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**From:** sjourdevans@aol.com <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 12:36 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Power grab

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To whom it may concern:

I will be speaking tomorrow at the SLO County Board meeting. Following is what I plan to say. I hope you will make it part of the official public record.

Thank you,  
Sharon Jordan-Evans

Good morning. I am Sharon Jordan-Evans from Cambria and I support the Chamber of Commerce map.

I am frankly mystified... no... actually, I'm horrified. How can a power grab such as this happen in my county?

I know that you know the following:

1. You know you are pushing an illegal map (Patten's). You have surely read the governments guidelines for redistricting...and yet you choose not to follow them.
2. You know this is a power grab to divide the coast into multiple districts in order to dilute votes.
3. You know the Patten map rips apart the north coast. We will lose our vote and our voice. My district, District 2, will basically be hosed.
4. You know the census data do not warrant any major changes to our districts. If you choose the Patten Map, the only explanation is gerrymandering, an inherently undemocratic approach, and one prohibited by the election code.
5. You know this is a political game, and you play it with no regard for the well-being of citizens negatively impacted by your slippery moves.

Some people will do the wrong thing out of greed, pure and simple. They will do the wrong thing knowing it harms others. And they will do the wrong thing in order to win an election. All of that appears to be the case here.

My request of you, our elected leaders, is this: check your moral compass, put aside your personal interests, and collaborate to deliver on what the citizens of your county deserve and need.

Choose the **Chamber of Commerce Map**.

A favorite quote reads:

**"Everything will be alright in the end. So if it's not alright, it's not yet the end." Best Exotic Marigold Hotel**

We will fight for what is right.  
Thank you.

**Sharon Jordan-Evans**, President, Jordan Evans Group

Co-author of the new, 6th edition of bestseller *Love 'Em or Lose 'Em: Getting Good People to Stay*

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**From:** tonysafford05@gmail.com [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 12:35 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Cc:** Bruce Gibson <bgibson@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting, Fairness of Representation and Communities of Shared Interest

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

There is no reason to make any significant changes to the current boundaries for the following reasons:

1. CURRENT DISTRICTS MEET ALL STATE REQUIREMENTS FOR POPULATION BALANCE (LESS THAN 10% DEVIATION), **FAIRNESS OF REPRESENTATION** (MINORITY REPRESENTATION AND COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST) AND COMPACTNESS.
2. UNDER THE LAW (CALIFORNIA ELECTIONS CODE SECTION 21500) **KEEPING COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST INTACT** SUPERSEDES THE DESIRE FOR COMPACT GEOGRAPHICAL BOUNDARIES SUCH AS CITY LIMITS.
3. RETAINING CURRENT BOUNDARIES HAS THE VALUE OF CONTINUITY AND **KEEPS EXISTING COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST INTACT**. THE HISTORIC ASSOCIATION WITHIN EXISTING DISTRICTS IS PART OF BEING A COMMUNITY OF INTEREST.
4. ALL NORTH COAST COMMUNITIES SHOULD REMAIN IN THE SAME DISTRICT (D2), INCLUDING LOS OSOS, MORRO BAY AND CAMBRIA, DUE TO **SHARED COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST**, IE: HIGHWAY 1 CORRIDOR AND COASTAL ISSUES.
5. MAJOR PHYSICAL BARRIERS BETWEEN CAMBRIA AND RURAL NORTH COUNTY AS WELL AS BETWEEN LOS OSOS AND AVILA BEACH **DO NOT MEET THE CONTIGUOUS OR COMPACTNESS MAPPING CRITERIA**.

If the Board feels the need for redistricting, it should be voted upon by the registered voting population of SLO County and NOT by the 5 Board of Supervisors. I will be attending the Supervisors' meeting tomorrow, November 30<sup>th</sup>, to express these views in person.

Thank you.

Anthony Safford  
[REDACTED]  
Cambria, CA 93428

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**From:** Amanda Sherlock [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 12:30 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]SLO Redistricting - AGAINST

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It is unfortunate that the Republican Party has become the Party of Sore Losers. This isn't grade school, democracy is democracy and changing the rules of the game to get an edge is small-minded cheating, plain and simple.

Amanda Sherlock

Naturalized Citizen, Activist and Voter

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**From:** Donald Archer <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 12:30 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]THE PATTEN PROPOSAL

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The Patten proposal is partisan, defective, and fails to meet the California fair redistricting guidelines and requirements:

- It disenfranchises voters by deferring and accelerating district elections as well as by cracking and packing districts for partisan advantage.
- It grossly divides communities of interest.

Why is the board even considering this unrealistic map?

Communities have been diced and sliced, moved around like pawns on an abstract chessboard which bears no relationship to reality. Geographical barriers and cultural-sociological-economic-political differences are completely ignored. The map is a creation of pure fantasy.

As a thirty-year resident of Cambria, I'm deeply concerned about the effects the Patten map would have on the integrity of District 2.

Morro Bay and Los Osos are split from their closely aligned and naturally associated coastal communities of Cayucos, Cambria, and San Simeon to the North while the completely unrelated and alien inland communities of Atascadero, San Miguel, and Lake Nacimiento---way to the east---are now included in a coastal district?

And what about the little bleep which tweaks the eastern district boundary by weirdly skirting around the community of Templeton? If any of those inland communities share interests with Cambria it would be Templeton which provides many of the health facilities north coast residents rely on.

None of this makes sense. This is a classic example of gerrymandering districts.

Should the Board of Supervisors adopt the Patten map, San Luis Obispo County undoubtedly will be faced with costly, lengthy, and needless litigation.

The Patten map blatantly fails to comply with fair redistricting criteria. Consideration of such a flawed and untenable map is irresponsible.

This map is not simply the 'grassroots' effort of an amateur 'concerned citizen.' Rather it would seem to be the product of partisan professional politicians who knew very well what they were doing, and had the very significant resources and sophisticated technology to do it.

The citizens and taxpayers of San Luis Obispo County, and ALL of your constituents deserve better than this.

Reject the Patten proposal!

Donald Archer  
[REDACTED]

Cambria, CA 93428



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**From:** Web Notifications <webnotifications@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 12:29 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** Public Comment - ID 280

RedistrictingID 280

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First Name Amanda

Last Name Sherlock

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[REDACTED]

Phone

[REDACTED]

Name of

Organization Self

Represented

City Oceano

Zip 93445

Comment It is unfortunate that the Republican Party has become the Party of Sore Losers. This isn't grade school, democracy is democracy and changing the rules of the game to get an edge is small-minded cheating, plain and simple.

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[EXT]Public Comment;



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

From: Marguerite Van Dame <[REDACTED]>  
Sent: Monday, November 29,  
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Subject: [EXT]Public Comment

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**Subject:** Public Comment - ID 279

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First Name Marguerite

Last Name VanDame

Email [REDACTED] [u](#)

Phone [REDACTED]

Name of

Organization Voter  
Represented

City Paso Robles

Zip 93446

Comment As a voter in SLO County I request the Board of Supervisors explain to the public the reasons behind the redrawing of district lines in the Patten map. I would like to see an analysis of each of the 5 Districts and how the criteria in the California Election Code were applied. The job of making the Patten map, or any redistricting map, understandable to the public is clearly on the shoulders of the SLO Board of Supervisors. My comments are attached

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**From:** Kathleen Goble <[kgoble@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:kgoble@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 12:26 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <[Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistricting

Redistricting correspondence.

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**From:** Nancy Mann [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 12:18 PM  
**To:** Debbie Arnold <[darnold@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:darnold@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Cc:** Kathleen Goble <[kgoble@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:kgoble@co.slo.ca.us)>; John Peschong <[jpeschong@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:jpeschong@co.slo.ca.us)>; Bruce Gibson <[bgibson@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:bgibson@co.slo.ca.us)>; Sarah Sartain <[ssartain@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:ssartain@co.slo.ca.us)>; Lynn Compton <[lcompton@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:lcompton@co.slo.ca.us)>; Nancy Mann <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting

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Dear Supervisor Arnold:

I am writing you today regarding the proposed redistricting maps to be discussed at tomorrow's supervisor meeting. As voter in your district I STRONGLY urge you vote in support of the SLO County 2030 Map proposed by the SLO Chamber of Commerce and supported by the local business community. This map most closely resembles the current district mapping which works well for the citizens of San Luis Obispo County; our districts as currently drawn are fair and proportionate and inclusive.

Please continue to support the democratic process of listening to all voices and constituents and governing for the good of our society as a whole by voting FOR the SLO County 2030 Map.

Sincerely,  
Nancy Jean Mann  
[REDACTED]  
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

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Nancy Jean Mann  
San Luis Obispo  
[REDACTED]

"A duck a day!!!!" William Henry "Hank" Deveraux, Jr.'

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Hi Debbie-

I just wanted to reach out to you and give you my opinion on the county redistricting.

I support the Patton map. Even though (living in rural west Paso) it places me in Bruce Gibson's district, I feel it is the most fair for the county overall. The past map was designed to favor the city of San Luis Obispo to the detriment of the rest of the county. People in the rural areas are much more impacted by the actions of the supervisors than those in SLO. The new map appears to treat the people in rural communities in a more fair manner. The Adelaida area has absolutely nothing in common with SLO and SLO has had undue influence over the rural areas.

Thank you for your consideration.

***Vicki Silva***

***Re/Max Parkside Real Estate***

[REDACTED]  
Paso Robles, CA 93446

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<http://www.vickisilva.com>

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Please, Please, Please DO NOT vote to use the totally wrong map. The Patten map makes little sense to a majority of your current district voters. My husband and I are long time Santa Margarita residents and do not see any reason to go with this map. Please respect the residents of your district and do the RIGHT thing. Thank you for being there for us always.

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Shari Bone, SC01066545  
Better Homes & Gardens, Haven Properties

[REDACTED]  
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401  
[REDACTED]

## [EXT]2021 SLO County Redistricting Maps

Janice Carr [REDACTED]

Mon 11/29/2021 9:09 AM

To: Debbie Arnold <darnold@co.slo.ca.us>

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Hello Supervisor Arnold:

I live in Santa Margarita, in town not in the rural areas. I am very very concerned regarding the Board of Supervisors' redistricting map selection that will take place tomorrow, November 30.

In particular, my husband and I hope that you will decide NOT to select the map labeled "The Patten Map." That map will put Santa Margarita (and Garden Farms) in District 1 which is both geographically and culturally so distant from our town. I realize that you live in the Pozo area, but I have met you in the Santa Margarita post office and in the downtown area. Pozo touches the boundaries of Santa Margarita and it seems logical that they be in the same district. The geographic location of Santa Margarita is so far removed from district 1, that I cannot understand how moving us to that district makes any sense. I also feel that if Santa Margarita becomes part of district 1 we not really have any true representation on the Board.

PLEASE PLEASE do not select the Patten map. I understand that the Board voted to only look at that map and the SLO Chamber of Commerce map, but I don't understand the need to change from what is the current district boundaries. If the Board or you are not able to reconsider and select Map A, again, PLEASE select the Chamber map and keep Santa Margarita in your district, district 5. You have represented our area for the past two terms and part-way into your third term. You know this area. I feel you would be abandoning Santa Margarita if you select the Patten map.

Thank you for time and consideration of my comments.

Janice and Dale Carr

[EXT]Redistricting map by CofC is the best for the coastal communities

Lynda Merrill [REDACTED] >

Fri 11/26/2021 6:41 PM

To: BOS\_District 5\_Web Contact <district5@co.slo.ca.us>

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*Dear Supervisor Arnold,*

*Please, vote for the map the Chamber of commerce submitted.*

*We need to save our beautiful coast and need a Supervisor to represent us.*

*Sincerely, Lynda Merrill (Sarah L)*

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**SLO County Redistricting Proposed Two Maps**

Dear Supervisor Debbie Arnold,

As a result of the recent November 19th SLO County Board of Supervisors redistricting meeting, there are now two maps to consider for adoption on November 30th.

I respectfully request support for the adoption of Richard Patten's Rev. 1 Citizens' Map.

[https://www.slocounty.ca.gov/Departments/Administrative-Office/Forms-Documents/Redistricting/Richard-Patten-Rev\\_1\\_ID-74786\\_Detail.pdf](https://www.slocounty.ca.gov/Departments/Administrative-Office/Forms-Documents/Redistricting/Richard-Patten-Rev_1_ID-74786_Detail.pdf)

Respectfully,

Chrissie Fraser



[Redacted], Grover Beach, CA 93433

## [EXT]SLO County Redistricting Proposed Two Maps

Melody Scott 

Sun 11/28/2021 8:01 PM

To: Debbie Arnold <darnold@co.slo.ca.us>

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Dear Supervisor Debbie Arnold,

As a result of the recent November 19th SLO County Board Supervisors Redistricting meeting , there are now two maps to consider for adoption on November 30th.

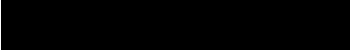
I respectfully request support of the adoption of Richard Patten's Rev. 1 Citizens's Map.

Respectfully  
Melody Scott  
Nipomo

Sent from my iPad



## [EXT]Redistricting Public Comment for November 30, 2021

William Bojduj 

Wed 11/24/2021 6:47 PM

To: Debbie Arnold <darnold@co.slo.ca.us>

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Thank you for bringing back for review and final vote only these two maps. My choice is the Richard Patten Map Rev\_1 ID 74786. This map keeps Oceano and Grover Beach together and shares sewer, fire protection and school district. - William Bojduj, Pismo Beach

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**From:** Kathleen Goble <[kgoble@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:kgoble@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 1:53 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <[Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]I Support the Richard Patten Map Rev\_1 ID 74786

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**From:** John Teixeira [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 1:43 PM  
**To:** John Peschong <[jpeschong@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:jpeschong@co.slo.ca.us)>; Debbie Arnold <[darnold@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:darnold@co.slo.ca.us)>; Bruce Gibson <[bgibson@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:bgibson@co.slo.ca.us)>; Lynn Compton <[lcompton@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:lcompton@co.slo.ca.us)>; Dawn Ortiz-Legg <[dortizlegg@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:dortizlegg@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]I Support the Richard Patten Map Rev\_1 ID 74786

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SLO County Supervisors,

Thank you for bringing back for review and final vote only these two maps.

My choice is the Richard Patten Map Rev\_1 ID 74786.

This map keeps San Luis Obispo with Cal Poly, keeps Templeton and Atascadero whole.

The other map is the similar to Map A that was already rejected by the November 19 vote.

The Richard Patten Map is in compliance with the State Mandates regarding redistricting.

John Teixeira

San Luis Obispo County

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**From:** Jennifer Bauer [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 1:39 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Yes to the SLO County 2030 Map

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

I hope you will support the SLO County 2030 map. For the most part it keeps communities of interest together including mine in the southern part of the city of San Luis Obispo. It also has a smaller number of deferrals and accelerations and I believe this is important to democratic representation. The SLO County 2030 map appears to meet the criteria of the CA election code and the Federal Voting Rights Act.

I oppose the Patten map because of the changes in district lines to separate communities of interest including my own area. My neighborhood will be split off from the rest of the city of SLO and included with Nipomo. I don't feel I will be getting the representation I need. In addition, there are large number of deferrals and accelerations with this map disenfranchising a large number of voters.

I have always been a strong believer in democracy and in my elected officials to do what is right. I hope you will do what is fair and the best for the majority of people and vote for the SLO County 2030 map.

Thank you,

Jennifer Bauer

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

From: Stephen L. Hughes <[REDACTED]>  
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 1:30 PM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: [EXT]Redistricting

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Members of the SLO County BOS:

I am totally opposed to the BOS adoption of anything even resembling the Patten map for voter redistricting. The map proposed by the SLO Chamber more accurately provides fair representation for all county voters.

A redistricting plan using the Patten map would allow current supervisors to choose their voters; as opposed to voters choosing their supervisors. I consider this gerrymandering to be a bold attempt by the BOS conservative majority to change the rules and stack the deck for their election and perpetual continuation as elected officials.

I believe the current map doesn't need any changing at all, but if you must, the Chamber map at least has some logic to it that goes beyond the self-serving agenda of three current Supervisors.

Stephen Hughes  
Grover Beach

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**From:** Web Notifications <webnotifications@co.slo.ca.us>

**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 1:28 PM

**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

**Subject:** Public Comment - ID 283

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First Name Gina

Last Name Axsom

Email [REDACTED]

Phone [REDACTED]

Name of Organization  
Represented

City Los Osos

Zip 93402

Comment The proposed Patten Map does not make any sense and should be rejected. I urge the Board of Supervisors to vote for the SLO Chamber Map.

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**From:** Web Notifications <webnotifications@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 1:24 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** Public Comment - ID 282

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First Name Stephen

Last Name Hughes

Email 

Phone

Name of  
Organization  
Represented

City Grover Beach

Zip 93433

Comment I am totally opposed to the BOS adoption of anything even resembling the Patten map for voter redistricting. The map proposed by the SLO Chamber more accurately provides fair representation for all county voters. A redistricting plan using the Patten map would allow current supervisors to choose their voters; as opposed to voters choosing their supervisors.

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**From:** Marc Johnston [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 1:23 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting

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Honorable SLO Board of Supervisors - **please select the Chamber of Commerce (SLO County 2030) map as the map going forward.**

- Of the two remaining maps under consideration, the SLO County 2030 map is less disruptive to voters than the Patten map.
- The SLO County 2030 map appears to meet all the criteria stipulated in the California Election Code and complies with the United States Constitution, the California Constitution, and the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965.
- The SLO County 2030 map respects local communities of interest
- The SLO County 2030 map is endorsed by the League of Women Voters of SLO County .

The Patten map SHOULD BE REJECTED because

- it makes more radical changes to the district lines as evidenced by the number of deferrals and accelerations in voting it would impose.
- Selection of the Patten map would cause a huge imbalance in the voters roles in the 2022 election.
- Finally, the Patten map would ultimately cause a major shift in the balance of the Board of Supervisors.

Thank you for your consideration.

Raymond Johnston, Santa Margarita

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**From:** Myrna Echols [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 12:50 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]

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Greetings.

I am a resident in Heritage Ranch. I wish to strongly voice my opinion and concern regarding the proposed re-districting. Although I live in an area that would gain more voting power with the Patten proposal, I strongly oppose it. My reasons entirely coincide with a statement put out by the League of Women Voters, of which I am not a member but greatly respect for their fact-finding work. They, and I, support the 2030 proposal because it "is less disruptive to the voters and respects local communities of interest." I oppose the Patten map because of "the number of deferrals and accelerations in the voting it would impose. . . This disenfranchises a significant number of voters while privileging another group with an early vote. . . It is instructive to note the partisan inclination of . . the voters involved. This raises the concern . . (of) . . a potential violation of Elections Code Sec. 21500(d): "The Board shall not adopt supervisorial district boundaries for the purpose of favoring or discriminating against a political party." I believe that the Patten map, regardless of the motivations at its origin, does not give fair, equal representation to the voters of this County, and I do not see any good reason to make substantial changes in the current map of districts.

Grateful for your Attention,  
Myrna V. Echols, Ph.D.



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**From:** Paul Reinhardt <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 12:47 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting

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Please support the SLO Chamber of Commerce map.

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**From:** Lee Perkins [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 12:46 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting

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Attention SLO Board of

Supervisors,

The League of Women Voters is in favor of Plan B for legal and equity reasons

I am in favor the of Plan B as well because it makes few changes to the current maps and major changes are neither legally nor operationally required. Of the two remaining maps under consideration, the SLO County 2030 map appears to meet all the criteria stipulated in the California Election Code and complies with the United States Constitution, the California Constitution, and the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965.

The SLO County 2030 map respects local communities of interest in the north coastal areas of San Simeon, Cambria, Cayucos, Morro Bay and Los Osos as well as the connection between Nipomo and Oceano. It also respects the natural boundary of the coastal mountains. The Patten map does not respect these communities of interest.

The deferrals in the Patten map would create "orphaned" districts in communities where voters would not be able to vote until 2024. Los Osos, Morro Bay, and District 2 voters in San Luis Obispo who are no longer in District 2 and Oceano voters who are no longer in District 4 would not be able to vote for a supervisor in 2022 when those district seats are up for election, leaving these communities with no effective representation on the Board of Supervisors.

If you are a Board who respects voter rights, the legal criteria for redistricting, you would be voting for Plan B. This is an opportunity for the SLO Board of Supervisors to come together and

vote for Plan B.

M. Lee Perkins

Atascadero

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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:20 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]redistricting map

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Lisa Marie Estrada  
Administrative Assistant III-Confidential  
Board of Supervisors  
[www.slocounty.ca.gov](http://www.slocounty.ca.gov)  
Direct Line: (805)781-5498

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**From:** Sally Newland <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 7:33 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]redistricting map

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I do not agree with the proposed Pattern model of the redistricting map.  
It does not represent the common concerns of each community.

Please do not support this proposal.

Thank you,  
Sally Baldwin Newland

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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:20 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Nov 30 Redistricting Meeting-Support Map 2030

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Lisa Marie Estrada  
Administrative Assistant III-Confidential  
Board of Supervisors  
[www.slocounty.ca.gov](http://www.slocounty.ca.gov)  
Direct Line: (805)781-5498

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**From:** Mary Matakovich <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 6:23 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Nov 30 Redistricting Meeting-Support Map 2030

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I, Mary Agnes Matakovich, would ask you to support the 2030 map, as it meets all the legal, established criteria, makes only a few changes to the current map, and thereby respects local communities of interest and their abilities to vote in the 2022 election.

The Patten map places too many unincorporated communities in a single district. This could result in insufficient attention by a single Supervisor to address Avila Beach's issues and the issues of other communities.

Please choose the 2030 Map.

Mary Agnes Matakovich

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**From:** Elizabeth Bettenhausen [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:15 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]30 Nov. 2021 Agenda

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Re: map choice on 30 Nov. 2021

Dear SLO County Board of Supervisors:

A community of interest to which I belong resides here.



The community touches the Santa Lucia Range's west slopes and extends north and south along the central coast of California. Thousands of full time human residents volunteer or work full time to maintain and respect the integrity of the coast.

Your decision today will disclose whether you too understand, respect, and maintain the integrity of the central coast of California and recognize the

community of interest whose home it is. The supervisorial districts of San Luis Obispo County must embody this.

The integrity of the coast is threatened in so many ways. I see this with growing frequency. Please do not choose another way that disrupts the integrity of our county.

The proposed Supervisorial District Map 75760, "2030 County Plan," maintains a large part of the cohesion of District 2 in which a major part of the central coast community of interest resides, stretching from north of Piedras Blancas south to Los Osos. The other proposed map makes divisions without clear and plausible reasons. a weak foundation for public policy.

I urge you to choose Supervisorial District Map 75760, "2030 County Plan," as your final map.

Your open-minded, serious attention to all the public comments made in writing and orally supporting this choice would boost our confidence in elected officials in our democracy.

Respectfully yours,  
Elizabeth Bettenhausen, B.A., Ph.D.

[REDACTED]  
Cambria, CA  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Web Notifications <webnotifications@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:05 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** Public Comment - ID 284

RedistrictingID 284

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First Name Diane

Last Name Mathews

Email

Phone

Name of  
Organization  
Represented

City Paso Robles

Zip 93446

Comment Please keep our current districts by approving Plan A . If the Board approves the Patten map, significant numbers of your constituents will be represented by a Supervisor they did not elect. The risks of disenfranchising large numbers of voters and accelerating the votes of others breeds confusion and distrust. There is no legal or ethical reason to create the chaotic changes that approving the Patten map would unleash.

Public Records  
Notice True



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**From:** AD-Board-Clerk <ad\_board\_clerk@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:04 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT]Eric Greening comments for November 30th special meeting

**Sincerely,**

**Clerk of the Board Team**

Administrative Office, County of San Luis Obispo  
1055 Monterey St., Ste. D430 | San Luis Obispo, CA 93408  
Tel: (805) 781-1045 | Fax: (805) 781-5023

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**From:** Eric Greening [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, November 26, 2021 08:03 AM  
**To:** AD-Board-Clerk <ad\_board\_clerk@co.slo.ca.us>; Board of Supervisors <Boardofsup@co.slo.ca.us>; Rita L. Neal <rneal@co.slo.ca.us>; Wade Horton <whorton@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Eric Greening comments for November 30th special meeting

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Hello!

While I am sorry to see Map B disappear from the choices you could be making, I do believe that, of the two choices now in front of you, the Chamber of Commerce map is far better at preserving and serving communities of interest than the Patten Map. I recognize that the Patten map may indeed attract majority support, and would urge that, if that is in fact the case, it be improved by exchanging San Miguel with Santa Margarita, so that San Miguel can share a district with Paso Robles and Santa Margarita can share a district with Garden Farms, South Atascadero, and Atascadero. Even with that improvement, however, the Patten Map continues to raise the question of whether Supervisor Arnold can continue in the four year term to which she was elected a year ago, given that she would appear to lose constituents. Regardless of how the districts are numbered, and regardless of how the elections are thus sequenced by the alternation of odd and even numbers, raising an issue on which the League of Women Voters is raising some important concerns, my understanding is that when a candidate wins a four year term, that is the duration the elected supervisor should serve, not a two year term and certainly not a six year term. If you do move forward with the Patten Map, this issue requires some specific direction and clarification.

But the Chamber of Commerce map is far preferable, despite its drawback of a ragged tear through Atascadero. It particularly has the positive trait, even more than Map B, of reuniting the Cal Poly community of interest. It includes, with Cal Poly residents, the neighborhoods in which students, faculty and staff are most densely represented, near the portions of Foothill nearest the campus, along Grand and California, etc. In other words, the portion of District 5 that enters into The city of San Luis Obispo is exactly the portion in which Cal Poly's community of interest is the dominant influence, while leaving the less polycentric areas for other representation. As I stated in oral testimony on November 19th, I see nothing wrong with Cal Poly's community of interest being contained in a district that is partly rural; Cal Poly itself has cattle, fields, orchards, and open

habitat lands, and many of its students study agriculture, ag business, soil science, wildlife biology, field botany, and other rural-related fields. It is also appropriate that Cal Poly be part of a district that is partly urban, given its strong programs in architecture, urban planning, and the like. The Chamber of Commerce map keeps the right balance.

I wonder if a somewhat minor adjustment could resolve the problem of dividing Atascadero. It appears that, while the AREA of Atascadero given to District 2 is fairly large (about a third,) the relative lack of density of that hilly, large-lot portion of the city means that the fraction of Atascadero's population severed from the rest of the city is a smaller fraction. Would it be possible to adjust the boundaries to move the line to the western city limits by incorporating a chunk of the Adelaida area into District 2, and then moving Shandon and some of its surrounding countryside into District 1? I would like to see this option investigated and, if practicable, implemented before the finalization of your choice.

In short, my order of preference is as follows:

First choice: a version of the Chamber of Commerce Map that keeps Atascadero whole by making the adjustments outlined in the third paragraph of this message.

Second choice: the Chamber of Commerce Map as it now appears.

Second to last choice (I'm not calling it my third choice because there is a big gap in preference here): The Patten Map, adjusted to trade San Miguel with Santa Margarita.

Last choice; the Patten Map as is.

With any version of the Patten Map, you need to have a reality based discussion about who will represent any areas that seem to have two elected supervisors serving simultaneously during their terms, and how these dilemmas can be legitimately resolved.

Many thanks, Eric Greening

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

From: BK Richard [REDACTED]  
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 2:02 PM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: [EXT]Redistricting Input For Tomorrow's Meeting

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- > Honorable Supervisors,
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- > The re-districting process which culminates this week can either contribute to inflaming and enlarging the contentious, destructive political divide ... or take a major turn in calming the rhetoric and building citizen trust. There is so many issues to address at this stage of our history (housing/homelessness, COVID recovery, drought/water, Diablo closure/energy, ... come to mind) that every bit of your energy, in my view, should be focused there rather than on partisan proxy battles.
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- > Build trust by adopting the simple, minimal change to our Supervisory Districts (SLO County 2030 Map). It's compliant with state law, will not dis-enfranchise significant community groups, and will show the steady hand of wise leadership.
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- > Thank you.
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- > B. K. Richard,
- > District 5
- > San Luis Obispo

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**From:** Jim Irving <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:02 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]The two maps

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Neither map is good but please support the SLO Chamber map. It is the least disruptive, and better reflects the communities it covers.

The Patten map violates communities of interest and real geographic boundaries. It will polarize the County further.

Please, please reject it.

Jim Irving

District One citizen and former County Planning Commisioner

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**From:** Colleen Martin [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:01 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting: isn't a pandemic enough?

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Isn't a worldwide pandemic enough ?  
Keep the districts the same.

"After a long, long time she reached an important conclusion.  
She was never going to stand by and say nothing."  
Eleanor Estes, 1945, [The Hundred Dresses](#)

Colleen Martin  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Paul Reinhardt [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 12:44 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting

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Please support the SLO Chamber map.  
Paul Reinhardt  
San Luis Obispo, California

Feel Flow

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**From:** Web Notifications <webnotifications@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 12:44 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** Public Comment - ID 281

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First Name	Paul
Last Name	Reinhardt
Email	[REDACTED]
Phone	[REDACTED]
Name of Organization Represented	
City	San Luis Obispo
Zip	93401
Comment	Please support the SLO Chamber Map. It is by far the better more fair option of the two maps.
Public Records Notice	True

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**From:** Maureen Maino [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 12:03 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting - a mad scheme

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Cambria should remain with other coastal communities Cambria has more in common with them

I absolutely say NO! on Patten's hodgepodge map.

Thank you.

Maureen Maino  
Cambria, CA



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**From:** dbmjmay@aol.com [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 11:59 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting

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To the distinguished Board,

Redistricting is unnecessary as I have emailed before. This is only a political move to gain votes for a certain party! The Patten map is totally inappropriate!!

Very disappointed!  
Brenda and David May

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**From:** Web Notifications <webnotifications@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 11:59 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** Public Comment - ID 278

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First Name Daniel

Last Name Godden

Email



Phone

Name of

Organization self

Represented

City Oceano

Zip 93445

Comment

As an Oceano resident, I urge you to reject the Patten Map. It's unacceptable for Oceano to be split from AG and Nipomo for politically-motivated reasons. Moreover, it's inexcusable for the people of Oceano to be ineligible to vote for BoS representation until 2024 as a result of the deferred/orphaned status created by the Patten map. The districting maps we have been operating under may not have been perfect — they never are — but they weren't broken and shouldn't undergo a major overhaul.

Public Records Notice True

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**From:** Web Notifications <webnotifications@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 11:55 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** Public Comment - ID 277

RedistrictingID 277

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First Name Philip

Last Name Henry

Email 

Phone

Name of  
Organization  
Represented

City Paso Robles

Zip 93446

Comment Can this Board in good conscience put forth and pass a redistricting map that is unnecessary, unwarranted, and disruptive for over 70% of its voters? The Patten map doesn't hold up to the scrutiny of civil behavior, or respectful representation by the Board. Will it hold up in Court?

Public Records  
Notice True

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**From:** Web Notifications <webnotifications@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 11:45 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** Public Comment - ID 276

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First Name Lynda

Last Name Shirar

Email



Phone (717) 261-7879

Name of  
Organization  
Represented

City PASO ROBLES

Zip 93446

Comment What compelling reason exists to combine Paso Robles with the coast; to separate coastal communities; to separate Oceano from Nipomo; to lump most of SLO into one district? The Patten map is unnecessary & disrespectful of citizens; it goes against redistricting policies already enacted. I believe each member of this Board has the intelligence and heart to use their better judgment to vote for what is actually in the best interests of the citizens of this county!

Public Records  
Notice True

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**From:** Scott Jenkins [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 11:43 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]"Radical redrawing of supervisor district boundaries in order to preserve [right-wing] power"

**ATTENTION:** This email originated from outside the County's network. Use caution when opening attachments or links.

Dear SLO County Board of Supervisors, especially Peschong, Arnold and Compton:

I support the analysis of The League of Women Voters of San Luis Obispo County who support the SLO County 2030 map and oppose the appalling gerrymandered Patten map.

Supervisors Peschong, Arnold and Compton are attempting to steal SLO County's elections for the next 10 years, for their own personal and political gain. They want to defer voters that don't adhere to their right-wing Qanon conspiracy theories, and they want to accelerate voters that are in lock step with their fascist views, over the will of the people and of our democracy.

This should be criminal! It is a blatant attempt to sow chaos and destroy American Democracy right there in SLO County. Peschong, Arnold and Compton have no respect for the rule of law and should not be allowed to select the "hack job" of the Patten map.

We do not want any cheating by the right wing tumpist supervisors, who have shown their propensity for cheating, along with their continuing to push trump's Big Lie. Voters should be allowed to pick their Supervisors, not the other way around where these three supervisors pick their own voters.

These three Supervisors are engaged in election tampering, boarding on fascism over our democracy. With the minor changes in the Census number, from the last Census, The District Maps should not be changed, if we want fair and free elections.

Do the right thing, Supervisors. Throw out the Patten map and choose the 2030 map. Otherwise, you will prove that you are gerrymandering these maps the next few elections, for your own personal and political benefit. Do the right thing, if you have any conscience or souls.

Thank you,

Scott H Jenkins  
San Luis Obispo CA  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Glynda Hoskins [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 11:42 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>; Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** [EXT]Re. - Nov 30, 2021 Redistricting Meeting - From Glynda Hoskins current District #2

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**My name is Glynda Hoskins, I am a home and property owner located in Cambria California and currently within District #2. I intend to stay within District #2 and related Coastal Communities without allowing these 3 supervisors to dilute our vote by forcing Atascadero, an agricultural group, into this coastal district. I want to make it clear there is NO LEGAL way to force The Patten, redistricting gerrymandering map on us without a legal battle in the very near future. Simply put, this so called Patten map is clearly illegal and as such any BOS member trying to force this on our coastal town to further their partisan agenda will be brought to light for such practice.**

**Please read the acticle from The Tribune (below) regarding this redistricting power grab and please know - WE see you and we know what you are doing**

- Lynn Compton**
- John Peschong**
- Debbie Arnold**

**Vote: For the reasonable legal plan, The San Luis Obispo Chamber of Commerce Plan.**

<https://www.sanluisobispo.com/news/local/article255983632.html>

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

From: Stew Jenkins <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 11:40 AM

To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]11-30-21 Redistricting Hearing - Comment to perfect map under California Fair Maps Act

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Good morning,

Please find attached a digital copy of a letter delivered this morning to all members of the San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors concerning the failure of the Chamber of Commerce proposed map, and the way in which the other map can be perfected with a small adjustment to completely conform to the California Fair Maps Act.

All the Best,

Stew Jenkins

Law Office of Stewart D. Jenkins

[REDACTED] San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

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November 29, 2021

Chairwoman Lynn Compton &  
Honorable Supervisors  
John Peschong, Bruce Gibson,  
Dawn Ortiz-Legg and Debbie Arnold  
1055 Monterey St. D430  
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408

Hand Delivered

Re: **The California Maps Act and County Redistricting Hearing of 11/30/2021.**

Gentle Friends,

Please accept these comments on the two maps that now remain before you.

The map proposed by the San Luis Obispo City Chamber of Commerce fails when compared to the California Maps Act's formula, which closely follows the formula adopted overwhelmingly by voters in propositions directing the California Citizens' Redistricting Commission. That map actually expands the number of cities that are needlessly divided. And it fails to recognize connections (communities of interest) that tie communities together.

The map originally proposed by Mr. Richard Patten more closely follows the California Maps Act, and is an improvement over the incumbent protection mapping done in 2011, 2001, 1991, and 1981. But it contains one flaw that a minor adjustment can be correct.

**What is right about the Patten mapping:**

1<sup>st</sup>: As a former Port San Luis Harbor Commissioner I attest to the significant communities of interest between Los Osos, Avila, Pismo, Grover Beach, and Oceano. Most of the fishermen and sport fishing captains who maintained their vessels at Port San Luis, and the men and women working on those vessels resided in Los Osos, Grover Beach and Oceano. Most of the folks who owned and worked in the dining and tourist shops resided in the Los Osos, Grover Beach and Oceano; and a few were able to afford to reside in Avila and Pismo.

2<sup>nd</sup>: As a former resident of Oceano at a time when I was raising elementary aged children, I can attest to the strong community of interest between Oceano and Grover Beach. Our children were walked across the street (the boarder) into Grover Beach to attend school.



Groceries and other necessities were purchased for our and our neighbors' households in Grover Beach. There was little commerce or other interaction between Oceano and Nipomo.

3<sup>rd</sup>: I can attest to the fact that San Luis Obispo is a College Town that has hosted and helped build Cal Poly State University since Cal Poly's inception. So many of its 24,000 students reside in the City that only about 20% of the homes are owned by their residents. Many homeowners are current or (like my later Father) retired professors. Commerce in the City is ample to serve all the City's residents. Folks generally do not leave town to shop. Those students who live on campus shop, dine, recreate and frequently find jobs in the City to work their way through their education. Placing Cal Poly in a district with the City of San Luis Obispo recognizes these strong connections.

**Where the Patten Map fails:**

1<sup>st</sup>: This map continues to needlessly divide the City of San Luis Obispo, placing 15-20% of the population from the Laguna Lake and Airport areas into the district that includes Los Osos, and the coastal communities to and including Oceano. This fails to honor the much stronger communities of interest between those living in that part of the City with the rest of the people living in the City of San Luis Obispo.

2<sup>nd</sup>: This map fails to honor the significant community of interest that links the City of Morro Bay with Port San Luis, Avila, and the coastal communities to and including Oceano. As a former Port San Luis Harbor District Commissioner I can attest to the connection between the only two busy commercial harbors in our County. Morro Bay historically has not had the capacity to provide commercial and pleasure vessels with dry dock facilities, whereas Port San Luis has provided an extensive and affordable dry dock for the vessels making their way over from Morro Bay to have periodic inspections and maintenance performed. The interest in coastal tourism of these coastal communities is similar. Avila, San Luis Bay and Squire Canyon's children are in the same school district as the children of Morro Bay and Los Osos.

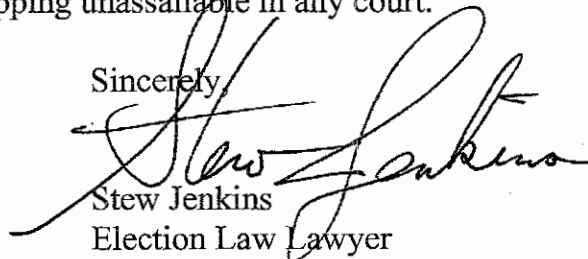
**The Minor Adjustment that perfects the Patten Map:**

All that need be done to fully comply with the California Fair Maps Act is to adjust this map in two locations. All 5 Supervisorial Districts will have substantially equal populations.

Simply shift Morro Bay into the district containing the coastal communities from Los Osos to Oceano, and shift all of the western and southern part of the City of San Luis Obispo into the district containing the rest of the City and Cal Poly.

Doing so will make the district mapping unassailable in any court.

Sincerely



Stew Jenkins  
Election Law Lawyer

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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 11:42 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: Contact Form Topic: Board of Supervisors meetings/business

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Lisa Marie Estrada  
Administrative Assistant III-Confidential  
Board of Supervisors  
[www.slocounty.ca.gov](http://www.slocounty.ca.gov)  
Direct Line: (805)781-5498

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**From:** Web Notifications <[webnotifications@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:webnotifications@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 27, 2021 8:11 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** Contact Form Topic: Board of Supervisors meetings/business

Topic: Board of Supervisors meetings/business

Your Name: Beverly A. Boyd & Robert D. Bowlus

Your Email: [REDACTED]

U.S. phone number: (805) 550-5350

Message: To: Supervisors Lynn Compton, Bruce Gibson, John Peschong, Debbie Arnold, Dawn Ortiz-Legg From: Beverly A. Boyd & Robert D. Bowlus Date: November 27, 2021 Subject: SLO County Redistricting, November 30, 2021, Meeting Please select the SLO Chamber of Commerce's Map 2030. Unlike the Patten map, it honors key criteria of the California Elections Code for redistricting. Residents of Los Osos, we consider it essential that the North Coast remain in one district. The district is geographically contiguous with a mountain range and climate that separate it from what is currently District 1. Also, District 2's several unincorporated towns comprise a Community of Interest with challenges and life styles in common: sea level rise, adequate potable water, preservation of habitat, housing shortages, volunteerism, and tourism. Because District 2 is subject to the Coastal Commission regarding such issues as development, conservation, and public access, the district needs to remain intact so that our representative may better serve us. If the current District 2 is split apart, many of us will be disenfranchised in 2022 when we are scheduled to vote for our next supervisor. Please select Map 2030.  
Sincerely, Beverly A. Boyd Robert D. Bowlus

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Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 11:40 AM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: FW: [EXT]Nov 30 Redistricting Meeting

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Lisa Marie Estrada

Administrative Assistant III-Confidential Board of Supervisors

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From: Linda Corley [REDACTED]  
Sent: Saturday, November 27, 2021 7:19 PM  
To: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Cc: david corley [REDACTED]; Jordan Corley [REDACTED] >  
Subject: [EXT]Nov 30 Redistricting Meeting

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Dear County Supervisors,

Our voting family is once again exercising our right to voice our opinions on the new redistributing maps. It is our understanding that the SLO County 2030 map is the best choice of the two because it has the least voting interruptions. It respects the coastal areas as well as the natural coastal mountains. We want a FAIR and JUST map.

We oppose the Pattern map for many reasons. The most important being the VERY RADICAL changes to the district lines that will effect the number of deferrals and accelerations imposed on voters. If you live in a community that doesn't get to vote in upcoming Board of Supervisors seats because of new maps, then that disenfranchises a lot of people. Do we really want to be disenfranchising groups of voters like

other states are trying to do?

Please, let's be better. Let's do better.

Thank you,  
Linda, David and Jordan Corley  
Arroyo Grande, Ca

Sent from my iPad

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Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 11:39 AM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: FW: [EXT]Nov 30 Redistricting Meeting

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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From: James Schaefer <[REDACTED]>  
Sent: Saturday, November 27, 2021 5:27 PM  
To: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Cc: Margaret Schaefer <emailmemargaret@gmail.com>  
Subject: [EXT]Nov 30 Redistricting Meeting

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Honorable Supervisors,

I am a resident of Paso Robles and a registered voter in District 5. I work in San Simeon and must work on November 30th.

Please consider my written comments as I cannot attend the meeting in person.

The map that is the best of the two remaining options under consideration would be the 2030 map.

The residents of Paso Robles who live in the unincorporated area west of the city are a part of the community of interest that should remain intact. The 2030 map does a better job of following the natural boundary.

The Patten option does not respect the natural boundary of the Santa Lucia Mountains that separates our community from the coast.

I support the coastal residents' desire to retain their communities of interest as well. The 2030 map best represents the will of the voters of the county. If you were to put it up for a referendum, it would be more likely to win.

In addition, population changes are not significant enough to justify a drastic redistricting proposal that will prohibit many voters from voting in the next election cycle while allowing others to vote twice. The partisan advantage that this would provide would cast a pall on the process.

Please adopt the 2030 map option.

Thank you,

Margaret L Schaefer



Paso Robles, CA 93446

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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 11:39 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistricting

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**From:** Brenda Carlson <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 27, 2021 4:53 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>; Redistricting <[Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us)>  
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**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistricting Concerns

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**From:** Tarrah Graves [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 27, 2021 3:44 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting Concerns

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To the SLO County Board of Supervisors,

I'm writing to express my concern for the redistricting process for SLO County. Particularly my concern with the proposed Patten Map option, which disenfranchises tens of thousands of county voters, including myself as a resident of Los Osos. As the League of Women Voters recently echoed in their statement, the deferrals in the Patten map would create 'orphaned' districts in communities where voters would not be able to vote until 2024. Los Osos, Morro Bay, and District 2 voters in San Luis Obispo who are no longer in District 2 and Oceano voters who are no longer in District 4 would not be able to vote for a supervisor in 2022 when those district seats are up for election, leaving these communities with no effective representation on the Board of Supervisors. Meanwhile those communities with accelerated voters would have the opportunity to vote twice and have two elected supervisors to represent them.

In a community like Los Osos, Avila Beach, or Oceano, where we are already without a city council, we rely on the representation and advocacy of our elected supervisor. Orphaning these communities will have many negative consequences on residents.

I urge you to reconsider adopting the Patton Map, and to instead adopt one of the other maps that was presented for consideration.

Thank you.

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**Tarrah Graves**

Concerned Resident of Los Osos, District 2  
Employed in San Luis Obispo, District 3

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To: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: [EXT]November 30th Redistricting Meeting

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Hello,

I am a registered voter here in SLO County, and I feel it's important to make my voice heard regarding the two redistricting maps up for consideration.

I am in favor of the SLO County 2030 map because it adheres more closely to our current map, it respects our communities of interest in the Northern Coastal regions such as Los Osos and Morro Bay, and our Southern regions as well, such as Oceano and Nipomo. The SLO County 2030 map also meets all the criteria set forth by the California Election Code, according to local election authorities.

I am strongly opposed to the Patten Map because it blocks thousands of people from voting in the 2022

supervisory elections, leaving them with little representation on the Board of Supervisors. I am also concerned that it is a violation of Elections Code Sec. 21500. Even if it is not, the Patten Map disenfranchises thousands of our local voters, and that is undemocratic.

Please do the right thing for the residents of SLO County, and vote for the SLO County 2030 map.

Thank you,

Chelly Glancy



San Luis Obispo, 93401

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From: Cassie A. Murphy <[REDACTED]>  
Sent: Saturday, November 27, 2021 2:40 PM  
To: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: [EXT]Nov 30 Redistricting Meeting

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to encourage you to choose the San Luis Obispo City map 2030, because it meets all the necessary criteria that is specified in the California Election Code and complies with the United States Constitution and the Federal Voting Act of 1965. The Patten map is unnecessary and unfair, being that the 2020 Census did not have enough changes to the county to warrant such extreme changes to the district maps.

Thank You,  
Cassie A. Murphy  
Templeton



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**From:** Bonita Ernst <bonnie@pacificcoastpro.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 11:38 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Public comment prior to Nov. 30th BOS meeting

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11/29/21

Supervisors:

This is to provide comments in advance of your selection of a final districting map for San Luis Obispo County.

We have all learned the following from your consultants, Redistricting Partners:

1. Plans A and B are legally compliant.
2. No other plans under consideration have been determined to be legally compliant.
3. Neither 2020 census data nor the Fair Maps Act requires change of current boundaries.
4. An essential goal of redistricting is to minimize accelerations and deferrals.
5. Under no circumstances should any community of interest be “orphaned” by suspending its electorate’s right to vote.
6. The 2019 Fair Maps Act criteria must be followed in their ranked order.
7. It is illegal to adopt district boundaries that favor one political party over another.
8. Based on all of the above, the Patten Map would likely be found unlawful in court.

As an Oceano resident, I am particularly concerned about the way in which the Patten map (#74786) would accelerate San Luis Obispo \*Country Club voters in exchange for deferring the entire Oceano electorate.

In the Patten map, Oceano would be an appendage – described by Redistricting Consultants as “a hand reaching down”. Except it’s not a hand reaching down to lift Oceano up, but to squash it.

Adopting the Patten map for Oceano would mean:

1. Oceano would have no effective representative for an additional 3 years after being assigned a supervisor we never voted for and doesn’t even live in our district. On the flip side, voters in the San Luis Obispo Country Club area would have the privilege of voting twice in less than 2 years.



2. Concerns of Oceano, a community of nearly 20% seniors, nearly 25% children under age 18, and roughly 46% Latino would be silenced. Planning & projects would grind to a halt. The hope that kids could have just one park to play soccer or a parklet close to homes where they can play or a safe route to their beach or school would again be a distant dream. Supervisors each have discretionary funds for their CSD's and with no Supervisor to represent them, likely be given no funds for even smallest of projects.
3. On the cusp of major changes to the Oceano's beachfront there would be no representation knowledgeable of our coastal issues.
4. On the edge for major government funding from a trillion dollar infrastructure legislation, Oceano would have no advocate.
5. Oceano has already been suppressed by the lack of any meaningful attempts to involve them in the process. The promised redistricting process outreach to the Latino community – much was promised and next to nothing delivered. Our current Supervisor remained silent.
6. Oceano has already been endured a history of a Supervisor that did little except to divide Oceano. She brought to the Board a proposal to adopt an unprecedented 2<sup>nd</sup> advisory council because the existing Oceano Advisory Council “did not speak for her”\*.

The prediction that Oceano would be swapped for an area closer to Edna Valley as an election strategy, has been widely circulating for months. Given the chance, the Republican board majority would swap “democratic” Oceano for a more conservative section of Edna Valley. It then came as no surprise that the Patten map did just that. The swap of lower income Oceano for the more affluent area of the Country Club also comes as no surprise coming on the wake of the board majority vote to raise campaign funding limits. The swap is a blatant violation of Elections Code 21500 (d), which prohibits changing boundaries to give a clear advantage or discriminate against one political party.

Everyone should be appalled by the lack of questions or concerns expressed on Nov. 19, 2021.

Supervisor Arnold would not longer be living in her district and she said nothing! Only Supervisor Gibson and Ortiz-Legg spoke of the maps and consequences. The request for pertinent information on accelerations and deferrals was rapidly voted down by the majority of Arnold, Peschong and Compton. Regarding outreach, Supervisor Compton only asked what “staff” had done for outreach to the Latino community of Oceano while she had nothing to report for her attempts at outreach – which were, obviously – none.

Adoption of any massive, highly destructive overhaul is not warranted by any significant change in the 2020 Census data.

I supported Map A that was recommended by your consultants and staff. Left with this choice of 2 maps I support the SLO County 2030 map. It respects communities of interest, especially the long-standing connection of Oceano with Nipomo.

The greater good of the county would be served by adopting a redistricting map that is fair, logical and legally compliant.

Bonita Marie Ernst  
Oceano, CA

\*<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=48vBoJxTG4o>

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**Subject:** FW: Contact Form Topic: Board of Supervisors meetings/business

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**Subject:** Contact Form Topic: Board of Supervisors meetings/business

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Your Name: Bill Riedemann

Your Email: [REDACTED]

U.S. phone number:

Message: Dear Board: In reference to the redrawing and attempted gerrymandering of our county districts, I ask that this board reject the farcical Patten map and abandon the idea of making radical changes to district boundaries based on an ideological power grab. There's really nothing more I can add to the growing chorus of outraged citizens who are shocked this map would be even remotely considered. Peschong Compton and Arnold have never been shy about their Trumpist aspirations. We know what they represent; what their allegiances are; and who they are beholden to. No debate there, and no reason to rehash it here. But consideration of this Patten map is outlandishly self-serving and ignorant even for you three. It violates the spirit and the tenant of the Fair Maps Act and makes a mockery of the concept of communities of interest. How convenient Oceano gets dissolved from Compton's district just before an election she is poised to lose. Additionally, lumping Los Osos with Avila and Oceano, over 35 miles of nothingness away, is a travesty. Cambria, Cayucos and....Atasdcadero? Common interests? What are you drinking? Finally, the blowing up of Supervisor Gibson's coastal district, the only honorable person who sits on this board, is the most powerful proof I see that this is an unethical, unscrupulous, and illegally gerrymandered power grab. Again, this has all been so eloquently stated in the Tribune's editorial and by organizations like the Chamber of Commerce, who has drawn its own logical and informed map which should be rightfully considered. As a 43 year resident of this county, I have seen many distinguished people sit in your seats on the county board. I can still name many, many of them. But I would be hard-pressed to tell you the political party of any of them. The one constant over the years has been their desire to do what was best for not

only their constituents, but the county as a whole. Sadly things have changed radically in the past few years. From the moment newly elected Debbie Arnold, at the behest of the county republican party and their shadowy flimflams, COLAB, decided to make something so traditionally neutral as rotating the chairpersonship of the board a political matter, county cohesion was dead. But as hard as it might be for you three, I ask that you do the right thing FOR THE COUNTY. Do the right thing. Reject this ridiculous map by Richard Patten, some dude off the street whose qualifications I'm still trying to figure out. (But then again you three wanted to interview plumbers and professional baby sitters for the county clerk position so I guess "qualifications" have a different meaning to you). History will tell us in a very short time just how responsible, ethical, and pragmatic you are, or if you are actually willing to create unparalleled chaos and havoc on a county of 270,000 people just because it serves the power-drunk interests of you and your fellow Trumpers. I guess we'll see. We're all crossing our fingers even you three aren't that unscrupulously underhanded and ethically challenged. Thank you. Bill Riedemann Los Osos

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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 11:37 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistricting

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Lisa Marie Estrada  
Administrative Assistant III-Confidential  
Board of Supervisors  
[www.slocounty.ca.gov](http://www.slocounty.ca.gov)  
Direct Line: (805)781-5498

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**From:** terri trew [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 27, 2021 1:34 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting

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Dear Members of the Board,

We did not attend the last redistricting meeting due to Covid concerns. We did, however, watch it on television. The morning participants mostly favored the Patten Map often citing the importance of not splitting communities of interest and this was a major concern. This left us puzzled as the Patten Map definitely splits communities of interest by joining Cambria and San Simeon to Paso Robles. County residents know these are two distinct communities. Also, Los Osos, Morro Bay and Cayucos are not only similar but connected geographically. The League of Women Voters are focused on preserving our democracy by supporting and enhancing fair voter participation. The League supports the Chamber Map as do we. All of you have been given the privilege and trust to preserve our democracy for all members of the county. We hope you do so.

Sincerely,  
Jerry Willuam Mather  
Theresa Mary Trew

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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 11:37 AM  
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**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Reject all the remaining maps

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**From:** Swing Left SLO <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 27, 2021 12:39 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Reject all the remaining maps

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Board of Supervisors,

Sadly, the Republican led BOS does not listen to their constituents. And no amount of reasoning will work with the board majority.

None of the Republican Party preferred SLO County maps are worth voting for.

Patrick Dill  
Arroyo Grande - D4

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**From:** Kathy Keys <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 11:37 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]redistricting

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We do not want the Patten map to be chosen . We prefer to keep the districts as is but since the Board chose only two choices we strongly urge you to accept the Chamber of Commerce map.

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**From:** Web Notifications <webnotifications@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 11:24 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** Public Comment - ID 275

RedistrictingID 275

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First Name Fern

Last Name Godden

Email

Phone

Name of

Organization Self

Represented

City Oceano

Zip 93445

Comment

Please adopt SLO County 2030 map. I can't vote in 2022 under the Patten map. An estimated 26,000 voters, like me, would have no representation on BOS, until 2024. Because of the voting record of communities affected by Patten map redistricting, it is apparent that the reason for changes are partisan and point to a potential violation of the Elections Code. To avoid such violation and to promote the will of the people, like me, who vote, I strongly encourage you to adopt the SLO County 2030 map.

Public Records Notice True



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**From:** Ann Hillesland [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 11:11 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting feedback

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Dear Supervisors,

It's critical that you choose a fair map for representation in our county. Our current map is pretty good--it keeps communities with similar interests together. I urge you to vote for the map provided by the Chamber of Commerce when choosing a redistricting option, because it is the only map that keeps communities of interest together..

Regards,

Ann Hillesland  
Paso Robles

## [EXT]REDISTRICTING!

viki miller [REDACTED]

Fri 11/26/2021 9:35 AM

To: Debbie Arnold <darnold@co.slo.ca.us>

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Thank you for bringing back for review and final vote only these two maps.

My choice is the Richard Patten Map Rev\_1 ID 74786.

This map keeps San Luis Obispo with Cal Poly, keeps Templeton and Atascadero whole.

The other map is similar to Map A that was already rejected by the November 19 vote.

Viki Miller  
Atascadero

## [EXT]SLO County Redistricting

sdegerer <[REDACTED]>

Fri 11/26/2021 2:05 PM

To: Debbie Arnold <darnold@co.slo.ca.us>

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Dear Supervisor Arnold,

Of the now two remaining maps to consider for adoption on November 30th, I respectfully request support for the adoption of Richard Patten's Rev. 1 Citizens' Map.

Respectfully,  
Sara Semmes  
District 2

Sent from my iPad

## [EXT]Redistricting Meeting 11-29-2021

John Texeira [REDACTED]

Fri 11/26/2021 2:30 PM

To: Debbie Arnold <darnold@co.slo.ca.us>

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Dear Supervisor Arnold,

As a result of the recent November 19th SLO County Board of Supervisors redistricting meeting, there are now two maps to consider for adoption on November 30th. I respectfully request support for the adoption of Richard Patten's Rev. 1 Citizens' Map.

Sincerely,  
John Texeira  
Paso Robles

## [EXT]Redistricting Maps

Sue Ward <[REDACTED]>

Fri 11/26/2021 8:05 PM

To: Debbie Arnold <darnold@co.slo.ca.us>

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Dear Supervisor Arnold:

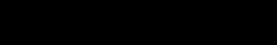
As a result of the recent November 19th SLO County Board of Supervisors redistricting meeting, there are now two maps to consider for adoption on November 30th. I respectfully request support for the adoption of Richard Patten's Rev. 1 Citizens' Map.

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Respectfully,

Sue Ward  
Arroyo Grande, CA

## [EXT]Redisricting

Kay Gard  >

Sat 11/27/2021 1:33 PM

To: Debbie Arnold <darnold@co.slo.ca.us>

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Dear Debbie Arnold,

As a result of the recent Nov.19 SLO County BOS redistricting meeting. There are now 2 maps to consider for adoption on Nov.30th I respectfully request support for the adoption of Richard Patten's REV 1 citizens map.

Respectfully,

Kay Gardali

[EXT]SLO REDISTRICTING - PROPOSED MAPS (2)

Jay Ohare [REDACTED]

Sat 11/27/2021 4:59 PM

To: Debbie Arnold <darnold@co.slo.ca.us>

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Dear Supervisor Arnold,

I understand that as a result of the November 19th SLO County Board of Supervisors redistricting meeting, there are now two maps to consider for adoption on November 30th. I respectfully request support for the adoption of Richard Patten's Rev. 1 Citizens' Map.

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Jay O'Hare  
Resident, Arroyo Grande

## [EXT]adopt the Richard Patten's Rev. 1 Citizens' Map

Theresa Kennedy [REDACTED]

Sun 11/28/2021 6:22 AM

To: Debbie Arnold <darnold@co.slo.ca.us>

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Please adopt Richard Patten's Rev, 1 citizens' map

Theresa Kennedy

[REDACTED]  
Nipomo, CA 93444



[EXT]redistricting

Ann Thurston [REDACTED]

Fri 11/26/2021 12:23 PM

To: Debbie Arnold <darnold@co.slo.ca.us>

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Dear Supervisor

As a result of the recent November 19th SLO County Board of Supervisors redistricting meeting, there are now two maps to consider for adoption on November 30th. I respectfully request support for the adoption of Richard Patten's Rev. 1 Citizens' Map.

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Respectfully,

Ann Thurston

[REDACTED]

San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

## [EXT]Redistricting

Mark Schmitt <[REDACTED]>

Fri 11/26/2021 2:42 PM

To: Debbie Arnold <darnold@co.slo.ca.us>

**ATTENTION:** This email originated from outside the County's network. Use caution when opening attachments or links.

Dear Supervisor Arnold,

If State Redistricting rules are to be followed, they should:

- Consider Communities with common socioeconomic interests
- Evenly distribute the population
- Provide for geographic compactness by keeping cities whole
- Establish clear, identifiable boundaries with contiguous communities
- AND, be free from political interests

**RICHARD PATTEN'S PROPOSED MAP SATISFIES THESE RULES...I URGE YOU TO ADOPT THIS MAP ON NOVEMBER 30TH.**

Thank you,

Mark Schmitt,  
Pismo Beach

[EXT]Redistricting

Mary Baxstresser <[REDACTED]>

Fri 11/26/2021 2:48 PM

To: Debbie Arnold <darnold@co.slo.ca.us>

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Dear Ms Arnold,

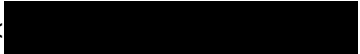
Please vote to adopt the **Richard Patten's Rev. 1 Citizens' Map.**

Thank you,

**Mary Baxstresser**

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[EXT]Redistricting

Mary Lorraine Watters < >

Fri 11/26/2021 3:34 PM

To: Debbie Arnold <darnold@co.slo.ca.us>

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Dear Supervisor Arnold,

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Respectfully,

Mary Watters  
Arroyo Grande

[EXT]Redistricting

Frank Triggs 

Sat 11/27/2021 1:31 PM


To: Debbie Arnold <darnold@co.slo.ca.us>

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Thank you for the hard work you are doing on this matter. Please adopt the "Richard Patten" map as it best fulfills the state guidelines.

