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Hello. I was asked to provide my input as a former Athletic Director in the 31<sup>st</sup> District while at Eminence for six years in regard to the redistricting of Gallatin County to the 32<sup>nd</sup> district.

I am sure you are aware this all originally began with Trimble Co. requesting to be moved from the 29<sup>th</sup> district to the 31<sup>st</sup>. The move was based on athletic competition and program longevity. Trimble Co. was not being athletically competitive verses the three Oldham Co. Schools. Individually and collectively. Oldham Counties overall student population size was significantly larger and thus afforded them greater student-athlete numbers to draw from. As such it created an unfair athletic advantage to the larger Oldham schools. This directly impacted Trimble Co.'s ability to grow and foster winning athletic programs that the community and student-athletes supported. Athletic participation was in decline. After numerous proposals and request by Trimble County and the 8<sup>th</sup> Region BOC, the proposal was heard, voted upon and approved. During this proposal and vote it was nearly unanimous, and one of the key assurances was that the member schools of the 31<sup>st</sup> District would remain intact as is.

Now, a proposal has been made to move Gallatin Co. Out of the 31<sup>st</sup> and place them in the 32<sup>nd</sup> District with 5A Grant Co. and 6A Simon Kenton. Moving Gallatin up from a small 1A school to compete against 5A and 6A schools will have the same negative impact on its athletic program that Trimble Co. faced in the 29<sup>th</sup> district. Student-athletes will stop participating. Community support will wither, and overall financial stability of their athletic program will be becoming an increasing burden on the school and district.

While I was at Eminence and now. I firmly believe that keeping the 31<sup>st</sup> District at six teams is in the best interest of all schools involved. I believe that the 31<sup>st</sup> District is possibly one of the best equally competitive districts for small 1A-3A school in the State. I fully support Gallatin County remaining in the 31<sup>st</sup> district.

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