

Submitted Time	Full Name	Subject	Message
12/17/2021 - 01:16	Gail A. Digate	Sedona - LD7 with Flagstaff	I am a voter in the Coconino portion of Sedona. I ask the IRC to keep Sedona whole. This includes the Village of Oak Creek which is an incorporated area in Yavapai County. Move Sedona into LD7 if and only if Flagstaff also is part of LD7. Finally, Sedona belongs with the Verde Valley and Flagstaff. Mingus Mountain is a real boundary and where lines for the legislative district should be drawn. Sedona and the Verde Valley does not share a community of interest with Prescott and Prescott Valley.
12/17/2021 - 01:19	James Nicholas Digate	Sedona - LD7 with Flagstaff	As a voter in Sedona (Coconino), please keep Sedona intact, with the Village of Oak Creek -- an incorporated area in Yavapai County. Move Sedona into LD7 if Flagstaff also is part of LD7. It is clear that Sedona belongs with the Verde Valley and Flagstaff. Mingus Mountain is where lines for the legislative district should be drawn. Sedona and the Verde Valley do not share a community of interest with Prescott and Prescott Valley.
12/17/2021 - 07:38	Craig Swanson	Keep Sedona Together	I urge you to keep Sedona together in redistricting and to also keep Sedona with Flagstaff.  Thank you!
12/17/2021 - 07:40	MARY LYNN ZONAKIS	IRC map	Please keep Sedona and the Village of Oak Creek together in the next map. We are one community of interest. We are also a community of interest with Verde Valley and Flagstaff. As such, it is most important for us to be part of LD7 if Flagstaff is a part of LD7. Please keep communities of interest together and keep the districts competitive.
12/17/2021 - 07:46	Judie Schiappa Argo	Redistricting	I agree completely with my neighbor's comments, which I have listed below: I have concerns regarding the proposed redistricting that splits Sedona and the unincorporated area of the Village of Oak Creek to Prescott which is over an hour to the west and Payson which is over an hour to the East. First, Sedona includes the Village of Oak Creek. Second, I only want to be moved into LD7 if Flagstaff is also a part of LD7. And lastly, we belong with the Verde Valley and Flagstaff and that Mingus Mountain is where the lines really should be drawn.
12/17/2021 - 07:50	Anne Emerson	Redistricting Sedona, AZ	Dear Commissioners. As a long term resident and property owner in Sedona I want to voice my opinion one more time. Sedona and Village of Oak Creek are one community and need to be treated as one. IF we have to choose between being aligned with Flagstaff or Prescott, the natural alignment is with Flagstaff. Flagstaff is where our medical services are, where we shop, and where we recreate. Prescott is not. We are also part of the Verde Valley including Cottonwood, Cornville, Clarkdale and Camp Verde, but as this commission seems intractable about considering the real needs of the people in this area, and we have to choose, then as I said Flagstaff is the natural choice for those of us who live in Sedona and VOC. Please honor our needs in this. Sedona and VOC needs to stay in tact and we need to be in the same district as Flagstaff if we are going to have any chance of meeting the needs of our communities. It is reprehensible that we have to choose between Flagstaff and the Verde Valley, but these are politically polarizing times and it is clear that commissioner Neuburg is not an Independent member of the commission but is in fact a part of the Republican voting block. It's too bad, because Arizona and the IRC when it functions as it was designed to, is a model system of fair redistricting. Too bad Commissioner Neburg is a Republican trojan horse. At least, don't destroy the community of Northern Arizona for the darker purpose of destroying Democracy. Thank you. Anne Emerson
12/17/2021 - 08:02	Marie Wenzel	Please Keep Sedona Whole and With Flagstaff	Dear IRC,  How disappointing it is that Sedona is not being heard. Sedona, including the unincorporated portion of the Village of Oak Creek, (that is Sedona too, according to USPS), should be keep whole and with Flagstaff in LD7.  Our voices and votes will never matter if we are included with Prescott. Sedona is a destination that draws visitors from around the globe. Flagstaff, as a gateway to the Grand Canyon, also shares that recognition.  Prescott has what? A rodeo? It is also represented by the most extreme in the GOP. Rep. Gosar's participation in the January 6th insurrection and Senator Karen Fann's orchestration of a so called audit have turned Arizona into the epicenter of right wing extremism. I say no thank you and good day.
12/17/2021 - 08:22	Kevin Cook	LD7 Flagstaff Sedona and VOC	Put Sedona, Flagstaff and VOC in LD7. There are several huge divides between these communities and Prescott. The Mingus range is only one.

12/17/2021 - 08:24	Heather Katz	gerrymandering	For the last several decades, Republicans have controlled the state legislature. Look where that's gotten us--teachers leaving in droves, infrastructure crumbling, an embarrassing "audit," even more embarrassing legislators like Karen Fann, Mark Finchem, the crazy Kellies (Townsend and Ward). Pathetic! And now you want to give them even more control?? Your job is to create COMPETITIVE districts. Repubs already have the majority of voters in this state. LD 17 is one example--map 9.0 is the only option that makes sense. And Erika Neuberg, supposedly an Independent, obviously is NOT. I urge you to do your jobs and NOT make this committee another embarrassment for our state.
12/17/2021 - 08:43	Robin Low	LD 7 Request	Please move Sedona, including the Village of Oak Creek, into an LD 7 that also encompasses Flagstaff. There are many compelling interests between these communities including jobs, tourism, healthcare, shopping, and the Oak Creek watershed.
12/17/2021 - 09:07	Constance Levinson	Commission choices	<p>I am distressed by the Congressional redistricting that is staunchly defended by the Republicans on the Commission. Madame Commissioner: I include you in this. How is it possible that the voices of the people and the communities involved seem to be totally ignored by you three? Community of Interest is more than just a phrase. It's our way of life in this area. Mingus Mountain is a clear geographic divider. Republicans want to push us in with the Prescott area because of their overwhelming majority. We will have no voice and end up with Paul Gosar as our representative. What a thought, especially since his own party has stripped him of committee assignments.</p> <p>How can you be so unfair? We have spoken clearly and I feel passionately about the issues involved and achieved nothing save reuniting Sedona into one piece. You simply do not budge and this makes me terrified. After terror comes anger and frustration. Does everything have to be so polarized? What do we have to do to be heard?</p> <p>Why is it that our endless testimony and written correspondence is being ignored in a way that defeats the concept of an independent commission? I understand that you have an endless range of comments from all over the state, but I do feel that this is far more critical than people who have complained about lines drawn connecting areas in which they do not shop. Your proposed actions condemn us to ten years of Republican domination. How is this fair.? In terms of the Navajo Nation, how can you not honor their requests? Haven't they had enough unfair treatment?</p> <p>I hope—at least—that you will allow Sedona and the Village of Oak Creek to go with Flagstaff in LD7. The Village has a Sedona post office designation and is socially and economically tied to the city of Sedona.</p> <p>Sedona and the Verde Valley belong together. We ARE together every single day. Once again, I beg to remind you of this fact. The Quad Cities do not belong with Sedona and the Verde Valley.</p> <p>Madame Commissioner, please be reasonable. You are supposed to be impartial. I do not see any evidence of this as it regards northern Arizona. We are indeed the orphan stepchild of the state.</p>
12/17/2021 - 09:17	Maryann Kenney	Drafts maps Sedona, Verde Valley, Flagstaff	I have tried repeatedly to express my thoughts about redistricting, but am losing faith that the Commission is listening. I am trying again. I live in the Village of Oak Creek (VOC). We are an unincorporated area in Yavapai county directly adjacent to the city of Sedona. To separate our area from Sedona during redistricting would be extremely detrimental to our representation. VOC is directly tied to Sedona in many ways - we share a fire department, school system and library. We are closely tied along Rt 179 - the Red Rock Scenic Byway. Visitors to Sedona from the south travel through VOC and access our tourism amenities - ranger station, hotel accommodations, bike rental facilities. Iconic Bell Rock and Courthouse Butte, long associated with Sedona Red Rocks are in VOC. Our common needs are many - working with the Forest Service for equitable multi-use access to forest trails and roads, improvement and maintenance of state roads, transit systems, water conservation. VOC belongs with Sedona - as a COI, and as a geographic area. We also belong with Flagstaff and the Greater Verde Valley, as I have written many times in the past, Mingus Mountain is a natural boundary that also reflects our shared concerns within the valley. Redistricting is meant to fairly represent the interests and democratic access of the people of Arizona. Please listen to us.
12/17/2021 - 09:20	John Ellingson, III	Disappointed. Seeking competitive districts	As a voter who increasingly finds little to get excited about in the congressional elections, I am very disappointed in the hyper-partisan appearing proposed congressional district map. Too often the races are decided in the primary and the general election is not the least bit competitive. My hope for the IRC to draw maps that are much more competitive and group communities together based on common interests. Give the geographic areas with distinct interests representatives. Stop trying to get every district a part of one of the two major metro areas of the state. Native communities are tragically underrepresented in such a map. And, rural areas have their own distinct interests from metro areas. Bottom line make this map more competitive and give the voters real competitive choices in general elections!

12/17/2021 - 09:22	Leslie L Hunten	Make redistricting fair!	Dear IRC, I attended the last listening tour meeting on Dec 4 in Tucson. I expressed my concerns that gerrymandering is happening, and that the new districts are not fair or competitive. You heard this from many other people at that meeting, and you've been hearing it for most of this year. And yet you do nothing to correct it. You've ignored the Navajo Nation and the Latino Coalition map offerings. You've ignored concerns that many of the new districts are under or overpopulated, and have an unfair partisan advantage. You've rejected maps submitted by Democratic commission members, and sided consistently with the Republican members. Newspaper and blog articles have repeatedly called out this political behavior, which even goes against your own rules. It's all happening in the public view, scandals and all. And yet you still do nothing to correct it. I'm outraged by your inflexibility and bias in what is supposed to be a non-political, independent process. Arizona used to be a shining example of non-partisan fair redistricting; now we're just another corrupt state aiming at suppressing voters and rigging elections. I'm asking you, at the very least, to un-gerrymander Southern Arizona: replace Mehl's district 17 with the 9.0 version from Commissioner Lerner, and make district 21 more compact. If you pass the current map version, Democrats will not slink home and sulk. We'll be out in force, protesting and filing lawsuits because you're left us with no other option.
12/17/2021 - 09:23	Leslie Osborne	Sedona redistricting	Sedona and VOC should be part of L7
12/17/2021 - 09:42	Cynthia Paster	Redistricting	I write once again to urge the Committee to keep Sedona and the Village of Oak Creek as one, and with both Flagstaff and the Verde Valley as one district. In my previous letters I have outlined the logic and fairness of this grouping, with the Mingus mountain making a natural border for the district. Thank You, Cynthia Paster
12/17/2021 - 09:55	Judy Dolloff	Redistricting	Time is running out to do what is right for Sedona and the Verde Valley. Please have Sedona, including the Village of Oak Creek and Flagstaff moved into LD7. Keep the Verde Valley together with Sedona and Flagstaff. Prescott is not our community of interest.
12/17/2021 - 11:18	Steven H. Slaton	Future district 7	My Name is Steven Slaton; I live in Show Low Az. Like to thank Chairman Neuberger, and Commissioners, My wife and I represent the White Mountain Conservatives. We represent thousands of folks who live throughout the White Mountains of Northern Arizona Mountain communities. As for the future of Legislative District 7, By including the Northern Communities with a Southern district of Pinal County as shown in your approved Draft Map Legislative District 7, is not communities of interests or competitiveness. With the size of these districts half of our population is bound to feel unrepresented. And they are already! Districts should accurately represent communities of interest who live and work together. Being loop in with the Pinal County which main community of interest is mining, were we have nothing in common with mining. A new Legislative District 7 should accurately represent communities of interest which is required by State and Federal law. We the people of Northern Az. request you reinstate your Az. Draft Map 1.0 Legislative District 7. HOWEVER the communities of Snowflake, Taylor, Holbrook, Joseph city, and Winslow, are not part of these communities of interested of the White Mountains. These communities are made up primarily of rock and high desert plateau, with a vast valley of ranchland, and agriculture, With 2 of the largest Marijuana growing facilities in the state, as well as large wind Farms, and Helium development from Holbrook Basin through the Navajo Reservation these differences separates the two regions, and they should be included in Legislative District 6 not Legislative District 7. The culture and way of life is different than those communities of interest of the White Mountain Communities. The White Mountain Community which is outlined on the Az Draft Map 1.0 with their community of interest is commitment to bringing tourism to the region, along with common interest within other White Mountain communities, which share rivers and lakes, National Forest, winter sport activities, Hunting, Fishing with ongoing Economic Development of the White Mountain. The White Mountain communities for Legislative District 7 need to be with other White Mountain communities of the same interests. These interests are non-partisan and are for the common good in our locales and region. These cities include Lakeside/Pinetop, Show low, Heber/Overgaard, Forest Lakes, Payson, Pine, Strawberry, Cornville, Camp Verde, Clarkdale, Cottonwood, Williams, Parks, Sedona, Suburban and Rural Flagstaff only as in Doney Park, and West Flagstaff. All of These Communities would meet communities of interests as well population requirements for Legislative District 7 according to Federal and State Laws.  Thank you for your time Sincerely Steven Slaton