*W. Frank Triggs*

[EXT]map

diane reinert < >

Sun 11/28/2021 4:24 PM

To: Debbie Arnold <darnold@co.slo.ca.us>

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I am a resident and business owner in SLO and vote for the redistricting map with the least changes, called the Chamber of Commerce map in one article.

Diane Reinert

## [EXT]Redistricting - please support the Patten map

Sharon Hart [REDACTED]

Sun 11/28/2021 7:35 PM

To: Debbie Arnold <darnold@co.slo.ca.us>

**ATTENTION:** This email originated from outside the County's network. Use caution when opening attachments or links.

Dear Supervisor Arnold,

New to this process, I attended and then watched the last Board of Supervisors meeting. I want to thank you for being one of two supervisors who attentively and respectfully listened to *every* speaker - even when the arguments became repetitive. You set a good example for everyone.

During the meeting, Supervisor Compton gave a rather cogent discussion of the differences between the strawberry fields of Nipomo and the vegetable growers of Oceano, and in so doing was an excellent example of representative government... she knows the differences because she lives there, knows growers from both regions, and has "lived" the issues.

*Representative government is based on people with like needs being grouped together*, as much as possible, so that their representative has "lived" the issues and can give a spontaneous discussion about things like the differing needs of strawberry and vegetable growers! Therefore, dividing the largest Community of Interest - the increasingly metropolitan City of San Luis Obispo and adjacent Cal Poly - makes no sense to me. Some may argue that they are incorporated and therefore their supervisor doesn't need to spend the time needed to represent them but would only represent the unincorporated areas - that is *reprehensible!*

A supervisor for the metropolitan city of San Luis Obispo should have expertise in those issues that are important to his/her district... and should be able to expertly articulate those issues, as well as any resulting impact(s), to the other supervisors so that the County as a whole can function more efficiently and effectively.

I URGE YOU TO SUPPORT THE PATTEN MAP! As closely as possible, it groups people with like needs together, and doesn't cut and paste the largest Community of Interest onto rural areas with significantly different needs and issues.

Thank you.

Sharon F. Billon, MD

## [EXT]SLO county Redistricting Proposed Two Maps

Pat McMahan <[REDACTED]>

Sat 11/27/2021 10:25 AM

To: Debbie Arnold <darnold@co.slo.ca.us>

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> Dear Debbie Arnold,

> Regarding the redistricting maps proposed at the November 19th SLO County Board of Supervisors meeting, I respectfully request you support adoption of Richard Patten's Rev. 1 Citizen's Map.

> Thank you for your consideration,

> Patrick McMahan

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## [EXT]SLO County Redistricting Proposed Two Maps

Fred Brilman <f[REDACTED]>

Sat 11/27/2021 7:51 PM

To: Debbie Arnold <darnold@co.slo.ca.us>

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### SLO County Redistricting Proposed Two Maps

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Thank you

Fred Brilman

[REDACTED]  
Grover Beach Ca 93433

**FW: [EXT]Oppose Patten map redistricting plan**

Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Mon 11/29/2021 3:44 PM

To: Mei-Lin Gee <mgee@co.slo.ca.us>

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

From: Mary Sampson [REDACTED] >

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 10:52 AM

To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]Oppose Patten map redistricting plan

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To whom it may concern,

As the saying goes: if it ain't broke don't fix it! The new census data does not demand the changes proposed by the "Patten map". It appears to be classic gerrymandering. Resist this partisan attempt to control SLO County elections.

Robert DeGraff

Sent from my iPad

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**FW: Public Comment - ID 274**

Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Mon 11/29/2021 3:44 PM

To: Mei-Lin Gee <mgee@co.slo.ca.us>

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**From:** Web Notifications <webnotifications@co.slo.ca.us>

**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 10:49 AM

**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

**Subject:** Public Comment - ID 274

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First Name Colleen  
Last Name Shea  
Email [REDACTED]  
Phone [REDACTED]  
Name of Organization Represented  
City Morro Bay  
Zip 93442  
Comment As a resident of Morro Bay - I'd like to encourage the SLO Board of Supervisors to vote for the Chamber of Commerce redistricting map-Thank you  
Public Records Notice True

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

From: Jack Krasner <[REDACTED]>  
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 10:45 AM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: [EXT]Public Comment

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I am deeply concerned over the efforts of conservative supervisors to redraw the county's district maps. If successful the redrawn maps, the Patten map for example, would seriously erode the votes and choices of more liberal-minded citizens. Please allow outside nonpartisan officials to draw the final maps and assure everyone in SLO county of a fair process.

Thank you,  
Jack Krasner

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**From:** Web Notifications <webnotifications@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 10:44 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** Public Comment - ID 272

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First Name Linda & Vaughn  
Last Name Borders-Hasslein  
Email [REDACTED]  
Phone [REDACTED]  
Name of  
Organization residents  
Represented  
City Los Osos  
Zip 93402

Comment We are against the Patten map.....the coastal communities does not want to be broken up....we have common problems and do not want our wishes/needs diluted by others not in our communities.

Public Records  
Notice True

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**From:** Web Notifications <webnotifications@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 10:44 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** Public Comment - ID 273

RedistrictingID	273
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First Name	Patty
Last Name	Lee
Email	[REDACTED]
Phone	[REDACTED]
Name of Organization Represented	
City	Cambria
Zip	93428
Comment	This is an unethical and unnecessary power grab beyond fairness or decency in government.
Public Records Notice	True

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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 10:44 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** Public Comment - ID 271

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First Name Lizabeth  
Last Name Horton  
Email [REDACTED]  
Phone [REDACTED]  
Name of Organization Represented  
City Atascadero  
Zip 93422  
Comment I think the Patten map is terrible. They are mistreating probably more than half of their constituents by chopping up our districts this way.  
Public Records Notice True



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**From:** Kathleen Goble <kgoble@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 10:44 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Fwd: Supervisors please make sure the Staff corrects the Agenda Details

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**From:** Sarah Barnes [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 11:35 AM  
**To:** John Peschong <jpeschong@co.slo.ca.us>; co.slo.ca.us@rpslo.org; Debbie Arnold <darnold@co.slo.ca.us>; Lynn Compton <lcompton@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Fwd: Supervisors please make sure the Staff corrects the Agenda Details

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My concern occurred when I read the details in the Nov 30 meeting agenda. Remove the bias observed by the order in which you list the chosen maps.

Order does matter.

The video link clearly shows that the Patten Map was the first choice. This needs to be reflected in the details of the Agenda for the Nov 30 meeting.

VIDEO LINK:

<https://rumble.com/vpuba8-the-vote-and-clairfication-of-staff-report-for-the-nov-19-2021-redistrictin.html>

At the beginning of the Nov 30 meeting the corrections need to be online and verbalized at the beginning of the meeting.

My choice is still the Richard Patten Map Rev\_1 ID 74786. This map keeps Atascadero whole while keeping Cal Poly and most of San Luis Obispo City together.

One other important point is to keep communities of interest together such as finally acknowledging these facts:

Oceano has these important daily items in common with Grover Beach: 1) grocery shopping, 2) nearest fast food chains, 3) varied restaurants, 4) gas stations, 5) sewer and 6) fire protection. There are more but these stand out.

Keep Oceano with Grover Beach as in the Richard Patten Map Rev\_1.

Again, it is imperative to keep communities of interest together.

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

From: Mary Sampson <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Monday, Novemb

To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]Opposed to Re-districting Measures

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To Whom It May Concern:

I am opposed to altering the current districts, as I see no reason for changing them and the current census doesn't indicate adjustments are needed either. I deplore the partisan political tactics the Patten map employs and implore the Supervisors to legally and honorably uphold their responsibilities to SLO County's citizens by rejecting it outright.

Respectfully,  
Mary Sampson

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**From:** Duane English [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 10:33 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]in favor of Chamber of Commerce map

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To the Board of Supervisors:

I live in District 5 and have been a resident of San Luis Obispo County since 1971. I am ADAMANTLY opposed to the Patten map. I raised my family in this county and worked several jobs to make ends meet (including being a business owner). The proposed Patten map does not give me confidence that I will be represented properly.

Duane English

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

From: Thomas Rippner <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 10:32 AM

To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]REDISTRICTING

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Hello All. I am in favour of keeping the district lines the same since there has been minimal change in population as compared to the last census.

If a map must be redrawn I am favouring the Chamber of Commerce map and very much opposed to the Patten map.

Thank you, Thomas Rippner



San Luis Obispo, Ca 93401

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Redistricting comments 11\_29\_21.pdf;



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**From:** Mark [REDACTED] >

**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 10:28 AM

**To:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>; Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

**Subject:** [EXT]Comments regarding district map selection

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Please see the attached comments regarding the final selection of district maps for the county.

Thank you for your attention,  
Mark and Gean Bronson

November 29, 2021

Dear Board of Supervisors –

We are writing this letter to provide our comments in advance of your selection of the final districting map for SLO County. We write this letter with not a small amount of concern, because it seems likely that certain members of the BOS seem to know where they were heading before any public comments were received on any of the maps that have been put forward.

We are residents (though fairly new residents) of Cambria. We have been actively monitoring the redistricting process with great interest. It did seem odd to us from the start that the board decided it would be appropriate to determine the district lines themselves when, according to state law “districts shall not be drawn for purposes of favoring or discriminating against an incumbent, political candidate, or political party.” How is the public to trust that supervisors are in fact representing the interests of all of their citizens when they aren’t following best practices (and practices that would help the citizenry have trust in the process) by having the district lines established by an independent, non-political commission of citizens. That ship has obviously sailed.

The board hired an outside consultant to advise the board on potential maps and whether maps do or do not meet the states requirements. The consultant advised that the existing maps (which were very similar to Map A) met the current requirements. Furthermore, the population hasn’t changed much in the county over the last 10 years. It hasn’t been clear to us why the district lines needed to be redrawn at all.

We watched the hearing on October 26<sup>th</sup> on zoom, and attended the hearing on November 19<sup>th</sup>. It wasn’t apparent to us until the meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> that the hearings were really nothing more than political theater. They are there to attempt to give the appearance of legitimacy to the process when it seems clear that three of our supervisors aren’t listening to public input. You are supposed to be representing all of the people of the county. How can it be that the majority of written public input, and a great deal of the spoken comments provided during the public hearings were in favor of Map A – a map your own consultant told you met state requirements, and yet that map didn’t even make it into the final round.

As it turns out, it seems the consultant was, much like the public hearings have been, theater. None of the maps offered by the consultant made it to the final round of two. It would seem to us that taxpayer dollars could be better spend than putting on this show. Oh well, have to let bygones be bygones, right?

So now we find ourselves with two potential maps. One purportedly advanced by Richard Patten, the other by the SLO Chamber of Commerce.

At the hearings (and particularly at the hearing on the 19<sup>th</sup>), we heard several speakers advocating for the Patten map. They did so by talking about a constitutional requirement to keep cities together. They said the Patten map was the only map that met the legal requirements. They spoke of how the Patten map wouldn’t divide communities of interest. They spoke of the importance of keeping the city of San Luis Obispo in a single district. Lastly, they tried to portray the Patten map as simply the earnest effort of a non-political citizen to figure out how to get those gosh darn district maps in compliance with the state requirements.

There is necessarily some commonality of points made among commentators with similar preferences, but I must say I was struck by the way the Patten map supporters nearly all made the same points in

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very similar ways. It was particularly odd given that much of what they were saying struck me as plainly incorrect to be generous.

- As far as we can tell, the constitution does not require that districts be drawn so that cities are kept in a single district above all other considerations (and particularly considerations of dividing communities of interest).
- The Patten map doesn't do this in any case as it continues to split San Luis Obispo (though into two districts rather than three).
- The Patten map certainly divides important communities of interest (at clear odds with the requirements of state law).
  - It divides up the communities along the county's north coast – a clear community of interest with many common shared interests and values that we've written about (and which I won't bother repeating hear).
  - Based on public comments (which we, at least, were listening to), it sounded like the plans for splitting up Oceano and Nipomo would also be dividing Latino communities of interest.
- Lastly, this map seems, contrary to the comments made by the Patten supporters, clearly motivated by political considerations. I didn't have an awareness of what had been happening in regards to the Patten map prior to the meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup>, but should have been able to guess based on the commonality of Patten map supporter commentary. There was really no surprise when I came home from the meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup>, opened up the latest version the Tribune, and read that the Patten map had been the subject of training meetings held by the republican party around the county to teach attendants how to speak about the Patten map. No wonder everyone sounded the same – they had been handed the same script by a political party. Furthermore, when one looks at analyses showing the shift in district voting behaviors that would be associated with the Patten map, it seems clear that the Patten map has the effect of packing many of the county's democratically leaning voters into a single district and diluting the impact of democratically leaning voters by grouping them in with larger, republican-leaning areas. Districts that had been won by conservatives by slim margins in the past would be more solidly republican-leaning under the Patten map to my understanding. Is this a map that anyone with a lick of sense would believe has been drawn without a purpose of favoring or discriminating against an incumbent, political candidate, or political party? To our eyes, it is clearly the result of gerrymandering. One only need look at all the odd detours the district lines in the Patten map take to see this is the case. District one, for instance, makes a very tortured detour around Atascadero so that it can be put in with district two. As a practical matter, someone living in a coastal town in district two can't really get to Atascadero without passing through another district.

The Patten map simply does not appear to meet the legal requirements set forth by the state. The number of people the Republican Party has found to act as puppets for their speaking points doesn't change this basic truth.

We worry that we are talking into the void, and that the board will vote, 3-2, in favor of the Patten map. We hope that the board will consider its obligations to **all** of the residents of the county. We beg of you

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to select the map advanced by the San Luis Obispo county Chamber of Commerce, which reduces disruptions to communities of interest relative to the Patten map. Please do the right thing. Don't disenfranchise the voters you are supposed to represent by ignoring their voice and by engaging in clear gerrymandering for political gain.

Thank you very much for your time and for your service,

Mark Bronson and Darrell Bronson-Means



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**From:** Web Notifications <webnotifications@co.slo.ca.us>  
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**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** Public Comment - ID 270

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First Name Mariam  
Last Name Shah  
Email [REDACTED]  
Phone [REDACTED]  
Name of Organization Represented  
City Arroyo Grande  
Zip 93420  
Comment Please choose the SLO Chamber map. It was thoughtfully comprised by leaders in our community and doesn't make too many major, costly, unnecessary changes.  
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First Name Colleen

Last Name Martin

Email

Phone

Name of

Organization The Martin Family  
Represented

City Arroyo Grande

Zip 93420

Comment There is no need for maps to be chosen that are much different than are in place now. As a LMUSD Trustee, I have redistricted twice in the last 5 years, The numbers have not changed that much. Oceano and Nipomo need to be represented by the same supervisor. They are both not cities and need a supervisor to represent them. NOW is not time to be radically different. Isn't a global pandemic enough to deal with! Please keep the maps similar to today. Colleen Martin

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First Name Paul

Last Name Irving

Email [REDACTED]

Phone [REDACTED]

Name of

Organization n/a

Represented

City Los Osos

Zip 93402

Comment I am very concerned with the partisan gerrymandering at the Board of Supervisors and would urge the board to not adopt the Patten Map and represent the people of SLO County more fairly with the SLO Chamber map. Please do the right thing.

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**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** Public Comment - ID 267

RedistrictingID	267
Form inserted	11/29/2021 10:15:01 AM
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First Name	Robert
Last Name	Baird
Email	[REDACTED]
Phone	[REDACTED]
Name of Organization Represented	None. I am a private citizen, and registered SLO voter.
City	Grover Beach
Zip	93433
Comment	The so-called Patten map is blatant gerrymandering, and should NOT be approved. Period!
Public Records Notice	True

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

From: Christine Mulholland <[REDACTED]>  
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 10:01 AM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: [EXT]Redistricting

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Dear Supervisors,

Please remember that you hold a non-partisan office.

Please do the honorable and fair thing.

Please recognize the Chamber of Commerce map is drawn by and supported by people from different places in the county who hold varying political persuasions.

Please choose the map that makes the fewest changes in the current district lines and keeps communities of interest grouped together.

Sincerely,

Christine Mulholland  
San Luis Obispo  
805-544-6618

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**From:** Web Notifications <webnotifications@co.slo.ca.us>  
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RedistrictingID	266
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First Name	Jeannette
Last Name	Rouse
Email	[REDACTED]
Phone	[REDACTED]
Name of Organization Represented	
City	San Luis Obispo
Zip	93401
Comment	Vote for Patten 74786 map. It only divides San Luis Obispo and Cal Poly into 2 not 3 districts like 75760.
Public Records Notice	True

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**From:** Kathleen Goble <kgoble@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:57 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Re districting map

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**From:** Sheila Dallas <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 26, 2021 1:58 PM  
**To:** [jpeshong@so.slo.cs.us](mailto:jpeshong@so.slo.cs.us); [lcompton@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:lcompton@co.slo.ca.us); [dortezlegg@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:dortezlegg@co.slo.ca.us); Bruce Gibson <[bgibson@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:bgibson@co.slo.ca.us)>; Debbie Arnold <[darnold@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:darnold@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Re districting map

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As of the Board of Directors meeting on Nov.19,2021, there are two maps to be considered. I respectfully request that Richard Patten Rev 1 citizens map be selected

**~Sheila Dallas, Citizen**

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

From: Stephen Burton <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 9:53 AM

To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Cc: Burton Rita <gn4abtn@gmail.com>

Subject: [EXT]Redistricting

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Supervisors-

Leave Cambria alone- do not vote for the Patten map.

Steve Burton

Cambria

Sent from my iPhone



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**From:** silvercan@charter.net [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:51 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>; John Peschong <jpeschong@co.slo.ca.us>; co.slo.ca.us@rpslo.org; Debbie Arnold <darnold@co.slo.ca.us>; Lynn Compton <lcompton@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Supervisors please make sure the Staff corrects the Agenda Details

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To whom it may concern,

While neither map is respecting the rule to keep like communities together; it is important for the county staff to remain non-partisan and follow the rules as to the order of presentation.

Please change the order of map presentation to reflect that the R. Patten map ID 74786 needs to be listed first on the Agenda for the Nov 30 Board of Supervisor meeting.

This correct change to the order; and therefore the agenda, requires public announcement as opening statements at this meeting.

My choice for the redistrict map remains *All Related Municipalities on Own District-Rural Balance (District-R ID 73162)*.

Thank you for your time.  
Jeannette "Jan" Rouse

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**From:** Jeffrey Willert [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:43 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting concern.  
**Importance:** High

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Dear SLO Board of Supervisors:

**Please select the Chamber of Commerce (SLO County 2030) map as the map going forward because of the following concerns:**

- Of the two remaining maps under consideration, the SLO County 2030 map is less disruptive to voters than the Patten map.
- The SLO County 2030 map appears to meet all the criteria stipulated in the California Election Code and complies with the United States Constitution, the California Constitution, and the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965.
- The SLO County 2030 map respects local communities of interest.
- The SLO County 2030 map is endorsed by the League of Women Voters of SLO County .

The Patten map **SHOULD BE REJECTED** because of the following concerns:

- it makes more radical changes to the district lines as evidenced by the number of deferrals and accelerations in voting it would impose.
- Selection of the Patten map would cause a huge imbalance in the voters roles in the 2022 election.
- Finally, the Patten map would ultimately cause a major shift in the balance of the Board of Supervisors.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Willert

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**From:** Patrick Veasart <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:39 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting

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**TO:** SLO County Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Pat Veasart  
**DATE:** 11/29/2021

I have lived in this county for over 50 years and during that time I have been somewhat engaged in local politics and issues. I have seen elected supervisors come and go; I have seen the balance of power on the Board swing back and forth; I have seen and worked with supervisors who were fair and honest, despite their party affiliations, and I have seen and tried to work with supervisors who blatantly represented special and partisan interests over the good of the county. As regards the latter, the current Board is the worst I have ever seen.

Please let me remind you that partisan politics and partisan agendas have no place on the Board. Your job is to represent the people of this county and to have their best interests at heart; your job is to be fair and honest and represent everybody regardless of which party they belong to (if any). Your recent vote to increase campaign contribution limits was appalling and blatantly anti-democratic; your recent allegations of campaign fraud that led to the resignation of the County Clerk Recorder were also appalling; now, your consideration of the "Patten Map" is unconscionable.

Like the leadership of the Republican Party, the three blatantly partisan Republican members of the Board appear to be willing to do anything or say anything in order to win and/or promote their party's agenda. If you believe that the end justifies the means, then how can you be trusted? "What gaineth a man that loses his soul?"

I am not going to ask you to vote one way or the other as I am convinced that the "fix" is in. All I am going to do is suggest that you take a look in the mirror and ask yourself if you like what you see.

*"The planet is equipped with literally millions of built-in devices for capturing carbon from the atmosphere and turning it into oxygen, but humans often cut them down!" — Alexandra Petri (Washington Post)*

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

From: Mary Forth [REDACTED]  
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 9:39 AM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: [EXT]Redistricting

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I am appalled that the Board may adopt the Patten redistricting plan for our county. Clearly it is a blatant attempt to gerry-rig elections. Not a good move, Supervisors, especially when the County plan is so much less partisan. Show us that you uphold democratic fair elections by rejecting the Patten plan.

Respectfully,

Mary and Don Forth  
Arroyo Grande

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Carol Maxwell <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:39 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Please choose the chambers plan!

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Dear board of supervisors,  
I'm submitting this again after learning that you have a dedicated address for such opinions. Here is my letter.

Adopting the Patten Map is blatant gerrymandering, and violates California Election Law 21500 which states: *The board shall not adopt supervisorial district boundaries for the purpose of favoring or discriminating against a political party.*

The Patten Map separates communities of interest. It also disenfranchises tens of thousands of voters, the majority of whom are Democrats, keeping them from voting until 2024.

Furthermore, along with my other objections, as a resident of San Luis Obispo, I am opposed to the fact that the Patten Map cuts off portions of our city, dumps them into a north coast district and fails to include unincorporated areas.

Choosing a map which blatantly violates election law and fairness is repugnant and shameful. I hope you will make the fair and ethical choice, and support with **SLO County 2030** map, which provides some modest changes in a manner which is fair and non-partisan.

Please demonstrate that you are a fair and non-partisan representative of the voters in your district and the county as a whole which as a member of the Board of Supervisors you are supposed to and expected to be.

Carol Maxwell  
San Luis Obispo

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**From:** susan@ifsusan.com [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:33 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]redistricting comments 11-30-21

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Please find our comments attached.

Susan Harvey  
North county Watch

Susan A. Harvey



*“Pay attention. Someday, you’ll be the last one who remembers.”*  
Virginia Trimble, Astrophysicist

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From: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 3:00 PM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: FW: [EXT]Nov 30 Redistricting Meeting

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Lisa Marie Estrada

Administrative Assistant III-Confidential Board of Supervisors

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Direct Line: (805)781-5498

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

From: Anita Rouse <[REDACTED]>  
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 12:44 PM  
To: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: [EXT]Nov 30 Redistricting Meeting

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I live in an area of Atascadero that would be affected with the Patten map redistricting and I oppose this change. I favor the 2030 map, if the original map is not going to be considered at all.

Please consider voting for the 2030 redistricting map!

Thank you,

Anita Lee Rouse

[REDACTED]  
Atascadero, CA 93422



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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 3:00 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: Contact Form Topic: District 5 Supervisor Debbie Arnold Question/Issue

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Lisa Marie Estrada  
Administrative Assistant III-Confidential  
Board of Supervisors  
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Topic: District 5 Supervisor Debbie Arnold Question/Issue

Your Name: Evan Richards

Your Email: [REDACTED]

U.S. phone number: [REDACTED]

Message: I am very concerned about the Patten redistricting map. It is important that everyone have a voice and the Patten map will upset that balance. The choice will impact the lives of every individual in SLO county for the next time years. As an elected official, I trust you to do the right thing. If you do not, I will remember that when it's time to vote.

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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 3:00 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: Contact Form Topic: District 3 Supervisor Dawn Ortiz-Legg Question/Issue

For your review. Thank you.

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Topic: District 3 Supervisor Dawn Ortiz-Legg Question/Issue

Your Name: Emilee Reith

Your Email: [REDACTED]

U.S. phone number: [REDACTED]

Message: I am very concerned about the Patten redistricting map. It is important that everyone have a voice and the Patten map will upset that balance. The choice will impact the lives of every individual in SLO county for the next time years. As an elected official, I trust you to do the right thing. If you do not, I will remember that when it's time to vote.

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First Name Debra

Last Name Stakes

Email

Phone

Name of

Organization Private citizen, retired community college instructor  
Represented

City Los Osos

Zip 93402

Comment I am deeply opposed to the Patton Map. The supervisor boundaries that comprise this map are unnecessarily disruptive to coastal communities of interest of which Los Osos is one. The current map (not the Patton map) allows the coastal communities to be aligned for economic interests. Sea level rise, erosion, and saltwater penetration due to ocean warming are a unique threat to these communities. They require a supervisor to represent them on these unique issues.

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**From:** Mike Zigelman <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 12:50 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting

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Support the plan as supported by the Chamber of Commerce.

Thanks,

Mike Zigelman

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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 3:00 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: Contact Form Topic: District 2 Supervisor Bruce Gibson Question/Issue

For your review. Thank you.

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**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** Contact Form Topic: District 2 Supervisor Bruce Gibson Question/Issue

Topic: District 2 Supervisor Bruce Gibson Question/Issue

Your Name: Mel Hansen

Your Email: [REDACTED]

U.S. phone number: [REDACTED]

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From: debbie highfil <debbiehighfill@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 2:59 PM

To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]Please do not approve the Patten redistricting map

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It puts unlike constituents together and it is completely politically motivated rather than having the districting reflect the actual population that we have.

Thanks, Debbie Highfill

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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:57 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: Contact Form Topic: District 1 Supervisor John Peschong Question/Issue

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Lisa Marie Estrada  
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Board of Supervisors  
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**Subject:** Contact Form Topic: District 1 Supervisor John Peschong Question/Issue

Topic: District 1 Supervisor John Peschong Question/Issue

Your Name: Dana Néce

Your Email: [REDACTED]

U.S. phone number: [REDACTED]

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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:57 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]SLO COUNTY REDISTRICTING

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**From:** Howell, Angela J. <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 12:38 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]SLO COUNTY REDISTRICTING

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As an Atascadero Resident, I believe in keeping like communities together and would like to voice my support for the Richard Patton Map.

Thanks,



**Angela Howell**  
Controller  
[REDACTED]  
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401  
[REDACTED]  
[rrmdesign.com](http://rrmdesign.com)



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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:57 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: Contact Form Topic: District 4 Supervisor Lynn Compton Question/Issue

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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 12:36 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** Contact Form Topic: District 4 Supervisor Lynn Compton Question/Issue

Topic: District 4 Supervisor Lynn Compton Question/Issue

Your Name: Melinda Hatfield

Your Email: [REDACTED]

U.S. phone number: ([REDACTED])

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**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistricting

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 12:25 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

I live in Laguna Lake Area. and am very concerned about the proposed redistricting maps. There is no legal requirement to change the boundaries. Why did you not appoint a nonpartisan citizens panel to advise on drawing boundaries?

Why would Laguna Lake be separated from San Luis Obispo, which is connected directly to us. But the so called Patten Map combines us with part of Morro Bay, Avila Beach, Los Osos and part of Oceano. What was he doing when he concocted this district?

And the worst possible district would be to combine Cambria with Atascadero. How in any sense are these cities "areas of interest?"

It appears that your majority wants radically new boundaries to secure a partisan advantage for yourselves.

I urge you to retain the current district lines. They fairly balance geography, population, communities of interest and party registration.

To merge north coast communities with the Paso district is disturbing, in the least.

Please remember that you serve all the constituents in this county, and do the right thing by rejecting the Patten map and adopting the plan from the SLO Chamber of Commerce. I hope

that at least one of you, Supervisor Compton, Peschong, or Arnold will do right by our county.

Thank you for your consideration.

Ed and Loretta Grondahl

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From: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 2:56 PM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: FW: [EXT]Redistricting

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Lisa Marie Estrada

Administrative Assistant III-Confidential Board of Supervisors

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From: William Brown <[REDACTED]>  
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 12:23 PM  
To: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: [EXT]Redistricting

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Do not remove Oceano from  
It's current voting district  
WL Brown  
Arroyo Grande

Sent from my iPhone

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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:56 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistricting

For your review. Thank you.

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**From:** Sammy Papert <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 12:21 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting

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Dear Local Leaders:

As one of a very few Texans who has seen the light and moved to California, let me *plead* with you to follow the SLO Chamber recommendation. From what I can tell it is the most thoroughly thought out, built using data and most likely to serve this community well for the next decade.

Thanks for what you do!

Best,

Sammy

**Sammy Papert**



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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:56 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistricting Meeting Nov. 30

For your review. Thank you.

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**From:** Jonica Bushman [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 12:16 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting Meeting Nov. 30

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To the County of San Luis Obispo Board of Supervisors,

As concerned citizens and consistent voters, my husband and I are writing in regard to the redistricting plans before the BOS. We are not robots, nor are we part of any organized campaign.

We are writing in support of the 2030 map which appears to us to make a much more fair distribution of voters than the Patten map.

We are extremely disappointed in the BOS's choice of the Patten map for redistricting. It effectively disenfranchises too many voters, and as concerned citizens, we cannot approve of that.

Johanna M. Bushman  
[REDACTED]  
Nipomo, CA 93444

James D. Bushman  
[REDACTED]  
Nipomo, CA 93444

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**From:** Tina Salter [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 6:53 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Maps for redistricting SLO County

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Please do the most practical thing when choosing one of the two choices--the Chamber of Commerce map would work best. It follows current districts more closely and doesn't upend long term Supervisors' districts.

Thank you for this chance to put in my 2 cents worth

Bettina Salter

Resident of the current District 5.  
[REDACTED]

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

From: Charles Varni [REDACTED]  
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 6:50 AM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: [EXT]The Assault on Oceano

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Nov 27, 2021

Dear Supervisors,

As an unincorporated and disadvantaged community, Oceano has experienced a level of neglect uncommon to other areas of the County. Relatively high levels of poverty, low levels of household income, and a 45% Latino population, coupled with a largely unresponsive County, has led to a sense of cynicism and despair in regard to government attention and services.

For example, large portions of the community lack curbs, gutters, sidewalks, and flood control—very basic infrastructure for a safe and socially integrated community. In 2004 SLO County created a comprehensive drainage and flood control plan for the community which included cost estimates and a timeline for completion. Now, 18 years later, relatively little has been achieved—and most of that financed through grant monies, not County allocations. In 2013 the County created a Revitalization Plan for downtown Oceano, including major intersection improvements and pedestrian crossings. Now, nine years later, literally nothing has been accomplished. Children lack safe routes to schools, homes and streets flood, and tax monies continue to be drained from the community for use in other areas. For example, Oceano TOT taxes for 2020 were over \$900,000 and all went to the County. We need those tax monies, generated by our tourists, to pay for fire services—as opposed to a new special tax on our property owners.

To say that Oceano has been relatively ignored by the County is not an exaggeration and the Patten Map now disenfranchises our residents by moving us into a new Fifth District. This means we will not be able to vote for a Supervisor until 2024. We become an “orphan” community with no Supervisor representing us, institutionalizing the historical neglect we already experience. This at a critical time when Oceano residents are speaking up and mobilizing to obtain State and Federal grant monies for infrastructure projects.

With the largely Democratic voters of Oceano carved out of the 4<sup>th</sup> District and replaced by largely Republican voters in the Edna Valley the political advantage of one party over another is increased. On its face, this is a clear violation of Elections Code 21500 (d) which prohibits changing district boundaries in order to favor or discriminate against a political party. On its own, this fact invalidates the Patten map.

In addition, the carve out of Oceano divides the 4<sup>th</sup> District Latino community of interest (largest in County) into two separate Districts, thus disempowering their collective voting power which historically has trended Democratic.

With this blatantly corrupt Patten map, which is clearly intended to favor the Republican party, I wonder how the County Council can sit quietly and not call it out as a huge legal and financial liability to the taxpayers of SLO County?

Please reject the illegal Patten map and adopt the SLO Chamber one which leaves Oceano in the 4<sup>th</sup> District and conforms to all legal requirements of redistricting.

Sincerely,

Charles Varni  
Oceano

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**From:** edie spencer [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 7:18 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Report Must be Corrected For Map ID 74786 vs Map ID 75760

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Note Staff misrepresented what took place at the redistricting meeting Nov 19. This must be corrected and Richard Patten's Map Proposal is more equitable for all affected. His Proposal must be listed first not second. First should be MAP ID 74786 Second should be MAP ID 75760.

Map ID 74786- Is a more equitable Changes to 5 Supervisorial Districts. This is much more logical for redistricting San Luis Obispo County.

Edie Spencer  
Resident of San Luis Obispo County, Morro Bay, CA  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** BJ Semmes <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 7:21 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Just say no to the Patten map

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To all Supervisors:

This Patten map is a blatantly transparent attempt by the 3 person majority on the Board to gerrymander our County supervisorial districts and doesn't meet the Fair Voting Rights Act. It breaks up key communities of interest based on historical, geographical, and population data.

**Please vote for the SLO Chamber of Commerce map**

BJ Semmes  
Atascadero

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

From: eleanor williams <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 7:32 AM

To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]new redistricting plan

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I do not like it. I don't want to see this county as a Republican one.

Sent from my iPad



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**From:** Louisa Smith [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 7:36 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>; Bruce Gibson <bgibson@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting mapping

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Please support the district's maps as exist. Please refer to my attached letter.

***Lou Smith***

*Owner*

***Louisa Anne Smith, Architect***

[REDACTED]  
*Suite C*

*San Luis Obispo, CA 93401*

[REDACTED]  
*louisaannesmitharchitect.com*

November 29, 2021

Board of supervisors

RE: Redistricting Issue

I have never written the board about any issue, but the issue of redistricting has to be addressed. The Patton plan is a total sham. I don't agree with the Tribune normally BUT the article about the redistricting was completely accurate.

The proposal to separate the Estero Bay communities is ludicrous. All these communities share common interest that will not be shared with its inland county districts, including but not limited to the environmental, transportation, sharing of schools, sharing of open space..... But most importantly each of the coastal communities support each other by sharing services and economic development.

Thank you for taking the time.

Sincerely,

Louisa Smith

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**From:** Sandy Gong [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 7:54 AM  
**To:** +co.slo.ca.us@rpslo.org; +darnold@co.slo.ca.us; +jpeschong@co.slo.ca.us; +lcompton@co.slo.ca.us; Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Supervisors please make sure the Staff corrects the Agenda Details

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My concern occurred when I read the details in the Nov 30 meeting agenda. Remove the bias observed by the order in which you list the chosen maps. Order does matter. The video link clearly shows that the Patten Map was the first choice. This needs to be reflected in the details of the Agenda for the Nov 30 meeting. VIDEO LINK: <https://rumble.com/vpuba8-the-vote-and-clairfication-of-staff-report-for-the-nov-19-2021-redistrictin.html> At the beginning of the Nov 30 meeting the corrections need to be online and verbalized at the beginning of the meeting. My choice is still the Richard Patten Map Rev\_1 ID 74786. This map keeps Atascadero whole while keeping Cal Poly and most of San Luis Obispo City together. One other important point is to keep communities of interest together such as finally acknowledging these facts: Oceano has these important daily items in common with Grover Beach: 1) grocery shopping, 2) nearest fast food chains, 3) varied restaurants, 4) gas stations, 5) sewer and 6) fire protection. There are more but these stand out. Keep Oceano with Grover Beach as in the Richard Patten Map Rev\_1. Again, it is imperative to keep communities of interest together.



**From:** Martin Akel <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 8:01 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsup@co.slo.ca.us>; Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]The Imperative Of Rejecting The Illegal "Patten Map"

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Dear San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors:

Regarding the redistricting decisions for SLO County, specifically for District 4, Supervisor Lynn Compton made an important, correct statement -- "I think it'd be really foolish to carve it up (i.e., the current districts) if it couldn't support a legal challenge."

Therefore, it's critical to *summarize* how the Patten Map clearly fails to past legal muster.

**As explained on November 23rd by the League of Women Voters:**

- "The SLO County 2030 Map respects the connection between Nipomo and Oceano. The Patten Map does not respect these communities of interest."
- "The (voting) deferrals in the Patten Map would create 'orphaned' districts in communities where voters would not be able to vote until 2024. Oceano voters who are no longer in District 4 would not be able to vote for a supervisor in 2022 when those district seats are up for election, leaving these communities with no effective representation on the Board of Supervisors."
- Indeed, the League pointed out the Supervisors' legal responsibility - "The Board shall not adopt supervisorial district boundaries for the purpose of favoring or discriminating against a political party."

**Plus -- on November 29th the Citizens for Preserving District #4 provided additional detail regarding the illegal foundations of the Patten Map:**

- "Strong evidence exists to support a conclusion that a vote by District 4 Supervisor Compton in favor of the Patten Map would run afoul of Elections Code Sec. 21500(d). Although her supervisor website appears to tout her 'being the voice' for residents of Oceano and Nipomo, she's long been at bitter odds with Oceano voters over political and policy matters. It is a fact that large and significant numbers of Oceano voters did not support her in an election she won by just 60 votes."
- "(Supervisor Compton) has made no effort to explain to the constituents of Oceano why it makes sense for them to be included in a new District 5 that results in the deferral of their vote from 2022 to 2024. She has not initiated or held any meetings with Oceano community members, any Latino residents or groups. She has made no effort to explain how Oceano and Nipomo are dissonant communities of interest."
- "Adopting the Patten Map would be an egregious mistake. It would be extremely risky and likely ruled as illegal. Clearly, it would act to advance overtly partisan goals over the best interests of all county residents, especially the underrepresented."

We therefore urge SLO County's supervisors to reject the illegal Patten Map, and instead vote for the 2030 Map. As one of your own stated -- "I think it'd be really foolish to carve it up if it couldn't support a legal challenge."

Sincerely,

Martin Akel & Myra Akel

 Nipomo, CA 93444

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**From:** Sharon Rippner <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 8:19 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting Comment for Nov. 30, 2021

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Re: Redistricting

Dear Supervisors—Boy, Patten pulled a “bait and switch” with his supporters on November 19. They were all touting the “Patten plan” because they thought it removed CalPOLY from District 5 as well as made Templeton whole and within District 5. Bet they were really surprised to see what the “Revised Patten Plan” actually looked like—i.e., putting many of these supporters into a District which contains all of CalPOLY and also Cambria—and not even calling it District 5 anymore!

So, basically, this revised Patten plan should have no support from the people who spoke for it on November 19. And it certainly is not favored by those of us who expressed preference for either no change from current Districts or Plan A or Plan B at the November 19 comment session. So, how the heck did it end up being one of the two alternatives that the Board is choosing from?? It is the absolutely worst plan possible for our County in terms of the legal requirements as it separates several communities of interest and groups other communities together that have absolutely nothing in common. It would only be favored by those who want to end up with blatantly gerrymandered districts.

So, that leaves us, apparently, with the Chamber Plan, which is actually not terrible. It would do well to have some “tweaking” (see Eric Greening’s ideas) so that Atascadero is left whole. Otherwise it attempts to hold together communities of interest and has basic integrity with our current district mapping. It makes more changes than necessary but none that are outright ridiculous.

I did not want any changes to the current District lines and none are needed under law. However, if the majority of this Board is bent on change, then the “Chamber 2030” plan, i.e., Draft Map 75760, is acceptable. I would be at the Board Meeting on November 30 to advocate for this in person but I have medical appointments scheduled that morning and am unable to attend. Therefore, please accept this input.

Thank you,

Sharon Rippner  
[REDACTED]  
San Luis Obispo 93401

"Things are not getting worse, they are getting uncovered. We must hold each other ght and con nue to pull back the veil." --Adrienne Maree Brown

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

From: Kathryn Tribbey <[REDACTED]>  
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 8:32 AM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: [EXT]Redistricting map

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Honorable Supervisors,

Adopting the Patten Map is blatant gerrymandering, and violates California Election Law 21500 which states: The board shall not adopt supervisorial district boundaries for the purpose of favoring or discriminating against a political party.

The Patten Map separates communities of interest. It also disenfranchises tens of thousands of voters, the majority of whom are Democrats, keeping them from voting until 2024.

Choosing a map which blatantly violates election law and fairness is repugnant and shameful. I hope you will make the fair and ethical choice, and support with SLO County 2030 map, which provides some modest changes in a manner which is fair and non-partisan.

Please demonstrate that you are a fair and non-partisan representative of the voters in your district and the county as a whole which as a member of the Board of Supervisors you are supposed to and expected to be.

As a resident of Pismo Beach I urge you to reject the Patten Map. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Tribbey  
[REDACTED]  
Pismo Beach, CA 93449

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Kathryn Reid Tribbey  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Emily [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 8:40 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Please Oppose the Patten Map

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Honorable Supervisors,

Adopting the Patten Map is blatant gerrymandering, and violates California Election Law 21500 which states: *The board shall not adopt supervisorial district boundaries for the purpose of favoring or discriminating against a political party.*

The Patten Map separates communities of interest. It also disenfranchises tens of thousands of voters, the majority of whom are Democrats, keeping them from voting until 2024.

Furthermore, along with my other objections, as a resident of San Luis Obispo, I am opposed to the fact that the Patten Map cuts off portions of our city, dumps them into a north coast district and fails to include unincorporated areas.

Choosing a map which blatantly violates election law and fairness is repugnant and shameful. I hope you will make the fair and ethical choice, and support with **SLO County 2030** map, which provides some modest changes in a manner which is fair and non-partisan.

Please demonstrate that you are a fair and non-partisan representative of the voters in your district and the county as a whole which as a member of the Board of Supervisors you are supposed to and expected to be.

*Emily Rosten*  
*San Luis Obispo*



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**From:** Eddie Palmer [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 8:43 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]In Opposition To Changing Voting Districts

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**Greetings to All Interested and Responsible Parties:**

As a long-time Cambria/Coastal-SLO resident, I'm writing this morning to oppose redistricting that would make changes to the Voting Districts such that the Coastal Communities would no longer be represented by a single entity. The concept of Districts is to provide representation to citizens who share common interests or concerns. To that end, I ask that the Coastal District remain intact. Thank you for your attention.

In Peace and Compassion, EddieP

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**Eddie Palmer, LMFT #98175**

**<http://eddiepalmerlmft.com/>**

*may i be at peace....  
may those i encounter be at peace...  
may all be at peace!*

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**From:** Marty Brown <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 8:49 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Cc:** John Peschong <jpeschong@co.slo.ca.us>; Bruce Gibson <bgibson@co.slo.ca.us>; Dawn Ortiz-Legg <dortizlegg@co.slo.ca.us>; Lynn Compton <lcompton@co.slo.ca.us>; Debbie Arnold <darnold@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]November 30th Meeting Comment

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To the Board of Supervisors:

I have voted in the 5th Supervisorial District in every election since 1972 here in Atascadero. The North County is my Community of Interest in general but am concerned about the disenfranchisement of citizens around our county.

Now my city is threatened to be divided up. Please go by the old adage, "If it ain't broke -- don't fix it". I do not support a need for any significant changes to any of the five districts boundaries. Boundaries should be maintained to the maximum extent possible to protect the integrity of existing diversity and population -- this has not changed significantly to warrant carving up these districts.

I urge you to follow the California Elections Code Section 21500 which in part stipulates that the process shall not be manipulated in a way that favors incumbents or particular candidates and does not draw districts to the advantage or disadvantage of a political party. The Patten Plan would disrupt the Primary coming up in six months. I and a majority of county voters would be left unable to vote because of being put in a different district.

I strongly urge you to comply with the California Elections Code Guidelines and reject the Patten Plan and support the SLO County 2030 Plan. PROTECT OUR VOTE!

I sign with my name as a registered voter in San Luis Obispo County:

Marilyn E. Brown  
[REDACTED]  
Atascadero, Ca. 93422



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**From:** Web Notifications <webnotifications@co.slo.ca.us>

**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 8:51 AM

**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

**Subject:** Public Comment - ID 264

RedistrictingID	264
Form inserted	11/29/2021 8:49:51 AM
Form updated	11/29/2021 8:49:51 AM
First Name	Thomas
Last Name	Reynolds
Email	[REDACTED]
Phone	[REDACTED]
Name of Organization Represented	
City	Los Osos
Zip	93402
Comment	I strongly oppose the plans Patton and Chamber of Commerce Plan. Leave the Districts as they are. They work just fine as they are.
Public Records Notice	True

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**From:** Phil Wagner <pmwslo@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 8:52 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]SLO County redistricting

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Honorable SLO Board of Supervisors - **please select the Chamber of Commerce (SLO County 2030) map as the map going forward.**

- Of the two remaining maps under consideration, the SLO County 2030 map is less disruptive to voters than the Patten map.
  - The SLO County 2030 map appears to meet all the criteria stipulated in the California Election Code and complies with the United States Constitution, the California Constitution, and the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965.
  - The SLO County 2030 map respects local communities of interest
  - The SLO County 2030 map is endorsed by the League of Women Voters of SLO County .
- The Patten map SHOULD BE REJECTED because

- it makes more radical changes to the district lines as evidenced by the number of deferrals and accelerations in voting it would impose.
- Selection of the Patten map would cause a huge imbalance in the voters roles in the 2022 election.
- Finally, the Patten map would ultimately cause a major shift in the balance of the Board of Supervisors.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Philip M. Wagner  
SLO

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**From:** MKM [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 8:57 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting

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Mary K Martin  
[REDACTED]

Please leave our county basically as it is. There is no good reason to gerrymander our communities. This is not political unless you make it so,  
Mary Martin

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

From: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 9:00 AM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: FW: [EXT]Nov 30 Redistricting Meeting

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Lisa Marie Estrada

Administrative Assistant III-Confidential Board of Supervisors

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Direct Line: (805)781-5498

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

From: Linda Elder <[REDACTED]>  
Sent: Wednesday, November 24, 2021 7:55 PM  
To: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: [EXT]Nov 30 Redistricting Meeting

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I just wanted to voice my opinion about the redistricting. Please support plan B. Less distribution due to only slight changes, follows the law and is the right thing to do. Thank you.

Linda Elder  
San Luis Obispo

Sent from my iPad

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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:00 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Support of Chamber crafted SLO County 2030 map

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Lisa Marie Estrada  
Administrative Assistant III-Confidential  
Board of Supervisors  
[www.slocounty.ca.gov](http://www.slocounty.ca.gov)  
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**From:** shanny covey <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 25, 2021 12:38 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Support of Chamber crafted SLO County 2030 map

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Dear supervisors,  
As a long time resident & business owner in San Luis Obispo County over the past 40+ years,  
I believe the SLO Chamber's crafted map of the county's districts is the favorable option that keeps the common interests of the communities best represented. The maps should be drawn not for partisan interests but for the interests of the communities. In this light I encourage you to adopt the Chamber's map for the redistricting task ahead of you.

Thank you for listening,

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*Shanny Covey*  
*Owner & General Manager*  
[www.robinsrestaurant.com](http://www.robinsrestaurant.com)

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[REDACTED]  
*Cambria, Ca. 93428*  
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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:01 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistributing plans

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
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Board of Supervisors  
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**From:** Judith Bartels <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 25, 2021 9:15 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistributing plans

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Absolutely a big NO on the Patton plan. Keep the district fair and just by leaving it as is with minor changes.  
Judith Bartels

Judith Bartels  
[REDACTED]  
San Luis Obispo 93401

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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:01 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Nov 30 Redistricting Meeting

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Lisa Marie Estrada  
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Board of Supervisors  
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**From:** [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 25, 2021 1:20 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Nov 30 Redistricting Meeting

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My name is John Colbert. I am 68 years old and I live at 373 Travis Drive, Los Osos. I support the 2030 map and I oppose the Patten map.

The 2030 map keeps us together with the people we see, the stores where we shop, the services we use, the parks we go to and the organizations we belong to.

The Patten map does not. It attaches Los Osos to Avila Beach, Pismo Beach and Oceano, communities on the other side of San Luis Obispo, away from the neighborhoods, parks, and businesses where we go.

I also oppose the Patten map because it will disenfranchise me in 2022. I believe there needs to be a compelling reason to disenfranchise voters beyond partisan politics.

Please do the right thing and stop Los Osos from being an orphan in a district where we have fewer shared concerns.

Thank you,  
John Colbert

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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:10 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Nov 30 Redistricting Meeting

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Lisa Marie Estrada  
Administrative Assistant III-Confidential  
Board of Supervisors  
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**From:** Timothy A Rich <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 25, 2021 7:59 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Nov 30 Redistricting Meeting

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I am writing in regards to the proposed redistricting maps to be decided on November 30. I live in Los Osos and am a registered voter in San Luis Obispo County. I was born and raised in San Luis Obispo and have recently returned to retire here.

I favor the SLO County 2030 map over the Patten map for the following reasons:

- The 2030 map makes very few changes, as there does not seem to be any compelling reason, legally or otherwise to do so. Why try to fix something that isn't broken?
- The Patten map will defer my vote until 2024, essentially leaving me without Board of Supervisors representation until 2024. More people will be affected by accelerations and deferrals by the Patten map. Minimizing these disruptions should be an objective.
- Los Osos belongs in the same community of interest as Cambria and Morro Bay. That is where we are now and we should stay there.
- And last but not least, I believe there is a law against gerrymandering. The Patten map is a blatant attempt to favor the Republican party. If the data I am aware of is true, then I would expect lawsuits would follow if the Patten map is adopted.

Respectively,  
Timothy A. Rich

"The person that loses their conscience has nothing left worth keeping." —Issac Walton



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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:10 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Eric Greening comments for November 30th special meeting

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
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Administrative Assistant III-Confidential  
Board of Supervisors  
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**From:** Eric Greening [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, November 26, 2021 8:03 AM  
**To:** AD-Board-Clerk <[ad\\_board\\_clerk@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:ad_board_clerk@co.slo.ca.us)>; Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>; Rita L. Neal <[rneal@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:rneal@co.slo.ca.us)>; Wade Horton <[whorton@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:whorton@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Eric Greening comments for November 30th special meeting

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Hello!

While I am sorry to see Map B disappear from the choices you could be making, I do believe that, of the two choices now in front of you, the Chamber of Commerce map is far better at preserving and serving communities of interest than the Patten Map. I recognize that the Patten map may indeed attract majority support, and would urge that, if that is in fact the case, it be improved by exchanging San Miguel with Santa Margarita, so that San Miguel can share a district with Paso Robles and Santa Margarita can share a district with Garden Farms, South Atascadero, and Atascadero. Even with that improvement, however, the Patten Map continues to raise the question of whether Supervisor Arnold can continue in the four year term to which she was elected a year ago, given that she would appear to lose constituents. Regardless of how the districts are numbered, and regardless of how the elections are thus sequenced by the alternation of odd and even numbers, raising an issue on which the League of Women Voters is raising some important concerns, my understanding is that when a candidate wins a four year term, that is the duration the elected supervisor should serve, not a two year term and certainly not a six year term. If you do move forward with the Patten Map, this issue requires some specific direction and clarification.

But the Chamber of Commerce map is far preferable, despite its drawback of a ragged tear through Atascadero. It particularly has the positive trait, even more than Map B, of reuniting the Cal Poly community of interest. It includes, with Cal Poly residents, the neighborhoods in which students, faculty and staff are most densely represented, near the portions of Foothill nearest the campus, along Grand and California, etc. In other words, the portion of District 5 that enters into The city of San Luis Obispo is exactly the portion in which Cal Poly's community of interest is the dominant influence, while leaving the less polycentric areas for other

representation. As I stated in oral testimony on November 19th, I see nothing wrong with Cal Poly's community of interest being contained in a district that is partly rural; Cal Poly itself has cattle, fields, orchards, and open habitat lands, and many of its students study agriculture, ag business, soil science, wildlife biology, field botany, and other rural-related fields. It is also appropriate that Cal Poly be part of a district that is partly urban, given its strong programs in architecture, urban planning, and the like. The Chamber of Commerce map keeps the right balance.

I wonder if a somewhat minor adjustment could resolve the problem of dividing Atascadero. It appears that, while the AREA of Atascadero given to District 2 is fairly large (about a third,) the relative lack of density of that hilly, large-lot portion of the city means that the fraction of Atascadero's population severed from the rest of the city is a smaller fraction. Would it be possible to adjust the boundaries to move the line to the western city limits by incorporating a chunk of the Adelaida area into District 2, and then moving Shandon and some of its surrounding countryside into District 1? I would like to see this option investigated and, if practicable, implemented before the finalization of your choice.

In short, my order of preference is as follows:

First choice: a version of the Chamber of Commerce Map that keeps Atascadero whole by making the adjustments outlined in the third paragraph of this message.

Second choice: the Chamber of Commerce Map as it now appears.

Second to last choice (I'm not calling it my third choice because there is a big gap in preference here): The Patten Map, adjusted to trade San Miguel with Santa Margarita.

Last choice; the Patten Map as is.

With any version of the Patten Map, you need to have a reality based discussion about who will represent any areas that seem to have two elected supervisors serving simultaneously during their terms, and how these dilemmas can be legitimately resolved.

Many thanks, Eric Greening

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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:11 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Re: Supporting map A/B

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Lisa Marie Estrada  
Administrative Assistant III-Confidential  
Board of Supervisors  
[www.slocounty.ca.gov](http://www.slocounty.ca.gov)  
Direct Line: (805)781-5498

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**From:** Chris Schulz <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 26, 2021 8:50 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Re: Supporting map A/B

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On Nov 22, 2021, at 7:47 AM, Chris Schulz <[REDACTED]> wrote:

After careful consideration of the redistricting maps, it has become clear that continuing to use the current district lines as a model, preserves a more democratic process in our county. The Patten map seems to be a radical approach to the fair-handed intentions of redistricting...and begs to ask the question: What do we want in our county for the next ten years, a map that overwhelming supports the current majority on the Board, or a map that represents the interests of the people?

Sincerely, Christine Y Schulz

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**From:** Web Notifications <webnotifications@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:11 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** Public Comment - ID 265

RedistrictingID 265  
Form inserted 11/29/2021 9:10:00 AM  
Form updated 11/29/2021 9:10:00 AM  
First Name Kathy  
Last Name Palmer  
Email [REDACTED]  
Phone [REDACTED]  
Name of Organization Represented  
City Cambria  
Zip 93428  
Comment I oppose radical changes to the district maps. Keep the coastal communities together.  
Keep the current electoral regions intact.  
Public Records Notice True

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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:11 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]redistricting

For your review. Thank you.

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**From:** Meg Syfan [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, November 26, 2021 9:43 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]redistricting

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Dear Supervisors,

I have written previously and attended the last BOS meeting to respectfully demand that the vote for redistricting NOT be made for political benefit, and that the districts reflect equal representation for all while also reflecting common interest in the community.

Los Osos, Morro Bay, and Cayucos, would be split in three if the Patten Map is chosen and that does NOT reflect equality or common interest and would be downright unfair. It also gives an advantage to Supervisor Compton in the election process, which we all know as gerrymandering, which we all know is illegal in this state.

Please vote in the best interest of the citizens in this county. Between the two maps that are up for debate, the County map must be chosen for it's fairness in equal representation and common interest in the communities.

Thank you  
Meg Syfan  
Los Osos

Meg Syfan  
Director/Secretary  
S&T Mutual Water Company

"Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Rot"

Bea Johnson - Zero Waste Home

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Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 9:11 AM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: FW: [EXT]Redistricting

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Administrative Assistant III-Confidential Board of Supervisors

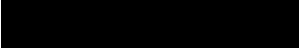
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From: Ray Weymann   
Sent: Friday, November 26, 2021 9:56 AM  
To: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: [EXT]Redistricting

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Dear Board Members,

Regarding the two proposed redistricting plans under consideration, while I understand the temptation of a majority of the Board to adopt the Patten plan, I urge you to resist this temptation.

It will very likely be legally challenged and overturned resulting in needless delay and costs.

It will lower your credibility since voters will draw the conclusion that you do not have enough confidence in your own policy positions to win elections without drawing artificial boundaries.

Respectfully,

Ray J. Weymann

Atascadero, San Luis Obispo County

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

From: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 9:11 AM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: FW: [EXT]Nov 30 Redistricting Meeting

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Lisa Marie Estrada

Administrative Assistant III-Confidential Board of Supervisors

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

From: Kristi Ross <[REDACTED]>  
Sent: Friday, November 26, 2021 10:13 AM  
To: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: [EXT]Nov 30 Redistricting Meeting

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Hello,

I live in Morro Bay. My friends and family in Los Osos, San Luis, and Paso Robles all think the map should remain the same and NOT gerrymandered for political gain.

Thank you in advance,  
Kristi and Tim Ross

Sent from my iPad

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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:12 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: Contact Form Topic: Board of Supervisors meetings/business

For your review. Thank you.

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**From:** Web Notifications <[webnotifications@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:webnotifications@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 26, 2021 11:02 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** Contact Form Topic: Board of Supervisors meetings/business

Topic: Board of Supervisors meetings/business

Your Name: Rebecca Wright

Your Email: [REDACTED]

U.S. phone number: [REDACTED]

Message: I urge rejection of the district map drawn by Richard Patten. To divide communities with commonalities is dishonest.

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**From:** wbrown1865 [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, November 26, 2021 11:36 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Nov 30 Redistricting Meeting

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Honorable Supervisors;

Thank you for holding hearings and receiving comments about this very important topic. What you do on Tuesday will have a profound effect on our county.

Since I'm unable to attend the hearing on Tuesday, I'm writing today to urge you to vote for the SLO County 2030 map. That map reflects hard work by the Chamber of Commerce, and is the closest to being fair of the two maps under consideration. It respects communities of interest, and results in far fewer accelerations and deferrals of voters than the Patten map. The 2030 map adheres more closely to the redistricting rules of the two, and its adoption is far less likely to result in lawsuits which would be very costly for the County to defend.

I have been a resident in San Luis Obispo County since 1960, and as far as I know have voted in every election since then. I was a member of the League of Women Voters in the past, but am not now a member. I do, however, support their position regarding the two maps before you. I now live in the City of San Luis Obispo, currently in District 3, and am not sure how the 2030 map will affect me. It will, however, affect the ability to vote of the fewest number of voters compared to the Patten map, and that is what I hope you will respect. The 2030 map also respects current voting patterns, and does not try to favor one political party over another.

Please take your responsibility seriously to represent all voters in San Luis Obispo County fairly.

Wendy Brown

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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:12 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistricting maps

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**From:** Phil Wagner [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, November 26, 2021 11:58 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting maps

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SLO Board of Supervisors - **please select the Chamber of Commerce (SLO County 2030) map as the map going forward.**

- Of the two remaining maps under consideration, the SLO County 2030 map is less disruptive to voters than the Patten map.
  - The SLO County 2030 map appears to meet all the criteria stipulated in the California Election Code and complies with the United States Constitution, the California Constitution, and the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965.
  - The SLO County 2030 map respects local communities of interest
  - The SLO County 2030 map is endorsed by the League of Women Voters of SLO County .
- The Patten map SHOULD BE REJECTED because
- it makes more radical changes to the district lines as evidenced by the number of deferrals and accelerations in voting it would impose.
  - Selection of the Patten map would cause a huge imbalance in the voters roles in the 2022 election.
  - Finally, the Patten map would ultimately cause a major shift in the balance of the Board of Supervisors.

Thank you for your consideration.

Philip M. Wagner  
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**From:** Kim Gravell [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Friday, November 26, 2021 12:00 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Nov 30 Redistricting Meeting

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I strongly urge you to select the SLO County 2030 map. Of your current options it is the one that meets all the criteria of the California Elections Code and complies with the US and California constitutions. And of equal importance it respects local communities of interest, which is reflective of the "voice of the people of SLO County."

There is no reasonable amount of justification that supports any map that will disenfranchise one group of voters in favor of another group of voters for purposes of advancement of one particular political party. So in my opinion, the SLO County Map 2030 is your only real option.

