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CALIFORNIA CITIZENS REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

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APPEARANCES

Commissioners Present

Jodie Filkins Webber, Chairperson

Angelo Ancheta, Vice-Chairperson

Gabino Aguirre

Vincent Barabba

Maria Blanco

Cynthia Dai

Stanley Forbes

Connie Galambos Malloy

M. Andre Parvenu

Jeanne Raya

Michael Ward

Jodie Filkins Webber

Peter Yao

Commissioners Absent

Michelle DiGuilio

Lilbert "Gil" Ontai

Staff Present

Dan Claypool, Executive Director

APPEARANCES (CONT.)

Consultants Present

Karin MacDonald, Q2 Data & Research, LLC

Nicole Boyle, Q2 Data & Research, LLC

Kyle Kubas, Q2 Data & Research, LLC

Also Present

Public Comment

Tim Snipes, Peoples Advocate

David

Chris Garcia, Malibu Resident

Claira Guerra

Chris

Rani Woods

Aref Aziz

Scott Wilk, Coalition of Suburban Community for Fair Representation

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2 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Thank you and good
3 morning. Today's July 9th, 2011, this is our last day of
4 meetings for the week in the Citizens Redistricting
5 Commission. I promise.

6 Appreciate you being with us here, this morning.

7 At this time I would ask that Mr. Claypool call roll.

8 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: This is new for you,
9 I am not Janeece.

10 Commissioner Aguirre?

11 COMMISSIONER AGUIRRE: Here.

12 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Commissioner
13 Ancheta?

14 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: Here.

15 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Commissioner
16 Barabba?

17 COMMISSIONER BARABBA: Here.

18 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Commissioner Blanco?

19 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: Here.

20 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Commissioner Dai?

21 COMMISSIONER DAT: Here.

22 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Commissioner
23 DiGuilio?

24 Commissioner Filkins Webber?

25 CHAIRPERSON ELLIKINS WEBBER: Here

1 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Commissioner Forbes?

2 COMMISSIONER FORBES: Here.

3 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Commissioner

4 Galambos Malloy?

5 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Here.

6 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Commissioner Ontai?

7 Commissioner Parvenu?

8 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Here.

9 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Commissioner Raya?

10 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Here.

11 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Commissioner Ward?

12 COMMISSIONER WARD: Here.

13 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Commissioner Yao?

14 COMMISSIONER YAO: Here.

15 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: We have a quorum.

16 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Thank you.

17 At this time it is our custom and practice to open

18 the microphone to public comment and each member of the

19 public will be assigned two minutes for presentation.

20 You can come right down here towards the

21 microphone.

22 MR. SNIPES: Good morning, ladies and gentleman of

23 the Commission; my name is Tim Snipes; I'm here from the

24 Peoples Advocate. And I'm just here to reiterate what I

25 submitted yesterday in writing.

1 As you know, the Peoples Advocate was an early
2 supporter of the Citizens Commission and turned in a set
3 of maps for the Southern California region at your first
4 meeting.

5 After monitoring the hearings over the weekend we
6 were confused when yesterday's Senate visualizations were
7 released for East Ventura County. Several Commissioners
8 pointed out over the weekend that East Ventura County
9 should be linked to Santa Clarita in a Senate district,
10 instead of Encino and Malibu.

11 Yesterday's visualizations do exactly the opposite
12 of the committee -- of the comments made by the
13 Commissioners over the weekend.

14 The line drawers again linked Malibu and East
15 Ventura County and did not follow the Commissioner's
16 instructions that were given on Saturday and Sunday.

17 There's been overwhelming testimony from
18 communities of interest to the contrary. Historically,
19 for over 30 years, Santa Clarita and East Ventura County
20 have been connected in a Senate seat, so we would like to
21 plead with you to fix that situation. Thank you.

22 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Thank you.

23 DAVID: I also want to address Ventura County,
24 East Ventura County issues. I believe that Thousand Oaks
25 should not be with the 101 throughout the San Fernando

1 Valley.

2 THE REPORTER: Sir, could you identify yourself,
3 please?

4 DAVID: My name is David and I live and work in
5 Thousand Oaks. And right now you've -- the maps link us
6 to the San Fernando Valley along the 101 corridor in the
7 Senate seat, and I believe that we should not be connected
8 to the Coastal Malibu or the 101 in the San Fernando
9 Valley.

10 Because Thousand Oaks values, it's a very small
11 town, suburban charm, and years ago the City voted to
12 rename Ventura Boulevard, in Thousand Oaks, to Thousand
13 Oaks Boulevard to distance themselves from our neighbors
14 in Los Angeles County because we share, you know, little
15 uncommon to the San Fernando Valley.

16 Our business district along the boulevard has
17 height and growth restrictions to stop us from becoming an
18 Encino or a Reseda.

19 So, please connect us to similar suburban
20 communities like Santa Clarita, or the North San Fernando
21 Valley, such as Porter Ranch, Granada Hills and
22 Chatsworth.

23 COMMISSIONER FORBES: I have a question. Is this
24 for the Senate, Assembly, Congressional or all of them?

25 DAVID: I'm speaking to the Senate.

1 COMMISSIONER FORBES: Thank you.

2 DAVID: All right, thank you for your time.

3 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Thank you.

4 MR. GARCIA: Good morning ladies and gentlemen,
5 Commissioners, my name is Chris Garcia, I'm a Malibu
6 resident.

7 I've spoken with you a number of times before and
8 actually wanted to hand out a couple of bullet points
9 about what I'd like to speak about today, it's the Senate
10 seat I believe both of the gentlemen also just spoke
11 about.

12 I'd like to link -- in my opinion, as a Malibu
13 resident, it would make more sense to link Santa Monica
14 to -- to Santa Monica -- Malibu to Santa Monica. It's
15 best to keep us grouped with communities with which we
16 share common interests, as we all know, and we'd like to
17 have elected officials that can understand our concerns as
18 a coastal community, with different communities such as
19 Pacific Palisades, Santa Monica, even West L.A. there's a
20 lot of concerns that they share that are similar to ours.

21 I would say that if we were to have State reps and
22 Congressman that were drawn to inland communities to meet
23 population requirements it wouldn't -- it wouldn't allow
24 them to have the time to deal with coastal districts that
25 we share in communities like Malibu and Santa Monica.

1 And so, just as Simi Valley -- I'm sorry, just as
2 Malibu would not fully understand the concerns of far
3 inland communities, like Simi Valley and Moorpark, Simi
4 Valley cannot comprehend the concerns surrounding resident
5 safety on PCH, for example, the tragic traffic fatalities
6 that have claimed the lives of far too many people,
7 including little Emily Shane, as well as my best friend
8 and roommate, Brent Rosenberg.

9 Moorpark would not understand, could not
10 comprehend the coastal communities' concerns in terms of
11 environmental impact.

12 And so I would implore you once again to link us
13 with Santa Monica, cities like Pacific Palisades, and not
14 farmland communities like Moorpark and Simi Valley. And,
15 after all, there is a reason that it's called the Santa
16 Monica/Malibu School District.

17 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Great, thank you.

18 MR. GARCIA: Thank you.

19 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Chair, could I ask
20 a question, please?

21 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Sure.

