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Sent: Saturday, October 23, 2021 7:36 AM
To: Redistricting
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Subject: My submitted Community of Interest - Tri-Valley Alameda County
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Dear Redistricting Leaders for Alameda County,


Speaking only for myself as a resident of Sunol in unincorporated Alameda County, I submitted my "Community of Interest" information to the State and County by following these directions:

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This is what I am submitting to both the State and to Alameda County:

Submission ID: 102320213973_Tri-Valley Alameda County

*Describe your community Give your community a name: **Tri-Valley Alameda County***

*Tell us about your community. What are your shared interests? What brings you together? What is important to your community?**

I have lived in Alameda County for 46 of my 60 years. I was born in 1961 at Eden Hospital, Castro Valley, raised in Livermore, lived in Hayward while earning my B.S. degree at Cal State University East Bay, lived in Berkeley while I earned my MBA at UC Berkeley-Haas Graduate School of Business, and bought my house in downtown Sunol in 1999 where I have lived for the last 22 years.

One of the first newspapers I ever read was started in 1963 called the Independent. The newspaper's

masthead reads "**Serving Dublin, Livermore, Pleasanton, Sunol.**"



Therefore, since I first could read in the mid-60s, I have always thought of Dublin, Livermore, Pleasanton, and Sunol as being together - today we call that "my Community of interest."

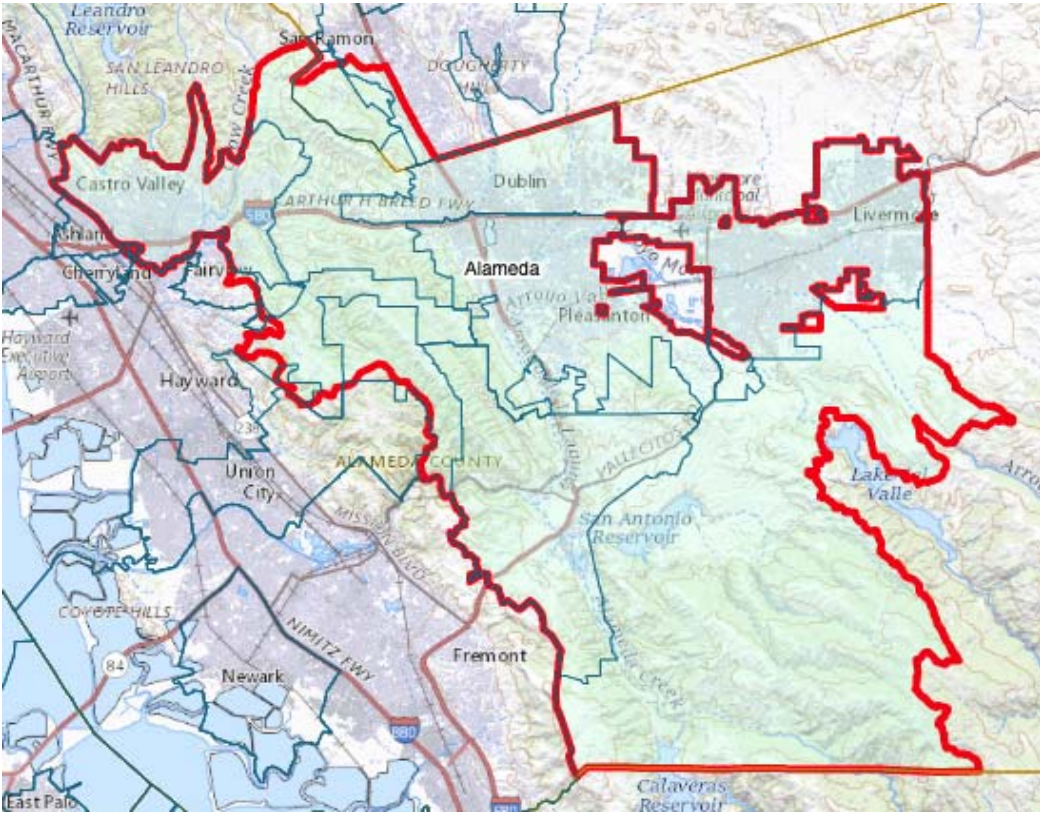
Are there nearby areas you want to be in a district with? Nearby areas you don't want to be in a district with? Why or why not?

In addition to Dublin, Livermore, Pleasanton, and Sunol, I think of Castro Valley most like our Tri-Valley Community. After all, I was born there. I shop for most things I need in Pleasanton (groceries), Dublin (BART, Dept and specialty stores), and Livermore (stores & horse trainer). Students from Sunol attend high school in Pleasanton's school district.

The hills to our west through which the Sunol Grade and Niles Canyon are carved are natural boundaries that separate my community from Fremont/Union City. The Pizza Parlors in Niles/Fremont (on the other side of Niles Canyon) refuse to deliver Pizza to Sunol, so I depend on my own community of interest - Pleasanton - for my pizza to be delivered to my house.

Is there anything else you can tell us about your community?

The unincorporated census designated area called Sunol is nearly twice the size of San Francisco in Geography yet is populated by less than 950 residents. Sunol was a train stop along the Transcontinental Railroad, we have two gorgeous regional parks for outdoor recreation, Sunol is mostly watershed land for the Hetch Hetchy water connection to San Francisco, and Sunol is world famous for having the first Dog Mayor. Sunol is highly dependent on its County Supervisor to help us maintain the unusual rural nature of Sunol.

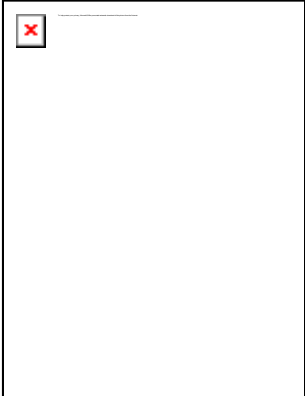


I followed the steps outlined on the flier that is attached.

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