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09/13/2019 03:10 PM	Mr Gary Boos	garyboos02@gail.com	Citizen, Franklin County	The audio on the House redistricting Live Feed is too low. The audio for the Senate redistricting is much louder/normal. Can you reposition or turn up the mic' for the House live feed?
09/13/2019 03:16 PM	Mr. Gary Boos	garyboos02@gail.com	Citizen, Franklin County	<p>Re: maps being derived.</p> <p>Your live feed showing the computer screens, combined with the audio from the screen to its left (if one figures out that the viewer needs to do this) are instructive of your process and, it seems to me, a conscientious effort to draw the maps as per the court's orders. However, I still have no idea of how the new (base?) maps differ from the current (l.e. old) maps. Everyone needs to be able to see both and even an overlay (which your staff should be able to figure out) would also further our understanding of how the maps have been changed - from their unconstitutional shapes.</p>
09/13/2019 03:27 PM	Mr Gary Boos	garyboos02@gail.com	Citizen, Franklin County	<p>Obviously the goal is to have district maps that are not Gerrymandered. Once the redrawn maps, agreed to by the NC House and Senate, are prepared, they need to be "tested", or have a Quality Assurance examination performed before submitting them to the court. Simply (under full public scrutiny, with advance notice to the public and media) use the past (2016 perhaps) voting data to calculate what the NC Senate and NC House elections would have resulted in.</p> <p>From the Ruling of Common Cause v Lewis " In 2016, Republicans again won 74 of 120 House seats, or 61.6%, this time with 52.6% of the statewide vote. Id. ¶ 66. In the 2016 Senate elections, Republicans won 55.9% of the statewide vote and 70% of the seats (35 of 50). Id. ¶ 66" What would the results have been if the new maps were used? Clearly this is a theoretical exercise, but it would illustrate if the new maps actually changed the results of that Gerrymandered election or did not.</p>
09/13/2019 03:43 PM	Prof. Maria Salgado	masal@live.unc.edu	UNC-CH	Maps need to be drawn without partisan concerns. Gerrymandering is an unethical and unpatriotic way to draw maps. They need to be as objective and unencumbered by party politics as possible.
09/13/2019 03:50 PM	Mr Jay Delancy	jay.delancy@gmail.com	Personal views...	After reading the facts behind redistricting, I'm convinced that Democrats practiced partisan redistricting immediately after the

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				<p>Wilmington Riots of 1898 and kept practicing it throughout the Jim-Crow era and into the new century. Only after the 2010 elections, when Democrats lost control of the Legislature, did they start suing on the issue. Now, the NC Courts are overstepping their boundaries by shifting the meaning of the word, "free." No honest lawmaker can keep a straight face while explaining why the maps drawn for 110+ years of Democrat control were any different (in spirit) from Republican maps drawn since 2010. Why are either the Democrat maps or the GOP maps any more in compliance with our state's constitutional clause that our "elections must be free"? What's wrong with admitting the fact that both sides have used redistricting to their advantage? How is it legal for Democrat judges to legislate from the bench to create a new Democratic majority. IT'S NOT THEIR JOB and SCOTUS has already hinted as much when they ruled that redistricting is a legislative matter which will no longer be heard in federal court. Before Republicans redraw one even one district to advantage the Democrats, we the voters need them to admit that the only reason they are fighting this battle is because they're losing their ability to regain power through the ballot box and are now resorting to any means necessary.</p>
09/13/2019 04:13 PM	Ben Baker	benjaminpbaker@gmail.com		<p>This map-drawing process has been bad from the beginning. Legislators have been working off of flawed maps, had access to partisan data, and -- despite the fact they are live streaming the hearings -- they are not allowing citizens to provide meaningful input. Lines are being drawn and changed unnecessarily, without any explanation at all. I am demanding that you create a meaningful dialogue with the public throughout this process and keep partisan data out of the process.</p>
09/13/2019 04:15 PM	Donald Zellmer	Donald.zellmer@gmail.com		<p>Let's have more transparency in the court-ordered redistricting process.</p>
09/13/2019 04:17 PM	Patricia Caldwell	Caldwell.pl@gmail.com		<p>The transparency of your process needs to be so transparent as to be completely beyond question. The shenanigans of 9/11 , two days ago, was the icing on the cake. The majority can clearly not be trusted and must prove to us that they have any integrity at all. Correct these maps without further delay and by meeting, beyond any ability to misconstrue, the will of the Court.</p>
09/13/2019 04:24 PM	NOVA SAULLI	novilius@hotmail.com	Jacksonville Progressives	<p>Here's a novel idea to prevent any gerrymandering--get rid of ALL districts and have statewide elections for senate and house candidates. Put up a website with a list of all the representatives who are running, along with their platform and voting records, and</p>

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				let all who want to vote, vote. Let it be decided by the popular vote in the state. I live in "District 3," but I was closely following District 9's election. Many of us across the state didn't want Dan Bishop to win, but we couldn't vote in that election. Why not? He's representing the state of NC, and so he represents the people in this state, not just District 9. I am quite sure other people in this state were following our District 3 election and would not have voted for Greg Murphy. As far as local elections, there's no need to draw or re-draw maps—we should vote according to the towns we live in.