22 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: So, some of the
23 proposals that we've seen coming from the public for this
24 region have indicated the possibility of a Senate Coastal
25 district, so it might include Malibu and go south, pick up

1 Santa Monica, and some proposals have actually gone all
2 the way down the coast to Rancho Palos Verdes on the very
3 south side.

4 What would be your thoughts on that alternative or
5 others?

6 MR. GARCIA: I think it's far -- far superior to
7 what we have now. In fact, there's a certain, just a
8 coastal mentality that communities like Malibu, Santa
9 Monica, Pacific Palisades and even, yes, PV, and down in
10 that region that we all share in common, whether it's
11 environmental concern or even Pacific Coast Highway being
12 a very dangerous, if not the most dangerous highway in the
13 nation. I think there are just a tremendous amount, a
14 countless amount of similar concerns that we all share.

15 And so it's far easier, I think, to have a
16 community like Malibu paired with those coastal
17 communities than to have it really just with an inland
18 community that -- I mean they have their own concerns
19 that, I mean, just an average Joe, like myself, a business
20 owner and resident in Malibu wouldn't have any idea as to
21 how to deal with those so --

22 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Thank you.

23 MR. GARCIA: Thank you for your time.

24 MS. GUERRA: Good morning, Commission. My name is
25 Claira Guerra and I'm a resident of Thousand Oaks. This

1 is actually my third time testifying to you regarding the
2 East Ventura County Senate district.

3 I spoke to you last time at the Oxnard hearing,
4 where I had said that the East Ventura County needed to be
5 united and I just wanted to say thank you for uniting East
6 Ventura County.

7 That being said, I never expected that by having
8 East Ventura County united that we would be paired with
9 cities like Encino, Reseda, and Pacific Palisades, which
10 are in -- well into the San Fernando Valley, as well as
11 L.A. City.

12 So, Thousand Oaks is a very suburban area with its
13 own concerns, very different than that of, say, San
14 Fernando Valley and L.A.

15 To have an elected representative that would most
16 likely come from that area, and since Thousand Oaks would
17 be on the fringe with very different interests and
18 economies that it would be very hard to have a good
19 representation up in Sacramento.

20 This is why I believe that East Ventura County
21 needs to be paired with Santa Clarita Valley, Porter
22 Ranch, Chatsworth and Northridge. These are suburban
23 communities that have the same or similar economies,
24 environments, as well as local government focus.

25 Our local government, when our officials think

1 of -- you know, they need ideas for new advice on how to
2 improve the community, they go to communities like Santa
3 Clarita Valley, and they don't go to -- what I -- the West
4 San Fernando Valley and L.A., which is a metropolitan
5 area, it wouldn't know how to deal with the suburban
6 communities.

7 So, thank you for your time.

8 CHRIS: Hello Commissioners, I brought a map, some
9 drawings. My name's Chris, I'm a student at Cal Lutheran
10 University in Thousand Oaks. I'm here to talk about East
11 Ventura County, like everyone before me.

12 I've been watching this Commission for about two
13 months, now, I'm working on my second paper about what's
14 going on, it's the Master's candidacy in public policy.
15 It's really fascinating to watch what you guys are going.

16 After seeing the visualizations, yesterday, I
17 felt, okay, it's time for me to say something and speak up
18 after watching for so many days.

19 After the first draft maps there was a lot of
20 testimony from the City of Thousand Oaks that said keep
21 Thousand Oaks in East Ventura County and keep East Ventura
22 County whole. You guys did that, thank you very much.

23 But don't link Thousand Oaks to the 101 corridor.
24 After the first draft maps came out there was a lot of
25 testimony that came, I remember hearing council members

1 from Thousand Oaks speak. In fact, the president of our
2 university spoke, just saying keep Thousand Oaks whole and
3 keep us linked to other areas, not the San Fernando Valley
4 through the 101 corridor.

5 We don't have a lot in common with Encino; we
6 don't have a lot in common with Ventura Boulevard. We
7 belong with other suburban communities like Santa Clarita.

8 The Commission had mentioned linking East Ventura
9 County to Santa Clarita, I was watching, and it said, you
10 know, as you were coming down from the Section 5 seat in
11 Monterey you came down through San Luis Obispo, then you
12 came to the Santa Barbara/West Ventura seat, and then you
13 said, oh, East Ventura County where does that need to go?
14 That needs to go to Santa Clarita, I heard you guys say
15 it.

16 The visualization that we just saw doesn't reflect
17 that. Even to this week I heard one of the Commissioners
18 mention that Simi Valley was linked to Santa Clarita in
19 all three seats, but didn't end up that way.

20 And so I'm asking that you guys direct the staff
21 to draw the lines the way that you have originally talked
22 about in linking the Eastern Ventura County area to Santa
23 Clarita.

24 So, thank you very much for your time and what
25 you're doing, and you guys have a great day.

1 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: We do have a couple
2 of questions. Commissioner Aguirre?

3 COMMISSIONER AGUIRRE: Just a comment that I
4 appreciate the folks who drove up here from Ventura given
5 that it is, of course, as we express it, the center of the
6 universe, right?

7 CHRIS: Absolutely.

8 COMMISSIONER AGUIRRE: And so the -- if you've
9 watched the discussions and debates about,, you know, the
10 mapping, you can appreciate how -- you know, working
11 within all the criteria we can't give everybody everything
12 they want, but we're certainly going to take your comments
13 and input into consideration today.

14 CHRIS: Thank you very much.

15 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Parvenu,
16 you had another question?

17 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: I do want to thank the
18 contingency from Ventura County, East Ventura County for
19 being here today. I know that this is very important to
20 you.

21 What particular visualizations are you most
22 concerned about, Congressional, Senate or Assembly? We
23 may be able to accommodate you in one area, but maybe not
24 all three.

25 CHRIS: I was talking about the Senate,

1 specifically. In fact the map that I had passed around
2 was a printout from your --

3 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: From the Senate.

4 CHRIS: -- visualizations yesterday --

5 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: I recognize it.

6 CHRIS: -- that included the East Ventura County
7 seat, and I just kind of scratched out with a Sharpie and
8 a highlighter so you can see where we should go.

9 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: So, if we're able to accommodate
10 your request in one or two areas, would that be
11 satisfactory?

12 CHRIS: What do you mean?

13 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: In terms of accommodating
14 your request in terms of the Senate. If we had to
15 separate the communities in the Assembly, for example,
16 instead of all three?

17 CHRIS: Well, the more the better. I mean we want
18 to keep East Ventura County together. I just don't want
19 to sit here and say do it in one place and not in another.
20 The more we can keep East Ventura County together, as a
21 whole, the better it is for our suburban communities.

22 But I implore you; I came here to talk
23 specifically about the Senate seat --

24 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Okay.

25 CHRIS: -- and changing the way that our community

1 is nested to Santa Clarita.

2 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Thank you.

3 CHRIS: Thanks.

4 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Thank you. Any other
5 members of the public who wish to address the Commission?

6 MS. WOODS: Good morning, Commissioners. I don't
7 usually talk, but today I thought I would.

8 My name is Rani Woods and I work for the L.A.
9 County Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO, and I manage the
10 Redistricting Strategy and Outreach Program there.