Kimberly Gravell

"The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex." 

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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:12 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]November 30, 2021 Special Meeting - Supervisorial District Maps

For your review. Thank you.

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**From:** Lisa Wallender <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 26, 2021 12:49 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]November 30, 2021 Special Meeting - Supervisorial District Maps

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Dear Chair Compton and Honorable Supervisors

As a resident of Los Osos, **I strongly urge you to adopt Map 75760 "2030 County Plan"** for the new supervisorial districts, because this map keeps all North Coast communities together in one district. Los Osos has far more in common with San Simeon, Cambria, Cayucos and Morro Bay than with any other parts of the county. Together, these communities make up a well defined and cohesive Community of Interest that is best represented together by a single supervisor.

Thank you.

Lisa Wallender  
Los Osos

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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:13 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistricting Map

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**From:** Lisa Combs <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 26, 2021 1:20 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting Map

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After carefully considering both map options and the reasoning behind them, I'm in favor of the SLO Chamber of Commerce version. I respectfully ask that you also support Map 75760.

Lisa Combs  
San Luis Obispo

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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:13 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistricting of SLO County

For your review. Thank you.

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**From:** [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Friday, November 26, 2021 3:20 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting of SLO County

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Dear SLO County Supervisors,

First of all I want to thank each and every one of you for your service. It is appreciated by me as well as many residents of San Luis Obispo County. Secondly, as a voter, I'm registered as "No Party Affiliation". I was a registered Independent for a very long time until a couple years ago.

Like many SLO County residents, I'm emailing you regarding the redistricting of the county. You have before you two maps to choose from. It's a large decision that will have lasting effects for 10 years. When you make your decision, keep in mind, will your decision be beneficial to all and will it build goodwill and better friendships? I've lived in San Luis Obispo County for 26 years and I believe the SLO County 2030 map will do more to build goodwill and better friendships and it is more beneficial to all of us who have chosen to call SLO County home.

As a member of the San Luis Obispo Chamber Board of Directors, I look at this map through the eyes of business. We have some very important issues such as economic develop, housing and homelessness facing us not to mention the closure of Diablo Canyon. The map, presented by the Chamber, is taking into account the challenges and opportunities facing each district within our county. We are coming out of the economic challenges of the Pandemic and remember the toll it has taken on several of this county's businesses. Think of businesses as you are going through this exercise. Think of our economy and our future. This SLO County 2030 Map was put together by a well-meaning and diverse group of chamber members who represent all the districts in our county.

In closing, the Patton map doesn't take our future and the future of our economy into account. Plus, logistically the map doesn't flow. As supervisors are you going to be able to get from one end of your district to another in a day (excluding District 4)? Is Ag, one of the leading industries of our County represented in each district? Are communities with similarities grouped together or divided? I believe you know the answers to my questions and see the answers very clearly. In your decision, please be swayed by logic and OUR future. Politics will always be there but please, keep it out of this decision because we have too much riding on it. Please vote for the SLO Chamber SLO County 2030 Map.

My best to you all,

Liz Summer

 (Country Club Estates)

San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

## FW: [EXT]November 30 Redistricting Meeting

Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Mon 11/29/2021 3:34 PM

To: [REDACTED]

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**Subject:** FW: [EXT]November 30 Redistricting Meeting

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**From:** Elaine Mason <[REDACTED]>

**Sent:** Friday, November 26, 2021 3:41 PM

**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>

**Subject:** [EXT]November 30 Redistricting Meeting

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“My name is Elaine J.Masont. I am 80 years old and I live at 1416 Las Encinas Drive, Los Osos. I support the 2030 map and I oppose the Patten map.

The 2030 map keeps us together with the people we see, the stores where we shop, the services we use, the parks we go to and the organizations we belong to.

The Patten map does not. It attaches Los Osos to Avila Beach, Pismo Beach and Oceano, communities on the other side of San Luis Obispo, away from the people we know, and the neighborhoods, parks, and businesses where we go.

I also oppose the Patten map because it will disenfranchise me in 2022. I believe there needs to be a compelling reason to disenfranchise voters beyond partisan politics.

Please do the right thing and stop Los Osos from being an orphan in a district where we have fewer shared concerns.”

Thank you,

Elaine J.Mason



## [EXT]November 30 redistricting meeting

Ash Mehta [REDACTED]

Fri 11/26/2021 3:44 PM

To: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>

Dear Supervisors:

I live in Pismo Beach. I own businesses with store fronts in Pismo Beach, San Luis Obispo and Paso Robles. I deliver to customers throughout the region. I know the geography very well, and I know how people really live their lives.

How is it possible the Patten Map thinks it's OK to separate into three districts Los Osos, Morro Bay and Cayucos? Cambria has nothing in common with Paso Robles. And Los Osos has nothing in common with Avila Beach and Oceano other than being on the coast. These are very different unincorporated areas with very different representational needs.

Please reject the Patten Map. It doesn't serve citizens' needs, and it seems illegal on the face of it as it seems to serve only partisan interests, and not true the everyday needs and interests of citizens.

Ash Mehta  
Pismo Beach

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Thank you for practicing social distancing.

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Ash Mehta

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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:13 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistricting – Nov. 30 Hearing

For your review. Thank you.

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**From:** Mitchell Wolf <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 26, 2021 3:59 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting – Nov. 30 Hearing

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Re: Redistricting – Nov. 30 Hearing

Honorable Supervisors:

I can't imagine a better way to build voter cynicism than to approve the Patten Map. It is classic "cracking and packing"-style gerrymandering. You should reject this map if for no other reason than it seems designed solely to protect partisan interests, which is against California law.

The Patten Map certainly does not respect the needs of citizens in Los Osos, Morro Bay and Cayucos by splitting those neighbors into three separate districts. And one can only suspect the Supervisors of wanting to dilute the voting influence of Latinos by separating Oceano from Nipomo.

I strongly urge you to reject the Patten map.

Mitchell J. Wolf  
Pismo Beach  
Mitchell Wolf  
President  
Wolf Consulting  
[REDACTED]  
Pismo Beach, CA 93449  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Melissa Lovett-Adair <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 26, 2021 4:23 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsup@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsup@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting, Nov 30

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To the board of Supervisors,

**I urge you to reject the Patton map.** It radically changes district lines and divides communities of interest. It creates many inequities by advantaging some voters with an accelerated opportunity to vote and disadvantages others by delaying the opportunity to vote for a representative.

In the current climate of elevated partisanship, such radical changes to the district maps will only increase distrust.

The citizens of SLO County are counting on you to rise above the partisanship and put the best interests of **all** residents above your own preferences and political allies. You have the opportunity to restore some semblance of trust that our system is not completely broken.

**Please do the right thing. Reject the Patten map.**

Melissa Lovett-Adair  
San Luis Obispo

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Melissa Lovett-Adair  
she/her pronouns

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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:14 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistricting proposals--Nov 30 meeting comments

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**From:** jennifer [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Friday, November 26, 2021 4:35 PM  
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**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting proposals--Nov 30 meeting comments

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

As a Nipomo resident, I vehemently oppose the Patten proposal for changing the district lines. Nipomo belongs with Oceano and Arroyo Grande, not as part of Santa Maria or any other area. The proposed 2030 map would be acceptable, or no change at all would also be acceptable. I do not believe it is fair for so many voters to be disenfranchised with the changes that the Patten map proposes.

Thank you,  
Jennifer Jozwiak  
[REDACTED]  
Nipomo, CA 93444

Sent from [Outlook](#)

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**From:** Marty Claus <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 26, 2021 4:38 PM  
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**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting – Nov. 30 Hearing

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Chairperson Compton and Honorable Supervisors:  
The Patten Map should be rejected. It serves only partisan interests, and that is against California law. The current district boundaries have served the county well. Those boundaries were approved by a liberal majority of Supervisors in 2011, yet in every election since then voters have elected a conservative majority. I believe the 2011 redistricting was a fair-minded effort.  
The radical changes proposed in the Patten Map are clearly an attempt to reduce the influence of Democratic voters. Redistricting that prioritizes partisan advantage is illegal. The Patten Map never should have been considered as a finalist. It's time to disregard it.  
The SLO County 2030 Map seems to have addressed the new Census data appropriately and would be an excellent choice to serve our county for the next 10 years.  
Please approve the SLO County 2030 Map. That's the fair and honorable thing to do.  
Sincerely,  
Martha A. Claus  
Shell Beach

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**From:** Chip Visci <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 26, 2021 4:50 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]REDISTRICTING - NOV 30 Public Hearing

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Honorable Supervisors:

I urge you to reject the Patten Map for the following reasons:

- It disenfranchises tens of thousands of voters who will have to wait six years before voting for a supervisor.
- It shatters the North Coast communities of interest so completely that it puts Los Oso, Morro Bay and Cayucos into three different districts. Each of them will be a small fraction of those new districts, and thus render them virtually voiceless.
- The Morro Bay-San Luis Obispo district has very few unincorporated residents, thus creating a representational imbalance among the remaining four districts.
- Severing Oceano from Nipomo destroys another community of interest, and it dilutes Latino voters' influence, clearly against California election law.

Please do not approve the Patten Map.

The SLO County 2030 Map is a reasonable choice, closer to the current district boundaries.

I'd also ask that in the next discussion each Supervisor make plain his/her view of the pros and cons of each map. We'd like to know what you're thinking.

Joseph M. Visci | Pismo Beach (D3)

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

From: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 9:14 AM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: FW: [EXT]Redistricting Meeting - November 30

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Lisa Marie Estrada

Administrative Assistant III-Confidential Board of Supervisors

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

From: Lissa Hallberg <[REDACTED]>  
Sent: Friday, November 26, 2021 5:53 PM  
To: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: [EXT]Redistricting Meeting - November 30

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SLO County Supervisors:

I strongly urge you to reject the Patten Map. I operate businesses in Paso Robles, San Luis Obispo and Pismo Beach that serve customers throughout all five supervisorial districts.

I have a good handle on what our county's true "communities of interest" are, and the Patten Map defies logic, and the law. What the Patten Map does to the North Coast communities only serves partisan interests. It certainly marginalizes those residents.

And I don't like how the Patten Map severs Oceano and Nipomo. It seems like someone is intentionally diluting the impact of Latino voters.

Lissa Ann Hallberg  
Pismo Beach

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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:15 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Concern about the Patten Map

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Lisa Marie Estrada  
Administrative Assistant III-Confidential  
Board of Supervisors  
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**From:** Marianne McGarry Wolf [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, November 26, 2021 6:16 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Concern about the Patten Map

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Dear Supervisors:

I am stunned and extremely disappointed that you are considering making the Patten map the new supervisor districts. On its face, it seems designed solely to protect the current Board's conservative majority. Why do you feel a need to do that? After all, the current districts have delivered a 3-2 conservative majority in every election since the current district lines were drawn.

The Patten map splinters Los Osos, Morro Bay and Cayucos into three different districts, with each of those communities become a tiny fraction of their new districts. Further, the Patten map seems intent on diluting Latino voters' influence in South County.

The Patten map violates the spirit, if not the letter, of California election law. Please reject it.

Respectfully,  
Marianne M. Wolf  
Pismo Beach, CA

Regards,  
Marianne McGarry Wolf

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Marianne McGarry Wolf  
[REDACTED]



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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:16 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: Contact Form Topic: District 1 Supervisor John Peschong Question/Issue

For your review. Thank you.

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Administrative Assistant III-Confidential  
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**From:** Web Notifications <[webnotifications@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:webnotifications@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 26, 2021 6:33 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** Contact Form Topic: District 1 Supervisor John Peschong Question/Issue

Topic: District 1 Supervisor John Peschong Question/Issue

Your Name: Lynda (Sarah L) Merrill

Your Email: [REDACTED]

U.S. phone number: [REDACTED]

Message: The Chamber of Commerce has submitted the redistricting map will provide the representation we need to preserve our beautiful Central Coast. Please, vote the CofC map.

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

From: Rita Burton <[REDACTED]>  
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 9:17 AM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: [EXT]Redistricting gone mad

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Cambria should stay with other coastal communities with which we have much in common. NO! on Patten's hodgepodge map.

Thank you.

Rita Burton

[REDACTED]  
Cambria, Ca 93428

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:18 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistricting

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
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Administrative Assistant III-Confidential  
Board of Supervisors  
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**From:** [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Friday, November 26, 2021 7:01 PM  
**To:** Debbie Arnold <[darnold@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:darnold@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Cc:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting

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Supervisors,

I'm writing because my health problems will not allow me to attend your November 30 meeting in person.

I urge you to approve the SLO Chamber of Commerce district map (Plan B) for all the reasons listed by the League of Women Voters: it was prepared by a non-partisan committee, it makes the fewest changes and it does a reasonable job of keeping communities of interest intact.

I further urge you to reject the "Patten Map" which was prepared by one individual, makes enormous changes, and splits up communities of interest for questionable reasons. For example, there is no practical reason to put Santa Margarita and Atascadero in different districts when they are so close together and Santa Margarita is part of Atascadero School District. The Patten Map makes no sense.

Plan B is by far the better plan.

Respectfully,

Della Jo Barrett, Atascadero

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Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 9:18 AM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: FW: [EXT]Patten Map Redistricting

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Sincerely,

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Administrative Assistant III-Confidential Board of Supervisors

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Direct Line: (805)781-5498

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

From: Jill Stollmeyer <[REDACTED]>  
Sent: Saturday, November 27, 2021 1:26 AM  
To: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: [EXT]Patten Map Redistricting

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Hello,

I am reaching out to voice my deep concern for the planned redistricting. You are putting democracy at risk when changing the districts drastically to one party's advantage. This goes against the nature of democracy itself:

"Democracy- a system of government by the whole population or all the eligible members of a state, typically through elected representatives."

Instead, the elected officials in this instance are essentially selecting their voters.

Please reconsider this obvious political power play and do what is right for upholding democracy.

Thank you,

Jill Stollmeyer

[REDACTED]  
San Luis Obispo

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**From:** Sarah Sartain <ssartain@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:19 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistricting - Two Maps - Patten

Thank you,



**Sarah Sartain**

Legislative Assistant, District 3  
Office of Supervisor Dawn Ortiz-Legg  
County of San Luis Obispo  
1055 Monterey Street, San Luis Obispo, Ca 93408

**Phone:** 805-781-4336

**Email:** [ssartain@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:ssartain@co.slo.ca.us)

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**From:** Dawn Ortiz-Legg <[dortizlegg@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:dortizlegg@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 6:46 AM  
**To:** BOS\_Legislative Assistants <[BOS\\_Legislative-Assistants@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:BOS_Legislative-Assistants@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistricting - Two Maps - Patten

For the record

**Supervisor Dawn Ortiz-Legg**  
**District 3**  
**County of San Luis Obispo**  
**Board of Supervisors**  
(p) 805-781-4336



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**From:** Jay Ohare <[oharejd@gmail.com](mailto:oharejd@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 27, 2021 5:04 PM  
**To:** Dawn Ortiz-Legg <[dortizlegg@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:dortizlegg@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting - Two Maps - Patten

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Dear Supervisor Ortiz-Legg,

I understand that as a result of the November 19th SLO County Board of Supervisors redistricting meeting, there are now two maps to consider for adoption on November 30th. I respectfully request support for the adoption of Richard Patten's Rev. 1 Citizens' Map.

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Jay O'Hare  
Resident, Arroyo Grande

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Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 9:19 AM  
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Subject: FW: [EXT]Patten map

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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

From: Fran Davidson <[REDACTED]>  
Sent: Saturday, Novem  
To: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: [EXT]Patten map

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Do not approve it!!! Our current map has served well and we do NOT need a new controversy to divide us

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Sarah Sartain <ssartain@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:19 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]SLO County Redistricting Proposed Two Maps

Thank you,



**Sarah Sartain**

Legislative Assistant, District 3  
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**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 6:44 AM  
**To:** BOS\_Legislative Assistants <[BOS\\_Legislative-Assistants@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:BOS_Legislative-Assistants@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]SLO County Redistricting Proposed Two Maps

For the record

**Supervisor Dawn Ortiz-Legg**  
**District 3**  
**County of San Luis Obispo**  
**Board of Supervisors**  
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**From:** Fred Brillman [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 27, 2021 8:04 PM  
**To:** Dawn Ortiz-Legg <[dortizlegg@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:dortizlegg@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]SLO County Redistricting Proposed Two Maps

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**SLO County Redistricting Proposed Two Maps**

Dear Supervisor Dawn Ortiz-Legg,

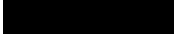
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Thank you

Fred Brillman

  
Grover Beach, Ca 93433

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**From:** GREGORY W THOMAS <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:21 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Chamber of Commerce Redistricting Map Strongly Preferred

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I support the Chamber of Commerce developed redistricting map. It retains sensible balance and avoids the radical changes proposed by Mr. Patten, the other alternative the Board has selected for final consideration.

Thank You,

Gregory Thomas  
[REDACTED]  
San Luis Obispo CA 93405

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From: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 9:23 AM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: FW: [EXT]Patten map

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Lisa Marie Estrada

Administrative Assistant III-Confidential Board of Supervisors

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To: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: [EXT]Patten map

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Do NOT approve it. Our current districts serve us fine. There is no need for a drastic reworking of the boundaries. We don't need further issues to divide us.

Frances W. Davidson

[REDACTED] San Luis Obispo 93405

Sent from my iPhone

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

From: Wendy George [REDACTED]  
Sent: Saturday, November 27, 2021 7:23 AM  
To: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: [EXT]County Districting Maps

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Dear Supervisors,

I am very disappointed that you are still considering changing the current supervisory districts in the extreme manner proposed by the Patten map. As a 50 year resident of the north coast—half in Los Osos and half in Morro Bay—who worked as an administrator for the City of San Luis Obispo, I can personally attest to the fact that the issues of the north coast are totally different from those of the inland county areas. It makes no sense to break apart the communities of the north coast into three separate districts, unless the intention is to basically disenfranchise the residents living there. It is only logical to group together all the coastal communities that I can literally see from my living room window.

I also served as a trustee for the San Luis Coastal Unified School district, representing the coastal communities of Morro Bay and Los Osos. It was apparent to me from that experience how important it is to have separate representation for the coastal schools and the city schools. Issues and concerns were often very different.

In the interest of good government, I sincerely hope that you do not approve the Patten map. Instead, please support the proposed map that is most similar to the current district divisions.

Thank you.

Wendy George

Sent from my iPad

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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:23 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Please listen and be fair

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Lisa Marie Estrada  
Administrative Assistant III-Confidential  
Board of Supervisors  
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**From:** Jan Meslin <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 27, 2021 8:48 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Please listen and be fair

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Hello.

I live in Cayucos and am very concerned about the possibility of drastic changes to our county districts. As a north coastal community we need to be together because we have much in common. Morro Bay is where I spend lots of time; they should remain in our district. I fear many will be confused when it comes to elections. Please do the right thing, listen to the people, draw representative districts.

Do NOT choose the unfair Patten map but rather the SLO County 2030 map.

Thank you.

Dr. Janyce Nelson Meslin  
[REDACTED], Cayucos, CA

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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:25 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Yes to SLO County 2030 map

For your review. Thank you.

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**From:** Jennifer Bauer [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 27, 2021 9:19 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Yes to SLO County 2030 map

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

Thank you all for serving on the SLO Board of Directors. Due to health concerns, I won't be able to attend the meeting on Dec. 30th, so I hope you will take my comments into account.

I hope you will support the SLO County 2030 map. For the most part it keeps communities of interest together including mine in the southern part of the city of San Luis Obispo. It also has a smaller number of deferrals and accelerations and I believe this is important to democratic representation. The SLO County 2030 map appears to meet the criteria of the CA election code and the Federal Voting Rights Act.

I oppose the Patten map because of the changes in district lines to separate communities of interest including my own area. My neighborhood will be split off from the rest of the city of SLO and included with Nipomo. I don't feel I will be getting the representation I need. In addition, there are large number of deferrals and accelerations with this map disenfranchising a large number of voters.

I have always been a strong believer in democracy and in my elected officials to do what is right. I hope you will do what is fair and the best for the majority of people and vote for the SLO County 2030 map.

Thank you,  
Jennifer Bauer

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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:25 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]REDISTRICTING

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**From:** Sue Smith <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 27, 2021 9:35 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]REDISTRICTING

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We are unable to attend the upcoming hearing to adopt the final County Supervisors District map to be adopted this Tuesday, 11/30. As this decision will be in effect for the next 10 years, this is a critical vote for our community.

As registered voters in District #4, my husband, Bob and I, believe the "SLO Chamber Map" is a fair map and should be the one used. We need a neutral map that ensures continuity, respects the communities of interest, minimizes the disruptions to the election cycle, and meets statutory requirements. . No on the "Pattern Map".

Thank you for your consideration.

Sue Smith  
Bob Smith  
[REDACTED]  
Nipomo 93444

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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:26 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistricting map

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**From:** Erin Peter James Pearse <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 27, 2021 10:09 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting map

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Dear County Board of Supervisors,

I am writing in regard to the forthcoming vote on the redistricting map.

I am very concerned about the implications of the Patten map, for a number of reasons. The Patten map proposes radically altering the existing boundaries, and in a number of ways that provide obvious partisan advantages which go against California Election Law 21500:

- Classic gerrymandering exploits representational democracy by concentrating the opposition party in a small number of districts, and this is clearly what is going on with the Patten map: the Republican-drawn map aims to lump together as many Democrats in SLO into a single district as possible.
- The Patten map accelerates opportunities for some voters to vote again in 2022 and requires many others who would otherwise be eligible to vote in 2022 to have to wait until 2024. This breakdown occurs in such a way that the accelerated voters are in predominantly Republican areas and the deferred voters are primarily Democrat, indicating a clear partisan bias.
- As a resident of Los Osos, the Patten map would prevent me from voting for my representative on the Board in 2022. This is counter to democracy.
- Los Osos has Morro Bay as its immediate neighbour, and this is where residents go for services not provided in Los Osos. It makes no sense to separate Los Osos from Morro Bay and adjoin it to Avila Beach, which is over a half hour away. This violates Communities of Interest and smacks of gerrymandering.
- There are only 6 months between redistricting and the next vote, which will cause a lot of confusion amongst voters and subsequently result in disenfranchisement. There does not appear to be any voter



education measures in place to overcome this.

I urge you instead to consider the SLO County 2030 Map. This alternative moderately updates existing boundaries, and is both fair and not partisan.

Thanks,  
-EP

Erin Pearse | he/him  
Mathematics Dept

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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:26 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Do not use the Patten Map for redistricting

For your review. Thank you.

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**From:** Gary Havas [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 27, 2021 10:11 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Do not use the Patten Map for redistricting

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Greetings Supervisors of San Luis Obispo County:

I **reject** the creation of new supervisorial districts based on the Patten Map. This is against the spirit and letter of California Election Law 21500, (5)(d) which states : The board shall not adopt supervisorial district boundaries for the purpose of favoring or discriminating against a political party. Representation in this map is unbalanced and does not fairly represent the political makeup of the county. Furthermore, some voters will be disenfranchised until 2024 in this scheme.

I support the perspective to the nonpartisan League of Women Voters and the adoption of the SLO County 2030 Map for a more balanced and fair representation of our county's constituents.

Cheers!

Gary P. Havas  
[REDACTED]  
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401  
[REDACTED]

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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:26 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistricting and the Assault on Oceano

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**From:** Charles Varni [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 27, 2021 10:18 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting and the Assault on Oceano

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Nov 27, 2021

Dear Supervisors,

As an unincorporated and disadvantaged community, Oceano has experienced a level of neglect uncommon to other areas of the County. Relatively high levels of poverty, low levels of household income, and a 45% Latino population, coupled with a largely unresponsive County, has led to a sense of cynicism and despair in regard to government attention and services.

For example, large portions of the community lack curbs, gutters, sidewalks, and flood control—very basic infrastructure for a safe and socially integrated community. In 2004 SLO County created a comprehensive drainage and flood control plan for the community which included cost estimates and a timeline for completion. Now, 18 years later, relatively little has been achieved—and most of that financed through grant monies, not County allocations. In 2013 the County created a Revitalization Plan for downtown Oceano, including major intersection improvements and pedestrian crossings. Now, nine years later, literally nothing has been accomplished. Children lack safe routes to schools, homes and streets flood, and tax monies continue to be drained from the community for use in other areas. For example, Oceano TOT taxes for 2020 were over \$900,000 and all went to the County. We need those tax monies, generated by our tourists, to pay for fire services—as opposed to a new special tax on our property owners.

To say that Oceano has been relatively ignored by the County is not an exaggeration and the Patten Map now disenfranchises our residents by moving us into a new Fifth District. This means we will not be able to vote for a Supervisor until 2024. We become an “orphan” community with no Supervisor representing us, institutionalizing the historical neglect we already experience. This at a critical time when Oceano residents are speaking up and mobilizing to obtain State and Federal grant monies for infrastructure projects and we need strong advocates for our community. Instead we are abandoned.

With the largely Democratic voters of Oceano carved out of the 4<sup>th</sup> District and replaced by largely Republican voters in the Edna Valley the political advantage of one party over another is increased. On its face, this is a clear violation of Elections Code 21500 (d) which prohibits changing district boundaries in order to favor or discriminate against a political party.

In addition, the carve out of Oceano divides the 4<sup>th</sup> District Latino community of interest (largest in County) into two separate Districts, thus disempowering their collective voting power which historically has trended Democratic.

With this blatantly corrupt Patten map, which is clearly intended to favor the Republican party, I wonder how the County Council can sit quietly and not call it out as a huge legal and financial liability to the taxpayers of SLO County?

Please reject the illegal Patten map and adopt the SLO Chamber one which leaves Oceano in the 4<sup>th</sup> District and conforms to all legal requirements of redistricting.

Sincerely,

Charles Varni  
Oceano

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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:26 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: Contact Form Topic: Board of Supervisors meetings/business

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**Sent:** Saturday, November 27, 2021 10:39 AM  
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**Subject:** Contact Form Topic: Board of Supervisors meetings/business

Topic: Board of Supervisors meetings/business

Your Name: Ric Deschler

Your Email: [REDACTED]

U.S. phone number: [REDACTED]

Message: Redistricting Map Selection. Please select the Chamber map because it maintains a fair and balanced supervisor coverage for all districts. The Patton map destroys my district (2) by breaking up our coastal communities into three different districts while we are so integrated as neighbors. We need to maintain this aspect. The radical Patton map will create too much confusion for the entire county.

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**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: Contact Form Topic: Board of Supervisors meetings/business

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**Sent:** Saturday, November 27, 2021 10:44 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsup@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsup@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** Contact Form Topic: Board of Supervisors meetings/business

Topic: Board of Supervisors meetings/business

Your Name: Linda Woods

Your Email: [REDACTED]

U.S. phone number: [REDACTED]

Message: REDISTRICTING! I am baffled and angered by the utter transparency of the current 3-2 BOS to favor an extremely convoluted that wildly favors Republican voters while leaving some areas with no supervisor for 2 years. The so called Patten map is a total scam made to protect and enhance Republican power in SLO County. Several maps were offered to the BOS which actually accomplished what REDISTRICTING is supposed to do. Namely to create balanced districts in population that are supervised by a Supervisor in that district. To Gerrymander the lines in order for Republicans to control our predominantly Democratic county for 10 years is self serving and abhorrent abuse of the process!! Especially to not even consider or discuss more fair maps favored by Bruce Gibson and Dawn Ortiz-Legg. You progress stopping, antiquated, and biased right wing supervisors should be ashamed of your shady intentions!

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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:27 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Public Comment for November 30, 2021 Redistricting Hearing #4

For your review. Thank you.

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**From:** Erica Crawford [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 27, 2021 11:03 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>; Redistricting <[Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Cc:** Tim Cowan <[tim@bhgrehaven.com](mailto:tim@bhgrehaven.com)>; Steve\_PeckPlanning.com <[Steve@PeckPlanning.com](mailto:Steve@PeckPlanning.com)>; Jeff Eckles <[jeffersoneckles@gmail.com](mailto:jeffersoneckles@gmail.com)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Public Comment for November 30, 2021 Redistricting Hearing #4

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Dear Chair Compton and SLO County Board of Supervisors,

I hope you all had an enjoyable Thanksgiving holiday!

Please find the Morro Bay Chamber's comments attached for your meeting Tuesday.

Thank you,  
Erica

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**Erica D. Crawford**  
**President/CEO**  
**Morro Bay Chamber**

w: [REDACTED]

m: [REDACTED]





November 27, 2021

Subject: SLO County Redistricting

Dear Chair Compton and SLO County Board of Supervisors,

The Morro Bay Chamber of Commerce is writing on behalf of our organization's 284 members that employ over 3,000 individuals in the SLO County. The Chamber discourages redistricting options which divide economic regions and we are disheartened that the Board would advance a redistricting map for consideration at the November 30<sup>th</sup> meeting that would do just that to the North Coast. We are writing today to respectfully request that the Board keep the North Coast in one supervisorial district.

The communities in the North Coast have a long history of common interests that stems from their shared coastal environmental features and their shared economic driver, the Tourism industry. The North Coast shares opportunities and challenges to its local economies related to offshore wind development, renewable energy storage and broadband infrastructure, sustainable tourism management and the Highway 1 corridor, Federal Marine Sanctuary designation, commercial fishing and aquaculture, and housing affordability and workforce development issues. These shared connections and interests are much stronger than interests with inland areas.

The incorporated and unincorporated population centers in the North Coast area (Montana de Oro to County Line/Ragged Point) share more in common with one another than with inland areas and should not be divided in any way. We urge the Board to keep the North Coast area together in one supervisorial district.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Erica Crawford".

Erica Crawford

President/CEO

Morro Bay Chamber of Commerce



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**From:** susan@ifsusan.com [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:33 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]redistricting comments 11-30-21

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Please find our comments attached.

Susan Harvey  
North county Watch

Susan A. Harvey  
[REDACTED]

*“Pay attention. Someday, you’ll be the last one who remembers.”*  
Virginia Trimble, Astrophysicist

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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:21 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Supervisors please make sure the Staff corrects the Agenda Details

For your review. Thank you.

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**From:** Megan Silcott [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 7:49 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Supervisors please make sure the Staff corrects the Agenda Details

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My concern occurred when I read the details in the Nov 30 meeting agenda. Remove the bias observed by the order in which you list the chosen maps. Order does matter. The video link clearly shows that the Patten Map was the first choice. This needs to be reflected in the details of the Agenda for the Nov 30 meeting. VIDEO LINK: <https://rumble.com/vpuba8-the-vote-and-clairfication-of-staff-report-for-the-nov-19-2021-redistrictin.html>

At the beginning of the Nov 30 meeting the corrections need to be online and verbalized at the beginning of the meeting. My choice is still the Richard Patten Map Rev\_1 ID 74786. This map keeps Atascadero whole while keeping Cal Poly and most of San Luis Obispo City together. One other important point is to keep communities of interest together such as finally acknowledging these facts: Oceano has these important daily items in common with Grover Beach: 1) grocery shopping, 2) nearest fast food chains, 3) varied restaurants, 4) gas stations, 5) sewer and 6) fire protection. There are more but these stand out. Keep Oceano with Grover Beach as in the Richard Patten Map Rev\_1. Again, it is imperative to keep communities of interest together.

Sincerely,  
Megan Silcott  
Nipomo resident  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:21 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Nov 30 Redistricting Meeting

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**From:** Paul Reinhardt <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 7:56 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Nov 30 Redistricting Meeting

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Please support the 2030 map. The Patten map is obviously protects one political party and that is wrong.

Paul Reinhardt  
San Luis Obispo, California

Feel Flow

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**Subject:** Contact Form Topic: Board of Supervisors meetings/business

Topic: Board of Supervisors meetings/business

Your Name: Lorie Noble

Your Email: [REDACTED]

U.S. phone number: [REDACTED]

Message: My concern occurred when I read the details in the Nov 30 meeting agenda. Remove the bias observed by the order in which you list the chosen maps. Order does matter. The video link clearly shows that the Patten Map was the first choice. This needs to be reflected in the details of the Agenda for the Nov 30 meeting. VIDEO LINK: <https://rumble.com/vpuba8-the-vote-and-clairfication-of-staff-report-for-the-nov-19-2021-redistrictin.html> At the beginning of the Nov 30 meeting the corrections need to be online and verbalized at the beginning of the meeting. My choice is still the Richard Patten Map Rev\_1 ID 74786. I support this map because it keeps CalPoly with most of the City of SLO. They are a community of Interest, students and staff live in SLO. I also support Morro Bay in the same district, as a city it has more in common with San Luis Obispo than the unincorporated areas. I live in Morro Bay.

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**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 8:17 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** Contact Form Topic: Board of Supervisors meetings/business

Topic: Board of Supervisors meetings/business

Your Name: Gary Felsman

Your Email: [REDACTED]

U.S. phone number: [REDACTED]

Message: Dear Board; As a lifetime republican, I urge you to adopt the San Luis Obispo Chamber of Commerce's proposed redistricting map. It only has minor changes and will cause the smallest amount of changes when it comes to the elections and community support throughout the County. The other map in the running makes no sense whatsoever and should be completely thrown out. Please do the right thing and adopt the best map for all County Residents. Sincerely, Gary Felsman

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From: Chuck Tribbey [REDACTED] >  
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 2:22 PM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: [EXT]Redistricting maps

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To the Board of Supervisors:

I am writing to ask the Board of Supervisors to select the SLO County 2030 map and reject the Patten map.

The SLO County 2030 map meets the criteria of the California election code, the United States Constitution, the California Constitution, and the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965. This map respects local communities of interest and is endorsed by the League of Women Voters. Since there has not been a significant change in county population, this map is the most logical and least disruptive to voters.

The Patten map, on the other hand, creates disparate districts. It puts North Coast communities such as Cambria and Cayucos with North County Communities like Paso Robles. As a former Cambrian, I know that these are not communities of interest. The Patten map would also create over 25000 voter deferrals where people in coastal districts would not be able to vote in 2022, thus having no say in who represents them. This map would also accelerate over 25000 voters in North County giving them an unfair advantage by allowing them to vote in the next two supervisorial elections. This map is not democratic and is an example of blatant partisan gerrymandering.

Sincerely  
Charles Tribbey  
Pismo Beach

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:23 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Reject the Patten Plan

For your review. Thank you.

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**From:** Laurance Shindeman <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 8:46 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Reject the Patten Plan

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Candidly the Patten Plan is nothing more than a partisan ploy of gerrymandering and gaslighting the public.

The Republican Party had their amen chorus parrot the cockamamie plan at the last meeting lamenting that the City of SLO needed but but a single supervisor visor...only to learn that in actuality there would be two.

The plan put forth by the SLO chamber of commerce notes that the current boundaries, with but minor tweaks, is the preferable plan.

The Republican troika however would prefer to pick their voters by gerrymandering rather than have the voters pick their representatives.

Reject the Patten plan.

**“Those who can make you believe absurdities, can make you commit atrocities.”...Voltaire**

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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:23 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistricting Comments

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Lisa Marie Estrada  
Administrative Assistant III-Confidential  
Board of Supervisors  
[www.slocounty.ca.gov](http://www.slocounty.ca.gov)  
Direct Line: (805)781-5498

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**From:** Dawn Turner [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 9:06 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting Comments

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am a full time resident in Cayucos. I attended graduate school at Poly in the early 1980's and have lived in the county since 1995. This county is my forever home. I want the best for our community and I know you do too. Please do the right thing and pass the less disruptive 2030 Redistricting option. The north coast in which I live should not be divided. The Patten map option is disruptive in not only dividing areas of commonality geographically but it also increases the number of deferrals for the 2022 election unnecessarily.

Please do the right thing. Approve the 2030 Plan.

Best regards,  
Dawn Turner  
[REDACTED], Cayucos, CA 93430  
[REDACTED]

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*Dawn Turner*

[REDACTED]



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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:24 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Please Oppose the Patten Map

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**From:** Emily <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 9:16 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
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The Patten Map separates communities of interest. It also disenfranchises tens of thousands of voters, the majority of whom are Democrats, keeping them from voting until 2024.

Furthermore, along with my other objections, as a resident of San Luis Obispo, I am opposed to the fact that the Patten Map cuts off portions of our city, dumps them into a north coast district and fails to include unincorporated areas.

Choosing a map which blatantly violates election law and fairness is repugnant and shameful. I hope you will make the fair and ethical choice, and support with **SLO County 2030** map, which provides some modest changes in a manner which is fair and non-partisan.

Please demonstrate that you are a fair and non-partisan representative of the voters in your district and the county as a whole which as a member of the Board of Supervisors you are supposed to and expected to be.

*Emily Rosten*

San Luis Obispo



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

From: Ed Harris [REDACTED]  
Sent: Sunday, November 28, 2021 9:48 AM  
To: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: [EXT]redistricting

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There was no need for the Board of Supervisors to take up the issue of redistricting as the population growth did not warrant it.

That the Board of Supervisors took up the issue, rather than a citizen's advisory committee, points to their intentions. They threw their integrity out the window when they wanted the issue and now especially by choosing the Richard Patten map as a finalist.

The current map from 2011 has withstood all legal challenges for ten years. If people thought it was unfair or illegal why weren't they successful in overturning it in court?

How long do you think it will take for the Richard Patten map to be challenged in court? It separates communities of interest, Cayucos and Morro Bay, Astacadero and Santa Margarita and Oceano and

Nipomo. The map will be challenged on the makeup and ethnicity of the population differences in each district. The map will be challenged on the size of each district. The map will be challenged on the accelerations and deferrals created by the Patten map.

Good Luck with that.

The county supervisors demonstrate their disregard for the welfare of the citizens by wasting so much money. They hired the Redistricting Partners to give them guidance. They threw their advice out the window. A waste of money. If the Richard Patten's map is chosen, more money will be wasted in court defending it. The county will undoubtedly have to hire expensive outside counsel. More money wasted.

I hope the Board will demonstrate restraint, impartiality, practicality and reason.

I hope they choose the Chamber of Commerce map. Similar to the 2011 map the Chamber of Commerce map has a fair superior advantage in surviving any legal challenges. The Chamber of Commerce map will be for the betterment of the communities and save the county the chaos, the drama and money of a court fight.

Ed Harris

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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:24 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Fwd: REDISTRICTING

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Lisa Tanzman <[REDACTED]>  
**Date:** November 22, 2021 at 1:52:28 PM PST  
**To:** [redistricting@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:redistricting@co.slo.ca.us)  
**Cc:** [bgibson@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:bgibson@co.slo.ca.us), [ktanner@thetribunenews.com](mailto:ktanner@thetribunenews.com)  
**Subject:** REDISTRICTING  
**Reply-To:** [REDACTED]

Dear Board of Supervisors,

Please consider my following comments before making a final redistricting decision:

1. THERE IS NO REASON TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE CURRENT BOUNDARIES. MAP "A" UPDATES THESE BOUNDARIES TO REFLECT CHANGES TO CENSUS BLOCKS.
2. CURRENT DISTRICTS MEET ALL STATE REQUIREMENTS FOR POPULATION BALANCE (LESS THAN 10% DEVIATION), FAIRNESS OF REPRESENTATION (MINORITY

REPRESENTATION AND COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST) AND COMPACTNESS.

3. UNDER THE LAW (CALIFORNIA ELECTIONS CODE SECTION 21500) KEEPING COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST INTACT SUPERSEDES THE DESIRE FOR COMPACT GEORGRAPHICAL BOUNDARIES SUCH AS CITY LIMITS.
4. KEEPING THE ENTIRE CITY OF SLO IN ONE DISTRICT VIOLATES THE FAIR MAPS ACT BY PLACING THE CRITERIA OF RESPECTING THE GEOGRAPHIC BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF SLO AS A HIGHER PRIORITY THAN RESPECTING THE GEOGRAPHIC INTEGRITY OF LOCAL COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST.
5. RETAINING CURRENT BOUNDARIES HAS THE VALUE OF CONTINUITY AND KEEPS EXISTING COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST INTACT. THE HISTORIC ASSOCIATION WITHIN EXISTING DISTRICTS IS PART OF BEING A COMMUNITY OF INTEREST.
6. ALL NORTH COAST COMMUNITIES SHOULD REMAIN IN THE SAME DISTRICT (D2), INCLUDING LOS OSOS, MORRO BAY AND CAMBRIA, DUE TO SHARED COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST, IE: HIGHWAY 1 CORRIDOR AND COASTAL ISSUES.
7. MAJOR PHYSICAL BARRIERS BETWEEN CAMBRIA AND RURAL NORTH COUNTY AS WELL AS BETWEEN LOS OSOS AND AVILA BEACH DO NOT MEET THE CONTIGUOUS OR COMPACTNESS MAPPING CRITERIA.
8. IF INDEED THE BOARD FEELS THE NEED FOR REDISTRICTING, IT SHOULD BE VOTED UPON BY THE REGISTERED VOTING POPULATION OF SLO COUNTY, NOT THE 5 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

I attended the meeting on November 19<sup>th</sup>, arrived early and signed up to speak; however, because so much time was given to each person I was unable to wait until my name was called due to a prior commitment. The time limit should have initially been reduced to 1 minute per person based on the number of people who signed up to speak.

Thank you.  
Lisa

Lisa Tanzman  
Cambria, CA 93428  
[REDACTED]

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Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 2:24 PM

To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: FW: [EXT]SLO County Redistricting Public Comment From a Real Live SLO County Resident

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Sincerely,

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Administrative Assistant III-Confidential Board of Supervisors

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

From: Maggie Tillman <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Sunday, November 28, 2021 10:14 AM

To: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]SLO County Redistricting Public Comment From a Real Live SLO County Resident

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Dear Chair Compton and SLO County BOS,

Please consider the redistricting map proposed by SLO Chamber of Commerce. It is logical to voting residents and keeps communities of interest together. The other map appears to have no reasonable rationale other than serving political interests over those of the SLO County public. Please do your jobs.

Respectfully,

Maggie Tillman

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Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 2:24 PM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: FW: [EXT]Support SLO Chamber Redistricting map

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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From: Mindy Lorenz <[REDACTED]>  
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Subject: [EXT]Support SLO Chamber Redistricting map

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Dear SLO Board of Supervisors,

I urge you to support the SLO County 2030 map and reject the Patten map. The Patten map is blatantly gerrymandered for partisan Republican advantage. It unnecessarily, and potentially illegally, changes current district lines that have served us well for the past decade. I support the League of Women Voters' well reasoned position in favor of the SLO County 2030 map. Please do the right thing and reject the badly flawed Patten map.

Thank you,

Mindy Lorenz

[REDACTED]  
Arroyo Grande, CA 93420

Sent from my iPad



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**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistricting

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**From:** Virginia Roof [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 10:26 AM  
**To:** Redistricting <[Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us)>; Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting

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Members of the Board,

Regarding redistricting, I am urging you all to reject the blatantly partisan Patten map and adopt the SLO Chamber of Commerce map. Our county does not need any more division. We need fairness and unity. Please do the right thing.

Sincerely,  
Virginia Roof  
Arroyo Grande, CA

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From: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 2:25 PM  
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Subject: FW: [EXT]Redistricting map

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From: Kathryn Tribbey [REDACTED]  
Sent: Sunday, November 28, 2021 11:18 AM  
To: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: [EXT]Redistricting map

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Please demonstrate that you are a fair and non-partisan representative of the voters in your district and the county as a whole which as a member of the Board of Supervisors you are supposed to and expected to be.

As a resident of Pismo Beach I urge you to reject the Patten Map. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Tribbey

[REDACTED]

Pismo Beach, CA 93449

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Kathryn Reid Tribbey

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:26 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Reject the Patten map

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**From:** William L. Ahlgren [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 11:21 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
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Thank you,  
William Ahlgren  
[REDACTED]  
Arroyo Grande, CA 93420

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**From:** David Juhnke <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 11:51 AM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting

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Dear Honorable Board of Supervisors,

This is a follow-up to my prior email relating to the redistricting process. Thank you for your decision to advance the **SLO County 2030** map as one of two alternatives for final consideration. I continue to believe that the **SLO County 2030** map provides the best framework for meeting the goals of redistricting while insuring that all County voters are treated fairly and equitably.

On the other hand, I have real concerns about the **Patten** map which also was advanced for final consideration. The **Patten** map constitutes a radical redrawing of supervisorial district lines for San Luis Obispo County, violates the fundamental principles of proper redistricting, and will lead to unfair and inequitable treatment of County voters.

Let me begin by saying that I do not view this as a partisan issue, but rather one of good governance and fundamental fairness. The **SLO County 2030** map was developed by a bipartisan group of community and business leaders from throughout the County, including Ben Higgins (Hearst Corporation), Turko Semmes (Semmes & Co Builders), LeBren Harris (Intermountain Management/Hampton Inn and Suites/TownPlace Suites), Jessica Darin (Cal Poly Chief of Staff), Jessica Steely (Semmes & Co Builders) and Lisa Hamon (Glick Haupt Marino). It is supported by a wide range of community and business leaders from throughout our County, and makes minor adjustments to the current supervisorial districts designed (1) to preserve communities of interest in the same district, (2) to insure that each district has a significant agricultural presence, (3) to include in each district both urbanized cities and unincorporated communities and (4) to promote equity among voters by moving as few voters as possible into a new district.

On the other hand, the **Patten** map makes radical changes to the supervisorial districts and violates the fundamental principles of proper redistricting by failing to preserve communities of interest – e.g., separating San Miguel and Paso Robles while combining San Miguel with Cayucos, separating Morro Bay and Los Osos while combining Los Osos with Oceano, separating Santa Margarita and Garden Farms/Atascadero while combining Santa Margarita with Paso Robles, separating Nipomo and Oceano while combining Oceano with Los Osos. It also creates districts which cross natural boundaries, combining Cambria/Cayucos with Lake Nacimiento/San Miguel. Further, it will create serious inequities among County voters by placing many voters into a new district where they will have to vote for supervisor twice in two years or have to wait six years before voting for their elected representative.

The recent census provides no justification for such a radical change to current supervisorial districts, and the inequities of the **Patten** map likely will lead to legal challenges. This will create confusion among voters, and will force the County to spend precious tax dollars defending something which appears indefensible.

The election of county supervisors is critical to many issues, including economic development, housing, homelessness, the closure of Diablo Canyon, and the future of the Oceano Dunes. As a long-time member of this community, I urge you to resist efforts to radically change the boundaries of supervisorial districts. There is no good reason to do so, and there are many good reasons not to do so. **I urge you to approve the SLO County 2030 map.**

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of this matter, and for your service to all residents of our County.

Best regards,  
David Juhnke

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**From:** David Juhnke  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 18, 2021 6:26 PM  
**To:** [boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)  
**Subject:** Redistricting

Dear Honorable Board of Supervisors:

I am a long-time resident of the County who lived in Atascadero for six years and then moved to SLO where I have lived and owned a business for the past 30 years. I have served on many non-profit boards and have been deeply involved in the community, working on such issues as business and economic development (SLO Chamber, Economic Vitality Corporation, County Economic Strategy Steering Committee), youth (YMCA, SLO Rotary de Tolosa), land conservation (SLO County Land Conservancy), intimate partner violence (RISE, Lumina Alliance) and literacy (Literacy for Life).

I am writing today to ask for your thoughtful consideration of the issues relating to redistricting. I am quite concerned that some of the maps which are being proposed will adversely affect citizens and communities of interest throughout our County. While the census shows some population shift, there is

nothing earth-shattering and certainly nothing that requires a dramatic modification of supervisorial districts like that proposed in some of the maps.

To the extent that adjustments are appropriate, I support the proposed **SLO County 2030** map which makes minor modifications to the current districts so as to maintain communities of interest (Cal Poly, North Coast, Santa Margarita/Garden Farms, Creston/Shandon, Oceano/Nipomo) in the same district. In addition, the map insures that each district contains a significant agricultural presence so that this cultural, historic and economic driver of our County is considered by every supervisor when making decisions regarding economic development and land use (e.g., adjusting the Second District border eastward along Highway 46 and 41 to ensure that there is a substantial agricultural representation in that district). The **SLO County 2030** map also ensures that each district contains both urbanized, incorporated cities along with unincorporated communities, and it maintains Diablo Canyon and Oceano Dunes in separate districts so that they might remain a top priority for one supervisor.

In short, there is no reason to make a radical adjustment to the current supervisorial districts as is contemplated by some of the maps which have been submitted. To the extent that modifications are appropriate, the proposed **SLO County 2030** map is the best solution and I strongly encourage you to adopt it.

Thank you for your careful consideration of this matter, and for your service to the citizens of our County.

Best regards,  
Dave Juhnke

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**From:** lynn ellis [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:26 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Yes on Patten option

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We vote for the Patten option ..we live in rural unincorporated Paso Robles.  
Randy and Lynn Ellis



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**From:** sjourdevans@aol.com [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:27 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>; Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Cc:** lmevans13@me.com  
**Subject:** [EXT]Public comment

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To whom it may concern:

I will be speaking tomorrow at the SLO County Board meeting. Following is what I plan to say. I hope you will make it part of the official public record.

Thank you,

Lyman M. Evans

Good morning. I'm Lyman Mitchell Evans from Cambria and I support the Chamber of Commerce Map.

I spoke at the 11/19 meeting and decided it was crucial that I attend today as well.

I want to share some take-aways from that first meeting:

1. The meeting design and execution was contrived and unfair. I signed in early so I could speak early. Yet I was pushed to a 1:30 p.m. slot, while the Patten Map proponents who signed in later were first up. They had obviously been carefully scripted. Presenters included some who were not even SLO residents.
2. The Board majority knew in advance which maps they were going to pick ... clearly not A or B. They engaged in a charade for 7 hours, pretending to listen to presenters' perspectives.
3. The Board majority displayed disrespect and contempt of SLO County citizens and other board members. It became obvious that their minds were made up and the public's wishes did not matter.

The Board majority claimed to be interested in transparency. If that were true they would have selected a “non-partisan citizens redistricting committee” rather than hiring consultants and selecting a “citizen” to do their bidding and redraw maps that serve their political aspirations.

What we see is clearly Gerrymandering. Let’s call it what it is. This current redistricting process should be nullified and withdrawn. Start over with a non-partisan citizens redistricting committee.

I trust at the end of the day you’ll pick the legally and morally correct decision and choose the Chamber of Commerce map.

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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:28 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Nov 30 Redistricting Meeting

For your review. Thank you.

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**From:** Susan Bonitz <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 12:02 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Nov 30 Redistricting Meeting

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I am writing with regard to the hearing this Tuesday where the Board will choose a new map for the SLO County board of supervisors' districts.

I am in favor of the SLO County 2030 map put forward by the SLO Chamber of Commerce.

The 2030 map does not disenfranchise thousands of voters during the next election cycles. If the Patten map is adopted, thousands of voters will lose out on voting in 2022 and will have no supervisor representing them on the Board of Supervisors for several years after. Correspondingly, thousands of other voters will have elected two members of the Board. These changes are major - with many many voters losing out - and when major changes are not necessary under the law.

The 2030 map respects communities of interest in the north coastal areas, and keeps Los Osos with Morro Bay and cities north - its true community of interest. Los Osos has no community of interest with Avila or further south. The Patten map does not respect that community of interest.

The Patten map claims to put SLO City into one district (at the prior hearing I heard speakers repeatedly claim that the Patten map keeps the city of SLO together), but in fact SLO City is split between two supervisors.

For the county's sake, this process needs to be fair. Disenfranchising thousands of voters and moving them to other districts and breaking up clear communities of interest, for what can only be interpreted as partisan purposes, is not fair to voters across the county and is not permitted by law.

Susan Bonitz

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**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Nov 30 Redistricting Meeting, Glynda Hoskins current District #2

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**From:** Glynda Hoskins <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 12:03 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Cc:** John Hoskins <[REDACTED]>; Karen Pearson <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Nov 30 Redistricting Meeting, Glynda Hoskins current District #2

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**My name is Glynda Hoskins, I am a home and property owner located in Cambria California and currently within District #2. I intend to stay within District #2 Coastal Communities and want to make it clear there is NO LEGAL way to force The Patten Map redistricting gerrymandering on us without a legal battle in the very near future. Simply put, this so called Patten map is clearly illegal and as such any BOS member trying to force this on our coastal town to further their partisan agenda will be brought to light for such practice.**

Please read the article from The Tribune (below) regarding this redistricting power grab and please know - we see you:

Lynn Compton  
John Peschong  
Debbiie Arnold

**[Vote: For the reasonable legal plan, The San Luis Obispo Chamber of Commerce Plan.](https://www.sanluisobispo.com/news/local/article255983632.html)**

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**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]redistricting maps

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**From:** barbara davison [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 12:05 PM  
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**Subject:** [EXT]redistricting maps

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This Patton map is absolutely the most ridiculous thing I have heard of in quite awhile. I highly object to the implementation of this map!

Barbara Kuhrt  
[REDACTED]  
Los Osos, Ca 93402

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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:30 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]November 30, 2021 Special Meeting - Redistricting Hearing

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**From:** Katherine Keeney [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 12:27 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <[Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us)>; Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]November 30, 2021 Special Meeting - Redistricting Hearing

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Once again, I quote from your own consultant, Chris Chaffee of Redistricting Partners, "The county doesn't need to change its supervisor district boundaries, as the populations haven't shifted beyond legally allowable limits."

Please provide the legal basis for the Patten Map and the potential splitting of North Coast communities. Except for the purpose of political gain I can see no other reason that makes sense.

California Election Law 21500, which says a community of interest is *"a population that shares common social or economic interests"* and *"should be included within a single supervisorial district for purposes of its effective and fair representation. Communities of interest do not include relationships with political parties, incumbents, or political candidates."*

In fact, there is no need at all to change the districts based on the 2020 census.

Not to mention the financial costs involved and the costs of disruption & confusion it will cause citizens of this county who have already been through a traumatic two years.

If you choose to redistrict you will be creating instability and financial burden in our county. Something we don't need.

Katherine Keeney  
Los Osos resident

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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:30 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistricting - The North Coast Communities of Interest

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**From:** JOHN MANDEVILLE <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 12:28 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting - The North Coast Communities of Interest

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Honorable Board of Supervisors,

My family lives in Morro Bay. Challenges facing Morro Bay include future water supply, Coastal Commission regulations and tourism dependency/impacts. These challenges are uniquely common to the North Coast communities of Los Osos, Morro Bay, Cayucos, Cambria and San Simeon. These North Coast communities are a clear community of interest as defined by the California Election Code both in terms of interests and geography.

At present the North Coast community of interest has a clear voice on the Board of Supervisors that will be lost with the Patten Map. Breaking up the North Coast community of interest would make the individual North Coast communities minority members of new districts dominated by inland cities. This would dilute the voice of North Coast residents as Supervisors would primarily represent inland populations. The Patten Map is clearly counter to the main rule of redistricting, which is to keep communities of interest together. Because it is such a obvious infraction, breaking up North Coast communities will result in litigation that will cost tax payers a large sum of money that should be better used for services and infrastructure.

Please keep the North Coast community of interest intact when voting on the new district map. Please vote for the minor changes represented in the SLO County 2030 map.

Thank you,

John Mandeville

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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:30 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Please reject the Patten map

For your review. Thank you.

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**From:** Carole Mintzer [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 12:38 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>; Redistricting <[Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Please reject the Patten map

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Dear Supervisors,

Thank you for the opportunity to write to you. I would love to speak with you in person but during the ongoing pandemic, I am still uncomfortable being in a closed space with large numbers of people, despite mask wearing and vaccinations.

As a voting resident of Los Osos, I ask you to please reject the Patten map. The Patten map would separate Los Osos from our nearest neighbor, Morro Bay, with which we share commerce and schools. Moreover, although it may appear on a map that Los Osos is geographically contiguous with Pismo Beach and other areas to the south, you surely appreciate that to get from Los Osos to areas south, we have to first drive to San Luis Obispo then back to the southern coastal areas. I can drive to Morro Bay in less than 10 minutes - and often do so for dinner or to shop. I rarely drive to Pismo or areas south because they're not close or convenient by car.

The Patten map also would disenfranchise voters in Los Osos, who may not have an opportunity to vote for our supervisor until 2024 - so for two years we would be represented by someone we did not choose.

Sincerely,

Carole Mintzer  
Los Osos, CA 93402



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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:30 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]RE: November 30th Board of Supervisors Redistricting Hearing

For your review. Thank you.

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**From:** Cindy Lewis <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 1:17 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsup@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsup@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]RE: November 30th Board of Supervisors Redistricting Hearing

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As a resident of District 1, a SLO high school and Cal Poly graduate, resident of SLO County for 25 years, small business owner, retired college professor, beekeeper, and wine maker, I stand with the **non-partisan** League of Women Voters, Women's March and Templeton Women in Community to select SLO Chamber Map 75760 which meets ALL statutory requirements.

- You had the chance to select an independent redistricting commission—did you? NO!
- Then, you hired a professional redistricting firm to draw maps while you retained sole authority to choose. Did you select any of their produced maps? NO!
- Did you ask your paid redistricting staff to analyze how maps including the 2 you chose would affect political party distribution or delay or accelerate voting patterns by years? NO! In fact, you blocked them from that analysis!
- Did you even ask them to analyze if maps would meet California Elections Codes? NO!

The Tribune's November 23<sup>rd</sup> editorial nailed it: **"The Patten map is a farce. Will SLO County supervisors have the courage to shoot it down?"**

**California Elections Code Section 21500(d)** states core principles include: "The Board shall **not** adopt boundaries for the purpose of favoring or discriminating against a political party. ... and the process shall not be manipulated in a way that focuses on or favors incumbents or particular candidates, nor draws districts to the advantage or disadvantage of a political party."

The Patten map, the **Great Cheat** of 2021, does **NOT** meet these and other core principles. If adopted by the Board majority of Compton, Arnold and Peschong, it will create a large-scale, Democratic Vote Displacement in

service to a scheme to allow 34% of registered Republicans in SLO County to control over 80% of the political power for the next 10 years. The TELL of your Great Cheat is that of nearly 33,000 accelerated votes, 51% voted for Trump in 2020 and 57% voted for the GOP gubernatorial candidate in 2018. Thus, far more Republicans than Democrats will be voting 2 years early for Supervisor. Total residents switching their next election date is 199,000 people, **72% of SLO Co residents** affected by these district line changes!

**In District 1 where I reside**, to include parts of the north coast with inland north county is NOT logical because there are **NO** existing Communities of Interest, there is a physical mountain barrier, and there are **NO** historical shared governing connections like CSDs or school districts. Separating North Coast communities dilutes their voice and voting power, and they won't be able to vote for their supervisor until 2024, again diluting their voice. The illegal Patten map also violates another guideline of "compactness", breaking apart existing COIs in **all the other districts**.

The Great Cheat of 2021 is being accomplished by packing Republicans into Districts 2 and 4, and scattering Democrats out. It's brazen, and now, openly obvious. **Why do you want to hide an independent analysis that has been done with publicly available information from the public?**

My father and uncle who served in WWII would condemn your Anti-Democratic and un-American process. **Do you not have any shame? Your vote today will tell us.**

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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:31 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: Contact Form Topic: Board of Supervisors meetings/business

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Topic: Board of Supervisors meetings/business

Your Name: Patrick Perry

Your Email: [REDACTED]

U.S. phone number: ([REDACTED])

Message: I am writing to express my views on the current redistricting discussion. I have been a resident of the County for nearly 40 years and a resident of Los Osos for 37 years. I have been a lawyer for 45 years and spent 14 of those years on the Superior Court bench as a Commissioner. In my opinion the "Patten Map" is, as the Tribune has opined, A Fiasco. Other than as a blatant attempt by the minority party to stack the deck against the citizens of this County, the Patten Map is ridiculous. Despite all my years living in Los Osos I am unable to identify a single community of interest that Los Osos has with Oceano, or Avilla Beach for that matter. I certainly identify communities of interest with Morro Bay and Cayucos as well as the other North County neighborhoods. I implore you to pass the Chamber of Commerce Map and hope that you remember the old adage that what goes around comes around.

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From: Karen Pearson <[REDACTED]>  
Sent: Sunday, November 28, 2021 2:12 PM  
To: redistricting@co.slo.c; Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: [EXT]Re: Redistricting

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The Patten map is illegal and YOU KNOW THIS. We expect more out of our Public Servants. Surely you have read all the government guidelines on Redistricting and are intelligent enough to follow them. Your last meeting on this subject was horrid and you now have MANY people who think you are all out of control at the very least.

