

To: COSD, Redistricting

Cc: Scott Sutherland; Debbie O'Neill

Subject: [External] Elfin Forest / Harmony Grove Town Council Comment Letter

Attachments: Redistricting Letter - EFHG Town Council Letter2.pdf

Please consider this letter from the Elfin Forest / Harmony Grove Town Council in reference to the hearing of December 9th, Item 7.

Thanks you for the hard work and transparency with which you have conducted yourselves.

-JP Theberge

Chair

Elfin Forest / Harmony Grove Town Council



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December 8, 2021

David Bame, Chair San Diego County Independent Redistricting Committee 1600 Pacific Highway, Room 302 San Diego, CA 92101

Esteemed Commissioners:

A week ago, this Town Council submitted a letter asking the Independent Redistricting Commission to consider the wishes of our historical community of Elfin Forest, Harmony Grove and Eden Valley. In addition, a number of our residents wrote in stating their wishes. The request was fairly straight forward:

- Please not split up the historically and jurisdictionally united neighborhoods/towns of Elfin Forest, Harmony Grove and Eden Valley.
- Please do not gerrymander us awkwardly into an east county district with which we have no connection.

Many of us watched the deliberations last Friday and were impressed at the professionalism, dedication, objectivity, and the attention to detail exhibited by the commissioners and their vendor, Flo Analytics, as you worked through all areas of the County. We know it is a solomonesque task to attempt to meet every community of interests' needs and we truly appreciate that you have taken our community into account.

We support the Final Working Draft Map being proposed in Item 7 on the agenda for December 9th as it pertains to Elfin Forest, Harmony Grove, Eden Valley, and the rest of the San Dieguito Planning Area. It fairly takes into account our community's needs and helps preserve a historical rural community, allowing us to continue to speak as one voice into the foreseeable future.

Sipcerely,

JP Theberge

Chair, Elfin Forest / Harmony Grove Town Council