09/13/2019 04:24 PM	Ms Pamela Hoge Hoge	pamhoge@yahoo.com	Individual	Your are ELECTED representatives of the people, NOT appointed dictators. Democracy can only prevail if you behave with justice and transparency .
09/13/2019 04:29 PM	William Gibhardt	Bgibhardt@gmail.com		Gerrymandering must be stopped in our state immediately. As a taxpayer, I fully expect fair mapping of our districts and transparency in the way that districts are set up.
09/13/2019 04:30 PM	Mr Michael Lewandowski	mlewand@gmail.com		Do your job right
09/13/2019 04:39 PM	Alyson Baker	Toalyson@aol.com	Ontv	"This map-drawing process has been bad from the beginning. Legislators have been working off of flawed maps, had access to partisan data, and -- despite the fact they are live streaming the hearings -- they are not allowing citizens to provide meaningful input. Lines are being drawn and changed unnecessarily, without any explanation at all. I am demanding that you create a meaningful dialogue with the public throughout this process and keep partisan data out of the process."
09/13/2019 04:49 PM	Carolyn Loudenslager	carolyn.loudenslager@gmail.com		Folks, you need to put your state above partisan politics and get a fair map drawn - with public input. It isn't ok to do the same thing you have been doing. If you do, voters will ultimately vote you out anyway. So do the right thing for NC now. Please give us equitable maps not drawn to extreme partisan advantage. Carolyn Loudenslager, Independent voter, 9th District.
09/13/2019 04:52 PM	Mrs. Barbara Lang	langcalm@earthlink.net		We were promised transparency and public input. We were promised fair maps. Using flawed maps are unacceptable. We need a non-partisan Master map planner involved and accountability. It's finally time to do this right.
09/13/2019 05:03 PM	Mrs Mary Murchison	marymurchison1@aol.com	a concerned citizen	Where is the court-ordered transparency and public input of the redistricting of NC districts? What data is being used to ensure fair elections?

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09/13/2019 05:06 PM	Mrs Joanne Heckel	jch52969@aol.com		Please do a moral redistricting job for our state. It should be bipartisan people running it this time.
09/13/2019 05:08 PM	Dr. Mary Miller Brueggemann	mmbuegg9@gmail.com		It is time for the NC State Legislature to do what is right. There needs to be a bi-partisan committee to do the redistricting. It is clear you all can no longer be trusted. You are finished or you will be voted out -- all of you. MMB
09/13/2019 05:11 PM	Mark McKelvy	markmckelvy@gmail.com		<p>Because legislators were involved in creating the maps and explicitly made efforts to protect incumbents from being double-bunked, they are inherently partisan in favor of the current majority party.</p> <p>The court ordered that partisan information cannot be included in the redraw, yet by choosing to start with the Chen maps and avoiding double-bunking--notwithstanding the fact that many legislators already know key partisan data about their districts and have worked some of that information into the redrawing--legislators flout the court's orders. In fact, the lack of recusal by certain legislators in the redrawing process, after having had their maps repeatedly struck down by courts for various (state & federal) unconstitutional reasons, demonstrates that there is a lack of sincerity in fulfilling the court's orders.</p> <p>Instead, a truly independent third party should create maps that adhere to accepted standards of compactness, avoiding splitting municipalities, etc. so that the taint of the General Assembly's blatant disregard for both democracy and the suppression of the voices of the citizens of North Carolina can be removed.</p>
09/13/2019 05:14 PM	Mrs Melissa Waldron	wald5587@bellsouth.net		We need transparency in redrawing maps!