11 And I, first off, just wanted to say thank you for
12 enduring this process. I know it's long and many, many
13 hours and I'm sometimes in here for these many, many
14 hours.

15 And I know, as a Californian and as a resident, I
16 really appreciate it. So, that's the first thing I want
17 to say.

18 Second, I just wanted to say that I really
19 appreciated Commissioner Parvenu, yesterday, acknowledging
20 some of the other maps that you guys have looked at. I
21 think it means a lot to people to know that you're
22 considering all of these maps.

23 Additionally, to Commissioner Ancheta's question
24 about public comment on a second draft map, I think the
25 most important thing is that the map's a really good map.

1 So, if it takes you more time, it takes you more time. At
2 the end of the day it's a map for ten years.

3 So, you know, with Maptitude being as difficult as
4 it is, I've been trying to learn it, I am impressed that
5 Q2 and Karin, Nicole, Ana are doing. And if they more
6 time to like make it work, make it work.

7 And I think one of the ways that you can make that
8 happen is with Commissioner Dai's suggestion, which is the
9 equivalency files. I think sharing an equivalency file
10 DBF as frequently as possible with the public would allow
11 folks to actually look at the maps, and they could look at
12 the maps at the Technical Assistance Centers from the
13 redistricting group.

14 Also, just a suggestion, for the redistricting
15 group -- so this is kind of out there, so bear with me.
16 But if the redistricting group had their technical experts
17 at each of those centers create the PDFs for you?

18 So, example, the closest center to me is USC and if
19 they had their expert do it, they might do like Senate,
20 and someone could do Assembly, and someone could do -- I'm
21 just saying if you're putting the equivalency file already
22 out there, it would be good that the person that's
23 actually making that file into a map is someone without a
24 bias.

25 So, those are my thoughts and good luck.

1 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Thank you.

2 MR. AZIZ: Hello, again, Commissioners. What is
3 this, four in a row, I think, or three?

4 So, let me just start by saying -- oh, sorry, my
5 name's Aref Aziz, I've said that the last three of four
6 times I've been here.

7 The reason I start by saying, I've never been one
8 to argue strictly off of ethnic or racial identity
9 politics, but I really -- I don't see a way around it at
10 this point.

11 As a member of the Asian/Pacific American
12 community of the Bay Area and a resident of the Tri-
13 Cities, I'm absolutely appalled by the direction of this
14 Commission to completely throw out all of our -- all of
15 the hundreds of our testimony and revert back to the first
16 draft maps for our area.

17 This will cause an absolute uproar in our APA
18 community and you've effectively disenfranchised the
19 under-represented and extremely diverse APA communities of
20 the Tri-Cities, which had their first chance at solid
21 representation.

22 I've seen the entire Commission advocate for APA
23 communities of interest and especially just the other day
24 in L.A., the Central Valley, Sacramento, and San
25 Francisco. And I mean to further this example, as someone

1 who's very familiar with San Francisco, Commissioners Dai
2 and Ancheta, you really saved the Excelsior and Vis.
3 Valley APA communities, as well as other diverse
4 communities, from keeping them from getting locked in with
5 a place they don't really have too much commonality with,
6 like Daly City.

7 And I really just want to know why this can't at
8 least, to some extent, be taken into account for our area.

9 Yeah, just -- I mean in all of these diverse areas
10 there seems to be some, you know, effort to accommodate
11 the COI testimony and I just really want to see that done
12 for our area, as well.

13 And our COI has effectively been thrown out by
14 switching back to the first draft map and this
15 Commission's decision to not really even try and work with
16 the first draft map a little bit to accommodate our COI.

17 Because thus far all this Commission has really
18 told our area, and our APA COI, is that our local APA
19 community doesn't matter and our COI doesn't matter,
20 because by switching back to the first draft maps before
21 our, you know, hundreds of testimony, I just -- I don't
22 see how that's okay.

23 And I'm really just begging and imploring you
24 today, please, revisit Northern California, please work
25 with something because I just -- we're trying to work with

1 you and we've been really positive --

2 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Time.

3 MR. AZIZ: Okay, thank you.

4 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Thank you, Mr. Aziz.

5 Any other member of the public who wishes to
6 address the Commission?

7 MR. WILK: Good morning. My name's Scott Wilk,
8 with the Coalition of Suburban Communities for Fair
9 Representation.

10 Today I want to address Senate districts for the
11 communities of East Ventura County, the 118 corridor in
12 San Fernando Valley, Antelope Valley, and Victor Valley.

13 First, I want to start off with Antelope
14 Valley/Victor Valley. The first draft map reflected the
15 COI testimony that you received. Antelope Valley Board of
16 Trade, which is the preeminent business organization in
17 that region, came out with a map that was two -- two high
18 desert Assembly seats nested in a Senate seat.

19 And from my own hand count we had over 40 speakers
20 at the Lancaster hearing specifically asking that
21 Lancaster/Palmdale not be with Santa Clarita.

22 So, yesterday many of us were flabbergasted when
23 you were presented a blended district that was Antelope
24 Valley, then Santa Clarita Valley, the 118 corridor, Bell
25 Canyon. And then it even went over into Pacoima, Lake

1 View Terrace, the Northeast San Fernando Valley.

2 I'm sorry, one, that district does not have a
3 community of interest at all. I mean if I lived in
4 Pacoima, I would not want to be with Bell Canyon and with
5 Santa Clarita Valley.

6 Furthermore, I was born and raised in Antelope
7 Valley and I shared with you, in Lancaster, that these
8 people have long been dominated by Bakersfield or by Los
9 Angeles and that map would just -- again, Antelope Valley
10 would be dominated. They're a growing community they
11 deserve their own Senate seat.

12 Moving over, you've had all kinds of COI
13 testimony, Santa Clarita, Northwestern San Fernando Valley
14 with East Ventura County. That has been a seat in the
15 1980s, 1990s and this last decade. The number of
16 Commissioners brought up, and rightly so, what about this
17 San Fernando Valley area, you know, it is part of the San
18 Fernando Valley and it is, geographically.

19 But culturally, they are closer to Thousand Oaks
20 and Santa Clarita than they are to Ventura Boulevard. If
21 I were to take these guys now, kidnap you, blindfold you,
22 I could take you to Stevenson Ranch, or Valencia, and
23 Santa Clarita Valley, I could take you to Porter Ranch in
24 the San Fernando Valley, Wood Ranch in Simi Valley, or
25 anywhere in Thousand Oaks and I could take off the

1 blindfolds and you would not be able to tell me where you
2 are at because these are all the same communities. The
3 same land use, the same great schools. And work together
4 regionally.

5 And just follow the COI and follow your hearts,
6 and let's do some push back. You did push back on this
7 map, which I appreciate. Thank you for your time.

8 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Thank you. Any other
9 member of the public who wishes to address the Commission?

10 Okay, seeing none, we will get started this
11 morning.

12 Ms. MacDonald, at least as far as summary for the
13 members of the public, we left off at the -- if I recall
14 correctly, the Senate districts in the Los Angeles area or
15 are we moving to the Congressional?

16 MS. MAC DONALD: I think Ms. Boyle was prepared to
17 move to the Congressional unless you'd like to do it --

18 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: No, I think that's
19 where we got; we were starting to get to the
20 Congressional.

