



# Community of Interest - all responses

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# Summary Of Responses

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### QUESTION 1

**What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:**

Answered	23
Skipped	0

### QUESTION 2

**Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the physical boundaries?**

Answered	23
Skipped	0

### QUESTION 3

**What is the rationale for your community of interest to be used in the Board of Supervisor redistricting process? Please describe how the issues before the Board of Supervisors has an impact on your community.**

Answered	22
Skipped	1

### QUESTION 4

**What else would you like to tell us about your community?**

Answered	15
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Skipped

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# Survey Questions

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### Individual Responses

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#### Name not shown

inside district 5

October 1, 2021, 5:55 AM

#### Question 1

More places with sidewalks and the ability to walk without worrying about traffic. More police or get the ones we have to actually do something to take care of the people that continue to rip people off by targeting specific neighborhoods. Better services like phone, internet televisions cables so we don't have such spotty service. We also need less not more marijuana farms because our town smell from one end to the other and we would like to have the trimmers limited to locals only because we have a trash problem when the trimmers come in to our town.

#### Question 2

Willow Creek from 299 west of town to east at Dazeys, and Highway 96 to Whitsons plumbing.

#### Question 3

I don't think we need to be included in Redistricting unless you are going to give us a supervisor just for our area.

#### Question 4

No response

#### Carolyn Crnich

inside district 1

October 1, 2021, 6:56 AM

#### Question 1

Crime Rates. Lack of law enforcement presence/response. Chronic illegal dumping of garbage/trash/abandon vehicles on Eel River Drive south of Loleta.

#### Question 2

Between Eureka and Fortuna.

#### Question 3

Focus funds on security of unincorporated areas.

#### Question 4

No response

#### Name not shown

inside district 4

October 1, 2021, 7:42 AM

#### Question 1

Children's and animal safety, too many people come down Spring Street to get to Winco and they are going way too fast and their are a lot of children and animals on our street. Street lights that work would be great so we can see at night and our cameras can catch people who are out trying to break into our cars, which happens way to often.

#### Question 2

Spring Street is located in Eureka our house is between Buhne and Wabash.

#### Question 3

We are in an area with low income housing and safe and sober housing. We have a community watch and the majority of us are democrat's and in such our district should be one that fits with our political views.

#### Question 4

No response

#### Louis Iglesias

inside district 2

October 1, 2021, 7:52 AM

#### Question 1

Continued support for our service district, housing availability, EV public transportation, county street maintenance and the development for local EV businesses are a few items of interest that I believe would benefit the Weott community.

#### Question 2

Weott is located in Southern Humboldt on the Hwy101corridor. We are situated within the Humboldt Redwoods State Park. Possible location for Electric Vehicle charging facility is ideally situated because of central mileage charging limitations.

#### Question 3

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Future development for business and housing depends on how the County and State agencies plan and implement programs to attract and support these interests to our town.

#### Question 4

Our potential for a successful community will depend on smart planning opportunities. And future development can benefit our contribution for a more sustainable Humboldt County.

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#### Name not shown

inside district 5

October 1, 2021, 10:01 AM

#### Question 1

Many in our community have farms or growing concerns, with large parcels. However, often, as in our case, small parcels are sandwiched between these large parcels, and are negatively impacted by the activity of these large growing productions, some of which are commercial. Our area used to be zoned "improved, rural residential", but now is rezoned "ag-exclusive", without regard for any existing uses, or protections of existing uses, which prohibits small landowners from taking action against the large agricultural operators, even though we were here before the change in land designation. So, there may also be a common interest among the regular residents of our area to receive help and relief from the privileges now allowed to growers.

#### Question 2

Dows Prairie area between Clam Beach Road and Crannell Road.

#### Question 3

Areas of great amounts of agricultural activity should have special regulatory or oversight focus, since issues such as depletion of ground water by large growing concerns, thus depriving small parcels of the use of their own wells, call for enforcement of riparian rights, for example. Our area requires someone to be able to help negotiate the problems and issues for this "mixed" community, which used to be zoned "rural residential" but has now had "ag-exclusive" imposed on us, with attendant problems of nuisance and exploitation of natural resources.

