

RE: Reapportionment of Gunnison County Jim Starr to: 'Don Janney', reapp2011 Cc: thehalls, ramon, roger

06/20/2011 12:36 PM

Don,

This is well said. Thanks for putting it together.

----Original Message----

From: Don Janney [mailto:janney@ieee.org]

Sent: Monday, June 20, 2011 9:39 AM

To: reapp2011@state.co.us

Cc: thehalls@crestedbutte.net; ramon@reedsoftware.com;

roger@rogerbenwilson.org; jim@starrattorneys.com

Subject: Reapportionment of Gunnison County

To the Reapportionment Commission:

I urge the retention of Gunnison County entirely within a single House District. To separate different portions of the county, most especially the Crested Butte/Mt. Crested Butte region from the City of Gunnison, overlooks the requirement for retaining communities of interest as intact units. These municipalities have been drawing ever closer together economically and culturally in recognition of common interests. These interests include the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA), which is funded by interests in both parts of the County, and includes programs that promote air travel into the overall region, and ground transportation within the region and to Denver. These municipality-driven considerations are overlaid on a common desire to retain a vigorous ranching community as part of the overall county ambience that is vital to continuing efforts to build a necessary tourist industry that will benefit both Gunnison County and the entire Western Slope. A single State House Representative is vital for appropriate bonding and representation of these common and synergistic community interests.

Please reconsider and reject any proposal that will divide Gunnison County into two or more House Districts.

Donald Janney Resident of the City of Gunnison close-in suburban area Former resident of the Town of Mt. Crested Butte To:

2011 Colorado Reapportionment Commission

From: Debra Irvine

Summit County, Colorado

Dear Commissioners,

I am Debra Irvine from Summit County, Colorado. My husband and I reside in Breckenridge.

I was unable to testify at your meeting on June 13, 2011 as I was out of state. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to offer my viewpoint on Colorado Reapportionment.

Summit County is a proud member of Club 20 whose mission is to protect and promote the Western Slope. I am very familiar with the demographics of the legislative districts within which Western Slope counties lie. I was the 2010 Republican candidate for House District 56 and held/hold elected leadership positions for legislative/congressional districts.

Summit County has an historic and stronger relationship with Western Slope counties than with those of the Front Range.

We are stewards of the national forest, mining, open space, water rights and land management. We have a large community of retirees and second home owners. We share a unique recreational industry. Summit County has fewer than 30,000 residents; however, as a unique resort community we can be responsible for 100,000 at full capacity.

Summit County's representation should be conducive with the Western Slope to preserve our independent spirit, our unique demographics and lifestyle.

A district consisting of counties of like concerns, issues and focus encourages fundamental positive change, continuity and a strong working relationship.

Summit County is of the Western Slope and belongs with the constituents of the Western Slope.

Summit County needs united representation - one that understands its uniqueness.

Debra Irvine PO Box 4833 Breckenridge, Colorado 80424 (970) 547-5875

Letter of concern RE Colorado Reapportionment Region 3 Melissa Giberson to: reapp2011 06/20/2011 05:01 PM Show Details

To the Colorado Reapportionment Commission,

The situation of Colorado Reapportionment of Region 3 has just been brought to my attention. To say the least I am not pleased with what I have heard & read. Grand County should not be used as a pawn in a Front Range game of chess! We are a small, loving community & should not be raped of our vote & absorbed into another county where what "the people" of Grand County want & need will be overlooked. Let me guess, everyone just wants more of our depleting water supply, just like good old Denver?! I cannot tell you how disappointing it is to see this reapportionment decision is being handled. Also, I have not read anything in our local paper regarding this issue. So is this just another instance where the wool is pulled over our eyes & we are left with little or no government say? Perhaps by receiving an update via email I will become better informed & can share my information with the Valley & we can be heard?!

Thank you for your time.

