From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:06 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]Supervisors please make sure the Staff corrects the Agenda Details

From: Gayle Westerlind

Sent: Sunday, November 28, 2021 7:45 AM

To: Redistricting < Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>; John Peschong < jpeschong@co.slo.ca.us>; co.slo.ca.us@rpslo.org; Debbie

Arnold <arnold@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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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, Gayle Westerlind

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:06 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]11/30/21 Special Meeting - Supervisorial District Maps

From: Kathleen Goble

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 5:03 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: FW: [EXT]11/30/21 Special Meeting - Supervisorial District Maps

From: Kimmie Nguyen

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 4:14 PM

To: Debbie Arnold < darnold@co.slo.ca.us >; Lynn Compton < lcompton@co.slo.ca.us >; Bruce Gibson

<<u>bgibson@co.slo.ca.us</u>>; Wade Horton <<u>whorton@co.slo.ca.us</u>>; Vicki Janssen <<u>vjanssen@co.slo.ca.us</u>>; Blake Fixler <<u>bfixler@co.slo.ca.us</u>>; District 4 <<u>district4@co.slo.ca.us</u>>; Dawn

Ortiz-Legg < dortiz-Legg < dortiz-Legg < dortiz-Legg < dortiz-Legg @co.slo.ca.us>; Sarah Sartain < ssartain@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]11/30/21 Special Meeting - Supervisorial District Maps

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Dear Respected Members of the Board,

I am writing to express my strong opinion that the Board of Supervisors should vote tomorrow to adopt the SLO County 2030 Map prepared by the SLO Chamber of Commerce and other representatives throughout our community. This map strongly adheres to the guidelines established by state and federal law, keeping communities of interest and neighborhoods together, ensuring that each district contains a good urban and rural mix of environments and constituents, and ensuring that agriculture is represented well as a major industry within all 5 County districts. The map was devised by a host of Chamber representatives whose political and ideological views run across a large spectrum - but all who can agree to hold up the common good of economic and social prosperity here in the Central Coast.

By contrast, the map prepared by Richard Patton separates communities of interest and unnecessarily creates districts that cross real geographical boundaries. There is no good reason to choose this map, and on the contrary there are many good reasons it should have been eliminated.

I am disappointed and disheartened by the blatant moves the conservative majority has taken in the last few years to dismantle the administration and efficacy of democracy here in SLO County. As elected leaders who serve the entirety of this county, whose decisions affect some 283,000 people, you can and MUST do better than the Patton map.

Best, Kimmie Nguyen District 3 Resident

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:06 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]Redistricting Public Comment for November 30, 2021

----Original Message-----

From: Kathleen Goble <kgoble@co.slo.ca.us> Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 5:06 PM To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: FW: [EXT]Redistricting Public Comment for November 30, 2021

----Original Message-----

From: Suzanne Petrie

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 4:44 PM

To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>; John Peschong@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]Redistricting Public Comment for November 30, 2021

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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 helps have more voices with the Coastal Commission. No one supervisors should represent only the coast as together the supervisors can be more effective.

Your Name
City

Sent from my iPhone

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:07 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]I support the SLO Chamber map

From: Hilary Graves

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 5:08 PM **To:** Redistricting < Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us > **Subject:** [EXT]I support the SLO Chamber map

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In previous correspondence we voiced our opinion that no change to the County district map is necessary. Since then two maps have been submitted for consideration. We support the SLO Chamber map.

Thank you, Hilary and Simon Graves Creston CA

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:07 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]against Patten map

From: Peggy C. Papathakis

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 5:09 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT] against Patten map

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Honorable Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to ask the Board of Supervisors to dismiss the Patten map from consideration and select the remaining map, SLO County 2030, as the map to put in place for our county for the next 10 years.

The county has not grown in population or changed significantly to warrant such a significant change to district boundaries. The Patten map makes disruptive changes that are unnecessary and unfair to the residents of the affected areas. With the Patton map most residents would be separated them from their closest and logical communities of interest. It appears that the Patton map has been designed to favor one political party over another.

An analysis provided by the non-partisan League of Women Voters say,s "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).

If you feel you must change the district map, please accept the SLO County 2030 map.

Peggy C. Papathakis, PhD, RD (she/her) Professor of Nutrition, Emeritus Department of Food Science and Nutrition California Polytechnic State University San Luis Obispo, CA 93407

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:08 AM

To: Maria G. Brown
Subject: FW: [EXT]Redistricting

From: Kathleen Goble <kgoble@co.slo.ca.us> **Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 5:10 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: FW: [EXT]Redistricting

From: Barbara Spry

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 4:32 PM

To: BOS_District 5_Web Contact < district5@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT] Redistricting

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I think more than enough OPINIONS (not always facts) re:redistricting have been expressed thus far (watched the last meeting in its entirety on cable TV) so shall be brief. I hope you will vote your CONSCIENCE and vote for the Chamber rather than the Patten map. The Chamber appointed a group of business leaders from DIFFERENT districts, industries, and political perspectives and was approved in total by the board of directors. I find that somewhat compelling. I think Supervisor Ortiz-Legg's reasoning makes very good sense and bears repeating....to ensure communities of interest and spheres of influence. Enough said.

I have voted for you in the past...this is my first correspondence. I find politics, especially in this day and age, repugnant and have become very disillusioned and disgusted with the entire process (like so many others, you too?) but I could not, in good conscience, fail to express my opinion and do what I feel is my civic duty in this case. I am neither a registered Republican or Democrat.

Regards,

Barbara Spry

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:06 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]Hearing #3 Meeting Minutes **Attachments:** Public Comment History_3rd Hearing.docx

From: Kathleen Goble <kgoble@co.slo.ca.us>
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 5:02 PM
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>
Subject: FW: [EXT]Hearing #3 Meeting Minutes

From: Richard Patten

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 4:37 PM

To: John Peschong External Address < john@meridianhq.com >; Debbie Arnold < darnold@co.slo.ca.us >

Subject: [EXT] Hearing #3 Meeting Minutes

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John, Debbie;

Attached is a document challenging the fair and transparent treatment of the Patten Map vs. Chamber Map. Please read the document to determine if there is reason for concern going forward. I respectfully request Motions be made to #3 Hearing minutes to include a complete, unbiased account of Public Comments that have been made and recorded supporting or showing non-support for BOTH maps. Currently the meeting minutes are one sided for the purpose of swaying public opinion toward chamber map.

Best regards Richard Patten Redistricting 11/30/21

County Board of Supervisors
John Pseschong [1], Lynn Compton [4], Debbie Arnold [5]
RE: Staff meeting minutes for Hearing #3

Dear Supervisors;

Please Make a Motion to amend the Staff generated Hearing #3 meeting minutes to address the following concerns.

County Staff records the most common themes of public comment <u>before maps were submitted</u> are: [note: the number to the right of the comment indicates how many comments were made supporting the theme.]

- 1 Keep the town of Oceano in the same district as Arroyo Grande and Nipomo is a COI / Maintain district 4 as it is [1]
- 2 Keep Cal Poly COI within one District/Keep Cal Poly and City of San Luis Obispo out of North County COI [5]
- 3 Keep the North coast towns COI within one district [5]
- 4 Keep the city of San Luis Obispo in multiple districts [1]

County Staff has recorded only themes favoring Chamber map: Public Comments favoring other ideas are omitted. Make a Motion to included Additional Themes clearly indicated by Public Comment:

- 1 From J T Sent: Saturday, July 17, 2021 2:59:45 PM Cal Poly should be placed in San Luis Obispo [2]
- 2 From: S A Sent: Saturday, July 17, 2021 3:30:51 PM
- Our community should absolutely not include the city of San Luis Obispo or the area of Cal Poly where students can vote on issues that do not affect them [2]
 - 3 From: B C Sent: Saturday, July 17, 2021 3:39:13 PM
- Cal Poly students should vote for their home districts, not SLO County [Included in Above]
 - 4 From: J P Sent: : Monday, July 19, 2021 10:24 AM
 - San Luis Obispo, should be it's own district. [2]
 - 5 Do Not divide SLO and Cal Poly
 - District 5 cuts the City of San Luis Obispo in two [2]

Public comments can be found by following the link below.

- https://www.slocounty.ca.gov/Departments/Administrative-Office/Countywide-Projects-Programs/Redistricting/Redistricting-Board-Hearings-and-Public-Workshops.aspx
- "Redistricting Hearing #3 Consideration of county Staff Advisory Committee Draft Map and Publicly Submitted Maps:
- 2021 Redistricting: Themes of Public Comment / Input Regarding Communities of Interest (COI's)
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A summarized sentence from each relevant Public Comment is found below. [Each comment was sent to BOS BEFORE and maps were submitted for examination by the board or public.]

