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### 2021 Redistricting Comment

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#### Comment

This is a general comment in regards to redistricting to be given to the Redistricting commission.

#### Attachment

[REDACTED] [District 5 resident.docx](#)

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Thank you,  
Yolo County

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My name is [REDACTED] and I am a district 5 resident.

This time is being marked by significant gains by minority populations especially in woodland. The WJUSD school board is the most diversified it's ever been and the city of Woodland has a city council which is also at a record high in diversity.

Marginalized and minority communities are participating in civics throughout woodland which fairly give those community's opportunities to elect officials which can fairly represent their interests

### **What are some key facts in this issue?**

District 5 is the only district to represent an incorporated city and 10 rural towns. Adding the city of winters would not be equitable in comparison to other supervisorial districts. No other supervisorial district represents that many towns and cities

Further, adding the incorporated city of winters (approx. 9000 population) would only be possible by significantly reducing the number of district 5 residents in Woodland, despite understanding that woodland has grown in population in recent years from 55,000 to 61,500 residents

In short, there is currently only one potentially majority cultural, educational Latino district, in the county, that's is district 5, however there seems to be a coordinated effort to change the boundaries of this district and in doing so reducing the power of a potential community of interest. That being the Latino community in district 5, and in effect taking yolo county from 1 potentially majority cultural/educational/ Latino district to 0 majority cultural /educational Latino districts.

This is happening in the face of high civic participation in our elections within our districts, that have seen minority candidates from communities of interest, begin to win elected offices over that last 10 years. Decisions that fracture the district 5 potential community of interest are not only are not in the best interest of the residents of yolo county but may very well be unlawful under a section 2 district designation.

Many of us have worked very hard to elect leaders that can represent the areas of District 5 fairly. We know our area well, the school children in our public schools are majority Latino. Please keep our neighborhoods and communities whole.

In at least the last 16 years our area did not have a candidate that came from the developed Latino community of interest in district 5, however in this last election cycle, district 5, the only majority Latino district in the county, finally did elect a representative that would be a voice certainly for all but especially for the potential Latino, cultural/educational community of interest in district 5.

And now we are talking about the type of redistricting that would likely dissolve this reality! Think about the representation and equity ramifications of this potential decision.

I implore you to Please reject any map that would include the adding of winters into the 5<sup>th</sup> district and please support maps that would only make minor changes without diluting communities of interests, including the map from el concillio.