

**Final**  
STAFF SUMMARY OF MEETING

COLORADO REAPPORTIONMENT COMMISSION

Date: 08/20/2011	ATTENDANCE
Time: <b>06:59 PM to 08:02 PM</b>	Atencio E
Place: Northeastern Junior College Sterling	Berry E
	Carroll E
This Meeting was called to order by <u>Tool</u>	Jones E
	Loevy X
	Nicolais X
	Salazar E
This Report was prepared by <u>Bo Pogue</u>	Tool X
	Witwer X
	Webb E
	Carrera E

X = Present, E = Excused, A = Absent, \* = Present after roll call

Bills Addressed:	Action Taken:
Welcome and Introductions Sterling	Witness Testimony and/or Committee Discussion Only
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**06:59 PM -- Welcome and Introductions Sterling**

The commission was called to order. Commissioner Tool, acting chair, made some opening remarks and introduced himself. Commissioners Loevy, Witwer, and Nicolais introduced themselves.

**07:02 PM**

Ms. Kate Meyer, Reapportionment Commission Staff, read a statement providing background on the commission and its appointments, and an overview of the time table for the commission's work. Ms. Meyer then briefed the audience on the federal and state legal criteria that must be observed in redrawing Colorado's state House and Senate boundaries following each decennial census.

**07:08 PM -- Witness Testimony Sterling**

The following persons testified at the Sterling meeting:

**07:08 PM** -- Ms. Marilyn Van Well expressed objection to drawing the incumbent in House District 63 into a new district, citing certain legal criteria that the commission must observe as it performs its duties. She asked that the commission keep the Eastern Plains whole and that it be apportioned the number of districts to which it is entitled. Ms. Van Well submitted her written testimony for the record (Attachment A).



Attachment A.pdf

**07:12 PM** -- Mr. Don Jones objected to Morgan County being split in the proposed House plan, and suggested that additional population be drawn from Weld County for House District 65. He cited communities of interest in northeastern Colorado, and geographic features that define the area. He also cited issues of concern to the people of the area. Discussion ensued about a House plan proposed for the Eastern Plains that was not selected by the commission. Commission members received a modified version of this proposed plan (Attachment B).



Attachment B.pdf

**07:18 PM** -- Mr. Russell Smith asked the commission about the change in population in the current House districts.

**07:18 PM** -- Ms. Bonnie Kuntz discussed the process that led to the drafting of the plan shown in Attachment B, and expressed a desire for the representation of the Eastern Plains to remain intact.

**07:24 PM** -- Ms. Lola Mathais continued to discuss Attachment B. Ms. Kuntz returned to discuss the district colored in red on Attachment B, and urged the commission to consider this plan and keep certain areas of the Eastern Plains together. Discussion ensued regarding a desire by the residents of southeastern Colorado to keep the Arkansas Valley together, and the proposed district in Attachment B that groups Baca, Las Animas, and Pueblo Counties together.

**07:30 PM** -- Mr. Norm Blackburn asked about the population of a portion of Morgan County that is grouped into House District 57 in the proposed plan, and the reason for splitting Morgan County in the plan. Mr. Blackburn discussed differing and changing communities of interest in Weld County, and differences between Weld County and counties to the east.

**07:34 PM** -- Mr. Monty Willike objected to Morgan County being split in the commission's proposed House plan, and discussed the potential for representation on the Eastern Plains to come from near the Denver Metropolitan area under the proposed plan. Commissioner Witwer discussed the potential ramifications of keeping Morgan County whole in the House plan. Commissioner Tool discussed the impact of changes in population on Colorado's Eastern Plains relative to the rest of the state. Commissioner Witwer asked the audience to give its views on how to mitigate potential issues in keeping Morgan County whole in the House map.

**07:41 PM**

Mr. Jones returned to ask the commission why there are only four members of the commission at the meeting.

**07:42 PM**

Ms. Van Wells asked about moving a portion of Weld County into the proposed House District 65 in order to keep Morgan County whole, and requested that the current House incumbent representing northeastern Colorado be kept in the proposed House District 65.