Regards,

Melissa Giberson
Proud to be a Grand County Resident
mtngibs@yahoo.com

Comment re El Paso County Kady Hommel to: reapp2011 06/20/2011 05:59 PM Show Details

As a 10-year resident of El Paso County, I'm submitting this comment for consideration during reapportionment:

- 1. Keep the area around downtown Colorado Springs intact within a single house and senate district. Residents of Manitou Springs and downtown Colorado Springs have common needs and challenges and should be included in a single senate and house map and not be divided up among the other districts within El Paso.
- 2. The growth in our local Hispanic population should be reflected through a Hispanic influence district if possible. The Hispanic population of El Paso County is primarily located near the airport in the southeast corner of Colorado Springs. There is enough of a concentration of Hispanics in this area to have an impact on the elective power for the house district that incorporates this area. Given that the Hispanic population in this area has grown significantly over the past 10 years, a house district should be created to reflect their growing influence in the region.

Thanks, Kady Hommel 1737 Alamo Avenue Colorado Springs, CO 80907 Reapportionment of Gilpin County epdouglas to: reapp2011 06/22/2011 06:22 AM Show Details

To whom it may concern:

I live in Gilpin County and DO NOT wish to have my district included with Park and Chaffee County!

Eric Douglas 1327 Golden Gate Dr Golden, CO 80403 W: 303-582-0676 C: 303-562-6948

Re-Districting Linza Giamo Douglas to: reapp2011 06/22/2011 08:09 AM **Show Details** 

I oppose Gilpin and Clear Creek Counties being put with Park County; I don't believe we are compatible populations. Linza Douglas

Realiment of District Boundaries Barbara Moore to: reapp2011 06/22/2011 09:27 AM Show Details

As a resident of Gilpin Co. I would appreciate your consideration of how different the counties are, particularly Park and Gilpin. Gilpin is NOT part of the more typical Front Range, filled with commuters on a major route. Most of our residents not only live within the county, but have home businesses and/or work within the county. Our lifestyle is definitely more rural and mountain-type. I truly believe that if we are combined with other more disparate counties, that we will virtually lose our voice in our government.

Barbara R. Moore, Ph.D. 180 Rudi Lane West Golden, CO 80403

Gilpin County Redistricting Jennifer Gillespie to: reapp2011 06/22/2011 09:52 AM Show Details

Good morning. My name is Jennifer Thurston, and I have been a resident of Gilpin County for over 5 years. I understand that the Redistricting Commission is considering merging Gilpin and Park Counties. I wish to express my opinion that I do not agree with this merger, and wish for Gilpin and Park Counties NOT to be merged into the same district.

The residents of Gilpin County have some things in common, one of which is that the majority of us to not work in Gilpin County. Instead, most of us spend upwards of 40 hours per week in Jefferson, Denver, and other Front Range counties. Yes, Gilpin County is a rural community, but most of us are uber-commuters, we share transportation corridors with the Front Range community, and we spend the bulk of our week "down the hill."

Because of this, I believe the constituents have little in common with those in Park County. We work in different industries than Park residents, most children attend schools outside of Gilpin County, we use different transportation corridors, and we have very different concerns than a county located so far from Denver and its adjacent counties.

Thank you for taking the time to read this and allowing my input.

Jennifer Thurston 783 Muskrat Road Black Hawk, CO 80422 As a resident of Gilpin County for the past 20 years, I am vehemently opposed to your proposal to joiun Gilpin and Clear Creek Counties with Park and Chafee. As an independent I don't much care whether your plans are Republican or Democrat-oriented, but I DO care about the interests of my county and Gilpin's IN NO WAY coincide with Park or Chafee. Where do you people dream up these crazy ideas???
Holger Jensen
1029 Golden Gate Drive
Golden Gate Park Estates.

Reapportionment -- Clear Creek County Bruce Brown to: reapp2011 06/22/2011 11:26 AM Show Details

I am a lawyer of 25 years residing and working in Clear Creek County. I understand that currently under consideration is a proposal to re-allign House District 13 and Senate District 16.

Legislative issues of primary importance to Clear Creek County are transportation, as they pertain to I-70, and economic development, primarily characterized by tourism. For example, in Clear Creek County we have two ski areas, Echo Mountain and Loveland Ski Valley/Basin.

Over the past decade our representatives have worked jointly to create consensus on these issues by working together in tandem with the representatives of Summit and Eagle County. Our representatives are familiar with the particular concerns of the ski community which involve specialized knowledge of recreational land use and safety.