Public Comments Summary:

- From: C P Sent: Monday, July 19, 2021 10:56 AM To: Redistricting
- Keep towns Los Osos, Morro Bay, Cayucos, Cambria, San Simeon together [3]
 - From J T Sent: Saturday, July 17, 2021 2:59:45 PM Cal Poly should be placed in San Luis Obispo [2]
 - From: S A Sent: Saturday, July 17, 2021 3:30:51 PM
- Our community should absolutely not include the city of San Luis Obispo or the area of Cal Poly where students can vote on issues that do not affect them [2]
 - From: B C Sent: Saturday, July 17, 2021 3:39:13 PM
- Cal Poly students should vote for their home districts, not SLO County [2]
 - From: B E Sent: July 17, 2021 3:40:25 PM
- It [Oceano] has been closely aligned with many of the same concerns as Nipomo [1]
 - From: M M Sent: July 19, 2021 8:50 AM
- Keep Los Osos in district 2 [3]
 - From: J P Sent: : Monday, July 19, 2021 10:24 AM
- <u>San Luis Obispo, should be it's own district</u>. North County district should include: Santa Margarita, Atascadero, Templeton, Paso Robles, San Miguel, Creston, and other outlying areas in north and east of Cuesta Grade. [2]
 - From: S A Sent: Friday, July 16, 2021 6:52:00 PM
- After the debacle with our County Clerk Recorder in May and the board majority seemingly in favor of creating chaos in the office with their decision last week, can we at least leave politics out of this process? We must have an impartial, apolitical approach to this task. [Other]
 - From N C Sent: 7/17/2021 2:57:59 PM
- Please keep the rural areas rural, and the urban/suburban areas separate. District 5 cuts the City of San Luis Obispo in two, and District 4 divides Grover Beach and Arroyo Grande [5]
 - From J J Sent: July 18, 2021 7:22 PM
- I am concerned that the Board of Supervisors will become more conservative and not take into consideration Seniors and their needs for more affordable housing, around the surrounding neighborhoods. [SLO City] [Other]

- From K L Sent : July 18, 2021 7:29 PM
- We want the Bob Jones Trail connection built for our community to use [other]
 - > From E S Sent: July 18, 2021 11:16 PM
- Our community of Cambria should retain its current boundaries [3]
 - From T B Sent: 7/18/2021 12:12:49 PM [Other]
 - Please conduct an open and transparent redistricting process. Also please provide a clear definition of "Community of Interest"
 - From N V Sent: July 19, 2021 6:58 AM
 - Please make the process of redistricting within the County open and transparent for all citizens [other]
 - > From B S Sent: July 19, 2021 10:54 AM
 - I'm asking you NOT to consider AT ALL the party preference or historical voting tendencies of the voters in the proposed new district boundaries. Please, consider numbers of residents, geography and community of interest only. [other]
 - From J S Sent: July 19, 2021 11:52 AM
- the community interests of Atascadero and San Luis Obispo should be more closely linked [4]
 - > From M T Sent: July 19, 2021 2:57 PM
- redistricting North Coast / Los Osos / SLO is a COI [3]
 - From R B Sent: July 19, 2021 4:06 PM
- I believe the most important objective in the 2021 redistricting process is to correct the 5th District boundaries. For some reason, Cal Poly was included within the boundary which does not seem logical [2]

Other Concerns regarding STAFF fairness, transparency, nonpartisanship and attempting to sway public opinion based on biased Staff Comments:

"One of the most predominant themes [Hearing 3] of public comment indicates support for maintaining supervisorial districts as they are currently drawn of with lonely minor changes, with an emphasis on maintaining the communities of interest of the north coastal cities and towns within one district."

Make a Motion to Include:

Public Comments made that same Day / Night expressing opposition to "maintaining supervisorial districts as they are currently drawn."

- "Keep Communities in Interest Whole"
- "Do not Divide SLO City into 3 Districts"
- "Do not Divide Cal Poly into 3 Districts"
- "Reunite Templeton"
- "Dividing "Communities of Interest" is Unnecessary.

"Another theme expressed support for one of the finalist maps (District-R ID 74786) for which there were [were] also conflicting public comment expressing non-support for that map. There were also conflicting comments indicating support for keeping the City of San Luis Obispo and California Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo campus with one district versus support for maintaining the City of San Luis Obispo within multiple districts."

Make a Motion to amend Hearing #3 meeting minutes to Include:

"Supporters for Richard Patten Map out weight those expressing non-support for Map ID: 47486. Those supporting Richard Patten Map were Not Conflicted in their support for keeping the City of San Luis Obispo together with Cal Poly in a single district. Those supporting Richard Patten Map were Not Conflicted with keeping Cal Poly out of the North County and Out Of district 5.

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:13 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]Please support "SLO Chamber" Redistricting Map not Patten version

From: Kathleen Goble <kgoble@co.slo.ca.us> **Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 5:10 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: FW: [EXT]Please support "SLO Chamber" Redistricting Map not Patten version

From: Patrick Mullen

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 5:09 PM

To: Lynn Compton < lcompton@co.slo.ca.us; John Peschong < jpeschong@co.slo.ca.us; Bruce Gibson < bgibson@co.slo.ca.us; Debbie Arnold < darnold@co.slo.ca.us; Dawn Ortiz-Legg < dortiz-legg@co.slo.ca.us); Dawn Ortiz-Legg < dortiz-legg@co.slo.ca.us); Dawn Ortiz-Legg dortiz-legg@co.sl

Subject: [EXT]Please support "SLO Chamber" Redistricting Map not Patten version

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Dear Chair Compton and County Supervisors:

I urge you to support the SLO Chamber version of the redistricting maps. I worked in the county in the 1980's when our county congressional districts were split horizontally across our county, Kern County and Inyo County. It did not make sense then to divide those districts across dissimilar areas, and it was difficult for the representatives and for the constituents. Those districts were later changed back to be more aligned with related communities. Please do not make that same mistake with our county supervisorial districts.

I urge you to adopt the "SLO Chamber" version of the two maps you are considering. Do not vote for the Patten map.

Thank you for your consideration. It is important for your constituents; and our county residents, businesses and nonprofit organizations.

Sincerely,

Pat Mullen

40 year county resident and Cuesta College Trustee

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:20 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT] Deny the Patten Map!

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From: Karen Roberts

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 5:17 PM To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]Deny the Patten Map!

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I have been a resident of this county since 1987, the last 28 years living in the Toro Creek Rd area in rural Atascadero. I strongly oppose the Patten map drawn up for redistricting purposes for our county. The population hasn't changed enough that we really need a new map, so leaving the districts as they are would make sense. If you must make a change, please chose the Chamber of Commerce map.

Thank you for paying attention!

Karen Roberts, MD, MPH Sent from my iPad

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:20 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]Public comment

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From: Cindy Hahn

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 5:20 PM To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]Public comment

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Hello,

I am a resident of Arroyo Grande in district 4 of SLO county and I am writing today to express my strong support for the Chamber of Commerce district map. The other map makes no sense and will amount into voter suppression exacted by a minority who can't win elections on policy.

Cindy Hahn

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:30 AM

To: Maria G. Brown **Subject:** FW: [EXT]Patten map

From: stoffelfam@charter.net

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 5:23 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]Patten map

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Dear SLO County Board of Supervisors:

We have been residents of SLO County for over 30 years and love being a part of this community. We are very concerned with the redistricting process you do every 10 years using new census information. It is our understanding that legally, you are not obligated to make any changes to the redistricting maps at this time. Please listen to all of the SLO County residents and not just a few. Please reject the Patten map and leave things as they have been or approve the SLO Chamber of Commerce maps A & B instead. Please know that we do not support the Patten map and we are sorry that we are not able to be there in person to show our distrust and objection to this redistricting according to the Patten map.

Do the right thing and either approve the SLO Chamber of Commerce Map or Maps A or B developed by your own task force.

Because we are unable to attend the meeting on November 30th, please accept this as our input.

Sincerely,

Stephen Stoffel Barbara Stoffel

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:30 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]Redistricting the north coast

From: Lori Slater

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 5:26 PM **To:** Redistricting < Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us > **Subject:** [EXT] Redistricting the north coast

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I've lived as a homeowner in Cambria for decades. I oppose the Patten Plan to redistrict Cambria. As part of District 2 Cambria, an unincorporated town, is best represented along with the other north coast towns.

The Board would be making a cynical political move to redistrict according to the Patten map. Don't do it. The north coast communities do not want to be divided for good reason as our values and interests coincide.

Reject the devious Patten map. Leave the San Luis Obispo county districts as they are.

Sincerely,

Lori Slater,

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:30 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]Comments on Nov. 30 Redistricting Hearing - District Lines of Patten Map are unnecessarily

radical

Attachments: Redistricting Letter.pdf

From: Charles Kleemann

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 5:26 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT] Comments on Nov. 30 Redistricting Hearing - District Lines of Patten Map are unnecessarily radical

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Please find my comments attached below

Charlie Kleemann

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:31 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]I support the SLO Chamber Map

From: M Parker

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 5:36 PM **To:** Redistricting < Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us > **Subject:** [EXT]I support the SLO Chamber Map

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The SLO Chamber Map was thoughtfully drawn up by several non partisan folks. Please stop making these very important issues partisan.

The Patten map is a Republican map, supported by the Republician SLO Committee. This community deserves maps that give equal vote to all. To say the maps were not fair 10 years ago flies in the face of current evidence - 3 conservative supervisors were elected.

I have lived in SLO since 1970.

Mary N. Parker San Luis Obispo, CA

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:32 AM

To: Maria G. Brown
Subject: FW: [EXT]Redistricting

From: Cindy & George Hansen

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 5:37 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]Redistricting

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

I strongly object to the Patten map for redistricting. It isolates the communities of San Luis Obispo and Morro Bay into a skinny, salamander-like mini-district, and leaves the rest of the county in 4 oversized districts dominated by rural land. Apart from severe disruption of the current, well-functioning districts, and the partisan voter displacement, acceleration and deferral, it causes urban voters to be out-represented 4 to 1 on the board. This is clearly a deliberate violation of the Voting Rights Act.

We need urban and rural interests to be balanced, not isolated and pitted against each other in order to help one political party to remain in power. I can't help but believe that this will end up in a lawsuit. Thank you,

George Hansen, MD

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:32 AM

To: Maria G. Brown
Subject: FW: [EXT]Redistricting

From: Jody Lee

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 5:41 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]Redistricting

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I see no good reason for extreme redistricting and object very much to the map supported by the Republicans. There is good reason for the coastal parts of the county to remain a district as their economy and inhabitants have so many interests in common. What on earth does Cayucos and Cambria have in common with Paso Robles? This is a rotten power grab by the conservatives in the county, hoping to dilute the power of our coastal communities.