21 MS. MAC DONALD: Okay. Okay, good.

22 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: So, just for a
23 summary for the public, we'll visit the Congressional
24 districts in Los Angeles, provide direction where we feel
25 it's necessary, then we will likely move back to the areas

1 that we left off, which would be Orange County. We had
2 some Senate districts that were over-populated, and
3 looking at some other concerns in the Southern California
4 region.

5 Commissioner Galambos Malloy?

6 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: I just wanted to
7 clarify because I, personally, was not satisfied with
8 where we left the Senate districts in Los Angeles, I felt
9 like there were some areas and, particularly, some of the
10 issues that have been raised here this morning and others
11 that I certainly didn't have the impression that we were
12 leaving the Senate behind for this line-drawing session.

13 So, I don't have a preference whether that happens
14 immediately or later, but wanted to see if we had space to
15 revisit them today?

16 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: We'll have space for
17 what we can make space for.

18 So, does everybody else have the same concern? I
19 thought we were still on the Senate, so let's take a look
20 at where we were at with the Senate districts in Los
21 Angeles and pick up there.

22 MS. MAC DONALD: Okay, just -- just a moment.

23 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Sure. Thank you.
24 This is a good place to take a look at, again -- oops, I
25 thought I did.

1 MS. MAC DONALD: So, where would you like to
2 start; at the EVENT district?

3 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Yes, EVENT.

4 MS. MAC DONALD: Okay.

5 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Because I had some
6 questions about that, too.

7 MS. MAC DONALD: Okay, would you like us to
8 describe the district, quickly, so we can get started?

9 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Yes, please. And
10 then if you could -- if you know -- if I recall correctly,
11 and this might be a good intro as to what's happening up
12 in Monterey in pushing down in this area, is that what's
13 occurring as far as looking at population and making
14 decisions at the Senate level?

15 MS. MAC DONALD: I'm not sure that I can explain
16 that at this point. I can get the information, though,
17 very quickly.

18 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay. Then go ahead.

19 MS. BOYLE: So, in this visualization Eastern
20 Ventura was grouped with Western Los Angeles County,
21 including Malibu, Topanga, Calabasas, Agoura Hills, I
22 believe it's Westlake, Thousand Oaks, Santa Rosa Valley,
23 Moorpark, Simi Valley, Santa Suzanna, and then parts of
24 San Fernando Valley, West Hills, Winnetka, Canoga Park,
25 Reseda, Woodland Hills, all the way to Sherman Oaks, and

1 then including Burley Crest*, by Burley Air, part of
2 Westwood, stopping at the Santa Monica border.

3 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Questions?

4 MS. BOYLE: And this is the district that was
5 addressed by several public speakers this morning.

6 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Correct. And when
7 we -- I'm sorry, Commissioner Barabba?

8 COMMISSIONER BARABBA: Yeah. It seems to me that
9 the -- the issues that have been raised have merit. And
10 as I look at what you were forced into because of the
11 shift in population -- can you show the East San Fernando
12 one?

13 Because there you cut off -- you had to cut the
14 rest of that Assembly district. It looks like Pacoima was
15 outside of the Senate district and if there ever were two
16 communities who were related, it would be those two, San
17 Fernando and Pacoima.

18 And so it just seems to me that we paid a pretty
19 heavy price for having to grab that population that was
20 shifted down south because it broke up what was several
21 Assembly districts that really leant themselves to
22 nesting -- Assembly districts that leant themselves to
23 nesting, which we're now in a position not to do. And I
24 guess that's troublesome to me.

25 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Aguirre?

1 COMMISSIONER AGUIRRE: Yes and the discussion
2 yesterday, I mean following on the -- up on the discussion
3 yesterday is that previous visualizations had shown that
4 East Ventura was -- was put together, placed together with
5 the Santa Clarita area.

6 And it seems like, if possible, if we could look
7 at that iteration or perhaps provide direction for our
8 mappers to look at possibly doing that again and then kind
9 of rotating the population in a clockwise fashion so that
10 perhaps we could get to some of Commissioner Barabba's
11 concerns about the San Fernando Valley.

12 Also, maybe even incorporating the testimony about
13 the connections between -- or the lack of connection
14 between Malibu, and Moorpark, Thousand Oaks, that kind of
15 area. So, anyway, that would be my comments on that.

16 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Parvenu?

17 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Commissioner Barabba has
18 addressed some of my concerns just with his past
19 statement.

20 I just wanted to zoom in and see exactly where the
21 boundaries were and if they were -- if they coincided with
22 the neighborhood councils, and I see that they do. So,
23 that's my only comment, I see -- this is a zoomed in view
24 and that's what I wanted to see. Thank you.

25 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Galambos

1 Malloy?

2 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: I do think the
3 concerns that we're getting from the public regarding this
4 linking of coastal communities with heavily inland areas
5 is significant, particularly at the Senate level, given
6 what a large population and larger area of land that we're
7 talking about.

8 I have seen some, I think, very strong proposals
9 coming from the public, the most recent of which has been
10 the Unity maps, but not the only, that essentially take
11 the west side of L.A., I mean going from Malibu and doing
12 a coastal district all the way down the coast which then
13 would, you know, pair these coastal communities that have
14 some similar concerns and may free us up to have better
15 groupings of cities once you move away from the coast.

16 I was just curious if Nicole could speak to what
17 extent she considered that and where she might have run
18 into trouble because I think another thing that might
19 allow us to do is unite a greater portion of the South Bay
20 cities than we were able to do at the Assembly level. It
21 might allow us some flexibility with Westchester, et
22 cetera.

23 MS. MAC DONALD: Could I just say something, just
24 about the entire conversation? I think the Malibu issue
25 we can fix no matter what, but there are some tradeoffs up

1 in the north. And I think, also, the coastal issues we
2 can fix no matter what.

3 But some of the tradeoffs are basically with if
4 you want to have Eastern Ventura go north with Santa
5 Clarita, then that would require the Long Beach/Orange
6 district and that might actually prevent putting Antelope
7 and Victor Valley together, so there's a whole ripple
8 effect there.

9 But we're in the process of working these things
10 out, so this is definitely a work in progress.

11 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Can you explain
12 what you meant by Long Beach/Orange district?

13 MS. MAC DONALD: Well, there is this whole nesting
14 issue, there's a Long Beach and -- there's a half a
15 district in Long Beach and another half in Orange right
16 now and we need to like reconfigure that, basically.

17 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Okay.

18 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Blanco?

19 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: And what about this issue of
20 the San Fernando valley that Commissioner Barabba brought
21 up, about that the East San Fernando's not really
22 connected with the West, which would be sort of its
23 natural -- that would be the instinct, you now, in a
24 Senate. What's -- can you explain a little bit about what
25 the limitations are on that or on at least including more

1 of the San Fernando Valley, like Pacoima, and other, a few
2 more western parts of the valley in with -- not --
3 Pacoima's not in the west. But, you know, going more west
4 in that valley and trying to keep that more whole in a
5 Senate?