**07:46 PM**

Ms. Kuntz returned to discuss the current representation of the House districts on the Eastern Plains and which districts the incumbents would be drawn into under the proposed House plan. Ms. Kuntz responded to questions regarding her preference for dividing the Eastern Plains vertically rather than horizontally. She also objected to drawing portions of Aurora into a district with Eastern Plains counties. Discussion ensued regarding the differing issues facing southeastern Colorado and northeastern Colorado, and the House redistricting preferences of southeastern Colorado. Ms. Kuntz responded to questions regarding the potential for someone from southeastern Colorado to represent northeastern Colorado.

**07:56 PM --** Mr. Dean Schuman discussed where the commissioners reside, and asked whether any of the commissioners are from rural areas. Discussion ensued on this point.

**08:00 PM --** Ms. Joann Smith asked about the timing of the reapportionment process. Commissioner Nicolais explained that audio from the public hearings is available to the commissioners not present. Commissioner Tool advertised the commission's website.

**08:02 PM**

A number of public comments received by the commission via e-mail were entered into the public record (Attachment C). The commission adjourned.



Attachment C.pdf

Hayes  
Rm 230 Student  
Center  
7PM

*Heading*  
*I have been informing myself*

**I have been informing myself with the reapportionment criteria that are set in place for the redistricting of the state according to the population. I am doing so because I heard that our elected representative, John Becker, is in the proposed plan at present to be given to another district. This concerns me very much and I feel that I need to voice my opinion at this meeting tonight.**

**We are the constituents that supported and encouraged John to run for the representation of the 63<sup>rd</sup> district in the Colorado state house of representatives. We are the people who spent time with John so he would understand our rural needs, and we are the ones who donated our funds to help him win his campaign against his opponents.**

**To hear the proposed plan that John will be put in a new district that neither voted for him, nor may know anything about him is disturbing and frustrating.**

**When ~~you~~ <sup>I</sup> read the criteria the state sets forth when doing these reapportionments, I feel that putting John in a different district other than the one he was voted into goes against these criteria. Let me be specific.**

**One of the criteria reads....districts are to be drawn such that minority groups are able to elect representatives of their choice. First of all rural northeast Colorado is made up of farmers and ranchers and I feel they are a minority group in Colorado's population. We elected the voice of our choice and it seems to me that the commissions plan to remove our voice to another district does not fall in line with the state's criteria that you must abide by. John is the voice for the minority group of farmers and ranchers that make their living upon the land, and to remove him would be unjust.**

**I also feel that these elected representatives know their districts well and have concerns for the issues that the families have in their districts. They represent these concerns because they took the time to find these out before they were elected. I would ask**

**that the commission listen carefully to these elected officials as to what their opinions are when it comes to the reapportionment of these districts.**

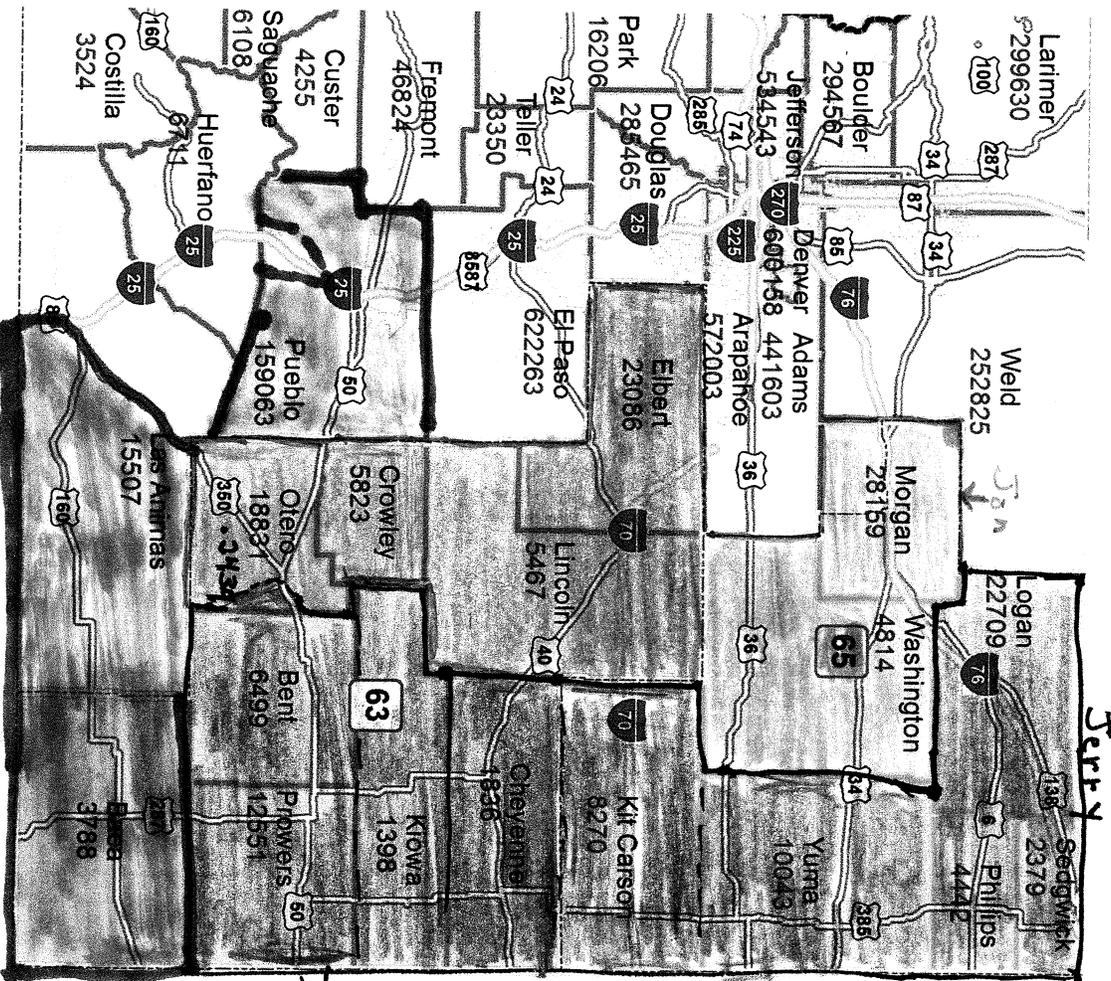
**I think that I speak for the constituents that are here tonight when I say that we firmly object to the commission's plans of removing our representative, which is our voice in the system, to another district.**