Jody Lee

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:31 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]Cal Poly Student Leaders Feedback on Redistricting

Attachments: Board Letter-Redistricting.docx

From: Tess Nychay Loarie

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 5:35 PM

To: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>; Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us> **Cc:** Anders Matthew Bjork <abjork@calpoly.edu>; Varenya Gupta <vgupta12@calpoly.edu>

Subject: [EXT]Cal Poly Student Leaders Feedback on Redistricting

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Hello,

Please accept the attached letter regarding student views on redistricting.

Best,

Tess

Tess Loarie (she/her/hers)

ASI President

Liberal Arts and Engineering Studies Undergraduate

California Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo

Cal Poly is in tiłhini, the Place of the Full Moon. I gratefully acknowledge, respect, and thank yak tit^yu yak tiłhini, Northern Chumash Tribe of San Luis Obispo County and Region in whose homelands we all are guests.

Staff of County Board of Supervisors,

My name is Anders Bjork and I am a fourth year Mechanical Engineering major at Cal Poly, I also serve as the Chair of the ASI External Affairs committee and serve as a member of the ASI Board of Directors. I am speaking as an individual and as a student at Cal Poly and registered voter in San Luis Obispo, representing my own views with support from Varenya Gupta and Tess Loarie.

Typically, a matter of this importance would constitute a resolution from the Board of Directors, the official voice of Cal Poly students, however the board is on winter recess. Because many of us at Cal Poly, especially in student government, see the importance of this decision, myself and fellow Student Government members have decided to comment informally as students with our belief that the Cal Poly campus should remain represented by more than a single district for the board of supervisors.

Although grouping Cal Poly into one county district may seem simpler, we are concerned that the long-term consequences of this decision would negatively impact civic participation. First, Cal Poly continues to grow the student body, increasing student representation in San Luis Obispo County both on and off campus. The campus creates a community and promotes the exchange of ideas throughout the region – no single neighborhood can be identified.

Second, we believe the obstacles to voter registration on campus are attributed to the transitional nature of college and a lack of awareness by students – not the complexity of voter registration. Our Flex Your Right initiative, an annual effort coordinated by ASI Student Government and common at other CSU Campuses, trains students to register voters properly. In addition, ASI carries out several events a year to answer questions and help students with voter registration and the nuance of determining which County Supervisor district a student falls into is a small part of this process, for which resources are available.

Furthermore, since students typically move off campus later in their college experience, educating oncampus students about their district representation builds knowledge and prepares them for voting later. Cal Poly managed to register over 3000 students last ballot bowl, best overall, despite the complication of the two districts.

Thank you,

Anders Bjork, Chair, ASI Student Government External Affairs Committee

Varenya Gupta, Secretary of CSU-wide Affairs

Tess Loarie, Associated Students Inc, Student Body President

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:32 AM

To: Maria G. Brown
Subject: FW: [EXT]Redistricting

From: Kat Tuculet

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 5:44 PM

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

Subject: [EXT]Redistricting

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Re: Redistricting Dear Supervisors,

My biggest concern is who thought elected officials redrawing the boundaries of their own districts was a good idea? Our SLO Board of Supervisors opted out of a nonpartisan citizen panel that would determine if and how changes would be made. So here we are, watching attempts to chip away at Democracy which is frightening.

I am certain there was no necessity to re-draw the district boundaries neither legally nor operationally. However, maps A and B maps which were discussed at the Nov 19 meeting kept most of the existing boundaries and made the fewest changes. Why were these maps that had widespread support dropped by the Board of Supervisors and left only two options, the revised Patten map and the map from the Chamber of Commerce.

Given that choice, I am supporting the Chamber of Commerce.

There are several reasons for my opposition to the Patten map. Here are just a few.

According to the League of Women Voters research, the MAJORITY of voters in the county will now be in a new district and as many as 26,000 will not be eligible to vote in 2022 due to the changes of districts. Those deferred voters (people who would have been able to vote for supervisor in 2022 but cannot if the Patten district lines are put in place) are in Democratic leaning areas. On the other hand, 29,000 accelerated voters (the people who have an opportunity to vote twice for their supervisor in a 4 year cycle with the new Patten district lines) live in areas leaning Republican. Sounds like gerrymandering to me and a violation of California Election Law 21500 "The board shall not adopt supervisorial district boundaries for the purpose of favoring or discriminating against a political party"

Besides disenfranchisement, the Patten map separates several communities of interest and groups other communities together that have absolutely nothing in common. Again a violation of California Election Law 21500, On the other hand, the 2030 map submitted by the Chamber of Commerce keeps San Simeon, Cambria, Cayucos, Morro Bay and Los Osos together and also maintains Oceano and Nipomo together.

I urge you to do the right thing for democracy.

Thank you,

Kat Tuculet

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:33 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]In favor of Map A, B, or SLO Chamber map

From: John Beccia

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 5:51 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]In favor of Map A, B, or SLO Chamber map

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Dear Supervisors,

I have lived in SLO county since 1975, and I am writing to express my support (in priority order) for Map A, Map B, or the SLO Chamber of Commerce Map. Because our census showed only minor changes to our population in the County over the past decade, there is no reason to make major redisricting changes as the Patton Map does. The minimal changes made with Map A, Map B, and the Chamber map basically maintain the status quo while the Patton map appears to create boundaries that are done for political reasons. Please consider the wide public support for keeping the existing districts close to what they are.

Thank you, John Beccia

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:34 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]Adopt the SLO Chamber Map

From: Russell Hodin

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 5:52 PM **To:** Redistricting < Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us > **Subject:** [EXT]Adopt the SLO Chamber Map

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Chairman Compton and Board Members Board of Supervisors County of San Luis Obispo, CA

re: final district map November 29, 2021

Honorable Board,

I strongly urge you to find the so-called SLO Chamber map, Map 75760, prepared by the San Luis Obispo Chamber of Commerce, to be the superior redistricting plan and that your board adopts it. The SLO Chamber map was prepared by a cross-section of county business leaders and so represents a thoughtful and conservative compromise of competing interests and points of view. It is the only map before you which can make these claims and therefore must be your reasoned and final adopted choice.

Please take the conservative approach and adopt the SLO Chamber map before you today.

Respectfully, Russell Hodin

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From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:34 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]Redistricting

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From: Rosh Wright

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 5:58 PM To: Redistricting < Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]Redistricting

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Please do not adopt the Patten map.

Redistricting for personal gain or to pursue an agenda is abhorrent.

Deborah Wright

Citizen

Resident of SLO County

Sent from my iPad

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:35 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: Public Comment - ID 295

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

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 6:01 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: Public Comment - ID 295

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First Name Erica
Last Name Castello

Email

Name of Organization

Represented

City Nipomo Zip 93444

p 93444
I support the SLO County 2030 Map. The culture and communities of Nipomo and Arroyo Grande

are forever tied to Oceano and the Oceano dunes. Kids from Oceano go to Arroyo Grande High Comment School. Residents of the Nipomo mesa are greatly affected by policies that apply to the Oceano

Dunes. We want our district to represent the real relationships that exist between our communities

and community members.

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From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:35 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]The Chamber Map is the Choice!

----Original Message-----

From: Stephan Lamb

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 6:12 PM
To: Redistricting < Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us > Subject: [EXT]The Chamber Map is the Choice!

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Supervisors- please don't politicize our county politics more than has already happened. So disappointed in the alternatives... Stephan Lamb

San Luis Obispo

Sent from my iPhone

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:36 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: Public Comment - ID 296

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

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 6:14 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: Public Comment - ID 296

RedistrictingID 296

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First Name Kelli Last Name Schonher

Email

Name of Organization

Represented

Phone

City San Luis Obispo

Zip 93401

Comment I support the SLO County 2030 map because it is less disruptive to voters than the

Patten map.

Public Records Notice True

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:36 AM

To: Maria G. Brown
Subject: FW: [EXT]Redistricting

From: Allen Root

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 6:14 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT] Redistricting

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Supervisors,

I am a 56 year long resident of San Luis Obispo, and have voted in every available election after becoming eligible. I have watched local governance with a higher level of interest, thinking that I have more say at the County level than the State or Nationally. I actually really liked being able to work in my shop and listen to the Board meetings on KCBX. I believe losing that coverage took a level of transparency from the Board's actions.

I have been watching this partisan fight over redistricting maps with alarm. It is highly doubtful that the Patten map would stand up to legal scrutiny, and if the three member majority votes to accept it, I would bet real money on it being challenged. Maps A and B were the best maps, yet you chose to toss them out. My guess is that the evidence based and equitable maps did not fit your hush hush voter dilution campaign. The SLO Chamber proffered their reasonable map when there is really little need to change the map at all!

The right thing for you to do in service to the citizens of this County is to bring back maps A and B, or vote to enact the Chamber map at this point. Let's see if you are professional enough to abandon your unfair partisan

shenanigans. Don't bring shame to your legacy, or embarrassment to this County which we all love.

Allen Root, San Luis Obispo.

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:36 AM

To: Maria G. Brown
Subject: FW: [EXT]Redistricting

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From: Karen Wiles

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 6:19 PM To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]Redistricting

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I support the 2030 map for redistricting. Thank you.

Karen Wiles

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:38 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT] Please DENY the Patten Plan Map/ I support the Chamber Map.

From: Miranda Joseph

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 6:21 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]Please DENY the Patten Plan Map/ I support the Chamber Map.

