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Subject: District Lines - Santa Monica
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Dear Commissioners:

I am an 11-year resident of Santa Monica and a 15-year resident of California. I am writing because I have concerns over proposed visualization 1004-396414 (NorthOfLAX), which separates Malibu from Santa Monica and groups Santa Monica in with communities which are much further inland. I am writing to support visualization 1004-591246 (MalibuWithCoastalLA) which keeps Santa Monica and Malibu in the same district.

Santa Monica and Malibu have a long history together, including sharing a school district as well as a community college district with campuses in both cities. To divide Santa Monica and Malibu would kick off a resource war within both districts, exacerbating division between otherwise harmonious communities.

Santa Monica is foremost a coastal city. Our assembly district should consist of other coastal areas, not adjoined to more inland parts of Los Angeles County that have no history with Santa Monica. This would enable our new assemblymember to focus on the concerns and issues pertaining to coastal LA County.

Thank you for your consideration on this matter, and additionally for your incredibly important work in creating these lines for our community.

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