**My point being, that John Becker understands the farmers and ranchers and goes to bat for this minority group in the state of Colorado. We as voters knew that John would be our voice, and to remove that voice would be to go against the criteria the state of Colorado sets forth.**

**Thank you for the time and attention you have given me to listen to my concerns. I graciously ask that your commission reconsider taking John Becker from our district and work toward another path of reapportionment that will keep the eastern plains of Colorado whole and together enabling its citizens to their fair share of representation. This is vital to keeping the farming and ranching industry of Colorado sound.**

*Marilyn Van Well  
821 Adams Ave,  
Akron, Co 80720  
bandmvan@yahoo.com*

# House Region Two Plan - H2002V1



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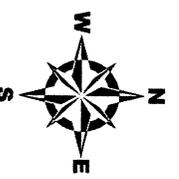
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2011 Colorado Reapportionment Commission  
1313 Sherman Street  
Room 122  
Denver, Colorado 80203



RE: Congressional Redistricting  
rockymtnstore  
to:  
reapp2011  
08/15/2011 03:52 PM  
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Did you know that in the last election Congressman Polis LOST Grand County 2 – 1? Again, Congressman Polis is on August "vacation" and he has no meetings scheduled in Grand County. We need local representation in our county for the State also. Front Range politicians that represent rural areas only care about the populated areas that butter their bread.

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

**From:** rockymtnstore [mailto:ken@rockymtnstore.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 20, 2011 10:18 AM  
**To:** 'reapp2011@state.co.us'  
**Subject:** Congressional Redistricting

I can say without a doubt that living in Grand County and having our US Congressional District aligned with Boulder has been a disaster. Our way of life is completely different from those in Boulder but because of the population differences our US Representative is always elected by those living in Boulder. I feel as though we have no voice in the U.S. Congress by our official whose leanings are decidedly different from those of us who live in a rural area. When was the last time U.S. Congressman Polis was in Grand County for a public meeting? October 2009 - almost 2 years ago

Aligning us in the State Congress with those on the Front Range will again leave us with "no" representation as we will not have the voting power to elect someone who represents us and our way of life. I urge you to reconsider the current realignment and leave those of us in a rural area in a rural district.

Thank you for your consideration.