Redistricting is NOT supposed to be a political game. We KNOW how you planned all this. Gerrymandering is ILLEGAL.

Karen Pearson, Cambria

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From: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 2:32 PM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: FW: [EXT]redistricting

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Lisa Marie Estrada

Administrative Assistant III-Confidential Board of Supervisors

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From: Sherry Lewis <[REDACTED]>  
Sent: Sunday, November 28, 2021 2:42 PM  
To: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: [EXT]redistricting

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Dear Supervisors:

Please DO NOT CHOOSE the Patten map for redistricting. I believe it is politically motivated and not fair or necessary.

I urge you to keep the districts as close to as they are now and not so radically change them. This is so important.

Thank you,

Sherrill Ames Lewis  
93405

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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:32 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistricting maps / BoS hearing Tue, Nov 30 2021

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Board of Supervisors  
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**From:** Annet Dragavon [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 2:46 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting maps / BoS hearing Tue, Nov 30 2021

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I strongly oppose adoption of the Patton Map, which is illegal in light of California Elections Code 21500. According to this code, County district boundaries must **respect both geographical integrity and geographical 'communities of interest' without regard to partisan influence.**

The heavily gerrymandered map is a solution without a problem. Its enactment would strictly be to assure Republican advantage, a violation of the Code, which further states that election boundaries "**shall not be adopted that favor or discriminate against one political party**".

Redistricting guidelines are adjusted every ten years to ensure County elections are fair and just. The Patton Map does the

opposite and therefore violates State Code as well as democratic principles.

Sincerely,

Annet Dragavon

[REDACTED]

Paso Robles, CA. 93406

[REDACTED]

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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:32 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Support for Chamber map

For your review. Thank you.

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Administrative Assistant III-Confidential  
Board of Supervisors  
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**From:** Erin Hoffman [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 2:51 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Support for Chamber map

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I support the Chamber-crafted SLO County 2030 map.

Thanks you for your consideration.



**Erin Hoffman**  
Senior Consultant  
[Collaboration Business Consulting](#) | [REDACTED]





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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:32 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Nov 30 Redistricting Meeting

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**From:** Julie Daggett [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 2:58 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Nov 30 Redistricting Meeting

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Hello,

I am a Los Osos home-owning, voter. I send my kids to public school. I pay my taxes. I own a small business.

I REJECT the Patton Map in redistricting our county. I support the SLO County 2030 Map. I want Los Osos to remain a strong voting presence in our county.

Respectfully,

Julie Daggett, Ph.D.

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Julie Daggett, Ph.D.

Pronouns: she/her/hers

Clinical Psychologist, PSY18057

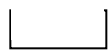
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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:33 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistricting San Luis Obispo County

For your review. Thank you.

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**From:** Robert A Flores [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 3:02 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting San Luis Obispo County

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I have had the opportunity to review the two plans for redistricting in the county. The redistricting effort is based on Census data that shows population shifts over the past decade. It is clear to me that the SLO County 2030 map is the preferred map. The Patten map appears to be a divisive map that gerrymanders the supervisorial districts. The Patten map also will negatively impact voters in several communities who will not be eligible to vote until 2024, while the Patten map favors other communities who will be eligible to vote in 2022 and 2024. Changes of this magnitude are not warranted.

The SLO County 2030 map is less disruptive to the voters in our county. I urge the San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors to apply fairness in their decision-making by selecting the SLO County 2030 map.

Sincerely,

Robert A. Flores  
[REDACTED]  
San Luis Obispo, CA 93405

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Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 2:33 PM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: FW: [EXT]Redistricting

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From: Jean Ryan [REDACTED]  
Sent: Sunday, November 28, 2021 3:11 PM  
To: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: [EXT]Redistricting

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There is a plan that will work and it is the one recommended by the SLO Chamber of Commerce. It's the only one that makes common sense.

Jean Ryan

[REDACTED]  
Morro Bay

Sent from my iPad

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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:33 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Please keep the current District Map for SLO Countyt

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
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**From:** Judy Philbin <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 3:20 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Please keep the current District Map for SLO Countyt

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To the San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors:

I strongly urge you to keep San Luis Obispo county district maps as they currently and NOT adopt the Patten Map.

The Patten map divides interest areas and, although our supervisors are not intended to be political positions, the Patten map appears strongly to be a strategy to give power to particular interests. Not only is this not in the best interest of our county, it is illegal, according to California Election Law 21500. Additionally, the Patten map would severely carve up "communities of interest" which should stay together, particular the north coast, as well as the communities of Oceano and Nipomo.

Again, I strongly urge you to keep the map that currently exists, with minor change of keeping Cal Poly as a unit. The current map is completely legal and maintains continuity for our county.

Thank you,

Barbara J. Philbin  
San Luis Obispo

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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:33 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: Contact Form Topic: Board of Supervisors meetings/business

For your review. Thank you.

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**From:** Web Notifications <[webnotifications@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:webnotifications@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 3:35 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** Contact Form Topic: Board of Supervisors meetings/business

Topic: Board of Supervisors meetings/business

Your Name: Abigail J. Adams

Your Email: [REDACTED]

U.S. phone number: [REDACTED]

Message: In the redistricting plan, please support the map submitted by the SLO Chamber of Commerce, NOT the Patten map. Morro Bay will be best represented by remaining with Los Oso, Cayucos, San Simeon. The Patten map makes no sense. Thank you.

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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:33 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistricting

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
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**From:** Jacqueline Whitesides [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 3:42 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting

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Please consider carefully the re-districting. I support the League Of Women of SLO and you should too! Over the years they have never disappointed us voters with their unbiased help.

THANKS

Jacqueline Whitesides

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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:33 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Nov 30 Redistricting Meeting

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
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Board of Supervisors  
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**From:** Ryan Huss [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 4:52 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Nov 30 Redistricting Meeting

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This redistricting is unfair to Los Osos. There is no reason to take away what little power we have as an unincorporated community. Please take that under consideration before you make your decision. Los Osos has been the forgotten stepchild in our county for far too long and we have had enough. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Ryan Huss  
AGHS  
Social Science

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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:33 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistricting Nov. 30 Public Hearing

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Board of Supervisors  
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**From:** Devon Goetz [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 4:54 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting Nov. 30 Public Hearing

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Honorable Supervisors,

As a Los Osos resident since 1989, I am deeply concerned about the redistricting process, especially the so-called Patten Map.

It is inconceivable to me that the Board would consider splintering the communities that lie along the Estero Bay.

I can't think of a group of communities that more perfectly embody what state law calls "a community of interest" than Cayucos, Morro Bay, and Los Osos. It's bad enough that you would consider slicing off even one of these communities from the other two, but the Patten Map proposes packing all three communities off into three separate districts.

At nearly 30,000 residents, these three communities make up nearly 80% of the North Coast. Why would you break up such a tightly knit population cluster, one that has in common so many interests, including shared governance of transportation maintenance, public schools, parks and open space and other infrastructure. Among the many facets that bind these communities together:

- **Intertwined Economy:** A key facet of defining a "community of interest" are close economic ties. Residents from all three communities shop in each other's communities. Visitors hardly know the difference from where Morro Bay ends and Cayucos begins.
- **Coastal Environment:** Los Osos and Morro Bay share the Morro Bay National Estuary, which is governed by representatives from our communities. Yet the Patten Map would break us up for no apparent reason other than partisan advantage.

- **Infrastructure:** The City of Morro Bay and the Cayucos Sanitary District are planning the decommissioning and disposition of a co-owned sewage treatment plant.
- **Transportation:** Highway 1 is major MB Cayucos connection; So. Bay Blvd is major county road connection for LO and MB economy and evacuation route; RTA bus Routes 12 and 15 also connect these communities.
- **Open Space and parks:** The coast's geography is defined in large part by common usage by Morro Bay State Park, Montana de Oro State Park, Estero Bluffs State Park plus other greenbelt parcels in Los Osos and Cayucos.
- **Public Schools:** All three communities are interdependent for schools. Los Osos Middle School serves Morro Bay and Los Osos students; Morro Bay High serves Los Osos as well as Morro Bay residents, plus many Cayucos students.
- **Interdependent Collaborations:**
  - The Toro Creek Preserve project currently underway is conserving the Chevron property between Morro Bay and Cayucos, and is dependent on the participation of SLO County, the City of Morro Bay, the Cayucos Sanitary District along with nonprofits such as the Cayucos Land Conservancy.
  - SLO County operation of State Park facilities including Morro Bay Golf Course, the Cayucos Beach pier and the management of Bishops Peak are all covered under same operating agreement.

I'm sure there are more aspects that tie each of these communities together. But this is a long list. And the reason for the Patten Map is short - it's just to gain partisan advantage. It has nothing to do with fair representation, good governance, or respect for our communities.

Please reject the Patten Map.

Sincerely,

Devon Goetz

**FW: [EXT]SLO County 2030 Map**

Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Mon 11/29/2021 4:48 PM

To: [REDACTED]

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From: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>

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To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: FW: [EXT]SLO County 2030 Map

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Administrative Assistant III-Confidential Board of Supervisors

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From: Harbaugh Yankasammy [REDACTED]

Sent: Sunday, November 28, 2021 4:54 PM

To: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]SLO County 2030 Map

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My vote is for the SLO County 2030 Map. Please cast your vote in favor of.

Thank you,

Sent from my iPhone

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Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 2:34 PM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: FW: [EXT]Build Community Trust By Adopting SLO County 2030 Map

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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From: Bk Richard [REDACTED]  
Sent: Sunday, November 28, 2021 4:56 PM  
To: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: [EXT]Build Community Trust By Adopting SLO County 2030 Map

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Honorable Supervisors,

The re-districting process which culminates this week can either contribute to inflaming and enlarging the contentious, destructive political divide ... or take a major turn in calming the rhetoric and building citizen trust. There is so many issues to address at this stage of our history (housing/homelessness, COVID recovery, drought/water, Diablo closure/energy, ... come to mind) that every bit of your energy, in my view, should be focused there rather than on partisan proxy battles.

Build trust by adopting the simple, minimal change to our Supervisory Districts (SLO County 2030 Map). It's compliant with state law, will not dis-enfranchise significant community groups, and will show the steady hand of wise leadership.

Thank you.

B. K. Richard,  
District 5  
San Luis Obispo

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From: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 2:34 PM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: FW: [EXT]Redistricting - the 2030 map is the only reasonable choice

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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From: Ann Robinson [REDACTED]  
Sent: Sunday, November 28, 2021 5:05 PM  
To: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: [EXT]Redistricting - the 2030 map is the only reasonable choice

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The 2030 map is the only one that actually follows the guidelines for redistricting. The county has not changed much. There is no logical reason to change the district boundaries in any major way. The Patten map would split communities of interest on the north coast and south county. Your only reasonable choice is to pick the 2030 map.

Ann Robinson

[REDACTED]  
San Luis Obispo, 93401

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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:34 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]comment for the Redistricting meeting on Nov 30th

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
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**From:** Linda Reynolds [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 5:09 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]comment for the Redistricting meeting on Nov 30th

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Let's stop the blatant gerrymandering and voter suppression by continuing at all with the Patten Map/

It is absolutely astonishing that this silliness has gotten this far. Jumping over large land masses to connect a district that has very little in common as far as issues that need to be considered. Is that representing the constituents?

Then there is the most obvious, removing Oceano from District 4 in order to improve the opportunity for the current district 4 supervisor to win the election. Making this move takes away their votes next year.

The area of Oceano has been ignored and now their opportunity to vote next year (their normal year) could be taken away until 2024. Is that voter suppression the California way?

There was no voter outreach regarding maps to Nipomo and Oceano per the residents who live there.

The BOS needs to keep the two unincorporated areas, Nipomo and Oceano together.

There is the planning for the future of the Dunes recreation area, water sourcing,

Coastal Act enforcement, keeping close knit Latino communities together in order to assure

better representation and other pertinent reasons.

Why not be a group of civil servants who are uniters in these difficult times?

Regards,  
Linda Reynolds

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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:34 PM  
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**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistricting Nov. 30 Public Hearing

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**From:** JoAnn Moore [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 5:53 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting Nov. 30 Public Hearing

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**From:** Laura J Moore [REDACTED]

**Subject:** Redistricting Nov. 30 Public Hearing  
**Date:** November 28, 2021  
**To:** [boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)

Honorable Supervisors,

As a Los Osos resident since 1988, I am deeply concerned about the redistricting process, especially the so-called Patten Map.

It is inconceivable to me that the Board would consider splintering the communities that lie along the Estero Bay.

I can't think of a group of communities that more perfectly embody what state law calls "a community of interest" than Cayucos, Morro Bay, and Los Osos. It's bad enough that you would consider slicing off even one of these communities from the other two, but the Patten Map proposes packing all three communities off into three separate districts.

At nearly 30,000 residents, these three communities make up nearly 80% of the North Coast. Why would you break up such a tightly knit population cluster, one that has in



common so many interests, including shared governance of transportation maintenance, public schools, parks and open space and other infrastructure. Among the many facets that bind these communities together:

- **Intertwined Economy:** A key facet of defining a “community of interest” are close economic ties. Residents from all three communities shop in each other’s communities. Visitors hardly know the difference from where Morro Bay ends and Cayucos begins.
- **Coastal Environment:** Los Osos and Morro Bay share the Morro Bay National Estuary, which is governed by representatives from our communities. Yet the Patten Map would break us up for no apparent reason other than partisan advantage.
- **Infrastructure:** The City of Morro Bay and the Cayucos Sanitary District are planning the decommissioning and disposition of a co-owned sewage treatment plant.
- **Transportation:** Highway 1 is major MB Cayucos connection; So. Bay Blvd is major county road connection for LO and MB economy and evacuation route; RTA bus Routes 12 and 15 also connect these communities.
- **Open Space and parks:** The coast’s geography is defined in large part by common usage by Morro Bay State Park, Montana de Oro State Park, Estero Bluffs State Park plus other greenbelt parcels in Los Osos and Cayucos.
- **Public Schools:** All three communities are interdependent for schools. Los Osos Middle School serves Morro Bay and Los Osos students; Morro Bay High serves Los Osos as well as Morro Bay residents, plus many Cayucos students.
- **Interdependent Collaborations:**
  - The Toro Creek Preserve project currently underway is conserving the Chevron property between Morro Bay and Cayucos, and is dependent on the participation of SLO County, the City of Morro Bay, the Cayucos Sanitary District along with nonprofits such as the Cayucos Land Conservancy.
  - SLO County operation of State Park facilities including Morro Bay Golf Course, the Cayucos Beach pier and the management of Bishops Peak are all covered under same operating agreement.

I’m sure there are more aspects that tie each of these communities together. But this is a long list. And the reason for the Patten Map is short - it’s just to gain partisan advantage. It has nothing to do with fair representation, good governance, or respect for our communities.

I urge you to please reject the Patten Map.

Sincerely,

Laura J Moore

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**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistricting

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**From:** Betsy Kiser [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 6:26 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting

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To the Members of the Board of Supervisors,

My name is Elizabeth J. Kiser and I live in District 4 outside of Arroyo Grande, CA. I have written to you in the past expressing my concern for the redistricting process you selected for our County and expressing my preference for Map A or B. I also attended the last meeting of the Board of Supervisors where it quickly became evident that the majority of you are not interested in listening to the will of the people. However, that being said, for the record I will reiterate that in my opinion there is no logical nor legal reason to make major changes to the existing district map. To do so, as is recommended with the Patten map, will serve only to jeopardize the very essence of democracy in our county and silence the voice of so many of our citizens, especially those living in the north county coastal areas and the unincorporated area of Oceano. I urge you to do the right thing and approve the SLO County 2030 map. It serves our communities of interest fairly and meets all the criteria of the law. As Hippocrates so succinctly said, primum non nocere. Your decision on redistricting should reflect these wise words ...above all, do no harm.

Thank you for your time.

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From: Jim Lipsett [REDACTED]  
Sent: Sunday, November 28, 2021 6:28 PM  
To: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>; Bruce Gibson <bgibson@co.slo.ca.us>  
Cc: Jim Lipsett <jiminmorrobay@charter.net>  
Subject: [EXT]Redistricting

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I oppose any changes in the current drawing of the districts as being considered by the SLO County Supervisors since there has been no significant change to the demographics of the County as shown by the 2020 census. However, since the Board of Supervisors has decided to select new districts as drawn in either the SLO County 2030 map or the Patten map, I must urge the selection of the County 2030 map. The Patten map would seriously damage the equity of my vote in future SLO County votes in several ways:

1) I would no longer be represented by Bruce Gibson since he lives in the portion of the Central Coast that would be given over to Atascadero. Bruce has represented those of us who live in Morro Bay very well for years.

2) The voters living along the coast—Cambria, Cayucos, Morro Bay, and Los Osos—share so much love for all that is special about our part of the County. Diluting support for issues we hold dear—the ocean, the climate, the environment— would be a serious result of adoption of the Patten map. Our communities, truly committees of interest, would have our voices drowned out by moving us into 3 separate districts. Please keep us unified as we are now.

3) The Patten map violates the California Election Law 21500.

Please leave the districts as close as possible to what they are now. Do not choose the districts as outlined in the Patten map.

James A Lipsett



Morro Bay, CA 93442



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Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 2:35 PM  
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: FW: [EXT]Good Governance/ Vote to retain existing District Boundaries

For your review. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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From: Jeff Bloom [REDACTED] >  
Sent: Sunday, November 28, 2021 6:29 PM  
To: redistricting@co.slo.c; Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
Subject: [EXT]Good Governance/ Vote to retain existing District Boundaries

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Chair and Members of the Board of Supervisors

Please let good governance prevail. The "Patten proposed Map" illegally divides communities of interest in the name of consolidating others. The only reason to do so is for partisan purposes as there is no other reason to divide the County into new districts with little in common and geographically separated. County governance is not a partisan activity but one of representation. Morro Bay and San Luis Obispo are both incorporated cities represented by elected City Council members. They are the least affected by having County representation divided amongst more than one Supervisors district. They have a City Council to work to assure that their community needs are met.

The Santa Lucia Mountains are a significant geographical barrier between the communities of interest of the existing Coastal communities and those of the incorporated cities of Atascadero and Paso Robles.

These two cities have relatively little in common with the Coastal communities both geographically and from a service delivery standpoint. Conversely, the majority of the existing District 2 is a very well established and historical community of interest bound together by the physical proximity to the ocean and connected by State Highway 1. While the incorporated City of Morro Bay is included in this district, it is inextricably tied to the economy and interests of the other coastal communities. The Coastal communities derive many of their services directly from the County so dividing them can only lead to having a less clear voice on County matters affecting them. The whole concept of district representation is to assure that communities of interest have a voice in governance. Dividing the coast can only serve to dilute that voice and reduce the representation. The representation would become lopsided in favor of the larger cities with larger populations and reduce the voice of the smaller unincorporated communities in the County.

Your choice to pursue redistricting without an independent Commission is inherently partisan and anti-democratic. We elected supervisors to represent our interests in County government and services. We did not elect you to give away our right to choose who represents us by changing district boundaries to serve partisan purposes and dilute our voice by placing the Coastal communities of interest in districts where our collective voice is diluted.

Your only way to resolve the battle you have created amongst residents is to approve a map that retains as much as possible the existing district boundaries. We hope you will do so and demonstrate your commitment to good governance and all of the voters in San Luis Obispo County. We are hopeful you are truly committed to bringing people together in the interest of the County rather than perpetuating efforts to further divide us.

Thank you for your consideration.

Jeff Bloom  
Cambria Resident

Sent from my iPad

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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
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**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistricting

For your review. Thank you.

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**From:** Jackie Parker [REDACTED] >  
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Dear Board of Supervisors,

Of the two choices you have selected for redistricting our County for the next 10 yearS, only the fair choice is the SLO Chamber of Commerce map. The Patten map is clearly divisive and designed to favor the Republican Party to an outrageous extent. We live in a county of diverse opinions and interests. We need districts that balance those differences, not further conflict. We have an absolute responsibility to the coastal communities and the fragile environments they live it to make sure that their voices are not muted by tossing them in with central communities less concerned with the coast.

I FEAR that division will destroy the harmony and balance that I have loved about SLO County for my 42 years of residence. Democracy can be demolished when partisan interests take precedence. You owe it to all of us to not let division destroy what makes this County so precious.

Please reject the Patten map and select the SLO Chamber of Commerce map.

Sincerely,

Jackie Parker

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**From:** Crosby Swartz [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 6:58 PM  
**To:** Board of Supervisors <[Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us)>; Redistricting <[Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT]Public Comment, Redistricting Hearing, 11-30-21

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To: San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors (via email)

Based on public comments we have listened to, there is strong support for maintaining current supervisorial districts with minor changes, and for maintaining the North Coast community of interest in a single district. Map ID 75760 "2030 County Plan" does this, and it satisfies all criteria for drawing district boundaries.

The other map under consideration creates a new architecture for the five supervisorial districts. We are concerned that the extensive changes proposed by this other map will create controversy and complaints about your decision for many years. The residents of San Luis Obispo County do not need more controversy added to the other challenges we are facing.

Please support the selection of Map ID 75760.

Thank you,  
Crosby and Laura Swartz  
Cambria, CA



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Subject: [EXT]Fwd: Redistricting

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This Tuesday the Board is finalizing the redistricting process for San Luis Obispo Supervisor Districts. Of the final two maps under consideration, the SLO County 2030 map is preferred because it more fairly meets the Elections Code Sec. 21500(d) and represents a fairer redistricting of our County. The Patten Map unfairly draws lines that favor one political party over the other, creates undesirable numbers of Deferrals and Accelerations and separates communities of common interests.

Again, I request you consider the maps and their impact and select the SLO County 2030 Map for the purpose of redistricting.

Benjamin W. Parker  
[REDACTED], San Luis Obispo CA 93401  
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The Patten Map divides the three communities of Estero Bay into three separate supervisorial districts. These three communities - Cayucos, Morro Bay and Los Osos - share an unique geography and ocean interface. From the windows of my house in Cayucos I see Morro Bay and Los Osos across the Estero Bay. I watch the Marine Layer (fog) come through the Bay into Los Osos and curve around to encompass Morro Bay and Cayucos. We share an environmental and development plan - the Estero Bay Plan. The California Coastal Commission recognizes our three communities as one Community of Interest with it's approval of the Estero Bay Plan. Our County Planning and Building Department prepared the Estero Bay Plan - a recognition by the County itself of our Community of Interests. The Estero Bay communities share the visions of the Chumash Marine Sanctuary and offshore wind farms - issues which will require a strong supervisor to maximize benefits for local residents and our county.

Dividing the Estero Bay communities weakens our representation and is contrary to us having effective representation. Surely that is not the goal of redistricting!

My dogs run free on Dog Beach, officially part of the Toro Creek Preserve project. Los Osos and Morro Bay dogs join our Cayucos' dogs in their frolics. It exemplifies the unity of the Estero Bay residents. We share our rising sea level, our unique weather shaped by the Bay, the greenbelts that surround our towns and the relative smallness of our houses, but in a unified plan.

There is no legitimate reason to divide up the Estero Bay communities and yet many legitimate reasons to maintain them in the same district.

John Carsel

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It is obviously too radical. It would leave Los Osos without a Supervisor for a long period of time and the odd combination of different constituencies dilutes the representative power of those communities. Please preserve the value of democracy by rejecting that strange redistricting map.

Thanks,

Debbie Highfill

Morro Bay

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Dear Board,  
I support the 2030 SLO County re-districting map.  
The SLO County 2030 map appears to meet all the criteria stipulated in the California Election Code and complies with the United States Constitution, the California Constitution, and the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965.

The SLO County 2030 map respects local communities of interest in the north coastal areas of San Simeon, Cambria, Cayucos, Morro Bay and Los Osos as well as the connection between Nipomo and Oceano. It also respects the natural boundary of the coastal mountains. The Patten map does not respect these communities of interest.

Sincerely,  
Dean Castellino  
Grover Beach Resident

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SLO County Staff Advisory Redistricting Committee

Redistricting Partners, Advisory Consultant

Rita Neal, County Counsel

**FROM:** Citizens for Preserving District #4

**RE:** SLO County Redistricting – Supervisorial Districts

**DATE:** November 28, 2021

Board Members, the Staff Committee, Redistricting Partners, and County Counsel

Citizens for Preserving District #4 submit these further comments for your consideration after two public hearings (October 26, 2021 and November 19, 2021), and the submission of our coalition's public comments on October 22<sup>[1]</sup> and November 17 which are repeated and incorporated here by reference.

The major points developed here are:

1. Adoption of either the Patten Map or the Chamber Map is not necessary, and not warranted by any significant change in 2020 Census data;
2. Adoption of either the Patten Map or the Chamber Map would be far less preferable to adoption of either Map A or Map B;
3. Strong evidence exists already that adoption of the Patten Map would violate at least California Elections Code Sec. 21500(c) and 21500(d) (Elections Code Section 21500 is **Exhibit 1**);
4. Although less preferable than Map A or Map B, the Chamber Map is arguably compliant while the Patten Map clearly is not;
5. Adoption of the Patten Map would be a grave dis-service to the residents of the County of San Luis Obispo, unnecessarily fostering greater division, rancor, emotion, apathy, disgust, disappointment, and distrust; and
6. It's not too late to tone things down and for the County Board of Supervisors to make a redistricting map decision that properly serves the county's entire population that is logical, rational, evidence-based, fair, legally compliant, and defensible.

What follows are our comments that amplify the major points just listed.

### **THERE ARE CONSTITUTIONAL, STATUTORY, AND CASE PRECEDENT GUARDRAILS FOR EVALUATING THE LEGITIMACY OF THE 2021 REDISTRICTING PROCESS:**

The redistricting process for supervisorial district boundaries in 2021 requires application of 2020 census data to new (since 2019), mandatory, and prioritized statutory criteria set forth in the California Fair Maps Act (Elections Code Sec. 21500-21509). The key inquiry is whether changes in census data compel the revisiting and possible re-drawing of district boundaries. If census data changes do not require boundary changes, there is no need to make them. If it appears that census changes may require a revisiting and redrawing of district boundaries, the 2019 California Fair Maps Act criteria must be applied, in priority order.

### **MANAGEMENT OF THE REDISTRICTING PROCESS**

The Board of Supervisors (BOS) had the chance (and authority) to create, by ordinance or appointment, an independent citizens' redistricting commission, as many other counties in California have done. By a 3-member Republican majority of the BOS ("the Board Majority")<sup>[2]</sup> that idea was rejected. Instead, the board established a staff advisory committee and authorized retention of an outside consulting firm (Redistricting Partners) that specializes in redistricting. (A copy of the Redistricting Partners contract, including the scope of work, is **Exhibit 2**). The board retained the right to make final redistricting decisions.

### **THE REDISTRICTING PROCESS PRIOR TO OCTOBER 26, 2021**

The BOS held the first of several required public hearings on redistricting in July 2021. An overview of the redistricting process was provided by Redistricting Partners and public comment was received, including comments relating to "communities of interest." No maps were presented or discussed. The consultant provided information about the Fair Maps Act, prioritization of the Act's criteria, gerrymandering, and clear notification to the Board that it is illegal to adopt district boundaries for the purpose of favoring or discriminating against a political party.

## **THE OCTOBER 26, 2021 HEARING – STAU QUO APPROACH TO REDISTRICTING WOULD BE TOTALLY COMPLIANT, ACCEPTABLE, AND LEGALLY DEFENSIBLE**

Several important things happened at the October 26 hearing: (a) the staff committee and Redistricting Partners presented and explained four staff/consultant maps, two of which are very similar to the existing (2010) district boundary map; (b) staff explained that neither 2020 census data nor application of the Fair Maps Act criteria required any significant change of boundaries<sup>[3]</sup>, (c) the staff discussed a number of “publicly submitted maps” pointing out how a number of them appeared to be facially non-compliant due to excessive population deviation; (d) the consultant from Redistricting Partners commented on a public-submitted map (from Richard Patten) with a “very different” construction; (e) the consultant also acknowledged how redistricting decisions are essentially zero-sum games, with a change in one place to address one perceived issue results in significant consequences being experienced elsewhere; (f) an attempt was made and rejected to invite supervisor discussion about the staff and public-generated maps in order to narrow down the maps that would go forward; (g) a number of comments were offered in support of the map submitted by Richard Patten and; (h) Supervisor Peschong had questions and comments about the Patten map.

Supervisor Peschong also expressed specific interest in a final SLO Chamber of Commerce map, which Chamber representatives promised would be forthcoming to replace a “stakeholder map” that had been submitted initially but (as noted by the consultant) was out of compliance in terms of deviation percentage.

The Board Majority wanted more time for public comment and showed no interest in eliminating any maps for non-compliance because there would be time for adjustments to be made. Supervisor Peschong talked down any suggestion of conspiracies and stated that “what we’re about” is being “legal and right.”

The major takeaways from the October 26 special hearing: The supervisors complemented staff and the consultant for their work, with Supervisor Peschong particularly noting the expertise of Redistricting Partners. The staff advisory committee and the representative from Redistricting Partners clearly explained and confirmed that Map A and Map B would be fully compliant with current deviation standards and legal requirements (“no problems”), and that the Board had the clear option to retain district boundaries essentially without change. No other map, including any map submitted by a member of the public, was affirmatively described as being legally acceptable. When asked by Supervisor Gibson about the mapping decisions having acceleration and deferral consequences, Mr. Chafee from Redistricting Partners emphasized that the goal with redistricting was to keep accelerations and deferrals as low as possible.

### **INTRODUCTION OF THE TROJAN HORSE MAP**

Definition of Trojan Horse: A person or thing intended secretly to undermine or bring about the downfall of an enemy or opponent.

A Trojan Horse (or Trojan) is one of the most common and dangerous types of threats that can infect one’s computer or mobile device. Trojans are usually described as benign or useful software that you can download from the internet, but they actually carry malicious code designed to do harm.

The Trojan Horse, the Richard Patten Map (“Patten Map”), first surfaced as a humble, aw shucks “notes on a napkin” format. District numbers were clearly mis-aligned, but the map’s author presented it as a map to meet all statutory requirements and cure all ills. Although he was insistent that there was no reason to break up the City of San Luis Obispo and Cal Poly (i.e., that they should be in one district out of respect to city boundaries), there was no way to drill down and really understand what the effects of the map might be in the format presented. Nevertheless, there was lots of support from people who clearly knew about “Richard’s map,” who fully supported it, and who seemed to completely understand what it aimed to accomplish. Supervisor Peschong mentioned only two maps specifically: the Patten

Map (which he believed needed to be renumbered), and the “final” map from the SLO Chamber of Commerce that was still expected. In general, he thought the maps “look great.” In his comments, Mr. Peschong only mentioned the criteria 21500(c)(3), skipping over 21500(c)(2).

## **DEVELOPMENT AND PRESENTATION OF THE STRAW MAN ARGUMENT**

Definition of Straw Man: “A **straw man** is a form of argument and an informal fallacy of having the impression of refuting an argument, whereas the real subject of the argument was not addressed or refuted, but instead replaced with a false one.”

Between the hearing on October 26 and then at the next hearing on November 19, the straw man argument surfaced from public proponents of the Patten Map and from certain supervisors as well. It went something like this: We can’t possibly continue with the district map we have, or anything close to that map, because what we have as a current map resulted from a politically motivated and gerrymandered power grab, and is invalid, illegal, and corrupt. So, what must happen now is the adoption of a radically different map that will address and rectify egregious wrongs allegedly foisted on unsuspecting county residents ten years ago.

Unfortunately, the passion around the straw man argument was fueled at Republican Party workshops featuring the Patten Map,<sup>[4]</sup> and by all three members of the Board Majority through quotes given for a November 18, 2021 *New Times* article (“Redistricting politics: SLO County supervisors consider new districts that could reshape local politics for the next decade”). Peschong: “I’d argue that the current map could be construed as gerrymandering.” Compton: “I do honestly believe redistricting last time was done for political motives and unfairly,” and do not believe that the current map “passes muster” on a legal level. The *New Times* article is included as **Exhibit 4**.

At the same time, all three members of the Board Majority, in different ways, stated for the article that “it’s not about politics” (Arnold), we need to make sure [a new map] is not gerrymandered (Arnold), we are committed to following the guidelines (Peschong), and “I promise I’ll do it in a legal way. I think it’d be really foolish to carve it up if it couldn’t support a legal challenge.” (Compton)

## **THE STRAW MAN ARGUMENT IS EASILY DEBUNKED BUT STILL RESONATES FOR SOME - WHY?**

Looking back to 1990, and continuing through 2010, there actually and demonstrably is significant continuity, consistency, and stability in the manner key geographic communities of interest in the county have been handled. This is reflected in the maps adopted for the previous decades, none of which was subjected to a successful legal challenge. The 1990, 2000, and 2010 maps are **Exhibit 5**.

In 2011, after holding hearings, considering public comment, and receiving a staff report/agenda transmittal) before making its decision, the BOS at that time adopted a map identified as “Option B-2.” The agenda transmittal (**Exhibit 6**) for the September 13, 2011 board meeting explains the map changes in detail, including a specific explanation of changes in the Templeton area that were incorporated into the approved option.

The 2011 map was litigated just one time. The only issue adjudicated was the board’s handling of the drawing of district lines in the area around Templeton. No other claim of statutory violation or gerrymandering was made. In 2013, a court of appeal affirmed the decision of the SLO County Superior Court upholding the BOS’ adoption of the Option B-2 map. (**Exhibit 7**)

The irrefutable truth is: there is no legal finding that neither the 1990 map, the 2000 map, or the 2010 map is “illegal” or “invalid” or “gerrymandered,” or require radical change to rectify past wrongs or inequities.

## **UNDERSTANDING COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF STATUTORY LANGUAGE BEFORE AND WITH THE 2019 FAIR MAPS ACT**

According to legal authorities and Redistricting Partners, the concept of “community of interest” is at the heart, at the core, of the governing criteria for redistricting decisions. That’s why it is important to point out and appreciate how that term has been used at various times in statutory language, and what can be learned about the treatment and respect given to communities of interest in and through past maps.

Before 2019, the Elections Code Section 21500 was worded and operated differently. (**Exhibit 8**) The 2010 version of Section 21500 contained a number of discretionary factors that could be considered and the last of several discretionary factors is “(d) community of interests of the districts.” However, there was no prioritization of factors in 2010, and there were no counterparts to the current Section 21500(b) or the current Section 21500(d), or to the language at the end of current Section 21500(c): “Communities of interest do not include relationships with political parties, incumbents, or political candidates.”

Nevertheless, prior to 2020, communities of interest were discussed and considered in redistricting decision-making. The treatment of various areas (including neighborhoods, communities of interest, cities, and census designated places) in similar and consistent ways over time supports a continuation of that treatment under the new law’s prioritized statutory criteria, as opposed to casting that past treatment aside in favor of radical, disruptive changes not required by any change in population. This is why the word “respect” is so crucial to understanding and applying 21500(c)(2) and 21500(c)(3) in the right order.

A good visual for understanding just how jarringly different the Patten Map is compared to thirty years of history is shown in table form in **Exhibit 9**. Given that for something to be respected, it must already exist, clearly the Patten map is out of step in its level of respect of various areas and communities in the county. If this is the level of respect given to cities and census designated places, what kind of respect needs to be given to the geographic integrity of local neighborhoods and local communities of interest that have an even higher standing among the statutory criteria in the Fair Maps Act?

**Exhibit 10** is a detailed memo that describes and analyzes the differences in legal treatment of communities of interest before and after the Fair Maps Act was adopted in 2019. The most important thing to understand is that communities of interest have existed and been important for a very long time. Their importance, and the level of respect they deserve – and are required to receive – has now been officially elevated. Respect for the geographic integrity of local neighborhoods and communities of interest comes first and only after that respect and recognition is built into a district boundary map, may a BOS give consideration to the geographic integrity of the boundaries of cities and census designated places.

### **IS IT POSSIBLE THAT SUPERVISOR PESCHONG HAS DONE THE PUBLIC A FAVOR BY MOVING TO NARROW THE FIELD OF “FINAL” REDISTRICTING MAPS TO JUST THE CHAMBER MAP AND THE PATTEN MAP?**

Arguably, yes, because here’s what flows from that:

- A. It crystallizes things by revealing the identity of two, plainly compliant redistricting maps (Maps A and B) the BOS has indicated it does not intend to consider further. That makes it much easier to identify and assess the impacts associated with the boundary changes reflected in the maps that were advanced.
- B. When Supervisor Peschong was asked whether he would consider an amendment to his motion to add another “finalist” map, he rejected the request and made it very clear that he was interested in advancing just two maps. In a vote that became 4-1, with Supervisor Gibson joining the Board Majority, Supervisor Gibson was the only one who explained the reasoning behind his vote. His reason was to provide certainty that if only two maps were going to advance, a vote that included the Chamber Map would ensure that one of the two “final” maps arguably would be a compliant one. Supervisor Gibson had already made very clear his concerns about aspects of the Chamber map and his strong views about the Patten Map not being a compliant map, but there was no way

Supervisor Gibson could have prevented, or overcome, the Board Majority's desire to advance the Patten Map.

- C. It crystallizes things by strongly suggesting that if the aim was to have a map that could be adopted by December 15, and just two maps were advanced, while two other maps were specifically rejected, the Board Majority must believe that the maps advanced are both compliant and either could work.
- D. It provides an opportunity to really scrutinize the two "finalist maps" in terms of compliance (or non-compliance) with Elections Code 21500(c) and 21500(d). It finally provides the public and media the chance to examine and expose the fallacies and faults associated with the Patten Map in particular.
- E. Likewise, it provides an opportunity to assess the manner in which the Board Majority is treating the redistricting process in general, including the fulfillment of obligations for substantive and meaningful public outreach.
- F. Finally, it also provides an opportunity, once the deficiencies of the final maps are fully vetted, for the Board Majority to reconsider its position and adjust its approach choosing the redistricting map that will be adopted.

**ALTHOUGH NOT AN ACCOMPLISHED DEED YET, ADOPTION OF THE PATTEN MAP WOULD RAISE SERIOUS DOUBTS ABOUT CONSISTENCY AND CONFORMANCE WITH ELECTIONS CODE 21500(c) and 21500(d)**

We agree with the SLO Tribune opinion piece from September 23, 2021 that one word to describe the Patten Map is "farce." But when one really begins to fully understand the voting rights effects of that map's adoption, the right word to use may well be "frightening." Frightening in the way it exemplifies every one of the terms generally associated with politically-motivated gerrymandering. And frightening in that the gerrymandering is being promoted by one particular political party is happening in broad daylight, and is happening – this can't be repeated too often -- at a time when NO CHANGES ARE REQUIRED.

We do not view such statements as being surmise, guesses, unjustified speculation, or partisan. They are borne out by objective facts that can be drawn from information and data sources available to the public.

The Patten Map cracks and divides long-established neighborhoods and communities of interest. All viewable from Morro Rock, the communities of Cayucos, Morro Bay, and Los Osos in the North Coast/Estero Bay are divided from one district to three. The map packs or sinks much of the City of San Luis Obispo into District 2. The map dilutes the voting voice of Oceano by moving it from District 4 to District 5. The Patten Map would also have the effect, incredibly, of leaving segments of the county population essentially orphaned, residing in areas that will not have an elected supervisor representing that area for perhaps two years. Oceano and Morro Bay are examples of new and completely unnecessary "orphans."

In particular, this is a most critical time for Oceano, with closure of the Oceano State Vehicular Riding Area being closed to Off Highway Vehicles in 2023; closure of Phillips 66 in 2023; and air quality mitigation measures being completed in 2023 under the Air Pollution Control District's Stipulated Order of Abatement. Under the Patten map, Oceano, as one of two census designated places in District 4, gets moved out of District 4 (where citizens could participate in the 2022 election) into District 5, where they would not be able to vote until 2024. The boundaries in which the current District 3 supervisor must run in 2022 include Grover Beach, Pismo Beach, Shell Beach and Avila Beach, but not Oceano. Further, the current District 5 supervisor does not live in the new District 5 area. Lack of any meaningful outreach efforts in Oceano aside, especially by the current supervisor in District 4, what could possibly be more



disruptive and dilutive for meaningful voting rights and fair and effective representation? Again, this profoundly cruel and uncaring scenario is not necessary and could be easily avoided.

The Patten Map is also built upon map-building assumptions at direct odds with past history, past actions, past litigation, and the mandatory, prioritized application of Fair Maps Act. The map's author and supporters have demonstrated steadfast unwillingness to concede the legal validity and appropriateness of redistricting decisions made over a number of decades and mistakenly insist on giving priority to criteria in the current law in the wrong order.

Examples of arguable assumptions underlying the Patten Map:

Assumption 1: There must be something in the 2020 Census data that requires change, and sticking with a map that hasn't changed significantly over 20 years must mean change is in order, indeed required.

Assumption 2: There is, or must be, something corrupt or illegal about the 2010 map that needs to be rectified. So, regardless of whether population changes necessitate change, the righting of old, perceived wrongs is reason enough.

Assumption 3: The decades-long treatment of the City of San Luis Obispo (usually represented by at least three supervisors) is inherently wrong, unjustified, and illegal, and 21500 mandates, to the greatest extent possible, the elimination of any division of the City of San Luis Obispo.

Assumption 4: There are no local neighborhoods or local communities of interest within the boundaries of the City of San Luis Obispo.

Assumption 5: If it is said loud enough and often enough it must be true – and no one will realize -- that the Patten Map actually does not achieve the mission of consolidating “the whole” of the City of San Luis into one district, without division. Apparently dividing the city into two districts is acceptable, but dividing into three is not.

Assumption 6: The legislative mandate in 21500 for prioritized application of the redistricting criteria is essentially meaningless, that the words in 21500 don't really mean what they say, and that the prioritized criteria can be ignored, conflated, or re-ordered using the Board Majority's discretion.

Assumption 7: The words or phrases in the current version of 21500, like “priority,” “to the extent practicable,” “geographic integrity,” “respect,” “local neighborhoods,” and “local communities of interest,” are largely inconsequential and can be re-interpreted, conflated, or even ignored when the Board Majority votes.

Assumption 8: The only way Cal Poly and the entire City of San Luis Obispo and the entire Cal Poly campus can have fair and effective representation is through a map that views and treats them as monoliths and consolidates and packs the entire city and campus into one supervisorial district.

Assumption 9: It is perfectly acceptable to crack and pack Cal Poly and the City of San Luis Obispo without needing to give any consideration to the domino-like effects and consequences in other areas. Or, that it's acceptable to “do what's required for Cal Poly and the City of San Luis Obispo first” and then let the consequences elsewhere be whatever they will be.

Assumption 10: The only way to draw a legally compliant map is to make elimination or minimization of divisions of city and census designated places the number one, headliner criteria, above everything else.

Assumption 11: Whatever may have been done over past decades doesn't matter and can be ignored. In other words, if it didn't happen under the new law as I interpret it, it didn't happen and doesn't matter.

Assumption 12: It's okay to make whatever decision seems right to the Board Majority, even if based on mis-interpretation and mis-application of the law and without care whether that creates a potential for violations of 21500(d). Translate: if the Board Majority's exercise of discretion inconveniently bumps up against the law, the exercise of discretion prevails.

Assumption 13: There's a good, or good enough, chance, that no one will really catch on to what's being perpetrated -- until it's too late.

Assumption 14: That the Board of Supervisors might actually buy the argument that it's okay to adopt the Patten Map because: Los Osos and Cayucos surely have more in common with Atascadero than they do with Morro Bay; San Miguel and Cambria surely have more in common than San Miguel has with Paso Robles; and Oceano, Avila Beach and Morro Bay surely have more in common than Oceano has with Nipomo.

**EVIDENCE IS MOUNTING THAT WOULD SUPPORT THE FINDING AND CONCLUSION THAT ADOPTION OF THE PATTEN MAP WOULD CONSTITUTE A VIOLATION OF ELECTIONS CODE 21500(d), AND THAT ALL THREE MEMBERS OF THE CURRENT BOARD MAJORITY WOULD BE COMPLICIT.**

Perhaps the most troublesome and insidious effects of the Patten Map are those relating to totally unnecessary but unmistakably politicized acceleration and deferral of voting rights that would have ripple effects around the county. [5] This has been addressed in a document circulated recently by the SLO League of Women Votes (**Exhibit 11**), and we sense that many other groups and individuals are looking hard at not only the number of votes being accelerated or deferred, but what appears to be the political make-up of these accelerated and deferred votes as well. We have become aware of preliminary data developed from public information sources that indicate a very clear trend with far more of the accelerated votes benefitting the Republican Party and far more of the voting deferrals disadvantaging the Democratic Party. We have attempted to create documents that explain this phenomenon in ways that are understandable to members of our coalition and we share them as **Exhibit 9** (referenced above), and **Exhibit 12**.

To adopt a radically new district boundaries map for the purpose of securing such advantage and imposing such disadvantage clearly runs afoul of Section 21500(d). Especially when there is no need for any change, and keeping things essentially the same would not accelerate or defer ANY votes.

The Board Majority's explicit dis-interest in acceleration and deferral information begs these questions: How could the supervisors possibly be able to assess whether they might have an unacceptable acceleration and deferral issue (aka a 21500(d) issue) if they don't have the kind of information that everyone seems to have except the supervisors? And where is the voice of County Counsel?

Sadly, but factually, if the Patten Map were to be adopted, each of the Republican members of the Board Majority will have made a contribution toward a 21500(d) violation:

**Supervisor Peschong**: His district, like the other four, does not have to change. There does not have to be any acceleration or deferral issues unless certain supervisors, aligned with a certain political party, want to create them by using the adoption of a map with new boundaries to do so. Mr. Peschong has announced publicly that he will not be running for another term, so what would explain a vote to change boundaries unnecessarily, when there is no problem needing to be fixed, and he won his last election by a margin in excess of 30%?

Our understanding is that the more than 27,000 voters that would be accelerated into District 2 (for a vote in 2022) lean decidedly Republican, while the more than 24,000 voters being removed from District 2 lean decidedly Democrat. In order to achieve the political goal of disadvantaging a Democratic nemesis in District 2, it would make sense to approve a map that, for instance, moves San Miguel, Paso Roble's nearby neighbor, from District 1 into District 2. It would not make sense to do that for any reason other than to create partisan advantage over the opposing party.

Also, for partisan reasons only, it would make sense to split apart communities like Morro Bay, Los Osos and Cayucos in District 2, regardless of their shared proximity and shared interests. There's no other explanation for doing something like this that makes no sense otherwise. The Patten Map, and only the Patten Map, makes these partisan moves possible.

It is noteworthy that Mr. Peschong has not attempted to make a merit-based case on behalf of either of the maps he moved to advanced, or to explain why it's okay for both of those maps to divide the City of San Luis Obispo but it's not okay to do that in the current map, Map A, or Map B. Or, why is it okay for the Chamber Map to handle Atascadero in a manner that's similar to the past treatment of Templeton, but at direct odds with the Patten Map? Nor has he asked the county's redistricting consulting experts or County Counsel for their analysis of the maps. Is there any wonder that he joined the other members of the Board Majority in voting down the motion they forced Supervisor Gibson to make for the consultant's analysis of acceleration and deferral impacts associated with the Patten Map?

**Supervisor Arnold:** Although she may or may not have formally announced that she won't be seeking re-election in 2024, the Patten Map makes that decision for her – unless she wants to move. It is believed that Supervisor lives in a part of current District 5 that would become part of District 4. The “new District 5” created by the Patten Map is nowhere near where she presumably currently resides.

So, what possible reason would Ms. Arnold have for supporting a map that dislocates her from the district she was in and has been serving when, again, there is no reason for any boundary changes to be made in the first place? If one looks at the acceleration and deferral data, the explanation that jumps out immediately is very simple: to gain political advantage over a rival political party. If she won't be running in District 4, why should Ms. Arnold care about whether the district she will no longer represent includes any of the City of San Luis Obispo or the Cal Poly area? Other than for partisan reasons, why should she care about whether the Country Club area south of the City of San Luis Obispo goes into District 4 on an accelerated basis while Oceano (a stalwart Census Designated Place in District 4 for decades) get unceremoniously cracked away from Nipomo and dumped into a new District 5 where she will not be running, with Oceano voters having their votes deferred? The strong, fact-based deduction to be drawn from a vote in favor of the Patten Map is very clear: it can only be politically motivated for the partisan purpose of supplying more, privileged Republican votes to District 4 while removing strongly Democratic, largely underrepresented, voters from Oceano.

She too voted to deny Supervisor Gibson from obtaining acceleration and deferral data and analysis from Redistricting Partners, and she too has failed to ask County Counsel for any analysis of potential 21500(d) exposure if she were to join in a motion to adopt the Patten Map.

**Supervisor Compton:**

Strong evidence exists and is growing to support a conclusion that a vote by District 4 Supervisor Compton in favor of the Patten Map would also run afoul of Elections Code Sec. 21500(d): (a) although her supervisor website appears to tout her “being the voice” for the residents of San Luis Obispo, Arroyo Grande, Oceano, and Nipomo (**Exhibit 13**), she's long been at bitter odds with large elements of Oceano residents and voters over political and policy matters; (b) it is a fact that large and significant numbers of Oceano voters did not support her in an election she won by just 60 votes; (c) she spear-headed[6] a forcefully resisted[7] and unprecedented move to establish a second Oceano Advisory Group because she was at odds with the existing Oceano Advisory Council (OAC) and positions they were taking before the Coastal Commission; (d) she has made it abundantly clear that she does not sympathize with environmental justice issues dramatically impacting Oceano; (e) she does not agree with the Coastal Commission decisions about the future of the Oceano Dunes State Vehicular Recreation Area, (ODSVRA); (f) she promotes continued uses of the state park that are diametrically opposed to limitations on uses approved by the Coastal Commission, and supported by the Oceano Advisory Council which she claims does not speak for her; (g) she has been overtly unfriendly to and uncaring about the communities in her district who are adversely impacted by air quality conditions and public health impacts linked directly to activities at the ODSVRA Refer to this video in which Ms.

Compton supports keeping off road vehicles on the dunes <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=48vBoJxTG4o>; (h) she has made no/zero attempt to advocate on the public record to retain the population of Oceano as part of District 4; (i) she has made no/zero effort to explain to the constituents of Oceano why it makes sense for them to be included in a new District 5 that results in the deferral of their vote from 2022 to 2024; (j) she has not initiated or held any meetings with Oceano community members, any Latino residents or groups, the OAC or the Oceano Community Services District (OCSD), [8] and (k) she has made no/zero effort to explain how Oceano and Nipomo are dissonant communities of interest, and that removing Oceano from District 4 makes sense in light of long-standing efforts of the Local Fund Governance of the County Business Improvement District (CBID). <https://highway1discoveryroute.com/oceano-nipomo/> clearly links Oceano and Nipomo. Examples of published materials that promote Oceano and Nipomo as connected communities of interest can be found in **Exhibit 16**.

It has been widely circulated that two of the key elements of Ms. Compton's re-election strategy are removal of Oceano from her district and the insertion into her district of the area south of San Luis Obispo containing the San Luis Obispo Country Club area. If that's not true, she can disavow that here and now. If it is true, and she votes for the Patten Map that accomplishes both of those things; she will have contributed directly to a county redistricting result that violates compliance problem with 21500(d).

**THE SLO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MAP IS NOT WITHOUT PROBLEMS, BUT COMPARED WITH THE PATTEN MAP THE CHAMBER MAP IS THE ONLY "FINALIST" MAP THAT IS ARGUABLY LEGALLY COMPLIANT.**

Some, including the Republican Party through notices and newsletters, have suggested that the SLO Chamber of Commerce Map is not altogether different from the staff/consultant Maps A and B. Indeed, one of the Chamber task force members spoke on November 19 to explain and support the Chamber Map while also endorsing the adoption of Map A.

However, the Chamber Map unnecessarily cracks and packs the City of Atascadero, which was the criticism about the treatment of Templeton in 2011. Although the numbers pale by comparison, the Chamber Map also unnecessarily generates both accelerations and deferrals of voting opportunities. The accelerations would be in the western part of Atascadero and a portion of District 3 in San Luis Obispo. The deferrals include the Cal Poly campus, a portion of District 2 in San Luis Obispo that would move to District 5, and area east of Arroyo Grande that would move from District 4 to District 3.

These accelerations and deferrals are not necessary and would not be experienced if Map A or Map B was adopted.

With the legality of the current map already being established, and with no change being required to comply with 2020 census data and the Fair Maps Act criteria, Maps A and B remain better alternatives than the Chamber Map. However, if it were to come down to a choice between just the Chamber Map and the Patten Map because the Board Majority refuses to reconsider Maps A and B, the only viable, compliant, and defensible choice would be the Chamber Map.

The Chamber Map does widely respect and retain nearly all long-established and long-recognized communities of interest (especially in the north coast area, in the areas in and around the City of SLO, and in Oceano). It has a lower population deviation than the Patten Map, and in all likelihood, steps could be taken to deal with the Atascadero issue to reduce or eliminate acceleration and deferral impacts.

**WHILE THE BOARD MAJORITY HAS EXHIBITED PROBLEMATIC CONDUCT DURING THE PROCEEDINGS, IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO CORRECT MATTERS.**

First, for the record, some examples of problematic conduct thus far:

1. The Board Majority have not asked staff or the expert consultant for any analysis of flaws in Maps A and B.
2. The Board Majority failed to offer any evidence to support their arbitrary refusal to advance Map A and/or Map B.
3. The Board Majority have not asked staff or the expert consultant for any analysis or recommendation about the Patten Map or the Chamber Map possibly being non-compliant under 21500(c) and/or 21500(d) analysis. At this point the staff and the consultant are supposed to be in charge of the process but neither the board nor members of the public (at least in a public setting) have had the benefit the consultant's input.
4. None of the supervisors attempted to make a merit-based case for either the Patten Map or the Chamber map before advancing them as the only two final maps.
5. The Board Majority made no attempt before advancing the two finalist maps to discuss or attempt to reconcile the very apparent differences between the two maps.
6. The Board Majority made no effort to articulate any merit-based reasons for denying motions from the Board Minority to advance Map A and/or Map B.
7. Discussion on the motion of Supervisor Gibson to advance Map A as one of the finalists was arbitrarily denied.
8. The Board Majority refused efforts the by Board Minority to request and obtain from staff and the consultant an analysis of the potential acceleration and deferral impacts of adopting the Patten Map or the Chamber Map.
9. The Board Majority never asked staff or the redistricting consultant to analyze and report on whether the Patten Map or the Chamber Map could create "orphan" situations where, under the Patten Map, certain segments of the population could end up with no supervisor being responsible for the area where the "orphans" reside.
10. The Board Majority never asked legal counsel for an analysis of (a) the differences between Elections Code 21500 in 2010 and Elections Code 21500 in 2020, and (b) whether adoption of the Patten map could/would violate Elections Code 21500(d).
11. The Board Majority never asked legal counsel for an analysis of the current versions of Elections Code 21500(c) and 21500(d).
12. The Board Majority never asked legal counsel or the expert consultant what steps should be taken and what information or documentation should be gathered and considered in order to know if, or how, they were facing a potential problem with compliance with 21500(d).
13. The Board Majority papered over and failed to inquire in any meaningful way about the efforts made by staff and the expert consultant to fully perform public outreach in accordance with the requirements of law and specific commitments made in the consultant's contracted-for scope of work. No effort was made by the board chairperson to press for an explanation or response by staff or the consultant to statements made by several members of the public about an alleged complete absence of meaningful outreach in Oceano. Her district has one of the largest Latino populations in the county. Meaningful outreach (emphasis on meaningful) -- or lack thereof -- was of course extremely consequential in the sense that no Latino population in the county would be more, and more adversely, impacted by adoption of the Patten map (i.e., being carved out of District 4 and having their vote both diluted and deferred).

14. None of the Board Majority identified or explained any outreach efforts they had made about redistricting issues.
15. The Board Majority discounted and challenged the authenticity and significance of written public comment. No effort was made to discuss or respond to highly relevant written communications from groups such as Citizens for Preserving District #4, the “542” residents from throughout the county, the City of San Luis Obispo, the League of Women Voters, and Cambrians for Preserving District #2.

Where and how have the Board Majority even attempted to make the legal and factual case in support of the two maps selected as finalists? Aren't they obligated to identify the substantial evidence that supports their decision-making?

## **CONCLUSION**

Adopting the Patten Map would be an egregious mistake. It is not necessary, it would be extremely risky and highly likely illegal, and it would clearly act to serve and advance overtly partisan goals over the best interests of all county residents, especially the underrepresented.

In a time of hyper-partisanship, bickering, bullying, coordinated dissemination of misinformation, and brazen advantage-seeking, what true colors will the County of San Luis Obispo be showing if the Patten map were to be adopted? The upcoming vote on the final redistricting map will serve to expose what and who is behind the curtain.

At the October 26, 2021 special board hearing, Supervisor Peschong stated “what we (the supervisors, staff,[\[9\]](#) and Redistricting Partners) are all about” is “doing the legal and right thing.”

In statements made for a *New Times* article on November 18, 2021, Supervisor Arnold was quoted as saying “This isn't about politics” and “I'm very aware that we need to make sure that it's not gerrymandered.”

For Supervisor Compton, she's doubled down on her promises of doing what's legal and right. First, she's quoted in the same November 18, 2021 *New Times* article that “I promise I'll do it in a legal way. I think it'd be really foolish to carve it up if it couldn't support a legal challenge.” At the end of the special board meeting on November 19, her promise was repeated: After stating that she votes her conscience and just wants to represent the best interests of the community and her constituents, Ms. Compton said she would not vote for a map that cannot be defended in court. She also stated that she believed there is likely more than one map that could be defended in court, so she obviously must have had a map or maps in mind *other* than the Patten Map.

So, what's it going to be since, clearly, adoption of the Patten Map is neither the legal nor the right thing to do?

### **Written Public Comments for November 30, 2021 Hearing #4**

#### **SLO County Redistricting**

**Submitted to the County of San Luis Obispo Board of Supervisors on November 28, 2021 by  
Citizens for Preserving District #4**

#### **EXHIBIT LIST**

#### **CITIZENS FOR PRESRVING DISTRICT #4**

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS – NOVEMBER 30, 2021**

Exhibit No. – Exhibit Description

1. California Elections Code Section 21500 (current)
2. Contract for Special Services by Independent Contractor – Redistricting Partners
3. Republican Party Notices and Newsletters
4. *New Times* (November 18, 2021) – “Redistricting Politics: SLO County supervisors consider new districts that could reshape local politics for the next decade”
5. SLO County Supervisor District Maps for 1990, 2000 and 2010.
6. September 13, 2011 County of San Luis Obispo Board of Supervisors Agenda Item Transmittal
7. Court of Appeals opinion filed July 24, 2013[not officially published] in the case of *Pelfrey v. San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors*
8. 2010 California Elections Code Chapter 6 (Supervisory Districts) Section 21500-21506
9. Table: Historical District Boundaries of Various SLO County Communities Compared with the Patten Map
10. Description and analysis before and after adoption of the 2019 Fair Maps Act
11. November 23, 2021 SLO League of Women Voters Action Alert
12. Acceleration vs. Deferral Memo from Citizens for Preserving District #4
13. Page One - Supervisor Lynn Compton (District #4) webpage
14. *SLO Tribune* article dated June 10, 2021: “Supervisors approve formation of second advisory council in Oceano
15. June 6, 2021 letter from Oceano Advisory Council to Board of Supervisors with request to pull Item #8 from consent agenda – re potential formation of second/parallel advisory council for Oceano
16. Examples of published materials promoting interests and appeal of Oceano and Nipomo as connected communities of interest

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[1] In our October 22 comments we identified and discussed at length important local neighborhoods, local communities of interest, and especially the closely aligned census designated places of Oceano and Nipomo that are worthy of respect, protection, and preservation in the redistricting process.

[2] The supervisors constituting the “Board Majority” referred to in these comments are John Peschong (District 1), Lynn Compton (District 4), and Debbie Arnold (District 5).

[3] Both staff/Redistricting Partner Map A and Map B were essentially in keeping with current district boundaries. In Map A, the only changes made to the current map was to align district boundaries with minor changes in new census block boundaries.

