

**Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission
November 5, 2021 Meeting Public Comment**

Date of Submission: Thursday, November 4, 2021 9:42 PM
Method of Submission: Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>
Name: Gaye Terwillegar
Subject: Midland Gladwin together to rebuilds our dams


My name is Gaye Terwillegar. My community of interest is Midland County. I live in Ingersoll Township, which is in the southeast corner of Midland County. I am a 4th generation resident of Midland County and also a County Commissioner. Both Midland and Gladwin County Commissioners are working diligently toward our priority, of the rebuilding of Sanford and Wixom Lake communities and their related dams. The Commission needs to recognize the significant devastation to Midland and Gladwin counties, as well as the city of Midland by the May 2020 flood. Both Counties are currently working as a team and are in strategic planning stages of Sanford and Wixom Dam financing and reconstruction, as well as future flood mitigation. It is essential for the wellbeing of our residents that Midland County stay intact to stay on our current course of dam reconstruction with Gladwin County. For these reasons, is imperative for Midland City/ County AND Gladwin County stay intact.

Sent from Mail for Windows

Date of Submission: Thursday, November 4, 2021 9:41 PM
Method of Submission: Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>
Name: David C Johnson
Subject: Keep Midland County intact and as is

Do NOT split up Midland County and align any of it with Saginaw, Bay City and Flint. Keep Midland County with Gladwin and Isabella counties.

David and Susan Johnson


Midland, MI 48642

Date of Submission: Thursday, November 4, 2021 1:47 PM
Method of Submission: Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>
Name: Andrusm
Subject: Midland and Gladwin District

Commissioners,

I am writing you to express my disapproval to any redistricting of the Midland and Gladwin district. This district should remain together. Stop this gerrymandering and keep Midland and Gladwin together!

1. Dam repair and flood reduction efforts will be diminished if the City of Midland is fractured from Midland County and if Gladwin and Midland counties are NOT together. *
2. The gerrymandering contemplated lines would cut off Mid-Michigan Health's main campus in Midland from the rest of the service territory which runs north and west through Gladwin, Gratiot, Clare and Isabella counties to the Straits.
3. Environmental benefits of flood reduction-reducing soil sediment and fertilizer runoff into the Saginaw Bay Watershed-would be jeopardized if Gladwin and Midland are split/separated.

Thank You,

Mark Andrus

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Midland, MI. 48640

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Date of Submission: Thursday, November 4, 2021 12:00 PM
Method of Submission: Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>
Name: Karol Hermans
Subject: MIDLAND COUNTY

Good afternoon,
Splitting up MIDLAND COUNTY is the opposite of good districting. The CITY OF MIDLAND is the hub of our rural community. It is a rural city with absolutely nothing in common with Flint or Saginaw. It would be a huge disservice to our community to separate our county in any way what so ever. We stand together as REPUBLICANS and have for many years. It's so obvious what your intentions are, and it is morally corrupt, and a treasonous act against MIDLAND COUNTY. We in MIDLAND COUNTY deserve to be protected from your actions to divide our community. How can you possible think this is a good idea for our future? Apparently you feel this is a good idea for your future, regardless if it is not the mandated goal of your team. You must consider our community!

Thank you kindly,

Karol Hermans

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Midland MI 48642

Larkin Township, MIDLAND COUNTY
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Date of Submission: Thursday, November 4, 2021 11:52 AM
Method of Submission: Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>
Name: Jody Tupper
Subject: Jackson/Washtenaw

Dear Honorable Commissioners:

I live in Jackson County. I was, for a time, employed with Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department and able to meet with, up close and personal, residents of every section of Washtenaw County. From Dexter to Manchester, Ann Arbor to Ypsilanti and everything else in between.

People are people. But people are influenced significantly by their surroundings and the mores and values of those surroundings. Washtenaw and Ann Arbor people are different from Jackson people. We think differently and have dissimilar world views.

Jackson has a very small town feel and everybody knows or is related to everybody else. Ann Arbor is more transient. College kids coming and going and many, many other factors.

I am requesting that you do not redraw the districting map to include these two vastly different groups of people with chasms of incompatible belief systems into one district. Like most Jackson residents: we don't mind visiting Ann Arbor but would never want to live there. I'm pretty sure that's how they feel about us as well - actually, I don't believe they'd even be interested in visiting Jackson, but that's a whole other email.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Amy Tupper

Sent from my iPhone

Date of Submission: Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:09 AM
Method of Submission: Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>
Name: Samuel Lair
Subject: MICRC Petition and Letter – Hillsdale County

To the MICRC Staff,

I am attempting to forward this letter and petition to the Commission regarding keeping Hillsdale County together; however, the public comment portal is not validating my submissions. I would kindly request that you forward this letter along to the Commission.

Thank you,
Samuel Lair

Date of Submission: Thursday, November 4, 2021 9:10 AM
Method of Submission: Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>
Name: Marcia Blackson
Subject: Midland & Gladwin counties should stay together

Dear Commission Group:

Thank you for committing to doing this major task. Please listen to the peoples voice.

Midland and Gladwin counties should stay together in any version of the congressional and State Senate maps. There are at least 3 major reasons: 1) Dam repair and flood reduction efforts will be diminished if the City of Midland is fractured from Midland County and if Gladwin and Midland counties are NOT together; 2) The gerrymandering contemplated lines would cut off Mid-Michigan Health's main campus in Midland from the rest of the service territory which runs north and west through Gladwin, Gratiot, Clare and Isabella counties and 3) Environmental benefits of flood reduction-reducing soil sediment and fertilizer runoff into the Saginaw Bay Watershed-would be jeopardized if Gladwin and Midland are split/separated.

So far if I have to support a map, I support "Oak" Statehouse map. This is a map that at least keeps Midland County whole.

Marcia Blackson
Midland County

Date of Submission: Thursday, November 4, 2021 8:52 AM
Method of Submission: Email To <Redistricting@Michigan.gov>
Name: Janis Smith
Subject: Redistricting Midland

I support the Oak Statehouse map!
This is a map that keeps Midland County whole!
Sent from my Verizon Motorola Smartphone