Ken Anderson  
Rocky Mountain General Store  
Granby, CO  
970-887-1500

Testimony from James Butler to Colorado Commission on Reapportionment  
Resident of Gunbarrel since 1988  
August 15, 2011  
Boulder, Colorado

## ISSUE

The proposed map for the reapportionment of the Colorado House cuts the Gunbarrel Community in half and puts much of Gunbarrel, a plains community, in with the mountain communities. Gunbarrel has worked hard to maintain coherence as it sits among several areas of governance. The community needs coherent representation at the State level that is not diluted by widely diverse interests.

## BACKGROUND

- Gunbarrel is a largely unincorporated community of Boulder County, residing between Longmont and Boulder. Small parcels are within the City of Boulder city limits, owing to a couple of “flagpole” annexations in the 1990s. Population is of the order of 10-12,000.
- Most of Gunbarrel is served by the Boulder Post Office; some is served by the Longmont or Niwot Post Offices. All of Gunbarrel has Boulder phone numbers.
- Part of Gunbarrel is in the St. Vrain School District; most of Gunbarrel is in the Boulder School District
- There are several definitions of the boundaries of “Gunbarrel”, but the most accepted and useful is defined by Hwy 52 to the north, the Diagonal to the west, Jay Road to the south, and with the eastern edge of contiguous development (i.e., Heatherwood neighborhood) constituting the far eastern boundary.
- In summary, Gunbarrel can be viewed as an orphan in several ways. **We have, however, historically been represented in the same House District of the State of Colorado.**
- In spite of the diversity of governance, Gunbarrel has sought to keep a tight identity, as residents often felt they were a dumping ground for whatever issue was at hand. (It’s hard being an orphan . . . )
  - In the early 1990s, a consortium of 12 neighborhood homeowner associations formed the Gunbarrel Neighborhood Alliance (currently called the Gunbarrel Community Association) to address development, open space, and other collective issues around Gunbarrel.
  - In the mid 1990s, Gunbarrel formed its own Special Improvement District for the dual purpose of improving roads in the neighborhoods and purchasing parcels of open space around the neighborhood. This was put to the voters and received widespread approval. (I believe it was over 80% supporting establishment of this district).
    - Roadwork has been completed; open space has been purchased and donated to the County for maintenance
  - Gunbarrel now has an area designated for a “Town Center” and a hotel has been approved. RTD provides frequent trips to Boulder, occasional trips to Longmont; Gunbarrel is a planned FasTracks stop.

- All of Gunbarrel is on “flat” ground; it is not contiguous with mountain communities, but rather should be thought of as a suburban community with closer ties to Boulder than to Longmont. The mountain communities have widely different interests and needs.

#### REQUEST

- **Our request is simple: Keep Gunbarrel in a single district, preferably together with eastern Boulder, with whom we share a common community of interest.**
- Gunbarrel needs coherent representation in the State Assembly now and in the future more than we ever have. Issues on transportation, open space and open space management, land-use change, and development are looming and all impinge on state laws and statutes, either directly or indirectly.
- The community has made great effort to build coherence over the past two decades; please do not strip this from us at the state level by running yet another sprawling line through it.
- Please support the orphan by ensuring this cohesion.

Doug Young: feedback on redistricting of current HD10/13 in Boulder County

Doug Young

to:

reapp2011

08/16/2011 06:53 AM

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Ny name is Doug Young. I live in HD13, in the mountains 2 miles west of Boulder, in unincorporated Boulder County. I have lived in Colorado for 26 years, 5 of those in west Boulder and 21 years in my home in Boulder County. I am married and have 3 children who attend school in the Boulder Valley School District. I was a volunteer firefighter with the Sunshine Fire Protection District for 18 years., where I served as fire chief from 1993 to 1995, and as a battalion chief for many years after that

I am currently on the Boulder County Planning Commission, which among other things is responsible for maintaining the Boulder County Comprehensive Plan.

I would like to publicly state my support for the preliminary adopted senate redistricting plan, even though my senate representation will change. But at the same time I must voice my serious misgivings with the preliminary adopted house redistricting plan.

I am unhappy about the apparent flip-flopping of current Boulder house districts 10 and 13. Our HD13 representative has done a terrific job getting to know the people of our district, and has forged relationships that will endure for years to come.

However, the new district map has our mountain region combined with north and east Boulder County areas, which have little in common with our mountainous communities. As a result, we will no longer share representation with the western portion of the city of Boulder.

I would like to see my mountain representation continue to be combined with the western parts of Boulder. We share many of the same concerns about things like wildlife, schools, and wildfire mitigation.