[4] Republican Party notices and newsletters before and after the November 19 hearing are included together as **Exhibit 3**. The notices and newsletters discuss training for messaging at the November 19 hearing (with an emphasis on the current map being out of compliance with Elections Code 21500(c) (3)), the party’s endorsement of the Patten Map, misstatements about the Patten Map keeping SLO whole, a “we won” announcement, and a statement about the other map [the Chamber map] being similar to Map A that was already rejected by the November 19 vote.

[5] We fully recognize that IF changes in census data require changes in district boundaries, there may be an acceleration and deferral impact as a natural consequence. But what we're talking about here is something entirely different; unnatural, unnecessary, politically-motivated consequences with serious political impacts. Which would be a clear violation of 21500(d).

[6] **Exhibit 14** is a SLO Tribune article dated June 10, 2021: "Supervisors approve formation of second advisory council in Oceano."

[7] **Exhibit 15** is a letter from the OAC to the BOS requesting Item 8 be removed from the consent agenda regarding the formation of a second/parallel advisory council more responsive to the wishes of the local supervisor.

[8] We have checked and, from the information we have confirmed, no contact was made with the OAC or the OCSD about redistricting by the supervisor or her representatives.

[9] It is important to remember, again, that the Staff Advisory Committee includes a representative from the office of County Counsel.

**Please see the attached PDF for the complete package, including all exhibits**



**TO:** County of San Luis Obispo Board of Supervisors

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**FROM:** Citizens for Preserving District #4

**RE:** SLO County Redistricting – Supervisorial Districts

**DATE:** November 28, 2021

Board Members, the Staff Committee, Redistricting Partners, and County Counsel

Citizens for Preserving District #4 submit these further comments for your consideration after two public hearings (October 26, 2021 and November 19, 2021), and the submission of our coalition's public comments on October 22<sup>1</sup> and November 17 which are repeated and incorporated here by reference.

The major points developed here are:

1. Adoption of either the Patten Map or the Chamber Map is not necessary, and not warranted by any significant change in 2020 Census data;
2. Adoption of either the Patten Map or the Chamber Map would be far less preferable to adoption of either Map A or Map B;
3. Strong evidence exists already that adoption of the Patten Map would violate at least California Elections Code Sec. 21500(c) and 21500(d) (Elections Code Section 21500 is **Exhibit 1**);
4. Although less preferable than Map A or Map B, the Chamber Map is arguably compliant while the Patten Map clearly is not;
5. Adoption of the Patten Map would be a grave dis-service to the residents of the County of San Luis Obispo, unnecessarily fostering greater division, rancor, emotion, apathy, disgust, disappointment, and distrust; and
6. It's not too late to tone things down and for the County Board of Supervisors to make a redistricting map decision that properly serves the county's entire population that is logical, rational, evidence-based, fair, legally compliant, and defensible.

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<sup>1</sup> In our October 22 comments we identified and discussed at length important local neighborhoods, local communities of interest, and especially the closely aligned census designated places of Oceano and Nipomo that are worthy of respect, protection, and preservation in the redistricting process.

What follows are our comments that amplify the major points just listed.

## **THERE ARE CONSTITUTIONAL, STATUTORY, AND CASE PRECEDENT GUARDRAILS FOR EVALUATING THE LEGITIMACY OF THE 2021 REDISTRICTING PROCESS:**

The redistricting process for supervisorial district boundaries in 2021 requires application of 2020 census data to new (since 2019), mandatory, and prioritized statutory criteria set forth in the California Fair Maps Act (Elections Code Sec. 21500-21509). The key inquiry is whether changes in census data compel the revisiting and possible re-drawing of district boundaries. If census data changes do not require boundary changes, there is no need to make them. If it appears that census changes may require a revisiting and redrawing of district boundaries, the 2019 California Fair Maps Act criteria must be applied, in priority order.

## **MANAGEMENT OF THE REDISTRICTING PROCESS**

The Board of Supervisors (BOS) had the chance (and authority) to create, by ordinance or appointment, an independent citizens' redistricting commission, as many other counties in California have done. By a 3-member Republican majority of the BOS ("the Board Majority")<sup>2</sup> that idea was rejected. Instead, the board established a staff advisory committee and authorized retention of an outside consulting firm (Redistricting Partners) that specializes in redistricting. (A copy of the Redistricting Partners contract, including the scope of work, is **Exhibit 2**). The board retained the right to make final redistricting decisions.

## **THE REDISTRICTING PROCESS PRIOR TO OCTOBER 26, 2021**

The BOS held the first of several required public hearings on redistricting in July 2021. An overview of the redistricting process was provided by Redistricting Partners and public comment was received, including comments relating to "communities of interest." No maps were presented or discussed. The consultant provided information about the Fair Maps Act, prioritization of the Act's criteria, gerrymandering, and clear notification to the Board that it is illegal to adopt district boundaries for the purpose of favoring or discriminating against a political party.

## **THE OCTOBER 26, 2021 HEARING – STAUS QUO APPROACH TO REDISTRICTING WOULD BE TOTALLY COMPLIANT, ACCEPTABLE, AND LEGALLY DEFENSIBLE**

Several important things happened at the October 26 hearing: (a) the staff committee and Redistricting Partners presented and explained four

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<sup>2</sup> The supervisors constituting the "Board Majority" referred to in these comments are John Peschong (District 1), Lynn Compton (District 4), and Debbie Arnold (District 5).

staff/consultant maps, two of which are very similar to the existing (2010) district boundary map; (b) staff explained that neither 2020 census data nor application of the Fair Maps Act criteria required any significant change of boundaries<sup>3</sup>, (c) the staff discussed a number of “publicly submitted maps” pointing out how a number of them appeared to be facially non-compliant due to excessive population deviation; (d) the consultant from Redistricting Partners commented on a public-submitted map (from Richard Patten) with a “very different” construction; (e) the consultant also acknowledged how redistricting decisions are essentially zero-sum games, with a change in one place to address one perceived issue results in significant consequences being experienced elsewhere; (f) an attempt was made and rejected to invite supervisor discussion about the staff and public-generated maps in order to narrow down the maps that would go forward; (g) a number of comments were offered in support of the map submitted by Richard Patten and; (h) Supervisor Peschong had questions and comments about the Patten map.

Supervisor Peschong also expressed specific interest in a final SLO Chamber of Commerce map, which Chamber representatives promised would be forthcoming to replace a “stakeholder map” that had been submitted initially but (as noted by the consultant) was out of compliance in terms of deviation percentage.

The Board Majority wanted more time for public comment and showed no interest in eliminating any maps for non-compliance because there would be time for adjustments to be made. Supervisor Peschong talked down any suggestion of conspiracies and stated that “what we’re about” is being “legal and right.”

The major takeaways from the October 26 special hearing: The supervisors complemented staff and the consultant for their work, with Supervisor Peschong particularly noting the expertise of Redistricting Partners. The staff advisory committee and the representative from Redistricting Partners clearly explained and confirmed that Map A and Map B would be fully compliant with current deviation standards and legal requirements (“no problems”), and that the Board had the clear option to retain district boundaries essentially without change. No other map, including any map submitted by a member of the public, was affirmatively described as being legally acceptable. When asked by Supervisor Gibson about the mapping decisions having acceleration and deferral consequences, Mr. Chafee from Redistricting Partners emphasized that the goal with redistricting was to keep accelerations and deferrals as low as possible.

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<sup>3</sup> Both staff/Redistricting Partner Map A and Map B were essentially in keeping with current district boundaries. In Map A, the only changes made to the current map was to align district boundaries with minor changes in new census block boundaries.

## INTRODUCTION OF THE TROJAN HORSE MAP

Definition of Trojan Horse: A person or thing intended secretly to undermine or bring about the downfall of an enemy or opponent.

A Trojan Horse (or Trojan) is one of the most common and dangerous types of threats that can infect one's computer or mobile device. Trojans are usually described as benign or useful software that you can download from the internet, but they actually carry malicious code designed to do harm.

The Trojan Horse, the Richard Patten Map ("Patten Map"), first surfaced as a humble, aw shucks "notes on a napkin" format. District numbers were clearly mis-aligned, but the map's author presented it as a map to meet all statutory requirements and cure all ills. Although he was insistent that there was no reason to break up the City of San Luis Obispo and Cal Poly (i.e., that they should be in one district out of respect to city boundaries), there was no way to drill down and really understand what the effects of the map might be in the format presented. Nevertheless, there was lots of support from people who clearly knew about "Richard's map," who fully supported it, and who seemed to completely understand what it aimed to accomplish. Supervisor Peschong mentioned only two maps specifically: the Patten Map (which he believed needed to be renumbered), and the "final" map from the SLO Chamber of Commerce that was still expected. In general, he thought the maps "look great." In his comments, Mr. Peschong only mentioned the criteria 21500(c)(3), skipping over 21500(c)(2).

## DEVELOPMENT AND PRESENTATION OF THE STRAW MAN ARGUMENT

Definition of Straw Man: "A **straw man** is a form of argument and an informal fallacy of having the impression of refuting an argument, whereas the real subject of the argument was not addressed or refuted, but instead replaced with a false one."

Between the hearing on October 26 and then at the next hearing on November 19, the straw man argument surfaced from public proponents of the Patten Map and from certain supervisors as well. It went something like this: We can't possibly continue with the district map we have, or anything close to that map, because what we have as a current map resulted from a politically motivated and gerrymandered power grab, and is invalid, illegal, and corrupt. So, what must happen now is the adoption of a radically different map that will address and rectify egregious wrongs allegedly foisted on unsuspecting county residents ten years ago.

Unfortunately, the passion around the straw man argument was fueled at Republican Party workshops featuring the Patten Map,<sup>4</sup> and by all three

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<sup>4</sup> Republican Party notices and newsletters before and after the November 19 hearing are included together as **Exhibit 3**. The notices and newsletters discuss training for messaging at the

members of the Board Majority through quotes given for a November 18, 2021 *New Times* article (“Redistricting politics: SLO County supervisors consider new districts that could reshape local politics for the next decade”). Peschong: “I’d argue that the current map could be construed as gerrymandering.” Compton: “I do honestly believe redistricting last time was done for political motives and unfairly,” and do not believe that the current map “passes muster” on a legal level. The *New Times* article is included as **Exhibit 4**.

At the same time, all three members of the Board Majority, in different ways, stated for the article that “it’s not about politics” (Arnold), we need to make sure [a new map] is not gerrymandered (Arnold), we are committed to following the guidelines (Peschong), and “I promise I’ll do it in a legal way. I think it’d be really foolish to carve it up if it couldn’t support a legal challenge.” (Compton)

### **THE STRAW MAN ARGUMENT IS EASILY DEBUNKED BUT STILL RESONATES FOR SOME - WHY?**

Looking back to 1990, and continuing through 2010, there actually and demonstrably is significant continuity, consistency, and stability in the manner key geographic communities of interest in the county have been handled. This is reflected in the maps adopted for the previous decades, none of which was subjected to a successful legal challenge. The 1990, 2000, and 2010 maps are **Exhibit 5**.

In 2011, after holding hearings, considering public comment, and receiving a staff report/agenda transmittal) before making its decision, the BOS at that time adopted a map identified as “Option B-2.” The agenda transmittal (**Exhibit 6**) for the September 13, 2011 board meeting explains the map changes in detail, including a specific explanation of changes in the Templeton area that were incorporated into the approved option.

The 2011 map was litigated just one time. The only issue adjudicated was the board’s handling of the drawing of district lines in the area around Templeton. No other claim of statutory violation or gerrymandering was made. In 2013, a court of appeal affirmed the decision of the SLO County Superior Court upholding the BOS’ adoption of the Option B-2 map. (**Exhibit 7**)

The irrefutable truth is: there is no legal finding that neither the 1990 map, the 2000 map, or the 2010 map is “illegal” or “invalid” or “gerrymandered,” or require radical change to rectify past wrongs or inequities.

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November 19 hearing (with an emphasis on the current map being out of compliance with Elections Code 21500(c)(3)), the party’s endorsement of the Patten Map, misstatements about the Patten Map keeping SLO whole, a “we won” announcement, and a statement about the other map [the Chamber map] being similar to Map A that was already rejected by the November 19 vote.

## **UNDERSTANDING COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF STATUTORY LANGUAGE BEFORE AND WITH THE 2019 FAIR MAPS ACT**

According to legal authorities and Redistricting Partners, the concept of “community of interest” is at the heart, at the core, of the governing criteria for redistricting decisions. That’s why it is important to point out and appreciate how that term has been used at various times in statutory language, and what can be learned about the treatment and respect given to communities of interest in and through past maps.

Before 2019, the Elections Code Section 21500 was worded and operated differently. (**Exhibit 8**) The 2010 version of Section 21500 contained a number of discretionary factors that could be considered and the last of several discretionary factors is “(d) community of interests of the districts.” However, there was no prioritization of factors in 2010, and there were no counterparts to the current Section 21500(b) or the current Section 21500(d), or to the language at the end of current Section 21500(c): “Communities of interest do not include relationships with political parties, incumbents, or political candidates.”

Nevertheless, prior to 2020, communities of interest were discussed and considered in redistricting decision-making. The treatment of various areas (including neighborhoods, communities of interest, cities, and census designated places) in similar and consistent ways over time supports a continuation of that treatment under the new law’s prioritized statutory criteria, as opposed to casting that past treatment aside in favor of radical, disruptive changes not required by any change in population. This is why the word “respect” is so crucial to understanding and applying 21500(c)(2) and 21500(c)(3) in the right order.

A good visual for understanding just how jarringly different the Patten Map is compared to thirty years of history is shown in table form in **Exhibit 9**. Given that for something to be respected, it must already exist, clearly the Patten map is out of step in its level of respect of various areas and communities in the county. If this is the level of respect given to cities and census designated places, what kind of respect needs to be given to the geographic integrity of local neighborhoods and local communities of interest that have an even higher standing among the statutory criteria in the Fair Maps Act?

**Exhibit 10** is a detailed memo that describes and analyzes the differences in legal treatment of communities of interest before and after the Fair Maps Act was adopted in 2019. The most important thing to understand is that communities of interest have existed and been important for a very long time. Their importance, and the level of respect they deserve – and are required to receive – has now been officially elevated. Respect for the geographic integrity of local neighborhoods and communities of interest comes first and only after that respect and recognition is built into a district boundary map, may a BOS give

consideration to the geographic integrity of the boundaries of cities and census designated places.

**IS IT POSSIBLE THAT SUPERVISOR PESCHONG HAS DONE THE PUBLIC A FAVOR BY MOVING TO NARROW THE FIELD OF “FINAL” REDISTRICTING MAPS TO JUST THE CHAMBER MAP AND THE PATTEN MAP?**

Arguably, yes, because here's what flows from that:

- A. It crystallizes things by revealing the identity of two, plainly compliant redistricting maps (Maps A and B) the BOS has indicated it does not intend to consider further. That makes it much easier to identify and assess the impacts associated with the boundary changes reflected in the maps that were advanced.
- B. When Supervisor Peschong was asked whether he would consider an amendment to his motion to add another “finalist” map, he rejected the request and made it very clear that he was interested in advancing just two maps. In a vote that became 4-1, with Supervisor Gibson joining the Board Majority, Supervisor Gibson was the only one who explained the reasoning behind his vote. His reason was to provide certainty that if only two maps were going to advance, a vote that included the Chamber Map would ensure that one of the two “final” maps arguably would be a compliant one. Supervisor Gibson had already made very clear his concerns about aspects of the Chamber map and his strong views about the Patten Map not being a compliant map, but there was no way Supervisor Gibson could have prevented, or overcome, the Board Majority's desire to advance the Patten Map.
- C. It crystallizes things by strongly suggesting that if the aim was to have a map that could be adopted by December 15, and just two maps were advanced, while two other maps were specifically rejected, the Board Majority must believe that the maps advanced are both compliant and either could work.
- D. It provides an opportunity to really scrutinize the two “finalist maps” in terms of compliance (or non-compliance) with Elections Code 21500(c) and 21500(d). It finally provides the public and media the chance to examine and expose the fallacies and faults associated with the Patten Map in particular.
- E. Likewise, it provides an opportunity to assess the manner in which the Board Majority is treating the redistricting process in general, including the fulfillment of obligations for substantive and meaningful public outreach.
- F. Finally, it also provides an opportunity, once the deficiencies of the final maps are fully vetted, for the Board Majority to reconsider its position and adjust its approach choosing the redistricting map that will be adopted.

**ALTHOUGH NOT AN ACCOMPLISHED DEED YET, ADOPTION OF THE PATTEN MAP WOULD RAISE SERIOUS DOUBTS ABOUT CONSISTENCY AND CONFORMANCE WITH ELECTIONS CODE 21500(c) and 21500(d)**

We agree with the SLO Tribune opinion piece from September 23, 2021 that one word to describe the Patten Map is “farce.” But when one really begins to fully understand the voting rights effects of that map’s adoption, the right word to use may well be “frightening.” Frightening in the way it exemplifies every one of the terms generally associated with politically-motivated gerrymandering. And frightening in that the gerrymandering is being promoted by one particular political party is happening in broad daylight, and is happening – this can’t be repeated too often -- at a time when NO CHANGES ARE REQUIRED.

We do not view such statements as being surmise, guesses, unjustified speculation, or partisan. They are borne out by objective facts that can be drawn from information and data sources available to the public.

The Patten Map cracks and divides long-established neighborhoods and communities of interest. All viewable from Morro Rock, the communities of Cayucos, Morro Bay, and Los Osos in the North Coast/Estero Bay are divided from one district to three. The map packs or sinks much of the City of San Luis Obispo into District 2. The map dilutes the voting voice of Oceano by moving it from District 4 to District 5. The Patten Map would also have the effect, incredibly, of leaving segments of the county population essentially orphaned, residing in areas that will not have an elected supervisor representing that area for perhaps two years. Oceano and Morro Bay are examples of new and completely unnecessary “orphans.”

In particular, this is a most critical time for Oceano, with closure of the Oceano State Vehicular Riding Area being closed to Off Highway Vehicles in 2023; closure of Phillips 66 in 2023; and air quality mitigation measures being completed in 2023 under the Air Pollution Control District’s Stipulated Order of Abatement. Under the Patten map, Oceano, as one of two census designated places in District 4, gets moved out of District 4 (where citizens could participate in the 2022 election) into District 5, where they would not be able to vote until 2024. The boundaries in which the current District 3 supervisor must run in 2022 include Grover Beach, Pismo Beach, Shell Beach and Avila Beach, but not Oceano. Further, the current District 5 supervisor does not live in the new District 5 area. Lack of any meaningful outreach efforts in Oceano aside, especially by the current supervisor in District 4, what could possibly be more disruptive and dilutive for meaningful voting rights and fair and effective representation? Again, this profoundly cruel and uncaring scenario is not necessary and could be easily avoided.

The Patten Map is also built upon map-building assumptions at direct odds with past history, past actions, past litigation, and the mandatory, prioritized



application of Fair Maps Act. The map's author and supporters have demonstrated steadfast unwillingness to concede the legal validity and appropriateness of redistricting decisions made over a number of decades and mistakenly insist on giving priority to criteria in the current law in the wrong order.

Examples of arguable assumptions underlying the Patten Map:

Assumption 1: There must be something in the 2020 Census data that requires change, and sticking with a map that hasn't changed significantly over 20 years must mean change is in order, indeed required.

Assumption 2: There is, or must be, something corrupt or illegal about the 2010 map that needs to be rectified. So, regardless of whether population changes necessitate change, the righting of old, perceived wrongs is reason enough.

Assumption 3: The decades-long treatment of the City of San Luis Obispo (usually represented by at least three supervisors) is inherently wrong, unjustified, and illegal, and 21500 mandates, to the greatest extent possible, the elimination of any division of the City of San Luis Obispo.

Assumption 4: There are no local neighborhoods or local communities of interest within the boundaries of the City of San Luis Obispo.

Assumption 5: If it is said loud enough and often enough it must be true – and no one will realize – that the Patten Map actually does not achieve the mission of consolidating “the whole” of the City of San Luis into one district, without division. Apparently dividing the city into two districts is acceptable, but dividing into three is not.

Assumption 6: The legislative mandate in 21500 for prioritized application of the redistricting criteria is essentially meaningless, that the words in 21500 don't really mean what they say, and that the prioritized criteria can be ignored, conflated, or re-ordered using the Board Majority's discretion.

Assumption 7: The words or phrases in the current version of 21500, like “priority,” “to the extent practicable,” “geographic integrity,” “respect,” “local neighborhoods,” and “local communities of interest,” are largely inconsequential and can be re-interpreted, conflated, or even ignored when the Board Majority votes.

Assumption 8: The only way Cal Poly and the entire City of San Luis Obispo and the entire Cal Poly campus can have fair and effective representation is through a map that views and treats them as monoliths and consolidates and packs the entire city and campus into one supervisorial district.

Assumption 9: It is perfectly acceptable to crack and pack Cal Poly and the City of San Luis Obispo without needing to give any consideration to the domino-like effects and consequences in other areas. Or, that it's acceptable to "do what's required for Cal Poly and the City of San Luis Obispo first" and then let the consequences elsewhere be whatever they will be.

Assumption 10: The only way to draw a legally compliant map is to make elimination or minimization of divisions of city and census designated places the number one, headliner criteria, above everything else.

Assumption 11: Whatever may have been done over past decades doesn't matter and can be ignored. In other words, if it didn't happen under the new law as I interpret it, it didn't happen and doesn't matter.

Assumption 12: It's okay to make whatever decision seems right to the Board Majority, even if based on mis-interpretation and mis-application of the law and without care whether that creates a potential for violations of 21500(d). Translate: if the Board Majority's exercise of discretion inconveniently bumps up against the law, the exercise of discretion prevails.

Assumption 13: There's a good, or good enough, chance, that no one will really catch on to what's being perpetrated -- until it's too late.

Assumption 14: That the Board of Supervisors might actually buy the argument that it's okay to adopt the Patten Map because: Los Osos and Cayucos surely have more in common with Atascadero than they do with Morro Bay; San Miguel and Cambria surely have more in common than San Miguel has with Paso Robles; and Oceano, Avila Beach and Morro Bay surely have more in common than Oceano has with Nipomo.

**EVIDENCE IS MOUNTING THAT WOULD SUPPORT THE FINDING AND CONCLUSION THAT ADOPTION OF THE PATTEN MAP WOULD CONSTITUTE A VIOLATION OF ELECTIONS CODE 21500(d), AND THAT ALL THREE MEMBERS OF THE CURRENT BOARD MAJORITY WOULD BE COMPLICIT.**

Perhaps the most troublesome and insidious effects of the Patten Map are those relating to totally unnecessary but unmistakably politicized acceleration and deferral of voting rights that would have ripple effects around the county.<sup>5</sup> This has been addressed in a document circulated recently by the SLO League of Women Votes (**Exhibit 11**), and we sense that many other groups and individuals are looking hard at not only the number of votes being accelerated or

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<sup>5</sup> We fully recognize that IF changes in census data require changes in district boundaries, there may be an acceleration and deferral impact as a natural consequence. But what we're talking about here is something entirely different; unnatural, unnecessary, politically-motivated consequences with serious political impacts. Which would be a clear violation of 21500(d).

deferred, but what appears to be the political make-up of these accelerated and deferred votes as well. We have become aware of preliminary data developed from public information sources that indicate a very clear trend with far more of the accelerated votes benefitting the Republican Party and far more of the voting deferrals disadvantaging the Democratic Party. We have attempted to create documents that explain this phenomenon in ways that are understandable to members of our coalition and we share them as **Exhibit 9** (referenced above), and **Exhibit 12**.

To adopt a radically new district boundaries map for the purpose of securing such advantage and imposing such disadvantage clearly runs afoul of Section 21500(d). Especially when there is no need for any change, and keeping things essentially the same would not accelerate or defer ANY votes.

The Board Majority's explicit dis-interest in acceleration and deferral information begs these questions: How could the supervisors possibly be able to assess whether they might have an unacceptable acceleration and deferral issue (aka a 21500(d) issue) if they don't have the kind of information that everyone seems to have except the supervisors? And where is the voice of County Counsel?

Sadly, but factually, if the Patten Map were to be adopted, each of the Republican members of the Board Majority will have made a contribution toward a 21500(d) violation:

**Supervisor Peschong**: His district, like the other four, does not have to change. There does not have to be any acceleration or deferral issues unless certain supervisors, aligned with a certain political party, want to create them by using the adoption of a map with new boundaries to do so. Mr. Peschong has announced publicly that he will not be running for another term, so what would explain a vote to change boundaries unnecessarily, when there is no problem needing to be fixed, and he won his last election by a margin in excess of 30%?

Our understanding is that the more than 27,000 voters that would be accelerated into District 2 (for a vote in 2022) lean decidedly Republican, while the more than 24,000 voters being removed from District 2 lean decidedly Democrat. In order to achieve the political goal of disadvantaging a Democratic nemesis in District 2, it would make sense to approve a map that, for instance, moves San Miguel, Paso Roble's nearby neighbor, from District 1 into District 2. It would not make sense to do that for any reason other than to create partisan advantage over the opposing party.

Also, for partisan reasons only, it would make sense to split apart communities like Morro Bay, Los Osos and Cayucos in District 2, regardless of their shared proximity and shared interests. There's no other explanation for doing something like this that makes no sense otherwise. The Patten Map, and only the Patten Map, makes these partisan moves possible.

It is noteworthy that Mr. Peschong has not attempted to make a merit-based case on behalf of either of the maps he moved to advanced, or to explain why it's okay for both of those maps to divide the City of San Luis Obispo but it's not okay to do that in the current map, Map A, or Map B. Or, why is it okay for the Chamber Map to handle Atascadero in a manner that's similar to the past treatment of Templeton, but at direct odds with the Patten Map? Nor has he asked the county's redistricting consulting experts or County Counsel for their analysis of the maps. Is there any wonder that he joined the other members of the Board Majority in voting down the motion they forced Supervisor Gibson to make for the consultant's analysis of acceleration and deferral impacts associated with the Patten Map?

**Supervisor Arnold:** Although she may or may not have formally announced that she won't be seeking re-election in 2024, the Patten Map makes that decision for her – unless she wants to move. It is believed that Supervisor lives in a part of current District 5 that would become part of District 4. The “new District 5” created by the Patten Map is nowhere near where she presumably currently resides.

So, what possible reason would Ms. Arnold have for supporting a map that dislocates her from the district she was in and has been serving when, again, there is no reason for any boundary changes to be made in the first place? If one looks at the acceleration and deferral data, the explanation that jumps out immediately is very simple: to gain political advantage over a rival political party. If she won't be running in District 4, why should Ms. Arnold care about whether the district she will no longer represent includes any of the City of San Luis Obispo or the Cal Poly area? Other than for partisan reasons, why should she care about whether the Country Club area south of the City of San Luis Obispo goes into District 4 on an accelerated basis while Oceano (a stalwart Census Designated Place in District 4 for decades) get unceremoniously cracked away from Nipomo and dumped into a new District 5 where she will not be running, with Oceano voters having their votes deferred? The strong, fact-based deduction to be drawn from a vote in favor of the Patten Map is very clear: it can only be politically motivated for the partisan purpose of supplying more, privileged Republican votes to District 4 while removing strongly Democratic, largely underrepresented, voters from Oceano.

She too voted to deny Supervisor Gibson from obtaining acceleration and deferral data and analysis from Redistricting Partners, and she too has failed to ask County Counsel for any analysis of potential 21500(d) exposure if she were to join in a motion to adopt the Patten Map.

### Supervisor Compton:

Strong evidence exists and is growing to support a conclusion that a vote by District 4 Supervisor Compton in favor of the Patten Map would also run afoul of Elections Code Sec. 21500(d): (a) although her supervisor website appears to tout her “being the voice” for the residents of San Luis Obispo, Arroyo Grande, Oceano, and Nipomo (**Exhibit 13**), she’s long been at bitter odds with large elements of Oceano residents and voters over political and policy matters; (b) it is a fact that large and significant numbers of Oceano voters did not support her in an election she won by just 60 votes; (c) she spear-headed<sup>6</sup> a forcefully resisted<sup>7</sup> and unprecedented move to establish a second Oceano Advisory Group because she was at odds with the existing Oceano Advisory Council (OAC) and positions they were taking before the Coastal Commission; (d) she has made it abundantly clear that she does not sympathize with environmental justice issues dramatically impacting Oceano; (e) she does not agree with the Coastal Commission decisions about the future of the Oceano Dunes State Vehicular Recreation Area, (ODSVRA); (f) she promotes continued uses of the state park that are diametrically opposed to limitations on uses approved by the Coastal Commission, and supported by the Oceano Advisory Council which she claims does not speak for her; (g) she has been overtly unfriendly to and uncaring about the communities in her district who are adversely impacted by air quality conditions and public health impacts linked directly to activities at the ODSVRA Refer to this video in which Ms. Compton supports keeping off road vehicles on the dunes <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=48vBoJxTG4o> ; (h) she has made no/zero attempt to advocate on the public record to retain the population of Oceano as part of District 4; (i) she has made no/zero effort to explain to the constituents of Oceano why it makes sense for them to be included in a new District 5 that results in the deferral of their vote from 2022 to 2024; (j) she has not initiated or held any meetings with Oceano community members, any Latino residents or groups, the OAC or the Oceano Community Services District (OCSD),<sup>8</sup> and (k) she has made no/zero effort to explain how Oceano and Nipomo are dissonant communities of interest, and that removing Oceano from District 4 makes sense in light of long-standing efforts of the Local Fund Governance of the County Business Improvement District (CBID). <https://highway1discoveryroute.com/oceano-nipomo/> clearly links Oceano and Nipomo. Examples of published materials that promote Oceano and Nipomo as connected communities of interest can be found in **Exhibit 16**.

It has been widely circulated that two of the key elements of Ms. Compton’s re-election strategy are removal of Oceano from her district and the insertion into

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<sup>6</sup> **Exhibit 14** is a SLO Tribune article dated June 10, 2021: “Supervisors approve formation of second advisory council in Oceano.”

<sup>7</sup> **Exhibit 15** is a letter from the OAC to the BOS requesting Item 8 be removed from the consent agenda regarding the formation of a second/parallel advisory council more responsive to the wishes of the local supervisor.

<sup>8</sup> We have checked and, from the information we have confirmed, no contact was made with the OAC or the OCSD about redistricting by the supervisor or her representatives.

her district of the area south of San Luis Obispo containing the San Luis Obispo Country Club area. If that's not true, she can disavow that here and now. If it is true, and she votes for the Patten Map that accomplishes both of those things; she will have contributed directly to a county redistricting result that violates compliance problem with 21500(d).

**THE SLO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MAP IS NOT WITHOUT PROBLEMS, BUT COMPARED WITH THE PATTEN MAP THE CHAMBER MAP IS THE ONLY "FINALIST" MAP THAT IS ARGUABLY LEGALLY COMPLIANT.**

Some, including the Republican Party through notices and newsletters, have suggested that the SLO Chamber of Commerce Map is not altogether different from the staff/consultant Maps A and B. Indeed, one of the Chamber task force members spoke on November 19 to explain and support the Chamber Map while also endorsing the adoption of Map A.

However, the Chamber Map unnecessarily cracks and packs the City of Atascadero, which was the criticism about the treatment of Templeton in 2011. Although the numbers pale by comparison, the Chamber Map also unnecessarily generates both accelerations and deferrals of voting opportunities. The accelerations would be in the western part of Atascadero and a portion of District 3 in San Luis Obispo. The deferrals include the Cal Poly campus, a portion of District 2 in San Luis Obispo that would move to District 5, and area east of Arroyo Grande that would move from District 4 to District 3.

These accelerations and deferrals are not necessary and would not be experienced if Map A or Map B was adopted.

With the legality of the current map already being established, and with no change being required to comply with 2020 census data and the Fair Maps Act criteria, Maps A and B remain better alternatives than the Chamber Map. However, if it were to come down to a choice between just the Chamber Map and the Patten Map because the Board Majority refuses to reconsider Maps A and B, the only viable, compliant, and defensible choice would be the Chamber Map.

The Chamber Map does widely respect and retain nearly all long-established and long-recognized communities of interest (especially in the north coast area, in the areas in and around the City of SLO, and in Oceano). It has a lower population deviation than the Patten Map, and in all likelihood, steps could be taken to deal with the Atascadero issue to reduce or eliminate acceleration and deferral impacts.

**WHILE THE BOARD MAJORITY HAS EXHIBITED PROBLEMATIC CONDUCT DURING THE PROCEEDINGS, IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO CORRECT MATTERS.**

First, for the record, some examples of problematic conduct thus far:

1. The Board Majority have not asked staff or the expert consultant for any analysis of flaws in Maps A and B.
2. The Board Majority failed to offer any evidence to support their arbitrary refusal to advance Map A and/or Map B.
3. The Board Majority have not asked staff or the expert consultant for any analysis or recommendation about the Patten Map or the Chamber Map possibly being non-compliant under 21500(c) and/or 21500(d) analysis. At this point the staff and the consultant are supposed to be in charge of the process but neither the board nor members of the public (at least in a public setting) have had the benefit the consultant's input.
4. None of the supervisors attempted to make a merit-based case for either the Patten Map or the Chamber map before advancing them as the only two final maps.
5. The Board Majority made no attempt before advancing the two finalist maps to discuss or attempt to reconcile the very apparent differences between the two maps.
6. The Board Majority made no effort to articulate any merit-based reasons for denying motions from the Board Minority to advance Map A and/or Map B.
7. Discussion on the motion of Supervisor Gibson to advance Map A as one of the finalists was arbitrarily denied.
8. The Board Majority refused efforts the by Board Minority to request and obtain from staff and the consultant an analysis of the potential acceleration and deferral impacts of adopting the Patten Map or the Chamber Map.
9. The Board Majority never asked staff or the redistricting consultant to analyze and report on whether the Patten Map or the Chamber Map could create "orphan" situations where, under the Patten Map, certain segments of the population could end up with no supervisor being responsible for the area where the "orphans" reside.
10. The Board Majority never asked legal counsel for an analysis of (a) the differences between Elections Code 21500 in 2010 and Elections Code 21500 in 2020, and (b) whether adoption of the Patten map could/would violate Elections Code 21500(d).
11. The Board Majority never asked legal counsel for an analysis of the current versions of Elections Code 21500(c) and 21500(d).
12. The Board Majority never asked legal counsel or the expert consultant what steps should be taken and what information or documentation should be gathered and considered in order to know if, or how, they were facing a potential problem with compliance with 21500(d).
13. The Board Majority papered over and failed to inquire in any meaningful way about the efforts made by staff and the expert consultant to fully perform

public outreach in accordance with the requirements of law and specific commitments made in the consultant's contracted-for scope of work. No effort was made by the board chairperson to press for an explanation or response by staff or the consultant to statements made by several members of the public about an alleged complete absence of meaningful outreach in Oceano. Her district has one of the largest Latino populations in the county. Meaningful outreach (emphasis on meaningful) -- or lack thereof -- was of course extremely consequential in the sense that no Latino population in the county would be more, and more adversely, impacted by adoption of the Patten map (i.e., being carved out of District 4 and having their vote both diluted and deferred).

14. None of the Board Majority identified or explained any outreach efforts they had made about redistricting issues.
15. The Board Majority discounted and challenged the authenticity and significance of written public comment. No effort was made to discuss or respond to highly relevant written communications from groups such as Citizens for Preserving District #4, the "542" residents from throughout the county, the City of San Luis Obispo, the League of Women Voters, and Cambrians for Preserving District #2.

Where and how have the Board Majority even attempted to make the legal and factual case in support of the two maps selected as finalists? Aren't they obligated to identify the substantial evidence that supports their decision-making?

## **CONCLUSION**

Adopting the Patten Map would be an egregious mistake. It is not necessary, it would be extremely risky and highly likely illegal, and it would clearly act to serve and advance overtly partisan goals over the best interests of all county residents, especially the underrepresented.

In a time of hyper-partisanship, bickering, bullying, coordinated dissemination of misinformation, and brazen advantage-seeking, what true colors will the County of San Luis Obispo be showing if the Patten map were to be adopted? The upcoming vote on the final redistricting map will serve to expose what and who is behind the curtain.

At the October 26, 2021 special board hearing, Supervisor Peschong stated "what we (the supervisors, staff,<sup>9</sup> and Redistricting Partners) are all about" is "doing the legal and right thing."

In statements made for a *New Times* article on November 18, 2021, Supervisor Arnold was quoted as saying "This isn't about politics" and "I'm very aware that we need to make sure that it's not gerrymandered."

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<sup>9</sup> It is important to remember, again, that the Staff Advisory Committee includes a representative from the office of County Counsel.



For Supervisor Compton, she's doubled down on her promises of doing what's legal and right. First, she's quoted in the same November 18, 2021 *New Times* article that "I promise I'll do it in a legal way. I think it'd be really foolish to carve it up if it couldn't support a legal challenge." At the end of the special board meeting on November 19, her promise was repeated: After stating that she votes her conscience and just wants to represent the best interests of the community and her constituents, Ms. Compton said she would not vote for a map that cannot be defended in court. She also stated that she believed there is likely more than one map that could be defended in court, so she obviously must have had a map or maps in mind *other* than the Patten Map.

So, what's it going to be since, clearly, adoption of the Patten Map is neither the legal nor the right thing to do?

**Written Public Comments for November 30, 2021 Hearing #4  
SLO County Redistricting**

**Submitted to the County of San Luis Obispo Board of Supervisors on  
November 28, 2021 by Citizens for Preserving District #4**

**EXHIBIT LIST  
CITIZENS FOR PRESRVING DISTRICT #4  
PUBLIC COMMENTS – NOVEMBER 30, 2021**

Exhibit No. – Exhibit Description

1. California Elections Code Section 21500 (current)
2. Contract for Special Services by Independent Contractor – Redistricting Partners
3. Republican Party Notices and Newsletters
4. *New Times* (November 18, 2021) – “Redistricting Politics: SLO County supervisors consider new districts that could reshape local politics for the next decade”
5. SLO County Supervisor District Maps for 1990, 2000 and 2010.
6. September 13, 2011 County of San Luis Obispo Board of Supervisors Agenda Item Transmittal
7. Court of Appeals opinion filed July 24, 2013[not officially published] in the case of *Pelfrey v. San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors*
8. 2010 California Elections Code Chapter 6 (Supervisory Districts) Section 21500-21506
9. Table: Historical District Boundaries of Various SLO County Communities Compared with the Patten Map
10. Description and analysis before and after adoption of the 2019 Fair Maps Act
11. November 23, 2021 SLO League of Women Voters Action Alert
12. Acceleration vs. Deferral Memo from Citizens for Preserving District #4
13. Page One - Supervisor Lynn Compton (District #4) webpage
14. *SLO Tribune* article dated June 10, 2021: “Supervisors approve formation of second advisory council in Oceano
15. June 6, 2021 letter from Oceano Advisory Council to Board of Supervisors with request to pull Item #8 from consent agenda – re potential formation of second/parallel advisory council for Oceano
16. Examples of published materials promoting interests and appeal of Oceano and Nipomo as connected communities of interest

# EXHIBIT 1


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### ELECTIONS CODE - ELEC

**DIVISION 21. STATE AND LOCAL REAPPORTIONMENT [21000 - 23004]** (*Division 21 enacted by Stats. 1994, Ch. 920, Sec. 2.*)

#### **CHAPTER 6. Supervisorial Districts [21500 - 21509]** (*Chapter 6 enacted by Stats. 1994, Ch. 920, Sec. 2.*)

**21500.** (a) Following a county's decision to elect its board using district-based elections, or following each federal decennial census for a county whose board is already elected using district-based elections, the board shall adopt boundaries for all of the supervisorial districts of the county so that the supervisorial districts shall be substantially equal in population as required by the United States Constitution.

(1) Population equality shall be based on the total population of residents of the county as determined by the most recent federal decennial census for which the redistricting data described in Public Law 94-171 are available.

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), an incarcerated person, as that term is used in Section 21003, shall not be counted towards a county's population, except for an incarcerated person whose last known place of residence may be assigned to a census block in the county, if information about the last known place of residence for incarcerated persons is included in the computerized database for redistricting that is developed in accordance with subdivision (b) of Section 8253 of the Government Code, and that database is made publicly available.

(b) The board shall adopt supervisorial district boundaries that comply with the United States Constitution, the California Constitution, and the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. Sec. 10301 et seq.).

(c) The board shall adopt supervisorial district boundaries using the following criteria as set forth in the following order of priority:

(1) To the extent practicable, supervisorial districts shall be geographically contiguous. Areas that meet only at the points of adjoining corners are not contiguous. Areas that are separated by water and not connected by a bridge, tunnel, or regular ferry service are not contiguous.

(2) To the extent practicable, the geographic integrity of any local neighborhood or local community of interest shall be respected in a manner that minimizes its division. A "community of interest" is a population that shares common social or economic interests that should be included within a single supervisorial district for purposes of its effective and fair representation. Communities of interest do not include relationships with political parties, incumbents, or political candidates.

(3) To the extent practicable, the geographic integrity of a city or census designated place shall be respected in a manner that minimizes its division.

(4) Supervisorial district boundaries should be easily identifiable and understandable by residents. To the extent practicable, supervisorial districts shall be bounded by natural and artificial barriers, by streets, or by the boundaries of the county.

(5) To the extent practicable, and where it does not conflict with the preceding criteria in this subdivision, supervisorial districts shall be drawn to encourage geographical compactness in a manner that nearby areas of population are not bypassed in favor of more distant populations.

(d) The board shall not adopt supervisorial district boundaries for the purpose of favoring or discriminating against a political party.

(Amended by Stats. 2020, Ch. 90, Sec. 1. (AB 1276) Effective January 1, 2021.)

**21500.1.** (a) This chapter applies to a county that elects members of the county's board of supervisors by districts or from districts.

(b) This chapter shall not be interpreted to limit the discretionary remedial authority of any federal or state court.

*(Amended by Stats. 2020, Ch. 90, Sec. 2. (AB 1276) Effective January 1, 2021.)*

**21501.** (a) (1) For redistricting occurring in 2031 and thereafter, the boundaries of the supervisorial districts shall be adopted by the board not later than 205 days before the county's next regular election occurring after January 1 in each year ending in the number two.

(2) For redistricting occurring before 2031 and where a county has a regular election occurring after January 1, 2022, and before July 1, 2022, the boundaries of the supervisorial districts shall be adopted by the board not later than 174 days before that election. Notwithstanding subdivision (b) of Section 8106, the forms required under that subdivision shall not be made available until at least 28 days after the adoption of a final map. The elections official shall reduce the required number of signatures for the in-lieu-filing-fee petition, as specified in subdivision (a) of Section 8106, by the same proportion as the reduction in time for the candidate to collect signatures.

(3) For redistricting occurring before 2031 and where a county does not have a regular election occurring after January 1, 2022 and before July 1, 2022, the boundaries of the supervisorial districts shall be adopted by the board not later than 205 days before the county's next regular election occurring on or after July 1, 2022.

(b) This section does not apply when a county transitions from at-large to district-based elections.

*(Amended by Stats. 2020, Ch. 90, Sec. 3. (AB 1276) Effective January 1, 2021.)*

**21503.** (a) After redistricting or districting pursuant to Section 21500, a board shall not adopt new supervisorial district boundaries until after the next federal decennial census, except under the following circumstances:

(1) A court orders the board to redistrict.

(2) The board is settling a legal claim that its supervisorial district boundaries violate the United States Constitution, the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. Sec. 10301 et seq.), or this chapter.

(3) The boundaries of the county change by the addition or subtraction of territory.

(b) This section does not prohibit a board from adopting supervisorial districts between federal decennial censuses if the board is adopting supervisorial districts for the first time, including when a board adopts supervisorial districts for the purpose of transitioning from electing its supervisors in at-large elections to elections by districts or from districts.

*(Repealed and added by Stats. 2019, Ch. 557, Sec. 7. (AB 849) Effective January 1, 2020.)*

**21506.** (a) The term of office of any supervisor who has been elected and whose term of office has not expired shall not be affected by any change in the boundaries of the district from which the supervisor was elected.

(b) At the first election for county supervisors in each county following adoption of the boundaries of supervisorial districts, excluding a special election to fill a vacancy or a recall election, a supervisor shall be elected for each district under the new district plan that has the same district number as a district whose incumbent's term is due to expire. This subdivision does not apply when a county transitions from at-large to district-based elections.

(c) For a county employing both a primary and a general election, a change in the boundaries of a supervisorial district shall not be made between the direct primary election and the general election.

(d) Except as provided in subdivision (a), a person is not eligible to hold office as a member of a board of supervisors unless that person meets the requirements of Section 201 of the Elections Code and Section 24001 of the Government Code.

*(Amended by Stats. 2020, Ch. 90, Sec. 4. (AB 1276) Effective January 1, 2021.)*

**21507.** Before adopting the boundaries of a district pursuant to Section 21501 or 21503, or for any other reason, the board shall hold public hearings on the proposal in accordance with Section 21507.1. This section does not apply when a county transitions from at-large to district-based elections.

*(Amended by Stats. 2020, Ch. 90, Sec. 5. (AB 1276) Effective January 1, 2021.)*

**21507.1.** (a) Before adopting a final map, the board shall hold at least four public hearings at which the public is invited to provide input regarding the composition of one or more supervisorial districts.

(1) At least one public hearing shall be held before the board draws a draft map or maps of the proposed supervisorial district boundaries.

(2) At least two public hearings shall be held after the board has drawn a draft map or maps of the proposed supervisorial district boundaries.

(b) At least one public hearing or public workshop shall be held on a Saturday, on a Sunday, or after 6 p.m. on a weekday Monday through Friday.

(c) Public hearing buildings shall be accessible to persons with disabilities.

(d) If a public hearing is consolidated with a regular or special meeting of the board that includes other substantive agenda items, the public hearing shall begin at a fixed time regardless of its order on the agenda, except that the board may first conclude any item being discussed or acted upon, including any associated public comment, when that time occurs. The time of the public hearing shall be noticed to the public.

(e) The board may have county staff or a consultant conduct one or more public workshops in lieu of holding one of the public hearings required by paragraph (1) of subdivision (a).

(f) The board may establish an advisory redistricting commission pursuant to Section 23002 to hold the public hearings required by paragraph (1) of subdivision (a).

*(Added by Stats. 2019, Ch. 557, Sec. 11. (AB 849) Effective January 1, 2020.)*

**21508.** (a) The board shall take steps to encourage residents, including those in underrepresented communities and non-English speaking communities, to participate in the redistricting public review process. These steps shall include a good faith effort to do all of the following:

(1) Providing information to media organizations that provide county news coverage, including media organizations that serve language minority communities.

(2) Providing information through good government, civil rights, civic engagement, and community groups or organizations that are active in the county, including those active in language minority communities, and those that have requested to be notified concerning county redistricting.

(b) The board shall arrange for the live translation in an applicable language of a public hearing or workshop held pursuant to this chapter if a request for translation is made at least 72 hours before the hearing or workshop, unless less than five days' notice are provided for the hearing or workshop, in which case the request shall be made at least 48 hours before the hearing or workshop.

(c) Notwithstanding Section 54954.2 of the Government Code, the board shall publish the date, time, and location for any public hearing or workshop on the internet at least five days before the hearing or workshop. However, if there are fewer than 28 days until the deadline to adopt boundaries, the board may publish the agenda on the internet for at least three days before the hearing or workshop.

(d) (1) A draft map shall be published on the internet for at least seven days before being adopted as a final map by the board provided that, if there are fewer than 28 days until the deadline to adopt boundaries, the draft map may instead be published on the internet for at least three days.

(2) Each draft map prepared by a member of the board or by employees or contractors of the county shall be accompanied by information on the total population, citizen voting age population, and racial and ethnic characteristics of the citizen voting age population of each proposed supervisorial district, to the extent the county has that data.

(3) (A) The board and employees or contractors of the county shall not release draft maps of supervisorial districts earlier than three weeks after the block-level redistricting database required by subdivision (b) of Section 8253 of the Government Code is first made publicly available. This subparagraph does not prohibit the board from holding public hearings or workshops on the placement of supervisorial district boundaries before the earliest date that draft maps of supervisorial districts may be released.

(B) If the period of time between the date that the redistricting database is made publicly available and the map adoption deadline is fewer than 90 days and more than 59 days, then the waiting period required by subparagraph (A) is reduced to one week. If the period of time between the date that the redistricting database is made publicly available and the map adoption deadline is fewer than 60 days, then the waiting period required by subparagraph (A) is waived.

(e) The board shall allow the public to submit testimony or draft maps in writing and electronically.

(f) The county shall either record or prepare a written summary of each public comment and board deliberation made at every public hearing or workshop held pursuant to this article. The county shall make the recording or written summary available to the public within two weeks after the public hearing or workshop.

(g) The board shall establish, and maintain for at least 10 years after the adoption of new supervisorial district boundaries, an internet web page dedicated to redistricting. The web page may be hosted on the county's existing internet website or another internet website maintained by the county. The web page shall include, or link to, all of the following information:

- (1) A general explanation of the redistricting process for the county, in English and applicable languages.
- (2) The procedures for a member of the public to testify during a public hearing or to submit written testimony directly to the board, in English and applicable languages.
- (3) A calendar of all public hearing and workshop dates. A calendar listing that includes the time and location of the public hearing or workshop satisfies the notice required by subdivision (c).
- (4) The notice and agenda for each public hearing and workshop.
- (5) The recording or written summary of each public hearing and workshop.
- (6) Each draft map considered by the board at a public hearing.
- (7) The adopted final map of supervisorial district boundaries.
- (h) For purposes of this section, "applicable language" means any language in which ballots are required to be provided in the county pursuant to Section 203 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. Sec. 10503).
- (i) This section does not apply when a county transitions from at-large to district-based elections.
- (j) Before January 1, 2021, and before January in each year ending in the number one thereafter, the Secretary of State shall publish on the internet a template explaining the county redistricting process that meets the requirements of paragraphs (1) and (2), inclusive, of subdivision (g). The Secretary of State shall publish the template in all of the languages into which ballots are required to be translated in the state pursuant to Section 203 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. Sec. 10503). The template shall be published in a conspicuous location on the Secretary of State's internet website.

*(Amended by Stats. 2020, Ch. 90, Sec. 6. (AB 1276) Effective January 1, 2021.)*

**21509.** (a) If the board does not adopt supervisorial district boundaries by the deadlines set forth in Section 21501, the board shall immediately petition the superior court of the county for an order adopting supervisorial district boundaries. If the board does not petition the superior court within five days after the deadline, any resident of the county may file that petition and shall be entitled to recover the resident's reasonable attorney's fees and costs from the county for doing so.

- (b) (1) Upon finding that a petition filed pursuant to subdivision (a) is valid, the superior court shall adopt supervisorial district boundaries in accordance with the criteria set forth in Section 21500, which shall be used in the county's next regular election. The superior court may also order the adjustment of electoral deadlines as necessary to implement the new supervisorial district boundaries in the next regular election.
- (2) The superior court may appoint a special master to assist the court with adopting the supervisorial district boundaries. The county shall pay the cost for the special master and associated costs.
- (3) The superior court or the special master shall hold one or more public hearings before the superior court adopts the supervisorial district boundaries.
- (4) Subject to the approval of the superior court, the special master may employ redistricting experts or other consultants or counsel, independent experts in the field of redistricting and computer technology, and other necessary personnel to assist them in their work. In addition, the special master may seek the full cooperation of the county in producing and using whatever data, computer models and programs, and technical assistance that was made available to the board and county personnel who are knowledgeable in the mechanics of drafting redistricting legislation. The superior court may assist the special master in securing the necessary personnel and the physical facilities required for their work, and to prepare for the prompt submission to the county of a request for county funding for the necessary expenses of the special master and the special master's staff.
- (5) The supervisorial district boundaries adopted by the superior court shall be immediately effective in the same manner as if the court's order were an enacted resolution or ordinance of the board.

*(Added by Stats. 2019, Ch. 557, Sec. 13. (AB 849) Effective January 1, 2020.)*

# EXHIBIT 2



**CONTRACT FOR SPECIAL SERVICES BY  
INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR**

THIS CONTRACT FOR SPECIAL SERVICES ("Contract") is entered into this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, by and between the COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO (hereinafter referred to as "County") and REDISTRICTING PARTNERS, LLC, a California limited liability company (hereinafter referred to as "Contractor").

**RECITALS**

**WHEREAS**, the County of San Luis Obispo has need for special services and advice in the area of [describe services]; and

**WHEREAS**, Contractor is specially trained, experienced, expert and competent to perform such special services.

**NOW THEREFORE**, the parties mutually agree as follows:

1. **Scope of Services.** Contractor shall provide to the County the following services under this Contract as described in the attached Exhibit A.
2. **Term of Contract.** This Contract shall commence on April 20, 2021 and will expire upon completion of all deliverables, unless terminated earlier or extended as provided in this Contract.
3. **Compensation.** County shall pay to Contractor as compensation in full for all services performed by Contractor pursuant to this Contract, in an amount not to exceed \$93,500.00 at the rates specified in Exhibit A within thirty (30) days after the receipt of an itemized statement from Contractor as required by paragraph 4 of this Contract, which services and invoices have been previously approved by an appropriate representative of the County department for whom Contractor is directly working. All Travel and lodging reimbursements will be reimbursed according to the rates and terms of the County travel policy located at: <https://www.slocounty.ca.gov/Departments/Auditor-Controller-Treasurer-Tax-Collector/Forms-Documents/Resources-for-Vendors/County-Travel-Policy.aspx>
4. **Invoicing.** Contractor shall submit to the County, on a per deliverable basis, a detailed statement of services performed, including itemization of the services rendered during the billing period for the amount billed. The statement shall include the purchase order number (if any), and an itemized statement containing a description of the work and dates Contractor performed the work. If, due to either an issue with the charges on an invoice or the Contractor's failure to perform its obligations under this Contract, the County disputes any charge(s) on an invoice, the County may withhold the disputed amount, provided that (a) there is a reasonable basis for the dispute, and (b) the County delivers a written statement to Contractor within ten (10)

days of the due date of the invoice, describing in detail the basis of the dispute and the amount being withheld by the County.

5. **Non-Exclusivity**. Nothing in this Contract is intended or shall be construed as creating any exclusive arrangement between the County and Contractor. This Contract shall not restrict the County or any of its departments from acquiring similar, equal or like goods and/or services from other entities or sources.

6. **Termination of Contract for Convenience of Either Party**. Either party may terminate this Contract at any time by giving to the other party 30 days' prior written notice of such termination. Termination shall have no effect on upon the rights and obligations of the parties arising out of any transaction occurring prior to the effective date of such termination. Contractor shall be paid for all accepted goods and work satisfactorily completed and accepted by County prior to the effective date of the termination. Termination of this Contract may be effectuated by the County Administrative Officer without the need for action, approval or ratification of the Director of the Department of Central Services or the Board of Supervisors.

7. **Termination of Contract for Cause**. If Contractor (1) fails to perform Contractor's duties to the satisfaction of the County, or (2) fails to fulfill in a timely and professional manner Contractor's obligations under this Contract, or (3) violates any of the terms or provisions of this Contract, then County shall have the right to terminate this Contract effective immediately upon the County giving written notice to the Contractor. Termination shall have no effect upon the rights and obligations of the parties arising out of any transaction occurring prior to the effective date of such termination. Contractor shall be paid for all work satisfactorily completed and accepted by the County prior to the effective date of such termination. If County's termination of Contractor for cause is defective for any reason, including but not limited to County's reliance on erroneous facts concerning Contractor's performance, or any defect in notice thereof, County's maximum liability, if any, shall not exceed the amount payable to Contractor under this Contract.

8. **Termination for Non-Appropriation**. County's obligation to pay any amounts due for those fiscal periods succeeding the current fiscal period are contingent upon appropriation or approval of funds for that purpose. If such funds become unavailable, then County may elect to terminate this Contract by giving written notice of termination to Contractor effective immediately or on such other date as County specifies in the notice. In such an event, the County shall have no further liability to pay any funds to the Contractor or to furnish any other consideration under this Contract, and the Contractor shall not be obligated to perform any provisions of this Contract or to provide services intended to be funded pursuant to this Contract. If partial funds are appropriated or provided, the County shall have the option to either terminate this Contract with no liability to the County or offer a Contract amendment to the Contractor to reflect the reduced amount.

9. **Suspension of Performance**. Independent of any right to terminate this Agreement, the authorized representative of the COUNTY department or agency for which CONTRACTOR'S services are to be performed, may immediately suspend performance by CONTRACTOR, in whole or in part, in response to exigent health, safety or financial circumstances, or a failure or refusal by CONTRACTOR to comply with the

provisions of this Agreement, until such time as the cause for suspension is resolved, or a notice of termination becomes effective.

10. **Nondiscrimination.** Contractor agrees that it will abide by all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules and regulations concerning nondiscrimination and equal opportunity in contracting. Such laws include, but are not limited to, the following: Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended; the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990; the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; California Fair Employment and Housing Act; and California Labor Code sections 1101 and 1102. Contractor shall not discriminate against any employee, subcontractor, or applicant for employment because of race, age, color, ancestry, religion, sex/gender, sexual orientation, mental disability, physical disability, national origin, political beliefs, organizational affiliations, or marital status in the recruitment, selection for training, hiring, employment, utilization, promotion, playoff, rates of pay or other forms of compensation. Contractor shall not discriminate in providing the goods or services under this Contract because of age, race, color, national origin, ancestry, religion, sex/gender, sexual orientation, mental disability, physical disability, medical condition, political beliefs, organizational affiliations, marital status, or other category protected under the law. If County finds that any of these provisions have been violated, such violation shall constitute a material breach of contract upon which County may determine to cancel, terminate, or suspend this Contract. In addition to an independent finding by County of such violation, a finding by the State of California or by the United States of a violation shall constitute a finding by County of such violation.

11. **Assignment, Delegation or Subcontracting of Contract.** Contractor shall not assign any of Contractor's rights, delegate any of Contractor's duties, or subcontract any portion of Contractor's obligations under this Contract without the prior written consent of the County. No assignment, delegation or subcontracting will release Contractor from any of its obligations or alter any of its obligations to be performed under this Contract. Any attempted assignment, delegation or subcontracting in violation of this provision is voidable at the option of the County. If subcontracting is approved by the County, Contractor shall remain primarily liable for all of its obligations under the Contract. Contractor is responsible for payment to subcontractors and must monitor, evaluate, and account for the subcontractor(s) services and operations.

12. **Authority of Contractor.** If Contractor is a corporation or a limited liability company and is performing services within California, Contractor represents and warrants that it is and will remain, throughout the term of this Contract, either a duly organized, validly existing California corporation or limited liability company in good standing under the laws of the State of California or a duly organized, validly existing foreign corporation or limited liability company in good standing in the state of incorporation or organization and authorized to transact business in the State of California and have an agent for service of process in California. Contractor warrants that it has full power and authority to enter into and perform this Contract, and the person(s) signing this Contract warrant that he or she has been properly authorized and empowered to enter into this Contract.

13. **Governing Law and Venue.** This Contract has been executed and delivered in the State of California and the validity, enforceability and interpretation of any of the clauses of this Contract shall be determined and governed by the laws of the State of California. All duties and obligations of the parties created hereunder are performable in San Luis Obispo County and such County shall be the venue for any action or proceeding that may be brought or arise out of, in connection with or by reason of this Contract. The parties will submit to the jurisdiction of the Superior Court of the County of San Luis Obispo, notwithstanding Code of Civil Procedure section 394, as may be amended from time to time.

14. **Independent Contractor Status.** Contractor shall, during the entire term of the Contract, be construed to be an independent contractor. Nothing in this Contract is intended or shall be construed to create an employer-employee relationship, a joint venture relationship, or to allow County to exercise discretion or control over the professional manner in which Contractor performs the services which are the subject matter of this Contract; provided always however that the services to be provided by Contractor shall be provided in a manner consistent with all applicable standards, regulations and Contract terms governing such services. Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor's personnel are not and will not be eligible for membership in or any benefits from any County group plan for hospital, surgical or medical insurance or for membership in any County retirement program or for paid vacation, paid sick leave, or other leave, with or without pay or for any other benefit which accrues to a County employee.