09/13/2019 05:14 PM	Mr. Henry Duncan	timduncan@mindspring.com		<p>This map-drawing process has been bad from the beginning. Legislators have been working off of flawed maps, had access to partisan data, and -- despite the fact they are live streaming the hearings -- they are not allowing citizens to provide meaningful input. Lines are being drawn and changed unnecessarily, without any explanation at all. I am demanding that you create a meaningful dialogue with the public throughout this process and keep partisan data out of the process.</p> <p>Your actions will be remembered.</p>

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09/13/2019 05:22 PM	Mrs. Susan Hildss	shildes@yahoo.cim		This map-drawing process has been bad from the beginning. Legislators have been working off of flawed maps, had access to partisan data, and -- despite the fact they are live streaming the hearings -- they are not allowing citizens to provide meaningful input. Lines are being drawn and changed unnecessarily, without any explanation at all. I am demanding that you create a meaningful dialogue with the public throughout this process and keep partisan data out of the process."
09/13/2019 05:27 PM	Dr David Leader	dasujaben@gmail.com		We wish to go on record stating that any redistributing that is to occur based on the finding of previous gerrymandering has to be completely non-partisan and absolutely fair. There are numerous computer models that can do this, and one of these needs to be chosen. Thank you!
09/13/2019 05:36 PM	Mrs. Cama Merritt	merritt.cama@gmail.com		We need more openness and transparency in the process of redistricting. Please make sure reports appear in the mainstream media about how the process is going forward.
09/13/2019 05:37 PM	Mrs. Erin Isgett	erinthornton@yahoo.com		The drafting of maps for the NC House legislative districts for the 2020 elections need to be done by a non-political group, and done in a way that fairly assigns people, without regard to their political affiliation. Gerrymandering has no place in North Carolina.
09/13/2019 05:56 PM	Karen Franks	karenflutist@yahoo.com		I am a resident of district 13, quite possibly the most gerrymandered district in the entire United States. I am tired of my voice not being heard when it comes to state politics. Clearly, the people are wanting more balanced government, with equal representation of both parties in the General Assembly. The extreme political gerrymandering has made it possible for Republicans to hold a majority in the GA even as we elected a Democratic Governor. The fact that we no longer have a supermajority indicates that North Carolinians want more balance, more fairness in our state government. Please ensure that the re-drawn districts are fair districts, as can be evidenced by the people of North Carolina. Make the process transparent. No more crooked politics like the sneaky maneuver that was pulled on 9/11. Show us that our representatives CAN and WILL listen to the people they represent. Thank you. Karen Franks, Salisbury, NC.
09/13/2019 05:57 PM	1958 Lori Millberg	millbergs@nc.rr.com		I strongly believe in the basic tenant of our nation that every vote should count the same. Your constant shenanigans to dilute the power of some voters is appalling. Your lack of dedication to the

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				<p>notion couldn't have been more blatant than in your recent early morning vote on the budget. Shame on you! If you think no one is noticing, you are wrong.</p> <p>Obey the court orders on redistricting and make the process fair and open. Create a process that allows real input from voters. Don't just create yet another set of unconstitutional maps and spend countless more taxpayer dollars litigating over them.</p>
09/13/2019 06:04 PM	Gretchen Alterowitz			<p>These maps must be drawn without partisanship. The court ruled that the maps cannot be motivated by party-politics, and the NC public is watching. The court ruled that this must be a transparent process, and the NC public is watching. Follow the court's orders!</p> <p>Our democracy is at stake here. Regardless of which party is in power, you must follow the rule of law.</p>
09/13/2019 06:11 PM	Mr Rex Perkins	rexperk@carolina.rr.com	USN-R	I demand more transparency in the court-ordered redistricting process. I am tired of the gerrymandering of maps and I want to see a fair election.