Our children attend Boulder Valley schools on the western side of Boulder, and we share many of the school and transportation related concerns. If you were to imagine a vertical line splitting the city of Boulder in two, you would find that the children to the west of that line go to school with children from all the way up to Flagstaff, Sugarloaf, Gold Hill and Jamestown. We live and learn as an urban-interface community, and that is why it is important to keep the mountain area in the same district as western Boulder.

We have much more in common with Gilpin and Clear Creek counties that we do with north and east Boulder County.

In our community, we have many species of wildlife that are very active, including mule deer, black bear, and mountain lions. These animals share that habitat with the western side of Boulder, and we desperately need to speak with one voice when working with CDOW to manage the wildlife situation.

My neighborhood was evacuated in the recent Fourmile and Dome fires. And at its worst, our neighbors on the west side of Boulder were also evacuated. We share a healthy and enduring respect for the forces of nature, and the need for: mitigation, pre-planning, emergency response, and for the after-disaster

cleanup and management of debris flows and Boulder Creek flooding.

Mercifully, our home was spared in those fires, but many of my neighbors in the Sunshine area lost their homes. Our HD13 representative has used her influence to respond to her constituents needs with respect to rebuilding, and has been very helpful with investigating and mitigating issues with residential insurance providers. She is also proactive about drafting legislation to mitigate these insurance problems in the future. We absolutely need to stand with our adjacent city neighbors when planning for mitigating, responding to, and recovering from natural disasters in the future.

Thank you very much for taking the time to hear from us, and I will close by asking that you go back and take a serious look at the current versus adopted house district reapportionment, and to please keep my mountain community working together with our west Boulder neighbors for the same legislative goals. Thank you.

FW: Redistricting- House 26  
Mary Althausen  
to:  
reapp2011  
08/16/2011 12:00 PM  
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Mary Althausen  
7143 Mt. Meeker Road Longmont, Co 80503  
Gunbarrel Estates Subdivision

I do not live in the city of Longmont. Approximately 50 years ago when the subdivision was begun it was given a Longmont postal notation. The subdivision is located in unincorporated Boulder County, East of 71<sup>st</sup> with rough boundaries of Highway 52 on the North and Lookout Road on the South. We are located approximately 10 miles from Longmont and 10 miles from Boulder, 1 mile South east of Niwot. We are surrounded by the City of Boulder and Boulder County open space and farm land on the North, South and East.

Currently we are House District 10. I am opposed to placing the Gunbarrel Estates subdivision in House district 26 for several reasons. The primary reason is the separation of my subdivision from the other Gunbarrel area subdivisions including Heatherwood. The Commission map places these communities in House District 12.

Since the 90's, when the Gunbarrel Community Association was formed, residents of these diverse communities have worked cooperatively on several projects affecting the entire area, including purchase of open space and improvement of neighborhood roads.

Our most recent cooperative effort resulted in the CDOW denying the City of Boulder a permit to relocate prairie dogs to the Richardson II property, East of Gunbarrel Estates. Special shout out to our District 10 representative Dickey Lee Hullinghorst for her help. Dividing these communities into two districts will dilute our representation. Whatever your final decision, please keep these communities in the same district.

Perhaps my subdivision has many issues in common with Grand and Gilpin counties that will come before the State House. But I do know that my area has many issues that are different and unique.

Count me as opposed to the current map for the area.

Comments on Redistricting of Gunbarrel Community

Bill Althaus

to:

reapp2011

08/16/2011 12:19 PM

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To: The Reapportionment Commission

Subject: Redistricting of Gunbarrel Community, 8/15/2011

Bill Althaus, 7143 Mount Meeker Rd, Longmont, Co 80503 Gunbarrel Estates Subdivision (This is not in Longmont)

I have several comments on the current proposed split of the Gunbarrel Area into two congressional house districts. Today it is in district 10 represented by Dickey Lee Hullinghorst. The proposed split would divide it into district 12 and 26. The Gunbarrel community is mostly in unincorporated Boulder County with a shopping area, industrial areas, open space and one subdivision within the Boulder city limits. This creates potential conflicts between the city of Boulder and the Gunbarrel residents. A recent example was the desire of the city of Boulder to move 300 to 500 prairie dogs from the city to the open space(owned by the city of Boulder) adjacent to the Gunbarrel Estates subdivision to make way for a soccer field. The first attempt was to give residents one week notice without a public meeting. The citizens of Gunbarrel were sufficiently concerned about this disregard for their opinions that a group was formed and fought the effort over a period of 3-4 months with little apparent success with the Boulder City Council and County commissioners. With the help of Representative Hullinghorst, who lives in the area, and is very familiar with the issues, the Department of Wildlife was convinced that a permit for the movement of the prairie dogs to this area was not justified and denied it. This is an example of where a single district for the community with a local representative familiar with the issues can effectively reflect and serve the community.