12/17/2021 - 11:35	Cathy Rutherford	Sedona with Flagstaff in LD7	<p>Sedona belongs in LD7 with Flagstaff! This has been made abundantly clear through all of the Public testimony, which I am sure Commissioner Neuberg will remember once she reflects on it.</p> <p>Residents from Sedona, including the Village of Oak Creek (VOC) , are strongly tied with Flagstaff in the following ways: healthcare; concern for Coconino National Forest with the headquarters in Flagstaff, including fire management; the health of our watershed (Oak Creek runs down from the plateau that includes Flagstaff and flows through Sedona); safety in our forest and the trails there in. VOC is in Coconino National Forest not in Prescott NF. Our Coconino National Forest Ranger District is headquartered in VOC; higher education at NAU; Flagstaff is a cultural center visited by Sedona residents; Flagstaff Pulliam Airport is our closest airport; and we share a common tourist industry. I am sure there are other important considerations which I have missed.</p> <p>Finally, The fact that Village of Oak Creek is part of Sedona it's made extremely clear by the fact that it also has a Sedona mailing address. The United States Postal Service has confirmed the fact that it is part of Sedona by including it in the Sedona mailing address zone.</p> <p>I encourage Commissioner Neuberg to go back through the public comments and even watch the videos where many Sedona residents testify to the same facts that I highlighted above. It is clear what the residence of Sedona want in this process.</p>
12/17/2021 - 11:36	Dieter Knecht	Keep Sedona with Flagstaff as part of LD7	<p>On the Draft Map, the city of Sedona was split along the county line into LD5 and LD7. Uptown Sedona and the nearby unincorporated Village of Oak Creek were included in LD7 with Flagstaff, and West Sedona was included in LD5 with Yavapai County and Prescott. However, the city of Sedona, including West Sedona and Uptown Sedona, has close cultural and commercial connections with the Village of Oak Creek, and these three entities need to be kept in one district.</p> <p>I have written repeatedly that I and my neighbors have much closer cultural and political connections with Flagstaff than with Prescott, including our Communities of Interest, such as cultural activities, hospitals and medical doctors/facilities and recreation. While some of the Yavapai County commissioners expressed an eager desire to include Sedona in LD5 rather than LD7, this might be fine for Sedona Republicans, who would belong to the 20-30% LD5 Republican majority, but would not encourage political participation for Sedona Independents or Democrats, who would likely have very little incentive to vote.</p> <p>A close connection with Flagstaff as part of LD7 makes much more sense politically and culturally. (While we also have close connections with Verde Valley up to Mingus Mountain, the Commission has decided to split Verde Valley from Sedona, which we will have to accept.)</p> <p>Please modify the final maps to include all of Sedona with the Village of Oak Creek into LD7 along with all of the city of Flagstaff. Please do NOT split Sedona into two districts or include all of Sedona in LD5.</p>
12/17/2021 - 12:21	Peggy Chaikin	redistricting map for Sedona Verde valley	<p>As a long time resident (since 1972) of the Sedona, Verde Valley, Flagstaff region and co founder of Friends of the Verde River, I implore you to adopt the maps that puts Sedona with the Verde Valley and Flagstaff. Although it may seem expedient Sedona and the Verde would easily be linked with Prescott by using Yavapai County as the boundary, it is not in the best interest of the Verde River to link the Verde with Prescott. Prescott's land use practices and groundwater pumping are harming the flow of the Verde. The Mingus chain puts the River in an "out of sight, out of mind" place for developers in the Prescott area. The groundwater- come and get it attitude that manipulates the Prescott AMA of leadership is harmful to the ecosystem of the Verde. State law addressing rural groundwater pumping needs to be addressed. This will not happen if Verde and Sedona residents loose the power of their voices and votes by linking them with Prescott's more development oriented voting block. Please draw maps that : 1: keep sedona whole in an LD7 map with Flagstaff and VOC. 2: keep the Verde Valley communities with Sedona and Flagstaff.</p> <p>Sedona and Flagstaff now have each adopted Climate Action Plans to address our mega drought, fire, transportation challenges. Prescott lags behind in this effort. All the more reason to put Sedona, the Verde and Flagstaff together on your maps. Our regional ecological needs are great. Voters are actively looking for candidates of both parties who will compete in the arena of environmental preservation. The Verde River needs protection from opportunistic developers who fail to see the damage that antiquated state groundwater laws are generating for future generations by offering free acces in our critical N. Az (Flagstaff, Sedona, Verde Valley) watershed. Fossilized water is being pumped and not replenished. We need leadership that is responsive to this "Silent Spring" climate change regional challenge. Voting maps need to support voting for the greater good as opposed to party preference.</p>
12/17/2021 - 12:22	David Helgevold	LD 17	<p>With map 10.0 you have failed to meet most of the standards established for the IRC for LD 17. Please go back to Map 9.0 which meets most of the criteria established for Los.</p>

12/17/2021 - 12:31	Clifford Potts	Support for 12.1.1 draft map	I spoke to you in Payson with gratitude that you listen to our voices. I again express my thanks to you for your ability to listen to our voices from the rural areas of the great State of Arizona. I spoke in favor of one of the map 10 drafts. I am writing today to voice my support from the more recent draft, entitled Map 12.1.1. It is vital that small communities of this Great State be heard. I reside in the proposed LD 7 district and I feel Map 12.1.1, comes closer to allowing our area to be able to vote for representatives that will then represent our rural voice and not be over powered by urban or tribal voting power. Our Northeastern Communities do not belong with Flagstaff or the Reservations. Flagstaff belongs with the Reservations as they are largely politically and culturally aligned with them, and certainly not the rural areas and small towns in the proposed LD 7 as outlined on the improved map 12.1.1. Thanks again for listening. Cliff Potts
12/17/2021 - 13:25	Charlie Silver	maps	Please strive to make our maps balanced, fair and competitive and in conformance with the 6 AZ constitutional requirements.
12/17/2021 - 13:29	Mary Helsaple	Redistricting	Put the Navajo Nation in their own district or with Flagstaff so they can have representation for Native Americans which Arizona has failed on for decades. They have waited long enough in Arizona. Also Sedona and Village of Oak Creek do not want to be divided and have requested to be in the district with Flagstaff with the Verde Valley and repeatedly given verbal and written testimony for a LD7 community of interest. Please listen and do what the people in those areas are asking for. The republican gerrymandering and take-over of the ballot boxes is not what voting in this country is about. Hold our representative accountable for ALL people's rights.
12/17/2021 - 14:05	Penny I. Cooper	redistricting	As a Citizen of Rural Eastern Az, I ask you to please return Eastern Az to solely rural and undivided map. Map 12.1.1 that my husband and I support. We live in Globe which is in the Copper Corridor. Our needs are very different than the northern reservations. So therefore our representatives need to address the concerns of our towns in the Copper Corridor. We want to thank you for the hard work you have done. Sincerely, Penny and Leon Cooper
12/17/2021 - 14:16	Raymond Gross	Chairwoman Neuberg's meeting with the Navajo reservation leadership	Is chairwoman Neuberg going to meet with representatives of the white mountain communities or do only the Navajo reservation leadership get that honor tomorrow? I have heard her repeatedly talk of 'fairness' and only meeting with one side in this issue is far from fair.
12/17/2021 - 14:17	Catherine White	"Independent" Redistricting Commission	I am so disappointed by the actions thus far of this so-called independent commission. I live in what looks to be LD17, but it looks as if a Republican commissioner (David Mehl) who also lives in this district is running the whole show. The goal should be to have as many competitive districts as possible. I realize the difficulties in trying to keep the districts relatively compact, but a prior version of the AZ map did a fairly good job of this without giving either party such an unfair advantage. Ever since I moved to Arizona in 2008, this seems to be the story of this state; developers and businessmen doing a good job of manipulating the political system to their advantage, even after the state turns purple.
12/17/2021 - 14:43	Lisa Green	13.1 map	12.1.1 map was great. Now you're pushing a corridor through Snowflake/Taylor? NO! Snowflake/Taylor is a community of interest. Give the Native Americans on the Reservations their own Legislative District along with Flagstaff. The Native American communities vote Democrat. Flagstaff is largely Democrat. Their voices will be heard by including Flagstaff in the Native American LD6.
12/17/2021 - 14:59	Debra Vance	Map 12.1.1	Please keep Snowflake and map 12.1.1 we have no area interest with the reservation
12/17/2021 - 15:08	Jeanne McGill	Redistricting	I am a north Scottsdale resident. Please do not put our family communities lumped in with retail and entertainment areas that do not share our concerns. Jeannie McGill
12/17/2021 - 15:13	Dan Farley	Scottsdale/Fountain Hills	We gave significant testimony and the residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills are not being heard - in favor of other communities. Because our community is not being heard, please allow me to reiterate: a. As a Scottsdale/Fountain Hills resident, I am very familiar Scottsdale. As such, Scottsdale, south of Camelback and east of the canal belongs with Old Town Scottsdale in D8. That is an arts and entertainment district and does not belong with the residential area to the north. b. Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a young, family area where Scottsdale and Fountain Hills are retirement areas. Deer Valley is an industrial area - it belongs with its neighbors in Phoenix. It does not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. c. Our neighborhood and our communities of interest should be treated with respect - not ignored and passed over. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from our district as it does not belong.

12/17/2021 - 15:14	Theresa Nordhagen	redistricting	<p>My neighbors and neighboring Scottsdale residents gave significant testimony and we are not being heard. Please hear my concerns:</p> <p>--As a Scottsdale resident, I am very familiar Scottsdale. As such, Scottsdale, south of Camelback and east of the canal belongs with Old Town Scottsdale in D8. That is an arts and entertainment district and does not belong with the residential area to the north.</p> <p>--Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a young, family area where Scottsdale and Fountain Hills are retirement areas. Deer Valley is an industrial area - it belongs with its neighbors in Phoenix. It does not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills.</p> <p>--Our neighborhood and our communities of interest should be treated with respect - not ignored and passed over. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from our district as it does not belong.</p>
12/17/2021 - 15:16	Elaine Bomkamp	Redistricting in Northern Arizona	<p>I request that Sedona plus the Village of Oak Creek move into LD7 along with Flagstaff. We belong with the Verde Valley and Flagstaff, and Mingus Mountains is where the lines should be drawn.</p> <p>Thank you.</p>
12/17/2021 - 15:17	Barbara J. Schimpf	Redistricting	<p>I am an independent voter and a resident of Sedona since 1987. I want to once more reiterate the importance of keeping ALL of Sedona and the Village of Oak Creek in the same legislative district. At this point, it makes the most sense to place Sedona AND the Village of Oak Creek in LD7 ALONG with Flagstaff. Sedona is a small rural area and has unique needs that require a legislative representative to address as a WHOLE and not in sections. In aligning with Flagstaff (another with high tourist traffic), community economic, medical and transportation issues can be handled with better outcomes for residents.</p>
12/17/2021 - 15:19	Jane Weinberg	Redistricting LD 7	<p>This is to implore you to include Sedona, including the Village of Oak Creek, which is just outside of the city limits of Sedona but always considers itself to be part of Sedona (as our PO indicates) in with Flagstaff in LD 7. As a well educated town we identify with the University spirit of Flagstaff and want to be included in the same district. This has been the case since I moved here 15 years ago and I see no reason to change that.</p>
12/17/2021 - 15:23	Jan Dubauskas	LD Map 13.1.2	<p>Many of us residents came together to express our view of our community in LD3. Yet, that community is being completely ignored? Please reconsider: 1) south of Camelback Rd belongs with Old Town - it's all arts/entertainment and does not belong with the northern, more residential section. 2) Desert Ridge and Deer Valley are young families - they are not compatible with the retirement ages in Fountain Hills &amp; North Scottsdale. Thank you for your consideration.</p>
12/17/2021 - 15:25	Jon Dubauskas	LD3	<p>Why ask us to speak if you don't take any of our feedback? LD3 is not a throw-away district. Those of us who live in Scottsdale know our city and our district and we don't appreciate being overlooked in this way. We have identified that Desert Ridge is a young area that does not belong in our retirement-type area. We have identified that south of Camelback in Scottsdale is also young and doesn't belong in our area - yet none of this is incorporated in the map. Please reconsider the strategy and respect our community.</p>
12/17/2021 - 15:28	Beatrice J Hanks	Redistricting	<p>As someone who lives in Sedona (Village of Oak Creek to be exact), I demand that Sedona be included in LD7. That's ALL of Sedona including the Village of Oak Creek. It is criminal to break us up. LD7 will then include Sedona and Flagstaff, where we have a community of interest- not suburban, gated Prescott, where we NEVER go. Actually, the whole Verde Valley belongs with Sedona and Flagstaff; the demarcation line should be Mingus Mountain .</p>
12/17/2021 - 15:29	Trevor Johnson	LD3	<p>As someone who spoke at a virtual meeting, and who heard practically every single person say the same thing, I am extremely disappointed with how our comments and our community of interest is being ignored by the commission. Respectfully, I am asking you again to consider our community of interest. I live in north Scottsdale - our community is full of older people. It's very settled, very mild. We do not have a community of interest with Desert Ridge. Desert Ridge is full of strollers and young families. The only strollers around here have dogs them! Likewise, south Scottsdale is very young and belongs with Tempe. I'd cut it off at Camelback Road.</p> <p>Our community is just as important to us as it is to anybody else throughout the state. Please take us seriously and remove Desert Ridge and south Scottsdale.</p>

12/17/2021 - 15:30	Jennifer Mindock		<p>2 Are this morning's first two speakers kidding?!!! There is not even a Latino member on the commission (And they represent 31.7 per cent of Arizona's population)! . NOW, a commissioner feels compelled to waste everyone's time to mention 'suspicion' because Latino groups have sent in 4 map suggestions at different times during this process and therefore may have may some kind of "partisan" aims?! How many maps have been changed and bandied about by both the public and the commissioners during this process to date? Two to three hundred? And this person feels compelled to bring up a possible partisan motive for 1% of them?! It is galling to observe someone would waste the commission's time because they think (or are pretending to think) such a consideration is worth discussing. So close to the end of the process, when members are tired and time is of the essence, one has to wonder if this commissioner's judgment is somehow being clouded by exhaustion that he would even consider wasting everyone's time with such a ridiculous issue.</p> <p>The hypocrisy behind this morning's opening discussion is especially amazing given that the commissioner who introduced it has just been in the news because of his own 'suspicious' and 'partisan' situation regarding his appointment to the IRC. He was chosen from a pool of some 200 plus other citizens who also applied for the HONOR of being a commissioner and representing ALL OF THE PEOPLE OF ARIZONA as well; should we stop now and waste precious time debating what could very well be inaccurate journalism?! I would say not, however I would also say that the allegation made about that commissioner is probably more supported than the allegations he made about his suspicions about the four Latino maps. How far do we go down this road of accusing the motives of all the people involved in the redistricting that are taking their precious time to participate as best they can to support and the strengthen democracy in our state?</p> <p>It is important to point out a particularly puzzling position; the very commissioner who is concerned with 'suspicious partisanship' has openly embraced his own partisanship and insisted that it is appropriate to base his decisions on behalf of all of Arizona's voting districts based on that partisanship! Incredible! This person has managed to undo a competitive district formed by his colleagues and insisted that it be packed in favor of his own political party. Evidently, at some point he alleged to his fellow commissioners that he would not be able to go home if they didn't bend to his requests for partisan leanings. Was he joking?! I can't answer because I didn't witness the context of that sad statement. Perhaps the entire state should circulate a sympathy card and assure him that it is unfortunate that his friends are so weak, but he will have the friendship of the entire state if he chooses operate on behalf of the entire state for the balance of his time on the commission!</p> <p>The IRC exists because a fair, non-partisan plan for our state's electoral process is a result of the VERY CHALLENGING and EXGHAUSTING WORK OF THOUDANDS OF ARIZONA"S CITIZENS OF ALL PARTIES AND ETHNICITIES. Citizens set up the IRC to make sure their elections take place on a on a fair, non-partisan playing field. The people of Arizona did not shy away from partisan debate; they insisted that the ground rules for their political debates be fair. We lead the nation with our example for creating thriving and fair voting districts for our citizens. We need to continue this role going forward.</p> <p>Thank you to all the commissioners for their dedication to the exhausting and sometimes seemingly thankless work you have volunteered to do on Arizona's behalf. Our entire state is watching you and, to be sure, we are all learning along with you about the about challenges of designing an exemplary, fair, redistricting process. The willingness of all the commissioners to continue considering ideas and criticisms is admirable. You have been patient and conscientious with one another and the many participating citizens of this state. Thank you for this. Stay strong and make Arizona proud!</p>
12/17/2021 - 15:31	Joseph Chaplik	Scottsdale	<p>I have lived in Scottsdale for 11 years and we don't consider Deer Valley and Desert Ridge our community. Scottsdale and Fountain Hills are similar with a lot of shared commerce. Our community of interests stays within the boundaries of Scottsdale Rd. and North of Old Town. South of Camelback belongs and is considered South Scottsdale with more interests and entertainment.</p>
12/17/2021 - 15:32	Joe Junker	Unacceptable maps	<p>I gave testimony myself several time; it appears testimony of the residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills are not being heard - in favor of other communities. Because our community is not being heard, please allow me to reiterate: As a Scottsdale/Fountain Hills resident, I am very familiar Scottsdale. As such, Scottsdale, south of Camelback and east of the canal belongs with Old Town Scottsdale in D8. That is an arts and entertainment district and does not belong with the residential area to the north. Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a young, family area where Scottsdale and Fountain Hills are retirement areas. Deer Valley is an industrial area - it belongs with its neighbors in Phoenix. It does not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Our neighborhood and our communities of interest should be treated with respect - not ignored and passed over. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from our district as it does not belong.</p>
12/17/2021 - 15:38	Katherine O. Bork	Where Sedona is placed during redistricting process	<p>I am writing to request that Sedona be placed in LD7 (along with Flagstaff) as part of the redistricting process. The Village of Oak Creek is part of Sedona, although unincorporated, The legislative district map should be drawn along Mingus Mountain, because we are much more closely related to Flagstaff and the Verde Valley than to Prescott.</p>