In addition, Clear Creek/Eagle and Summit County's are woven into the 5th Judicial District which includes Summit and Eagle County but doesn't include Chafee or Park County. Special programs within this judicial district are some matter of concern to our local legislators.

Obviously, the I-70 corridor does not include Chafee or Park County but does expand through much of the existing District map.

Although looking at a map on a table might lead one to the conclusion that travel between Clear Creek and the County's to our south, Chafee and Park, are "close", nothing could be further from the truth. Travel times to the South are extremely difficult and it would be almost impossible to envision our elected representatives keeping in effective communication from a physical perspective, if their Districts were to include Chafee or Park. On the other hand, allowing our representatives to travel east to west enable them to remain active in all Counties that they are responsible for.

If I can provide further information to you, please let me know. I urge you to keep the legislative integrity of House District 13 and Senate District 16 intact.

### Bruce Brown, Attorney

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Gilpin County Status in Reapportionment John Lodenkamper to: reapp2011 06/22/2011 02:15 PM Show Details

### To Whom It May Concern:

I am a long-time resident of Gilpin County and am writing to express opposition to being joined with Park County in the redistricting process. Gilpin is closely aligned with the Front Range through roads, commuters and interaction with other communities and organizations in that region. It has very little in common with Park County, and joining them in a new House District would put an undue burden on the representative to effectively represent such diverse interests.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours truly,

John Lodenkamper 843 Indian Peak Rd. Golden, CO 80403-9417 redistricting etpuja to: reapp2011 06/22/2011 02:17 PM Show Details

Dear Team, I am a gilpin County resident and am against redistricting our county with Park County. Our impact issues,(traffic,transportation, intergovernmental cooperation on challenges,environmental .....such as the Gross Resevior project...link us, in Gilpin, more with the front range, Boulder, and Jefferson, than with Salida, etc. Please vote against this proposed blending. With thanks, Patricia Eaton. I will be following the process. thanks again.

New districts input Linda Isenhart to: reapp2011 06/22/2011 03:22 PM Cc: Wes Isenhart Show Details

### Hello!

I would like to add a few comments to the discussion you are having regarding reappropriating congressional districts around Colorado. We live in Gilpin County and currently share our district with Summit, Grand, Clear Creek, Boulder and Jefferson County. We have mutual aid agreements for emergency services, public health, disaster planning, and forest management to name a few. Our shared boundaries are natural and close with many of our residents criss-crossing boundaries for business and recreational reasons.

I implore you not to redistrict Gilpin County with Chaffee and Park County as they are not a natural district choice and require 3-4 hours driving to simply be in those counties. Their issues and population are quite different from Gilpin and the other counties mentioned above.

Thank you for your consideration.

Linda Isenhart 750 Karlann Drive Black Hawk, CO 80422 (303) 582-5417

Re: From Claire Levy re: legislative reapportionment

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to:

WILLIAM F COFFIN, reapp2011, earthsong\_pottery, Jfabyanic, claire.levy.house

06/22/2011 04:43 PM

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To whomever reads this email,

If the redistricting commission is planning some large changes in district boundaries, I am in favor of CCC in a competitive district, e.g. equal numbers of Ds and Rs and as many independents as possible.

Further, I hope the commission creates as many competitive districts as possible and a minimum number of safe districts for each party.

Jim Leonard Registered Republican, but really an independent-thinker Clear Creek County

From: "WILLIAM F COFFIN" < williamfcof@msn.com>

To: "Jim Leonard" <jleonard4@q.com> Sent: Wednesday, June 22, 2011 3:03:54 PM

Subject: Fw: From Claire Levy re: legislative reapportionment

J-don't know if you have seen this or not? I think with CCC being the "tweener" Co ie: front range and mountain; it puts us on the bubble, but all politics though.

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---- Original Message -----

From: Etta Satter

To: timtimi@juno.com; Tim Mauck; April Snook; Jo Ann Sorensen; mtnhome@denver.net; eileen wheelock; Joan Drury; komal102@msn.com; Bruce Brown; Irene Kincade; Bill Coffin; Bill Macy; Harry Dale; Jimy

Murphy; Jerry Fabyanic

Sent: Wednesday, June 22, 2011 11:02 AM

Subject: FW: From Claire Levy re: legislative reapportionment

Please send emails to

#### reapp2011@state.co.us

in the next couple days as to why aligning Clear Creek and Gilpin counties with Park is not in the best interests of our counties. Deadline is Friday!