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Redistricting:

Dear Supervisors:

The Patton plan map is the worst plan possible for our County, especially in terms of the legal requirements as it separates several communities of interest and groups other communities together that have absolutely nothing in common.

This map would only be favored by those who want to intentionally gerrymander districts.

While not perfect, at least the chamber plan map mostly holds communities of interest together and has basic integrity with our current district mapping. (Atascadero should remain whole however)

In any case, the chamber 2030 map 75760 is far preferable to the highly partisan and gerrymandered Patten Map.

Please accept my input herein, and I thank you for your work on this issue. Sincerely,

Miranda Joseph

Santa Margarita

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:40 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]Redistricting--keep it the same

From: Bob

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 6:21 PM **To:** Redistricting < Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us > **Subject:** [EXT]Redistricting--keep it the same

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Dear Supervisors—

I do 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.

The revised Patten plan 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. The revised Patten plan would only be favored by those who want to end up with blatantly gerrymandered districts.

If you must make a change, then the Chamber Plan, with some "tweaking" (see Eric Greening's ideas) so that Atascadero is left whole, would do. Otherwise it attempts to hold together communities of interest and has basic integrity with our current district mapping. Although it makes more changes than are absolutely necessary, none are outright ridiculous as are many in the Patten plan.

Thank you,

Robert Lucas

SLO

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:41 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]I SUPPORT THE SLO CHAMBER MAP

From: Kimberly Wells

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 6:31 PM **To:** Redistricting < Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us> **Subject:** [EXT]I SUPPORT THE SLO CHAMBER MAP

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If you must make changes to the districts in SLO county, please adopt the SLO Chamber Map.

Also, as a matter of housekeeping, it would make more sense for me to be in District 5 instead of District 1. Please consider making that minor change.

My address is:

Thank you, Kimberly Wells

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:41 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: Public Comment - ID 297

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

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 6:33 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: Public Comment - ID 297

RedistrictingID 297

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First Name Kristina

Last Name VanderMolen

Email Phone

Name of Organization

Represented

City ATASCADERO

Zip 93422

Comment Please do the right thing for the future of our community - choose map 75760. Thank

you.

Public Records Notice True

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:41 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]Reject the Patten map

From: Steve McGrath

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 6:35 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]Reject the Patten map

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Chair Compton, Honorable Supervisors,

There is nothing we can say that has not been said. We urge you to reject the Patten map as being illogical, poorly conceived and fraught with legal implications for this Board.

Steve McGrath and Sandi Sigurdson 40+ year residents of this County.

Sent from Mail for Windows

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:41 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]Comments on SLO County redistricting

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From: Deirdre

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 6:40 PM To: Redistricting < Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT] Comments on SLO County redistricting

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As a Morro Bay resident, I'm vehemently opposed to the proposed Patten map to redistrict the county supervisor districts. Over the past 20 years, I've lived in multiple communities in this county: Pismo Beach, Avila Beach, and Morro Bay. I can say from lived experience that the communities along the north coast have much more in common with each other than they have with communities to the south of Diablo or the east. Morro Bay and SLO don't even share same weather. Until recently, Cayucos and Morro Bay shared a sewer — it doesn't get more personal than that.

This map comes across as a power grab that has nothing at all to do with our communities in this county.

Deirdre Longo Morro Bay

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:42 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]PLEASE DENY THE PATTEN MAP AND VOTE FOR FAIRNESS IN OUR ELECTIONS

From: wcwlucas@aol.com

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 6:44 PM

To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>; Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us> **Subject:** [EXT]PLEASE DENY THE PATTEN MAP AND VOTE FOR FAIRNESS IN OUR ELECTIONS

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To our elected representatives as the SLO County Board of Supervisors,

I have lived in San Luis Obispo for 35 years, and was born in Santa Barbara County. I am a California native with deep roots, and also a member of yak tit^yu tit^yu yak tiłhini – Northern Chumash Tribe San Luis Obispo County and Region.

I am extremely concerned with the decision that you will be making tomorrow, as it will obviously be impacting our future for years to come.

I am asking that you adopt the SLO Chamber plan. The Patten Map has so many issues that have been elaborated and spelled out already. I am making this sweet and simple for you to hear my voice.

I would be there tomorrow, but have conflicting meetings.

I wish you all well and surely hope you do the correct thing.

Sincerely,

Wendy Lucas San Luis Obispo, CA

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:43 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]Support for: Richard Patten's Rev. 1 Citizens' Map

From: S Keith Belmont

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 6:46 PM

To: Debbie Arnold <darnold@co.slo.ca.us>; Lynn Compton <lcompton@co.slo.ca.us>; Bruce Gibson

<bgibson@co.slo.ca.us>; Dawn Ortiz-Legg <dortizlegg@co.slo.ca.us>; John Peschong <jpeschong@co.slo.ca.us>

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

Subject: [EXT]Support for: Richard Patten's Rev. 1 Citizens' Map

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Dear Supervisors,

First, thank you for your willingness to serve in the SLO County Supervisor capacity. To be honest, it's something I probably wouldn't be able to do.

Second, you have two maps to consider for adoption on November 30th. I respectfully request your support for the adoption of Richard Patten's Rev. 1 Citizens' Map. I have looked at and read all of your comments and looked at the pro and con of each. While it would be impossible to make everyone happy, I believe the Patton Map is best.

Thank you,

S. Keith Belmont,

Paso Robles, CA (live in the county outside PR, District 1)

From:

Redistricting

Sent:

Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:35 AM

To: Subject: Maria G. Brown FW: [EXT]Redistricting

From: Kelli Schonher

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 6:10 PM
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]Redistricting

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I **support** the **SLO County 2030** map because it 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.

I am a local resident who has lived in SLO for 17 years. Kelli Schonher

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:41 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]Atascadero Chamber of Commerce Redistricting Comments

Attachments: ACOC Redistricting Map Comments 11-29-21.pdf

From: Josh Cross <

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 6:42 PM

<dortizlegg@co.slo.ca.us>; District 4 <district4@co.slo.ca.us>; Debbie Arnold <darnold@co.slo.ca.us>; Lynn Compton

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

Subject: [EXT] Atascadero Chamber of Commerce Redistricting Comments

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Dear Chair Compton and SLO County Board of Supervisors,

Please review the attached comments regarding redistricting. This letter is submitted on behalf of the Atascadero Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors.

Thank you!

Inch Ernee

President/CEO
Atascaderochamber.org





November 29, 2021

Subject: SLO County 2030 Redistricting Map

Dear Chair Compton and SLO County Board of Supervisors,

The Atascadero Chamber of Commerce represents nearly 550 members that employ approximately 5,000 residents in northern San Luis Obispo County. Representatives from our Board of Directors met and brought their experiences as business leaders who live in different districts and who work in different industries to the table to evaluate the proposed maps. After careful review and evaluation, we are pleased to submit support for a slightly modified version of the proposed SLO County 2030 map.

The Board representatives found that the SLO County 2030 map meets the legal requirements and is the most thoughtful when considering the challenges and opportunities faced by each community within our County.

As currently proposed, the Map divides the city of Atascadero into District 2 and District 5. We believe to meet the spirit of redistricting, that the city of Atascadero should remain whole rather than divided. The portion of District 2 that includes Atascadero encompasses approximately 4,000 residents who live on larger ranchette style parcels. Because this area of Atascadero has little in common with the majority of District 2 and future planning considerations, Atascadero should remain fully intact within District 5.

To accomplish our suggested modifications and remain within the scope and population guidelines determined in this process, we propose the following:

- Remove a portion of District 5 near the Cal Poly campus
- Allot census tracts located west of Santa Rosa Street in San Luis Obispo and move to District 2

These *minor changes* would unify the City of Atascadero and would allow the District 2 supervisor to focus on coastal community issues and challenges. With these modifications, we can comfortably support the SLO County 2030 Map as presented by the SLO Chamber of Commerce.





Finally, we would like to *voice our opposition of the Patton Map*. While this map keeps the city of Atascadero whole, it places the entire community in District 2 which is inconsistent with the "communities of interest" criteria as stated above. We also oppose the Patton map for moving the District 5 representative to the coast. It is our opinion that this mutes the will of the voters who elected representation for the current District 5 in 2020.

Thank you for considering the business community's perspectives in this important and complex decision.

Sincerely,

2021 Atascadero Chamber Board of Directors

Maria Kelly	Phil Koziel	Chris Coates
Chairperson of the Board	Chairperson Elect	EJ Rossi
Tom Jones	Jill Glover	
Immediate Past	Secretary	Janet Wallace
Chairperson of the Board	Amar Sohi	Terrie Banish
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Treasurer	Angela Cisneros	•





From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:56 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]Redistributing Plans

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From: Mike Emrich

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 6:47 PM To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]Redistributing Plans

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I have lived in this county for 50 years and do not support your redistributing plans. I you must redistributing at this time I support the Chambers plan A or B.

Thank you for allowing me to provide input in this matter.

Sincerely,

Michael J Emrich Sent from my iPad

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:02 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]Nov 30 hearing

From: John Beccia

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 6:57 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT] Nov 30 hearing

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To the Board of Supervisors

I urge you to reject the Patten map that divides communities of interest and makes major changes to the current district map. Major changes are not supported by the new census numbers and the current map has stood up to legal tests. I supprt Maps A, B and The Chamber map, if any changes are made. Anything else will surely be challenged and will not stand up to legal scrutiny.

Thank you, Sheila Wynne

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:03 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: Public Comment - ID 298

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

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 7:09 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: Public Comment - ID 298

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First Name Diana

Last Name McCracken

Phone

Name of Organization

Represented

Email

City Arroyo Grande

Zip 93420

Gerrymandaring is wrong in every sense of the word. Fair representation is in the spirit of

Comment representative Democracy. True patriots follow the principles on which this country was

founded.