09/13/2019 06:16 PM	Hannah Norwood	hannahcnorwood@gmail.com		I demand more transparency in the court-ordered redraw of the General Assembly's maps, so that the public can have an opportunity to meaningfully engage in this critical process, and we can be sure that partisan interests do not again prevail over the will of the people.
09/13/2019 06:54 PM	Robyn Taylor	Robyntaylor1@hotmail.com		We want fair, true and transparent redistricting! No more partisan politics and partisan maps regardless of which side you are on! We want fair elections!
09/13/2019 06:58 PM	Mrs Maria Capehart	reidaf@yahoo.com		I demand more transparency in the court-ordered redistricting process.
09/13/2019 07:43 PM	Ms. Susan Andresen	sjcand@gmail.com		You can strengthen our democracy. Stand for transparency and fairness, use non- partisan, reliable data and citizen input as you collaborate to redistrict NC.
09/13/2019 07:49 PM	Mr. Kirk Reid	kvreid50@yahoo.com		Any revision of the district maps must made available to the public upon request, should not divide universities or colleges, and must be drawn proportionate to the size of the residents living there.
09/13/2019 08:07 PM	Cecilia Stonebraker	Cecilia.Stonebraker@gmail.com		The gerrymandering in the state is shameful-we need fair maps and laws to ensure this can't happen again.
09/13/2019 08:33 PM	Rev. Jane Rose	janecrose@embarqmail.com		It is imperative that your process for drawing the lines for our voting districts be as fair and as transparent as possible. We have the right to choose our legislators, you do not have the right to pick your voters. The future of our democracy depends on you putting

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				the good of the people before your own desire for power.
09/13/2019 08:54 PM	Mr. David Gehrman	dwgehrman@yahoo.com	Citizen	I don't see why a computer program can't be developed to set borders based on geographic characteristics (rivers and roads primarily) and economic characteristics to incorporate the population numbers.
09/13/2019 08:57 PM	Kathleen Davis	kathleen.davis54@gmail.com		Voting district maps as drawn by lawmakers to maintain their own power have been so transparently partisan that they have made N.C. a laughing stock throughout the country. The courts have established the need to keep partisan data out of the process and to be responsive to public comment. Please, heed the rule of law. Without it we are no better than power hungry dictators around the world.
09/13/2019 09:00 PM	Barbara Steele			Why wasn't the public given adequate notice of when legislators were meeting to redraw the maps? Why were media and other observers told to move to an area where they couldn't hear what legislators were saying, or see what changes were being made to the maps? Why is incumbency, which is inherently partisan, the starting point from which all other decisions are being made? We the People of North Carolina want and deserve the fair representation that comes from fair maps.
09/13/2019 09:29 PM	Ms Pat McGrath	pmg1941@centurylink.net		This process must be fair and transparent!
09/13/2019 09:31 PM	Bobbi Mullins	bobbi.n.mullins@gmail.com		There is the appearance once again of a lack of transparency in this latest process of drawing new maps, ranging from last-minute changes and notifications regarding when public comments are acceptable, to the inability to observe the process on the computer terminals where legislators are working. I'm not even sure my comments (or anyone else's) will actually be read or taken seriously. Since we, the voters, have lost confidence in our legislators to do the right thing, every effort should be made to show the public that the redrawing of maps is being done in a fair and honest way. Finally, I do not believe that incumbents should be protected during this process, since they were elected based on illegal gerrymandering to begin with.
09/13/2019 09:35 PM	Major (Retired) Darrin Vicsik	d_vicsik@rocketmail.com		The new proposed House redistricting map is a half step improvement that might pass a review by the Courts. Might. I can only hope the house might someday create districts that keep partisan data out of the process. I pray that someday the State of North Carolina will establish an independent redistricting agency appointed from apolitical sources

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				that lack Partisan data. PS - the unannounced vote that took place the morning of 9/11/19 to override Governor Cooper's Veto was some truly a backwoods, good ol' boy, Boss Hogg shenanigan that I'd like the Court System to review.