12/17/2021 - 15:39	Keeley Ostlind	North Phoenix, Scottsdale, and Paradise Valley	Hello - I want to request that north Phoenix, Scottsdale and Paradise Valley NOT be in the same district! As someone who lives in Desert Ridge, I am NOT represented by Scottsdale or Paradise Valley, and I think it is silly to put us in the same district. North Scottsdale and Fountain Hills are retirees, and I just started my career! I would like for our districts to be separated - completely. I never travel to these areas, I never visit these areas, so why is the bulk of my new district including both of these places? I want North Phoenix - which is its own separate community on its own - to have its own autonomy to be its own district. I do not want my community to be taken over by the whims of Scottsdale or Paradise Valley. Please reconsider your choice and give us our own district back!
12/17/2021 - 15:48	Paige Schiesser	Redistricting	I do not feel my voice is being heard with regards to the redistricting in Scottsdale. Desert Ridge and Deer Valley does NOT belong in my district in North Scottsdale. Those are completely different communities. Please consider removing this from our area as this makes no sense to keep this together with my area in North Scottsdale (DC Ranch). Thank you.
12/17/2021 - 15:48	Trevor Michael Johnson	Unacceptable lack of concern for the demands of the voters	We gave significant testimony and the residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills are not being heard - in favor of other communities. Because our community is not being heard, please allow me to reiterate: As a Scottsdale/Fountain Hills resident, I am very familiar with Scottsdale. As such, Scottsdale, south of Camelback and east of the canal belongs with Old Town Scottsdale in D8. That is an arts and entertainment district and does not belong with the residential area to the north. Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a young, family area where Scottsdale and Fountain Hills are retirement areas. Deer Valley is an industrial area - it belongs with its neighbors in Phoenix. It does not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Our neighborhood and our communities of interest should be treated with respect - not ignored and passed over. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from our district as it does not belong.
12/17/2021 - 15:53	paul riedell	re-districting Arizona esp. present LD23	I believe that in most cases it is best for a district to be mostly the same so that the representative can with reasonable effort determine the wishes of his people on issues. In keeping with that effort, I request that LD 23 remain most of North Scottsdale, East of Scottsdale Drive and continue up to Cave Creek and Carefree and Rio Verde and Fountain Hills. These communities are similar and would be easiest for a person to determine the voters wishes. Thank you for your work on this important subject.
12/17/2021 - 15:53	Jamie Stanfield	Scottsdale/Fountain Hills aren't being heard.	I'm an resident of Scottsdale near Fountain Hills and I feel that this board is not listening to our residents in this process! Scottsdale/Fountain Hills has few commonalities with the Desert Ridge is a young family community and Scottsdale/Fountain Hills is more older and retired residents. Deer Valley is an industrial area and with nothing in common to Scottsdale! As with Scottsdale Old Town, it should not be included in the residential portion of Scottsdale. I respectfully ask you to look more closely to demographics of the areas I've mentioned above and not disregard a very serious situation!
12/17/2021 - 15:53	Carolyn Kavanagh	AZ redistricting map	I live in the Village of Oak Creek ( VOC) and have been following the latest commission's recommendations for Northern Arizona that would include Sedona with Flagstaff in LD7. VOC is considered a part of Sedona; therefore VOC needs to be included in LD7 with Flagstaff which I urge the commission to adopt.
12/17/2021 - 15:57	Jeffrey Howell	Look at LD0081	I dont understand all the commissioners going back and forth about southern AZ. There have been plenty of submitted plans that fix everything they want and population balances. I urge the commission to look at IRC Plan Name: LD0081. This back and forth is honestly ridiculous. Look at the communities input! You have districts that are contiguous, balanced and logical. Chair Neuberger and Mehl are NOT LISTENING to the community. We dont want Tanque Verde and the Houghton Corridor associated with LD17. If you wont put that entire region in LD18 then put it in LD19 which has far more in common than Saddlebrook and Oro Valley. You listen to the Latino Coalition and all these other coalitions...but you're not listening to the people who live in Tanque Verde or East Houghton corridor!
12/17/2021 - 16:08	Joyce Riedell	Redistricting/Legislative District No. 3	The residents of Fountain Hills and Scottsdale made sincere testimony before this committee and voiced a great deal of objection to Desert Ridge and the Deer Valley Airpark inclusion into this District.  I am a resident of Scottsdale and very familiar with Scottsdale. I repeat others testimony when I say that Deer Valley is an industrial area and Desert Ridge is full of bustling young families. These two communities do not blend with the suburban and residential community of Scottsdale and Fountain Hills.  Since Community of Interest is one of the principals of redistricting, please consider that including Desert Ridge and the Deer Valley Airpark in this community does not align with that principal.  Since Community of Interest is one of the guiding principals of redistricting, please reconsider placing



12/17/2021 - 16:08	Michael Klein	Scottsdale is same as Deer Valley Airport?	<p>Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a young, family area where Scottsdale and Fountain Hills are retirement areas. Deer Valley is an industrial area - it belongs with its neighbors in Phoenix. It does not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills.</p> <p>Please consider other adjustments that do not try to create false communities.</p> <p>Thank you for your work.</p>
12/17/2021 - 16:22	Dr. Richard Rutkowski	Problems with LD3 and LD8 maps	<p>There was significant testimony to the Commission and the residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde are not being heard, in favor of other communities. Because our community is not being heard, please allow me to reiterate.</p> <p>As a resident of Fountain Hills, I am very familiar with Scottsdale and I know that the area south of about Camelback and east of the canal is and arts &amp; entertainment area which is more in the character of adjacent Tempe and the new LD8. It does not fit with the largely residential area to the north.</p> <p>Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a younger family area while Scottsdale and Fountain Hills have an older population. Residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde do not typically have a connection with the Desert Ridge/Deer Valley area and vice versa. These two areas should not be in the same LD.</p> <p>The Redistricting process is to respect and preserve "communities of interest." It should not ignore that principle, as has been expressed in numerous testimony to the Commission. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from LD3 and make the proper changes to LD8.</p>
12/17/2021 - 16:28	yvonne D Cahill	Redistricting in Scottsdale	<p>I gave significant testimony and the residents of Scottsdale i AM not being heard - in favor of other communities. Because our community is not being heard, please allow me to reiterate:</p> <p>As a Scottsdale/Fountain Hills resident, I am very familiar Scottsdale. As such, Scottsdale, south of McDowell belongs in CD 8. Old Town is a young and western town. We are the most WESTERN TOWN in the USA, this is a community of interest. The Western town theme connects us to Cave Creek and Carefree. Plus OLD TOWN is an arts and entertainment district and does belong with the residential area to the north of CAREFREE AND CAVE CREEK.</p> <p>Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a young, family area where Scottsdale and Fountain Hills are MORE retirement areas. Deer Valley is an industrial area - it belongs with its neighbors in Phoenix. It does not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills.</p> <p>Our neighborhood and our communities of interest should be treated with respect - not ignored and passed over. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from our district as it does not belong.</p>
12/17/2021 - 16:29	Judith Rutkowski	LD3 & LD8 maps ignore communities of interest	<p>There was abundant testimony to the Commission from people regarding the preservation of communities of interest. From the last vote on the maps for LD3 &amp; LD8, it is clear that the residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde are not being heard in favor of other communities. So, allow me to repeat the request.</p> <p>As a resident of Fountain Hills, I know Scottsdale. I know that the area from Camelback to the south and east of the canal is an arts &amp; entertainment area. It fits with the character of Tempe to the south and should logically be in the new LD8. It does not fit with the largely residential areas of Scottsdale, Fountain Hills, &amp; Rio Verde to the north &amp; east.</p> <p>Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale, Fountain Hills, or Rio Verde. These different areas do not share what would rightly constitute the same community of interest, such as work, church, shopping, etc. Desert Ridge is a younger family area while Scottsdale and Fountain Hills have an older population. Residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde do not typically have a connection with the Desert Ridge/Deer Valley area and vice versa. These two areas should not be in the same LD.</p> <p>Again, the Redistricting process is to respect and preserve "communities of interest." It should not ignore that principle, as has been expressed on multiple occasions by numerous people to the Commission. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from LD3 and make the logical changes to LD8 in Scottsdale.</p>
12/17/2021 - 16:35	Linda Morenz	contacting commissioners	<p>To whom it may concern,</p> <p>In today's meeting (Friday Dec. 17, 2021), Com. Mehl said that he and Com. York had received numerous messages from Liberty during the lunch break about map decisions. CP Neuberger said she would be making calls tomorrow in preparation for Sunday's meeting, educating herself. I thought that all contacts had to be part of public records?</p> <p>I, too, would like to express my opinion directly to the commissioners but can not find contact info for any of the commissioners. Please provide and also, clarify how one can contact commissioners and what comments and phone conversations are public records.</p>
12/17/2021 - 16:37	Kevin Egan	District 23	<p>Please don't stretch my district out to I-17. I don't shop, hang out or ever go there. I live in Scottsdale.</p>

12/17/2021 - 16:42	Michelle Fallen	Redistricting Lines	<p>i am contacting you in regards to the decision on the Redistricting decision recently made with LD23.</p> <p>Beyond disappointed in your decision. This is not at all fair to our community of Scottsdale. We have NOTHING like and kind to Tempe in the ASU area, nor do we belong looped with communities west of us. Our border should be Camelback Rd to the South. Our border to the West should be the Scottsdale City line. We are not similar in any way to the area around Deer Valley Airport. These are not Communities of Interest!!! Clearly that your decisions are not fair, and you have ignored our significant outcry for fair boundaries in our community. I ask you to reconsider your decision on both districts.</p> <p>You are affecting the LIVES of our community, and the ability for fair representation.</p>
12/17/2021 - 16:43	Gerry Friedel	Redistricting	<p>There was significant testimony to the Commission and the residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde are not being heard, in favor of other communities. Because our community is not being heard, please allow me to reiterate. As a resident of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills, Rio Verde, I am very familiar with Scottsdale and I know that the area south of about Camelback and east of the canal is and arts &amp; entertainment area which is more in the character of adjacent Tempe and the new LD8. It does not fit with the largely residential area to the north. Please keep intact our community of interest.</p>
12/17/2021 - 17:01	Jennifer	Re-districting	<p>To the Commissioner</p> <p>I am respectfully asking you to review the following items. I currently live in Fountain Hills. The new lines/areas being proposed make no sense.</p> <p>There was significant testimony to the Commission and the residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde are not being heard, in favor of other communities. Because our community is not being heard, please allow me to reiterate.</p> <p>As a resident of Fountain Hills, I am very familiar with Scottsdale and I know that the area south of about Camelback and east of the canal is and arts &amp; entertainment area which is more in the character of adjacent Tempe and the new LD8. It does not fit with the largely residential area to the north.</p> <p>Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a younger family area while Scottsdale and Fountain Hills have an older population. Residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde do not typically have a connection with Desert Ridge and Deer Valley area and vice versa. These two areas should not be in the same LD.</p> <p>The Redistricting process is to respect and preserve "communities of interest." It should not ignore that principle, as has been expressed in numerous testimony to the Commission.</p> <p>Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from LD3 and make the logical and proper changes to Scottsdale in LD8.</p> <p>Thank you, Jennifer Searle</p>
12/17/2021 - 17:07	Carol Rogala	Redistricting	<p>There was significant testimony to the Commission and the residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde are not being heard, in favor of other communities. Because our community is not being heard, please allow me to reiterate. As a resident of LD23, I live in Fountain Hills and do not want any other changes. We like our community boundary lines the way they are. We do not shop or have family friends in the other areas. Please listen to us,</p>
12/17/2021 - 17:09	Michael Rogala	Redistricting	<p>I live in Fountain Hills and do not want any further changes. The Scottsdale/FH/Rio Verde borders are in keeping with the community needs. I do not shop, have family or any business in other areas.</p>