#### Question 4

Since neighbors in this community live somewhat farther apart from each other, we need help in coming together to become a cohesive group that attempts to be good neighbors to one another.

#### Name not shown

inside district 1

October 1, 2021, 11:13 AM

#### Question 1

Suburban unincorporated area are, closely allied with city if Eureka. Diverse neighborhood. Good schools.

#### Question 2

Cutten from the city limits between Walnut and Campton Road.

#### Question 3

This is a semi urban area with interests different from the more rural areas that make up the bulk if the district.

#### Question 4

Love it's neighborhood feel, families, walkability.

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#### Name not shown

inside district 5

October 1, 2021, 11:26 AM

#### Question 1

Preservation of uses under previous zoning designations which are not protected when Planning changes zoning. For example, older Residences on Myrtle Avenue which were zoned residential are now zoned commercial. Anyone wanting to remodel or upgrade an older residence must comply with commercial requirements to get a permit including having a business and handicap parking or no permit.

I have a commercial nursery operating within mere feet of the North wall of my house. I am told by planning I can't file a complaint for noise, dust, odor and excessive traffic because I bought property adjacent to AG zoned land which I did not. I bought land adjacent to property zoned Improved Rural Residential in 1984. When Planning changed the zoning AG they did not address negative effects on adjacent parcels and there are no required permits for the nursery. certain setbacks should have been implemented from residences on adjacent properties. I have been advised a appraisal can be done to establish a diminution of value and present the bill to the County through my attorney. I encourage anyone who suffers from this bad planning to do the same.

As a professionally licensed Civil Engineer this is the kind of bone-head planning I have experienced in Humboldt County for the last 30 years. Another issue is preservation of the water table. Current historic uses are not taken into consideration when new AG uses are issued a permit for a new, deeper well thereby lowering the water table and reducing existing well levels to, potentially, dry. the 2014 Water Table Preservation act past

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by the State legislature is not being implemented by the County apparently.

#### Question 2

Northern Mckinleyville, however, the effects of Bad planning exist throughout the County.

#### Question 3

The Board of Supervisors is charged with reviewing any changes to land use and defining any negative impacts on existing, historical uses whether it is zone and use changes or redistricting. Does the County have a run away planning department which creates policy which is not brought before the Board and evaluated by the Board??

#### Question 4

My community of property owners and professionals who develop projects would like County Panning to be "RE-IMAGINED" and provide changes to current zoning to protect negatively impacted properties arising out of rezoning, land use and redistricting changes.

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### Nichole Vasquez

inside district 5

October 1, 2021, 12:02 PM

#### Question 1

Family activities, child safety, walking paths, accessible and diverse businesses. Clean Beaches.

#### Question 2

Clam Beach south to end of Hammond Trail in Arcata Bridge. Pierson Park. McKinleyville forested walking trails.

#### Question 3

No response

#### Question 4

No response

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### Timothy McDermond

inside district 3

October 1, 2021, 3:30 PM

#### Question 1

Positive response to climate change, working families, liberal leaning, democratic and lower/middle income.

#### Question 2

Live in Arcata- Sea to West, Mad river, Foothills,

#### Question 3

Arcata is a college town with progressive leanings. It needs to have these views represented,

#### Question 4

We enjoy our voice.

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### Name not shown

inside district 5

October 1, 2021, 5:47 PM

#### Question 1

How about safely enjoying and living together WITH our diversity without discrimination, ridicule, blacklisting, culture canceling, violence, hypocritical favoritism, etc. How about building an identity as a diverse community working together to enjoy our niche in the ecosystem and help each other as humans. This is of course virtually impossible. A joke. People have demonstrated that self-interest, racial and identity ideology and judging based on color, ethnicity, gender and sexual preference, etc. is just what people do. Nobody wins. Redistrict that.

#### Question 2

Planet earth, humboldt, trinity, del norte region.

#### Question 3

Obviously I am expressing a frustration; a sadness. There is no rationale. Redistricting will not help. You can't please everybody. It will aggravate somebody. You will have to decide which ideological sensitivities or conflicting political expediencies you prefer. I don't envy your job. Thanks for doing your best to look out for the interests of all.

