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**STATE AUDITOR HOSTS ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION ON THE FORMATION OF CALIFORNIA'S
FIRST REDISTRICTING COMMISSION**

WHAT: The California State Auditor's Office hosts a roundtable discussion on the formation of California's first Citizens Redistricting Commission at wedrawthelines.ca.gov/roundtable.html. The Citizens Redistricting Commission will redraw the district lines for the State Senate, Assembly, and State Board of Equalization after the federal government publishes updated census information. Voters can begin to apply Dec. 15, 2009. The application period ends Feb. 12, 2010.

The roundtable will include a discussion on forming a diverse and representative commission, strategies to engage the public, and more.

People will be able to follow the discussion, ask questions and participate via a live webcast of the event.

WHO: Elaine M. Howle, California State Auditor
Karin MacDonald, Director, Statewide Database & Election Administration Research Center at UC Berkeley

WHERE: This roundtable will take place online at wedrawthelines.ca.gov/roundtable.html

WHEN: Thursday, December 10, 2009
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

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