09/13/2019 09:37 PM	Mr Jim Anthony	Jianco@aol.com	Anthony Property Group	I feel the Republican majority has been incredibly patient after 100 years of Democratic gerrymandering. Let's show the way towards the fairest redistricting process ever. Guaranteed not to be designed by the democrats or aclu.
09/13/2019 09:40 PM	Dr. Keith Houck	keithahouck@gmail.com		I am greatly disappointed with the current state of redrawing our district maps. There is no place for partisan data in drawing these maps and it should be forbidden. In addition, we need much more public transparency in this process which is fundamental to a functioning democracy in NC!
09/13/2019 09:52 PM	SFC(Ret) Ollie Thomas	Othomas26@gmail.com		Respectfully demand more transparency in the court-ordered redraw of the General Assembly's maps, so we (the people) can have an opportunity to meaningfully engage in this critical process, and we can be sure that partisan interests do not again prevail over the will of the people.
09/13/2019 10:13 PM	Mrs. Sylvia Williams	ebonyangel1@embarqmail.com		Courts have made a just decision and we are waiting to see it justly carried out.
09/13/2019 10:26 PM	Ms Rhonda Stallings	h434313@yahoo.com	NC citizens	Unacceptable. Try again.
09/13/2019 10:37 PM	Gerrymandered maps kathleenMary cylkowski	kathleenmarytheresa13543@hotmail.com	Na	What rock are they living under? And where did they get their mapping skills? I think it is time an educated adult takes over!
09/13/2019 10:38 PM	Stop gerrymandering Jody Things	Jodylleethomas@gmail.com		Partisan politicians manipulate voting maps to keep themselves and their party in power. We must end gerrymandering to create a democracy where everyone's voice is heard. The Supreme Court did not make any decision on the merits of the two partisan gerrymandering cases. They left the door wide open for future challenges. We need to reform the rules and make the process of drawing districts impartial. We must create independent redistricting committees at the state and local level to make sure the people's voices are represented.
09/13/2019	Doshia James	doshia.d.james@gmail.com		As a resident of Concord, NC in Cabarrus County, I am writing to

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10:59 PM				object to the adoption of the Chen map for the Cabarrus-Davie-Rowan-Stanly-Montgomery-Richmond grouping. The court's judgement specifically calls out that in the 2018 map, municipalities were split in "critical ways" in the Concord municipality. And the map that was adopted in HB1020 cracks municipal voters in the very heart of Downtown Concord. VTDs 12-01, 12-02, 12-04, and 12-11. I live in VTD 12-04, I live in Downtown Concord, and I should be kept with the other downtown precinct voters in District 83.
09/13/2019 11:12 PM	Ms. Barbara Allison	bobbiballison@earthlink.net	Citizen of NC	The REDMAP effort was designed to ensure a permanent Republican majority in our General Assembly. Courts first found our map to be racially gerrymandered. A later map was found to be antithetical to democracy. You were given very clear instructions by the judges, but you are still failing our citizens by using flawed data. You are also scheduling supposedly public hearings that will be inaccessible to many concerned citizens. You are redrawing lines, but have not demonstrated how these changes will be fairer and less partisan. You have chosen a plan to use as a starting point, but you will not share the data that was used to create that plan. This is not transparency. Keep partisan data out of the redistricting process. Follow the orders of the judges. If you are unable to comply with court orders, step down and let the court itself redraw the lines.
09/13/2019 11:21 PM	Steven Morris	stevenbmorris39@gmail.com		<p>This question is in reference to the map titled "Lenoir-Pitt – Chen A461 (corrected) House Redistricting 9/12/19" within the folder titled "09-13-2019".</p> <p>I see that there are small pockets of District 9 within the Greenville #13B voting precinct, which is almost entirely part of District 12.</p> <p>My question is why isn't the entirety of the Greenville #13B voting precinct included in House District 9?</p> <p>It seems as if this is the only Greenville voting precinct not included in either District 8 or District 9. Thank you.</p>
09/13/2019 11:22 PM	N A Patricia Young	gailyoung2010@gmail.com		After the maps were drawn in 2011, Downtown Concord was divided in half using Union St. I lived south and east of town and my friend living on the otherside of Union St had a different representative. I wondered how it made sense to divide a small city in half. This map divides Downtown again but by a different Street. So living in South Downtown Concord, I am combined with the

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				small town of Harrisburg. My friend living North of downtown is combined with Kannapolis. How does it make sense to divide the biggest city in Cabarrus (Concord) in half?