#### Question 4

I don't feel any sense of community (especially since Covid), certainly not one you can re-district. I belong to a hated demographic (deservedly hated? is hate ever deserved? would that be a hate crime?) and many will be happy to see our eventual and soon demise. Good riddance. I can hardly wait.

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### Name not shown

inside district 2

October 2, 2021, 9:13 AM

#### Question 1

Clean healthy environment.

#### Question 2

Myers flat to piercy

#### Question 3

I'm pretty sure our town will continue on together in the same district. As it would be ridiculous to break up southern Humboldt but we have shared ideals... for the most part. And a strong sense of community, that needs representation as a whole.

#### Question 4

No response

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### Richard Salzman

inside district 3

October 6, 2021, 3:09 PM

#### Question 1

We are are located in or close to Arcata and HSU

#### Question 2

The 3rd District

#### Question 3

Please keep us as close to our current lines as possible.

#### Question 4

We do not want to be broken up.

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### Name not available

inside district 1

October 6, 2021, 4:28 PM

#### Question 1

My community of interest is the people who use their feet or assistive

devices as a main mode of transportation (as opposed to personal cars, motorcycles, or bicycles). Our common interests are building relationships with people (each other) and place (Eureka) by physically interacting as our main mode of getting around. We tend to have some of these values

-care about or reliance upon the environment in relationship to the quality of our lives

-preference for lower levels of stress or use of walking as necessary to engage or manage the stresses of our lives

- appreciation for or reliance on exercise and our bodies in order to live or access necessities associated with our daily lives

-interest in decreasing economic impacts of car based living

This community involves the streets, sidewalks, buildings & people who tend to interact on the sidewalks and streets of eureka while walking to get to the places we need to get to in order to meet the basic needs associated with living.

#### Question 2

The boundaries are the school past murphey's market in cutten, redwood acres, the bay shore mall, the waterfront in old town, Target. Not included are places that cannot easily be accessed on foot.

#### Question 3

My rationale is community cohesion. We need supervisors who are able to represent common interest.

For people who walk, our common ground is the places we get to by foot (mostly on the sidewalks of eureka). We rely on local policies that take into consideration how we access the different places where we need to go.

Pedestrians are an example of an interest community that spans economics.

I have concern that if eureka is redistricted to represent an area primarily made up of rental, business, or home owner sorts of buildings and properties that economic grouping of interest will further impact policy making. Our commonality (or community of interest) is how we access or move through the space of Eureka, not where specifically it is that we live. There are deep histories of social segregation related to the economics of property ownership. I'm more interested in districting in our community in ways that reflect grouped interests based on commonalities disassociated with economics & property ownership.

#### Question 4

There are many reasons why people choose pedestrianism. Health and wellness (both of individuals as well as of our community) are a big reason which is often overlooked. In eureka it often feels like poverty and



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economics are the assumption made when pedestrians are discussed or considered.

If we are redistricting, it makes the most sense to me that the pathways that literally connect us to each other & our town be considered. By pathways I mean a built environment; the literal sidewalks and physically accessible places where we can safely walk and use our assistive devices. Walking is a mode of transport which involves actually interacting with our community instead of passing through it encased in a car.

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#### Name not available

October 12, 2021, 3:32 PM

##### Question 1

Some obvious community interests that Eureka share are common government entities, i.e. the City Council and School District. A major issue that unites the community is Highway 101/Broadway; all of the traffic-safety issues surrounding this thoroughfare are very specific to the community. We are also united by business interests; most Eureka I know don't go shopping in Arcata. We have a very distinct identity, different from Arcatans, McKinlevillians, or even distinct from Cutten and Humboldt Hill, which are much more suburban.

##### Question 2

From Humboldt Bay to just south of the Zoo. Myrtle Avenue is roughly the Western border, plus the business district that is the northwestern gateway to the city. Basically the urban core of Eureka. As one moves more toward the outskirts of the city, the community of interest changes.