15. **Warranty of Contractor.** Contractor warrants that Contractor and each of the personnel employed or otherwise retained by Contractor are properly certified licensed and insured under the laws and regulations of the State of California to provide the special services under this Contract. Contractor further agrees that it shall keep in full force and effect during the entire term of this Contract, all permits, registrations, and licenses, if required by law or contract, to accomplish the work specified herein.

16. **Indemnification.** To the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County and its officers, agents, employees, and volunteers from and against all claims, demands, damages, liabilities, loss, costs, and expense (including attorney's fees and costs of litigation) of every nature arising out of this Contract extent caused by the negligent performance or attempted performance or the provisions hereof, including any willful or negligent act or omission to act on the part of the Contractor or his agents or employees or independent contractors. This indemnity will not extend to any claims or losses arising out of the sole negligence or willful misconduct of the County.

17. **Insurance.** Contractor, at its sole cost and expense, shall purchase and maintain the insurance policies set forth in Attachment A to this Contract.

18. **Records.** Contractor shall keep complete and accurate records of the services performed under this Contract. The Contractor shall allow the County Auditor to inspect and audit any and all books, and records maintained by Contractor and subcontractors pertaining to the services under this Contract at any reasonable time during normal business hours. Books and records include, without limitation, all physical records originated or prepared pursuant to the performance under this Contract including work papers, reports,

financial records and books of account. Upon request, at any time during the period of this Contract, and for a period of three years thereafter, the Contractor shall furnish any such record, or copy thereof, to the County Auditor.

19. **Audit Rights** Pursuant to Government Code section 8546.7, every contract involving the expenditure of public funds in excess of \$10,000 is subject to examination and audit of the State auditor, at the request of the public entity or as part of any audit of the public entity, for a period of three years after final payment under the Contract. Contractor shall permit the State Auditor to have access to any pertinent books, documents, papers and records for the purpose of said audit. County shall advise Contractor if it becomes aware of such audit at least fourteen (14) days prior to the commencement of the audit. All payments made under this Contract shall be subject to an audit at County's option, and shall be adjusted in accordance with said audit. The Contractor shall be responsible for receiving, replying to, and complying with any audit exceptions set forth in any County audits. This provision is in addition to any other inspection and access rights set forth in this Contract.

20. **Accounting**. Contractor shall adhere to the accounting requirements, financial reporting, and internal control standards as described in the Auditor-Controller Contract Accounting and Administration Handbook, (Handbook) which contains the minimum required procedures and controls that must be employed by Contractor's accounting and financial reporting system, and which is incorporated herein by reference. Contractor shall require subcontractors to adhere to the Handbook for any services funded through this contract, unless otherwise agreed upon in writing by County. The Handbook is available at <http://www.slocounty.ca.gov/AC/>, under Policies and Procedures or at the Auditor-Controller's Office, 1055 Monterey Street Room D220, County Government Center, San Luis Obispo, California, 93408.

21. **Cost Disclosure - Documents and Written Reports**. Pursuant to Government Code section 7550, if the total cost of this Contract is over Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000), the Contractor shall include in all documents and in all written reports falling within section 7550, a written summary of costs, which shall set forth the numbers and dollar amounts of all contracts and subcontracts relating to the preparation of such documentation or written report. The contract and subcontract numbers and dollar amounts shall be contained in a separate section of such document or written report.

22. **Copyright**. Any reports, maps, documents or other materials produced in whole or part under this Contract shall be the property of the County and shall not be subject to an application for copyright by or on behalf of Contractor.

23. **Findings Confidential**. No reports, maps, information, documents, or any other materials given to or prepared by Contractor under this Contract shall be made available to any individual or organization by Contractor without the prior written approval of County.

24. **Equipment and Supplies**. Contractor will provide all necessary equipment and supplies in order to carry out the terms of this Contract.

25. **Confidential Information:** For the purpose of this Contract, "Confidential Information" shall mean information or material proprietary to the County or designated as "Confidential Information" by the County, and not generally known by non-County personnel, which Contractor may obtain knowledge of or access to as a result of a contract for services with the County. The Confidential Information includes, but is not limited to, the following types of information or other information of a similar nature (whether or not reduced to writing): computer network operations and security, employee personnel information, finances and other confidential and proprietary information belonging to the County. Confidential Information also includes any information described above which the County obtained from another party which the County treats as proprietary or designates as Confidential Information, whether or not owned or developed by the County. Information publicly known and that is generally employed by the trade at the time that Contractor learns of such information or knowledge shall not be deemed part of the Confidential Information.

Contractor shall not, without prior written authorization from the County, acquire, use or copy, in whole or in part, any Confidential Information. Contractor shall not disclose, provide or otherwise make available, in whole or in part, the Confidential Information other than to those employees of Contractor who (1) have executed a confidentiality agreement with the County, (2) have a need to know such Confidential Information to perform the services hereunder, and (3) who have been authorized by County to receive such Confidential Information. Contractor shall not remove or cause to be removed, in whole or in part, from County facilities, any Confidential Information, without the prior written permission of County. Contractor shall take all appropriate action, whether by instruction, agreement or otherwise, to insure the protection, confidentiality and security of the Confidential Information and to satisfy its obligations under the Confidentiality Agreement executed concurrently with this Contract.

The provisions of this section shall survive the expiration or termination of this Contract. Contractor shall protect the Confidential Information from unauthorized use, access or disclosure in the same manner as Contractor protects its own confidential or proprietary information of a similar nature. Contractor acknowledges that the County, because of the unique nature of the Confidential Information, would suffer irreparable harm in the event that Contractor breaches its obligation under this Contract in that monetary damages would be inadequate to compensate the County for such a breach. The parties agree that in such circumstances, the County shall be entitled, in addition to monetary relief, to injunctive relief as may be necessary to restrain any continuing or further breach by Contractor, without showing or proving any actual damages sustained by the County.

26. **Conflict of Interest.** Contractor acknowledges that Contractor is aware of and understands the provisions of Sections 1090 et seq. and 87100 et seq. of the Government Code, which relate to conflict of interest of public officers and employees. Contractor certifies that Contractor is unaware of any financial or economic interest of any public officer or employee of the County relating to this Contract. Contractor agrees to comply with applicable requirements of **Government Code section 87100** et seq. during the term of this Contract.

27. **Time is of the Essence.** Time is of the essence in the delivery of the goods and/or services by Contractor under this Contract. County reserves the right to refuse any goods or services and to cancel all or any part of the good not conforming to applicable specifications, drawings, samples, or descriptions, or services that do not conform to the prescribed scope of work. Acceptance of any part of the order for goods or services shall not bind County to accept future goods and services.

28. **Waiver.** The acceptance by County of late or partial performance of any goods or services with or without objection or reservation shall not waive the right to claim damage for such breach and shall not constitute a waiver of the rights or requirements for the complete and timely performance of any obligation remaining to be performed by the Contractor, or of any other claim, right or remedy of the County.

29. **Enforceability.** If any term, covenant, condition or provision of this Contract is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void or unenforceable, the remainder of the provisions hereof shall remain in full force and effect and shall in no way be affected, impaired or invalidated thereby.

30. **Entire Agreement and Modification.** This Contract supersedes all previous contracts between the parties related to the services and/or goods which are the subject of this Contract. It constitutes the entire understanding of the parties with respect to the goods and services. Contractor shall be entitled to no other benefits than those specified herein. No changes, amendments or alterations shall be effective unless in writing and signed by both parties. Contractor specifically acknowledges that in entering into and executing this Contract, Contractor relies solely upon the provisions contained in this Contract and no others. This Contract may be executed via facsimile or pdf e-mail, and in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be considered an original and all of which, taken together, shall constitute one and the same instrument.

31. **Notices.** Any notice required to be given pursuant to the terms and provisions of this Contract shall be in writing and shall be sent by first class mail, posted prepaid, through the United States Postal Service, to the County at:

Administrative Office

Attn: Kristin Eriksson

1055 Monterey St., Room D430

San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

and to the Contractor:

Redistricting Partners

Attn: Paul Mitchell

1007 7th St, 4th Floor

Sacramento, CA 95814


or given by personal delivery. Mailed notices shall be deemed to have been given, delivered and received three (3) business days after the date of such notice or other communication is posted by the United States Postal Service.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, County and Contractor have executed this Contract on the day and year first hereinabove set forth

COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Purchasing Agent

REDISTRICTING PARTNERS. LLC,  
a California limited liability company

By:  \_\_\_\_\_

Date: April 7, 2021

Paul Mitchell, Owner  
Printed Name and Title

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name and Title

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL EFFECT:

Rita L. Neal  
County Counsel

By:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Assistant County Counsel

Date: 04/05/2021

Address for giving Notices:

1007 7th St, 4th Floor

Sacramento, CA 95814



## Scope of Work

Redistricting Partners is well prepared to assist the Board and staff in the redistricting process, including working with existing state and federal voting rights act laws, the Fair Maps Act and new California statutes on redistricting for cities, and utilizing traditional redistricting criteria, borne out of state and local laws, caselaw, and best practices, in order to facilitate the process in an open and transparent manner.

Our approach, with additional information below, would include:

- Supporting the county staff in developing schedules, materials, and providing information that can be used for any public facing website, including how community input opportunities, hearing information, and draft maps can be made available to the public.
- Supporting the county staff with high-quality redistricting training, online mapping tools, and on how the redistricting process operates with state and federal requirements and other traditional redistricting practices.
- In addition to the online mapping tool, working with the county to receive input from county residents about their “community of interest” with descriptions of where their community is located, and what binds their community together.
- Working with the county staff to build community engagement with the intent of receiving public testimony on communities of interest.
- Analyzing public input - whenever the public develops a mapping plan, be it via an online system, submitted directly in an open comment, or drawn on a napkin, that plan will be converted to the standard formats and datasets and be available on the county’s website.
- After decennial redistricting data has been released and processed, assist County staff in creating multiple draft plans that reflect the testimony from the Board and the public in open hearings and any online submissions.
- Once the redistricting has been concluded, working with the county to transmit the plans in multiple required formats and work with staff on any technical issues.

One current unknown within this whole process is the extension of the Census and the changing timelines for to the release of the PL 94-171. Normally, this dataset is released by March 31st in the year after the census. However, due to the COVID-19 pandemic and delays in the Census, the timing of the release of the PL 94-171 is now estimated to come out as late as September 30th.

It is our recommendation that the County begin the redistricting process prior to release of the census data to allow for community of interest testimony so that it is well-positioned to move to line drawing once the census data is released.

### **Staff Support**

Mitchell and the other Redistricting Partners staff have significant experience in helping county managers, other local agency staff, and local elected officials become proficient in the traditional criteria used in redistricting and the technical aspects of understanding the data and line drawing. Our staff will attend all County Board Meetings and be on hand for all redistricting functions, including in-person or virtual meetings as required.

### **Public Engagement and Mapping Tools**

One of the first goals of early meetings will be developing processes to identify communities of interest. In our experience it is imperative that the County Board begin by establishing a very transparent public process to receive testimony about the community of interests throughout the County. We suggest a process that emphasizes a strong engagement with the public and identification of communities of interest before anyone starts talking about drawing actual maps.

There are several options on the market today for the public mapping, but our current preferences are Maptitude Online Redistricting and DistrictR. Maptitude Online Redistricting is a public mapping produced by Caliper, a privately held firm based in Boston. The program has been used by hundreds of municipal and state agencies over the past several decades.

DistrictR is a new user-friendly web tool designed to let members of the public try their hand at drawing communities of interest or actual district lines. It features a highly intuitive mapping interface built on top of vetted electoral and demographic data. The tool was developed by the MGGG Redistricting Lab, a team of researchers at Tisch College of Tufts University, to help state legislatures, local jurisdictions, nonpartisan commissions, and community organizations collect public input throughout the redistricting process.

The costs of these programs, including training, are included in our proposed budget.

### **Public Outreach**

Working in partnership with Imprenta Communications, Redistricting Partners will provide a robust public outreach program. Imprenta specializes in outreach personalized and curated for the specific community we are reaching. Our community outreach efforts are aimed at truly translating information that is clear, digestible, and personal, making accurate information easily accessible. Imprenta can help support this project by bringing their expert knowledge of reaching the Latino community in a culturally competent and successful manner. Efficient translation outreach moves beyond language and into culture. Imprenta is able to do this by focusing on specific partnerships with Community Based Organizations, community and government leaders to help engage the Latino community in San Luis Obispo. We will utilize a grassroots/grasstops approach where we rally the grassroots community while additionally identifying trusted leaders from the Latino communities to further amplify our messaging to these specific populations.

Due to the current state of California, impacted by the devastating COVID-19, Imprenta has adapted our community outreach strategies to adhere to stay-at-home and social distancing guidelines. In order to efficiently share resources and collaborate with the community and our

networks using our “New Normal” methods and technologies, we have developed a set of alternative strategies:

- Zoom town halls, redistricting meetings, and workshops
- Partnership with businesses to provide PSA-type messaging via bilingual posters, flyers, and social posts
- Business owners, government officials and local leadership can each host a special Webinar with live translations in English and Spanish
- Webinars hosted by Latino community leaders and trusted voices
- Church outreach - Write-ups, posts or post materials in church newsletters / social media / website or announcements during services

### **Ethnic Media Relations**

Imprenta has successfully executed and managed numerous initiatives, issues, political, marketing and public affairs campaigns for public agencies, government entities, high-profile elected officials and corporate clients who are not only looking for excellent strategies and executions but also the most precise budget management expertise due to a high accountability to the public and stakeholders. We are committed to providing cost-efficient services to our clients and generating exceptional added value for each and every single project and media buy.

Proactive media relations and obtaining positive media coverage is the core of public relations. At Imprenta we specialize in not only generating coverage in the mainstream press but also in the ethnic media as well. Our strength in the multicultural media space is evidenced by our strong relationships with ethnic media, virtually guaranteeing media presence and exposure at our events or for the stories we pitch.

However, irrespective of relationships with reporters and editors, the art of obtaining positive media coverage is in crafting an interesting story. We work with our clients in a realistic and thoughtful way to craft the best possible stories. Furthermore, we know what reporters are looking for and we can tailor messages to fit their needs and interest to best maximize your coverage.

### **Website Design and Archiving**

Under the Fair Maps Act, counties are required to provide a process for concurrent transparency and an archive of the documents from the 2021 redistricting process until the next round of redistricting in 2031. To comply with the Fair Maps Act, the county must provide public access to schedules, documents, mapping tools and maps created during the redistricting process, which can be accomplished by providing this access via the county’s website. Once the current redistricting process is concluded, the county must archive this documentation and make it available for at least the next 10 years.

Redistricting Partners will work with county staff to create a redistricting website hosted by the county to comply with the Fair Maps Act.

## **Plan Creation**

Once the County Board of Supervisors has had outreach hearings and received significant public input, Redistricting Partners will provide technical assistance to County staff as they develop mapping options that will be presented to the Board of Supervisors in a public hearing.

## **Analysis of Maps**

We expect to have a robust process of engaging the public in both using mapping and data to develop community of interest testimony and the drawing of actual district maps.

Whether done online or by hand, all mapping options submitted by the public have value. A map does not have to be perfect to inform the Board about how a member of the public views their community, and how they would choose to make tradeoffs between the different factors in redistricting. What is important is that residents have an opportunity to tell their story about their community and that we provide the tools and opportunities to do this.

The mapping alternatives will be produced and stored in a way that the Board or members of the public can view in one of three ways:

PDF Maps – these are user friendly and print, generally on an 8.5x11 format. They don't provide street-level detail, but can be helpful in understanding the general outlines of district plans.

Online / Google Maps – these are online maps which allow the viewer to zoom in on a map, search for an address, or bring up features, like streets and satellite images, to better understand where district lines land.

GIS files – shapefiles and data that can be used by GIS experts, organizations with technical skills who will want to import the raw data into their own systems for analysis.

## **Final Plan Adoption**

As we have done in other redistrictings, the final plan will be presented to the Board with a narrative, describing the source of the map, how it was developed, the communities of interest that were considered in the construction of each district, and what tradeoffs were considered as the Board sought to equitably create the election district boundaries.

After completion of the districting process we work with registrars, elections officials their staff to ensure all relevant data on the jurisdiction lines are submitted and incorporated for the next election.

If requested, Redistricting Partners staff will work with county staff to produce a final written report to submit to the Board and County Clerk regarding the redistricting process and what improvements could be made prior to the next redistricting in 2031.

## Project Schedule

The following timeline follows the requirements of the Fair Maps Act and its five required hearings, plus an initial kickoff meeting with staff. This timeline is presuming an immediate start to the process, but we can work with the Board or staff on any alternate timeline given the expected late release of the US Census data.

**April 20, 2021:** Board of Supervisor Meeting #1 (Outreach/Engagement) – Presentation to the Board around the principles of redistricting, opportunity for pre-map public input on communities of interest. Presentation from the public of any maps identifying communities, discussion of preferences of neighborhoods, geographic or other features that should be considered in drawing public plans. This would include **an online training** for the use of the selected mapping tool for community engagement, with a focus on the community using this mapping tool as a way of identifying their community of interest.

**June – August 2021:** One Public Workshop (Outreach/Engagement) – Additional opportunity for pre-mapping public input on communities of interest. This will also be an opportunity to hear from the public about their communities, discussion of preferences of neighborhoods, geographic or other features that should be considered in drawing public plans, and an opportunity for members of the public to submit their own maps. One of these workshops would count toward the five required hearings under the Fair Maps Act.

**November:** Board of Supervisors Meeting #2 (Mapping Options) – Presentation with public input on draft plans by County staff **with any input from the Board** or public on proposed changes. Maps created by County staff to be discussed at the meeting will need to be posted seven days prior to hearing to comply with the Fair Maps Act.

**November:** Board of Supervisors Meeting #3 (Mapping Option Discussion): County staff led hearing with public and Board input on any revised maps, with a seven-day posting prior to hearing, with goal of having Board select a single map that will be the final map to go to a vote at the final hearing. To limit the number of meetings before the Board of Supervisors, this meeting could be the final hearing with approval of the final plan as long as no changes were made to the public map.

**December:** Board of Supervisor Meeting #4 (Map Adoption) – Board adoption of final plan. This meeting would be required if map changes were made during Meeting #3. The final plan would need to be public seven days prior to this meeting

Due to COVID restrictions and expectations of the course of the pandemic through the spring, it is expected that all hearings and meetings will be virtual or a hybrid approach: in-person with a virtual component for individuals who cannot be around large groups.

## Cost Proposal

Full County Redistricting Process. Initial presentation to educate the Board and staff on the redistricting process, methodologies, technology, and timeline, plus monitoring of all public meetings (a mix of in person and virtual). Working with staff on communications strategies and media, if requested.

Provide technical assistance to County staff to develop mapping options, evaluation of publicly drawn maps, working with legal counsel on analyzing compliance with the Fair Maps Act and other state and federal laws, other laws and traditional redistricting criteria. Overseeing all subcontractors at the direction of staff. Assisting with final map and Board reports. Additional duties as required.

**Principal Staff: Paul Mitchell, Chris Chaffee & Sophia Garcia**

**Cost: \$30,000**

Support and Administration. Point of contact for staff and Board, assistance with scheduling of hearings, working with staff on facilities and materials for outreach and Board of Supervisor Meetings, implementing scheduling and communication tools between staff, consultants and subcontractors.

**Support Staff: Kimi Shigetani**

**Cost: \$5,000**

Live Spanish Translation Services. In-Language simultaneous interpretation for events both virtual and live hearings.

**In Person and Virtual Interpretation: \$400 per hour with a 2-hour minimum**

**Cost: Not to exceed \$6,000**

Website Compliance with Fair Maps Act. Working with county staff, Redistricting Partners will provide information on compliance with the Fair Maps Act, examples of other website examples, and other development needs.

**Website Compliance: \$2,500**

Internal Mapping Tools. Maptitude for Redistricting desktop licenses for two users at the County. This software is an industry standard in redistricting, produced by Caliper, a privately held firm based in Boston.

**Desktop Software Licenses for County Staff + Training: \$10,000**

AND

Public Mapping Tool. DistrictR is an online tool developed by the MGGG Redistricting Lab, a team of researchers at Tisch College of Tufts University, allowing for mapping of communities of interest and drawing of district lines.

**Online Public Software + Training: \$5,000**

Public Outreach Services. Public Outreach focused on working with all media, Community Based Organizations and other local agencies through a sub-contract with Imprinta Communications. Focus on minority and language minority communities and reaching them through a diverse set of tools and means. All communications available in English and Spanish. Services can be scaled in scope to meet the County's needs. Imprinta will work with the County to provide options to purchase radio, digital, printed, and other media buys for outreach purposes.

**Public Outreach Services: \$20,000**

**Media/Outreach Purchases: Not to Exceed \$15,000**

Additional Meetings

Based on the proposal there is the possibility of additional meetings that might be required to keep the board informed as to the progress of the redistricting or other related business. Costs for those **additional meetings** would be based on if they are in-person or held remotely.

**Additional Remote hearings: \$1,250 each Additional In-Person hearings: \$3,500 each**

**ATTACHMENT A  
INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

**INDEMNIFICATION**

To the fullest extent permitted by law, Consultant shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the County, its officers, agents, and employees from all claims, demands, damages, costs, expenses (including attorney's fees), judgments or liabilities arising out of this Agreement to the extent caused by the negligent performance or attempted performance of the provisions hereof, including any willful or negligent act or omission to act on the part of the Consultant or his agents or employees or independent Consultants. This indemnity will not extend to any claims or losses arising out of the sole negligence or willful misconduct of the County.

**INSURANCE Coverage**

Consultant shall procure and maintain for the duration of the contract insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder by the Consultant, its agents, representatives, or employees.

**MINIMUM SCOPE AND LIMIT OF INSURANCE**

Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

1. **Commercial General Liability (CGL):** Insurance Services Office (ISO) Form CG 00 01 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis for bodily injury and property damage, including products-completed operations, personal injury and advertising injury, with limits no less than **\$1,000,000** per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.
2. **Automobile Liability:** ISO Form Number CA 0001 covering, Code 1 (any auto), or if Consultant has no owned autos, Code 8 (hired) and 9 (non-owned), with limit no less than **\$1,000,000** per accident for bodily injury and property damage.
3. **Workers' Compensation** insurance as required by the State of California, with Statutory Limits, and Employer's Liability Insurance with limit of no less than **\$1,000,000** per accident for bodily injury or disease. If Consultant will provide leased employees, or, is an employee leasing or temporary staffing firm or a professional employer organization (PEO), coverage shall also include an Alternate Employer Endorsement (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form WC 00 03 01 A) naming the County as the Alternate Employer, and the endorsement form shall be modified to provide that County will receive not less than thirty (30) days advance written notice of cancellation of this coverage provision. If applicable to Consultant's operations, coverage also shall be arranged to satisfy the requirements of any federal workers or workmen's compensation law or any federal occupational disease law. *(Not required if Consultant provides written verification it has no employees)*
4. **Professional Liability/Errors and Omissions:** Insurance covering Consultant's liability arising from or related to this Contract, with limits of not less than \$1 million per claim and \$2 million aggregate. Further, Consultant understands and agrees it shall maintain such coverage for a period of not less than three (3) years following this Agreement's expiration, termination or cancellation.



If the Consultant maintains higher limits than the minimums shown above, the County requires and shall be entitled to coverage for the higher limits maintained by the Consultant.

### **OTHER INSURANCE Provisions**

**The insurance policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:**

#### ***Additional Insured Status***

The County, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers are to be covered as insureds on the auto policy with respect to liability arising out of automobiles owned, leased, hired or borrowed by or on behalf of the Consultant; and on the CGL policy with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Consultant including materials, parts, or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the Consultant's insurance (at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10, 11 85 or both CG 20 10 and CG 20 37 forms if later revisions used).

#### ***Primary Coverage***

For any claims related to this contract, the **Consultant's insurance coverage shall be primary** insurance as respects the County, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the County, its officers, officials, employees, or volunteers shall be excess of the Consultant's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

#### ***Notice of Cancellation***

Each insurance policy required above shall provide that coverage shall not be canceled, except with notice to the County.

#### ***Failure to Maintain Insurance***

Consultant's failure to maintain or to provide acceptable evidence that it maintains the required insurance shall constitute a material breach of the Contract, upon which the County immediately may withhold payments due to Consultant, and/or suspend or terminate this Contract. The County, at its sole discretion, may obtain damages from Consultant resulting from said breach.

#### ***Waiver of Subrogation***

Consultant hereby grants to County a waiver of any right to subrogation which any insurer of said Consultant may acquire against the County by virtue of the payment of any loss under such insurance. Consultant agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to affect this waiver of subrogation, but this provision applies regardless of whether or not the County has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.

#### ***Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions***

Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the County. The County may require the Consultant to provide proof of ability to pay losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses within the retention.

#### ***Acceptability of Insurers***

Insurance is to be placed with insurers with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A:VII, unless otherwise acceptable to the County.

#### ***Claims Made Policies***

If any of the required policies provide coverage on a claims-made basis:

1. The Retroactive Date must be shown and must be before the date of the contract or the beginning of contract work.

2. Insurance must be maintained and evidence of insurance must be provided **for at least three (3) years after completion of the contract of work**
3. If coverage is canceled or non-renewed, and not **replaced with another claims-made policy form with a Retroactive Date** prior to the contract effective date, the Consultant must purchase "extended reporting" coverage for a minimum of **three (3) years** after completion of contract work.

**Separation of Insureds**

All liability policies shall provide cross-liability coverage as would be afforded by the standard ISO (Insurance Services Office, Inc.) separation of insureds provision with no insured versus insured exclusions or limitations.

**Verification of Coverage**

Consultant shall furnish the County with original certificates and amendatory endorsements or copies of the applicable policy language effecting coverage required by this clause. All certificates and endorsements are to be received and approved by the County before work commences. However, failure to obtain the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the Consultant's obligation to provide them. The County reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements required by these specifications, at any time.

Certificates and copies of any required endorsements shall be sent to:

County of San Luis Obispo  
Administrative Office  
1055 Monterey St., Room D430  
Attention: Kristin Eriksson

**SubConsultants**

Consultant shall require and verify that all subConsultants maintain insurance meeting all the requirements stated herein.

**Special Risks or Circumstances**

County reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.

# EXHIBIT 3

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**TOMORROW**

☆ **TUESDAY NOV 16** ☆

## Redistricting Training

Atascadero Republican HeadQuarters  
7357 El Camino Real, Atascadero

Tuesday, November 16 • 2:00PM - 4:00PM

☆ RSVP Tuesday, NOV 16 ☆ Redistricting

## Learn What to Write What to Say

### EXAMPLE OF WHAT YOU WILL BE ABLE TO SAY IN EMAIL AND IN PERSON AFTER THE TRAINING:

I like the Citizen, Richard Patten's Map Rev\_1 for these reasons:

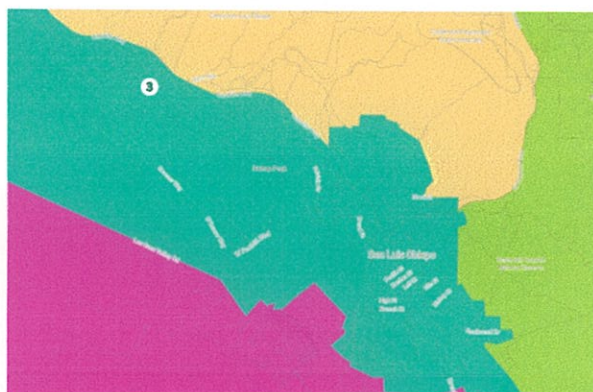
1. Templeton is NOT split it is kept whole.
2. District 5 NO LONGER reaches into SLO City and grabs Cal Poly
3. SLO city is NOT divided among 3 different supervisors instead it is kept whole.

**Keep the CITIES whole!**

At the training we will have more discussion as you understand the map choices and you on your own will be able to tell the county board of supervisors what you want them to choose.!

### WATCH VIDEO

Tom O'Malley interviewing Richard Patten on Redistricting in our county and preparing for the Friday Nov 19 Board Meeting.





## Here are the rules.

### What criteria will be used when drawing district lines?

District lines will be adopted using the following criteria in order of priority:

Out of  
compliance  
here

1. To the extent practicable, supervisorial district boundaries shall be geographically contiguous. Areas that meet only at the points of adjoining corners are not contiguous. Areas that are separated by water and not connected by a bridge, tunnel, or regular ferry service are not contiguous.
2. To the extent practicable, the geographic integrity of any local neighborhood or local community of interest shall be respected in a manner that minimizes its division. A "community of interest" is a population that shares common social or economic interests that should be included within a single supervisorial district for purposes of its effective and fair representation. Communities of interest do not include relationships with political parties, incumbents, or political candidates.
3. To the extent practicable, the geographic integrity of a city or census designated place shall be respected in a manner that minimizes its division.
4. Supervisorial district boundaries should be easily identifiable and understandable by residents. To the extent practicable, supervisorial districts shall be bounded by natural and artificial barriers, by streets, or by the boundaries of the county.
5. To the extent practicable, and where it does not conflict with the preceding criteria in this subdivision, supervisorial districts shall be drawn to encourage geographical compactness in a manner that nearby areas of population are not bypassed in favor of more distant populations.

Besides the above criteria, districts shall not be drawn for purposes of favoring or discriminating against an incumbent, political candidate, or political party.



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VIEW THE VIDEOS FROM NOV 19, 2021 MEETING

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S ShareWatch Published November 23, 2021 23 Views



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Nov 19, 2021 Redistricting Public Comment

S ShareWatch Published November 23, 2021



View detailed public comment reduced from over 7 hours. [1hr 21min](#)

Redistricting Nov 19, 2021 - The Vote

S ShareWatch Published November 21, 2021



Our Endorsed Supervisors represented us well view the VOTE! [56min](#)

## TAKE ACTION NOW!

1. 🇺🇸 ★ MOST IMPORTANT ★ BE THERE ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30 TO SPEAK.
2. 🇺🇸 Create your email (easy just click the button BELOW it will have the proper email addresses).
3. 🇺🇸 Tell all your friends and relatives
  - 🇺🇸 Submit their email too
  - 🇺🇸 Have them join you to speak at the board on November 30

It is urgent that you send in your email

ASAP

no later than Wednesday, Nov 24 as the

county will be closed for Thanksgiving

Email Statements select one then

add your own personal comments.

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★ EMAIL FOR CENTRAL

★ EMAIL FOR SOUTH

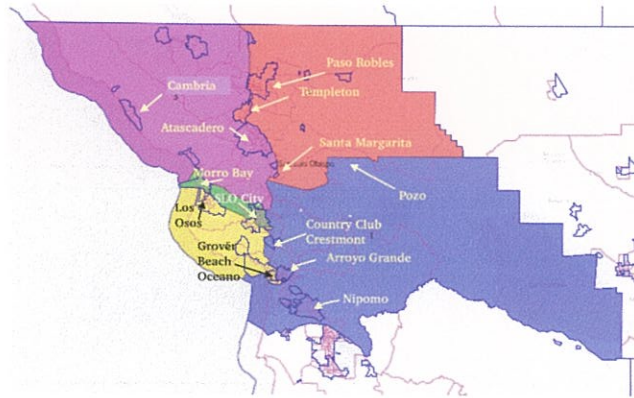
★ EMAIL FOR COAST

★ EMAIL AG/RANCHING

★ EMAIL ON WATER

★ EMAIL ON TOURISM

Two maps were brought forward and we are still promoting  
Richard Patten Map Rev\_1



RICHARD PATTEN MAP REV\_1

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We were  **Successful** on Friday  
November 19

Our Supervisors down selected 2 Maps.

On Tuesday November 30 our Supervisors will select the **Final Map** for redistricting our County.

If you agree, please contact our Supervisors and advocate for Richard's Map as you will see below why we are endorsing:

**Richard Patten Map Rev\_1**

**Here are highlights from the 2 Maps**

**MAP 1. Richard Patten Map Rev\_1** which keeps Templeton and Atascadero united and brings Cal Poly and SLO City together.





If you agree please contact our Supervisors and advocate for Richard's Map. See below why we are endorsing

Richard Patten Map Rev\_1

**Participate in 2 different ways, one TODAY and one Tuesday, November 30:**

## A. ☆ Come Speak ☆

Next Supervisor's Meeting to advocate for Richard's Map (most effective)

**Tuesday, November 30**

Meeting starts at 9am

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## B. ☆ Write Email ☆

*If you already emailed your response for the Nov 30 meeting, thank you.*

**Easy to do and they do read them must send immediately !**

### **SAMPLE WORDING**

Thank you for bringing back for review and final vote only these two maps.

My choice is the Richard Patten Map Rev\_1 ID 74786.

This map keeps San Luis Obispo with Cal Poly, keeps Templeton and Atascadero whole.

The other map is the similar to Map A that was already rejected by the November 19 vote.

Your Name

Your Name  
City

**EMAIL ADDRESSES TO SEND TO**

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[jpeschong@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:jpeschong@co.slo.ca.us)

[darnold@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:darnold@co.slo.ca.us)

[lcompton@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:lcompton@co.slo.ca.us)

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Select one of 3 provided and make it your own

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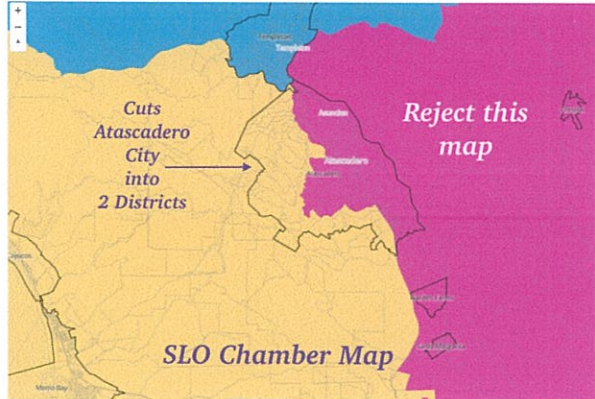
OR

★ EMAIL FOR SOUTH

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**MAP 2.** SLO Chamber Map which divides Atascadero into 2 parts and divides SLO City into 3 parts.

*REJECT THIS MAP*

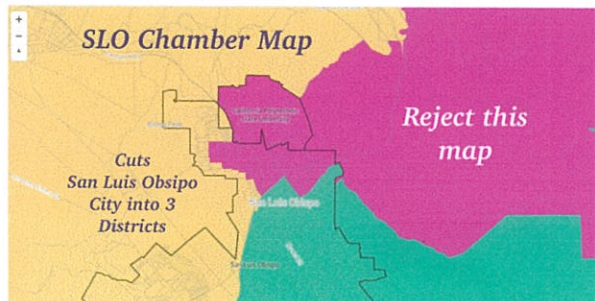


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**TODAY**

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# EXHIBIT 4

# Redistricting politics: SLO County supervisors consider new districts that could reshape local politics for the next decade

BY PETER JOHNSON

The San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors' conservative majority is mulling a significant redrawing of the county's supervisorial map as part of redistricting—with an eye on reducing how many districts touch the city of SLO, according to the three board members.

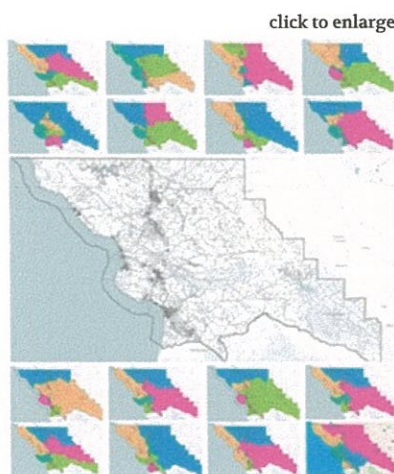
"In years past, the [Board of Supervisors] majority always seemed to think it was OK to take the city and cut it into pieces," said Debbie Arnold, county supervisor for the 5th District, which covers mostly North County territory but also parts of SLO and Cal Poly. "I don't see the real connection between the student housing area of SLO and the city of Atascadero."

Removing SLO city from one or more county supervisor districts (it's currently in three) would trigger a set of cascading effects elsewhere on the county map because districts must have close-to-equal populations.

Politically, the change would more than likely bolster Republicans' advantage on the board, according to Cal Poly Political Science professor Michael Latner, who studies redistricting, as it bunches the city's mostly Democratic voters into fewer districts.

"Any of the maps where you see radical changes from the existing districts are clearly attempts to pack more Democrats into districts and get more Republican seats," Latner said.

The Board of Supervisors will meet on Nov. 19 at 9 a.m. for its third meeting about redistricting—the last meeting before the supervisors will vote on a final map at a Nov. 30 hearing. Once adopted, the map will chart the course of county politics for the next decade.



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**MAPPED OUT** Boundaries for SLO County's political landscape may be changing soon as the current supervisors weigh new district maps in the once-a-decade redistricting process.

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**CHOOSING VOTERS** The SLO County Board of Supervisors (pictured) will hold a third meeting about redistricting on Nov. 19 at 9 a.m. Three board members told *New Times* that they're in favor of making changes to the current map.

One of the criteria of the Fair Maps Act is to keep incorporated cities within one district as much as practically possible.

But another criterion—a higher-ranking criterion, according to the law—is to avoid fracturing "communities of interest," a term defined as "a population that shares common social or economic interests."

Minority Supervisors Bruce Gibson (2nd District) and Dawn Ortiz-Legg (3rd District), both Democrats, are against making any significant changes to the current map, in part because of how it will break up communities of interest elsewhere in the county.

The League of Women Voters of SLO County, a nonpartisan political organization, shares that view.

"We really want to stress that the move to put the city of SLO in one district impacts communities of interest throughout the county," the League's Voter Service Director Julie Rodewald said during a Nov. 8 webinar about county redistricting.

In a few draft maps that attempt to unify SLO into one district, Gibson's 2nd District—which touches SLO but covers mostly the North Coast, from Los Osos to San Simeon—is then broken up into multiple districts.

Gibson, and many of his constituents, have come out strongly against that proposal.

"The North Coast has been a community of interest for decades," Gibson told *New Times*. "It's been represented by one supervisor for as far back as anybody can remember. On the face of it, trying to unify SLO, to the extent it fractures communities of interest elsewhere, is not compliant with state standards."

Gibson added that the city of SLO has also been split into multiple districts "going back decades."

Having that jigsaw puzzle is logical, according to Ortiz-Legg, given SLO's large population and status as the county seat and economic center.

"The county seat should be in more than one district. I think that's just out of common sense," said Ortiz-Legg, who represents portions of SLO and the coastal towns of Avila Beach, Pismo Beach, and Grover Beach.

Ortiz-Legg told *New Times* that she doesn't see any valid reason to make major changes to the district lines.

"We have pretty competitive [supervisor] races. Why do we need to change the map at all?" she asked.

According to SLO County's redistricting consultant, Redistricting Partners, the board doesn't need to make significant changes to the map. The county population distribution across the five current districts—although on the high end of the state's allowable percentage deviation—meets legal standards.

According to Latner, the Cal Poly professor, any attempt to isolate SLO into a single district can only be construed as a political attempt to create a "sink" district: a district that holds a large number of Democratic voters, which in turn gives Republicans a countywide advantage.

"You're giving them that district so you can control the remaining districts," Latner said. "I'd argue you should probably have some piece of every district in SLO city. It is the county seat and the most populous city in the county."

The board's majority denied that it intended to gerrymander the county for partisan gain.

"I don't agree with that statement at all. This isn't about politics," Arnold said.

"I'm very aware that we need to make sure that it's not gerrymandered," added Peschong. "I don't believe that any map the board supports will be a gerrymandered map."

Compton, whose South County district includes Arroyo Grande, Oceano, and Nipomo, said she's still undecided about what potential changes she could support to her own district lines. She faces a tough election rematch next year against Arroyo Grande City Councilmember Jimmy Paulding, who she beat by just 60 votes in a 2018 election.

Compton said she remains "open to anything," but doesn't think the current map "passes muster" on a legal level.

"I'm sure no matter what we do we'll make some people happy, and some people unhappy," Compton said. "I promise I'll do it in a legal way. I think it'd be really foolish to carve it up if it couldn't support a legal challenge." Δ

The board's majority members have been tight-lipped thus far about their opinions and positions on redistricting. In Nov. 12 phone calls with *New Times*, all three said they hadn't made up their minds on one specific map or district configuration.

But they made it clear that the current map is in trouble.

"I'd argue that the current map could be construed as gerrymandering," said 1st District Supervisor John Peschong, who represents Paso Robles, Templeton, and other areas of North County.

Arnold, Peschong, and 4th District Supervisor Lynn Compton all said they had issues with the current supervisorial map, adopted in 2011.

Their complaints centered on how many districts the city of SLO and Cal Poly are split into, which they said unfairly—and potentially unlawfully—divides SLO, disperses its voters across districts, and violates natural boundaries like the Cuesta de.

"I do honestly believe redistricting last time was done for political motives and unfairly," Compton said.

Of the three supervisors, only Peschong explicitly said he wants a new map that keeps all incorporated cities "whole," or represented by a single district and supervisor. But Compton and Arnold hinted at that notion—expressing an opposition to Arnold's 5th District dipping below the Cuesta Grade in SLO and Cal Poly.

"It just boggles my mind how that was done," Compton said.

Peschong, Arnold, and Compton emphasized that any new map must align with a new state redistricting law, the 2019 Fair Maps Act, which sets criteria for how counties should redistrict.

"There are new guidelines," Peschong said. "We're obviously trying to follow those guidelines."

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### Redistricting politics

SLO County supervisors consider new districts that could reshape local politics for the next decade (1)

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# EXHIBIT 5

# 1990 Supervisorial District Map

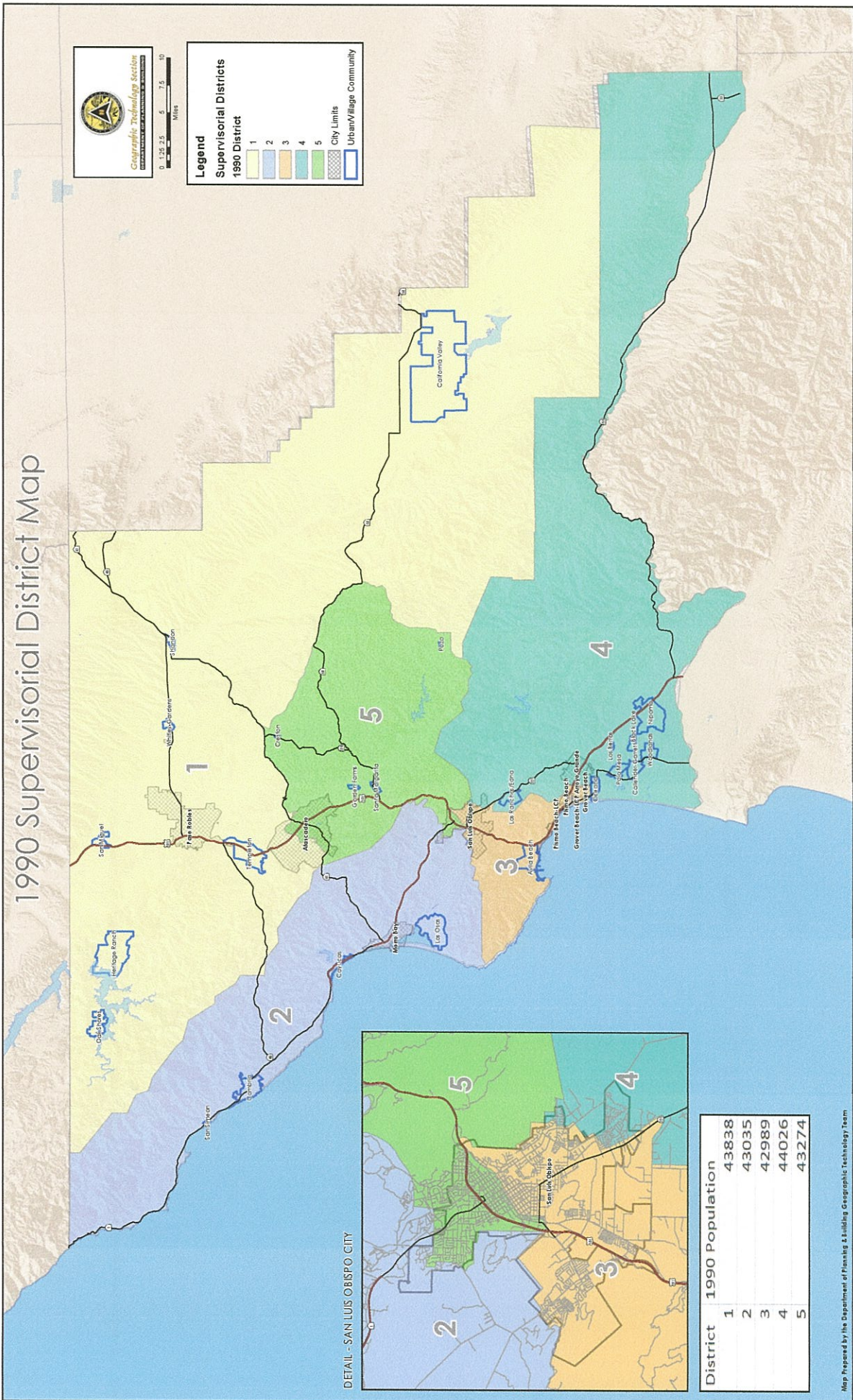


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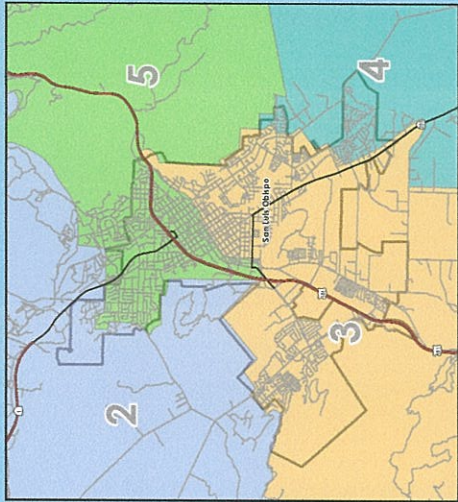
**Supervisorial Districts**

**1990 District**

- 1 (Yellow)
- 2 (Light Blue)
- 3 (Orange)
- 4 (Teal)
- 5 (Green)
- City Limits (Hatched pattern)
- Urban/Village Community (Blue outline)



DETAIL - SAN LUIS OBISPO CITY



District	1990 Population
1	43838
2	43035
3	42989
4	44026
5	43274

# 2000 Supervisorial District Map



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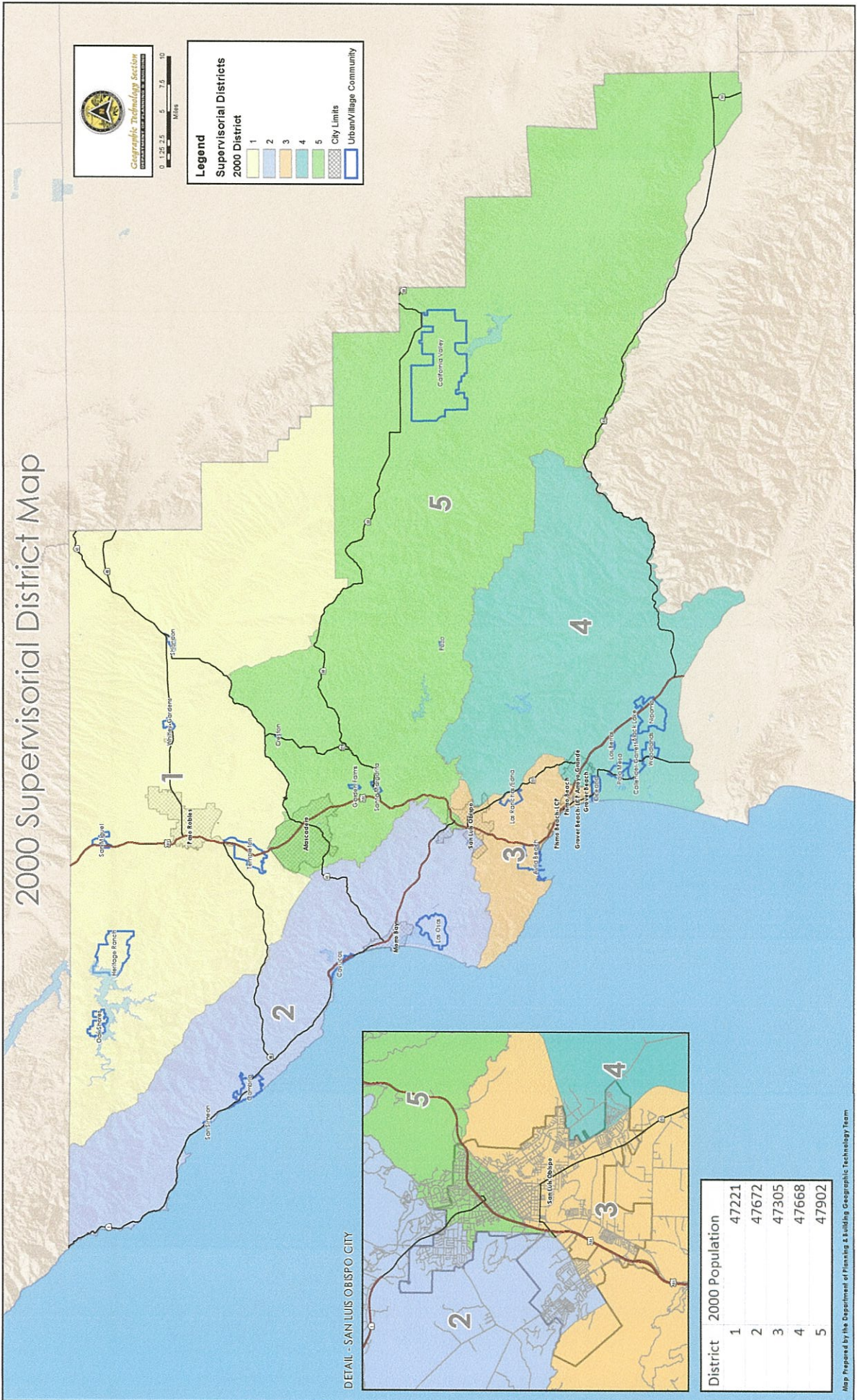
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**Supervisorial Districts**

**2000 District**


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City Limits  
Urban/Village Community



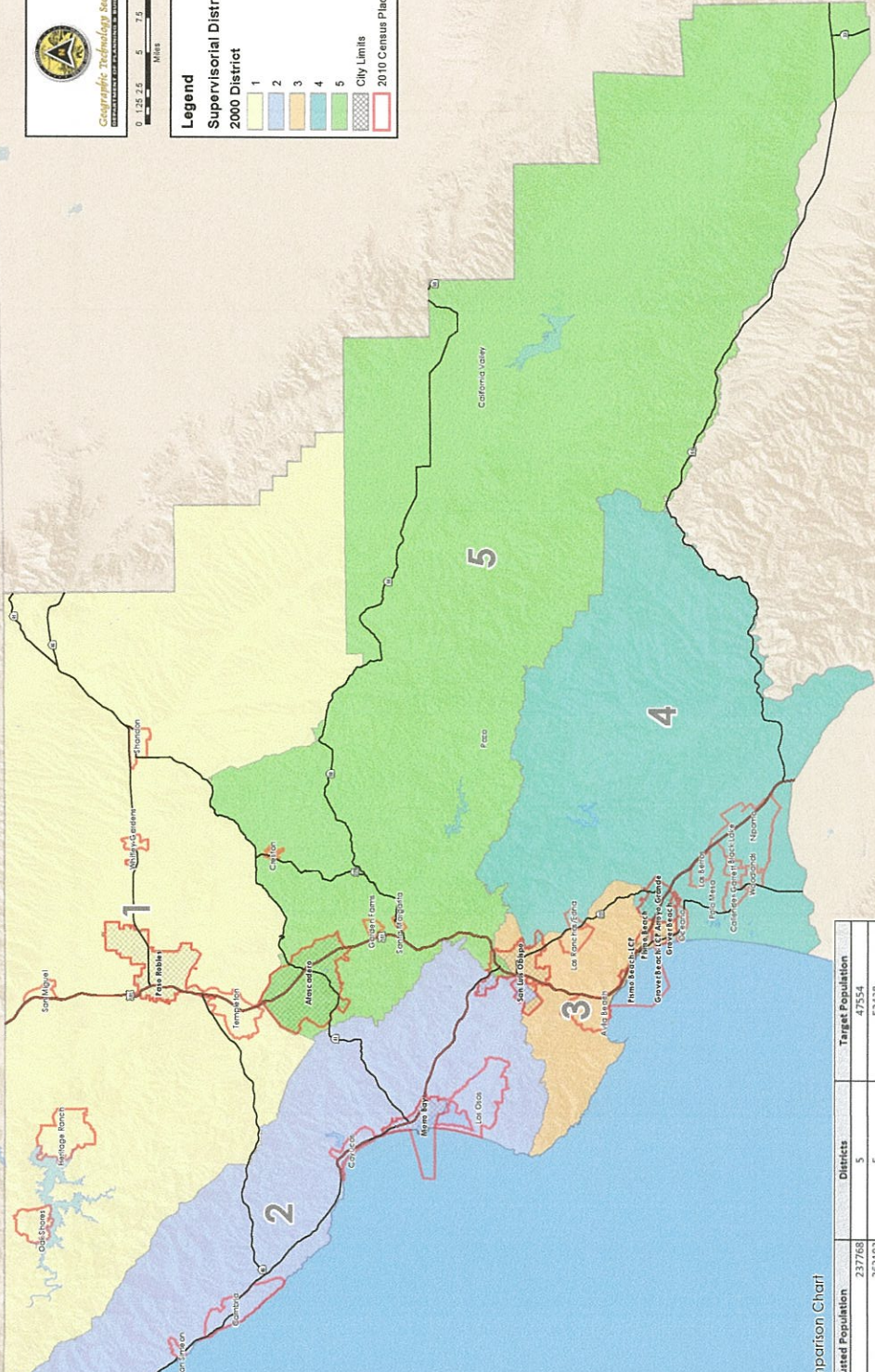
District	2000 Population
1	47221
2	47672
3	47305
4	47668
5	47902

# 2000 - 2010 Supervisorial District Population Comparison Map



0 1.25 2.5 5 7.5 10 Miles

**Legend**  
**Supervisorial Districts**  
 2000 District  
 1 (Yellow) 2 (Light Blue) 3 (Light Green) 4 (Light Orange) 5 (Light Purple)  
 City Limits (Dotted pattern) 2010 Census Places (Red outline)



2010 Census Population for Communities

Census Place Name	Population
Arroyo Grande city	17252
Atascadero city	27293
Avila Beach CDP	1619
Blacklake CDP	930
Callender CDP	1262
Cambria CDP	6007
Cuyucos CDP	2592
Creston CDP	70
Edna CDP	193
El Paso de Robles (Paso Robles) city	29795
Garden Farms CDP	386
Grover Beach city	13156
Lake Nacimiento CDP	2411
Los Barros CDP	641
Los Osos CDP	14268
Los Ranchos CDP	1477
Morro Bay city	10234
Nipomo CDP	16714
Oak Shores CDP	337
Oceanside CDP	7277
Pismo Beach city	7607
San Luis Obispo city	45119
San Miguel CDP	2336
San Simeon CDP	462
Santa Margarita CDP	1259
Shandon CDP	1295
Templeton CDP	7661
Whitley Gardens CDP	285
Woodlands CDP	576

2000 & 2010 Supervisorial District Population Comparison Chart

Census	Total Population		Adjusted Population		Differences			
	2000	2010	CMC/ASH/CYA*	CMC/ASH Adjustment	Population	Target		
2000	246681	237768	8913	237768	5	47554		
2010	269637	262192	7445	262192	5	57438		
District	2000 Population	2011 Population	CMC/ASH/CYA*	CMC/ASH Adjustment	Population	Target	Difference	Percent
1	47221	57998	0	57998	52438	5560	111%	
2	47672	56700	6428	6428	50272	-2166	96%	
3	47305	48204	0	48204	52438	-4234	92%	
4	47668	55386	0	55386	52438	2948	106%	
5	47902	51349	1017	1017	50332	-2106	98%	
<b>Total</b>	<b>237768</b>	<b>269637</b>	<b>7445</b>	<b>7445</b>	<b>262192</b>	<b>262192</b>		

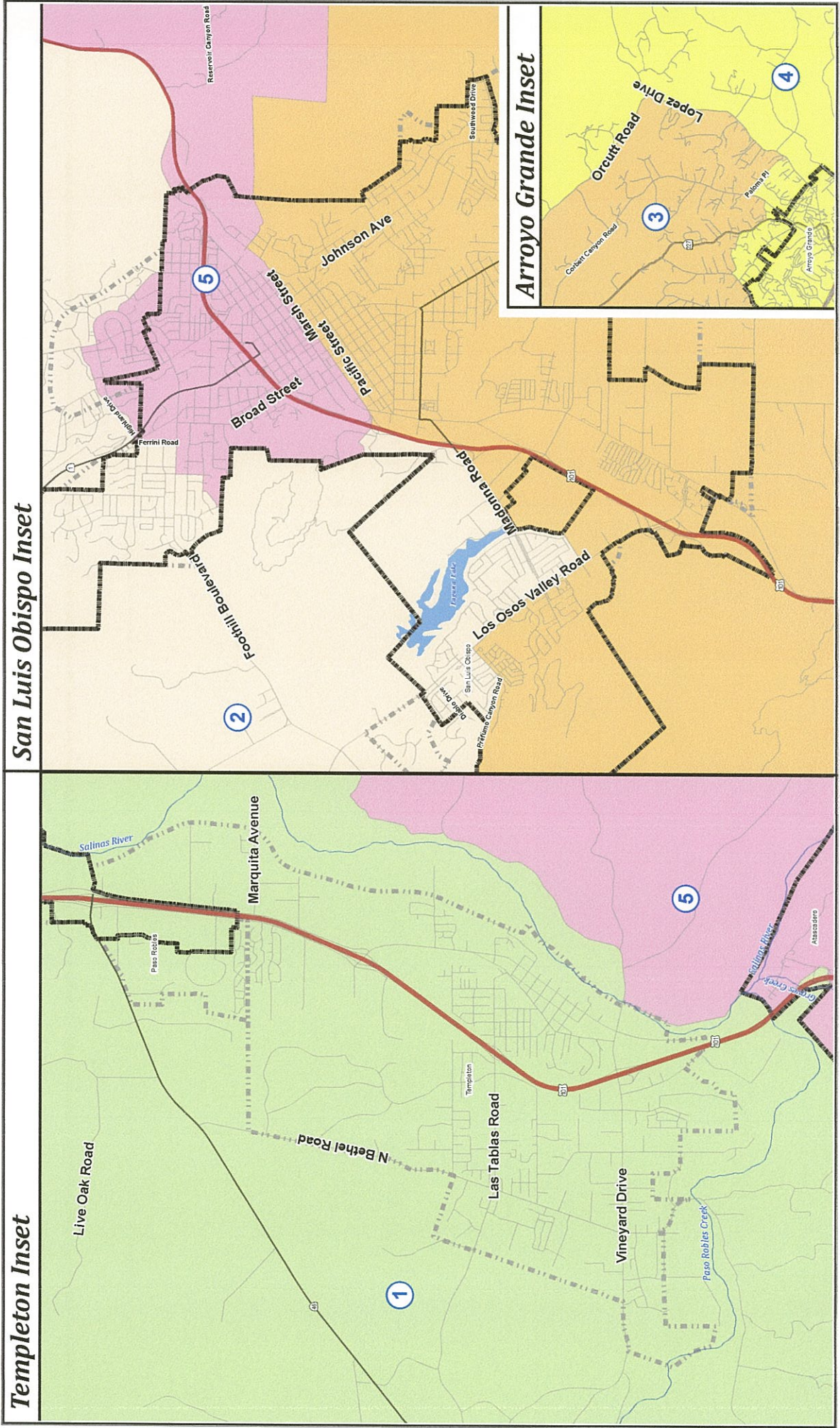
Map Prepared by the Department of Planning & Building Geographic Technology Team





# San Luis Obispo County Adopted Supervisor District Boundaries

Adopted September 20, 2011





# EXHIBIT 6



**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL**

(1) DEPARTMENT Administrative Office	(2) MEETING DATE September 13, 2011	(3) CONTACT/PHONE Leslie Brown – 805-781-5011	
(4) SUBJECT Introduction of an Ordinance Establishing the New Supervisorial District Boundaries under Redistricting, pursuant to Elections Code Sections 21500-21506, as revised by your Board on September 6, 2011.			
(5) SUMMARY OF REQUEST At a public hearing on September 6, 2011, your Board considered an ordinance for adjusting the district boundaries. This ordinance reflected Option B, which had been selected by your Board in a public hearing on August 16, 2011, by majority vote. After listening to additional public testimony during the September 6th hearing, your Board directed staff to re-introduce an ordinance that adjusting the district boundaries as reflected in Option B-2. This alternative to Option B keeps the area west of Templeton, south of Highway 46, southwesterly of Vineyard Drive and south of the Templeton Community Services District boundary in District 1 rather than moving it to District 2. The ordinance describing the new district boundaries as selected by your Board (Option B-2) is introduced by this action. A public hearing to consider this ordinance will be set for September 20, 2011.			
(6) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is recommended that your Board: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Set September 20, 2011 as the date for a public hearing to adopt an ordinance establishing the new supervisorial district boundaries, pursuant to Elections Code Sections 21500-21506, as revised by your Board on September 6, 2011, and</li> <li>2. Authorize the County Clerk-Recorder to use the alternative publication procedure which requires publication of a summary of the ordinance as a one-quarter display advertisement in a newspaper of general circulation. The advertisement shall be published once at least 5 days prior to the hearing and again within 15 days of adoption of the ordinance by your Board.</li> </ol>			
(7) FUNDING SOURCE(S) Department Budgets	(8) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT N/A	(9) ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT N/A	(10) BUDGETED? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> N/A
(11) OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT (LIST): Administrative Office, Planning and Building, Public Works, County Counsel, Clerk Recorder and Information Technology			
(12) WILL REQUEST REQUIRE ADDITIONAL STAFF? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, How Many? ____ <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent ____ <input type="checkbox"/> Limited Term ____ <input type="checkbox"/> Contract ____ <input type="checkbox"/> Temporary Help ____			
(13) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) <input type="checkbox"/> 1st, <input type="checkbox"/> 2nd, <input type="checkbox"/> 3rd, <input type="checkbox"/> 4th, <input type="checkbox"/> 5th, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All	(14) LOCATION MAP <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Attached <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	(15) MADDY ACT APPOINTMENTS Signed-off by Clerk of the Board: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	
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(18) NEED EXTRA EXECUTED COPIES? <input type="checkbox"/> Number: ____ <input type="checkbox"/> Attached <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A		(19) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED? <input type="checkbox"/> BAR ID Number: ____ <input type="checkbox"/> 4/5th's Vote Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	
(20) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR) N/A		(21) W-9 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	(22) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY <input type="checkbox"/> N/A Date 2-22-11, 7-19-11, 8-16-2011 and 9-6-2011
(23) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW This item was prepared by the Administrative Office			

# County of San Luis Obispo

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Leslie Brown, Administrative Office  
**DATE:** September 13, 2011

**JIM GRANT**  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

**SUBJECT:** Introduction of an Ordinance Establishing the New Supervisorial District Boundaries under Redistricting, pursuant to Elections Code Sections 21500-21506, as revised by your Board on September 6, 2011.