My second point is the diversity and scope of the proposed district 26 which includes part of Gunbarrel, Niwot and other plains communities with a large mountain area including Western slope communities. In my opinion this does not make any sense both in the size and more importantly in the diversity of issues facing the mountains versus the plains. The mountain communities are very concerned about the beetle kill problem, the constant wild fire danger, water and mining whereas the communities on the plains are more concerned with agriculture, livestock, prairie dogs and the traffic congestion on US 36 and US 119(diagonal). It would be difficult for a single representative to effectively serve such a diverse area.

It seems to me that a more North/South split between the mountain communities and the plains communities would better serve all the people and keep all the communities with common issues and concerns together under one representative. I am asking this commission to review the proposed redistricting of the Gunbarrel area to better balance the needs and interests of all the communities involved. A possibility is to move all of Gunbarrel into district 12.

Regards.

Bill Althaus

Gunbarrel district representation

Scott Dixon

to:

reapp2011

08/16/2011 02:48 PM

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Hello,

I live in Heatherwood (Gunbarrel area) in Boulder County. I first moved out here in 1971, then again for the last 22 years. In the early 1990's, I was a leader in the movement to form the Gunbarrel Public Improvement District – which took to the voters the issue of bonding ourselves to purchase our own open space and to repave our roads. In order to bring this to ballot, it required a team of us to get 50% of the landowners to sign a petition to even get the issue on the ballot. In that process, our neighborhoods bonded as a community – in part to remind the City of Boulder that we do not want to be annexed to the City of Boulder.

Recently, another issue came to our neighborhood. The City of Boulder's plan to relocate prairie dogs to open space in the Gunbarrel area. Again, our community rose in one solid voice to attend City meeting, attend County Commissioner's meetings and to write in mass to the Department of Wildlife to plead our case against the relocation. It worked, the DOW denied the permit.

In both of these issues, it is clear we are ONE COMMUNITY. Bounded in most part by Jay Road on the south, highway 119 on the west, and the neighborhoods on each side of 75th and each side of Lookout – all form one Gunbarrel as everyone knows it. It is wrong to in any way split this area – politically or otherwise. We all chose to live out here and appreciate the same concerns and issues. It is not logical to split us up – our boundaries are clear on the map, keep them clear for representation. Please keep us in one district.

Scott Dixon  
4875 Durham St  
Boulder, CO 80301

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Scott Dixon  
[Scott.dixon@earthlink.net](mailto:Scott.dixon@earthlink.net)  
303 530-0447 home

Thank You for 6001  
Betty Swenson  
to:  
reapp2011@state.co.us  
08/17/2011 08:44 AM  
Please respond to Betty Swenson  
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August 17, 2011

To the Commission:

Thank you again for your time and effort that you have given to determining the boundaries of the Senatorial and Representative districts in Colorado.

In the presentation to the Commission on August 15, Ms. Nolte used the State Constitutional Guidelines to evaluate the approved preliminary plan H6001 with another suggested plan. This evaluation definitely gave H6001 the 'thumbs up' award in each criteria.

Please continue to support H6001 for Boulder County.

And to the Staff--remember once upon a time, we didn't have computers.....Thanks!

Betty Swenson  
Longmont,

Act for the people - not the party  
William Murray  
to:  
reapp2011  
08/17/2011 12:35 PM  
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Dear Commission Members:

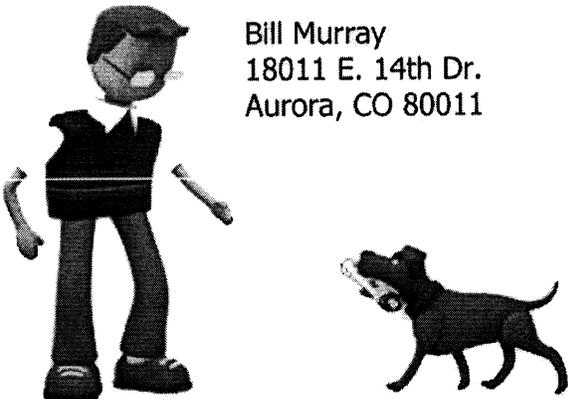
Mario Carrera, Chair  
Wellington Webb, Vice-Chair

It has been difficult for me to get good copies of maps indicating changes proposed in Senate and House districts for the coming decade. I have attended the public meeting in Aurora and listened to the commentary. I have certainly not studied the issues as you have had the responsibility to do.