Public Records Notice True

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:05 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT] DENY THE PATTEN MAP

From: Jennifer Rennick

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 7:23 PM **To:** Redistricting Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us

Subject: [EXT] DENY THE PATTEN MAP

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I do not believe the district map should be redrawn as proposed under the Patten Map. Gerrymandering under the auspices of 'righting past wrongs' is a ruse to interject partisan politicking Moving forward with the Patten Map will be in violation of California law.



Jennifer Rennick, AIA, CEA, Principal

San Luis Obispo | Santa Barbara

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:05 AM

To: Maria G. Brown **Subject:** FW: [EXT]Redistricting

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From: Holly Ludwigson

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 7:33 PM To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]Redistricting

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I am against any changes that would affect the current districting map for Cambria, Morro Bay, Los Osos, Cayucos. The district's population has not grown enough to warrant changes to current districting.

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- > Sincerely,
- > Holly G.Ludwigson
- > Homeowner and full time resident
- > Cambria

>

> Sent from my iPhone

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:06 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: Public Comment - ID 299

From: Web Notifications

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 7:44 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: Public Comment - ID 299

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First Name Gina Last Name Axsom

Phone

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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.

Public Records Notice True

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:06 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]Deny the pattern map/Support Chamber of Commerce map or maps A,B

From: Carol Paulsen

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 7:49 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]Deny the pattern map/Support Chamber of Commerce map or maps A,B

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

I have lived in this county over fifty years, currently residing in San Luis Obispo. I strongly urge you to reject the Pattern Map, it is gerrymandered, it is wrong. Please, I urge you to support the Chamber of Commerce map (or Map A or B).

We are counting on you to be fair and to do the right thing.

Thank you, Carol Paulsen

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:06 AM

To: Maria G. Brown **Subject:** FW: [EXT]The Map

From: Ken McDaniel

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 7:50 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]The Map

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Hello,

As a resident of SLO County since 1984 and having followed local politics for decades, I urge the Board of Supervisor to adopt the SLO chamber map. It is fair, reasoned and most representative of the county; it was also democratically created. The alternative choice is a naked political power grab that will enshrine minority rule in the county for at least a decade.

Similar efforts at all levels of government around the country are attempting to subvert democracy and impose the will of vocal and typically well-financed campaigns whose reverence for democratic principles is virtually nonexistent. This current decision is our local chance to reject this pernicious, unrepresentative map and adopt the SLO Chamber map, the only map of which our Founding Fathers would be proud.

Ken McDaniel Arroyo Grande Sent from AT&T Yahoo Mail for iPad

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:10 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]I SUPPORT THE CHAMBER MAP A

From: lois crotser

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 7:53 PM **To:** Redistricting < Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us> **Subject:** [EXT]I SUPPORT THE CHAMBER MAP A

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I have been a resident of SLO for 50+ years. I am urging you, Board of Supervisors, to do the right thing and pass the Chamber Map A. Redistricting is NOT NECESSARY!

L. Crotser

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:10 AM

To: Maria G. Brown
Subject: FW: [EXT]Redistricting

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From: Carolyn Harvey
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 7:54 PM
To: Redistricting < Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]Redistricting

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I cry for our democracy if you allow gerrymandering to benefit one party. I urge you NOT to select the Patten map.

Carolyn Harvey

Sent from my iPhone

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:11 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]Redistricting maps

From: nancy webber

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 7:54 PM

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

Subject: [EXT]Redistricting maps

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Dear Supervisors,

We have lived in Arroyo Grande for over 28 years, and this is the first time we have written a letter to the Board of Supervisors. We are very dismayed by the proposed Patten redistricting map which separates communities of interest and appears to be blatant gerrymandering. We ask you to support the fairer and more reasonable SLO County 2030 map proposed by the nonpartisan Chamber of Commerce. We urge you to act in the interest of the entire county and avoid partisan politics by voting for the SLO County 2030 map.

Thank you,

Roger and Nancy Vogler

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:11 AM

To: Maria G. Brown **Subject:** FW: [EXT]Maps

From: Linda Seeley

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 8:08 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT] Maps

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Dear Chairperson Compton and other Board Members,

You have three choices tomorrow. You can choose to leave district boundaries as they stand now. You can adopt the "Patten" map. You can adopt the SLO Chamber of Commerce map.

My highest recommendation is that you do nothing and leave district boundaries in place.

If you choose not to do that, I recommend that you adopt Map 75760, the Chamber of Commerce map. It was prepared by a wide array of county business leaders and thus it represents the wishes of many who are invested deeply in our county.

The Patten map represents craven special interests and will be legally challenged immediately if you choose to adopt it.

Please take the middle ground. Our county cannot tolerate further factionalization at this time, and you can be a force for unity and cooperation. Adopt Map 75760.

Sincerely, Linda Seeley Los Osos CA 93402

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:11 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]I SUPPORT THE SLO CHAMBER MAP

From: Debby Swenson

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 8:14 PM **To:** Redistricting < Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us > **Subject:** [EXT]I SUPPORT THE SLO CHAMBER MAP

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By breaking our geographical and communities of interest up in the adoption of the Patten Map you will be doing a great disservice to all citizens of this county. Because it does not follow clear state laws it will face legal challenges and be a stain on your fine reputations.

Do the right thing and either approve the SLO Chamber of Commerce Map or Maps A or B developed by your own task force.

Because I am unable to attend the meeting on November 30th, please accept this as my input.

Sincerely,

Deborah Ann Foster-Swenson

Sent from my ● Phone =]

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:11 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]I SUPPORT THE SLO CHAMBER MAP

From: Jim Duffy

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 8:14 PM
To: Redistricting < Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>
Subject: [EXT]I SUPPORT THE SLO CHAMBER MAP

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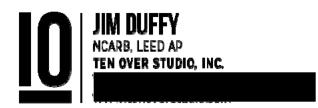
Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am a 18 year resident of San Luis Obispo County, a business owner and am concerned at the dangerous position that you have elected to take with regard to redistricting options.

I am writing to urge you to reject the Patten plan because it clearly defies state law and will surely open the County up to legal action. I have reviewed the plan options in depth and feel that of the two that you are now considering, I strongly believe that the Chamber of Commerce plan is the only legitimate option. It passes the sniff test (unlike the Patten plan) and meets the requirements as set for the by the state.

Please do the right thing and avoid gerrymandering our County for personal political gain.

Sincerely,



Our Mission: To Leave The World Better Than We Found It.

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:11 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: Public Comment - ID 300

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

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 8:16 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: Public Comment - ID 300

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First Name Tyler
Last Name Cannon

Email Phone

Name of Organization Represented

City Atascadero Zip 93422

We cannot allow the Gang of Three to Gerrymander out districts for the next 10 years. In their proposed districts they could lose the popular vote and still win the 3/5 majority needed. It will also make it near impossible for some folks to vote, this is not acceptable and must not happen.

Public Records

Notice

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From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:12 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]No on Patten Map

From: Eric Michielssen

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 8:17 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]No on Patten Map

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Please find my letter attached...thank you Eric Michielssen District 5 TO: Board of Supervisors

County of San Luis Obispo

FROM: Eric A. Michielssen—District 5

DATE: November 29, 2021

SUBJECT: COMMENTS FOR NOVEMBER 30 RE-DISTRICTING HEARING

As a citizen of San Luis Obispo County since 1967, I have seen many County elections over the years. In particular, as a resident of Atascadero and now of the Pozo area, I have seen the political pendulum swing from one camp to the other. Our Supervisor Districts have changed very little, yet no one persuasion or the other has taken over permanent control of political decision-making. At one time the voters were divided over the policies of growth or slow-growth. Now, it seems the emphasis is primarily political—Republican vs. Democrat, or liberal vs. conservative. But, the one positive thing that has not changed are the general boundaries of the supervisorial districts. And there is no overriding reason to change now as population has not varied nearly enough to necessitate legal-required change.

The Board of Supervisors will now consider just two of the proposed re-districting maps. I spent many hours studying the various proposals. The "Patten" map is a complete boondoggle with District 5 reaching over into Arroyo Grande and South Edna area that makes no geographic or "community of interest" sense except to remove Oceano conveniently from District 4—a much too obvious political manifestation. And why? To remove 13000 SLO Voters from District 5! Why? Those voters have recently re-elected a conservative Supervisor candidate—not once, but twice. This map is undoubtedly illegal and may cost County taxpayers millions of dollars to litigate. Why take the chance and adopt the only legally defensible plan...either the Chamber Map or the original Map A recommended by your "paid" consultants.

Please at a minimum, support the Chamber Map...it was developed by a non-partisan committee of professionals devoted to the future and the vitality of the County. The other map known loosely as the "Patten" map does the opposite, further dividing the County into separate partisan camps that will only hurt the County. We've always done better by working together.

Thank you....

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:12 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]I SUPPORT SLO CHAMBER MAP

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From: Sharon McDaniel

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 8:25 PM To: Redistricting < Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us > Subject: [EXT] I SUPPORT SLO CHAMBER MAP

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I have lived in Arroyo Grande since 1984 and am writing to strongly encourage you to leave the district lines as currently drawn or to adopt the map as proposed by the San Luis Obispo Chamber of Commerce. The Patten map should be rejected as it is obviously drawn to benefit one party. The citizens of San Luis Obispo County deserve better than being yet another victim of partisan gerrymandering. Please do the right thing and do what is best for democracy as opposed to a particular political party.

Thank you.