## Recommendation:

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2. Authorize the County Clerk-Recorder to use the alternative publication procedure which requires publication of a summary of the ordinance as a one-quarter display advertisement in a newspaper of general circulation. The advertisement shall be published once at least 5 days prior to the hearing and again within 15 days of adoption of the ordinance by your Board.

## Discussion

Every ten years electoral district boundaries nationwide are required to be redrawn to reflect the latest national census population data and to account for population shifts and growth over the past decade. The primary purpose is to bring districts back into compliance with the one-person one-vote mandate of the federal and state constitutions. At the county level, the boundaries of the supervisorial districts must be adjusted by Board of Supervisors before November 1, 2011. To comply with this statute, your Board must adopt an ordinance by September 30, 2011 because the ordinance becomes effective 30 days after adoption. If the Board fails to adjust the boundaries before November 1<sup>st</sup>, a supervisorial redistricting commission composed of the District Attorney, who services as the Chair, the Assessor, and the County Clerk Recorder must adjust the supervisorial district boundaries before December 31, 2011.

On September 6, 2011 your Board held a public hearing to consider adoption of an ordinance establishing the new supervisorial district boundaries. The ordinance contained a legal description of the redistricting plan known as Option B, which had been selected by your Board by majority vote in a public hearing held on August 16, 2011. After considering public comment

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and information provided by staff at the September 6th hearing, your Board directed staff to prepare an ordinance reflecting an alternative redistricting plan identified as Option B-2 and to bring this ordinance back to your Board for consideration in a public hearing on September 20, 2011. The attached ordinance contains a legal description that reflects the new district boundaries per Option B-2. This item is an introduction of that ordinance.

The primary difference between Option B-2 and Option B is that the area west of Templeton, south of Highway 46, southwesterly of Vineyard Drive and south of the Templeton Community Services District boundary will remain in District 1 rather than shifting to District 2. This will add approximately 370 people back in to District 1. With this change, almost 8,900 residents in Templeton will be represented by District 1, which is approximately 85% of the total 10,500 population within the Templeton School District boundaries.

Other features and boundary changes in Option B-2 remain the same as was in Option B and include:

- The entire area within the Templeton Community Services District (TCSD) and urban reserve line area remains within District 1.
- Approximately 1,340 in population would shift from District 1 to District 5 in the rural area northeast of the Atascadero city limits and easterly of Templeton and the Salinas River.
- The border for District 5 extends north of its current boundary along Highway 41 but remains south of Highway 46, west of the Shandon Community Advisory Council boundaries and outside the eastern Paso Robles City fringe. This shifts approximately 4,300 in population to District 5. The communities of Whitley Gardens and Shandon remain in District 1.
- Cal Poly student housing currently in District 5 is shifted to District 2, transferring about 3,750 in population. The Cal Poly campus core remains in District 5.
- In the City of San Luis Obispo –
  - District 4 pulls completely out of the City of San Luis Obispo shifting almost 1,340 in population to District 3.
  - The area near Andrews Street and San Luis Drive is moved from District 3 to District 5 shifting more than 200 in population.
  - The area east of Tassajara Drive and south of Foothill Blvd. is moved from District 2 to District 5, shifting approximately 900 in population.
  - The residential area south of Madonna Road, east of Los Osos Valley Road and west of the Dalidio and Target properties shifts almost 970 people from District 3 to District 2.
  - District 3 gains more than 4,050 San Luis Obispo residents – approximately 2,700 from District 2 in the area south of Los Osos Valley Road and east of Prefumo Canyon Road and about 1,350 from District 4 in the south easterly portion of the city as noted above.

- District 3 extends east along Orcutt Road down to Lopez Drive, taking this area from District 4. This shifts almost 1,300 people into District 3. District 4 retains most of the Arroyo Grande fringe area.
- The southeastern boundary for District 4 extends east along the Highway 166 corridor to the eastern border of the county, following the boundary lines in effect from 1991 to 2001, shifting almost 130 in population from District 5 to District 4.

Maps of Option B-2 are included in Exhibit B.

As indicated in prior briefings to the Board on the redistricting process, the internal staff redistricting committee appointed by your Board used Geographical Information System (GIS) software to work with the census data in developing the various redistricting options your Board and the public have reviewed. The census data was provided to the County in census blocks, and the boundaries of these blocks were used to determine where the lines were drawn between districts in the various redistricting options. In some cases, primarily in lightly-populated rural areas, these census blocks did not follow parcel boundaries. When the legal description in the attached ordinance was prepared, some very slight adjustments to the lines were made to ensure that the district boundaries follow existing Assessor parcel lines wherever possible. There are a few very large parcels where such adjustments were not possible given the significant size of the census block. Examples of such areas include properties that straddle the ridgeline of the Santa Lucia mountains in the north county along a portion of the boundary between Districts 1 and 2 that remains unchanged; the west Cuesta Ridge area where over seven miles of the existing TV Tower Road was used as the boundary between Districts 2 and 5; and the boundary between District 3 and 4 north of Righetti Road as it follows West Corral de Piedra Creek, which is a census block boundary.

At the first public hearing on redistricting held August 16, 2011, your Board had authorized the County Clerk-Recorder to use the alternative publication procedure to notice the hearing and the contents of the ordinance to be considered. This procedure requires a summary of the ordinance be published as a one-quarter display advertisement in a newspaper of general circulation once at least 5 days prior to the hearing and again within 15 days of adoption of the ordinance by your Board. Staff is recommending this alternative publication procedure again be used to publish the advertisement of the September 20<sup>th</sup> hearing and the ordinance to be considered by your Board in that hearing. A copy of that summary advertisement is included in Exhibit C.

#### **Other Agency Involvement/Impact**

The redistricting effort is being led by the Administrative Office. In addition, staff from Planning and Building, Public Works, County Counsel, and the Clerk Recorder are involved in this project. Staff from the Information Technology Department assisted in developing the county's Redistricting website.

#### **Financial Considerations**

All costs associated with this effort have been absorbed within departmental budgets. To date, the most significant cost has been labor of existing staff.

## **Results**

The goal of this redistricting effort is to bring the population of each of the five supervisorial districts to be as close to 20% of the total adjusted population of the county as possible, complying with legal mandates and taking into consideration public input.

## **Exhibits**

A – Ordinance

B – Maps of the Board-selected redistricting plan (Option B-2)

C – Summary Advertisement

**EXHIBIT A**  
**ORDINANCE**

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2.60 OF THE COUNTY CODE  
CHANGING SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT BOUNDARIES

The Board of Supervisors of the County of San Luis Obispo, State of California, ordains as follows:

SECTION 1: Chapter 2.60 of the County Code shall be amended to read as follows:

**Section 2.60.010 First supervisorial district.** The first supervisorial district shall be all that territory in the county included within the following described boundaries:

Beginning at the southeast corner of Section 35 of Township 28 South, Range 18 East M.D.M., on the Seventh Standard Parallel South, also being a point on the east boundary of the County of San Luis Obispo as defined in Section 23140 of the Government Code; thence, leaving said county boundary west along said Seventh Standard Parallel South a distance of 15 miles more or less to the northeast corner of Section 5, Township 29 South, Range 16 East; thence south one mile to the southeast corner of said Section 5; thence west 4800 feet more or less along the south line of Section 5 to State Route 58; thence northwesterly along State Route 58 five miles more or less to the intersection with the west line of Section 27, Township 28 South, Range 15 East; thence north 4.5 miles more or less to the northwest corner of Section 3 of said Township; thence west 2.5 miles more or less to the intersection with Shedd Canyon Road; thence, northwesterly along Shedd Canyon Road 4.0 miles more or less to the intersection with State Route 41; thence, westerly and southwesterly along State Route 41 a distance of 3.0 miles more or less to the intersection with the south line of Section 16, Township 27 South, Range 14 East; thence west to the southwest corner of said Section 16; thence north to the northeast corner of the south one half of Section 8 of said Township; thence west 1.0 mile to the

northwest corner of said south one half of said Section 8; thence north 0.5 mile to the northwest corner of said Section 8; thence west 1.0 mile to the southwest corner of Section 6 of said Township; thence north 1.0 mile to the northwest corner of said Section 6 being the southeast corner of Tract 20 filed in book 5 of Maps at page 38; thence continuing north to the northeast corner of Tract 20; thence west 0.5 mile to the southeast corner of Tract 6 filed in book 5 of Maps at page 29; thence north 0.5 mile to the northeast corner of Tract 6; thence west 0.5 mile to the northwest corner of Tract 6 also being the northeast corner of Tract 16 filed in book 5 of Maps at page 32; thence continuing west 1.0 mile to the northwest corner of Tract 3 filed in book 5 of Maps at page 27; thence south 0.5 mile to the northeast corner of Tract 21 filed in book 5 of Maps at page 41; thence west along the north line of Tract 21 to the intersection with Geneseo Road (County Road No. 5216) thence westerly and northerly along Geneseo Road to the intersection with Union Road (County Road No. 5230) thence westerly along Union Road to the intersection with Penman Springs Road (County Road No. 5233); thence southerly along Penman Springs Road to the southwest corner of the southeast one quarter of Section 31, Township 26 South, Range 13 East, M.D.M.; thence southeasterly along the southwesterly lines of Lots 13, 12, 11, 16, 17, 18 and 21 of the Map of the Dresser Subdivision No. 1 filed in Book 2 of Maps at Page 77 to the northerly line of Parcel Map COAL 98-0087 filed in Book 56 of Parcel Maps at Page 16; thence southwesterly along the northwesterly line and south along the west line of said Parcel Map and continuing south to the southwest corner of Lot 100 at point SY 13 of the Dunning and Dresser Tract filed in book A of Maps at page 119; thence easterly to the southeast corner of Lot 101 of said Tract; thence southerly along the west line of said Tract to the intersection with Creston Road (County Road No. 4067); thence westerly along Creston Road to the intersection with Neal Spring Road (County Road No. 5206); thence westerly and southwesterly along Neal Spring Road to the intersection with Vaquero Road (County Road No. 5205); thence westerly and southerly along Vaquero Road to the intersection with El Pomar Drive (County Road No. 5203); thence southwesterly along El Pomar Drive to the intersection with Templeton Road (County Road No. 4083); thence westerly along Templeton Road to the westerly line of the Eureka Rancho filed in book A of Maps at page 91 being the centerline of the Salinas River; thence southerly and easterly along the centerline of the Salinas River to the



northerly corner of Tract 2498 filed in book 23 of Maps at pages 87-92 and the most northerly corner of the Atascadero city limits; thence southwesterly, southeasterly, and northwesterly along the Atascadero city limits to point "M-12" at the northerly corner of Block 50 as shown on the map of Atascadero Colony filed in book 3AC of Maps at page 67; thence southwesterly along the northwesterly line of the Atascadero Colony and continuing along the Atascadero city limits and the southwesterly projection thereof to the ridgeline of the Santa Lucia Mountain Range; thence in a generally northwesterly direction along said ridgeline 6.2 miles more or less to Old Creek Road (County Road No. 4229); thence northerly 1.7 miles more or less along Old Creek Road to the intersection with State Route 46 and Santa Rosa Creek Road (County Road No. 5086); thence northwesterly along Santa Rosa Creek Road 4.4 miles more or less to the intersection with Cypress Mountain Drive (County Road No. 5265); thence northerly along Cypress Mountain Drive approximately 1.3 miles to the most westerly corner of Parcel 3 of Parcel Map CO 77-347 filed in Book 25 of Parcel Maps at Page 88; thence leaving Cypress Mountain Drive in a generally northwesterly direction along the ridgeline of the Santa Lucia Mountain Range 24 miles more or less to the north boundary of the county being the north line of Township 25 South, Range 7 East, M.D.M. and the Sixth Standard Parallel South; thence east 56 miles more or less along the Sixth Standard Parallel South to the northeast corner of said county; thence continuing on the county boundary southerly and easterly to the southeast corner of Section 35, Township 28 South, Range 18 East and the point of beginning.

**Section 2.60.020 Second supervisorial district.** The second supervisorial district shall be all that territory in the county included within the following described boundaries:

Beginning at the northwest corner of the County of San Luis Obispo, as defined in Section 23140 of the Government Code, on the north line of Township 25 South, Range 6 East, M.D.M., also being a point on the line of ordinary high water of the Pacific Ocean and on the Sixth Standard Parallel South; thence, east along said Sixth Standard Parallel South and the north boundary of said County, 9 miles more or less to the ridgeline of the Santa Lucia Mountain Range; thence, leaving said county boundary in a generally southeasterly direction along said ridgeline 24 miles more or less to the intersection with

Cypress Mountain Drive (County Road No. 5265) at the most westerly corner of Parcel 3 of Parcel Map CO 77-347 filed in Book 25 of Parcel Maps at Page 88; thence southerly along Cypress Mountain Drive 1.3 miles more or less to the intersection with Santa Rosa Creek Road (County Road No. 5086); thence southeasterly along Santa Rosa Creek Road 4.4 miles more or less to the intersection with State Route 46 and Old Creek Road (County Road No. 4229); thence southerly 1.7 miles more or less along Old Creek Road to the ridgeline of said Santa Lucia Mountain Range; thence in a generally southeasterly direction along said ridgeline 6.2 miles more or less to the southwesterly projection of the northwesterly line of the Atascadero Colony per the map filed October 21, 1914, records of the San Luis Obispo County Recorder; thence southwesterly along said line to the southwesterly line of the Rancho La Asuncion as shown on the Plat of the Rancho Asuncion as confirmed to Pedro Estrada surveyed in 1861; thence southeasterly along said southwesterly line of said Rancho to the intersection with State Route 41; thence easterly along Route 41 to the intersection with Old Morro Road West (County Road No. 4004); thence southerly along Old Morro Road West to the intersection with San Miguel Road as shown on the map of Atascadero Colony filed in book 3AC of Maps at page 115; thence southerly along San Miguel Road and the southerly projection thereof to the southwesterly line of said Rancho Asuncion; thence southeasterly along the southwesterly line of Rancho Asuncion to the east line of Township 28 South, Range 11 East, M.D.M.; thence south along said east line to the southeast corner of said Township 28 South, Range 11 East; thence west along the south line of said Township to the northeast corner of Township 29 South, Range 11 East; thence south along the east line of said Township to the southeast corner of Section 12 of said Township; thence continuing south to the intersection with TV Tower Road; thence southeasterly along TV Tower Road 7.5 miles more or less to the west line of Section 1, Township 30 South, Range 12 East; thence south along said west line to the northwest corner of Lot 1 of said Section 1; thence east along the north line of said Lot 1 and continuing east to the intersection with U.S. Highway 101; thence southerly along U.S. Highway 101 approximately 4.1 miles to the intersection with Miozzi Road; thence westerly along Miozzi Road 0.5 mile more or less to the city limits of San Luis Obispo; thence northerly and westerly along the city limits of San Luis Obispo to the easterly end of Slack Street; thence continuing along the city limits of San Luis Obispo westerly along Slack Street to

the intersection with Grand Avenue; thence leaving the city limit line northerly and northwesterly along Grand Avenue to the intersection with Perimeter Road; thence northerly and westerly along Perimeter Road to the intersection with Via Carta; thence northerly along Via Carta to the intersection with Highland Drive; thence southwesterly along Highland Drive to the intersection with North Chorro Street; thence southerly along North Chorro Street to the intersection with Ferrini Road and the city limits of San Luis Obispo; thence entering the city of San Luis Obispo southerly along Ferrini Road to the intersection with Foothill Boulevard; thence west on Foothill Boulevard to the intersection with South Tassajara Drive; thence south along South Tassajara Drive to the intersection with Luneta Drive; thence west along Luneta Drive to the intersection with Hermosa Way; thence southwesterly along Hermosa Way to the intersection with La Entrada Avenue; thence southeasterly along La Entrada Avenue to the southerly line of Tract 127 filed in book 5 of Maps at Page 114; thence northeasterly and southeasterly along the southerly line of Tract 127 to the San Luis Obispo city limits; thence easterly and southerly along the city limits to the northerly line of Parcel 2 of COAL 07-0007 as recorded June 26, 2008 in Document Number 2008033187 in the San Luis Obispo County Recorder's office to a point being the westerly terminus of the line described in said document as "South 83°26'00" West 127.73 feet"; thence entering the city of San Luis Obispo easterly along said line to post "L. No. 4" being the westerly corner of the parcel described in the deed recorded October 3, 1918 in book 123 of Deeds at page 430; thence northeasterly along the northwesterly line of said parcel to post "G.L. No. 2" as described in said deed; thence southeasterly along the northeasterly line of said parcel and the southeasterly projection thereof to the intersection with U.S. Highway 101; thence southerly along Highway 101 to the intersection with Madonna Road; thence southwesterly along Madonna Road to the northerly projection of the easterly line of Tract 169 filed in book 6 of Maps at page 45; thence southerly along the easterly line of Tract 169 and the city limits of San Luis Obispo to the northeasterly line of Tract 234 filed in book 6 of Maps at page 82; thence continuing along the city limits of San Luis Obispo southeasterly to the easterly corner of Tract 234; thence southwesterly along the southeasterly line of Tract 234 and the southwesterly projection thereof to Los Osos Valley Road and into the city of San Luis Obispo; thence northwesterly along Los Osos Valley Road to the intersection with Prefumo Canyon Road; thence southwesterly and

northwesterly along Prefumo Canyon Road to the city limits of San Luis Obispo; thence leaving the city of San Luis Obispo and continuing along Prefumo Canyon Road (County Road No. 2084 formerly County Road No. 139) 6.5 miles more or less to the end of Prefumo Canyon Road; thence leaving Prefumo Canyon Road and following Old County Road No. 139 westerly along Coon Creek Canyon to the intersection with Coon Creek; thence westerly along Coon Creek, downstream, to the ordinary high water line of the Pacific Ocean; thence, northwesterly along the ordinary high water line of the Pacific Ocean and the west boundary line of San Luis Obispo County to the point of beginning.

**Section 2.60.030 Third supervisorial district.** The third supervisorial district shall be all that territory in the county included within the following described boundaries:

Beginning at the southwesterly corner of the City of Grover Beach said corner being on the ordinary high water line of the Pacific Ocean; thence, following along the city limits of Grover Beach South 69° 15' East crossing State Route 1 to an angle point in the city limits, continuing southerly, easterly and northerly along the city limits of Grover Beach and along the common line with the City of Arroyo Grande to the point common with the city limits of Pismo Beach; thence, leaving the city limits of Grover Beach and continuing northeasterly along the northwesterly city limits of Arroyo Grande along Oak Park Road and Noyes Road to the most northerly angle point of the City of Arroyo Grande; thence, leaving the city limits of Arroyo Grande and continuing northeasterly along Noyes Road (County Road No. 2003) to the intersection with La Teena Place (County Road No. 2206); thence, easterly along La Teena Place to the intersection with Karina Way (County Road No. 2205); thence southerly along Karina Way to the intersection with Phillips Road (County Road No. 2011); thence easterly along Phillips Road to the intersection with Carpenter Canyon Road (State Route 227); thence southerly along State Route 227 to the intersection with Royal Oak Place (County Road No. 2013); thence easterly along Royal Oak Place to the intersection with Corbett Canyon Road (County Road No. 2014); thence northerly along Corbett Canyon Road a distance of 0.4 mile more or less to the intersection with Paloma Place (County Road No. 2118); thence southerly and easterly along Paloma Place to the intersection with Stagecoach Road (County Road No. 2022); thence southwesterly along Stagecoach Road to the

northwesterly projection of the northeasterly line of Parcel Map CO 97-122 filed in book 54 of Parcel Maps at page 8; thence southeasterly along the northeasterly line of said map and continuing southeasterly along the northeasterly line of Parcel Map CO 83-165 filed in book 37 of Parcel Maps at page 22; thence continuing southeasterly along the northeasterly line of Parcel Map CO 73-385 filed in Book 16 of Parcel Maps at page 43 to the northerly corner of Parcel D of said map; thence southwesterly along the northwesterly line and southeasterly along the southwesterly line of said Parcel D to Huasna Road (County Road No. 2023); thence northeasterly along Huasna Road to the intersection with Lopez Drive (County Road No. 2019); thence northeasterly along Lopez Drive a distance of 2.8 miles more or less to the intersection with Orcutt Road (County Road No. 2039); thence northwesterly along Orcutt Road 5.8 miles more or less to the intersection with Righetti Road (County Road No. 2038); thence northeasterly along Righetti Road to the southwesterly line of Lot 11 of Stratton's 1873 Map of Parts of the Ranchos Corral de Piedra – Pismo – Bolsa de Chamisal filed in Book A of Maps at page 65; thence continuing northeasterly along the northerly projection of Righetti Road to the centerline of West Corral de Piedra Creek; thence northeasterly, northerly and northwesterly upstream along the centerline of West Corral de Piedra Creek to the east line of Section 32, Township 30 South, Range 13 East, M.D.M.; thence north 0.8 mile more or less to the northeast corner of said Section 32; thence west 2 miles to the southwest corner of Section 30, Township 30 South, Range 13 East; thence north 0.5 mile to the northeast corner of the southeast one quarter of Section 25, Township 30 South, Range 12 East; thence west to the northwest corner of the northeast one quarter of the southwest one quarter of said Section 25 and the San Luis Obispo city limits; thence southwesterly into the city of San Luis Obispo to the northeast corner of Lot 3 of Tract 940 filed in book 12 of Maps at page 67; thence westerly and northwesterly along the northerly line of said Lot 3 and the northwesterly projection thereof to Andrews Street; thence westerly and northwesterly along Andrews Street to the intersection with San Luis Drive; thence southwesterly along San Luis Drive to the intersection with California Boulevard; thence westerly along California Boulevard to the intersection with Marsh Street; thence southwesterly along Marsh Street 1.2 miles more or less to the intersection with U.S. Highway 101; thence southerly along Highway 101 to the intersection with Madonna Road; thence southwesterly along Madonna Road to the northerly projection of

the easterly line of Tract 169 filed in book 6 of Maps at page 45; thence southerly along the easterly line of Tract 169 and the city limits of San Luis Obispo to the northeasterly line of Tract 234 filed in book 6 of Maps at page 82; thence continuing along the city limits of San Luis Obispo southeasterly to the easterly corner of Tract 234; thence southwesterly along the southeasterly line of Tract 234 and the southwesterly projection thereof to Los Osos Valley Road and into the city of San Luis Obispo; thence northwesterly along Los Osos Valley Road to the intersection with Prefumo Canyon Road; thence southwesterly and northwesterly along Prefumo Canyon Road to the city limits of San Luis Obispo; thence leaving the city of San Luis Obispo and continuing along Prefumo Canyon Road (County Road No. 2084 formerly County Road No. 139) 6.5 miles more or less to the end of Prefumo Canyon; thence leaving Prefumo Canyon Road and following Old County Road No. 139 westerly along Coon Creek Canyon to the intersection with Coon Creek; thence westerly along Coon Creek, downstream, to the ordinary high water line of the Pacific Ocean; thence, southerly and easterly along the ordinary high water line of the Pacific Ocean and the west boundary line of San Luis Obispo County to the point of beginning.

**Section 2.60.040 Fourth supervisorial district.** The fourth supervisorial district shall be all that territory in the county included within the following described boundaries:

Beginning at the southwesterly corner of the City of Grover Beach said corner being on the ordinary high water line of the Pacific Ocean; thence, following along the city limits of Grover Beach South 69° 15' East crossing State Route 1 to an angle point in the city limits, continuing southerly, easterly and northerly along the city limits of Grover Beach and along the common line with the City of Arroyo Grande to the point common with the city limits of Pismo Beach; thence, leaving the city limits of Grover Beach and continuing northeasterly along the northwesterly city limits of Arroyo Grande along Oak Park Road and Noyes Road to the most northerly angle point of the City of Arroyo Grande; thence, leaving the city limits of Arroyo Grande and continuing northeasterly along Noyes Road (County Road No. 2003) to the intersection with La Teena Place (County Road No. 2206); thence, easterly along La Teena Place to the intersection with Karina Way (County Road No. 2205); thence southerly along Karina Way to the

intersection with Phillips Road (County Road No. 2011); thence easterly along Phillips Road to the intersection with Carpenter Canyon Road (State Route 227); thence southerly along State Route 227 to the intersection with Royal Oak Place (County Road No. 2013); thence easterly along Royal Oak Place to the intersection with Corbett Canyon Road (County Road No. 2014); thence northerly along Corbett Canyon Road a distance of 0.4 mile more or less to the intersection with Paloma Place (County Road No. 2118); thence southerly and easterly along Paloma Place to the intersection with Stagecoach Road (County Road No. 2022); thence southwesterly along Stagecoach Road to the northwesterly projection of the northeasterly line of Parcel Map CO 97-122 filed in book 54 of Parcel Maps at page 8; thence southeasterly along the northeasterly line of said map and continuing southeasterly along the northeasterly line of Parcel Map CO 83-165 filed in book 37 of Parcel Maps at page 22; thence continuing southeasterly along the northeasterly line of Parcel Map CO 73-385 filed in Book 16 of Parcel Maps at page 43 to the northerly corner of Parcel D of said map; thence southwesterly along the northwesterly line and southeasterly along the southwesterly line of said Parcel D to Huasna Road (County Road No. 2023); thence northeasterly along Huasna Road to the intersection with Lopez Drive (County Road No. 2019); thence northeasterly along Lopez Drive a distance of 2.8 miles more or less to the intersection of Orcutt Road (County Road No. 2039); thence northwesterly along Orcutt Road 5.8 miles more or less to the intersection with Righetti Road (County Road No. 2038); thence northeasterly along Righetti Road to the southwesterly line of Lot 11 of Stratton's 1873 Map of Parts of the Ranchos Corral de Piedra -- Pismo -- Bolsa de Chamisal filed in Book A of Maps at page 65; thence continuing northeasterly along the northerly projection of Righetti Road to the centerline of West Corral de Piedra Creek; thence northeasterly, northerly and northwesterly upstream along the centerline of West Corral de Piedra Creek to the east line of Section 32, Township 30 South, Range 13 East, M.D.M; thence north 0.8 mile more or less to the northeast corner of said Section 32; thence east 4 miles more or less to the northeast corner of Section 36 of said Township; thence continuing east 2 miles more or less to the northeast corner of Section 32, Township 30 South, Range 14 East, M.D.M.; thence southeasterly to the northwest corner of Section 34 of said Township; thence south to the southwest corner of said Section 34; thence east 3 miles more or less to the southeast corner of said Township 30 South, Range 14 East; thence continuing east

6 miles more or less to the northeast corner of Township 31 South, Range 15 East; thence southerly 4 miles more or less to the southwest corner of Section 19, easterly 5 miles more or less to the southeast corner of Section 23, south to the southeast corner of Section 26, and southeasterly to the southeast corner of Section 25, all in Township 31 South, Range 16 East; thence south to the southwest corner of Section 31, Township 31 South, Range 17 East; thence east 12 miles more or less to the southwest corner of Township 31 South, Range 19 East M.D.M.; thence south 6 miles more or less to the southwest corner of Township 32 South, Range 19 East, M.D.M.; thence east 24 miles more or less to the southeast corner of Township 32 South, Range 22 East and the San Luis Obispo County line; thence easterly and southerly along the county line to the southeast corner of Section 31 of Township 10 North, Range 24 West, S.B.M.; thence continuing westerly along the county line to the centerline of the Cuyama River; thence westerly along the centerline of the Cuyama River and the county line to the ordinary high water line of the Pacific Ocean and thence northerly along said ordinary high water line of the Pacific Ocean and county boundary to the point of beginning.

**Section 2.60.050 Fifth supervisorial district.** The fifth supervisorial district shall be all that territory in the county included within the following described boundaries:

Beginning at the southeast corner of Section 35 of Township 28 South, Range 18 East M.D.M., on the Seventh Standard Parallel South, also being a point on the east boundary of the County of San Luis Obispo as defined in Section 23140 of the Government Code; thence, leaving said county boundary west along said Seventh Standard Parallel South a distance of 15 miles more or less to the northeast corner of Section 5, Township 29 South, Range 16 East; thence south one mile to the southeast corner of said Section 5; thence west 4800 feet more or less along the south line of Section 5 to State Route 58; thence northwesterly along State Route 58 five miles more or less to the intersection with the west line of Section 27, Township 28 South, Range 15 East; thence north 4.5 miles more or less to the northwest corner of Section 3 of said Township; thence west 2.5 miles more or less to the intersection with Shedd Canyon Road; thence, northwesterly along Shedd Canyon Road 4.0 miles more or less to the intersection with State Route 41; thence westerly and southwesterly along State Route 41 a distance of 3.0 miles more or



less to the intersection with the south line of Section 16, Township 27 South, Range 14 East; thence west to the southwest corner of said Section 16; thence north to the northeast corner of the south one half of Section 8 of said Township; thence west 1.0 mile to the northwest corner of said south one half of Section 8; thence north 0.5 mile to the northwest corner of said Section 8; thence west 1.0 mile to the southwest corner of Section 6 of said Township; thence north 1.0 mile to the northwest corner of said Section 6 being the southeast corner of Tract 20 filed in book 5 of Maps at page 38; thence continuing north to the northeast corner of Tract 20; thence west 0.5 mile to the southeast corner of Tract 6 filed in book 5 of Maps at page 29; thence north 0.5 mile to the northeast corner of Tract 6; thence west 0.5 miles to the northwest corner of Tract 6 also being the northeast corner of Tract 16 filed in book 5 of Maps at page 32; thence continuing west 1.0 mile to the northwest corner of Tract 3 filed in book 5 of Maps at page 27; thence south 0.5 mile to the northeast corner of Tract 21 filed in book 5 of Maps at page 41; thence west along the north line of Tract 21 to the intersection with Geneseo Road (County Road No. 5216) thence westerly and northerly along Geneseo Road to the intersection with Union Road (County Road No. 5230) thence westerly along Union Road to the intersection with Penman Springs Road (County Road No. 5233); thence southerly along Penman Springs Road to the southwest corner of the southeast one quarter of Section 31, Township 26 South, Range 13 East, M.D.M.; thence southeasterly along the southwesterly lines of Lots 13, 12, 11, 16, 17, 18 and 21 of the Map of the Dresser Subdivision No. 1 filed in Book 2 of Maps at Page 77 to the northerly line of Parcel Map COAL 98-0087 filed in Book 56 of Parcel Maps at Page 16; thence southwesterly along the northwesterly line and south along the west line of said Parcel Map and continuing south to the southwest corner of Lot 100 at point SY 13 of the Dunning and Dresser Tract filed in book A of Maps at page 119; thence easterly to the southeast corner of Lot 101 of said Tract; thence southerly along the west line of said Tract to the intersection with Creston Road (County Road No. 4067); thence westerly along Creston Road to the intersection with Neal Spring Road (County Road No. 5206); thence westerly and southwesterly along Neal Spring Road to the intersection with Vaquero Road (County Road No. 5205) thence westerly and southerly along Vaquero Road to the intersection with El Pomar Drive (County Road No. 5203); thence southwesterly along El Pomar Drive to the intersection with Templeton Road (County

Road No. 4083); thence westerly along Templeton Road to the westerly line of the Eureka Rancho filed in book A of Maps at page 91 being the centerline of the Salinas River; thence southerly and easterly along the centerline of the Salinas River to the northerly corner of Tract 2498 filed in book 23 of Maps at pages 87-92 and the most northerly corner of the Atascadero city limits; thence southwesterly, southeasterly, and northwesterly along the Atascadero city limits to point "M-12 " at the northerly corner of Block 50 as shown on the map of Atascadero Colony filed in book 3AC of Maps at page 67; thence southwesterly along the northwesterly line of the Atascadero Colony and continuing along the Atascadero city limits to the southwesterly corner of Parcel 5a of Parcel Map AT 81-261 filed in book 31 of Parcel Maps at page 95; thence leaving the city limits and continuing southwesterly along the southwesterly projection of said northwesterly line to the southwesterly line of the Rancho La Asuncion as shown on the Plat of the Rancho Asuncion as confirmed to Pedro Estrada surveyed in 1861; thence southeasterly along said southwesterly line of said Rancho to the intersection with State Route 41; thence easterly along Route 41 to the intersection with Old Morro Road West (County Road No. 4004); thence southerly along Old Morro Road West to the intersection with San Miguel Road as shown on the map of Atascadero Colony filed in book 3AC of Maps at page 115; thence southerly along San Miguel Road and the southerly projection thereof to the southwesterly line of Rancho Asuncion; thence southeasterly along the southwesterly line of Rancho Asuncion to the east line of Township 28 South, Range 11 East, M.D.M.; thence south along said east line to the southeast corner of said Township 28 South, Range 11 East; thence west along the south line of said Township to the northeast corner of Township 29 South, Range 11 East; thence south along the east line of said Township to the southeast corner of Section 12 of said Township; thence continuing south to the intersection with TV Tower Road; thence southeasterly along TV Tower Road 7.5 miles more or less to the west line of Section 1, Township 30 South, Range 12 East; thence south along said west line to the northwest corner of Lot 1 of said Section 1; thence east along the north line of said Lot 1 and continuing east to the intersection with U.S. Highway 101; thence southerly along U.S. Highway 101 approximately 4.1 miles to the intersection with Miossi Road; thence westerly along Miossi Road 0.5 mile more or less to the city limits of San Luis Obispo; thence northerly and westerly along the city limits of San Luis Obispo to the easterly end

of Slack Street; thence continuing along the city limits of San Luis Obispo westerly along Slack Street to the intersection with Grand Avenue; thence leaving the city limits northerly and northwesterly along Grand Avenue to the intersection with Perimeter Road; thence northerly and westerly along Perimeter Road to the intersection with Via Carta; thence northerly along Via Carta to the intersection with Highland Drive; thence southwesterly along Highland Drive to the intersection with North Chorro Street; thence southerly along North Chorro Street to the intersection with Ferrini Road and the city limits of San Luis Obispo; thence entering the city of San Luis Obispo southerly along Ferrini Road to the intersection with Foothill Boulevard; thence west on Foothill Boulevard to the intersection with South Tassajara Drive; thence south along South Tassajara Drive to the intersection with Luneta Drive; thence west along Luneta Drive to the intersection with Hermosa Way; thence southwesterly along Hermosa Way to the intersection with La Entrada Avenue; thence southeasterly along La Entrada Avenue to the southerly line of Tract 127 filed in book 5 of Maps at page 114; thence northeasterly and southeasterly along the southerly line of Tract 127 to the San Luis Obispo city limits; thence easterly and southerly along the city limits to the northerly line of Parcel 2 of COAL 07-0007 as recorded June 26, 2008 in Document Number 2008033187 in the San Luis Obispo County Recorder's office to a point being the westerly terminus of the line described in said document as "South 83°26'00" West 127.73 feet"; thence entering the city of San Luis Obispo easterly along said line to post "L. No. 4" being the westerly corner of the parcel described in the deed recorded October 3, 1918 in book 123 of Deeds at page 430, thence northeasterly along the northwesterly line of said parcel to post G.L. No. 2 as described in said deed; thence southeasterly along the northeasterly line of said parcel and the southeasterly projection thereof to the intersection with U.S. Highway 101; thence northeasterly along Marsh Street 1.2 miles more or less to the intersection with California Boulevard; thence easterly along California Boulevard to the intersection with San Luis Drive; thence northeasterly along San Luis Drive to the intersection with Andrews Street; thence southeasterly and easterly along Andrews Street to the northwesterly projection of the northerly line of Lot 3 of Tract 940 filed in book 12 of Maps at page 67; thence southeasterly along said northerly line to the northeast corner of said Lot 3; thence northeasterly to the northwest corner of the northeast one quarter of the southwest one quarter of Section 25, Township 30 South, Range 12 East and the city

limits of San Luis Obispo; thence leaving the city of San Luis Obispo east to the northeast corner of the southeast one quarter of said Section 25; thence south 0.5 mile to the southwest corner of Section 30, Township 30 South, Range 13 East; thence east 6 miles more or less to the northeast corner of Section 36 of said Township; thence continuing east 2 miles more or less to the northeast corner of Section 32, Township 30 South, Range 14 East, M.D.M.; thence southeasterly to the northwest corner of Section 34 of said Township; thence south to the southwest corner of said Section 34; thence east 3 miles more or less to the southeast corner of said Township 30 South, Range 14 East; thence continuing east 6 miles more or less to the northeast corner of Township 31 South, Range 15 East; thence southerly 4 miles more or less to the southwest corner of Section 19, easterly 5 miles more or less to the southeast corner of Section 23, south to the southeast corner of Section 26, and southeasterly to the southeast corner of Section 25, all in Township 31 South, Range 16 East; thence south to the southwest corner of Section 31, Township 31 South, Range 17 East; thence east 12 miles more or less to the southwest corner of Township 31 South, Range 19 East, M.D.M.; thence south 6 miles more or less to the southwest corner of Township 32 South, Range 19 East, M.D.M.; thence east 24 miles more or less to the southeast corner of Township 32 South, Range 22 East and the San Luis Obispo County line; thence northerly and westerly along the easterly line of San Luis Obispo County to the point of beginning.

SECTION II: This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect thirty (30) days after its passage and before the expiration of fifteen (15) days after passage of this ordinance, it shall be published once with the name of the members the Board of Supervisors voting for and against the ordinance in a newspaper of general circulation published in the County of San Luis Obispo, State of California.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors held on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2011, and passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Luis Obispo, State of California, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, by the roll call vote, to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors  
Of the County of San Luis Obispo  
State of California

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of the  
Board of Supervisors, County of San Luis Obispo  
State of California

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL EFFECT:  
Warren R. Jensen

By:   
Assistant County Counsel

Dated: 9/7/2011

**EXHIBIT B**

**MAPS OF BOARD-SELECTED  
REDISTRICTING PLAN**

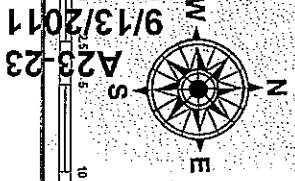
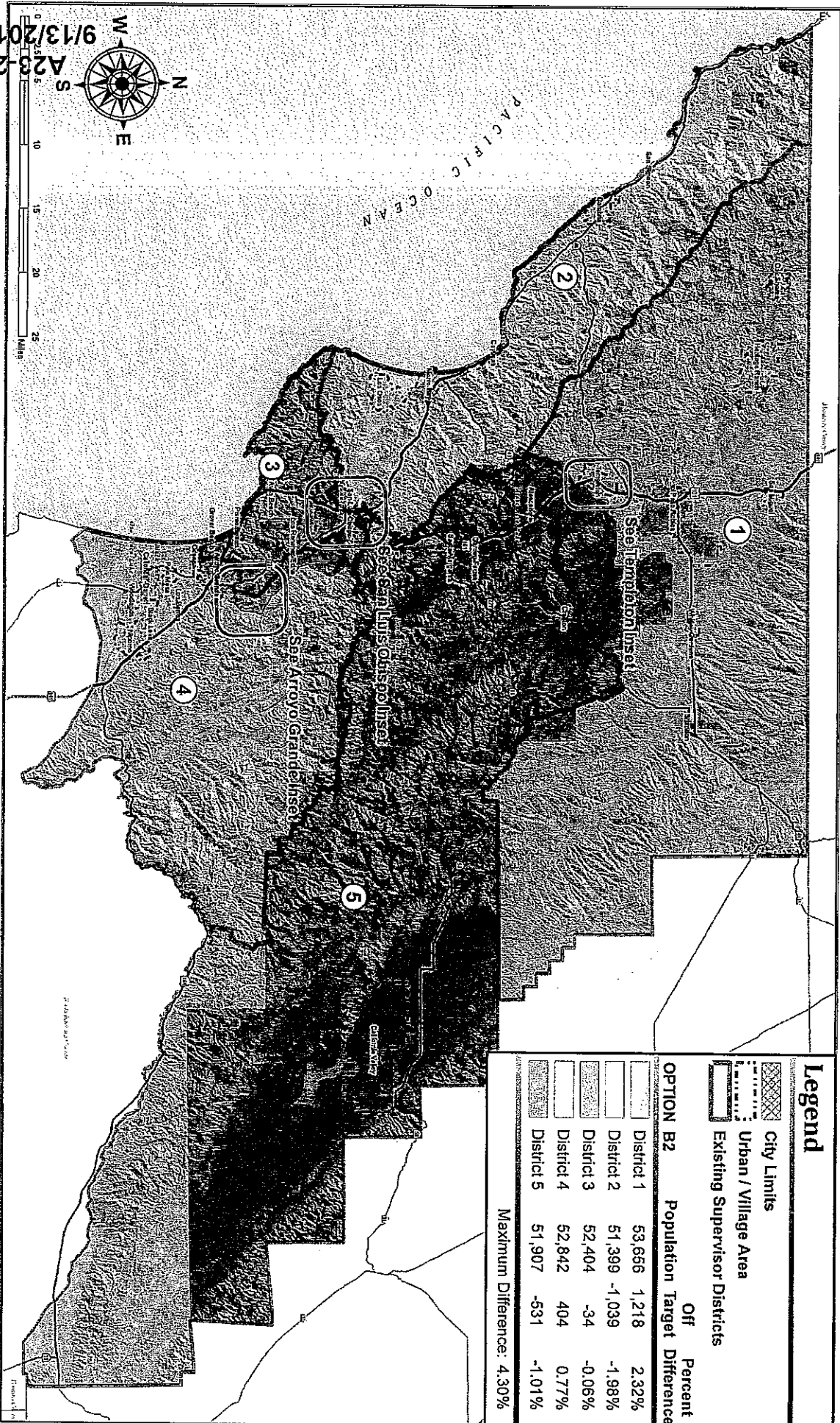
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**Option B2**

Adjusted Per County Surveyor



**Legend**

- City Limits
- Urban / Village Area
- Existing Supervisor Districts

OPTION B2	Population	Target	Off	Percent Difference
District 1	53,666	1,218		2.32%
District 2	51,399	-1,039		-1.98%
District 3	52,404	-34		-0.06%
District 4	52,842	404		0.77%
District 5	51,907	-531		-1.01%
Maximum Difference: 4.30%				

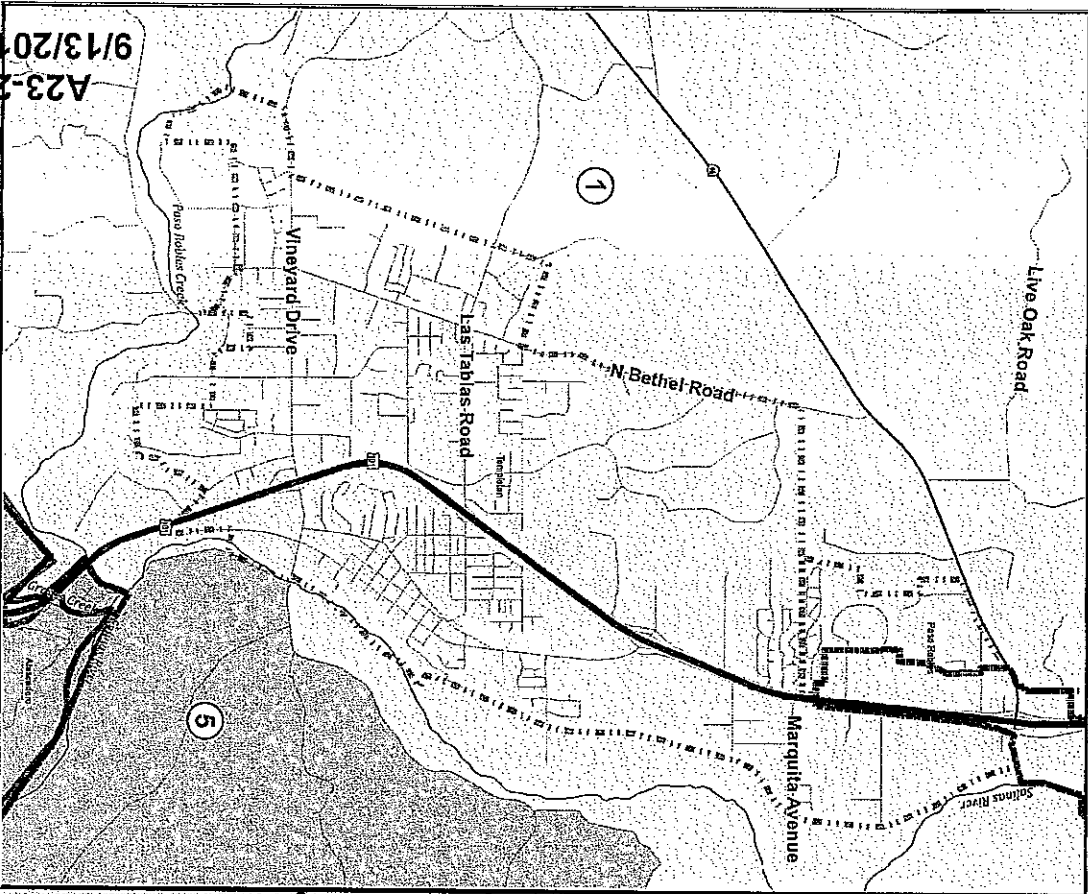


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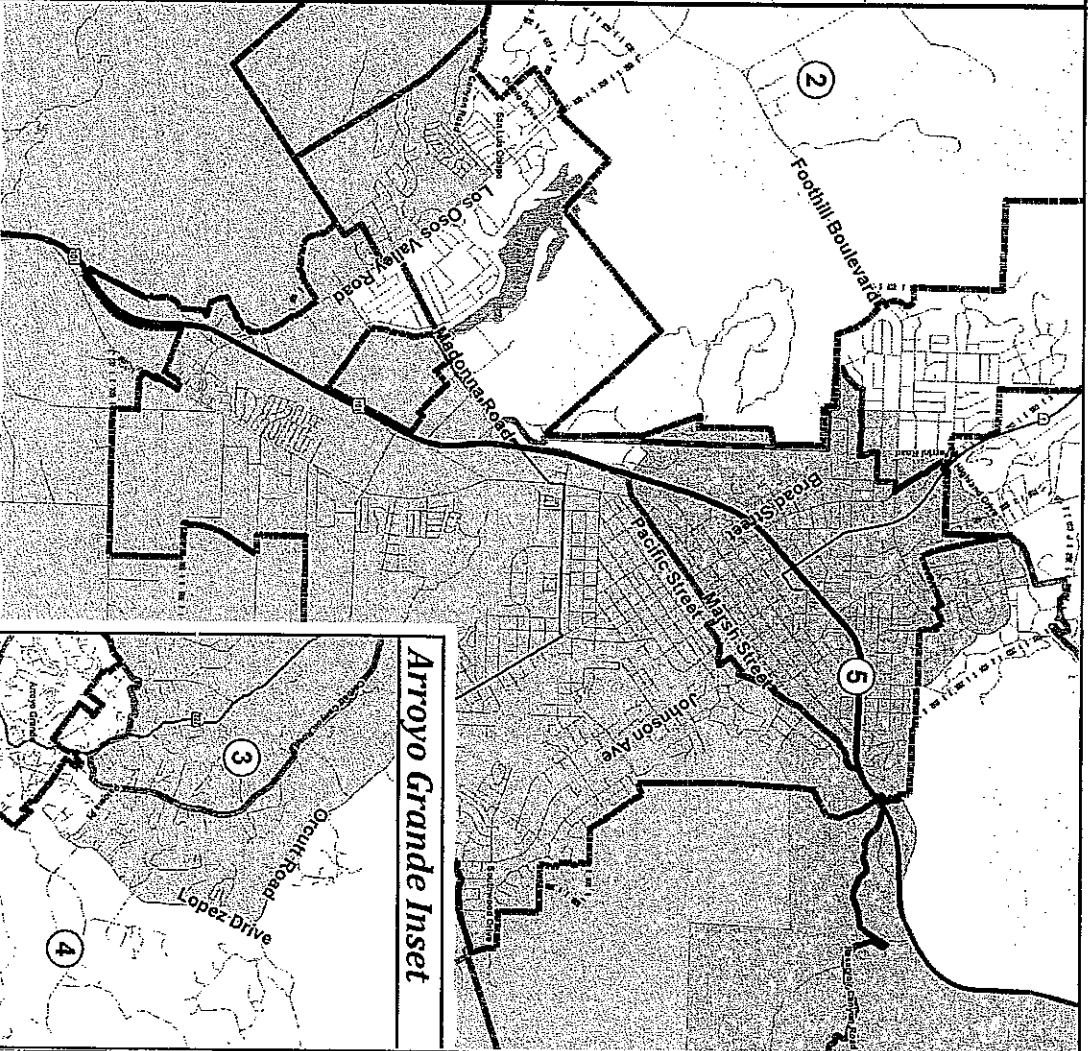
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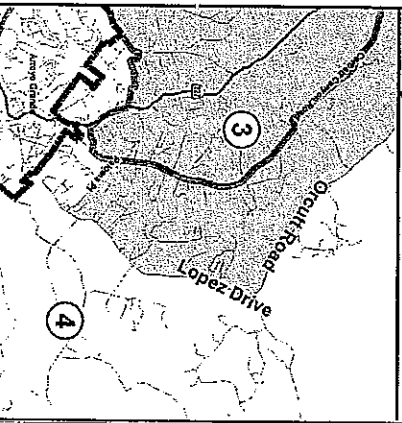
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**EXHIBIT C**

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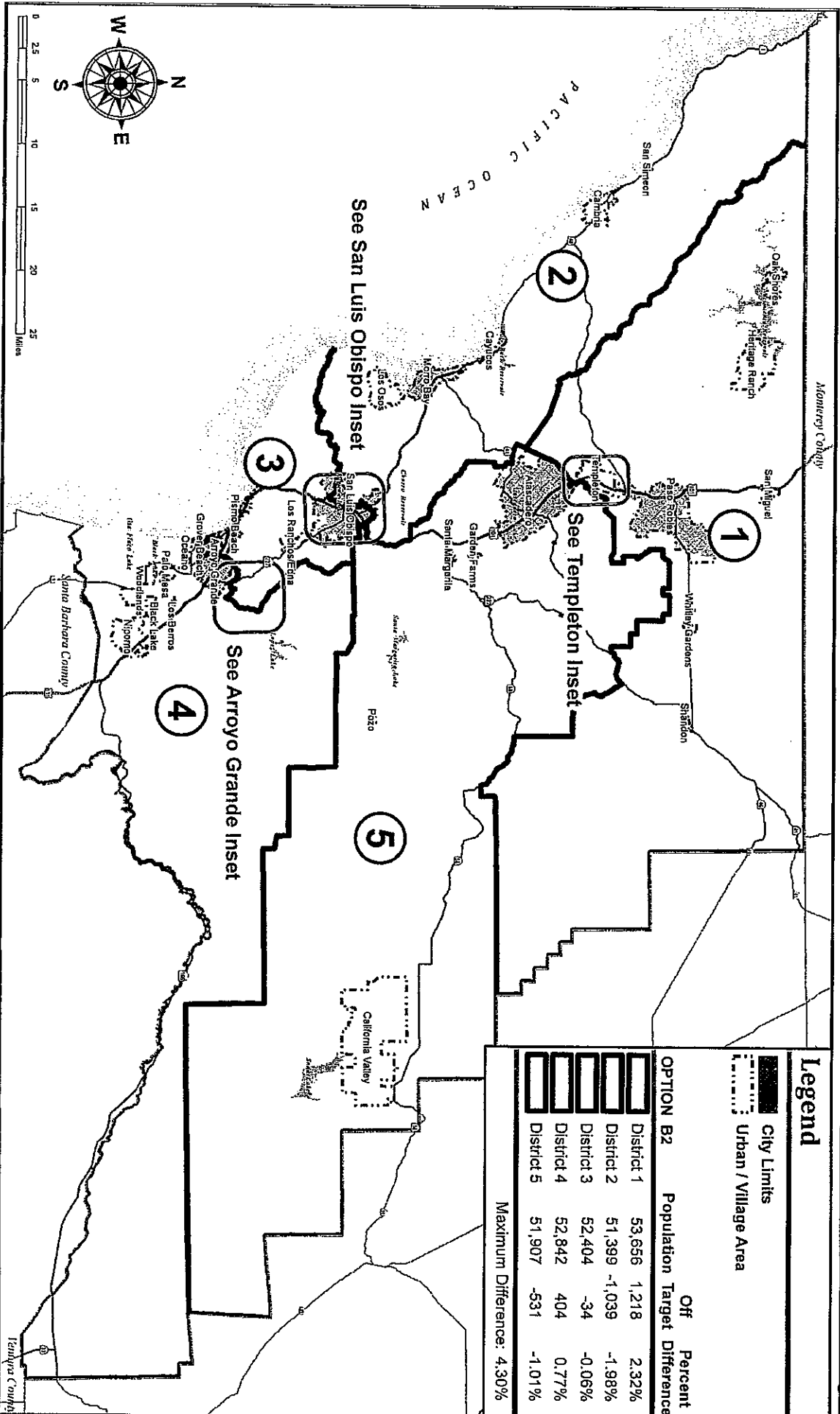




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**Option B2**  
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**Legend**

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- Urban / Village Area

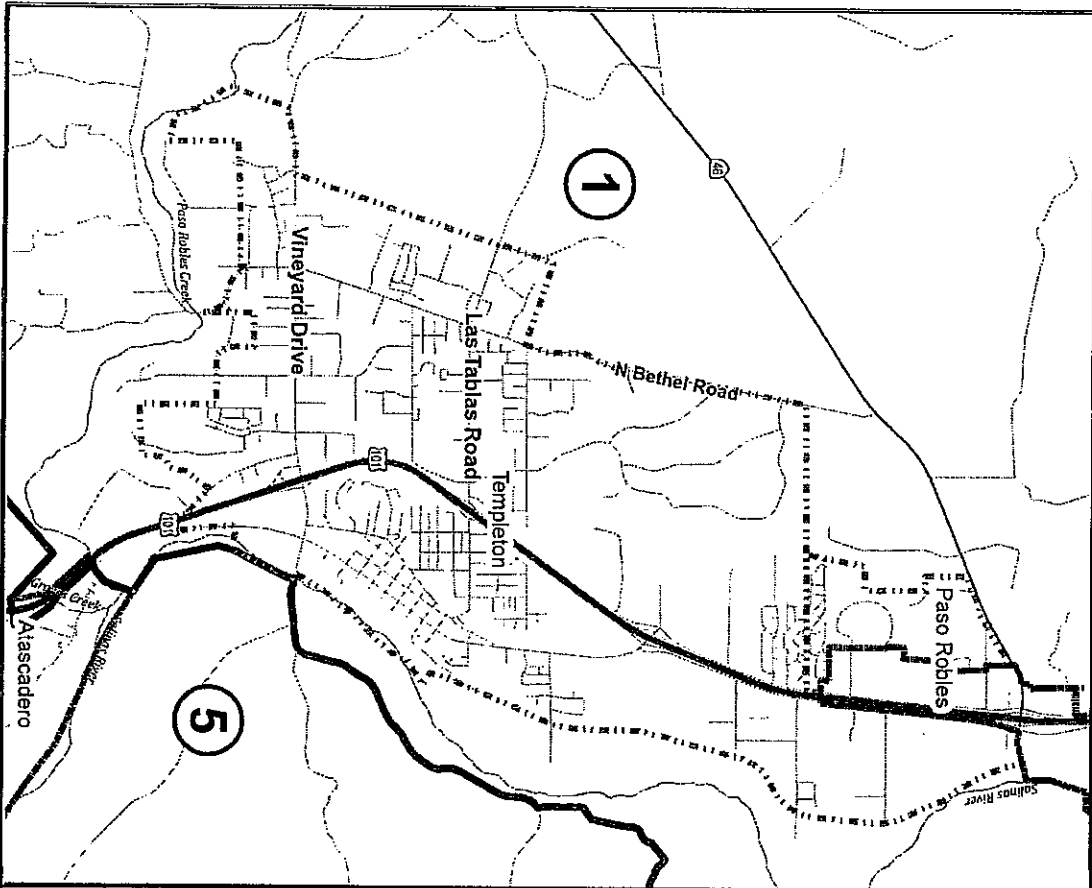
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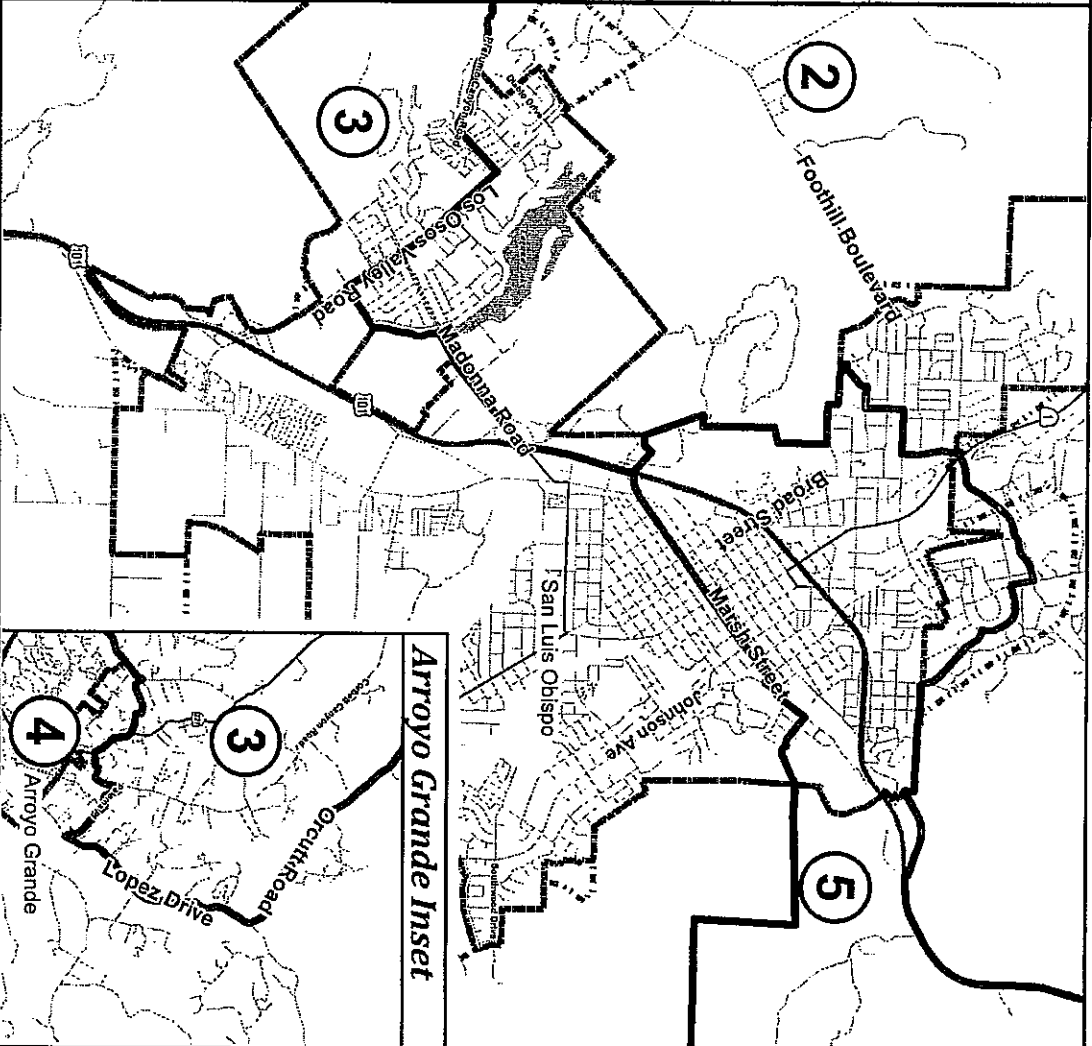
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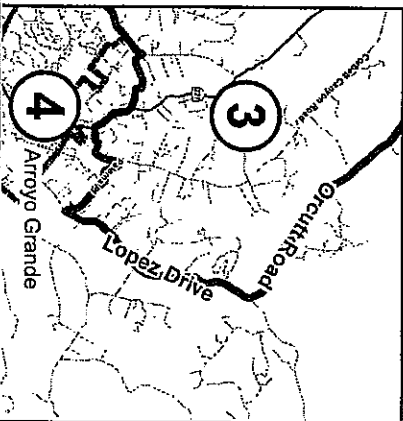
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# EXHIBIT 7

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Court of Appeal, Second  
District, Division 6, California.