----Forwarded Message-----

From: Wes Isenhart

Sent: Jun 22, 2011 6:35 AM

To: <u>earthsong\_pottery@earthlink.net</u> Subject: FW: legislative reapportionment Etta

Here is a request by Claire Levy regarding reapportionment

The legislative redistricting commission (aka the reapportionment commission) is in the thick of reconfiguring district lines for the House and the Senate. Right now they are contemplating putting Gilpin and Clear Creek together with Park and Chafee Counties. That would most likely be a Republican district. Between now and Friday, could you solicit from people in your counties messages to the reapportionment commission expressing a desire NOT to be joined with Park County? Here is the e-mail address for these messages:

#### reapp2011@state.co.us

People should talk about why the interests of residents of these counties are not aligned with Park County and are more closely aligned with the Front Range - things like where people work, transportation corridors, intergovernmental agreements with other front range counties, etc.

The commission will be voting on very preliminary maps for this area on Friday so it is very important to generate some mail by then.

Thanks!!!

Claire

Claire Levy State Representative House District 13 303-866-2578 (capitol) reapportionment Kathleen Kopf to: reapp2011 06/22/2011 09:38 PM Show Details

Dear Members of the Reapportionment Commission:

My name is Kathleen Kopf. I am a resident of the Town of New Castle in Garfield County, CO. I also serve as a member of the Climate Action Advisory Commission for the Town. I am writing to express my views of the reapportionment issue.

I believe it is important that the Commission keep the boundaries of our 61<sup>st</sup> State House District similar to those that presently exist. I also believe it is extremely important that he Town of New Castle remain in the 61<sup>st</sup> House District. New Castle currently consists of Garfield County Precincts 13, 14, and 15.

The 61<sup>st</sup> House District has worked extremely well for its constituents in the past ten years. We have elected one Republican, one Democrat, and another representative who finished her term as an Independent to the State General Assembly. It is divided evenly and fairly between voters of both parties and independents. Coloradans deserve competitive districts in the State Legislature. Local issues help hold our elected officials accountable to our needs, and in turn help create a more engaged public. Competitively drawn districts promote responsibility by legislators, and promote empowerment of citizens.

New Castle, with a population of approximately 4,000, is a residential community whose residents work and shop primarily in Glenwood Springs. Most of our residents consider New Castle as a "bedroom community" or a suburb of Glenwood Springs. We read the same newspaper, work in the same offices, share the same community organizations, listen to the same radio stations, and shop in the same stores as our neighbors in Glenwood Springs and Carbondale. We are members of the same transportation district (RFTA). We are just eleven miles west of Glenwood Springs and have strong ties to that community, while our ties to towns to the north and west are not as strong.

Geologically, we are the western terminus of the Rocky Mountains. Immediately to the west of us is the Grand Hogback which separates the Rocky Mountains from mesas and drier highlands to the west. This geology strongly effects the communities of interest in which we participate.

We believe our interests are best served by being a part of the District that serves other mountain towns such as Gunnison, Crested Butte, Aspen, Basalt, Carbondale, and Glenwood Springs. We do not share nearly as many areas of interest with the counties to the north of us, such as Rio Blanco and Moffatt. In short, the 61<sup>st</sup> House District is an area of similar interests. The mountain towns that comprise it, including New Castle, face similar economic concerns and political issues. I believe that western Colorado is best served by maintaining the 61<sup>st</sup> District as it was following the 2000 census. It has proved to be a very balanced district, producing leaders from both parties and independents who represent a discreet mountain town perspective.

Thank you for taking these comments into consideration in your decision making.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Kopf

280 Elk Run Rd. New Castle, CO 81647 RE: Legislative Reapportionment for Gilpin County Wes Isenhart to: reapp2011 06/23/2011 11:21 AM Show Details

To Whom It May Concern

I am emailing you regarding legislative reapportionment that will affect Gilpin County. I live in a Wildlands/Urban Interface (WUI) area of Gilpin County and our area has a number of WUI and Front Range including uncontrolled wildfires, the pine beetle epidemics and Front Range growth in mountain areas. We are already working with other local mountain communities like Nederland and Idaho Springs to deal with these issues. We have more in common with Boulder and Larimer Counties regarding growth and forest concerns than we do with Park and Chaffee counties. Please consider keeping Clear Creak and Gilpin as part of a Front Range district.

