

Good Morning:

My name is Jim Reilley, a resident of St. Augustine development in Torrey Hills. Our community believes there has been a significant error in the latest map (89040 ) for redistricting as the line runs right through our small development (vs the canyon that runs right behind us which is the natural boundary to separate District 6 from Torrey Hills and District 1). All of St Augustine and all of Torrey Hills should be included in District 1.

Many in our development and the neighboring housing are shocked to see this map splitting our houses and community in half. A portion of St. Augustine has been moved to District 1 and some neighbors right across the street to District 6 -- this is senseless and obviously an error. In total 606 residents of Torrey Hills have been cut from their immediate neighborhood, including St Augustine, which use the same two streets in and out for all of our residences (Vereda Mar Del Sol and Vereda Sol Del Dios). It makes no sense to put some of these houses in District 6 which is across the Penequitos Canyon and not at all a part of our community (there is not even any access to that side of the canyon). We believe the map is in error and needs to be modified for final approval.

Retaining the map as is would be highly offensive and extremely divisive. It also does not follow the spirit of redistricting as stated on Secretary of State site. It does not use natural boundaries, nor does it respect geographic integrity of neighborhoods and communities, and does not keep contiguous areas together --- It splits an area of Torrey Hills right in the middle of the St Augustine housing development. The map instead should use the Penasquitos Canyon as the boundary between District 6 and Torrey Hills which should be maintained in District 1. Torrey Hills has no affiliation or affinity with the communities across the canyon. We belong together with our broader community of Carmel Valley.

The update Map 89040 (formerly Map 87525) moved most of Torrey Hills into District 1 but in error left out several houses in the exact same development. More importantly, the new approved Map 89040 does not meet the intent of the redistricting vision as stated on the Secretary of State website, where we are trying to 1) geographically keep contiguous districts, (2) keep and respect the geographic integrity of local neighborhoods or communities in a manner that minimizes its division, (3) respect the geographic integrity of a city to minimize its division, (4) easily identifiable boundaries that follow natural or artificial barriers (rivers, streets, highways, rail lines, canyons, etc.), which is the Penasquitos Canyon separating us from Sorrento Valley and Mira Mesa and (5) lines shall be drawn to encourage geographic compactness.

Please revise Map 89040 in your December 7 meeting to move ALL Torrey Hills within District 1 based on Penasquitos Canyon boundaries, not an random, senseless, or erroneous division line cutting through our streets. The new proposed map should keep ALL Torrey Hills under district 1 and keep Carmel Valley as ONE community, which would make it more in line with this redistricting project's vision and spirit.

Thank you kindly,

Jim