6

7 MS. BOYLE: It could be done. It can be rearranged. I
8 could try to draw it more up. There's just -- this is a
9 visualization in progress, so it's really hard for me to
10 describe right now the ripple effects farther on down,
11 like I could with the Assembly. I really -- I'll be
12 prepared more to talk about it on -- I think when we come
13 back on Monday or Tuesday, or maybe the NorCal mappers
14 could address some of the issues for me when they're here,
15 and get some direction.

16 But there could be -- there's a lot that could be
17 done and there are some tradeoffs, and they seem to show
18 up in here.

19 If you look down towards South L.A., the districts
20 that are covering that potential cluster of communities
21 that belong in potential VRA districts, there's not a lot
22 of changing around the boundaries of those districts that
23 we can do. And the population, basically, that we can
24 move around it I'm changing boundaries through here.

25 Right, I can move down through here, I can't

1 really cross over here because we have the Santa Monica
2 Mountains. Then I move population down through here,
3 through Long Beach.

4 Any other population movements through here
5 require adjustments of the entire cluster. And there is
6 some movements that could be done, like we can shift
7 further down. We don't -- like we can bring in some more
8 of like this area here.

9 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Dai?

10 MS. BOYLE: Removing Cerritos and Artesia would
11 also shift a little bit and that will eventually affect
12 what's happening up there in the west corner.

13 COMMISSIONER DAI: Yeah, I just wanted to help the
14 members of the public understand the challenge -- the
15 challenges that we're dealing with here. I mean we have,
16 essentially, an immovable block of districts in the middle
17 that we really kind of have to look at, as Ms. Boyle
18 talked about, maintaining the outline of these districts
19 because of compliance with the Voting Rights Act.

20 And so, essentially, this requires a rotation of
21 population, you know, either clockwise or counter
22 clockwise, and we're shifting through some other hard
23 boundaries that members of the public have indicated they
24 would like us to maintain, such as a hard line between
25 Long Beach and Orange County, or a hard line between

1 Orange County and San Diego County.

2 So, there's only so many kind of places where
3 we've given permission to allow the population to flow.
4 And so it becomes very difficult because we're also
5 dealing with natural topography.

6 And the challenge with this visualization, as we
7 discussed yesterday, is that if we were to do the grouping
8 as several members of the public have suggested this
9 morning, that we end up stranding part of the population
10 in the north.

11 So, whereas, you know, Q2 is still working very
12 hard to figure out how we can do that shift. And one of
13 the things that I think we, as a Commission need to
14 remember is to give them the latitude to provide more of
15 these gates to allow the population to flow through.

16 And so one of the things that, you know, I
17 personally am concerned about and I just want to bring up
18 is currently our Beach City Senate district; I'm very
19 uncomfortable with that connection through Dockweiler
20 Beach.

21 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Yes, agreed.

22 COMMISSIONER DAI: And so I -- you know, I feel
23 like we kept that community inland together in the
24 Assembly, I think we should seriously revisit that hard
25 line to give Ms. Boyle, again, a little more freedom to

1 try to see how the population flow could move and maybe be
2 able to resolve some of these issues in the next
3 iteration.

4 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, Ms. MacDonald?

5 MS. MAC DONALD: Just a general statement, just
6 because you asked whether we could explain like what's
7 happening up north and actually, you know, I've tried to
8 get Tamina to give me some details, but she's not on chat
9 right now, so details come later.

10 But just generally speaking, because there was
11 some reference by some of the Commissioners about, you
12 know, some solutions that other groups have presented for
13 that area.

14 Those groups also radically reconfigured Northern
15 California, so you can definitely -- you can't just look
16 at those districts, you have to really look north, because
17 that is really a ripple effect that pushes down from the
18 Section 5 configurations.

19 And I think, if I'm not mistaken, we're pretty
20 comfortable with what we have achieved in terms of Section
21 5 and also Section 2 in Northern California.

22 So, that really, you know, constrains us on the
23 bottom part.

24 And then I -- I have one more -- one more general
25 question or one piece of direction that I think we really

1 need and we just really need to know whether you find
2 it -- whether it's absolutely essential for us to put
3 Eastern Ventura with Santa Clarita, even if it causes
4 problems in the other areas? So, that would be one of
5 those pivot points.

6 But I think you have to know that the coastal
7 areas we can fix, I don't think that that's going to be --
8 I think that we will be able to fix that, we're pretty
9 confident.

10 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Galambos
11 Malloy?

12 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: I share the
13 concerns about that beach right next to the airport and
14 wanted to say that when some members of the public, who
15 have suggested ideas on how to deal with that area, a
16 possibility exists for splitting Westchester on Lincoln,
17 which I guess is the 1, and the 105, which would kind of
18 bring that line eastward. So, just wanted to throw that
19 outward.

20 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: And then I have
21 Commissioner Barabba and then Commissioner Parvenu.

22 COMMISSIONER BARABBA: Yes, my feeling is it would
23 be -- as tough as it might be, I guess my question would
24 be is if you moved Eastern Ventura, if I can -- if --
25 would the consequence of moving Eastern Ventura into Santa

1 Clarita open up the opportunities to better combine the
2 Senate district within the San Fernando Valley?

3 Because right now, I mean, you got somebody coming
4 from Pacoima down to West Hollywood and that is quite a
5 stretch.

6 So, I would -- if it could be worked out without
7 too much drama around the rest of the area, I would -- I
8 would support moving Eastern Ventura towards Santa
9 Clarita.

10 And I have a question for Commissioner Ancheta.
11 Would -- what did we agree about Kings County, was it on
12 the Senate that it's not a -- or was that Congressional?

13 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: Well, I think it's on a
14 couple of levels, but because the polarized voting
15 analysis didn't necessarily support a Section 2, we're
16 just sort of going with a basic Section 5 configuration.

17 COMMISSIONER BARABBA: Okay.

18 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: But it's not that
19 different, if you revert back to the earlier one.

20 COMMISSIONER BARABBA: Okay. But I just -- as
21 relative to that district, if there's something that you
22 could move around Kings County there, if that would help,
23 then you have the leeway to do that as I understood the
24 conversation yesterday.

25 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: We'll go with

1 Commissioner Parvenu, then myself, and then we'll
2 summarize some direction here.

3 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: No, I agree with
4 Commissioner Galambos Malloy's suggestion to -- regarding
5 that sliver there, Lincoln Boulevard would be a practical
6 adjustment. Let's just keep in mind, though, that the
7 airport is west of Lincoln, so that would essentially put
8 the airport in the Coastal district, as opposed to that
9 district, whatever its name is, to the right, LAV
10 whatever -- let's see, whatever it is.

11 But there are some -- there's some connective
12 values in terms of keeping that sliver there from the
13 south beach -- with the South Beach cities in Santa
14 Monica, in terms of environmental issues and concerns, and
15 what we would call the PCH corridor. There are
16 transportation concerns, there -- the DOT has certain
17 investment infrastructural improvement activities.

18 And because we're talking about the Senatorial
19 level, I think that it would be good to at least consider
20 that corridor.

21 I think when we break out that Northern Santa
22 Monica and Marina Del Rey area from the Senate, it will
23 cause drastic changes to the interior, to the core. And
24 I'd like to see that connectivity there, but my concern is
25 the airport shifting go the west, as opposed to being in

1 the district to the east.