12/17/2021 - 17:11	Judith Gogolin	redistricting	<p>As a resident of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills, Rio Verde--we are not being heard!!</p> <p>I am a long time resident of and a local tour guide for over 30 years and I am very familiar with Scottsdale. I know that the area south of Camelback and east of the canal is an arts &amp; entertainment area which is more in the character of adjacent Tempe and the new LD8. It does not fit with the largely residential area to the north.</p> <p>Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a younger family area while Scottsdale and Fountain Hills have an older population. Residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde do not typically have a connection with the Desert Ridge &amp; Deer Valley area and vice versa. These two areas should not be in the same LD. I do not shop or recreate there. Neither do my neighbors.</p> <p>The Redistricting process is to respect and preserve "communities of interest." It should not ignore that principle, as has been expressed in numerous testimony to the Commission. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from LD3 and make the logical and proper changes to Scottsdale in LD8.</p>
12/17/2021 - 17:14	Judith Gogolin	redistricting	<p>We are not being heard!!</p> <p>I am a long time resident of and a local tour guide for over 30 years and I am very familiar with Scottsdale. I know that the area south of Camelback and east of the canal is an arts &amp; entertainment area which is more in the character of adjacent Tempe and the new LD8. This is where I take my tours. Not to residential areas like Rio Verde and Fountain Hills. It does not fit with the largely residential area to the north.</p> <p>Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a younger, more compact family area while Scottsdale and Fountain Hills have an older population more spread out. Residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde do not typically have a connection with the Desert Ridge &amp; Deer Valley area and vice versa. These two areas should not be in the same LD. I do not shop or recreate there. Neither do my neighbors.</p> <p>The Redistricting process is to respect and preserve "communities of interest." It should not ignore that principle, as has been expressed in numerous testimony to the Commission. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from LD3 and make the logical and proper changes to Scottsdale in LD8.</p>
12/17/2021 - 17:20	Judith Gogolin	redistricting--	<p>The Redistricting process is to respect and preserve "communities of interest." It should not ignore that principle, as has been expressed in numerous testimony to the Commission. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from LD3 and make the logical and proper changes to Scottsdale in LD8.</p> <p>Please listen to us. Scottsdale, Rio Verde and Fountain Hills are all communities of interest. Deer Valley and Desert Ridge do not fit with us. I have not been to those locations to shop or recreate in years. Only when they were new and I went out of curiosity.</p>
12/17/2021 - 17:23	Linda AA Chiles	Gerrymandering-Map A-17-3	<p>A 17-3 legislative map, in favor of Republicans, is not a map that reflects Arizona in 2021.</p> <p>Arizona is no longer a Republican dominant state. Our U.S. Senators are both Democrats. Arizona went blue in the 2020 presidential election. A majority of our members of congress are Democrats, and Democrats hold nearly half of all of the state legislative seats.</p> <p>The IRC was created by voters to prevent partisan gerrymandering. You are NOT living up to that mandate if you choose this version.</p> <p>That level of partisan imbalance in the seat count is a clear, strong indicator of partisan gerrymandering. To ignore that is to ignore the will of Arizona voters. Remember we want FAIR districting...not simply re-districting.</p>
12/17/2021 - 17:29	David Pierce Mason, Jr.	redistricting	<p>We gave significant testimony and the residents of Cave Creek and Carefree don't seem to have been heard. We are more like Scottsdale and Fountain Hills than other communities.</p> <p>a.Scottsdale, south of Camelback and east of the canal belongs with Old Town Scottsdale in D8. That is an arts and entertainment district and does not belong with the residential area to the north.</p> <p>b.Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with cave Creek, Carefree, Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a young, family area where Cave Creek and Carefree and Scottsdale and Fountain Hills are retirement areas. Deer Valley is an industrial area - it belongs with its neighbors in Phoenix. It does not belong with Cave Creek or Carefree pr Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Our neighborhood and our communities of interest should be treated with respect - not combined with communities with dissimilar communities.</p>

12/17/2021 - 17:31	Judith Gogolin	redistricting	<p>As a Scottsdale/Fountain Hills resident, I am very familiar with Scottsdale. As such, Scottsdale, south of Camelback and east of the canal belongs with Old Town Scottsdale in D8. That is an arts and entertainment district and does not belong with the residential area to the north.</p> <p>Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a young, family area where Scottsdale and Fountain Hills are retirement areas. Deer Valley is an industrial area - it belongs with its neighbors in Phoenix. It does not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills.</p> <p>Our neighborhood and our communities of interest should be treated with respect - not ignored and passed over. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from our district as it does not belong.</p>
12/17/2021 - 17:32	Janet fernstrom	my community is not being considered fairly	<p>My community is not being heard, please allow me to stress:</p> <p>As a resident of Scottsdale 85258 I am very familiar with Scottsdale (since 1966) and I know that the area south of about Camelback and east of the canal is and arts &amp; entertainment area which is more in the character of adjacent Tempe and the new LD8. It does not fit with the largely residential area to the north.</p> <p>Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a younger family area while Scottsdale and Fountain Hills have an older population. Residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde do not typically have a connection with the Desert Ridge? Deer Valley area and vice versa. These two areas should not be in the same LD.</p> <p>The Redistricting process is to respect and preserve "communities of interest." It should not ignore that principle, as has been expressed in numerous testimony to the Commission. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from LD3 and make the logical and proper changes to Scottsdale in LD8.</p>
12/17/2021 - 17:35	Millicent Gray	AZ Redistricting	<p>Redistricting Comments 12/17/21</p> <p>To the Arizona Independent Redistricting Commission:</p> <p>From Millicent Gray 86018</p> <p>I preface my remarks by saying that we Arizonans are living in a very challenging part of the world politically. COMPETITIVENESS is KEY as to why the AIRC even exists. Competitiveness must be assessed for each district and is a measure of whether R or D can potentially win in that district. Generally, competitive districts protect against extremism, encourage bipartisan cooperation, result in elected representatives who are more responsive to diverse constituencies, lead to higher quality candidates, and higher levels of civic and voter participation. Otherwise, if the district maps are not competitive, why bother with redistricting in the first place? I think it would be a waste of taxpayers' time and money.</p> <p>Competitiveness cannot be debated. Nor should be the Arizona Constitution. If we fail to provide Democracy writ large, then that will be a severe blow to Arizona.</p> <p>Thank you for your attention.</p> <p>Millicent Gray</p>
12/17/2021 - 17:36	Phillip E. Lichtenhan	District maps	<p>I want to encourage you all to do the right thing and approve the LD17 map 9.0. This map meets all the requirements set for district maps.</p> <p>Thank you. Phil</p>
12/17/2021 - 18:12	Tina Wilson	Redistrict maps	<p>Please keep like-minded communities together, such as Scottsdale, Fountain Hills and Rio Verde. The point of redistricting is to keep communities together that tend to have the same kind of culture and residents. We here in Scottsdale are primarily an older generation, so we do NOT belong with Desert Ridge or Deer Valley, which is primarily young families. Please reconsider the lines you are drawing that bring in many different-minded communities into the same district. That goes against the unspoken policies and purpose of creating like-minded communities together. Thank you for listening and reconsidering.</p>
12/17/2021 - 18:18	Hollis Hemingway	Objection to LD17 map 10.0	<p>I strongly, and seriously object to the proposed LD17 10.0 map. I does not meet the communities of interest requirement or the competitive requirement. It flies in face of the very purpose of the Independent Redistricting Commission by obviously gerrymandering so as to give a virtually unbeatable advantage to the GOP. As a voter and citizen I urge adoption of the LD17 9.0 map which actually meets the guidelines for the creation of competitive districts.</p>
12/17/2021 - 18:40	Joyce Strassburg	Why are you not giving us fair representation?	<p>Lumping North Scottsdale and our older demographic with Desert Ridge and Deer Valley Airport does not fairly represent one community of interest. Please do your jobs and give us fair representation.</p>
12/17/2021 - 18:49	Stephanie Czopp	Redistricting maps	<p>As a previous Scottsdale and current Fountain Hills resident and business owner for many years I am very concerned with the illogical borders of the South Scottsdale area (Camelback and South) as it aligns more consistently with Tempe. Similar concern is the North Phoenix and Deer Valley border, they are separate areas that have their own radius of community and should be designated as such. The maps were looking good but seem to be going backwards!</p>


12/17/2021 - 18:51	Jamie Alford	Redistricting	We are living in such challenging times. I am resident of Scottsdale working, attending church, shopping and interacting with my friends within a 7-8 mile radius around 90% of the time. I know this area. Many of friends rarely leave a 2-3 mile radius. Most all of us are retired. The south Scottsdale area has a much younger crowd which aligns with the Tempe area. My son before moving to CA lived it this artsy area. This is the same for Dessert Ridge and Dear Valley area; it needs to stay with Phoenix. I choose this area to live when transferred from Florida. The community shares most of my interests. Please consider keeping Scottsdale North, Cave Creek and Fountain Hills together since we are the same in many ways.
12/17/2021 - 19:58	Katie Kvam	Redistricting	Our community in the current map configuration. Desert Ridge and High Street are young, vibrant areas and part of the youthful Phoenix area-it should not be included with sleepy North Scottsdale and Fountain Hills.
12/17/2021 - 19:59	Nolan Kvam	Redistricting	Our community in the current map configuration is not being considered. Desert Ridge and High Street are young, vibrant areas and part of the youthful Phoenix area-it should not be included with sleepy North Scottsdale and Fountain Hills.
12/17/2021 - 20:11	David Blyth	Redistricting - Final LD and CD Draft Maps	<p>My wife and I are residents of Fountain Hills and we are stunned that the Commission would vote to accept the Democrat versions of both the LD and CD maps, ignoring the valid points and compromises represented in the alternate version of these maps. This is unfair and is effectively cancelling my vote and those of my neighbors in a way that is highly partisan.</p> <p>An overwhelming number of concerned citizens put in a lot of time and effort to provide testimony in support of the maps that have now been rejected by your commission.</p> <p>The most important criteria for any redistricting should be to preserve the links between similar communities, such that our representative in Congress will be able to effectively and fairly represent all constituents within the same District. This is absolutely essential to having fair and balanced elections in this state going forward.</p> <p>The version of the LD and CD maps that you have currently approved, inexplicably combines areas that are vastly different in geography, demographics, population density, lifestyle, and culture.</p> <p>To rectify this and to more fairly represent the constituents in existing districts, I ask you specifically to incorporate the following changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•LD3 - Remove the Deer Valley airpark area and Desert Ridge from LD3. These areas have a much younger demographic than Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde, and should not be included in the same LD. LD3 should absolutely include the north Scottsdale area.</li> <li>•CD1 – Remove neighborhoods in Central Phoenix such as Camelback East, Alhambra, and Encanto from CD1. These areas are extremely urban and are composed of primarily young professionals and college kids, and are very different from the other more suburban communities within the District.</li> </ul> <p>Thank you for making the above changes. Please do not cancel my vote!</p>
12/17/2021 - 20:34	Carrie Cox	Redistricting draft map	There was significant testimony to the Commission and the residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde are not being heard, in favor of other communities. Because our community is not being heard, please allow me to reiterate. As a resident of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills, Rio Verde, I am very familiar with Scottsdale and I know that the area south of about Camelback and east of the canal is and arts & entertainment area which is more in the character of adjacent Tempe and the new LD8. It does not fit with the largely residential area to the north. Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a younger family area while Scottsdale and Fountain Hills have an older population. Residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde do not typically have a connection with the Desert Ridge? Deer Valley area and vice versa. These two areas should not be in the same LD. The Redistricting process is to respect and preserve "communities of interest." It should not ignore that principle, as has been expressed in numerous testimony to the Commission. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from LD3.
12/17/2021 - 20:37	Mary Boncher	Redistricting	The redistricting process is to respect and preserve "Communities of interest". Please remove Deer Valley and Desert Ridge since they have no common interests to LD3. Desert Ridge is a younger family area while Scottsdale and Fountain Hills have an older population. South of Camelback and east of the canal is a younger more contemporary group and more in the character of Tempe. Please do not ignore the principle of common interest. This is all about fairness and common sense. Please respect Common Interest principal.

12/17/2021 - 20:39	Alley Walukiewicz	Redistricting	<p>I am hopeful my emails will be heard and this important matter will be addressed. The maps should be districted with local communities that are in areas that are close together. Why is this issue being ignored??</p> <p>There was significant testimony to the Commission and the residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde are not being heard, in favor of other communities. Because our community is not being heard, please allow me to reiterate.</p> <p>As a resident of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills, Rio Verde, I am very familiar with Scottsdale and I know that the area south of about Camelback and east of the canal is and arts &amp; entertainment area which is more in the character of adjacent Tempe and the new LD8. It does not fit with the largely residential area to the north.</p> <p>Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a younger family area while Scottsdale and Fountain Hills have an older population. Residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde do not typically have a connection with the Desert Ridge? Deer Valley area and vice versa. These two areas should not be in the same LD.</p> <p>The Redistricting process is to respect and preserve "communities of interest." It should not ignore that principle, as has been expressed in numerous testimony to the Commission. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from LD3 and make the logical and proper changes to Scottsdale in LD8.</p>
12/17/2021 - 20:58	Charmaine Roth	You aren't listening!!!	<p>There was significant testimony to the Commission and the residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde are not being heard, in favor of other communities. Because our community is not being heard, please allow me to reiterate.</p> <p>As a resident of Rio Verde, I am very familiar with Scottsdale and I know that the area south of about Camelback and east of the canal is and arts &amp; entertainment area which is more in the character of adjacent Tempe and the new LD8. It does not fit with the largely residential area to the north.</p> <p>Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills.</p> <p>Desert Ridge is a younger family area while Scottsdale and Fountain Hills have an older population. Residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde do not typically have a connection with the Desert Ridge? Deer Valley area and vice versa. These two areas should not be in the same LD.</p> <p>The Redistricting process is to respect and preserve "communities of interest." I</p> <p>It should not ignore that principle, as has been expressed in numerous testimony to the Commission.</p> <p>Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from LD3 and make the logical and proper changes to Scottsdale in LD8.</p>
12/17/2021 - 20:59	Ann Mangold	redistricting	<p>Dear Commission, there was significant testimony , at many many meetings, given to the Commission. WHY ARE WE BEING IGNORED?????</p> <p>Redistricting is supposed to respect and preserve communities of interest. Please removeDesert Ridge and Deer Valley from LD23!!</p>
12/17/2021 - 21:09	Brenda Kalivianakis	Redistricting	<p>As a resident of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills, Rio Verde, I am very familiar with Scottsdale and I know that the area south of about Camelback and east of the canal is and arts &amp; entertainment area which is more in the character of adjacent Tempe and the new LD8. It does not fit with the largely residential area to the north.</p>
12/17/2021 - 21:15	Robert & Leticia Gastelum	Legislative Redistricting LD 16	<p>This email is sent to voice our strong opposition to the proposed LD 16 redistricting. We are long time Pima County residents per our specific choice and do not want to be lumped in with Maricopa County. This is an unfair and illogical proposal which we feel would be detrimental to our future voting choices and, in our opinion, shouldn't even be under consideration. Thank you for the opportunity to voice our opinion.</p>
12/17/2021 - 21:50	Steve Boucher	Redistricting	<p>Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a younger family area while Scottsdale and Fountain Hills have an older population. Residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde do not typically have a connection with the Desert Ridge? Deer Valley area and vice versa. These two areas should not be in the same LD.</p> <p>The Redistricting process is to respect and preserve "communities of interest." It should not ignore that principle, as has been expressed in numerous testimony to the Commission. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from LD3 and m</p>