09/13/2019 11:22 PM	Reverend AA Lloyd	anadll@earthlink.net		The very basis of our democratic system is fairness for every citizen. There is no way that any political party can claim fairness when drawing district maps that ensure that their party has the advantage in as many districts as they can manipulate. The only fair solution is to have a non-partisan group draw the maps, as some other states do.
09/13/2019 11:51 PM	Dr Magaretha Herman	gdherman@gmail.com	Retired	The new maps MUST be drawn with strict adherence to the court's orders: NO use of partisan data. I do not care if incumbents must compete with one another –too many of our representatives are incumbents BECAUSE of gerrymandered maps. I do care that the districts are compact, are even in population, and respect the integrity of communities. No shenanigans like dividing NC A&T Univ down the middle, for example, which is a failing in our congressional district maps. People who live together should be able to organize together and feel that their representative speaks for them.
09/14/2019 12:33 AM	Sherry mcconnell	probablysherry123@gmail.com		I can only hope and pray that you are put out of office by the courts, fined, criminally charged and not allowed to EVER hold ANY public office. You WILL NOT get away with blatantly criminal behavior. 'I'm an Asheville native and your GOP crap will NOT fly. Law suits are already being filed. Amazing the Republican representatives can't even come up with new, innovative ideas for residents of NC. GERRYMANDERING, ELECTION FRAUD, VOTER SUPPRESSION. That's all you've got. You'll be the day.
09/14/2019 02:53 AM	James Wilkie	jwilkie@carolina.rr.com	NA	If it is not broke, don't fix it. If it is broken, don't just do it, look at the point that make it brake. Most of the time in our political society, color or agender didn't brake it, it's the power thirst of white men and women that don't care who or what they hardship they put on others that is the root of the evel.
09/14/2019 02:53 AM	Mrs BarbaraWe Benson	barbbenson@ec.rr.com	N/A	We demand more transparency in the court-ordered redraw of the General Assembly's maps, so that the public can have an opportunity to meaningfully engage in this critical process, and we can be sure that partisan interests do not again prevail over the will of the people.
09/14/2019 04:37 AM	Ms. Rachel Campbell	rachcamrjc@yahoo.com		All Districts Should be drawn without input from any party affiliation or based on, race, color, ethnicity or other biases. Otherwise our votes don't count and it turns off the electorate to vote. Also the

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				electoral collage should be obsolete. Voting should be based on each person one vote.
09/14/2019 07:27 AM	Fair maps Christopher Shaffer	Weird_science04@yahoo.com		These maps need to reflect the community. Underhanded tactics like splitting Fayetteville or having disproportionately sized districts are not how you achieve this and will only serve to further stoke anger and distrust of the process. The nation is watching.
09/14/2019 07:40 AM	Ms Doris Hinson	dorismhinson@gmail.com		I totally believe there is a lot of corruption in our political process, and we need fair maps that do not favor one party vs. the other. Therefore, an independent commission for maps is a must!
09/14/2019 07:50 AM	Greg Stewart	gregstewart55@gmail.com	NC Citizen	<p>I support and want to keep both my NC Senator and Representative. Having said that, I think that the court ordered process is a waste of time. North Carolina should jump to an independent and non-partisan commission to draw the district maps.</p> <p>I was present in Raleigh on Monday, September 9 for meetings of both the Senate and House committees for redistricting. I also watched or listened online to as many of the meetings as I could later in the week. A certain amount of confusion and uncertainty when any new issue comes up in committee is to be expected, so it was actually refreshing to see this happening in public. The more citizens know about what you are doing, the better. Warts and all.</p> <p>The overwhelming impression that I have from having witnessed at least some of the process is that a high priority for members of both political parties is protection of incumbency. This gives the impression that the highest priority for some members is to get re-elected.</p> <p>INCUMBENCY MUST NOT BE A CONSIDERATION IN THE REDRAWING OF DISTRICT MAPS. To consider incumbency will only taint the process and keep North Carolina in the mess that it's in now.</p> <p>The only way to insure fair and legal maps is to have them drawn by a third party group or individual with no political interest in North Carolina.</p>
09/14/2019 08:13 AM	Focus on fair maps Allison Butler	allison.butler1@gmail.com	Self	<p>My hope is that this redistricting will be done in the interest of fairness and not with the deceptive intentions of retaining power.</p> <p>For GOP members, with the 911 vote, and with the intentionally</p>

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09/14/2019 08:14 AM	Karen Wolcoxx	Karin.wolcott@gmail.com	Why does NC cheat	Why is 43 Huge and 44 teeny? Asking for a friend.