This said I urge you to assert your minds and spirits to serve the public rather than your party. Foremost theologian, the Rev. Reinhold Niebuhr, in the 20th century, warned us of the dangers of party loyalty trampling on loyalty to the people.

"Niebuhr warned us against the perils of group consciousness. He reminded us that individual morality and conscience is often superior to group morality and conscience. That is so because the individual can occasionally rise above self-interest, whereas groups rarely do," David Brooks reminds us of Niebuhr's thoughts.

Bill Murray  
18011 E. 14th Dr.  
Aurora, CO 80011



CRC Testimony from Harry Hempy, Aug. 15, 2011

Harry Hempy

to:

reapp2011

08/18/2011 10:33 AM

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Dear Sirs:

My name is Harry Hempy. I live in the mountains in Boulder County. When I looked up the adopted House Plan maps for the newly proposed mountain district 26 on the commission's website what I found was shocking! Around 125,000 people in west Boulder County and the city of Boulder, the current area of house districts HD 10 and 13, would lose their current elected representative due to selective gerrymandering of precincts in northeast and southwest Boulder.

In particular, the Commission's adopted House Plan would take the unusual action of splitting precinct 74, northeast of Boulder, in half.

[Precinct 74 is bounded by 71<sup>st</sup> St and 95<sup>th</sup> St on the west and east and by Mineral Road (Hwy 52) and Lookout Road on the north and south.]

One half of precinct 74 is in district 12 and the other half of the precinct is in district 26. Oh, and it just happens that precinct 74 is the precinct Representative Hullinghorst lives in, putting her in a mountain district that includes Granby. This is an obvious attempt to cut off an incumbent representative from her district and her established constituency.

This situation is repeated in southwest Boulder where the plan would also remove Representative Levy from her mountain district and her established constituency.

Rep. Levy knows our mountain communities well. If mountain residents were to lose Rep. Levy's representation it would be a setback.

I don't appreciate efforts to gerrymander districts for the purpose of separating elected incumbents from their districts. It is unnecessary and I'm surprised that the practice is not prohibited.

Sincerely,  
Harry Hempy

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Boulder County Districts 11 and 12  
Michael Holdaway to: reapp2011

08/18/2011 04:47 PM

Dear Members of the Reapportionment Commission,

I want to begin by letting you know that I think your tentative reapportionment plan for state senate districts is fair and reasonable.

I believe that the tentative lines between House Districts 11 and 12 are not fair. The 14th Amendment to the US Constitution requires that minority districts not be fractured to dilute minority votes. The tentative plan fractures the minority areas of Longmont between Districts 11 and 12. It also cuts the heart out of the center of Longmont in a gerrymandered boundary.

I would like to see the boundary between the districts follow an approximately east-west line such that most or all of the minority-rich central district of Longmont is in District 11 and a little more of other southern and/or far eastern parts of Longmont are in District 12.

Thanks very much for your consideration.

Michael Holdaway  
855 Elliott St.  
Longmont 80504  
303-682-0238

Larimer County Reapportionment

Tammy Swanson

to:

reapp2011@state.co.us

08/19/2011 08:45 AM

Please respond to Tammy Swanson

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I am a resident of Fort Collins in Larimer County.

I am opposed to the new redistricting divisions for the House Districts of H.D. 52 and H.D. 53, which make little sense and appear to be politically motivated. I respectfully request the committee consider a very sensible and practical dividing line: College Avenue/Hwy 287. Those to the west of College Avenue would reside in H.D. 53 and those to the east of College in H.D. 52. This would make it very easy for the citizens of Fort Collins to know their House Districts and also very easy to create the map showing the separation of the districts.

Thank you for your consideration of my request.

Best regards,  
Tammy Swanson  
7102 Avondale Road  
Fort Collins, CO 80525