Thank you for your consideration.

Wesley Isenhart 750 Karlann Drive Black Hawk, CO 80422 (303) 582-5417



## Testimony for Reapportionment Process (Region 3, El Paso County) Hannah R Varnell (S) to: reapp2011@state.co.us 06/23/2011 11:47 AM

Cc: "tpanetta@conaral.org"

Hello,

I understand the reapportionment committee of Colorado is soliciting testimonies from citizens of Colorado in order to fully understand key issues that should be considered in the creation of new districts. I'd like to provide my opinion regarding proposals for Region Three, specifically El Paso County. As a resident of the downtown and surrounding residential area of Colorado Springs, I believe it is very important to have this area represented by a single representative and a single senator as opposed to splitting representation across districts.

I believe the communities in Manitou Springs and the downtown area have common needs and challenges that would be better represented by consolidation in our legislature. A single representative and single senator would be more successful in protecting the interests of the Colorado College community of students, faculty, and staff who live on and near the campus. This community has common interests and demographics, including a younger population, a commitment to being LGBT friendly, and a wage earning of lower incomes. In addition, a higher proportion of our population works in the service industry, which has a direct impact on people's ability to afford quality health care, and our area tends to be heavily tied to tourism. As a student whose relationship with the greater downtown area is affected by these factors, I believe it's critical that our communities representation is kept whole, rather than parceled across multiple districts.

I appreciate your time and consideration of my opinion throughout this process,

Hannah Varnell



# Clear Creek County

### POST OFFICE BOX 2000 GEORGETOWN, COLORADO 80444

TELEPHONE: (303) 569-3251 • (303) 679-2300

June 23, 2011

Legislative Reapportionment Committee State of Colorado Denver, CO 80202

Dear Legislative Reapportionment Committee Members:

It has come to our attention that one of the options being considered in your redistricting discussions would place Clear Creek County in a House district that would include Gilpin, Clear Creek, Park and Chaffee Counties. We respectfully request that Clear Creek County remain in a district that includes the mountain areas of Boulder and, perhaps, Jefferson County. Clear Creek is a member of DRCOG and because of our location along transportation, energy transmission and water delivery corridors, we find ourselves increasingly involved in metro area issues and discussions. Over the past decade, Clear Creek has been well served by being included in its current House and Senate districts. We believe our citizens will be best served by remaining in districts which include some of the mountainous area that is part of the Denver metro area.

While we treasure the rural aspects of life in Clear Creek County, it is critically important to the residents of Clear Creek that our representatives in the Legislature also have a connection with the metro area.

Thank you for the opportunity to make our views and desires known. We will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

CLEAR CREEK BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Kevin J. O'Malley /Chairman

Joan Drury, Commissioner

Timothy 7. Mauck, Commissioner



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June 23, 2011

Legislative Reapportionment Committee State of Colorado Denver, CO 80202

Dear Legislative Reapportionment Committee Members:

We have been further informed that one of the Senate redistricting options your committee is considering would further disconnect Clear Creek County from the metro and DRCOG area and put us together with Park, Teller and Fremont counties. With that in mind we are submitting this second letter for your consideration. We request you take both letters into account during your decision- making as it affects Clear Creek County and our Senate and House districts.

Clear Creek has common interests in transportation and energy transmission with communities along the I-70 corridor; in water issues with members of the South Platte water roundtable; in economic development issues with the metro area and resort areas also along the I-70 corridor. Regarding Public Health and Health and Human Services, we have long standing partnerships with Gilpin and Jefferson Counties for mental health, nursing, work force, DDRC and senior services delivery. Quite frankly, we are shocked that the committee would consider moving Clear Creek to a Senate district that would require a Senator to be fully versed in the needs of communities from separate river basins, highway corridors, metropolitan planning organizations and transportation planning regions. This in no way meets the standard of communities of common interest.