09/14/2019 08:16 AM	Mrs. Katherine Schlosser	kathyschlosser@triad.rr.com		I have not been able to locate the documents/maps for the the redistricting scheduled for vote on Monday. WHERE CAN THEY BE FOUND?
09/14/2019 08:25 AM	Fair maps Sherry Gregory	Sherryg2010@gmail.com		<p>I support fair maps for NC. No more gerrymandered, illegal representation!!! Please protect our democracy. Republicans have manipulated the system for far too long!</p> <p>Thank you.</p> <p>Sherry Gregory</p>
09/14/2019 08:36 AM	Ms Barbara St Hilaire	bsh14@aol.com	Constituent	We need district maps which represent real communities and are not gerrymandered to give one political party more sway than the other. My vote needs to count. Currently, I am in a district in which my vote is swept into a group 90 minutes away from me and not into the community that is 10 minutes away. Please make this process of redrawing maps open, transparent, and fair. Other states have done so.
09/14/2019 08:58 AM	Joan Lang	joanmlang@aol.com		Please do not allow the scurrilous and partisan redrawing of maps to go forward. You have the power to be fair. Prove that you are capable of it.
09/14/2019 09:32 AM	Tom Brown	fortypaws@gmail.com	Concerned Citizen	Gerrymandering is good if properly used to make every person's vote count. For example, if 50% of the people vote for Democrats then odd looking districts are OK if they elect 50% Democrat officials. If the Legislature tries to have very compact districts, then

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				this is cleaver voter suppression because Democrats are concentrated in compact areas (cities) and a 50% state-wide Democrat vote will not elect 50% Democrats.
09/14/2019 09:45 AM	Mr Garrett Mears	g_ncleg@mearsfamily.net		It is a major flaw in our democracy that representation of the people can be manipulated to such extremes through the drawing of districts. The process creating districts must not be partisan, but furthermore it needs to be an open and transparent process that can be reviewed and scrutinised by the public. That is the only way for the people to trust that they are being fairly represented and have an actual voice in our democracy.
09/14/2019 09:55 AM	Mrs Barbara coulson	dixiespal@aol.com		<p>Redistricting has for years seesawed back and forth as North Carolina legislators have drawn maps to benefit their Party and themselves while disadvantaging the other party - until the other Party is in power. Then they want an independent redistricting commission to ensure 'fair' election maps. It happens every 10 years with lawsuits in abundance over that period. When will you finally admit that this is a process that should be decided by a body that can draw maps without allowing for all the advantages you want until the other Party is in power?</p> <p>This is insanity at every level; Legislators should be ashamed to admit that winning is everything regardless of how they do it. We need map-drawing by a body of people who follow a process similar to the Iowa model; a model that has never had a lawsuit in 20 years. Don't let it slip your mind that you are our public servants-yes-and as such you should be listening to the 70% of the public that is weary of your manipulations in order to stay in power.</p>
09/14/2019 09:59 AM	Rick Williams	rick-williams@nc.rr.com		In order to ensure democracy is preserved we must stop the partisan gerrymandering. And to do that we must take the authority for redistricting away from those in power. You have proven you cannot be trusted to act appropriately. I am demanding that you work together to enact law to make redistricting a non-partisan effort done by an independent group using sensible data and in the public view.
09/14/2019 10:05 AM	SGT Michael Perry	m.r.toybox76@gmail.com		Please relook at how this type of gerrymandering is affecting your constituents. Between this and the recent Republican sneak vote on the 11th , I have no representation currently.