##### Question 3

My community of interest is the urban center of Eureka. This is the most densely populated area of the county and epicenter for a lot of the urban issues that affect the county, i.e. visible mental health and drug addiction issues, homelessness, traffic safety, lack of affordable housing. It's important that we are represented by someone who understands those issues and who isn't torn between advocating for what is best for their rural constituents versus their urban constituents. It is also the arts hub of the county and where people come to see live music and performances. It is the County Seat and where everyone who must do business with the County, whether that is with DHHS or the Planning and Building Department, has to come to do that business. As a result, county policy has an enormous direct effect on the community. Any DHHS-related decisions that the BOS makes directly impact the city of Eureka, since we are the major population center.

##### Question 4

As the largest and most diverse city in the County, it makes sense to keep the majority of Eureka as a single district, represented by one Supervisor

who would best understand the needs of the community and who wouldn't be torn between rural and urban concerns.

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#### Name not available

October 12, 2021, 8:07 PM

##### Question 1

It's hard to define what sets Eureka apart from other areas of the county, but most folks do see Eureka as different from the other areas, both for good and bad reasons. Obvious common interests in Eureka are our common City government and School District. Other common interests are: the health of Humboldt Bay; the fog (we have more than other districts in Humboldt); the need for traffic safety and beautification of Highway 101/Broadway, which runs through the city and keeps claiming lives; lack of affordable housing and the crisis of homelessness, which is greater in Eureka because we are the urban center where most services are; our cultural diversity (in comparison to other parts of the county); our arts scene, including our murals; the port (and the potential development there) and fishing industry (and accompanying smells); our parks and trails, including Sequoia Park and the Hikshari Trail. People who don't live in Eureka often point to us as dirty and crime-ridden, and this is the epicenter countywide for many related issues. But we also have a thriving arts scene and this is where people come to see the symphony.

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##### Question 4

As the most diverse and populous city in the county, it's important that Eureka remain one district, to the extent that is possible. As an urban community, it is important that we are represented by a Supervisor who understands the issues affecting the community and who doesn't have to decide between advocating for the needs of urban constituents versus rural constituents. It's already difficult enough for people to engage in public processes (take, for example, the lack of engagement in this

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redistricting process) and adding to the confusion by bifurcating the city of Eureka for BOS representation would only make this more difficult.

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#### Name not shown

inside district 1

October 12, 2021, 8:08 PM

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#### Name not available

inside district 2

October 15, 2021, 7:09 AM

##### Question 1

Local ranching, timber and cannabis industry. Raising children in a rural setting with rural values.

##### Question 2

Hydesville. Surrounded by prairie and mixed woodlands yet 15 minutes from Fortuna.

##### Question 3

We need representation that is able to focus on a community with like industrial, family oriented values and vision for our district and counties. They need to take in our community and balance the needs accordingly.

##### Question 4

We need representation that will match our districts. Draft Map A is definitely a map that best represents our community

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#### Name not shown

outside Humboldt County

October 19, 2021, 12:00 PM

##### Question 1

My Community includes: Titlow Hill, Upper and Lower Redwood Creek (Bair Rd), and Willow Creek (all rural, requiring ~1 hour along Highway 299 to get to the coast for a majority of services, and are part of the Trinity and Redwood Creek watersheds).

1. Titlow Hill is where I live and work. It is a beautiful area filled with native flora and fauna (some on lists of endangerment, etc.).
2. Upper and Lower Redwood Creek residents share concerns about Redwood Creek itself and fire safety.
3. Willow Creek offers access to its Farmers' Market, Ray's, Dazey's, River Song, etc. retail services and community activities.

##### Question 2

See above. Titlow Hill (Redwood Creek (both sides)/Highway 299/Six Rivers National Forest), Upper and Lower Redwood Creek (Headwaters

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past Bair Road), and Willow Creek (city proper)

#### Question 3

Common concerns about fire safety, lack of local services, negative environmental and quality of life impacts from illegal cannabis grows, etc. All about one hour's drive to the coast along Highway 299.

#### Question 4

The Community should stay within District 5.