2 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: I was going to leave
3 this alone, but I do have -- I was going to put myself in
4 the queue as well, but I will turn it over -- Commissioner
5 Dai, and then I have Commissioner Galambos Malloy, and
6 Commissioner Blanco, and then we'll move forward.

7 COMMISSIONER DAI: Yeah, I mean, again, I feel
8 like we did that in the Assembly. I think that we need to
9 be open to, you know, allowing the airport to go
10 elsewhere. We've also received just a number of public
11 comments in recent days about Westchester being part of
12 the beach cities and being -- you know, wanting to be with
13 the Del Reys.

14 And I think that's a valid community of interest
15 as well that we should consider trying to respect in a
16 different version of the map. And given all that we have
17 going on in these Senate districts and the challenges that
18 we've had in nesting down here, and trying to also respect
19 the larger communities of interest, I think we need to
20 give our mappers as much freedom as possible so that they
21 can try to shift the population around and make sure our
22 maps are also in compliance with the Voting Rights Act,
23 and also try to solve all these other problems.

24 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Galambos
25 Malloy?

1 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Yeah, I'd
2 underscore many of the points that have already been made.
3 I think we acknowledged yesterday that Westchester had
4 some flexibility given we have competing COI testimony.

5 I wanted to ask the mappers can we look farther
6 south, I'd like to see the port area and where the ports
7 are connected to?

8 Okay. This -- as you continue to work on these
9 visualizations, I don't know how the rest of the
10 Commission feels, but another thing I would like to
11 explore was whether we have the possibility to connect
12 this -- the north/south access -- access leading down to
13 the port, which we have not been able to do thus far in
14 other versions of the map?

15 So, I know you're balancing a lot of different
16 priorities here but could you please take a close look at
17 that for us, and also knowing in there you're keeping the
18 port connected to San Pedro.

19 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Blanco?

20 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: I was just going to suggest,
21 who knows, because it has to fit with our map, as Ms.
22 MacDonald pointed out, but I'm looking at the map that was
23 submitted by ARC, and CAPAFER, and MALDEF for the Senate
24 in L.A. So, I'm assuming that they are comfortable with
25 the clusters in there since it is a joint map.

1 And I'm looking at it and they have a lot of the
2 things we've talked about in terms of the valley, and in
3 terms of the Calabasas area, and keeping that -- that
4 coastal.

5 Again, it's not -- I don't know how it fits in
6 with everything else and it really shifts the clusters
7 from the way we have them right now to these north/south
8 corridors, as Commissioner Galambos Malloy mentioned.

9 It's that and -- it's just to look at it because they have
10 managed somehow to do this thing and deal with the Section
11 2 districts in the core. So, it might be worth looking
12 at.

13 BOARD MEMBER FIGUEROA: Okay, I would like to just
14 put some of my thoughts on the record, as well, and then
15 we'll move forward with some direction.

16 I concur with Commissioner Dai about the
17 Westchester area, we've received quite a bit of public
18 comment on that, so I would agree with some freedom to the
19 mappers to get rid of the Dockweiler Beach sliver, and
20 we'll look at general directions.

21 But I'd like to go back up to the Santa Clarita
22 Valley and the East Ventura area and just find out -- I
23 agree, and I think I said this yesterday, that Santa
24 Monica and Malibu have a closer community of interest
25 there and I concur with the East Ventura.

1 If we fix the coast, Ms. MacDonald, as you said
2 that might be doable, if we were considering also going
3 more with an east/west configuration for San Fernando
4 Valley in accordance, I think, with some of the
5 recommendations by Commissioner Barabba.

6 If we were looking at East Ventura going with
7 Santa Clarita, can we look at a larger picture as to what
8 happens to the population in Lancaster and how far it
9 pushes over into San Bernardino and where we have sparse
10 population, and advise me if when we push in this
11 direction what type of impact it has on quite a number of
12 other communities in region two. Is that where the push
13 can possibly go there or does it go in a different
14 direction?

15 Because right now we already have Lancaster split,
16 which is technically contrary to the community of interest
17 testimony that we received from them and this goes back to
18 this balance between recognizing public input and
19 communities of interest, and how they impact the entire
20 Southern California area.

21 I absolutely fascinated yesterday when a decision
22 to take out Mono and Inyo from one of our districts
23 actually affected whether or not Long Beach was going to
24 be with Orange County. It's absolutely amazing, those
25 types of ripple effects. And so, we are struggling to

1 really find this balance here.

2 So, would there be any affect going to the east
3 and into these districts here at all?

4 MS. MAC DONALD: You know, honestly, I think
5 there's too many moving parts for us to actually say this
6 right now.

7 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay.

8 MS. MAC DONALD: Because there's been so much we
9 just talked about, there's so many ripple effects. Well,
10 obviously, you know, we know that you want to keep
11 Lancaster whole and we know what the testimony was, so we
12 will keep an eye on that possibility.

13 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: It's just recognizing
14 that where the population flows and just for the members
15 of the public that are here, and that are watching, that
16 we're taking into consideration, you know, many concerns.

17 So, let's take a look at and let's summarize a
18 general direction on these Senate districts for Los
19 Angeles. It is a work in progress, as Ms. MacDonald said.
20 Let's clear this up and then we can move forward to the
21 Congressional districts.

22 So, as I understand it, we'll take a look at the
23 Malibu/Santa Monica connection, and I want to give you the
24 labels, if we have them. For the EVENT, which I guess was
25 East Ventura, we'll take a look at separating that and

1 putting that with Santa Monica, and then consideration of
2 the airport along the coast in the -- I want to tell Kyle
3 appropriately. It was LAPVB district. And I think based
4 on Commissioner Barabba's suggestion, taking a look at the
5 San Fernando Valley, where I think you said there was some
6 work in progress between the EVENT portion of the -- or
7 the valleys in that district, as well as the East San
8 Fernando Valley, to combine those with communities of
9 interest that are consistent with the testimony received.

10 Anything further or is there anything -- anyone
11 opposed to what that summary was that I might have said?

12 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: I just had one or
13 two additions. One was looking at our -- well, as
14 Commissioner Blanco stated, really taking a close look at
15 what the Unity maps did in that southwest portion of L.A.
16 and looking at the possibility of linking the Port of Los
17 Angeles on a north/south corridor, as per our community
18 testimony.

19 And then an alternative method of looking at the
20 Westchester area, you could either take the whole
21 Westchester and move it or look at the 1 and the 105 as
22 potential places to split Westchester.

23 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Thank you. Anything
24 further as far as direction on the Senate levels for South
25 L.A.? We were primarily looking at South Los Angeles, and

1 the Valley, and Santa Clarita area, and East Ventura.

2 Ms. MacDonald, if you wanted to pan out and see if
3 there's any other Senate districts of concern for any
4 additional direction?

5 Based on those directions, Ms. Boyle and Ms.

6 MacDonald, do you feel that you might need some direction
7 as to any of these other districts where there might be
8 some impact?

9 MS. MAC DONALD: Yeah, we're just trying to figure
10 that out.

11 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Oh, okay.