Sharon McDaniel

Sent from my iPhone

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:12 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]APPROVE MAP A or B or the SLO CHAMBER MAP and DENY THE PATTEN MAP

From: Larry Allen

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 8:26 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT] APPROVE MAP A or B or the SLO CHAMBER MAP and DENY THE PATTEN MAP

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Dear Board Members,

I moved to SLO County in 1982 and have been a permanent resident of San Luis Obispo since that time. As a long-term resident and former County government/APCD employee, I am well aware of the appropriate public process for considering and approving projects and plans that have the potential to significantly impact local residents and businesses throughout our region. In that context, I am very concerned with the redistricting process you are currently engaged in using new census data.

The appropriate approach to analyzing the need and scope for any redistricting effort would have been to create a nonpartisan commission to conduct this process, Unfortunately, the highly partisan Board majority rejected this approach and instead opted for a staff analysis and hired a redistricting consulting firm to evaluate the issue and provide recommendations. That firm presented its analysis and recommendations at a series of public hearings. The consultant informed the Board that because our County population has not grown significantly since the last census, there is actually no legal requirement to change any District boundaries. If the Board desired to make changes, they presented 4 different maps for consideration. Of those, Maps A & B would make the least significant changes to existing boundary lines while keeping communities of interest intact; these maps were the most favored option by those presenting written and oral testimony on the subject.

The San Luis Obispo Chamber of Commerce also presented a map for consideration developed by a Chamber Task Force consisting of local business owners and community leaders. The Chamber map also made minor changes to existing boundaries and received significant public support. Finally, a map developed by an individual with no expertise on the subject, Richard Patten, was submitted for consideration. The Patten map would significantly alter existing boundaries and is a clear attempt to gerrymander the districts currently held by the Board majority to ensure they remain in power without regard for maintaining communities of interest. The SLO County Republican Party was strongly in support of the Patten map and provided training sessions and email blasts for party members on appropriate talking points to present in support of that map.

The Patten Map clearly violates the Fair Maps Act of 2019 by completely ignoring the highest priority in that law: maintaining the integrity of communities of interest. It turns this priority on its head by separating several communities of interest and grouping other communities together that have absolutely nothing in common. Notably, the current District 2 coastal communities of Cayucos, Morro Bay and Los Osos, all adjacent to each other and sharing common resource and community issues, would be divided into 3 different Districts that share no common interests with them. The Patten map further dumps much of the City of San Luis Obispo into District 2 while diluting the voting voice of Oceano by moving it from District 4 to District 5. As a result, the Patten Map would have the disastrous and clearly illegal

consequence of leaving segments of the county population, including Oceano and Morro Bay, essentially orphaned without an elected supervisor representing them for potentially up to two years.

These changes are completely unnecessary and result from a blatant attempt to construct new voting districts for the pure and illegal purpose of ensuring the Republican party retains a majority on the Board of Supervisors for decades to come. This is political gerrymandering at its very worst and deserves no place in SLO County. If your Board adopts the Patten Map it will destroy whatever small amount of public trust you have left, will violate your oath of office to serve all county residents equally, and will subject the County to expensive legal challenges for years due to its disregard for State law.

I urge your Board to do the right thing and either leave the Districts as they are, or approve Map A or Map B developed by your own task force or the map developed by the SLO Chamber of Commerce Task Force. The Patten Map must be denied in its entirety.

Unfortunately, I am unable to attend the meeting on November 30th, so please accept this as my public testimony on the subject.

Respectfully,

Larry R. Allen San Luis Obispo, CA

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:13 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]Support SLO Chamber map

----Original Message-----

From: Susan Pyburn

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 8:28 PM
To: Redistricting < Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us > Subject: [EXT]Support SLO Chamber map

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I live in San Luis Obispo and have been in this county for 21 years. I strongly urge you to adopt the map proposed by the San Luis Obispo Chamber of Commerce. As there really is no need to change the map at all since the demographics have scarcely shifted, this map will preserve communities of interest and avoid major disruption as proposed in the other map under consideration.

It is clear to me after some study and having attended the previous redistricting meeting that the 'Patten' map, while perhaps not illegal, is a clear effort to preserve the existing board majority.

Susan Pyburn

Sent from my iPhone

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:13 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: Public Comment - ID 301

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

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 8:32 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: Public Comment - ID 301

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First Name Megan Last Name Cannon

Email

Phone Name of Organization Represented

City Atascadero Zip 93422

I urge the BOS to select the SLO Chamber map. There have been no major changes to populations to necessitate drastic changes. The Pattern Map is a clear attempt to manipulate districts and fix future elections by separating voting blocks, especially in Paso Robles and Cambria. Democracy allows the rule by the majority while protecting the voice of the minority. The Pattern Map acts to dilute dissenting voices so they have no representation. This is not democratic. It is not right.

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From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:14 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]Redistricting map

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From: Susan Schimandle

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 8:45 PM To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]Redistricting map

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I urge everyone to support the Patten map in the redistricting of our county. This map places communities of interest together. It keeps the closeness which the communities share. It makes good sense. Thank you.

Sue Schimandle Arroyo Grande

Sent from my iPhone

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:14 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]Redistricting comment

From: Chelsea Dixon

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 8:48 PM

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

Subject: [EXT]Redistricting comment

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

I'm writing to request we use the "SLO County 2030" map to ensure we are not making major changes to the districts that may result in broken community interest and disenfranchised voters. My understanding is that these maps were drawn without the input of an impartial expert. I do not think it wise or fair to make the drastic changes (that may well affect people's voting power) in the Patton map without that input.

Thank you, Chelsea Dixon 93401

Sent from my iPhone

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:14 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]No on the Patten map

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From: Nancy Norton

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 8:53 PM To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]No on the Patten map

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Please vote no on the Patten plan. As a resident of Paso Robles, the needs of the North Co. and the needs of the North Coast are polar opposite.

Leave our districts as close to current status as possible.

No Gerrymandering in SLO!!

Nancy Norton

Sent from my iPhone

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:15 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]A voice from Cambria

From: Susan McDonald

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 8:56 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]A voice from Cambria

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Dear Supervisors:

I support the map proposed by the Chamber of Commerce and oppose the Patten map. The Chamber map preserves the North Coast as a cohesive community and continues the virtually non-partisan definitions of county voting districts with only a few minor changes. The Patten map blows up the the entire county in ways that are inexplicable other than partisan politics. The huge expanse that links the North Coast with North County proposed by Patten defies logic, as well as state mandates. The proposed district with so few voters between SLO and Morro Bay is beyond belief for its obvious attempt at voter suppression. You have a chance to do the right thing. Approve the map proposed by the Chamber of Commerce.

Susan McDonald

Cambria

Sent from my iPad

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:16 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]NOV 30th BOS Hearing: LEGALITIES OF REDISTRICTING AND VIOLATIONS OF THE PATTON

MAP

From: Julie Richardson

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 8:56 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Cc: Board of Supervisors <Boardofsups@co.slo.ca.us>; email@ncacslo.org

Subject: [EXT]NOV 30th BOS Hearing: LEGALITIES OF REDISTRICTING AND VIOLATIONS OF THE PATTON MAP

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TO:

SLO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

FROM: JULIE A. RICHARDSON, CAMBRIA, CALIFORNIA

REGISTERED VOTER

RE: NOVEMBER 30TH BOS HEARING: VOTE FOR "SLO COUNTY 2030"

Below please note the law and the clear compliance with the California Elections Code, US Constitution, California Constitution and the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

The Patton Map:

- -Negates and ignores the very definition of communities of interest;
- -Disregards natural geographic boundaries;
- -decimates the voices of local communities of interest;
- -subjugates voters in favor of distant populations;
- in its deferrals and acceleration in voting is a clear violation of the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

The SLO County 2030 Map:

- -First and foremost protects the maximum number of voters, regardless of their political affiliation, by ensuring their vote in the next supervisorial election. Quite frankly, No group should be eliminated from the next election.
- -Reveres communities of interest and respects their protection under law;
- -Recognizes natural geographic boundaries;
- -Upholds the geographic compactness guideline of communities and does not subordinate their vote or voice to distant populations.

We stand with you in choosing the <u>SLO County 2030 Map</u> for it most upholds the California Elections Code, US Constitution, California Constitution and the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

Thank you.

Please see below direct comments (in red) on the compliance with the California Election Code (italic).

ELECTIONS CODE - ELEC DIVISION 21. STATE AND LOCAL REAPPORTIONMENT [21000 - 23004]

-21500: ...the supervisorial districts shall be substantially equal in population as required by the United States Constitution.

- The existing districts are equal in population per the census.
- (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.
- -Grouping the northern and coastal communities with those inland agricultural communities directly compromises the geographic integrity of these communities and is a violation of the above provision.

The definition is clear:

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....

- (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.
- -The ridge of the coastal range between Paso Robles / Atascadero and the Northern Coastal Communities is a clear geographical boundary.
- (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.
- -The Patton Map is a direct violation of this provision subjugating voters on multiple fronts in favor of more distant populations.

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.).

-It is your responsibility to ensure that there are no orphaned disctricts and every registered voter in SLO County has not only the right, but also the opportunity to vote in the next County Supervisors election in 2022 or 2024, respectively.

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:16 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]Fwd: Public Comment for the redistricting meeting schedule for November 19, 2021

From: Lisa Brazil

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 9:01 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]Fwd: Public Comment for the redistricting meeting schedule for November 19, 2021

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Mom,"

Date: November 14, 2021 at 3:01:38 PM PST

To: "redistricting@co.slo.ca.us" <redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: Public Comment for the redistricting meeting schedule for November 19, 2021

Reply-To: "Mom,"

The Richard Patten map provides that all county administrative guidelines are followed, it is possible to have Communities of interest together: whole, undivided and evenly distributed through out the county. I like this map.