09/14/2019 10:25 AM	Mr Joshua Plowman	plowmanjc@gmail.com		Hearing that maps would be adjusted to protect incumbents was a let down, once again the citizens of NC are being put on the backburner to politicians' personal interests, in maintaining their own seats/power/status. After all that has been done to our

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				democracy in NC, politicians of NC should be concerned first and foremost with creating maps of utmost integrity, which would not include protecting incumbents. To all representatives of NC who have not read 'How Democracies Die', I encourage you to do so. As a graduate student at NCSU and North Carolinian, I fear deeply for our state's democratic ideals.
09/14/2019 10:58 AM	Mr JACK HAFELI	jackhafe@gmail.com		As your constituent, I respectfully request that you support creation of an independent redistricting panel to undo the egregious gerrymandering that the state legislature has repeatedly foisted upon the electorate. We deserve the opportunity to choose our representatives openly and transparently, not the other way around!
09/14/2019 11:06 AM	Debbie Moose	moosedj2001@yahoo.com		I have several concerns. One, that members of the public and press were shoed away from the computer terminals where legislators were working on maps. This violates the requirement for transparency and I'd like assurances that this will not continue to happen. Public input in general has not been welcomed or encouraged, as evidenced by only a couple of hours' notice for a time for public comment, and only to those present at the hearing. Only after complaints were made were public comments moved to a joint session on Monday but there are still no assurances that the committees will take comments into consideration in a meaningful way. No incumbency data should be used to form the districts. Most incumbents are from districts which the court ruled to be illegal partisan gerrymanders, therefore protecting these incumbents undermines the court's purpose.
09/14/2019 11:12 AM	Mrs. carol ostrow	cgo@nc.rr.com		It's time this GOP played fair even if it means the voters have selected someone other than their candidate. Their shouldn't even be districting in the first place. One vote, one person!
09/14/2019 11:20 AM	Norma Warren	norma@dickandnorma.com	-0-	Our state has been at the mercy of political redistricting entirely too long. Both parties have done it, although the most recent redistricting was vicious. If Iowa can successfully have a neutral redistricting commission why can't we ?
09/14/2019 12:39 PM	James Jones	james.russel.jones@gmail.com		The idea of using incumbency to redraw the maps is frankly outrageous and undermines the core reason for redrawing the maps. Please utilize the set of maps which do not consider incumbency. Thank you.
09/14/2019 12:39 PM	Molly Logan	logansurfboards@verizon.net		In the new redistricting, Asheville (Buncombe County) needs to be redrawn so as not to split up an entire city to favor one party of the other. I am a resident of Leicester, NC.
09/14/2019	Brenda Page	Brendacqpage@hotmail.com		Thank you NC Republican and Democrat Representatives for

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12:40 PM				working together on the redistricting maps. I was disappointed to hear a member of the committee say other democrats were working on their own maps but all in all I was happy to see bipartisan results.
09/14/2019 12:45 PM	Mrs Debra Magee	flygirlmagee@gmail.com	NA	These crazy districts that wind in and out through parts of cities and counties being drawn by partisans only including areas that voted for them is not democracy nor is giving voters any say in how they are represented I'm beginning to believe the only way for all citizens of NC can be represented fairly in our state is to have a non partisan independent agency draw the maps and end this madness
09/14/2019 12:50 PM	Anne Cerrano	78cutlass@gmail.com		It should be done as independently as possible by a neutral 3rd party. The General Assembly has clearly shown it is incompetent and unethical. Gerrymandering of this magnitude should be criminal and make someone who supports this attack of democracy unfit for office. Voters need to have the power to elect their representatives; politicians having the ability to manipulate the system to choose their voters should not happen in a "free" society. I do not support the consolidation of power by any party. If politicians cannot be held accountable through the ability of the people to vote them out, we no longer live in a democracy.
09/14/2019 01:44 PM	William Hollar	WHollar@aol.com		The final process was arranged to include the requirement of avoiding "double-bunking" of incumbents. That tends to guarantee part of the gerrymandered status quo. Perhaps the Court and a Special Master will address this in final revisions.