12/17/2021 - 22:21	Felecia Wright Nace	Redistricting	Dear committee members, I am writing to express my disappointment in the committee's redistricting decision. North Scottsdale and Fountain Hills are distinctly different from the areas that the committee is suggesting become a part of our district. Many people testified to the differences that do not allow our area to combined with others, and does not give us the proper representation. Yet, our voices were not heard. This goes against the principles of your committee which is supposed to take into account resident voices. So many of us took time out of our schedules to voice our opinions to your committee and they seem to have fallen on deaf ears. Your committee decisions are supposed to be informed by the public. With so many examples of how our area is uniquely different as it is a residential area compared to Tempe for example. However, none of this was considered. I am asking that you please reconsider the new redistricting plan and take into account the fact that our area issues are different from those in the areas which you now want us to be a part of. Thank you in advance for your reconsideration Dr. Felecia Wight-Nace
12/17/2021 - 22:27	Patricia M Dexter	Redistricting	I am not in favor of splitting Sedona up between 2 districts. Sedona including VOC should be connected to Flagstaff not Prescott! The Mingus mountains are a natural dividing line.
12/17/2021 - 23:03	DJ Lockwood	Redistricting	I recently attended a few IRC public hearings and wish you would consider my thoughts.  Our city cultures are very heavily stretched south to north with the exception of the SE valley communities,. When newcomers arrive, in city after city, for the major part of the Valley, cities have vertical strips - like Buckeye, Goodyear. Surprise, Peoria, Glendale, etc. Phoenix is not so "skinny" west to east, but it has similar north and south stretches. I point out something that newcomers don't have the historical perspective to pick up on: These cities have grown in the direction of the land they could annex in order to expand their tax bases. Since I live in Scottsdale, I would point out that we are stretched from Tempe to Desert Mountain. Most people don't know this. I would note that our Scottsdale heart and heritage are in Old Town AND in Carefree and old Cave Creek, but we are proud to have many distinct neighborhoods in between. And, I describe how we paternalistically think of Fountain Hills and Rio Verde as our very own guest-bedroom communities. If changes must be made, I suggest the area south of about Camelback & east of the canal is an arts & entertainment area and fits more with the character of Tempe and the new LD8. It does not fit with the large residential area to the north. Desert Ridge & Deer Valley do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills since Desert Ridge is younger families and Scottsdale an older population. Residents of Scottsdale don't typically go to Desert Ridge and these two areas should not be in the same LD. This whole process is to respect and preserve "communities of interest." Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge & Deer Valley from LD3 and make the logical and proper changes to Scottsdale in LD8.
12/17/2021 - 23:03	Ari Bradshaw	Snowflake and Taylor	Hello Commission, I hope y'all are well.  There is a major concern with the LD map presented that CANNOT be allowed to pass. There is absolutely zero reason to include Snowflake and Taylor with the Native districts over their community of interest with Holbrook, Globe, etc.  Flagstaff should be with the Natives. They generally agree on politics. They have more similar issues at hand as well. They form a closer community of interest than Flagstaff does with Globe. Meanwhile, Snowflake and Taylor form strong communities of interest with the non-tribal rural towns of Gila, Navajo, and Apache counties. Additionally, they share a strong historical and religious LDS background with these towns.  To choose district boundaries for the sake of skin color is beyond racist. I urge the Commission to decide based on true, honest, and genuine communities of interest - not race-baiting requests. If the Commission truly values communities of interest, they will place Snowflake and Taylor in with their sister towns such as Globe, Holbrook, and Payson.
12/17/2021 - 23:58	Laura Lizak	Districing of Sedona	One, Sedona includes the Village of Oak Creek. Second, we only want to be moved into LD7 if Flagstaff is also a part of LD7. And last, we belong with the Verde Valley and Flagstaff and Mingus Mountain is where the lines really should be drawn.
12/18/2021 - 04:07	Craig Stephan	CD1 on Map 10.1.2 is a step backwards - Move SRIC from CD1 to CD4.	1. The map of Congressional District 1 (CD1) adopted on October 28, 2021, does not include the Salt River Indian Community (SRIC) south of Shea in Scottsdale. This is appropriate, since the SRIC has a community of interest in common with south Scottsdale and Tempe. Therefore, SRIC is appropriately included in CD4 on the October 28, 2021 map. 2. Draft map 9.2.1 also shows that CD1 does not include the SRIC, which is included in CD4. 3. Map 10.1.2 reverts to prior maps and is a step backwards. Map 10.1.2 shifts the SRIC from CD4 to CD1, thus breaking up communities of interest in CD4 and combining disparate communities of interest in CD1. 4. Therefore, map 10.1.2 needs to be changed to move the SRIC from CD1 to CD4.

12/18/2021 - 04:43	Craig Stephan	LD3 and LD4 on Map 12.1.1 better reflect communities of interest than on Map 13.1.	<p>1. The western border of LD3 on Map 13.1 extends across I-17 and includes the northeast corner of the intersection of I-17 and the 101. The neighborhoods in those areas of north Phoenix do not have a community of interest in common with neighborhoods to the east in Phoenix and Scottsdale.</p> <p>2. LD4 on Map 13.1 extends westward into Phoenix neighborhoods that do not have a community of interest in common with neighborhoods in Scottsdale and Paradise Valley.</p> <p>3. LD3 on Map 12.1.1 better reflects communities of interest in Scottsdale and Phoenix than does LD3 on Map 13.1. Therefore, LD3 on Map 13.1 should be redrawn to match its shape on Map 12.1.1.</p> <p>4. LD4 on Map 12.1.1 better reflects communities of interest in Scottsdale and Paradise Valley than does LD4 on Map 13.1. Therefore, LD4 on Map 13.1 should be redrawn to match its shape on Map 12.1.1.</p>
12/18/2021 - 05:09	Joseph Pazier	Casa Grande District 2	I firmly believe that Casa Grande should stay in district 2. It flows with the community rural and yet tied to the big cities with growth potential for industry. Common goals and common problems that need to be addressed. Thank you..
12/18/2021 - 05:58	Lylah Ledner	The redistricting map	<p>There was significant testimony to the Commission and the residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde are not being heard, in favor of other communities. Because our community is not being heard, please allow me to reiterate.</p> <p>As a resident of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills, Rio Verde, I am very familiar with Scottsdale and I know that the area south of about Camelback and east of the canal is and arts &amp; entertainment area which is more in the character of adjacent Tempe and the new LD8. It does not fit with the largely residential area to the north.</p> <p>Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a younger family area while Scottsdale and Fountain Hills have an older population. Residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde do not typically have a connection with the Desert Ridge? Deer Valley area and vice versa. These two areas should not be in the same LD.</p> <p>The Redistricting process is to respect and preserve "communities of interest." It should not ignore that principle, as has been expressed in numerous testimony to the Commission. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from LD3 and make the logical and proper changes to Scottsdale in LD8.</p> <p>Lylah Ledner LD23</p>
12/18/2021 - 06:01	Michael Ledner	Redistricting	<p>There was significant testimony to the Commission and the residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde are not being heard, in favor of other communities. Because our community is not being heard, please allow me to reiterate.</p> <p>As a resident of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills, Rio Verde, I am very familiar with Scottsdale and I know that the area south of about Camelback and east of the canal is and arts &amp; entertainment area which is more in the character of adjacent Tempe and the new LD8. It does not fit with the largely residential area to the north.</p> <p>Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a younger family area while Scottsdale and Fountain Hills have an older population. Residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde do not typically have a connection with the Desert Ridge? Deer Valley area and vice versa. These two areas should not be in the same LD.</p> <p>The Redistricting process is to respect and preserve "communities of interest." It should not ignore that principle, as has been expressed in numerous testimony to the Commission. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from LD3 and make the logical and proper changes to Scottsdale in LD8.</p>
12/18/2021 - 06:18	Ann Marie Hall	LD17 map	I strongly support map 9.0 for LD17. Please stop this partisan gerrymandering which is so destructive to a true democratic process.
12/18/2021 - 06:34	Nancy Russell Plencner	Redistricting	I rarely if ever go to North Scottsdale, or West of the 101. We live in Fountain Hills, our church and friends are here, I shop here mostly, occasionally a bit East into Scottsdale for something special from Sprouts or Home Depot. This is my community of interest, I golf at Starfire and Rio Verde, we dine in Fountain Hills. We do not wish to have the District changed from what it is today. Thank you.



12/18/2021 - 07:04	Benjamin Wells	LD23	<p>Dear Independent Commissioner,</p> <p>Please reconsider Including desert ridge and deer Valley from LD3. In my view, LD8 also does not fit with north Scottsdale in terms of the interest of each community.</p> <p>Desert ridge in deer Valley have younger families while Scottsdale is a more older mature family community. South Scottsdale is much different than North Scottsdale in terms of it being more urban and not as residential.</p> <p>I have been a resident of Scottsdale for 25 years. I am very concerned with how the new redistricting maps are coming together. This current version is not representative of a cohesive community of interest. These new maps do not reflect one single community representing similar individuals and residence across-the-board. In my opinion it is eclectic and does not make any sense.</p> <p>Ben Wells  </p>
12/18/2021 - 07:07	Peter E Smith	Redistricting concerns	<p>There was significant testimony to the Commission and the residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde are not being heard, in favor of other communities. Because our community is not being heard, please allow me to reiterate.</p> <p>As a resident of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills, Rio Verde, I am very familiar with Scottsdale and I know that the area south of about Camelback and east of the canal is and arts &amp; entertainment area which is more in the character of adjacent Tempe and the new LD8. It does not fit with the largely residential area to the north.</p> <p>Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a younger family area while Scottsdale and Fountain Hills have an older population. Residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde do not typically have a connection with the Desert Ridge? Deer Valley area and vice versa. These two areas should not be in the same LD.</p> <p>The Redistricting process is to respect and preserve "communities of interest." It should not ignore that principle, as has been expressed in numerous testimony to the Commission. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from LD3 and make the logical and proper changes to Scottsdale in LD8.</p>
12/18/2021 - 07:13	Elizabeth Gildersleeve	Redistricting for Fountain Hills and Rio Verde	<p>It is very distressing that the Commission is not truly hearing/listening to the testimony from Scottsdale, Fountain Hills, and Rio Verde residents who do not wish their district to be lumped in with Desert Ridge and Deer Valley. These are very distinct areas, with different populations. Further, a legislative representative could not adequately represent such a large area. This is common sense to most reasonable people.</p> <p>My family believed that the redistricting process was to respect and preserve "communities of interest." It appears at present that this principle is, sadly, being ignored.</p> <p>Please reconsider and keep the LD as is.</p> <p>Thank you.</p>
12/18/2021 - 07:21	Patricia Pellett	Redistricting	<p>As a Scottsdale/Fountain Hills resident, I am very familiar Scottsdale. As such, Scottsdale, south of Camelback and east of the canal belongs with Old Town Scottsdale in D8. That is an arts and entertainment district and does not belong with the residential area to the north.</p> <p>Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a young, family area where Scottsdale and Fountain Hills are retirement areas. Deer Valley is an industrial area - it belongs with its neighbors in Phoenix. It does not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills.</p> <p>Our neighborhood and our communities of interest should be treated with respect - not ignored and passed over. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from our district as it does not belong.</p>
12/18/2021 - 07:31	Jay Michael gillette	Redistricting Map	I strongly urge the commission to adopt LD17map 9.0. Map 10.0 is too gerrymandered
12/18/2021 - 07:39	John Ruggiero	LD 17	I support LD 17 9.0. Don't allow a Gerrymandering businessman to change your minds.
12/18/2021 - 07:52	James R. Cohn	LD 17 map 9.0	I strongly urge the commission to implement map LD 17 9.0 as I feel it is the only one that meets the requirements set forth for the commission's purpose. James R. Cohn

12/18/2021 - 07:56	Kelly Wells	Redistricting	<p>Hello,</p> <p>I am deeply concerned with how desert ridge and deer Valley have been included in the same legislative districting map as Scottsdale and Rio Verde.</p> <p>Many of my neighbors and friends I have voiced their opinion in regards to how these communities are distinctly different and do not share the same interests.</p> <p>South of Scottsdale is a different community than north Scottsdale as well.</p> <p>I believe, in order to provide an accurate representation of the interests of communities, their legislative district need to reflect the cohesiveness of the community. The deer Valley, Desert Ridge communities in combination with Scottsdale and Leo Verde does not, in any sense, seem cohesive in their interests.</p> <p>I have been asked resident of Scottsdale since the age of seven. I moved here in 1985. I've worked here, played here, grew up here and cobbling together deer Valley, Desert Ridge with Scottsdale and Rio Verde makes no sense.</p> <p>Please reconsider this situation.</p>
12/18/2021 - 08:17	Patricia Dow	LD17 map	I support LD17 map 9.0, which meets the requirements set by the Independent Redistricting Commission. LD17 map 10.0 does NOT meet the requirements and must be discarded.
12/18/2021 - 08:18	Patricia Dow	LD17 map	I support LD17 map 9.0, which meets the requirements set by the Independent Redistricting Commission. LD17 map 10.0 does NOT meet the requirements and must be discarded.
12/18/2021 - 08:25	Jerzy S. Wilus	LD17 map 9.0	As an active, voting resident of Arizona I urge the Independent Redistricting Commission to support LD17 map 9.0 rather than the 10.0 version which clearly violates fair redistricting efforts through blatant selfishness.
12/18/2021 - 08:26	Steven S Poe	Redistricting maps	<p>While this task IS a political decision affecting AZ citizens for 10 full years, to choose a map favoring one political party over the other is NOT one of the tasks of this commission. Any map gerrymandered in such a fashion is a travesty to all well-informed citizens. Therefore, I implore the IRC to adopt map 9.0 over the one favored by the political party responsible for the submission of 10.0.</p> <p>Let the voting citizens decide who best represents their area, not the parties.</p>
12/18/2021 - 08:33	Christi S. Driggs	Gerrymandering	<p>I support LD17 map9.0</p> <p>The state is nearly 1/3 GOP, 1/3 Dem 1/3 Independent. The GOP already has a long crafted advantage...they don't need more. When govt. no longer represents the actual voters, it is time to fix that.</p>
12/18/2021 - 08:33	Erik Videbeck	Stop the gerrymander of LD 17	I SUPPORT LD MAP 9.0!!! What some of the folks in Marana, Oro Valley, the Foothills and Vail are proposing would make Elbridge Gerry very proud.
12/18/2021 - 08:36	Shelly Honn	CD 2 & 6	I'm baffled how large CD 2 is in comparison to CD 6. With CD 2 being directly under 3, 4 & 5 which are very populated areas. In the interest of transparency where can a constituent find the population in each district? Both for LD & CD districts? I don't feel like the districts throughout the state have the same population within a reasonable amount of over/under and I do not think our Arizona constitution is being followed properly for redistricting.