The San Luis Obispo county Staff maps A,B,C divide SLO city into 3 districts: having 3 supervisorial districts in a single "Community of interest" is not allowed. It violates the rules.

Cal Poly and San Luis Obispo are communities of interest and should be in the same district. In map A Cal Poly is divided into 3 districts. Dividing a community of interest does not follow the rules.

The best map is the one submitted by Richard Patten November 3, 2021. It adheres to the rules and does the best job of keeping San Luis Obispo city as whole as possible. It keeps San Luis Obispo together like no other map.

Oceano and Grover Beach together is smart as they share the same fire protection, school district and sewer.

Do the right thing and vote in Richard Patten Rev 1 map

Lisa Brazil Avila Beach

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:16 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]Please support the SLO Chamber map

From:

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 9:05 PM

To: Redistricting < Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us > Subject: [EXT]Please support the SLO Chamber map

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Do the right thing and either approve the SLO Chamber of Commerce Map or Maps A or B developed by your own task force.

Because I am unable to attend the meeting on November 30th, please accept this as my input.

Sincerely,

Tamara Williams

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:17 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]A voter expresses opposition to the Patten Map and support for the SLO Chamber Map

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 9:06 PM To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Cc: mcdaniel.ken@sbcglobal.net

Subject: [EXT]A voter expresses opposition to the Patten Map and support for the SLO Chamber Map

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Dear Members of the SLO Board of Supervisors:

I have been privileged to live in SLO Country since late 1995 and take my role as an involved citizen of this county very seriously. Fair and nonpartisan districts are essential to the democratic process. My first choice would be for any changes in district lines to be developed by nonpartisan democratic committees. Failing that option, any 10 year census driven redistricting plan should maximize the extent to which all citizens have equal and fair representation.

The Patten Map fails to meet this goal. It makes changes that destroy existing relationships between voters and their representatives. It breaks up communities of interest leaving many members of those communities without adequate representation. It would seem to deviate enough from established principals of voter equity to attract possible legal tests with the resulting costs in time and money. As a concerned citizen and voter in this county I urge you to reject the Patten Map. And I ask you to either leave the existing districts unchanged or to approve the SLO Chamber of Commerce Map which was developed with democratic inputs. Or if you can not or will not do that - to accept the Map A or May B your task force developed. Please do not vote for the unrepresentative partisan Patten Map. Please support small d democracy.

I will not be attending your board meeting on November 30th so please consider my requests and viewpoints expressed above in making your decisions. Thank you very much.

Very truly yours Leland C. Swenson,

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:17 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT] redistricting map

From: Calvin Fernandes

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 9:08 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT] redistricting map

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Dear SLO County Board of Supervisors,

I have been a resident of SLO county since 1974 and have never had any concern regarding the fairness of the voting district map.

However, I am dismayed by the Patten Map and think it should be contested, if ratified.

Please give your consideration to Maps A or B or the Chamber of Commerce Map.

Respectfully,

Calvin Fernandes

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:18 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]I support the Chamber map. Deny the patten map.

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From: brian b kesner

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 9:09 PM
To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]I support the Chamber map. Deny the patten map.

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Dear Bd. Of Supervisors,

As a retired Cal Poly Professor and SLO citizen, I urge you to adopt the Chamber Map as the most fair and reasonable adjustment, which retains the communities of interest for effective representation and assistance.

Brian B. Kesner

Sent from my iPhone

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:18 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: Public Comment - ID 302

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

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 9:15 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: Public Comment - ID 302

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First Name Richard Last Name Hanson

Email Phone

Name of Organization Represented

City Arroyo Grande

Zip 93420

I would like to strongly object to the partisan GOP map being discussed here. We are supposed to be living in a representative democracy. That is hardly possible when the only viewpoints being represented are partisan. We have the tools to draw a non-partisan map. Why must we live with partisan representation for the next 10 years when we have the means to insure an impartial map?

I urge the commission to vote no on the GOP map.

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From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:18 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]Redistricting Request

From: mark schecter <urbeloved@sbcglobal.net> **Sent:** Monday, November 29, 2021 9:17 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]Redistricting Request

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To Whom It May Concern,

Please do not vote for the Patten map. It is grossly unfair and undemocractic. It is clearly a power play by the Republican members.

Your truly,

Mark Schecter

Mark Schecter, DC

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:18 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]Redistricting: A time to honor Democracy

From: Quinn Brady

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 9:49 PM **To:** Redistricting Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us

Subject: [EXT]Redistricting: A time to honor Democracy

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Dear SLO County Supervisors,

When I first came to understand the redistricting process and impacts of decisions made some years ago, I knew the day would come in SLO county when we would stand at a cross roads such as we are today. I affirm my trust in your ability to lead our county in a way that truly puts the needs and desires of those that live here first, especially those who have been historically underrepresented and those who are essential workers keeping our community functioning and flourishing. Many of whom reside in the unincorporated areas of the county, areas such as Los Osos and Oceano. Many in unincorporated areas are lower income households and rely on your representation to give them voice and meet their needs for representation. As you know, your choice of which map to adopt has the power to greatly influence the future of those who most need your leadership. In communities like mine in Los Osos, we don't have a city council looking out for us, we don't have anyone to call when our neighborhoods are unsafe or our infrastructure is failing. We rely on you. And we need your leadership now to carry us into the future. We need the decisions you make today to affirm our value as a community and put Los Osos on a level playing field with other cities, and all districts, county wide.

If you adopt the Patten map, we lose your valued representation for the next many years until we can vote for our next supervisor. How is this equitable? How is it fair and just representation to knowingly minimize our entire town? I believe you know that a choice to marginalize some, is an offense to all. Please oppose the Patten Map for this reason alone, but also for many others.

The North Coast is one community, my kids will at one point be in schools in Los Osos and Morro Bay, this community of interest needs to, must, remain together to best support the continuity of needs and services. The North coast from Cayucos to Los Osos is tied together in many ways, and is our home. This coast belongs together. In South County, we must keep Oceano and Nipomo together in order to honor the value the latino community brings to our county, and not dilute and separate and marginalize their rich positive connection and influence on our communities.

And lastly, as you know, I am a lover of upholding all the beauty that Democracy gives us. With the Patten Map, I deeply fear that sudden and unnecessary change will cause a tidal wave of confusion and disenfranchisement of voters. With a primary election only 6 months away, educating voters on who they vote for and how and when they can participate in their American right to vote is a burden and financial expense that the county will incur. How will this be addressed? In a time of great upheaval, this is a tragic and deliberate gesture that would say to voters "we don't care for you", which is I am sure not your intent nor the impact you want to have. Disenfranchisement so reckless should be a red flag, no matter party preference, and I hope it will be a red flag to you today.

Please, reject the Patten Map. Our county districts do not warrant change, let's keep things as they are and move forward progress for our county on the pressing issues ahead of us. If you cannot go back and adopt map A at this time, I urge you to move forward with a more balanced and thoughtful approach such as the 2030 map.

With gratitude for your time and service,

Quinn Brady

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:19 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]Re-districting

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From: Ros McQuade

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 10:00 PM To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]Re-districting

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Dear County Board of Supervisors,

Please choose the 2030 re districting plan for San Luis Obispo county. It will be a more efficient way to share the responsibility of governing our county. I am a 40 year resident of the third district.

Sincerely, Rosalyn Mcquade

Sent from my iPad

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:20 AM

To: Maria G. Brown
Subject: FW: [EXT]

From: mary stallard

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 10:05 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]

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Board of Supervisors - please do NOT support the Patten map as it is just a terrible plan. I strongly urge each of you to support the Chamber map and 1 which I support. Mary Stallard, Morro Bay resident - I have lived in MB since 1967 and in SLO county since 1965! Thank you, Mary Stallard

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:20 AM

To: Maria G. Brown
Subject: FW: [EXT]Redistricting

From: jwm143@aol.com

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 10:08 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT] Redistricting

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Dear Supervisors:

This effort should be done in a fair and above board matter. Please do not give in to partisan plans to redesign the boundaries. Thanks.

John Messer

Sent from the all new AOL app for iOS

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:20 AM

To: Maria G. Brown
Subject: FW: [EXT]Redistricting

From: seadreamz for the Raymonds

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 10:13 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]Redistricting

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The population has changed little since the last census.

We strongly believe that no changes need to happen to the districts as it stands.

We live in Morro Bay, our children attend schools from Cayucos to Los Osos.

It makes no sense to break up communities of like interest, as are the communities of Cambria, Cayucos, Morro Bay and Los Osos. It would be like forcing the likes of Paso residents and their unique situations into a coastal area and visa versa. And splitting Atascadero from Santa Margarita?? It would be like separating cojoined twins!

All of you supervisors are in your positions to do the right thing. Ripping our communities apart will only demonstrate how deaf you are to the uniqueness of the communities and their many designated voters.

DO NOT SEPARATE COMMUNITIES as the criteria does not indicate that it needs to be done.

Sincerely, Gizella Raymond of Morro Bay

Sent from Outlook

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:20 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT] November 30th Redistricting Confirm the Chamber Map Deny the Patten Map

From: Michael Miller

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 10:16 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT] November 30th Redistricting Confirm the Chamber Map Deny the Patten Map

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November 29, 2021

Dear Honorable Board of Supervisors,

Re: Redistricting

I have been a resident of SLO County for over 46 years in Los Osos and am very concerned with the redistricting process you are tasked to undertake every 10 years using new census data. Although I would much prefer you took action to create a nonpartisan commission to do this process, I feel strongly that you need to take action to ensure all citizens receive equal representation in your drawing of district lines.

It is clear that the Patten Map does not do this. A detailed analysis has identified that it favors conservative voters in four out of five districts, proof that It was indeed created to do just that.