William A. PELFREY,  
Plaintiff and Appellant,

v.

SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,  
Defendant and Respondent.

2d Civil No. B241420  
|  
Filed July 24, 2013

Jac A. Crawford, Judge, Superior Court County of San Luis Obispo. (Super. Ct. No. CV110628A) (San Luis Obispo County)

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**Opinion**

GILBERT, P.J.

\*1 Here we uphold the validity of an ordinance adopted by the San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors (the Board) redistricting supervisorial districts following the 2010 census.

William A. Pelfrey appeals from an order denying his petition for writ of administrative mandate that would direct the County of San Luis Obispo to rescind the ordinance on the ground that it does not equally divide the population between districts and unnecessarily divides the unincorporated community of Templeton and the City of San Luis Obispo, thereby diluting the rural vote. We conclude the Board proceeded in the manner required by **Elections Code section 21500** when it adopted Ordinance No. 3218, amending chapter 2.60 of the County Code, and the deviation from equality of population was within the limits of the discretion given to the Board.<sup>1</sup> Accordingly, we affirm.

**FACTUAL AND PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND**

County of San Luis Obispo (County), like all California counties, consists of five supervisorial districts. The Board must adjust the districts following each federal decennial census “so that the districts shall be as nearly equal in population as may be.” (§ 21500.) The Board may also consider secondary criteria—“(a) topography, (b) geography, (c) cohesiveness, contiguity, integrity, and compactness of territory, and (d) community of interests of the districts.” (*Ibid.*)

The 2010 census established that County's population had increased by about 10 percent to a total of 262,192, resulting in an 18 percent deviation between the least and most populous districts. The population had increased mainly in District 1 in the north and District 4 in the south. To achieve population equality, Districts 1 and 4 had to cede population.

The Board considered a variety of redistricting options, including one Pelfrey developed with help of County staff, “Option C.” After extensive public hearings and outreach, the Board rejected Option C, and adopted “Option B–2” as Ordinance No. 3218.

Based on the new population figure (262,192), the “ideal” 20 percent population for each of the five districts would be 52,438. Under the ordinance (Option B–2), District 1 exceeds that number by 1,218 with 20.46 percent of County's population in its district. The population allocation is:

**Ordinance No. 3218 (Option B–2)**

District	Population	% of total population	% variation from ideal
District 1	53,656	20.46%	0.46

District 2	51,399	19.60%	0.40
District 3	52,404	19.99%	0.01
District 4	52,842	20.15%	0.15
District 5	51,907	19.80%	0.20

Option B–2 preserves all of the Templeton Community Services District and Urban Reserve Line within District 1, but it places 15 percent of the Templeton Unified School District in District 5. It also extends District 5 across the Cuesta Grade to include part of the City of San Luis Obispo, thereby dividing the City of San Luis Obispo among three districts.

During the public comment period, Pelfrey and other Templeton residents urged the Board not to divide the

Templeton school district. They testified that Templeton is a community of interest that self-identifies with the school district boundaries. The school district boundaries are identical to those of the Templeton Area Advisory Group which advises the Board on issues of interest to Templeton. Many Templeton residents encouraged the Board to adopt Pelfrey's Option C. Like Option B–2, Option C would divide the City of San Luis Obispo into three districts, but it would not divide Templeton's school district and it would have slightly better population equality, as follows:

**\*2 Option C**

District	Population	% of total population	% variance from ideal
District 1	53,280	20.32%	0.32
District 2	52,209	19.91%	0.09
District 3	52,027	19.84	0.16
District 4	52,842	20.15	0.15
District 5	51,834	19.77	0.23

The Board ultimately rejected Option C, and adopted B–2, by a three-to-two vote. Staff advised the Board that other school districts were divided and had historically been divided, and that they are independent bodies with which the board “has little to do.” Supervisors observed that historical division of school districts in their districts had not created representation problems. Pelfrey's Option C would have similarly divided the Shandon school district and the Shandon Community Advisory Area. Residents of Paso Robles were opposed to Option C's expansion of the geographical area of District 5. Option C would have changed neighborhood divisions within the City of San Luis Obispo.

Pelfrey petitioned the trial court for a writ of mandate that would direct the Board to rescind the ordinance. He argued that the Board had abused its discretion because it did not proceed in the manner prescribed by [section 21500](#),

better population equality was possible, and deviations from equality were not justified by secondary factors.

The trial court denied Pelfrey's petition, finding the Board had not acted arbitrarily, capriciously, or entirely without evidentiary support when it adopted Ordinance No. 3218.

**DISCUSSION**

Pelfrey contends that the Board did not proceed as required by [section 21500](#) because it did not seek to attain exact population equality, the new districts are not “as nearly equal in population as may be,” and the deviation from equal population are not justified by the secondary statutory criteria. Pelfrey has not demonstrated that the Board abused its discretion or failed to proceed in the manner prescribed by [section 21500](#). Pelfrey also contends for the first time on

appeal that Ordinance No. 3218 violates the equal protection clause of the federal Constitution by diluting the rural vote. He forfeits the claim because he did not raise it in the trial court.

Our review of actions undertaken by an agency in its legislative capacity is limited to a determination whether the agency's actions were arbitrary, capricious, or entirely lacking in evidentiary support or whether it failed to follow the procedure required by law. (Code Civ. Proc., § 1085; *Strumsky v. San Diego County Employees Retirement Assn.* (1974) 11 Cal.3d 28, 35, fn. 2.) “Because reapportionment is so essentially a legislative function, certain basic considerations relating to the fundamental doctrine of the separation of powers between the judicial and the legislative branches of government regulate and limit courts in the exercise of their power to declare such enactments invalid.” (*Griswold v. County of San Diego* (1973) 32 Cal.App.3d 56, 65–66.) “Among the limitations upon the court's power is the presumption the enactment is valid and that the legislative body performed its duty and ascertained the existence of any facts upon which its right to act depended.” (*Id.* at p. 66.) We “may not substitute [our] judgment for that of the legislative body merely because [we] doubt[s] the wisdom of the action taken” and we “must sustain the legislative enactment if there is any reasonable basis for it.” (*Ibid.* [nearly equal supervisorial districts withstood an equal protection challenge].) On the other hand, an agency's use of an erroneous legal standard constitutes a failure to proceed in a manner required by law and the interpretation and applicability of a statute is a question of law requiring our independent determination. (*East Peninsula Ed. Council, Inc. v. Palos Verdes Peninsula Unified School Dist.* (1989) 210 Cal.App.3d 155, 165.)

\*3 **Section 21500** requires each county board of supervisors to decennially adjust the boundaries of its five supervisorial districts “so that the districts shall be as nearly equal in population as may be.” In doing so, “the board may give consideration to” secondary factors: “(a) topography, (b) geography, (c) cohesiveness, contiguity, integrity, and compactness of territory, and (d) community of interests of the districts.” (*Ibid.*)

Deviations from equal distribution may be justified by secondary considerations. (*Griffin v. Board of Supervisors* (1964) 60 Cal.2d 751, 755 (*Griffin II* ).) On the other hand, “apportionment according to population is the primary goal in redistricting, and the other factors enumerated may

only be given a subsidiary effect and cannot warrant large deviations from equality of population.” (*Griffin v. Board of Supervisors* (1963) 60 Cal.2d 318, 321 (*Griffin I* ) [secondary factors could not justify Monterey's redistricting plan in which one supervisorial district encompassed 50 percent of the population while another encompassed only 1.5 percent].)

For purposes of an equal protection analysis, the burden shifts to the agency whose apportionment is challenged to justify “any significant deviation from population equality.” (*Calderon v. City of Los Angeles* (1971) 4 Cal.3d 251, 262 [city charter provision authorizing deviations of 10 percent from population equality in city council districts without any justification was constitutionally invalid].) Whether the burden likewise shifts under a **section 21500** analysis is an open question. But, if it does, it would not shift in this case because the deviation from population equality was minor. The greatest deviation from ideal equality for any district under Ordinance No. 3218 is less than half a percent.

Pelfrey relies on *Miller v. Board of Supervisors* (1965) 63 Cal.2d 343 for the proposition that equality must be exact. In *Miller*, an almost two-to-one disparity between the largest and smallest supervisorial districts in Santa Clara County could not withstand an equal protection challenge because it was not justified by secondary factors. (*Id.* at pp. 346–347.) The court invalidated the plan, observing that, “The board's position that a 2 to 1 disparity does not necessarily violate constitutional dictates fails to give sufficient consideration to the reasons why the board fails to seek exact equality in the instant case.” (*Id.* at p. 349.)

Pelfrey is correct that here the Board did not initially seek “exact equality”; but equality was its primary goal and it achieved near equality, unlike the County of Santa Clara in *Miller*. County staff initially advised the Board, incorrectly, that “a variance of 3% is presumed to be valid.” But it also advised the Board, correctly, that “[t]he first and foremost consideration is that the population shall be as nearly equal in population as possible.... From there, the secondary considerations come into play and the court will allow a wide variance only if the secondary considerations are exceedingly pervasive and don't allow for any other practical way to draw the district lines.” Staff's misconception about a safe harbor was based on two California Supreme Court cases, decided after the 1960 census, in which the court applied a “presumption of validity” to 3 percent deviations from equal in supervisorial redistricting plans under **section 21500**. (*Miller v. Board of Supervisors, supra*,



63 Cal.2d 343, 350; *Wiltzie v. Board of Supervisors* (1966) 65 Cal.2d 314, 315–316.) In 1971, the court abandoned mathematical presumptions in redistricting cases, deciding that mathematical safe harbors violate the equal protection clause by excusing deviation from “one-vote, one-person” without justification based on any legitimate considerations. (*Calderon v. City of Los Angeles*, *supra*, 4 Cal.3d 251, 271.) The record in this case, read as whole, demonstrates that the Board’s “primary goal” was equality, notwithstanding staff’s erroneous advice.

\*4 Pelfrey argues that the Board did not establish districts “as nearly equal in population as may be” because better population equality was possible under the other options considered by the Board. But the maximum deviation from ideal equality in any district was 0.46 percent and that deviation was within the Board’s discretion based on secondary considerations. Whether secondary factors justify a particular deviation must be determined on a case-by-case basis, in view of all the facts and circumstances faced by the agency. (*Griffin II*, *supra*, 60 Cal.2d 751, 755.) In *Griffin II*, for example, secondary criteria justified a substantial deviation from population equality in which the largest district had 2.2 times the population of the smallest. (*Id.* at pp. 753–755.)

Pelfrey points to an equal protection case in which a 3 percent deviation among Missouri’s congressional districts<sup>2</sup> was held to be constitutionally invalid where it was “not seriously contended that the Missouri Legislature came as close to equality as it might have come,” and at least one legislator “deemed it proper to attempt to achieve a 2% level of variance rather than to seek population equality.” (*Kirkpatrick v. Preisler* (1969) 394 U.S. 526, 531.) But in *Kirkpatrick*, there was no effort to justify the deviation under any legitimate consideration. The same was true in *Calderon*. Here, secondary factors, including geographic compactness and integrity of other communities of interest, justified the minor deviation from equality.

Pelfrey argues that secondary considerations actually weighed against the Board’s decision to adopt Ordinance No. 3218, because the ordinance extended District 5 across a topographic boundary (the Cuesta Grade) into downtown San Luis Obispo and because it split communities of interest

(Templeton and the City of San Luis Obispo) when it displaced 15 percent of the school district and divided the City of San Luis Obispo among three districts. But consideration of secondary factors is a matter for the Board’s discretion, taking into account the county and all of its districts as a whole, not only the desires of the Templeton residents. No option was perfect, and each was opposed. Pelfrey’s Option C also split the City of San Luis Obispo among three districts and divided another school district and advisory group. The record does not support Pelfrey’s contention that the Board exercised its discretion in an arbitrary or capricious manner or that it failed to proceed as required by [section 21500](#).

Even if we were to consider Pelfrey’s equal protection claim, which he did not raise in the trial court, he would not succeed. The record demonstrates that the Board sought to achieve population equality as nearly as practicable and gave secondary consideration to legitimate factors such as geographic contiguity, integrity of communities of interest, and geographical compactness. In *Wilson v. Eu* (1992) 1 Cal.4th 707, a plan to reapportion state legislative and congressional districts withstood an equal protection challenge where each district varied by less than one percent (legislative districts) or 0.25 percent (congressional districts) from “ideal” population equality and these deviations were justified by legitimate state objectives of forming reasonably compact districts. Here, the deviation is equally minor and is similarly justified.

## DISPOSITION

The judgment is affirmed. Respondent shall recover costs on appeal.

We concur:

YEGAN, J.

PERREN, J.

All Citations

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## Footnotes

<sup>1</sup> All statutory references are to the Elections Code unless otherwise stated.

- 2 Congressional redistricting is governed by article I, section 2, of the federal Constitution and requires population equality “as nearly as is practicable.” (*Wesberry v. Sanders* (1964) 376 U.S. 1, 7–8.)

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# EXHIBIT 8

# 2010 California Code

## Elections Code

### Chapter 6. Supervisorial Districts

#### ELECTIONS CODE

#### SECTION 21500-21506

21500. Following each decennial federal census, and using that census as a basis, the board shall adjust the boundaries of any or all of the supervisorial districts of the county so that the districts shall be as nearly equal in population as may be and shall comply with the applicable provisions of Section 1973 of Title 42 of the United States Code, as amended. In establishing the boundaries of the districts the board may 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 districts.

21500.1. The board shall hold at least one public hearing on any proposal to adjust the boundaries of a district, prior to a public hearing at which the board votes to approve or defeat the proposal.

21501. The boundaries of the supervisorial districts shall be

adjusted by the board before the first day of November of the year following the year in which each decennial federal census is taken. If the board fails to adjust the boundaries before the first day of November following the year in which the federal census is taken, a supervisorial redistricting commission shall do so before the 31st day of December of the same year. The adjustment of the district boundaries shall be immediately effective the same as if the act of the supervisorial redistricting commission were an ordinance of the board, subject, however, to the same provisions of referendum as apply to ordinances of the board.

21502. The supervisorial redistricting commission shall be composed of the district attorney, who shall be chairman, the county assessor, and the county elections official if he or she is elected by the qualified electors of the county, or, if not, the county superintendent of schools if he or she is elected by the qualified electors of the county, or, if not, the sheriff.

21503. At any time between the decennial adjustments of district boundaries, the board may cause a census of the county to be taken as provided in Section 26203 of the Government Code, and may adjust the boundaries of the supervisorial districts on the basis of that census, or on the basis of population estimates prepared by the State Department of Finance or the county planning department or planning commission, pursuant to Section 21500.

21504. Any person claiming that the estimates of population used in the redistricting pursuant to Section 21503 do not reflect the current population within the district boundaries more accurately than the most recent census data, may commence an action in the superior court in declaratory relief to determine that fact. The

action shall be brought within 30 days after the adoption of the redistricting ordinance.

21505. The board may appoint a committee composed of residents of the county to study the matter of changing the boundaries of the supervisorial districts. The committee shall make its report to the board of its findings on the need for change of boundaries, and the recommended changes, within six months after the final population figures determined in each federal decennial census have been released, but in any event not later than August 1st of the year following the year in which the census is taken. Recommendations of the committee are advisory only.

21506. The term of office of any supervisor who has been elected and whose term of office has not expired shall not be affected by any change in the boundaries of the district from which he or she was elected.

At the first election for county supervisors in each county following adjustment of the boundaries of supervisorial districts, a supervisor shall be elected for each district under the readjusted district plan that has the same district number as a district whose incumbent's term is due to expire.

A change in the boundaries of a supervisorial district shall not be made within 45 days before the first day for circulating nomination papers for an election of supervisors in the county or between the direct primary election and the general election.

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# EXHIBIT 9

**Exhibit 9**  
**San Luis Obispo County**  
**Historical District Boundaries of Various SLO County Communities**  
**Compared with the Patten Map #74786**  
***Bolded and italicized numbers represent change from 2010 map***

<b>Cities &amp; CDP</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>Patten</b>	<b>Accel &amp; Defer</b>
Cambria	2 <sup>1</sup>	2	2	2	
Paso Robles	1	1	1	1	
San Miguel	1	1	1	<b>2</b>	A <sup>2</sup>
Templeton	1	1	1,2	1	
Atascadero	2,5	2	5	<b>2</b>	A
Santa Margarita	5	5	5	<b>4</b>	A
Cayucos	2	2	2	2	
Morro Bay	2	2	2	<b>3</b>	D
San Luis Obispo	2,3,4,5	2,3,4,5	2,3,5	<b>3,5</b>	Partial D for 2
CalPoly	2,5	2,5	2,5	<b>2</b>	Partial A for 5
Los Osos	2	2	2	<b>5</b>	D
Grover, Avila, Pismo COI's	3	3	3	5	
Oceano <sup>3</sup>	4	4	4	<b>5</b>	D
Arroyo Grande	4	4	4	4	
Nipomo	4	4	4	4	

<sup>1</sup> The numbers indicate the Supervisor District number.

<sup>2</sup> The A and D letters stand for "Acceleration" or "Deferral/Removal" associated with Patten Map.

<sup>3</sup> While Oceano is Deferred/Removed from District 4, the area near SLO Country Club is accelerated into District 4



# EXHIBIT 10

## **Memo Discussing Key Elements of the Current Elections Code Sec. 21500**

In the “2020 version” of Section 21500, which significantly fine-tuned the status of the criteria (mandatory) and the nature of the criteria (prioritized), sub-section (c) begins with this mandatory language: “The board *shall* adopt supervisorial district boundaries using the following criteria *as set forth in the following order of priority.*” (Emphasis added). Following that introductory language, the sub-section identifies the following criteria, in priority order, geographic contiguity in ((c)(1), respecting the geographic integrity of any *local* neighborhood or *local* community of interests in (c)(2), and then respecting the geographic integrity of a city or census designated place, to the extent practicable and in a manner that minimizes its division.

Here are several key points bearing directly on the application of the statutory language of 21500(c) and 21500(d):

- (1) The word “priority” takes a central role in the current version of 21500; it is not used in the 2010 version.
- (2) The word “respect” is used twice in the current 21500(c) and is not found anywhere in the 2010 version. Clearly, giving respect to something suggests that “the something” exists already;
- (3) The word “local” is used twice, but only in 21500(c)(2), to describe local neighborhoods and local communities of interest. It is not found in current 21500(c)(3) or anywhere in the 2010 version of 21500.
- (4) “Local neighborhoods” (found in 21500(c)(2)), are areas that don’t necessarily have geographic or spatial boundaries and may very possibly be less than, or smaller than, a city or census designated place (21500(c)(3)).<sup>1</sup> Illustration: a collection of “local neighborhoods” is found within the City of San Luis Obispo; the City of San Luis Obispo is not the same as a local neighborhood.<sup>2</sup> An excellent discussion of “neighborhoods” is found in letter submitted prior to the November 19<sup>th</sup> hearing by the City of San Luis Obispo. So far, none of the Board Majority has acknowledged the existence of the letter, much less made any effort to give their views on the compelling points made there.
- (5) According to the current 21500(c)(2), a “local community of interest” emphasizes not places or boundaries but a “*population* that shares common social or economic interests that should be included within a single supervisorial district for purposes of its effective and fair
- (6)

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<sup>1</sup> Dictionary definition of neighborhood: A district, especially one forming a community within a town or city Also: The area surrounding a particular place, person, or interest. Neighborhoods are not the same as communities and not the same as cities or census designated places.

representation.”<sup>3</sup> (Emphasis added) That definition of local community of interest applies perfectly, for example, to the Estero Bay communities of interest including the populations of Cayucos, Morro Bay and Los Osos in current District 2 and the communities of interest among the populations of Oceano and Nipomo in current District 4.

- (7) The phrase “to the extent practicable” is found in all five (5) sub-sections of the current 21500, while that phrase is not included anywhere in the 2010 version.
- (8) The term “geographic integrity” is used in the current version of 21500 but not in the 2010 version. The current version of 21500(c)(2) and (c)(3) requires respect, to the extent practicable, for the “geographic integrity” – this priority: (a) local neighborhoods and communities of interest and (b) cities and census designated places. The Patten Map tries to change or conflate this statutorily required prioritization, which does not pass muster at a legal level.<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>3</sup> The community of interest wording in 21500(c)(2) is the same wording found in Article XXI, Sec. (d)(4) of the California Constitution.

<sup>4</sup> Basic rules of interpretation of contracts and statutory/legislative language compel respect for each word in each separate sub-section, without reading provisions out of existence or out of a legislatively intended and mandated order or priority. If the legislature intended for local neighborhoods and local communities of interest to mean the same, or be conflated with, cities and census designated places, there would be no need to have different sub-sections. The differences are manifest in the way the terms are separated between sub-sections, and the separation only serves to underscore the intended importance of prioritization.

# EXHIBIT 11

**Michael C. Normoyle**

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**From:** League of Women Voters SLO <communications@lwvslo.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 23, 2021 5:32 PM  
**To:** Michael C. Normoyle  
**Subject:** LWVSLOCO: Redistricting Action Alert



**ACTION ALERT**  
**MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD**  
FINAL SLO BOS REDISTRICTING HEARING  
TUESDAY • NOV 30 • 9 AM

**District Maps to be Decided November 30**

**Board of Supervisors to meet at 9:00 am to determine final map**

The League of Women Voters of San Luis Obispo County supports the SLO County 2030 map and opposes the Patten map. Here's why and what you can do.

**WHY - THE LEAGUE POSITION**

1. Of the maps initially submitted for Board consideration we supported Plan B because it made few changes to the current maps and major changes are neither legally nor operationally required. Of the two remaining maps under consideration, we support the SLO County 2030 map because it is less disruptive to voters than the

Patten map.

2. The SLO County 2030 map appears to meet all the criteria stipulated in the California Election Code and complies with the United States Constitution, the California Constitution, and the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965.



3. Moreover, the SLO County 2030 map respects local communities of interest in the north coastal areas of San Simeon, Cambria, Cayucos, Morro Bay and Los Osos as well as the connection between Nipomo and Oceano. It also respects the natural boundary of the coastal mountains. The Patten map does not respect these communities of interest.

4. We oppose the Patten map because it makes more radical changes to the district lines as evidenced by the number of deferrals and accelerations in voting it would impose. Deferrals are the number of people who would have been able to vote for supervisor in 2022 but cannot if the new district lines are put in place, and accelerations are the number of people who have an opportunity to vote twice for their supervisor in a four-year cycle with the new districts. In the coastal communities listed above, deferred voters would number approximately 26,000 people unable to vote for a supervisor in 2022. Meanwhile in the advantaged communities of San Miguel, Heritage Ranch, areas west of Paso



Robles, and the entire city of Atascadero approximately 29,000 people who would not have voted in 2022 would be accelerated and granted a vote in 2022. This disenfranchises a significant number of voters while privileging another group with an early vote.

5. The deferrals in the Patten map would create “orphaned” districts in communities where voters would not be able to vote until 2024. Los Osos, Morro Bay, and District 2 voters in San Luis Obispo who are no longer in District 2 and Oceano voters who are no longer in District 4 would not be able to vote for a supervisor in 2022 when those district seats are up for election, leaving these communities with no effective representation on the Board of Supervisors. Meanwhile those communities with accelerated voters would have the opportunity to vote twice and have two elected supervisors to represent them.
6. The SLO County 2030 map has a smaller number of accelerations and deferrals. Because the map splits many existing precincts, the number of affected voters listed below is likely higher than the actual number. The accelerations are mostly in the western part of Atascadero and a portion of District 3 in San Luis Obispo – about 9100 voters. The deferrals include the Cal Poly campus, a portion of District 2 in San Luis Obispo moved to District 5 and an area east of Arroyo Grande moved from District 4 to District 3. The deferrals affect approximately 5000 voters.
7. It is instructive when looking at the deferrals and accelerations created by the Patten map to note the partisan inclination of those voters. 54% of voters who would have their vote accelerated voted

“yes” in the September recall election, while only 33% of those having their vote deferred voted “yes”. Accelerated voters are primarily in areas that have voted Republican historically, while deferred voters are in more Democratic leaning areas. This raises the concern that the disparity in voting records points to a potential violation of Elections Code Sec. 21500(d): “The Board shall not adopt supervisorial district boundaries for the purpose of favoring or discriminating against a political party”.

### **WHAT THE LEAGUE WILL DO**

We will appear at the November 30 meeting to bring forward our concern about the effect on the voters of the districts whose votes are being deferred and the appearance of the Patten Map not adhering to Elections Code Sec. 21500(d): “The Board shall not adopt supervisorial district boundaries for the purpose of favoring or discriminating against a political party”. In addition, we will voice our support for the 2030 map as it more closely adheres to what we have been advocating during this process.

### **WHAT YOU CAN DO**

Study the two maps and the analysis. You can view the 2 maps here: **2030 & Patten.**

If possible, attend the Board of Supervisors hearing on November 30 at 9:00 am and make comments in person. Members of the Board have made statements that make it appear they are discounting written comments as they are unsure whether they are coming from individuals or as part of an organized campaign.



If you cannot appear at the meeting:

- Submit written comments in support of the map which you feel would best represent the will of the people of San Luis Obispo County.
- If you live in one of the deferred communities address your comments to your concern about losing your right to vote for a supervisor in 2022.
- If you live in one of the communities of interest that are divided by the Patten map, address your comments to your community of interest being divided.

A couple of notes about written comments:

- County staff searches for the commenter in the voter registration rolls and notes the commenters registration status (i.e. not found or registered in # District). To ensure that your status is reported properly, use the name under which you are registered (i.e., Richard, not Rick).
- Please keep your comments civil. This is not the time for personal attacks on individual supervisors or staff. Focus your comments on how the decision on district lines affects you and your community.
- Submit your comments to [boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us](mailto:boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us) and reference the November 30 redistricting meeting.

The map chosen by the Board on Supervisors on Nov 30 will decide the supervisorial districts for the next 10 years. Now is the time to make your voice heard. Because democracy is not a spectator sport.

# EXHIBIT 12

**Exhibit 12**  
**Citizens for Preserving District #4 Overview**  
**Acceleration vs. Deferral of Voting Rights if Patten Map Is Adopted**

***Accelerations relating to District 4 election in 2022:***

Much of the population in the southern part of current District 5 would be able to vote in the 2022 District 4 election (**acceleration**).

Specifically, people in the SLO Country Club area (part of current District 5) would have their votes **accelerated** by becoming part of a redrawn District 4.

***Accelerations relating to District 2 election in 2022:***

People in the western part of current District 1 would be able to vote in a District 2 election in 2022 (**acceleration**). For example, voters in San Miguel would be **accelerated** voters and Heritage Park (west of Paso) would be **accelerated**.

People in Atascadero who are currently in District 5 would have their votes **accelerated** in District 2.

***Deferrals relating to District 2 election in 2022:***

People in Los Osos (currently part of District 2) would have to wait (**deferral**) because they would become part of a new District 5.

Most people in Morro Bay (currently part of District 2) would have their votes **deferred** because they would be in a new District 3, but the new District 3 would not have a supervisorial election until 2024.

The people in SLO and in the Cal Poly area would become part of District 2, so some members of the Cal Poly and SLO City communities would remain as is and some would be **accelerated** in District 2.

***Deferrals relating to District 4 election in 2022:***

People in Oceano (now in District 4) would be in a new District 5 and would have to wait until 2024 to vote (**deferral**).

People in Oceano (now in District 4) would be moved into a newly numbered district (District 5) joining communities that are now in District 3. These voters will be able to vote in 2022 because the current supervisor will be running in her current (what will be the "old" district) but the Oceano voters will not (**deferral**).

Some SLO City residents currently in District 5 would have their votes **deferred**. Also, people in the growing and developing southern part of SLO, including the area around the airport, would become part of the new District 5 so would have to wait (**deferral**).

With the age-old adage of a picture is worth a thousand words, this table shows the impact of accelerations and deferrals in numbers and percentages, clearly depicting the orchestrated partisan effort of the Republican party:

**Consequences by Major Party & Other of Acceleration & Deferral  
Caused by Patten Map**

<b>By District</b>	<b>Registered Voters #</b>	<b>Registered Voters %</b>	<b>Patten Accel 1,5 to 2,4</b>	<b>Patten Defer 2,4 to 3,5</b>	<b>% Voters Accel</b>	<b>% Voters Deferred</b>
D1 Dem	8,895	27%				
D1 Rep	14,081	43%				
D1 Oth	9,800	30%				
Total D1	32,776					
D2 Dem	14,164	43%	8,764		34%	
D2 Rep	8,460	25%	11,571		45%	
D2 Oth	11,315	32%	5,297		21%	
Total D2	33,373		25,632			
D3 Dem	14,065	39%		4,890		49%
D3 Rep	10,593	29%		2,905		29%
D3 Oth	11,315	32%		2,271		22%
Total D3	35,973			10,066		
D4 Dem	11,768	32%	1,713		36%	
D4 Rep	13,753	38%	2,099		45%	
D4 Oth	10,859	30%	911		19%	
Total D4	36,380		4,723			
D5 Dem	11,078	33%		8,688		52%
D5 Rep	12,369	36%		4,223		25%
D5 Oth	10,519	31%		3,762		23%
Total D5	33,966			16,673		
Total Number of Accelerated and Deferred Voters: 57,094			30,355	26,739		

**SLO County  
Deferral of Latino vote, breakup of communities of interest  
Latino Population Percentages by District**

Source: Directly from each Map published on SLO County Website

<b>District #</b>	<b>Map A</b>	<b>Patten Map</b>	<b>Chamber Map</b>
<b>1 – Peschong</b>	33.1%	31.1%	32.2%
<b>2- Gibson</b>	17.2%	21.5%	17.3%
<b>3 - Ortiz-Legg</b>	20.5%	17.1%	19.5%
<b>4 - Comton</b>	30.4%	<b>26.4%</b>	30.9%
<b>5 – Arnold</b>	17.6%	<b>23.6%</b>	19.2%

# EXHIBIT 13

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# Supervisor Lynn Compton ([/Departments/Board-of-Supervisors/District-4.aspx](#))

4th District, San Luis Obispo County

## District 4 Supervisor Lynn Compton

Welcome to the Fourth District of San Luis Obispo County.

As your Supervisor, I will be the voice for the residents of San Luis Obispo, Arroyo Grande, Oceano, and Nipomo. By working together and investing in our region, we will maintain the splendor, reputation, and the quality of life we have here in San Luis Obispo county, for our children and for all future generations.

While my office is in the city of San Luis Obispo, I hold office hours in Nipomo, Oceano and Arroyo Grande on Thursdays. Please see the "[District 4 Office Hours \(/Departments/Board-of-Supervisors/District-4/Office-Hours.aspx\)](#)" page, which you can access from the Helpful Links section of this page.



# EXHIBIT 14

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News

# Supervisors approve formation of second advisory council in Oceano

BY KASEY BUBNASH

The small community of Oceano is now home to two community advisory councils, an unusual situation that some claim is an attempt to overthrow the area's original and left-leaning council.

At a meeting on June 8, the San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors voted to recognize the Vitality Advisory Council of Oceano, a newly formed community advisory council made up of Oceano residents and business owners that first requested approval from the board in April. The 3-2 vote, with 2nd District Supervisor Bruce Gibson and 3rd District Supervisor Dawn Ortiz-Legg dissenting, came after nearly two hours of contentious public comment from community members, some who complained that the original advisory council had become deeply one-sided and unwilling to consider conservative ideas.

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Jonathan Rodriguez, an Oceano resident and founding member of the Vitality Advisory Council, said at the June 8 meeting that as a longtime youth pastor, he's had the opportunity to build relationships with many Oceano families and community members, many who he said don't feel represented by the region's original council, the Oceano Advisory Council.

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File Photo By Jayson Mellom

**DISTRICT 4** Some community members believe the formation of a new advisory council in Oceano is an attempt by 4th District Supervisor Lynn Compton's to defund the community's original council.

"Through the past few years I've heard this small group of people say they represent Oceano, that they are the voice of Oceano, I've heard them say they represent the Latino and underprivileged people of Oceano," Rodriguez said at the meeting. "Yet their message and their views do not reflect my own or the views of many of the multigenerational families that I have come to know throughout my lifetime."

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The new group's other founding members include Linda Austin, president of the Oceano Community Services District; Adam Verdin, co-owner of Old Juan's Cantina; Marios Pougoukas, owner of the Rock and Roll Diner; Barney Foster, a recent failed candidate for the Oceano Community Services District; and resident Gina McMahon. They say members of the original Oceano Advisory Council have long failed to take the needs of Oceano's businesses into consideration, instead advocating for the closure of the Oceano Airport and the elimination of off-roading in the Oceano Dunes State Vehicular Recreation Area (SVRA).

But other community members who spoke at the June 8 meeting pointed out that the Oceano Advisory Council has several vacant seats, which those interested could fill. Several said that while opposing views on a single council would make room for healthy debate, the creation of a second council would only sow division in the community.

Arroyo Grande resident Kay Gore called the move 4th District Supervisor Lynn Compton's "latest petty self-serving ploy" and an attempt to defund the existing council and replace it with one that supports her political agenda.

"Lynn Compton," Gore said, "have you no shame?"



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The Oceano Advisory Council has been meeting regularly since it was officially recognized by the Board of Supervisors in 1996. Community advisory councils don't have any real voting power, and while most usually receive small amounts of funding from the Board of Supervisors, the board isn't required to fund them or required to fund each council equally.

In April, the Oceano Advisory Council sent a line-by-line budget request to Supervisor Compton's office detailing funding needs through December 2022, according to chair Allene Villa. The request, which totaled \$4,832, included items like office supplies, website maintenance, and a Zoom contract. The most expensive request was a one-year contract with Survey Monkey—at a cost of \$2,700—for a proposed community needs assessment regarding the future of Pier Avenue.

Villa said she never heard back from Compton or her office. Now she worries Compton will choose to fund projects proposed by the new council over those proposed by the Oceano Advisory Council, effectively dismantling the initial group.

At the June 8 meeting, Compton said she had nothing to do with the formation of the Vitality Advisory Council.

"I value everybody's opinion, whether it's pro something or against something. The problem is a lot of opinions are being drowned out right now, and you're getting four to five people that have their opinion being represented as Oceano. And in all honesty, in my opinion, this would never be coming forward if other community members thought their voices were being heard."

Compton said that while some community advisory councils throughout SLO County choose members through various kinds of election processes, the Oceano Advisory Council does not. The new advisory council in Oceano doesn't plan to hold member elections at this point either.

A resolution passed by the SLO County Board of Supervisors in 1996 sets out the minimum requirements for an advisory council to be recognized, but it does not require that all councils have a standard election process to choose members,

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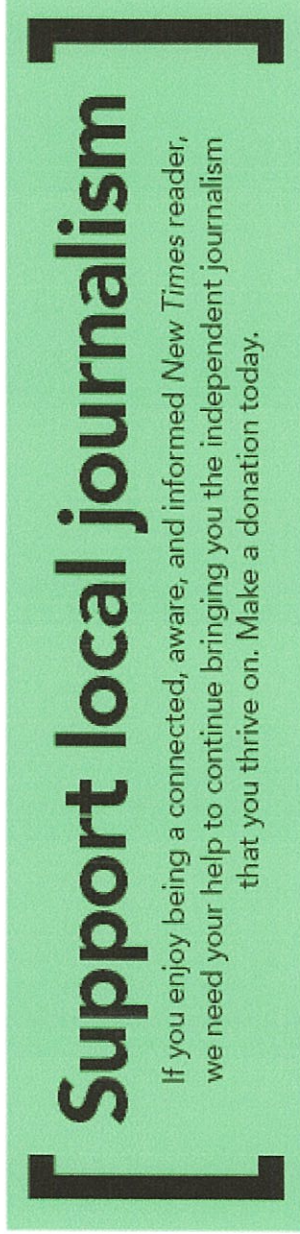
according to County Counsel Rita Neal. The board could standardize that process through the approval of a new or amended resolution.

While Compton said she'd like to address the inconsistency among the county's advisory councils, she shot down Supervisor Gibson's repeated attempts to hold off on the formation of the new advisory council.

"I don't think it's great to have two advisory councils in all honesty, and I wish—like in some of the comments people said—I wish everybody could be in one council and you could get different viewpoints. However, that's not, with the current council, how it works," Compton said.  $\Delta$

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# EXHIBIT 15



To: Lynn, Compton, SLO Board of Supervisors  
Bruce Gibson, SLO Board of Supervisors  
John Peschong, SLO Board of Supervisors  
Debbie Arnold, SLO Board of Supervisors  
Dawn Ortiz-Legg, SLO Board of Supervisors

From: Allene Villa/Chair  
Oceano Advisory Council

Re: Board of Supervisors Agenda Item 8

June 6, 2021

Dear Supervisors,

The Oceano Advisory Council (OAC) is requesting that item 8 on the June 8, 2021 Consent Agenda be pulled for discussion. We believe the board must discuss and deny. Our points are as follows:

1. It is unprecedented to have two advisory councils for the same community area. The establishment of an additional council is not only unnecessary but is divisive and sets a dangerous precedent. The Oceano Advisory Council is a legitimate and officially sanctioned council in existence since 1996. The establishment of another council will only serve to cause division and confusion in our community and county. Instead of resolving issues within the community, residents and those with business within the OAC's boundaries would choose the council they most agree

with and refuse to compromise or listen to differing positions or ideas. Which council would the county staff work to assist? Which advisory council would the collective Supervisors take into consideration when making important decisions in our community? It will set a dangerous precedent across our entire county and actually encourages divisiveness. A second council will also create more work for the county.

Lastly, the creation of an additional council will serve to undermine and devalue the importance of our current council, which has been performing its duties, working diligently, and finds itself in front of you solely because of one divisive political reason.

2. The Oceano Advisory Council has been very active and complied with all its duties and bylaws since its creation and continuing up to the present. It has even taken concrete steps to be more inclusive and transparent than it had been historically. We have been doing specific outreach to the business and Latino community members to meet that goal. Our town is 58% Latino and our council should reflect this reality. To date, we have not turned down any prospective council applicant. We currently have 5 council members representing a diverse makeup of gender, race, ethnicity, and even geographic coverage within our entire boundary. Currently 6 council seats are open and we welcome prospective members - especially from Latino and business sectors. The Founding members of the Vitality Advisory Council Of Oceano (VACO) have personally been invited to attend, apply and join our council.

For the purposes of transparency, inclusion, and accountability in the community all of our minutes and agendas are posted to our website and our meetings are uploaded to YouTube for public access. The Oceano Advisory Council held the first Oceano Community Services District (OCSD) Candidate Forum last year. The OAC also held a special meeting specifically relating to the Oceano Beach and Dunes on March 11<sup>th</sup> which was well attended by the business community. All minutes are forwarded to Supervisor Compton and she is consistently contacted and always invited to every one of our meetings.

3. The Oceano Advisory Council has been working hard on several projects this year:

- A) We continue to work diligently on a vacation rental ordinance for Oceano. Having this ordinance adopted will help preserve our town's character and also help preserve our community's affordable housing. It is our goal to get this approved by the BOS this year.
- B) We are creating a task force for new pedestrian access, a public plaza, and additional parking (including increasing the handicap-accessible portion) at the end of Pier Ave in preparation for the closure of Pier Ave on July 1 of 2022.
- C) Most recently we started a task force for curbs, gutters, and sidewalks. This last project is the most requested improvement our community desires and our task force will work ardently to find grants for this project.
- D) The current OAC is also actively working with Cal Poly professors and students in the City and Regional Planning Department to conduct a needs assessment for our community. This will help us best guide and advise our county on future projects. We are a council who cares deeply for our community and wants to see quality of life and infrastructure improvement for our disadvantaged community.
- E) We have a member who is concurrently working with the SLOCOG endeavor to improve all modes of transportation throughout the community, for the benefit of all.

As you can see by the VACO documents before you, none of these vital and community-based endeavors are even discussed by them as points of interest. Their only focus, as evidenced in their very own paperwork, is the off-road use of the Dunes.

4. The Vitality Advisory Council of Oceano should be rejected as a divisive, partisan, and undemocratic endeavor. Two of its founders (Marios



Pougioukas and Adam Verdin) were specifically invited to OAC meetings and also encouraged to apply to the council. They refused these overtures. Another of its founders, Linda Austin, was formerly a council member who chose to resign after the organization she represented was discovered not to be in compliance with the OAC by-law membership requirement. Unfortunately, by her own choice she would not re-apply as a member-at-large.

Furthermore, the majority of the VACO are business owners and strong supporters of OHV, with two of them not even residing within the represented district and these same business owners already benefit from Tourism Board financial support, Chamber of Commerce promotional support and federal government funding.

They are proposing to include the State Parks SVRA area and Dunes Preserve into their area of representation which is outside the purview of the district of Oceano. Their letter specifically states that they came together after the Coastal Commission March 18<sup>th</sup> decision to phase out off-roading in the next 3 years. They are clearly an interest group whose main purpose will be the economic advantage they have with the off-road businesses and supporters. They are also a much less diverse group and certainly do not represent a cross-section of our community. In reality, the CCC decision has been made and is now in the courts. It is time to focus on other areas of economic development and infrastructure improvement and their documents show these truly community-based vital issues are not their focus in the least.

5. The recognition of a duplicate council would cause additional funding or division of funding from the county for two councils to operate. The VACO application states that it anticipates funding from the county in order to proceed. However, the staff report states the county will not incur any additional expenses. Unless funding is cut off completely to the Oceano Advisory Council how is this possible? Currently, our supervisor has refused to approve the 2021-2022 budget even though we have stated we only have \$200 left in our budget and outstanding bills. Unfortunately, Supervisor Compton refuses to answer if she will soon fund the council and

stated at the May supervisors meeting it is her discretion not to fund interest groups that do not represent the community.

Reviewing the current 11 county advisory councils' financial activities over the last 4 years, three very pertinent facts stand out: A) our council rarely asks for money, B) In comparison to other councils of our size and scope we have one of the lowest total funding amounts on record and C) it is not outside the norm for a council to ask for money \*after\* they have depleted their current balance. Any attempt to disparage us by stating we "spend money we don't have" is denying the recent history of several other advisory councils. We look to the collective board to approve our impending funding, as is required by the BOS bylaws on the topic.

The Oceano Advisory Council takes its role in the community seriously and will continue to do so. We appreciate your attention and look forward to your denial of this redundant and special-interest council.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Allene Villa".

Allene Villa/Chair  
Oceano Advisory Council

# EXHIBIT 16

# The Oceano and Nipomo Dunes Constitute California's Ocean-side Sahara Desert, Where History and Beauty Collide

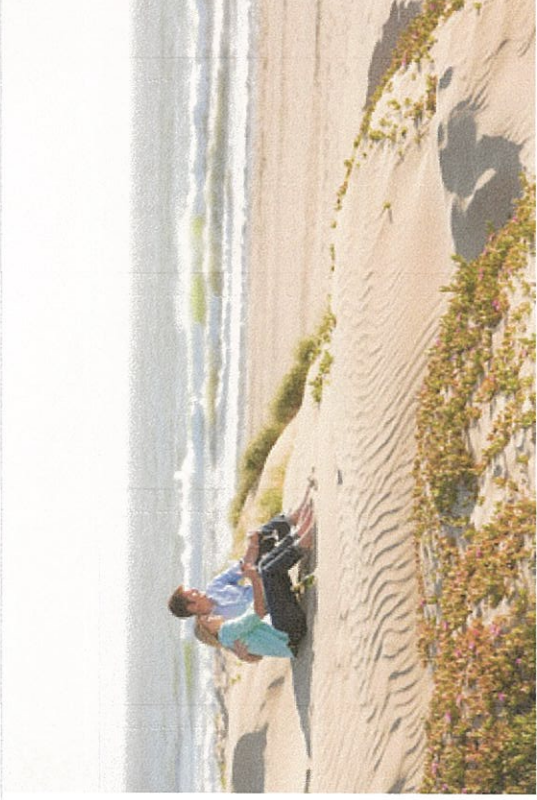
Discover Hollywood History at the Guadalupe-Nipomo Dunes Center, Go Back in Time at the Oceano Train Depot and The Rancho Nipomo Dana Adobe, Drive Your Car on Oceano Dunes State Vehicular Recreation Area, Witness Thousands of Monarch Butterflies as they Migrate, and Enjoy Miles of Unspoiled Beaches

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## **Nipomo**

Situated as the first town in San Luis Obispo County when traveling north on Highway 101, locals proudly proclaim "The Central Coast Starts Here!" Nipomo offers a charming old-fashioned downtown featuring the deliciously world-famous Jocko's Steak House, and is home to three world-class golf courses, orchards laden with citrus and avocados, and fields of strawberries and flowers. Here are some noteworthy things to do while visiting Nipomo:

- **Rancho Nipomo Dana Adobe**
- **Monarch Butterfly Grove**
- **The Luffa Farm**
- **Guadalupe – Nipomo Dunes Center**
- **Oso Flaco Natural Area**
- **Stewardship Travel**

## **Oceano**

Oceano is a little California beach town at the edge of the largest dunes complex in the state. The Oceano Dunes State Vehicular Recreation Area is the only place in California where visitors can drive on the beach and enjoy fun recreation opportunities from ATV cruising and horseback riding, to surfing and kayak fishing. The historic Oceano Train Depot served as a classic turn-of-the-century Type 22 train depot until 1973 and is now a history museum filled with a plethora of railroad artifacts.

- **Oceano Dunes State Vehicular Recreation Area**
- **The Great American Melodrama & Vaudeville**
- **Oceano Train Depot and Museum**
- **Stewardship Travel**

Plan for a memorable rural road trip or vacation in Oceano and Nipomo and download the Oceano and Nipomo Road Trip Map to check out these must-see spots. For more information as well as lodging and dining options, please visit [www.highway1discoveryroute.com](http://www.highway1discoveryroute.com).

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# Welcome to Oceano & Nipomo

Oceano provides one of the only beaches in California where it is legal to drive. The Oceano Dunes State Vehicular Recreation Area (SVRA) is open year-round. The area is popular with truck and dune buggy enthusiasts, as well as those looking to beat the heat, so reservations are recommended (particularly on holidays). Campsites are available year-round on the beach and in the open dune area, and include bathroom facilities. Other activities include swimming, surfing, surf fishing, and hiking the dunes to gain spectacular views of the dramatic coastline. The famous Pismo Clam can be found here, too. Clammers must have a valid fishing license and rigid measuring tool (clams must measure at least 4 1/2" to be harvested), and the bag limit is 10 Pismo clams. Even without the appropriate vehicle, visitors can still enjoy thrill rides on the Oceano Dunes with touring companies like Pacific Adventure Tours who do

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The ranch offers one-hour trail rides on the beach and dunes with their own horses and gear, led by an experienced guide. Overnight boarding is also available for those bringing their own horse, as well as an arena and round pen. Pacific Dunes Riding Stables includes full hookup RV sites for long-term stays, as well as a clubhouse, game room and meeting room. The Ranch boasts a large barbecue area and picnic tables with magnificent sunset views.

For the golf enthusiast, play a round in three of the county's finest golf courses, all in one destination. Each of Nipomo's three golf resorts boasts world-class courses and amenities. A high-end golf resort with a laid-back vibe, Blacklake Golf Resort offers 27 holes in three nine-hole layouts for a unique golfing experience that challenges even the best golfer's game. Monarch Dunes Golf Club includes a traditional 18-hole course as well as a challenge course comprised of 12 three-par holes. At Cypress Ridge, enjoy an award-winning championship course (also a Peter Jacobsen Signature Course) voted one of Golf Digest's "Best Places To Play" (and one of the Central Coast's most sought-after wedding venues). All three resorts offer private instruction, while Blacklake and Monarch Dunes each also offer dining options.

## THINGS TO DO IN OCEANO & NIPOMO

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**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:37 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]District map change

For your review. Thank you.

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**From:** Kim <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 8:03 PM  
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**Subject:** [EXT]District map change

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Dear Board of Supervisors, my friend Devon wrote you a letter and We whole Heartley feel the same way. Please reconsider on splitting our current coastal communities up.

As a Los Osos resident since 1985, we are deeply concerned about the redistricting process, especially the so-called Patten Map.

It is inconceivable to me that the Board would consider splintering the communities that lie along the Estero Bay.

I can't think of a group of communities that more perfectly embody what state law calls "a community of interest" than Cayucos, Morro Bay, and Los Osos. It's bad enough that you would consider slicing off even one of these communities from the other two, but the Patten Map proposes packing all three communities off into three separate districts.

At nearly 30,000 residents, these three communities make up nearly 80% of the North Coast. Why would you break up such a tightly knit population cluster, one that has in common so many interests, including shared governance of transportation maintenance, public schools, parks and open space and other infrastructure. Among the many facets that bind these communities together:

- **Intertwined Economy:** A key facet of defining a “community of interest” are close economic ties. Residents from all three communities shop in each other’s communities. Visitors hardly know the difference from where Morro Bay ends and Cayucos begins.
- **Coastal Environment:** Los Osos and Morro Bay share the Morro Bay National Estuary, which is governed by representatives from our communities. Yet the Patten Map would break us up for no apparent reason other than partisan advantage.
- **Infrastructure:** The City of Morro Bay and the Cayucos Sanitary District are planning the decommissioning and disposition of a co-owned sewage treatment plant.
- **Transportation:** Highway 1 is major MB Cayucos connection; So. Bay Blvd is major county road connection for LO and MB economy and evacuation route; RTA bus Routes 12 and 15 also connect these communities.
- **Open Space and parks:** The coast’s geography is defined in large part by common usage by Morro Bay State Park, Montana de Oro State Park, Estero Bluffs State Park plus other greenbelt parcels in Los Osos and Cayucos.
- **Public Schools:** All three communities are interdependent for schools. Los Osos Middle School serves Morro Bay and Los Osos students; Morro Bay High serves Los Osos as well as Morro Bay residents, plus many Cayucos students.
- **Interdependent Collaborations:**
  - The Toro Creek Preserve project currently underway is conserving the Chevron property between Morro Bay and Cayucos, and is dependent on the participation of SLO County, the City of Morro Bay, the Cayucos Sanitary District along with nonprofits such as the Cayucos Land Conservancy.
  - SLO County operation of State Park facilities including Morro Bay Golf Course, the Cayucos Beach pier and the management of Bishops Peak are all covered under same operating agreement.

I’m sure there are more aspects that tie each of these communities together. But this is a long list. And the reason for the Patten Map is short - it’s just to gain partisan advantage. It has nothing to do with fair representation, good governance, or respect for our communities.

Please reject the Patten Map.

Sincerely,

Kim and Tim McCurdy

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 2:38 PM  
**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistricting

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Dear Board of Supervisors,  
This is the third time I am writing about this issue. This is of such importance!

Adopting the Patten Map is blatant gerrymandering, and violates California Election Law 21500 which states: *The board shall not adopt supervisorial district boundaries for the purpose of favoring or discriminating against a political party.*

The Patten Map separates communities of interest. It also disenfranchises tens of thousands of voters, the majority of whom are Democrats, keeping them from voting until 2024.

Furthermore, along with my other objections, as a resident of San Luis Obispo, I am opposed to the fact that the Patten Map cuts off portions of our city, dumps them into a north coast district and fails to include unincorporated areas.

Choosing a map which blatantly violates election law and fairness is repugnant and shameful. I hope you will make the fair and ethical choice, and support with **SLO County 2030** map, which provides some modest changes in a manner which is fair and non-partisan.

Please demonstrate that you are a fair and non-partisan representative of the voters in your district and the county as a whole which as a member of the Board of Supervisors you are supposed to and expected to be.

Carol Maxwell  
San Luis Obispo

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Chuck Tribbey [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:** [EXT]redistricting maps

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To the Board of Supervisors:

I am writing to ask the Board of Supervisors to select the SLO County 2030 map and reject the Patten map. The SLO County 2030 map meets the criteria of the California election code, the United States Constitution, the California Constitution, and the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965. This map respects local communities of interest and is endorsed by the League of Women Voters. Since there has not been a significant change in county population, this map is the most logical and least disruptive to voters.

The Patten map, on the other hand, creates disparate districts. It puts North Coast communities such as Cambria and Cayucos with North County Communities like Paso Robles. As a former Cambrian, I know that these are not communities of interest. The Patten map would also create over 25000 voter deferrals where people in coastal districts would not be able to vote in 2022, thus having no say in who represents them. This map would also accelerate over 25000 voters in North County giving them an unfair advantage by allowing them to vote in the next two supervisorial elections. This map is not democratic and is an example of blatant partisan gerrymandering.

Sincerely  
Charles Tribbey  
Pismo Beach

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**From:** Chris Cofer [REDACTED] >  
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San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors:

In reviewing the redistricting maps, the two that you selected for consideration, I urge you to select the map submitted by the Chamber of Commerce called the 2030 (#75760).

The 2030 map meets all the requirements without making major and unnecessary changes.

Sincerely  
Elizabeth K Cofer

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**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 9:23 PM  
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**Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting

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Please, supervisors, on November 30 choose the SLO County 2030 map put forward by the Chamber of Commerce. It keeps communities of interest together and minimizes the number of voters disenfranchised in the 2022 election. It's the only map remaining that makes sense.

Thank you,  
Diane W. Mayfield  
[REDACTED]  
Templeton, CA 93465  
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**Subject:** FW: [EXT]Patten Map Doesn't Meet California Constitution Requirements

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**From:** Brian Starr [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 28, 2021 9:54 PM  
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**Subject:** [EXT]Patten Map Doesn't Meet California Constitution Requirements

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I am writing to question why the Patten Map should even be considered by the Board Of Supervisors. I am a resident of Avila Valley. My "community of interest" has little in common with Los Osos and Baywood Park (as proposed by the Patten Map) and is best served by the SLO Chamber Plan (that makes only minor adjustments to the present plan). The countywide census increase of 5% from 2010 to 2020 does not warrant a wholesale change to the current district boundaries.

The California Constitution requires that districts be contiguous. Further, the state constitution mandates that "to the extent possible, [districts] must ... preserve the geographic integrity of cities, counties, neighborhoods and communities of interest." Districts must also "encourage compactness." In short, the California Constitution requirements are as follows:

Required: Compact, Contiguous, Preserve Political Subdivisions, Preserve Communities of Interest  
Prohibited: Intentionally Favor or Disfavor an Incumbent, Candidate or Party; Use Partisan Data

The Patten Map does not conform to these Constitutional requirements. Any Supervisors voting in favor of Patten Map owe a clear explanation to their constituents of the following three questions:

1. Why does a census increase of only 5% require a complete redistricting of the entire County?
2. How does the Patten Map comply with all of the specific California Constitution requirements noted above?
3. Why is a vote for the Patten Map not gerrymandering?



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*verb*

gerund or present participle: **gerrymandering**

manipulate the boundaries of (an electoral constituency) so as to favor one party or class.

- achieve (a result) by manipulating the boundaries of an electoral constituency.  
"a total freedom to gerrymander the results they want"

We will be listening for your well supported and clearly stated reasoning for your vote.

Thank you,

Brian Starr

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**To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>  
**Subject:** FW: Contact Form Topic: Board of Supervisors meetings/business

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**Subject:** Contact Form Topic: Board of Supervisors meetings/business

Topic: Board of Supervisors meetings/business

Your Name: Sharon Rippner

Your Email: [REDACTED]

U.S. phone number: [REDACTED]

Message: Re: Redistricting Dear Supervisors—Boy, Patten pulled a “bait and switch” with his supporters on November 19. They were all touting the “Patten plan” because they thought it removed CalPOLY from District 5 as well as made Templeton whole and within District 5. Bet they were really surprised to see what the “Revised Patten Plan” actually looked like—i.e., putting many of these supporters into a District which contains all of CalPOLY and also Cambria—and not even calling it District 5 anymore! So, basically, this revised Patten plan should have no support from the people who spoke for it on November 19. And it certainly is not favored by those of us who expressed preference for either no change from current Districts or Plan A or Plan B at the November 19 comment session. So, how the heck did it end up being one of the two alternatives that the Board is choosing from?? It is the absolutely worst plan possible for our County in terms of the legal requirements as it separates several communities of interest and groups other communities together that have absolutely nothing in common. It would only be favored by those who want to end up with blatantly gerrymandered districts. So, that leaves us, apparently, with the Chamber Plan, which is actually not terrible. It would do well to have some “tweaking” (see Eric Greening’s ideas) so that Atascadero is left whole. Otherwise it attempts to hold together communities of interest and has basic integrity with our current district mapping. It makes more changes than necessary but none that are outright ridiculous. I did not want any changes to the current District lines and none are needed under law. However, if the majority of this Board is bent on change, then the “Chamber 2030” plan, i.e., Draft Map 75760, is acceptable. I would be at the Board Meeting on November 30 to advocate for this in person but I have

medical appointments scheduled that morning and am unable to attend. Therefore, please accept this input.  
Thank you, Sharon Rippner 6448 Squire Court San Luis Obispo 93401

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