12/18/2021 - 08:43	Diana Marie Corry	New Re-Districting Maps	<p>I am VERY concerned about what is being proposed for the redistricting changes to LD and CD maps. There was SIGNFICANT testimony to the Commission and the residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde are NOT being heard, in favor of other communities. Because our community is not being heard, please allow me to reiterate.</p> <p>As a resident of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills, Rio Verde, I am very familiar with Scottsdale and I know that the area south of about Camelback and east of the canal is and arts &amp; entertainment area which is more in the character of adjacent Tempe and the new LD8. It does NOT fit with the largely residential area to the north.</p> <p>Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a younger family area while Scottsdale and Fountain Hills have an older population. Residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde do not typically have a connection with the Desert Ridge, Deer Valley area and vice versa. These two areas should NOT be in the same LD.</p> <p>The Redistricting process is to Respect and PRESERVE "communities of interest." It should not ignore that principle, as has been expressed in numerous testimony to the Commission. PLEASE reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from LD3 and make the logical and proper changes to Scottsdale in LD8.</p> <p>Thank you! Diana Corry</p>
12/18/2021 - 08:43	David A Peterson	Redistricting Maps	<p>Hello IRC, I'm an 8 year resident of Fountain Hills. The latest map shows LD23 adding Desert Ridge and Deer Valley, as you know F. Hills is mostly retired folks like myself and my wife. Desert Ridge and Deer Valley do not have a connection at all with us and should be removed. I'm asking the commission to preserve our current community.</p>
12/18/2021 - 08:46	pat madea	I support LD17 on map 9	<p>I'm a voter in Pima County, AZ. I support the adoption of LD17 on map 9. I do not support map 10.0 at all as it does not meet the IRC criteria for drawing map boundaries.</p>
12/18/2021 - 08:55	Michael E Modrak	Redistricting	<p>We gave significant testimony, and the residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills are not being heard - in favor of other communities. Because our community is not being heard, please allow me to reiterate:</p> <p>As a Scottsdale/Fountain Hills resident, I am very familiar Scottsdale. As such, Scottsdale, south of Camelback and east of the canal belongs with Old Town Scottsdale in D8. That is an arts and entertainment district and does not belong with the residential area to the north.</p> <p>Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a young, family area where Scottsdale and Fountain Hills are retirement areas. Deer Valley is an industrial area - it belongs with its neighbors in Phoenix. It does not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills.</p> <p>Our neighborhood and our communities of interest should be treated with respect - not ignored and passed over. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from our district as it does not belong.</p> <p>Michael Modrak [REDACTED] Fountain Hills, AZ</p>
12/18/2021 - 09:01	Craig Stephan	Modify LD3 and LD4 in order to keep together communities of interest in Scottsdale	<p>The Commission has received substantial testimony, but the residents of Scottsdale, Fountain Hills, and Rio Verde are not being heard, in favor of other communities. I am a longterm resident of Scottsdale and I am familiar with the communities of interest in Scottsdale. Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills, and there has been substantial testimony on this issue. In addition, portions of Scottsdale should not be included in LD4 along with portions of Phoenix. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from LD3, and include in LD3 those portions of Scottsdale that are in LD4. This will keep together the communities of interest in Scottsdale. Thank you for your consideration.</p>
12/18/2021 - 09:12	Domenico T Caglioti	Redistricting	<p>The redistricting process is to respect and preserve "communities of interest." It should not ignore that principle, as has been expressed in numerous testimony to the Commission. I strongly urge you to reverse course. Thank you</p>
12/18/2021 - 09:14	Thomas E Mulleady	District 23	<p>There should be NO reason to change District 23. I live in the district (Rio Verde) and frequent Fountain Hills and Scottsdale all the time. We do not conduct any business in other parts of the State. Please keep the 23rd as is.</p>
12/18/2021 - 09:14	Kenneth Driggs	LD17 map 10.0	<p>LD17 map 10.0 is blatantly gross gerrymandering embarrassment from my 70 year experience in this state. LD17 map 9.0 respects the citizenry of Arizona.</p>
12/18/2021 - 09:17	Tim Hilzendeger	LD17	<p>I am a resident of Oro Valley and prefer LD17 map 9 as it meets the requirements for a balanced district.</p>
12/18/2021 - 09:17	Tommy Andrews	Legislative District Redistricting	<p>•The Redistricting process is to respect and preserve "communities of interest" and respect existing legislative district when possible. It should not ignore that principle, as has been expressed in my testimony, and that of many others, to the Commission. Please remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from LD3 and make the logical and proper changes to Scottsdale in LD8.</p>

12/18/2021 - 09:19	linda ryan	Redistricting in AZ	<p>We have given significant testimony and the residents of Desert Ridge/Deer Valley/Scottsdale/Fountain Hills are not being heard. Because our communities are not being heard, please allow me to reiterate:</p> <p>Scottsdale, south of Camelback and east of the canal belongs with Old Town Scottsdale in D8. That is an art and entertainment district and does not belong with the residential area to the north. Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark does not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a young, family area where Scottsdale and Fountain Hills are retirement areas. Deer Valley is an industrial area - it belongs with its neighbors in Phoenix. LD2 and LD4 should be consistent with LD27 by adding Deer Valley to LD2 and Desert Ridge to LD4. Our neighborhood and our communities of interest should be treated with respect - not ignored and passed over.</p>
12/18/2021 - 09:22	Truman K Trantham	LD17 map 9.0	I support LD17 map 9.0
12/18/2021 - 09:26	John	Redistricting	<p>We have given significant testimony and the residents of Desert Ridge/Deer Valley/Scottsdale/Fountain Hills are not being heard. Because our communities are not being heard, please allow me to reiterate:</p> <p>Scottsdale, south of Camelback and east of the canal belongs with Old Town Scottsdale in D8. That is an art and entertainment district and does not belong with the residential area to the north. Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark does not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a young, family area where Scottsdale and Fountain Hills are retirement areas. Deer Valley is an industrial area - it belongs with its neighbors in Phoenix. LD2 and LD4 should be consistent with LD27 by adding Deer Valley to LD2 and Desert Ridge to LD4. Our neighborhood and our communities of interest should be treated with respect - not ignored and passed over.</p>
12/18/2021 - 09:26	Patrick Nelmes	Redistricting	<p>We have given significant testimony and the residents of Desert Ridge/Deer Valley/Scottsdale/Fountain Hills are not being heard. Because our communities are not being heard, please allow me to reiterate:</p> <p>Scottsdale, south of Camelback and east of the canal belongs with Old Town Scottsdale in D8. That is an art and entertainment district and does not belong with the residential area to the north. Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark does not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a young, family area where Scottsdale and Fountain Hills are retirement areas. Deer Valley is an industrial area - it belongs with its neighbors in Phoenix. LD2 and LD4 should be consistent with LD27 by adding Deer Valley to LD2 and Desert Ridge to LD4. Our neighborhood and our communities of interest should be treated with respect - not ignored and passed over.</p>
12/18/2021 - 09:29	Casidy Ferneding	Redistricting	<p>There was significant testimony to the Commission and the residents of Scottsdale are not being heard, in favor of other communities. Because our community is not being heard, please allow me to reiterate. As a resident of Scottsdale I know that the area south of about Camelback and east of the canal is and arts &amp; entertainment area which is more in the character of adjacent Tempe and the new LD8. It does not fit with the largely residential area to the north. Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale. Desert Ridge is a younger family area while Scottsdale and Fountain Hills have an older population. There is no joint community of interest and these areas should not be in the same LD. The Redistricting process is to respect and preserve "communities of interest. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from LD3 and make the logical and proper changes to Scottsdale in LD8.</p>
12/18/2021 - 09:31	FILLMORE, JOHN	KEEP APACHE JUNCTION WHOLE .. LOOK AT THIS EASY SOLUTION	RATHER THAN TEAR AJ AND PINAL COUNTY UP A VERY SIMPLE MOVE WOULD BE TO TAKE THE NORTHERN STRIP ABOVE McKELLIPS FROM MERIDIAN (AND COUNTY LINE) TO TOMAHAWK WHICH IS ALL UNINCORPORATED PINAL COUNTY AND PUT THAT ITO LD10 AND NOT TAKE THE SMALL PRECINCTS ACTUALLY IN AJ BELOW BUT LEAVE THEM IN LD 7 APPROX SAME AMOUNT OF PEOPLE,,, GEOGRAPHICALLY BETTER ,, PRESERVES LINES, MAKES REPRESENTATION EASIER, AND IS A VERY FINE FIT !!
12/18/2021 - 09:41	Jeanne Herberg	REDISTRICTING	<p>We have given significant testimony and the residents of Desert Ridge/Deer Valley/Scottsdale/Fountain Hills are not being heard. Because our communities are not being heard, please allow me to reiterate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Scottsdale, south of Camelback and east of the canal belongs with Old Town Scottsdale in D8. That is an art and entertainment district and does not belong with the residential area to the north.</li> <li>•Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark does not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a young, family area where Scottsdale and Fountain Hills are retirement areas. Deer Valley is an industrial area - it belongs with its neighbors in Phoenix. LD2 and LD4 should be consistent with LD27 by adding Deer Valley to LD2 and Desert Ridge to LD4.</li> <li>•Our neighborhood and our communities of interest should be treated with respect - not ignored and passed over.</li> </ul>

12/18/2021 - 09:48	Jerald Davis	Legislative district 23 redistricting	Please don't move our district further west toward the I 17. This isn't the normal part of the Scottsdale and Fountain Hills area that we use. To take away from the way it is currently designed makes no sense because we're not in Phoenix! Thank you
12/18/2021 - 09:53	Carol Stines	Redistricting	We have given significant testimony and the residents of Desert Ridge/Deer Valley/Scottsdale/Fountain Hills are not being heard. Because our communities are not being heard, please allow me to reiterate:  Scottsdale, south of Camelback and east of the canal belongs with Old Town Scottsdale in D8. That is an art and entertainment district and does not belong with the residential area to the north. Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark does not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a young, family area where Scottsdale and Fountain Hills are retirement areas. Deer Valley is an industrial area - it belongs with its neighbors in Phoenix. LD2 and LD4 should be consistent with LD27 by adding Deer Valley to LD2 and Desert Ridge to LD4. Our neighborhood and our communities of interest should be treated with respect - not ignored and passed over.
12/18/2021 - 09:54	Michael Schafer	Redistricting requests	We have given significant testimony and the residents of Desert Ridge/Deer Valley/Scottsdale/Fountain Hills are not being heard!!! You work for the people not some other group. Because our communities are not being heard, please allow me to reiterate:  Scottsdale, south of Camelback and east of the canal belongs with Old Town Scottsdale in D8. That is an art and entertainment district and does not belong with the residential area to the north. Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark does not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a young, family area where Scottsdale and Fountain Hills are retirement areas. Deer Valley is an industrial area - it belongs with its neighbors in Phoenix. LD2 and LD4 should be consistent with LD27 by adding Deer Valley to LD2 and Desert Ridge to LD4. Our neighborhood and our communities of interest should be treated with respect - not ignored and passed over.  Please get off the nefarious agenda and do what the people, the constitutional authority we have and do what is right.
12/18/2021 - 10:03	Polly Cullen	Redistricting Commission	Please keep Sedona including the VOC with Flagstaff at least. Prescott and region operates often separately from the Verde Valley. Please be fair and thoughtful.
12/18/2021 - 10:03	candace czarny	Redistricting	We gave significant testimony and the residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills are not being heard - in favor of other communities. Because our community is not being heard, please allow me to reiterate: As a Scottsdale/Fountain Hills resident, I am very familiar Scottsdale. As such, Scottsdale, south of Camelback and east of the canal belongs with Old Town Scottsdale in D8. That is an arts and entertainment district and does not belong with the residential area to the north. Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a young, family area where Scottsdale and Fountain Hills are retirement areas. Deer Valley is an industrial area - it belongs with its neighbors in Phoenix. It does not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Our neighborhood and our communities of interest should be treated with respect - not ignored and passed over. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from our district as it does not belong.
12/18/2021 - 10:05	Pamela and David Brandt	LD17 Map	We support map 9.0 for LD17.
12/18/2021 - 10:18	Kathy Kretschmer	Stop LD17 map 10.0	I support LD17 map 9.0
12/18/2021 - 10:20	Deborah Curran	Redistricting map	I STRONGLY support the adoption of LD17 map 9.0
12/18/2021 - 10:24	Derek helbert	Redistricting Maps	It appears this supposedly independent group intends to do whatever the democrats want. This will not be accepted by the public. Do the right thing and draw these maps in a way that makes some sense. We are tired of the blatant corruption in this state.
12/18/2021 - 10:27	Susan Wood	Redistricting maps	I am opposed to the current maps for my neighborhood, currently LD23. We need to keep Scottsdale together in one legislative district. I would also approve of including west of Scottsdale Road to Tatum Blvd.
12/18/2021 - 10:35	Joe A Martinez	Redistricting map	How can this even be a plan that is fair to all parties? Do we become all Republicans? This is a plan to take over all voters
12/18/2021 - 10:46	Michal Ann Joyner	Scottsdale latest map	I am confused as to why the new map shows Desert Ridge does not belong in Scottsdale. It's simply not similar to North Scottsdale in any way. Desert Ridge is young families, North scottsdale are mostly retired. Deer Valley is highly industrial and has zero in common with north Scottsdale. Our neighborhoods and community interests are being ignored. Please add Deer Valley to LD2 and Desert Ridge to LD4. Thank you

12/18/2021 - 10:48	Teresa Sue Cohn	LD 17 map 9.0	As it seems to be the most equitable choice, I urge you to choose LD 17 map 9.0 for voting boundaries. Cohnjdasar	Teresa
12/18/2021 - 10:48	Sherry Gavin	Redistricting	As a resident of Scottsdale, I am very familiar with Scottsdale and I know that the area south of Camelback and east of the canal is and arts & entertainment area which is more in the character of adjacent Tempe and the new LD8. It does not fit with the largely residential area to the north. Also, I feel very strongly that the Redistricting process should respect and preserve "communities of interest." It should not ignore that principle, as has been expressed in numerous testimony to the Commission. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from LD3 and make the more logical and proper changes to Scottsdale in LD8. Thank you & God Bless.	
12/18/2021 - 10:56	Judith Gogolin	redistricting	The residents of Desert Ridge/Deer Valley/Scottsdale/Fountain Hills and Rio Verde are not being heard. Because our communities are not being heard it is important to re-visit our message again.  Scottsdale, south of Camelback and east of the canal belongs with Old Town Scottsdale in D8. That is an art and entertainment district and does not belong with the residential area to the north. Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark does not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a young, family area where Scottsdale and Fountain Hills are retirement areas. Deer Valley is an industrial area - it belongs with its neighbors in Phoenix. LD2 and LD4 should be consistent with LD27 by adding Deer Valley to LD2 and Desert Ridge to LD4. Please look at our geographically contiguous and compact communities of interest in Scottsdale, Fountain Hills and Rio Verde to make sure they are being represented. Perhaps you could get a drone to do an aerial view of these areas to confirm what i and others are saying.	
12/18/2021 - 10:57	Frederick K. Leinfest	LD17 map 9.0	In the interest of fairness and with the greatest sense of responsibility I support LD17 map 9.0.	
12/18/2021 - 10:59	Sandra Morrison	Re-districting Map2	We have given significant testimony and the residents of Desert Ridge/Deer Valley/Scottsdale/Fountain Hills are not being heard. Because our communities are not being heard, please allow me to reiterate:  Scottsdale, south of Camelback and east of the canal belongs with Old Town Scottsdale in D8. That is an art and entertainment district and does not belong with the residential area to the north. Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark does not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a young, family area where Scottsdale and Fountain Hills are retirement areas. Deer Valley is an industrial area - it belongs with its neighbors in Phoenix. LD2 and LD4 should be consistent with LD27 by adding Deer Valley to LD2 and Desert Ridge to LD4. Our neighborhood and our communities of interest should be treated with respect - not ignored and passed over.	
12/18/2021 - 10:59	Virginia B. McCanse	Redistricting map	I support LD 17 map 9.0 strongly	
12/18/2021 - 11:00	Virginia B. McCanse	Redistricting map	I support LD 17 map 9.0 strongly	
12/18/2021 - 11:03	Darrin Bergstad	support map version 12.1.1	Dear IRC, I have lived in LD 27 for 13 years. The new map version 12.1.1, does a great job of keeping communities of interest together, and provides the needed competitiveness for a health election. Our neighborhood and our communities of interest should be treated with respect - not ignored and passed over. I strongly support map 12.1.1. Thank you Darrin Bergstad	
12/18/2021 - 11:23	Larry Grafanakis	sick and tired of you	I'm fed up to here with my input not being listened to. I don't give a damn about trying to convince the Dams to stop their communist takeover. I want them removed ASAP. I'm not going to waste my energy trying to change anyone's mind anymore. I'm just going to work at making you GONE.	
12/18/2021 - 11:32	Mary Jane Shorey	Public Comment on LD17 map change from 9.0-10.0	I am strongly against changing the current map for LD17 from the current 9.0 version to the 10.0 version. The change does not reflect the requirements set by the Redistricting Commission themselves. Quite the opposite is true and gerrymandering for political gain is obvious from the attempts to connect two districts located so far apart and with different needs and interests. At a time in America when we are so divided along political lines, this change does not serve the need to protect every citizen's right to vote in a competitive district. In any given election, a candidate of any party--Democratic, Republican, Independent should be able to win the District because he/she is the best candidate for the job. This will not happen if the lines are so erratically drawn as to favor or diminish any one group over another. A politician who runs in a "safe district" does not need to listen to all constituents. Tucson's long history of fair elections run by competent leaders deserves to be preserved. I feel strongly about this situation because we have to keep this map for the next 10 years. By then, where will our democratic process be? I love my country and cannot accept what is happening now to our democratic institutions because of gerrymandering politics.	
12/18/2021 - 11:39	Suzanne Seay	New map(s)	I have looked at both Map 9 and Map 10 and frankly, Map 10 takes my home near Tanque Verde and Sabino Canyon in the Tucson city limits, and puts it together with voters in Marana and in Vail. My understanding was that the areas should be contiguous. Well, it is 20 miles from my home to Marana and just over that to Vail. Please don't foist Map 10 on us. It does not conform to the stated objectives of the INDEPENDENT redistricting commission. Thank you.	