12 MS. MAC DONALD: Just one second.

13 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Did any of the
14 Commissioners -- I think last night we left off in looking
15 at, I thought it was the Covina district, did anyone want
16 to revisit or do we want to go through them again?

17 COMMISSIONER RAYA: I think it would be good if we
18 could at least run -- run through them just because we
19 were kind of jamming there at the end.

20 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Sure. Okay,
21 Commissioner Parvenu?

22 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: I know, can we get -- we're
23 moving forward now, okay.

24 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: I think they're just
25 looking at things to probably answer my question as far as

1 giving them some direction where they might see some
2 ripple effects, so we can answer their questions but --

3 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Okay. I'll wait until we
4 return after you conduct this exercise.

5 MS. MAC DONALD: Okay, we wanted -- we wanted to
6 go through this. We had -- there's 200,000 people that
7 have to come out, or 180 -- okay, 180,000 people. I'm the
8 rounder, okay.

9 So, they have to come out of either Victor Valley
10 or Antelope Valley. Currently, we pulled them out of
11 both. And we just wanted to -- we just wanted to see
12 whether -- are you okay with us having some flexibility on
13 where we're pulling them, just generally, so that we can
14 figure this out internally?

15 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Yes. The consensus
16 appears to be that you have some flexibility.

17 MS. MAC DONALD: Okay. I wanted to make a comment
18 about the Unity map that was mentioned earlier about, you
19 know, a lot of the things that they did. I think one of
20 the big things that they did is they put Covina with the
21 Pomona Valley, so that was one of the big changes. And
22 then they also had -- they had an interesting Riverside
23 district, as well.

24 So, you know, when you make like, you know,
25 significant changes, as we know, especially based on that

1 example you just provided, the Mono/Inyo/L.A. Port
2 connection, you know, it just really does configure your
3 entire map differently. So, I just wanted to put that out
4 there, FYI.

5 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, Ms. --

6 MS. MAC DONALD: I think we're good on our end, so
7 if you want us to zoom out and --

8 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: I think they wanted
9 to take a look at --

10 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Back west again, please.

11 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Oh, Commissioner
12 Parvenu, sorry.

13 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Yes, back west again,
14 please, to that Santa Monica, El Segundo area,
15 Westchester.

16 Is there a way -- right now this 50 percent, it
17 looks like the percentages are 50 percent African
18 American. Is there a way that you can quickly show us
19 what the table -- what the tabulations would be with any
20 adjustment? I don't want to come back the next time we're
21 here and then, surprise, and then -- is there a way that
22 we can do a quick fix or something, or to get an estimate
23 or something so that we don't have to wait until the next
24 meeting to observe what we see, and then either determine
25 whether we like that or not like it? Can we do that now,

1 because time is of the essence?

2 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Well, I think a lot
3 of us are realizing with the direction that we're giving
4 and some of the significant changes that we're making,
5 that we will be seeing this in presentation next week.
6 Running calculations, I think, is just based on which
7 direction she ends up going to capture the population,
8 recognizing what our concerns were in the community of
9 interest testimony.

10 So, we have a day -- you know, we added this day
11 to really move through some of this, so we've given the
12 general direction and I think we're providing the leeway
13 at this point, and freedom to them to come back to us.

14 And, again, we're going to talk about the schedule
15 and we're going to evaluate the comfort level of the
16 Commission and we may -- we will still revisit the issue
17 of the draft maps and whether we will be doing a second
18 draft map.

19 And I'm gauging it, Commissioner Ancheta and I
20 have talked about it and, of course, it's a full
21 Commissioner decision on our comfort level, when we had
22 provided these directions today and what we're going to
23 see next week.

24 So, I'd like to just move through these districts
25 so we can give proper direction. Thank you, Commissioner

1 Parvenu.

2 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Understood, thank you.

3 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: So, any other
4 district that you wanted to in particular look at? We've
5 already looked at this area in here, we understand that
6 there might be some impact in moving the Westchester area
7 out.

8 Commissioner Raya, was there -- I don't want to
9 move all over the place, if something makes logical sense
10 where you want to go next so --

11 COMMISSIONER RAYA: I just want to look at the --
12 I'm not sure of the name, now, but the one that includes
13 Alhambra, San Gabriel, Temple City, so on, going up north
14 there. Is that San Gabriel Valley? Whatever San Gabriel
15 Valley that is, okay.

16 VICE-CHAIRPERSON WARD: Chair?

17 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Ward?

18 COMMISSIONER WARD: I just want to get
19 clarification on the last statement you made, you said
20 Westchester out, what did you mean, what is the direction
21 to Q2 regarding Westchester?

22 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: The direction was to
23 get rid of the Dockweiler Beach sliver and put Westchester
24 in. What I mean was out of the Inglewood district and put
25 in the coastal as an option that we had looked at.

1 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Chair?

2 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Parvenu?

3 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: That would essentially mean
4 that the airport will not be in that eastern whatever its
5 name, and that means also that the port, another major
6 employment center, will not be in that north/south,
7 whatever the --

8 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Parvenu,
9 we had this discussion and what we've talked about is that
10 the airport is with Inglewood at the Assembly level,
11 number one.

12 Number two we've already, at the request of
13 Commissioner Galambos Malloy, she's provided direction to
14 take a look at extending the Compton/Carson district down
15 to the ports because in doing so that will likely be able
16 to preserve the Orange County/Los Angeles line there,
17 because we are somewhat uncomfortable with putting the
18 ports with Fountain Valley and Buena Park.

19 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Okay.

20 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Yeah, let me --

21 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: We recognize that and
22 that's a general -- we just gave that as a general
23 direction and so we'll see what the results will be
24 overall.

25 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Okay.

1 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: We recognize your
2 concern but, again, it's a concern that we've had all
3 different levels; we're trying to accommodate everybody.
4 For instance, you know, the airport may not be in with
5 Inglewood at every level, we need to work with all the
6 communities of interest together.

7 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Understood.

8 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: And just for
9 context, remember, we have competing community of interest
10 testimony as to where Westchester should go. We have
11 competing community of interest testimony for where the
12 ports should go, so that means it's the Commission's call
13 based on balancing all the different things we have to
14 balance, and based on population, what we have to work
15 with.

16 So, again, I'm looking forward to seeing what we
17 have next time, but it's always been our sense that
18 because of where they're located the airport -- we need to
19 have an open pressure valve somewhere and it's either
20 going to be the airport or it's going to be the port.

21 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Correct. Okay,
22 Commissioner Raya, did you have any questions?

23 COMMISSIONER RAYA: I wanted to ask where San
24 Moreno is between the Pasadena district and this one, is
25 it --

1 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: And your concern?
2 COMMISSIONER RAYA: They have a much stronger
3 identity to the communities to the north of them than they
4 do to the rest of us. And I think we heard -- we heard
5 that at the Rio Hondo hearing.

6 MS. MAC DONALD: Yeah, and I have to say I think
7 that was actually direction and we dropped the ball on it,
8 so we're going to fix this. So, our apologies, we just
9 saw I and we're like, oh.

10 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, then the
11 general direction with that would be to fix San Moreno and
12 put it with Pasadena. That would be removing San Moreno
13 from -- I wanted to give Kyle the correct label for that
14 district, LACVN.

