [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, September 23, 2011 1:27 PM
To: CommServ
Subject: Redistricting

This idea of redistricting the Los Angeles county's supervisorial district boundaries is wrong & will definitely affect the quality of our representation. We've made tremendous progress with transportation, homelessness, land use and many other issues that would be jeopardized by this move. Those who want this say they're needed to comply with the Federal Voting Rights Act but that's not the case in regions where non-minority voters regularly "cross over" to support minority-favored candidates like we experienced with the election of such Antonio Villaraigosa. If something isn't broken, don't change it and create a problem for those areas that work. Common sense should prevail.

Thank you, G.G. Verone (President, SOS, Save The Sunset Strip Coalition)

Our Third District is a diverse and vibrant community, uniting the greater Westside, the San Fernando Valley, the Las Virgenes Region and the Santa Monica Mountains into a cohesive whole. Let's keep it that way!

From: CommServ
To: Jean Katz
Subject: RE: Redistricting The Third Supervisory District

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

From: Jean Katz [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: Thursday, September 22, 2011 5:46 PM
To: CommServ
Subject: Redistricting The Third Supervisory District

I strongly urge the Los Angeles County board of Supervisors to maintain the boundaries of the Third District as they are now.

Residents of the present district have many common needs that can be best represented by a supervisor from this unique and important area.

The law does not require that it be changed. Please don't change it.

I have owned my home in this area for 40 years.

Jean Katz

[REDACTED]
Los Angeles, CA 90024
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, September 23, 2011 2:35 PM
To: CommServ
Subject: Adoption of Plan A3

Re: Adoption of Plan A3

Please work for the Adoption of Plan A3
to keep the San Fernando Valley
and the Westside as one unified District.

Thank you,
Joan Barbuzza

[REDACTED]
Studio City, CA 91604
[REDACTED]

From: Judith Pacht [REDACTED] >
Sent: Friday, September 23, 2011 3:17 PM
To: CommServ
Subject: Re: County Redistricting Public Hearing

I subscribe to the points listed below vehemently! Judith Pacht, [REDACTED] Los Angeles 90049

I/We support Plan A3 Amended.

The Voting Rights Act, which requires that we protect the voting rights of minorities, *can be accomplished without dismembering established communities of interest.*

Plans S2 and T1 would each move nearly 3 1/2 million people from one district to another, destroying established relationships and seriously setting back progress on important community programs which have taken years to establish.

From: CommServ
To: Karen Haber
Subject: RE: please support plan A3!!

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

From: Karen Haber [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: Friday, September 23, 2011 8:40 AM
To: CommServ
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: please support plan A3!!

Supervisors,

I have lived in the San Fernando Valley for thirty years. Please support PlanA3 because it will keep and preserve my big beautiful diverse community. Residents do not want someone in the government to split up our neighborhoods. Please DO NOT do that. It is ridiculous and really bad for the citizens.

Gloria Molina's plan is shameful. So is Ridley-Thomas'.

Please support Plan A as submitted by Knabe, Yaroslavsky and Antonovich.

The valley is wonderful. We are a jewel in America's crown. Don't cut us up to make some crazy thing.

Please listen to the citizens and not some political voices with agendas.

Thank you,
Karen Haber Camp
long time valley resident and parent
school and community volunteer

From: CommServ
To: Michele St. Jean
Subject: RE: Support for A3 supervisorial redistricting plan

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

From: Michele St. Jean [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: Friday, September 23, 2011 11:05 AM
To: CommServ
Subject: Support for A3 supervisorial redistricting plan

Re: Redistricting of Supervisorial Districts

Dear Sirs:

I am writing to let you know that I and my family strongly support the A3 plan for the supervisorial districts. We believe it is the only plan which will truly represent and protect our neighborhoods here in the Santa Monica mountains.

Michele St. Jean
[REDACTED]
Calabasas, CA 91302

From: Morley Feinstein [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, September 23, 2011 1:11 PM
To: CommServ
Subject: Redistricting Plan

I support maintaining the council districts with the geographic integrity as now exists.

