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To: COSD, Redistricting; Elfin Forest Harmony Grove Town Council

Subject: [External] On the redistricting of Elfin Forest and Harmony Grove

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## Dear Friends:

As a 20 year resident of Elfin Forest and a fourth generation native Californian, I urge you to take a good look at the urban sprawl of LA and south SF. Your duty is to do something better here in developing San Diego so it will remain the best place to live in the USA. Elfin Forest and Harmony Grove are united in a natural geological unit, a valley. Please do not break apart our valley. Redistricting us to East County is a move to serve developers, not residents. Who do you serve? Out of town and out of state developers come in driven by the profit motive; they must be kept in check by you to preserve our unique communities. That will long term benefit all because all are enriched by open space, by conservation lands, by rural communities and communities of character. That draws visitors to experience our beautiful San Diego. Our Elfin Forest/Harmony Grove valley has historic united roots and present day associations in North County. We have established bonds with San Marcos, Escondido, Rancho Santa Fe, Encinitas and Olivenhain. Our children go to North County schools, our fire department is North County. We are North County rural residential.

Be wise. Keep our valley of Elfin Forest and Harmony Grove whole. Keep us in North County.

Thank you.

Cheri Smith, Elfin Forest