We want to strongly reiterate that Clear Creek County residents have been well served by legislative districts that include a direct connection with Gilpin, Jefferson and Boulder Counties on the north and east and Summit and Grand to the west. We understand the difficult process you are going through to fairly redistrict Colorado's legislative districts. And, we know that the boundaries of our Senate and House districts will likely change. But, some of the changes being proposed would separate Clear Creek from communities with which we have numerous common interests. We hope the proposals that would do so will be rejected by your committee.

Respectfully,

CLEAR CREEK BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Kevin J. O'Malley Chairman

Joan Drury Commissioner

Timpty J. Mauck, Commissioner

(no subject) JuneKHuss to: reapp2011 06/23/2011 08:22 PM Show Details

Please consider in redistricting to keep Jefferson, Gilpin and Clear Creek together. Their interests are similar and it makes sense that they can function better in that configuration rather than another one given the circumstances.

June Huss, 75 Stone Cliff Cir. Golden 80403 Gilpin County jean.walsh to: reapp2011 06/24/2011 08:01 AM Please respond to jean.walsh Show Details

I have been a Gilpin County resident for 12 years. I wanted you all to know that I really align with the front range and especially Boulder and Jefferson County. We are really a bedroom community of folks who work and play in Boulder and Jefferson County. We are not really isolated and not like Park and Chaffee Counties. I honestly have had no contact at all with a single person in Park County in the past 12 years. I retired three years ago. When I was working I worked in Jeffco and drove down Coal Creek Daily. Even now when I don't go to work on a daily basis, I still do all of my shopping and entertainment choices in the front range. It seems absurd to me that I would be lumped with a county that I have never been to just because of what, altitude? We love the mountains but also feel a strong tie to the front range and feel like we are a part of that community as well. Thanks and I hope you talk to more of us before you make a big decision like this...

Jean Walsh 210 Scenic Rd Black Hawk, CO 80422 303-304-0591

Gilpin County kevin.m.walsh reapp2011 06/24/2011 08:14 AM Show Details

Hello,

I am voicing my concern over the redistricting that will affect me. I have been a Gilpin County resident for 12+ years and have been through a redistricting once before. It seemed to make so much sense for Gilpin County to be aligned with Boulder County that I can not understand why they would think of changing us to Park County? I worked in Boulder County and still feel a strong tie to it. It is a 15 minute drive to Nederland and just 30 more minutes to downtown Boulder. I travel to Boulder now at least on a weekly basis. I can not even tell you how long it takes to get to Park County. I haven't been there in so long. We are a mountain community that is aligned to the front range for all economic purposes.

Sincerely, Kevin M Walsh 210 Scenic Rd Black Hawk, CO 80422 Consider this! Don Devereux to: reapp2011 06/24/2011 09:54 AM Show Details

For you consideration,

I am emailing you regarding legislative reapportionment that will affect Gilpin County. Living in Gilpin County, we share our district with Summit, Grand, Clear Creek, Boulder, and Jefferson County. We share boundaries that are natural and close with many of our residents crossing boundaries back and forth on roads as we travel to and from the plains and our local areas for business, shopping. social, and recreational reasons in Nederland and Idaho Springs, and Golden.

We, therefore, share many critical issues in common too. We have mutual aid agreements for emergency services, public health, disaster planning, and forest management. We have friends and fire fighters and county services employees with whom we deal in so many ways and know across county lines but in close proximity.

We live in constant awareness of our critical proximity to State and National Forests that are greatly under funded for Forest Health and Wildfire Mitigation. We share slash and chipping capabilities and facilities, awareness meeting, and volunteer work with neighboring communities. We share Water!

Please consider citizens needs and not politics and do not redistrict Gilpin County with Chaffee and Park County as they are not a natural district choice and require 3-4 hours driving to simply be in those counties. Their issues and population are quite different from Gilpin and the other counties mentioned above.

Thank you for your consideration.