12/18/2021 - 11:48	John Hassett	redistricting	<p>Good afternoon Commissioners,</p> <p>Looking online, I just discovered LD draft maps 13.1 &amp; 14.1. They both represent a substantial step backwards for the north side of the valley. 12.1 was not exactly to my tastes, but I know compromise is essential and it was much better. As I stated when I commented on 12.1 I was at a number of the meetings and these latest maps disregard what I heard speaker after speaker request for LDs 1,2,3,4 and 8.</p> <p>Why are Desert Ridge and Deer Valley Airport areas in LD3 instead of where they belong? LD2 &amp; LD4 should both extend north to Happy Valley as LD27 does. I did not comment on this before, but now that everything has changed so much, I wish to stress that Camelback east of the canal should be a dividing line for LD4 &amp; LD8. This entertainment area should be in LD8 not with the residential are to the north.</p>
12/18/2021 - 11:48	Pamela Carter	Redistricting of Scottsdale and Fountain Hills	<p>There was significant testimony to the Commission and the residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde are not being heard, in favor of other communities. Because our community is not being heard, please allow me to reiterate.</p> <p>As a resident of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills, Rio Verde, I am very familiar with Scottsdale and I know that the area south of about Camelback and east of the canal is and arts &amp; entertainment area which is more in the character of adjacent Tempe and the new LD8. It does not fit with the largely residential area to the north.</p> <p>Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a younger family area while Scottsdale and Fountain Hills have an older population. Residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde do not typically have a connection with the Desert Ridge? Deer Valley area and vice versa. These two areas should not be in the same LD.</p> <p>The Redistricting process is to respect and preserve "communities of interest." It should not ignore that principle, as has been expressed in numerous testimony to the Commission. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from LD3 and make the logical and proper changes to Scottsdale in LD8.</p>
12/18/2021 - 11:56	Sidney A Coon	LD17 redistricting	I support LD17 map 9.0. LD17 map 10.0 does not meet the requirements of redistricting.
12/18/2021 - 11:56	Kathleen Finke	Redistricting ASAP	<p>Myself and neighbors feel we are being completely ignored and this is not OK with us. The redistricting plan does not keep like communities together. Scottsdale and Fountain Hills are clearly more retirement communities while Desert Ridge is more a younger family community. Phoenix industrial district needs to stay as such while the Downtown district has its own needs as well. Please pay attention to these redistricting requests and hear our input into this matter immediately.</p> <p>Respectfully, Kathleen Finke</p>
12/18/2021 - 11:57	Thia Hassett	redistricting maps	<p>Dear Commissioners,</p> <p>We have given an abundance of comments, attended the meetings and the residents of Desert Ridge, Deer Valley, Scottsdale and Fountain Hills are not being heard.</p> <p>Why does LD4 still include Scottsdale south of Camelback and east of the canal? That area is CLEARLY an art and entertainment district and does NOT belong to the residential area to the north. It would be better placed in LD8.</p> <p>Making Happy Valley Rd the northern edge of LD2 and LD4 would make it consistent with LD27. That places Deer Valley Airpark in LD2. Which is an industrial area and it belongs with the residents in Phoenix. Desert Ridge would then be a part of LD4. It is a young family area, unlike Old Town Scottsdale and Fountain Hills which are older and retirement areas.</p> <p>We understand that compromise need to happen, but we are consistently not being heard. Our communities of interest and our neighborhoods need to be represented properly!</p> <p>Thank you</p>
12/18/2021 - 12:20	james r abels	inequity in redistricting	Why is an "independent commission" jerrymandering voting districts?

12/18/2021 - 12:23	Hank Ganster	The Scottsdale Community Is Not Being Heard	<p>There was significant testimony to the Commission and the residents of Scottsdale are not being heard in favor of other communities. Because our community is not being heard, please allow me to reiterate the following:</p> <p>As a 30+year Scottsdale resident, I am very familiar with the community and I know that the area south of about Camelback and east of the canal is and arts &amp; entertainment area which is more in the character of adjacent Tempe and the new LD8. It does not fit with the largely residential area to the north.</p> <p>Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale (or Fountain Hills). Desert Ridge is a younger family area while Scottsdale and Fountain Hills have an older population. Residents of Scottsdale (and Fountain Hills/Rio Verde for that matter) do not typically have a connection with the Desert Ridge/Deer Valley area (and vice versa). These two areas should not be in the same legislative district.</p> <p>The Redistricting process is to respect and preserve "communities of interest." It should not ignore that principle, as has been expressed in numerous testimony to the Commission. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from LD3 and make the logical and proper changes to Scottsdale in LD8.</p>
12/18/2021 - 12:31	Bryan Bates	IRC maps	<p>Dear IRC Members,</p> <p>I strongly encourage you to adopt the district maps as requested by the Coconino County Board of Supervisors. The district lines requested by the Coconino Supervisors meet the requirement that the State has to meet, and importantly, maintain the communities of interest in northern Arizona. This is a requirement of your Commission.</p> <p>Further, the fundamental principle that must be followed is fairness and equal population representation. I understand the challenge, and the 14th Amendment of the US Constitution designates that all groups are equal in their right to express their views thru their vote. I respectfully request that the Commission make every effort to meet the fairness guidelines in defining district outlines. Giving one political party or another an advantage at the ballot vbox undermines the integrity of our State and our Country which must not be compromised.</p> <p>Thank you, Bryan BAtes</p>
12/18/2021 - 12:34	Steven H. Slaton	Future district 7	<p>My Name is Steven Slaton; I live in Show Low Az.</p> <p>Like to thank Chairman Neuberg, and Commissioners, My wife and I represent the White Mountain Conservatives. We represent thousands of folks who live throughout the White Mountains of Northern Arizona Mountain communities.</p> <p>As for the future of Legislative District 7, By including the Northern Communities with a Southern district of Pinal County as shown in your approved Draft Map Legislative District 7, is not communities of interests or competitiveness.</p> <p>With the size of these districts half of our population is bound to feel unrepresented. And they are already!</p> <p>Districts should accurately represent communities of interest who live and work together. Being loop in with the Pinal County which main community of interest is mining, were we have nothing in common with mining.</p> <p>A new Legislative District 7 should accurately represent communities of interest which is required by State and Federal law.</p> <p>We the people of Northern Az. request you reinstate your Az. Draft Map 1.0 Legislative District 7. HOWEVER the communities of Snowflake, Taylor, Holbrook, Joseph city, and Winslow, are not part of these communities of interested of the White Mountains.</p> <p>These communities are made up primarily of rock and high desert plateau, with a vast valley of ranchland, and agriculture, With 2 of the largest Marijuana growing facilities in the state, as well as large wind Farms, and Helium development from Holbrook Basin through the Navajo Reservation these differences separates the two regions, and they should be included in Legislative District 6 not Legislative District 7.</p> <p>The culture and way of life is different than those communities of interest of the White Mountain Communities.</p> <p>The White Mountain Community which is outlined on the Az Draft Map 1.0 with their community of interest is commitment to bringing tourism to the region, along with common interest within other White Mountain communities, which share rivers and lakes, National Forest, winter sport activities, Hunting, Fishing with ongoing Economic Development of the White Mountain.</p> <p>The White Mountain communities for Legislative District 7 need to be with other White Mountain communities of the same Interests. These interests are non-partisan and are for the common good in our locales and region.</p> <p>These cities include Lakeside/Pinetop, Show low, Heber/Overgaard, Forest Lakes, Payson, Pine, Strawberry, Cornville, Camp Verde, Clarkdale, Cottonwood, Williams, Parks, Sedona, Suburban and Rural Flagstaff only as in Doney Park, and West Flagstaff. All of These Communities would meet communities of Interests as well population requirements for Legislative District 7 according to Federal and State Laws.</p> <p>Thank you for your time Sincerely Steven Slaton</p>



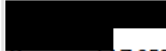
12/18/2021 - 12:43	Deborah Frank	Don't included Desert Ridge in Ft Hills or Scottsdale	I have been a resident of Desert Ridge for 6 years. We are a thriving community and don't need to include Ft Hills which is mainly a retirement community to our district which is made up of a lot of young families and young professionals and entrepreneurs. This redistricting is unnecessary and not in the best interest of citizens who want to continue supporting constitutional laws and freedoms. Thank you.
12/18/2021 - 12:45	Susanna Davis	Redistricting	Old town scottsdale needs to not be added to north scottsdale, desert ridge should not be with fountain hills it is a young group, deer valley is an industrial area & should be kept where it is.
12/18/2021 - 12:47	raymond f graap MD	Geographic maps of the latest legislative and congressional districts	There must be a link but could not find it. Please advise...
12/18/2021 - 12:48	raymond f graap MD	Geographic maps of the latest legislative and congressional districts	There must be a link but could not find it. Please advise...
12/18/2021 - 12:59	Lisa Panzero	Support V9 of Proposed Maps	I want to state my STRONG support for V9 of the proposed redistricting maps. As a resident of Southern Arizona, David Mehl is fully aware that his proposed V10 maps are an abomination of 'communities of interest' throughout our region of the state.
12/18/2021 - 13:03	Matt Parrilli	LD 14.0 and CD 11.2	Thank you for including Sonoita/Elgin in LD 19 in your LD 14.0 map. Now, please follow sound logic and similarly include us in CD 6 on the next iteration of the CD Map. You may wish to consult the CD plan we submitted, CD0052.
12/18/2021 - 13:03	Kathryn Perry	Redistricting	I am a resident of Sonoita/Elgin, Arizona and I think we should be aliened with LD19 and CD6 Please consider our request Thank you
12/18/2021 - 13:06	William Perry	Redistricting	As a resident of Sonoita/Elgin, Arizona I would like to register my interest in aliening our Area with Cochise LD19 and CD 6. Please consider our request Thank you
12/18/2021 - 13:25	Mark P Biermann	Redistricting	There was significant testimony to the Commission and the residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde are not being heard, in favor of other communities. Because our community is not being heard, please allow me to reiterate. As a resident of Fountain Hills, I am very familiar with Scottsdale and I know that the area south of about Camelback and east of the canal is and arts & entertainment area which is more in the character of adjacent Tempe and the new LD8. It does not fit with the largely residential area to the north. Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a younger family area while Scottsdale and Fountain Hills have an older population. Residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde do not typically have a connection with the Desert Ridge? Deer Valley area and vice versa. These two areas should not be in the same LD. The Redistricting process is to respect and preserve "communities of interest." It should not ignore that principle, as has been expressed in numerous testimony to the Commission. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from LD3 and make the logical and proper changes to Scottsdale in LD8.
12/18/2021 - 13:30	Mara Collazo	Redistricting	Dear Sir or Madam, There was significant testimony to the Commission and the residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde are not being heard, in favor of other communities. Because our community is not being heard, please allow me to reiterate. As a resident of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills, Rio Verde, I am very familiar with Scottsdale and I know that the area south of about Camelback and east of the canal is and arts & entertainment area which is more in the character of adjacent Tempe and the new LD8. It does not fit with the largely residential area to the north. Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a younger family area while Scottsdale and Fountain Hills have an older population. Residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde do not typically have a connection with the Desert Ridge? Deer Valley area and vice versa. These two areas should not be in the same LD. The Redistricting process is to respect and preserve "communities of interest." It should not ignore that principle, as has been expressed in numerous testimony to the Commission. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from LD3 and make the logical and proper changes to Scottsdale in LD8.
12/18/2021 - 13:31	Rena Caldwell	map	Please revert back to version 12.1.1 as it is more compact so that our representatives can better serve their constituents. These other versions are not good and not what the voters want.
12/18/2021 - 13:40	Patrice Brown	LD17 map 10.0	I feel that this so-called "Independent" group is really trying to gerrymander this state. I support LD17 map 9.0. LD10.0 does not meet their OWN requirements.
12/18/2021 - 14:02	Tobey Thatcher	Gerrymandering	NO Gerrymandering. End of story. No one should be allowed to gerrymander. This is crap. And the red-side of the aisle wants to blame the blue-side for stealing elections. Nice projection there, red side.