It also blows up existing legal representation and communities of interest. It is essential that SLO City, the largest city and hub of our county (not to mention where you all work) be represented by three supervisors.

Perhaps the most egregious aspect of the Patten Map is that it completely disregards communities of interest in the current District 2.

Instead it divides this North Coast area into three separate districts, each thrown in with other areas of the County that have entirely different concerns and challenges. Since none are contiguous and share little or no "communities of interest"

aspects, I believe it is entirely possible that if you adopt the Patten Map, legal challenges will follow.

Maps A or B were heavily favored at the prior Board Redistricting meeting, yet your three board conservative majority chose to entirely disregard the will of the people.

Indeed, Supervisor Compton went so far as to say she would not pay any attention to a large postcard writing effort by a local environmental group because most of the messages said virtually the same thing.

That message was to favor the current district boundaries by endorsing Map A or B. Supervisor Compton stated that she completely disregards those over 500 postcards because they contained the same message; "retain the current boundaries".

Supervisor Peschong chimed in stating he only listens to people in his district.

Does not each of you take an oath as Supervisor to take into consideration the views of the entire County of San Luis Obispo and

not just those whose comments are in line with your already favored gerrymandered map, namely the Patten Map?

Please avoid controversy by doing the right thing and adopt the Chamber Map advanced by your board at the last meeting. It is reasonable, rationale and thankfully entirely legal.

Regards,

Vita Miller

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:22 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]We vote to maintain the present districting maps

From: Gary Raymond <

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 10:18 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT] We vote to maintain the present districting maps

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I vote to maintain the status quo in terms of maintaining the present districting maps. To break up communities makes no sense especially since the census has determined that SLO county has changed very little since the last redistricting.

Thank you for your time.

Gary Raymond, Morro Bay, CA

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:25 AM

To: Maria G. Brown
Subject: FW: [EXT]Redistricting

From: Emily Kuntz

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 10:46 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT] Redistricting

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I support the 2030 map and NOT THE PATTEN MAP!

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From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:25 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT] Districting- Its not broken- don't mess that up!

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From: cyber junk

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 10:46 PM To: Redistricting < Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

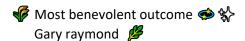
Subject: [EXT]Districting- Its not broken- don't mess that up!

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Why you didn't convene a group of non partisan citizen panel, is incomprehensible.

Do what's right for the majority (not lost vocal whiners) and don't fiddle with the districting maps esp considering the Census showed little shift in this regard and the guidelines state that like communities should

We are rooting up here shortly to start itbeikkñ



From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:26 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: Public Comment - ID 303

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

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 11:35 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: Public Comment - ID 303

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Represented

City San Luis Obispo

Zip 93401

Comment Please choose the Chamber of Commerce map. The Patten map is an embarrassing

mess.

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From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:12 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT] No on Patten map

Attachments: RE Districting #2.docx

From: Eric Michielssen

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 8:19 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]No on Patten map

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Thank you.

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:13 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]Redistricting comments

Attachments: Redistricting .pdf

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

From: Patrick McGibney

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 8:28 PM

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

Subject: [EXT]Redistricting comments

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TO: County of San Luis Obispo Board of Supervisors

COPIES: Individual Supervisors, SLO County Staff Advisory Redistricting Committee Redistricting Partners, Advisory Consultant, Rita Neal, County Counsel

FROM: Patrick McGibney/Lindi Doud

RE: SLO County Redistricting – Supervisorial Districts

DATE: November 29, 2021

Board Members, the Staff Committee, Redistricting Partners, and County Council

We've been residents of SLO County for almost 50 years and are proud to call this county our home. As residents, we are very concerned about the current redistricting process. Of course, you are tasked to go through this every 10 years using new census data. 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. Although we would much prefer you take action to create a nonpartisan commission to do this process, we feel strongly that you need to ensure all citizens receive equal representation in your drawing of district lines.

Reviewing the census data, it appears that so little has changed in the last ten years that redistricting hardly seems warranted. However, the Chamber map does incorporate some changes that make sense, but remains conservative and workable. The so-called "Patten Map" is a radical change that makes no sense at all. It blows up existing legal representation and communities of interest. It would be costly, unwieldy, and impractical in the real world to implement, and for what reason? Why should one supervisor have to represent the incongruous needs and geographical disparities of both coastal and interior constituencies? Why should all the contiguous coastal communities that share so many common interests and challenges be separated?

Breaking up our geographical and communities of interest in the adoption of the Patten Map would be doing a great disservice to all citizens of this county. There are constitutional, statutory, and case precedent guardrails for evaluating the legitimacy of the 2021 redistricting process and, because it does not follow clear state laws, it will face legal challenges. Such an unwarranted radical change as adopting the Patten Map most likely will not survive a legal test.

We urge you to take the conservative approach and adopt the SLO Chamber Map, or Maps A or B developed by your own task force, and discard the Patten Map.

Sincerely,

Patrick McGibney Lindi Doud

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 10:24 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]SLO County Redistricting **Attachments:** District 4 Public Comment .pdf

From: Oceano Advisory Council

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 10:30 PM **To:** Redistricting < Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us > **Subject:** [EXT]SLO County Redistricting

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Attached is my public comment.

Best,

Allene Villa

To: SLO County Board of Supervisors

Re: SLO County Redistricting 2021

From: Oceano Advisory Council

Date: Nov. 29, 2021

Dear Supervisors,

My name is Allene Villa I am a lifelong Oceano resident and Chair of the Oceano

Advisory Council. I am writing to urge you to keep district 4 with minimal changes

by adopting the SLO County 2030 map.

Oceano historically has been ignored. We have been studied and planned to

death with no concrete results and now we will be placed in a district with more

pressing issues that includes the Diablo Canyon decommissioning. This will only

make it more difficult to dedicate county time and resources to Oceano and lead

to further neglect of our town that lacks basic infrastructure of sidewalks,

crosswalks and lighting.

For decades Latinos have settled into district 4 due to the agriculture industry in

the area. As a result, Oceano and Nipomo have the largest number of Latinos in

the South County. Agriculture continues to be a strong industry in our district

contributing millions to its economy and the tourism industry and Latinos continue

being the driving force to its success. These two communities of interest are interrelated and of historical and economical significance in the south county and should remain together in the fourth district.

The tourism community of interest would also be divided. Oceano and Nipomo share the Oceano Nipomo Dunes Complex and the scenic HW1 Discovery Route. Thousands of tourists visit our beach and dunes and the scenic Oso Flaco Lake along this route. This area brings significant tourism dollars to our area.

The Patten Map would result in dividing 3 communities of interest of district 4 and diluting the Latino vote. This is in violation of the Federal Voting Rights Act which prohibits the dilution of minority votes when redistricting. The Latino vote will further be disenfranchised by a deferral of supervisorial elections until 2024. Dividing a minority group that has historically been disenfranchised is not only unfair but runs contrary to our federal constitutional values.

The Latino vote will be diluted and yet I hear no discussion of this from your board. Do you not think it is an important issue worth discussing? Latinos are also voters in our county and are paying attention and listening. We want to hear from our county representatives on this issue.

I also must state my discontent with the Latino outreach. The newspaper the

Latino Central Coast in which these hearings were noticed according to your

staff is not even distributed in Oceano. And the workshops, Zoom and church

meetings in the contract did not take place. The outreach was poor and left much

to be desired. SLO County can do better than this. In the future please ensure

better outreach and education is done to our Latino community and not just

promised by a consulting firm.

Please make our county proud of your decision and vote for the map that most

adheres to fairness, redistricting codes, and the constitution. Vote for SLO

County map 2030.

Best,

Allene Villa/Chair

Océano Advisory Council

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 11:47 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT] Deny the Patten map

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From: Ronald Schow

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 6:46 PM To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]Deny the Patten map

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My name is Ronald Schow, a registered voter living in Morro Bay.

I support the SLO Chamber Map. I've lived in SLO County since 1993.

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 11:47 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT] Make no changes to current district maps-obey the law.

----Original Message-----

From: Jeffrey Heller

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 6:53 PM To: Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT] Make no changes to current district maps-obey the law.

ATTENTION: This email originated from outside the County's network. Use caution when opening attachments or links. The newest census information does not vary much from previous census'--so no change in district lines is justified.

As required by California law, the existing district boundaries are geographically contiguous and community division is minimized. The current districts are easily identifiable and understandable by residents and are geographically compactas also required by law.

The proposed changes ("Patten" map) are politically motivated to favor one party over another. This is against California law.

As an elected member of the Morro Bay City council I took an oath to uphold the law. I know each of you took a similar oath. I expect each of you to be faithful to the law when you vote on this issue.

Regards Jeff Heller Mayor Pro Tem City of Morro Bay

From: Redistricting

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 11:48 AM

To: Maria G. Brown

Subject: FW: [EXT]No on the Patten map.

From: drs13677@gmail.com

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 7:41 PM **To:** Redistricting <Redistricting@co.slo.ca.us>

Subject: [EXT]No on the Patten map.

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Dear Supervisors,

I have lived in Atascadero for over twenty five years and in San Luis Obispo County for forty three years. I would like you to support either the SLO CHAMBER MAP, MAP-A or MAP-B. Atascadero was caught in the middle of a redistricting several years ago when we lost congresswoman Lois Capps and ended up lumped in with northern Los Angeles county under congressman Kevin McCarthy. It was a nightmare. Please do not let that happen within the county. Radical redistricting is not necessary. I fear the Patten map is geared more towards political gain than for the benefit of the county and its residence.

I appreciate your consideration on this matter and hope you will vote in favor of the county and its people.

Respectfully, Dawn Stokes