Don Devereux

142 Cedar Way

Black Hawk, CO 80422

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Gilpin, Clear Creek, Jefferson Harry Dale to: reapp2011@state.co.us 06/24/2011 10:35 AM Show Details

### Dear Committee Members,

My name is Harry Dale and I am a former Clear Creek County Commissioner. I wanted to express my opinion for any changes you may be considering for House and Senate districts. Clear Creek County has a great deal in common with Gilpin County and the Foothill areas of Jefferson County. All are part of the Denver Metro area and have very similar Transportation, Forest Health, Mental Health, Law Enforcement, Land Use, Environmental Health, Public Health, Growth, Weather, Water and Wildfire issues. All contain rural mountain areas with residential populations that commute to the Denver Metro area along the I-70 corridor. All have strong recreation and tourism components of their economies with residential populations that value outdoor recreation, open space, wildlife and the Colorado natural mountain environment. All three counties are members of the Denver Regional Council of Governments and have worked closely together on regional issues.

I urge you to consider the synergy of these three counties and their rural mountain residential communities and keep their representation at the state level together. Thank you.

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### Media LINKS



### Reapportioning Fort Collins Districts Kathryn Cooper to: reapp2011

06/24/2011 04:04 PM

Apportionment Commissioners:

Please consider making the apportionment for Fort Collins more equitable than it has been in the past. I urge you to do a NORTH/SOUTH division rather than the East/West. A NORTH/SOUTH division will more accurately represent the Fort Collins population and I ask you to give it fair and favorable consideration to this more equitable apportionment.

I appreciate your careful consideration and I will be monitoring this procedure and individual input from commissioners. Please remember that you represent the people, not yourselves or your political party.

Kathryn Cooper Fort Collins



### Senate Dist 16 Forrest Whitman to: reapp2011

As chair of the Gilpin County Board of Commissioners let me say that we strongly oppose placing our senate district into a combined district with Fremont and Teller Counties. Distances are difficult enough even now in Dist. 16. It makes much more sense to put Gilpin and Clear Creek in with jeffco. That's a natural community of interest. Probably Fremont and Teller would dominate such a reconstituted 16. We'd not see our senator often if ever. Cordially, Forrest Whitman (independent Dist. #3) Chair of the Gilpin County Board of Commissioners

Senate District 16 zane laubhan to: reapp2011 06/25/2011 03:26 PM Show Details

To the Colorado Reappoinment Committee:

I believe that SD 16 should comprise Jefferson, Gilpin and Clear Creek Counties as they are geographically well situated and are comprised of communities with common characteristics and development opportunities. The ability of an elected senator within such a district to maintain contact and equal representation is notewhorthy of your consideration.

As the coroner of Gilpin County, I am fully aware of the interactions among these three counties and the positive benefits derived from these current relationships. The coroner of Clear Creek County, Don Allan, and myself have an IGA in place that enables us to utilize the resources of both our counties in an effficient and effective manner. This IGA was enacted by the County Commissioners of each respective county six years ago. I also have a close working relationship with Jefferson County and value our overall cooperation.

In summary, SD16 as comprised of these three counties would serve the continuents of said district well and equitably.

Respectfully,

Zane G. Laubhan

Equal representation W. Snyder to: reapp2011 06/26/2011 05:23 PM Show Details

### To commission members:

When establishing districts for the state of Colorado the primary goal must be to provide for equal representation for all its citizens. The idea of having safe districts for any political party is NOT a democratic approach to governing. Please keep this in mind when establishing the districts. Thank you.

Warren Snyder 1630 Collindale Dr. Fort Collins, CO 80525 Fort Collins DONALD R BENZ to: reapp2011 06/26/2011 07:18 PM Show Details

I would like to see Fort Collins two state seats be divided North and South not East and West.

Thank you Don Benz Fort Collins 80525 district lines and proper representation Brent and Elena to: reapp2011 06/27/2011 09:59 AM Show Details

**Dear Redistricting Committee Members:** 

Thank you very much for serving in this important capacity. Very briefly, the whole purpose for proper apportionment and districting is so that the people of the various locales can be represented in a way that is consistent with their own regional priorities. Grand County is in an intra-mountain, primarily agricultural region. We are not well or fairly represented when we get lumped in with a cosmopolitan, front range region with very different needs and focuses. Please keep the original purpose of districting at the appropriate forefront of your rationale as you draw the districting lines. Please ensure that the people of our county are represented according to our primary, small community, agricultural interests.

Again, thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Elena Campbell Fraser, CO Grand County

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