12/18/2021 - 14:23	Independent Redistricting Commission	Input from a North Scottsdale resident of six years	I live in North Scottsdale a largely residential area with an older population which aligns very favorably with Fountain Hills and Rio Verde area. It has been brought to my attention that testimony from residence in our area is not being heard. The Redistricting process is to respect and preserve "communities of interest." It should not ignore that principal, as has been expressed in numerous testimony to the Commission. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from LD3 and make the logical and proper changes to Scottsdale in LD8.
12/18/2021 - 14:25	Erich Dea	Redistricting Impact to Scottsdale	Please reconsider this redistrict decision to add areas such as Desert Ridge, Deer Valley, etc to Scottsdale/Fountain Hills. These areas are younger, entertainment and industrial and do not align with the retirement communities of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills. Please respect the voices of the Scottsdale/Fountain Hills communities in opposition to this redistricting. Please reconsider.
12/18/2021 - 14:42	Christopher Wood Holleman	legislative redistricting maps	I support the Legislative District 17 map 9.0. I am very concerned about gerrymandering and dividing a community of interest by other proposals.
12/18/2021 - 14:42	Diana Mettille	REDISTRICTING AND NOT BEING HEARD	There was significant testimony to the Commission and the residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde are not being heard, in favor of other communities. Because our community is not being heard, please allow me to reiterate. I am a resident of Rio Verde and I am very familiar with Scottsdale and I know that the area south of about Camelback and east of the canal is and arts & entertainment area which is more in the character of adjacent Tempe and the new LD8. It does not fit with the largely residential area to the north. This is a very rural area with older residents and nothing in common with Desert Ridge and Deer Valley Airpark. Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a younger family area while Scottsdale and Fountain Hills have an older population. Residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde do not typically have a connection with the Desert Ridge? Deer Valley area and vice versa. These two areas should not be in the same LD. The Redistricting process is to respect and preserve "communities of interest." It should not ignore that principle, as has been expressed in numerous testimony to the Commission.  Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from LD3 and make the logical and proper changes to Scottsdale in LD8.
12/18/2021 - 14:49	Julie Pindzola	mapping and Community of Interest	Dear IRC Please accept LD12.0.1 and CD 9.1.1 as the preferred maps. They are better balanced and vastly MORE DEFENSIBLE. The alternative maps per Mehl are clearly partisan, gerrymandered, and insensitive to the Native and Hispanic populations as VRA rules require.  Please keep Sedona and Flagstaff whole instead of Yavapai County. They are true COIs unlike all of Yavapai County. Every county in the state has some ranching, and just about every AZ county draws retirees. These traits are not that unique and are not honest justification for keeping Yavapai County whole when doing so wrecks an existing fair district. Water, transportation planning, and environmental issues are treated differently between Central Yavapai County and the Verde Valley contrary to what some have contended. Please do the right thing and accept CD 9.1.1 so the existing CD4 (2) congressman can either run against some real competition or run in CD9 with Mohave County. Likewise, LD12.0.1 is needed to give us more and better candidate options here in Northern Arizona and elsewhere, seriously please! Thank you.
12/18/2021 - 15:01	Sandee McKinlay	LD6 and LD7	We do not accept the latest legislative maps. We listened to the multiple references to race and political candidate successes by Navajo Nation. You throw Snowflake, Taylor, Show Low, White Mountain Lakes with nearly all Native communities and think that we will not cry the same cry. There will NEVER be representation for our communities as the other White Mountain communities have endured for two decades. Are we back to segregation. Your comments show you are making decisions based on pressure by certain races. Communities of interest should relate to people's common activities, issues, geography, neighboring community similarities. Navajo Nation doesn't want a "White Democrat" representing them? Is that a form of Native supremacy, because it sure would be called white supremacy if I said we do not want a Native Democrat Representing us. Shocked. By your own Constitution, LD7 does not conform. It is not fair nor competitive. We will not accept it and seek legal action. You can't minimize voting rights by splitting the number of Democrat and Republican leaning districts and leaving 5 or 6 slightly competitive ones. This is about all citizens having a fair and competitive district, not you picking and choosing.

12/18/2021 - 15:01	Robert Wallin	Pima County Districts	IRC maps must follow guidelines to ensure fairness, comply with the Arizona State Constitution, the U.S. Constitution and the Voting Rights Act. Legislative and Congressional Districts should be relatively equal in population, geographically compact and contiguous, and respect communities of interest. IRC criteria prohibit partisan gerrymandering. Political parties are not communities of interest. The proposed new Legislative District 17 should include the compact and contiguous area from Marana to the Foothills, including Oro Valley and Casas Adobes, leaving Vail, the Houghton Road Corridor, and Tanque Verde in the Eastern legislative districts. In addition, contiguous communities of interest in Downtown Tucson, University of Arizona, and Fourth Avenue, should remain in CD7. CD7 should include areas south of Broadway, so that Latinos maintain voting strength in their communities of interest. I support Map 9.0.
12/18/2021 - 15:22	Ellen Marshall	Redistributing map	I support LD 17 map 9.0. This meets the requirements of the IRC and map 10.0 does not!  Thank you.
12/18/2021 - 15:23	Dale Vanderwerff	LD17 map 9.0	I support LD17 map 9.0 for redistricting. This map meets the requirements of IRC while map 10 does not. Please choose LD17 map 9.
12/18/2021 - 15:33	Kim Stone	Map 10.0, LD 17	LD 17 Map 10.0 gives a 10 point advantage to Republicans virtually eliminating all other political affiliations from holding office. I support LD 17 Map 9.0. Respectfully Kim Stone
12/18/2021 - 15:39	Martin Grant Holloway	Support for LD17 map 9.0	Our family fully supports map 9.0 for LD17. I've been a registered Republican for over 42 years. And this is, by far, the most reasonable and Constitutionally correct map.
12/18/2021 - 15:48	Melanie K Hutchings	Redistricting	Dear Committee Memebers,  Scottsdale, south of Camelback and east of the canal belongs with Old Town Scottsdale in D8. That is an art and entertainment district and does not belong with the residential area to the north. Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark does not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a young, family area where Scottsdale and Fountain Hills are retirement areas. Deer Valley is an industrial area - it belongs with its neighbors in Phoenix. LD2 and LD4 should be consistent with LD27 by adding Deer Valley to LD2 and Desert Ridge to LD4. Our neighborhood and our communities of interest should be treated with respect - not ignored and passed over. Please consider these points.  Melanie Hutchings
12/18/2021 - 15:56	Margaret and David Pratt	LD17 map 9.0 SUPPORT!	I am writing to let you know my support for LD17 map 9.0 Version 10.0 of this map is obvious gerrymandering and makes the Commission look ridiculous in its failure to accomplish its stated mission. I ask you to return your support to map version 9.0 in order to achieve the stated requirements of drawing communities of common interest as well as level competition.
12/18/2021 - 16:02	Staci Victor	Redistricting	We gave significant testimony and the residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills are not being heard - in favor of other communities. Because our community is not being heard, please allow me to reiterate: As a Scottsdale/Fountain Hills resident, I am very familiar Scottsdale. As such, Scottsdale, south of Camelback and east of the canal belongs with Old Town Scottsdale in D8. That is an arts and entertainment district and does not belong with the residential area to the north. Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a young, family area where Scottsdale and Fountain Hills are retirement areas. Deer Valley is an industrial area - it belongs with its neighbors in Phoenix. It does not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Our neighborhood and our communities of interest should be treated with respect - not ignored and passed over. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from our district as it does not belong.
12/18/2021 - 16:09	Heidi Leverant Nov	redistricting	I live in Gainey Ranch in Scottsdale. Almost all my activities and Doctors are nearby. Scottsdale, south of Camelback and east of the canal belongs with Old Town Scottsdale in D8 Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Very different population, interests and needs . I chose to retire here and don't want to be in a district that doesn't reflect my lifestyle. Please listen to what the residents of Scottsdale and Fountain Hills want and need. Please remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from Scottsdale and Fountain Hills district.. Thank you for your consideration.

12/18/2021 - 16:14	Sharon Vandenberg	Hear us!	<p>We have given significant testimony and the residents of Desert Ridge/Deer Valley/Scottsdale/Fountain Hills are not being heard. Because our communities are not being heard, please allow me to reiterate:</p> <p>Scottsdale, south of Camelback and east of the canal belongs with Old Town Scottsdale in D8. That is an art and entertainment district and does not belong with the residential area to the north.</p> <p>Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark does not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a young, family area where Scottsdale and Fountain Hills are retirement areas. Deer Valley is an industrial area - it belongs with its neighbors in Phoenix. LD2 and LD4 should be consistent with LD27 by adding Deer Valley to LD2 and Desert Ridge to LD4.</p> <p>Our neighborhood and our communities of interest should be treated with respect - not ignored and passed over.</p> <p>Sharon Vandenberg</p>
12/18/2021 - 16:34	Daniel Vega	Redistricting	I wholeheartedly believe you are not independent group. I believe you have an agenda to turn the state in to mini California. You guys should be ashamed of yourselves.
12/18/2021 - 16:42	gary r koutto	LD 17	I urge the Redistricting Commission to adopt LD17 map 9.0
12/18/2021 - 16:43	carole klein	keep Scottsdale free from being joined to Phoenix	To combining Scottsdale to parts of Phoenix is to stop Rep. areas from having a voice in decisions by trying to combine us with Democrat controlled area. This is destruction of the various areas of this state.
12/18/2021 - 17:24	Linda Slater	I oppose gerrymandering	I support LD17 map 9.0 which fairly reflects the proportions of Democratic, Republican, and Independent voters. I oppose map 10 as it gives Republican voters more of a voice than warranted by their numbers; in short, it is unfair and unethical gerrymandering.
12/18/2021 - 17:31	Geralyn Heafey	Fountain Hills	<p>As a Scottsdale/Fountain Hills resident, I am very familiar Scottsdale. As such, Scottsdale, south of Camelback and east of the canal belongs with Old Town Scottsdale in D8. That is an arts and entertainment district and does not belong with the residential area to the north.</p> <p>Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a young, family area where Scottsdale and Fountain Hills are retirement areas. Deer Valley is an industrial area - it belongs with its neighbors in Phoenix. It does not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills.</p> <p>Our neighborhood and our communities of interest should be treated with respect - not ignored and passed over. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from our district as it does not belong.</p>
12/18/2021 - 18:23	Suzanne Morris	LD17	<p>Dear Commission Members,</p> <p>I'm aware that you are considering map 10.0, which fails to meet your own requirements. My curiosity is piqued; what's the rational for favoring this map? And why is map 9.0, which does meet all requirements, not appear to be the current choice of the committee?</p> <p>Respectfully, a concerned voter</p>
12/18/2021 - 19:33	Patrice Kaiser	Redistricting	I have some major concerns about how the new final redistricting map will look. I am a 30 year resident of Phoenix & have seen this state shift politically over the course of that time. Apparently the tentative redistricting map favors the Republicans which absolutely does not reflect the current state of political balance in this state. We have 2 Democratic Senators & a near equal balance of Democrats, Republicans & Independents. The new redistricting map MUST reflect the changing balance in our state & therefore must be a completely balanced map without favor to any party or independents. If this Commission is truly bipartisan then the map MUST REFLECT the political evolution or our great state.

12/18/2021 - 19:44	Ryan Nicholas	Draft maps	<p>I am disappointed to learn about your acceptance of the draft maps that do NOT factor in communities of interest per the AZ constitution.</p> <p>There was significant testimony to the Commission and the residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde are not being heard, in favor of other communities. Because our community is not being heard, please allow me to reiterate.</p> <p>As a resident of Scottsdale, I am very familiar with Scottsdale and I know that the area south of about Camelback and east of the canal is and arts &amp; entertainment area which is more in the character of adjacent Tempe and the new LD8. It does not fit with the largely residential area to the north.</p> <p>Desert Ridge and Deer Valley airpark do not belong with Scottsdale or Fountain Hills. Desert Ridge is a younger family area while Scottsdale and Fountain Hills have an older population. Residents of Scottsdale/Fountain Hills/Rio Verde do not typically have a connection with the Desert Ridge? Deer Valley area and vice versa. These two areas should not be in the same LD.</p> <p>The Redistricting process is to respect and preserve "communities of interest." It should not ignore that principle, as has been expressed in numerous testimony to the Commission. Please reconsider and remove Desert Ridge and Deer Valley from LD3 and make the logical and proper changes to Scottsdale in LD8.</p>
12/18/2021 - 20:24	Mrs. Elizabeth Kinslinger	Redistricting	<p>I write to ask that LD17 Map 9.0 be used for redistricting. It is the best version. Thank you.</p>
12/18/2021 - 20:36	Alexander Gayle Homan	Redistricting Map	<p>The new maps proposed by this commission are very disappointing. The fact that you would split rural AZ in a way that blatantly benefits one party when you claim to be 'creating competitive districts' is disingenuous to say the least. Scottsdale made enough of an outcry that there was a new meeting scheduled and the room was packed. Yet, you ignored their requests and split them up in a way that blatantly benefits one party over another. I sincerely hope you reconsider and know that we will use every legal means available to fight this if you attempt to move forward with this.</p>
12/18/2021 - 20:59	James W Sheley	LD 17 and general comments about the IRC process.	<p>My name is: James W Sheley  I reside at: [REDACTED]  Tucson, Arizona 85748</p> <p>I have lived at this address since 1979, and in Arizona since 1955.</p> <p>I would like to urge you to use map 9.0 when drawing legislative district 17. The current plans stretch LD 17 over hundreds of miles covering multiple communities which have various and divergent interests. Communities of interest is one of your goals, and your current plans for LD 17 does not meet this requirement.</p> <p>Some of the other concerns I have is that the IRC appears to be leaning towards creating more districts that either lean Republican or are 'safe' Republican districts. Ten years ago, I felt the strongly that the IRC after the 2010 census did a great job in coming up with a fair and non-partisan plan. This time, I'm not getting that same feeling.</p> <p>Please try your best to come up with a final plan that gives neither Republicans or Democrats an obvious advantage in most districts. Competition is good. Putting your thumb on the scales to favor either side will only hurt the whole process of future Independent Redistricting Commissions.</p> <p>Thank you for your work, and for your consideration of this note.</p> <p>James Sheley</p>

12/18/2021 - 22:17	Teena Parham	ID6 LD7	<p>I'm afraid the members of the commission might have a misunderstanding about eastern Arizona. I am hearing that the members are considering putting Snowflake and Taylor in a different district than the other communities around it. Our communities up here are intermingled and connected in Hearst and soul as well as economically. I live in Heber-Overgaard and have for over 30 years. I have nieces and nephews and my son daughter in law and grandchildren that live in Snowflake-Taylor. You know Anowflake was named because of snow it's because two of the founding families were had the name Snow Nad Flake. My daughter in law is a flake. My husbands family ancestors were also founders and listed in a museum in Snowflake- Taylor. My husbands parents move to Overgaard from Taylor in 1949. Our communities though 30-35 miles separated are apart of us. We related to half of the people there and half of the people right here in H-O. We know our neighbors and care deeply for them. You can't cut us up like this. Map 12.1.1 is the best option for us up here. And throughout eastern Arizona. In the 90's when our incomes and way of life was threatened I got to know many people very much like me in the farming and ranching communities in the five eastern counties. We bonded not only through our fight but because we are similar types of people. We love our small communities and we just had so much in common and when we went to meet with them we felt a kinship. We need to be represented as a whole. Completely rural. We deserve our constitution right of representation without getting pushed aside because we aren't loud enough or can't use some heartstring rugs from special interest groups. I pray you choose map 12.1.1. It's the most logical and fair.</p> <p>Teena Parham    Overgaard AZ 85933</p>
12/18/2021 - 22:55	Honora and sidney levin	ignoring Scottsdale proper	<p>we have written before and are very dismayed to learn that you are ignoring the needs of Scottsdale proper. Please recognize that we are not part of the arts District nor of desert ridge nor of deer Valley. Fountain Hills and Scottsdale have similar community make up and as such we want representation that would attend to our needs.Please assign the districts accordingly. Thank you</p>