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#### Name not available

inside district 4

October 20, 2021, 12:55 PM

#### Question 1

As a Eureka, common interests in the community include: geography, city-wide governmental issues, small business issues that affect the county seat, our waterfront and harbor, our economic development, and housing. These are important because they are the core of our community's wellness in the City.

#### Question 2

I am a Eureka resident, in the heart of the City. I believe it is important to keep the jurisdictional boundary of the City of Eureka together to the extent possible, as we are a community of interest. If it needs to be broken apart, the seeming community of interest lessens at the south of town around the golf course and to the east towards Cutten. The core of this community of interest is in the historic center of the City (Old Town/Downtown) and the adjacent neighborhoods.

#### Question 3

As a Eureka, I have much more in common with my fellow City residents than I do with folks who live elsewhere in Humboldt County. Eureka's have unique concerns, including transportation, the 101 corridor, and issues that are governed by our city government. Existing supervisorial districts also help shape communities of interest, and the committee can and should consider preserving these as much as possible. Having a supervisor who represents the full City would improve their relationship with the City Council, and would help them focus on the issues unique to the City.

#### Question 4

I am a small business owner and artist in Eureka, and we have unique challenges that are very different to folks who run businesses in nearby cities and rural areas. Real estate is unique in Eureka as well. There is a lot of pride from people who live in Eureka, and we should respect and

bolster this through redistricting.

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#### Name not shown

inside district 3

October 23, 2021, 5:56 PM

#### Question 1

We live in the Arcata Bottom(s). It is primarily agricultural in zoning, and consists mostly of individual farmhouses and pasturelands. Residents include a number of "old timers", dairy/cattle farmers and such. But there are also a goodly number of families with links to the city of Arcata: students and others who appreciate a more rural surrounding still situated near a more urban community. There are artists, professionals (I am a physician) and such here. The area is frequented by folks enjoying the open, flat terrain (bicyclists, runners, walkers) and those seeking access to the Mad River and the beach. I believe we are much more linked to Arcata (plan B as far as I can tell) than to McKinleyville (plan A). Economically, we shop more in Arcata. Schools (Pacific Union, Arcata high) are in Arcata. McKinleyville is "across the river" psychologically.

#### Question 2

Physical boundaries are the Mad River, highway 101, Upper Bay Road/Lanphere Road, and the coastline.

#### Question 3

As noted above: geographical boundaries emphasize the economic and cultural affinity of the Arcata Bottom with Arcata itself, not with McKinleyville.

#### Question 4

No response

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#### Name not available

October 23, 2021, 10:20 PM

#### Question 1

Urban rural interface, orchards, small livestock, beekeeping, agriculture oriented

#### Question 2

Streets off of Myrtle down to the marsh; streets off of Harris between Mitchell and Lucia.

#### Question 3

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If you are creating communities of interest we are more aligned with rural than urban. If you are placing the Eureka district more towards the west then it can be understood to include this interface. If Eureka continues to include the downtown, we are less aligned. Ultimately we all use the Eureka City Schools, and I wonder if looking at aligning our district maps to better match current school districts might be a helpful guide.

#### Question 4

No response

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#### Name not available

October 24, 2021, 8:22 PM

#### Question 1

Keeping development under strict controls. Maintaining a rural lifestyle. Preservation of old-growth forests. Proximity to the Pacific Ocean.

#### Question 2

To the north: Del Norte County line To the east: Trinity County line To the west: Pacific Ocean To the south: the Mad River

#### Question 3

Most people like our community just the way it is, and don't want to see a lot of changes in it. We don't want more highways, more big-box stores, more high-rise housing, more large industry.

#### Question 4

Our community is either rural or very small towns, some of which are unincorporated.

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#### Leslie Castellano

inside district 4

October 25, 2021, 3:23 PM

#### Question 1

Shared transit, shared festivals (Street Art Festival, Rhododendron Parade, Arts Alive); shared trail network; shared community centers (Jefferson, Muni, Adorni Center, Library, Wharfinger)

#### Question 2

I live in a Eureka-centric community:  
Myrtle to South Eureka/Elk River to Henderson Center

#### Question 3

Separating our community with two different supervisors would potentially reduce our representation and create difficulty in working together

#### Question 4

No response