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Morley Feinstein

From: Rita Villa [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, September 22, 2011 11:12 PM
To: CommServ
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Adopt Plan A3

Dear Los Angeles County Supervisors:

Please adopt redistricting Plan A3 because it will keep the San Fernando Valley and the Westside as one unified District.

Thank you for your consideration,

Rita Villa
Studio City Stakeholder

Supervisor Zev Yaroslaksky

September 19, 2011

Dear Supervisor Yaroslavsky,

The Sherman Oaks Chamber of Commerce has been part of the business community of the San Fernando Valley for 63 years. Sherman Oaks shares transportation systems, schools and hospitals with its neighbors in the rest of the Valley. This is a bond between the communities of the Valley that goes beyond neighborhood boundaries and that bond is threatened by the belief that a community of interest should be based on race or color or ethnicity. Therefore, the Sherman Oaks Chamber of Commerce unanimously voted to oppose County Redistricting Plans S2 and T1 and to support Redistricting Plan A2.

The Sherman Oaks Chamber has always been supportive of businesses, no matter what the background of the owner or employees. We believe that the County of Los Angeles and the Board of Supervisors would be doing a disservice to all our citizens if it adopted any redistricting plan that would eviscerate the San Fernando Valley community, a community that has even voted to become its own city, in order to create a pseudo-community of interest based on race or ethnicity. Such an action would be contrary to the core values of American governance. Since businesses are legally prevented from even asking what a candidate's country of origin or ethnicity is, why should the County of Los Angeles create County Supervisorial Districts by doing so?

Redistricting Plan A2 would allow established communities like the San Fernando Valley to remain largely intact and better able to respond to the challenges facing our transportation and health systems. A2 would keep our core community intact, while T1 and S2 would seek to create districts based on racial profiling and discrimination, tantamount to blatant gerrymandering of established communities. We implore you to reject racial profiling and vote for County Redistricting Plan A2.

Respectfully submitted for your consideration, I am

Sincerely,

Robert L. Cohen, D.D.S.
President
Sherman Oaks Chamber of Commerce

From: RON O'NEAL [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, September 22, 2011 8:55 PM
To: CommServ
Subject: County Districting

Importance: High

As homeowners living in Sherman Oaks since 1986, we are encouraging you to adopt Plan A3 to preserve the current boundries of our district. This is a very important issue for our area and we want our portion of the district to continue with strong representation going into the future.

Thank you,

Ron & Judy O'Neal

[REDACTED]
Sherman Oaks, CA 91403

phone: [REDACTED]

From: Melzer, Sara [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, September 23, 2011 2:55 PM
To: CommServ
Subject: Redistricting

Dear Board of Supervisors:

I am a resident of Brentwood and urge you to support Plan A3 amended. I think it is possible to obtain your objectives without dismembering the districts as they currently stand and without destroying the important relationships that have developed over the years.

Sincerely,
Sara E. Melzer

[REDACTED]
Los Angeles, CA 90049

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, September 23, 2011 12:37 PM
To: CommServ
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Redistricting LA County Supervisorial Districts 2011

September 21, 2011

Executive Office
Board of Supervisors
Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 W. Temple Street, Rm. 383
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Redistricting LA County Supervisorial Districts 2011

Dear County Supervisors:

Friends of Sunset Park (FOSP), a city-recognized neighborhood organization in the City of Santa Monica, was founded in 1989 and represents approximately 13,000 residents.

The FOSP Board of Directors urges you to preserve the Third Supervisorial District as it is presently constituted. It is comprised of the greater Westside, the San Fernando Valley, and the Las Virgenes region.

The Santa Monica Mountains, the last remaining relatively natural habitat from Los Angeles to the Mexican border, bind together the Third District communities. The proposals to combine Santa Monica in a district with communities as far away as Long Beach make no sense to us. Issues concerning the ecosystem of the Santa Monica Mountains, such as preparing for and guarding against wildfires, have little in common with issues affecting the Port of Long Beach.

Therefore, the FOSP Board of Directors opposes both the T1 and S2 redistricting plans and urges the Board of Supervisors to work from the A3 Amended plan. It is similar to the existing district map and will keep the Santa Monica Mountains as the centerpiece of a compact Third District.

Zina Josepfs, President
Friends of Sunset Park
[REDACTED]
Santa Monica, CA 90409