15 COMMISSIONER RAYA: And do you have an idea what
16 that's -- the impact is going to be? Okay.

17 MS. MAC DONALD: Just one second, we're label
18 hunting.

19 So, it then has 13,000 people that we have to find
20 elsewhere.

21 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Did you have a
22 recommendation, Commissioner Raya, based on community of
23 interest testimony or, Commissioner Dai, did you have an
24 opinion?

25 COMMISSIONER DAI: Go ahead, Commissioner Raya?

1 COMMISSIONER RAYA: You know, I guess, let's see,
2 you only have 6,000 in what is labeled East Pasadena, that
3 would -- that would be okay.

4 COMMISSIONER FORBES: And this might be one of the
5 opportunities to use the full deviation.

6 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Yeah, you're right. I mean if
7 you pulled in the 6,000 from East Pasadena. You know,
8 it's so -- it's so big, or I should say spread out as it
9 is, I honestly cannot think, unless there's somewhere
10 down -- is Montebello wholly outside this district?

11 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: And what's to the --
12 what's to the west of Walnut there?

13 MS. MAC DONALD: It would actually help our
14 deviation, Nicole just said, if we put East Pasadena in
15 and take San Moreno, the district's actually fixed at that
16 point.

17 COMMISSIONER DAI: Yeah, I was going to ask, I
18 notice this district is 45.2 percent LCVAP and I'm
19 suspecting if we just -- that might be very close. It
20 should improve it by taking San Moreno out, yeah, and
21 adding East Pasadena.

22 COMMISSIONER RAYA: I think that's a direction
23 that would work very well with this map.

24 COMMISSIONER DAI: So, see what you can do there.

25 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: So, Kyle, you captured

1 that? Okay.

2 Any other comments on this particular district?

3 Okay, are we -- are there any other Senate districts that
4 folks want to take a look at before we go to
5 Congressional?

6 No, just checking. Okay, shall we move to the
7 Congressional then?

8 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: Are we leaving the Senate?
9 Yeah?

10 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: Yeah.

11 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: Okay. Did you have
12 something you wanted to --

13 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: I did have one, I wanted to
14 take a quick look at --

15 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: Sorry.

16 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: I'm sorry, because looking
17 at this, what we were just doing on the border, looking at
18 our Senate district that we built out of the -- we're
19 calling it RIVMV, that Senate district that has Ontario
20 and the Rialto.

21 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: Okay, do we not have
22 the --

23 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: What do you mean it's
24 mislabeled?

25 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: We might not have that

1 in their computer, so we --

2 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: No? Oh.

3 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: Well, I mean is the
4 issue regarding around sort of maybe potential Section 2
5 districts and those numbers?

6 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: Yes. Yes, and so I just was
7 curious because they both -- I'm looking at our
8 visualizations from yesterday and this is why it was kind
9 of -- it went very fast yesterday. And we, in our
10 Assemblies, both those seats were -- one was over 50 and
11 one was close to 50, I can't remember the precise numbers.

12 And then I'm looking at our visualization when we
13 nested them and it says here that they're at 39 and that
14 kind of --

15 COMMISSIONER DAI: I think it's an accident, I
16 think the labels in the wrong place, because the name of
17 the district is PALMSB.

18 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: There's a lot of
19 labels that were moved around on the wrong districts in
20 the Riverside/San Bernardino region two.

21 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: Because I think the
22 Inland Empire Senate, that you're referring to, I think
23 did exceed 50 percent, as I recall. Yeah, just given the
24 numbers, because I think that was a nesting so --

25 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: Okay.

1 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: I mean, just as a
2 reminder, we sort of have an odd number of majority Latino
3 Assembly districts in this L.A./Covina, then the Inland
4 Empire. So, you could make a choice, I think the choice
5 is to try to nest sort of the Covina, the majority of the
6 Latino seat with the -- what is the majority Asian
7 American seat.

8 There's another option, but I think we're sticking
9 with -- we're going with this one at this point.

10 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: No, I think it's the mis --
11 I think it's the label issue, I think. Yeah. Yeah, it's
12 on the -- okay. Right, that's swapped on the
13 visualizations we had online. Thank you.

14 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Correct. Any other
15 questions or concerns to look at, at the Senate districts
16 in Los Angeles, or based on the direction we're providing
17 to them, we'll see what we get -- get to work with, I
18 mean. I didn't mean it would be like a Cracker Jack box
19 or anything.

20 MS. MAC DONALD: Okay, so we now close the Senate
21 plan?

22 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Yes.

23 MS. MAC DONALD: And we're starting booting up the
24 CDs and we're going to start at the Antelope Valley, if
25 that's all right, with district ABSCV.

1 We're going to describe the district, if that
2 works for everybody?

3 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: I'm sorry, Ms.

4 MacDonald --

5 MS. MAC DONALD: Should we describe the district,
6 just like we did yesterday?

7 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Sure, if -- yes. I
8 don't know that you need to read all the cities, but I
9 guess just give some --

10 MS. MAC DONALD: Some of the highlights?

11 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Because we can see it
12 correctly. Yeah, some of the highlights and maybe where
13 the splits might be, that would be helpful.

14 MS. MAC DONALD: Okay. So, this is ABSCV and it
15 has Lake Hughes, Elizabeth Lake, Castaic, Val Verde,
16 Stevenson Ranch, Santa Clarita, Acton, Little Rock, Sun
17 Village, Lake Los Angeles, so I'm basically just circling
18 through here.

19 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: So, we have a split
20 in Lancaster?

21 MS. BOYLE: Correct, that's with the Kern County
22 district to the north and Courts Hill is slightly split,
23 that could probably be cleaned up.

24 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Can I see the
25 eastern border again?

1 MS. BOYLE: Yes, just a moment. The eastern
2 border is the L.A./San Bernardino County border.

3 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: And this has Santa
4 Clarita with parts of the Simi Valley?

5 MS. BOYLE: Correct.

6 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Correct. Okay, I'm
7 sorry. Commissioner Parvenu?

8 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Can you zoom into
9 Lancaster? I want to see exactly what streets that split
10 exist on. I know a little bit about Lancaster.

11 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: There's a lot of
12 streets there, one in particular that --

13 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Well, there's a -- there's
14 a train track that separates east from west and I just
15 want to know what that north/south street is in Lancaster.
16 I just -- for my own knowledge, in terms of understanding
17 what is that street that's north and -- if Lancaster's
18 split where, exactly, is it split? I need to know where
19 it's split, exactly.

20 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: You mean the line
21 that's to the east of the 14 that runs north and south?

22 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: That's correct, thank you.

23 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, we'll just take
24 a quick look at that.

25 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: I just need to know what

1 that is --

2 MS. MAC DONALD: Yeah, we're pulling it up right
3 now, just a second.

4 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: -- since this is like the
5 last time we'll see this until the next time.

6 (Laughter)

7 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: I still don't know what
8 that street is, if it's down --

9 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: They're pulling it
10 up, Commissioner Parvenu, hold on, be a little patient.

11 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: As per the
12 community testimony we've gotten I, personally, would feel
13 more comfortable with this district if it had more of
14 Lancaster and less of Eastern Ventura County.

15 Could you -- I know you've probably told us this
16 before, but the brief version of why we're looking at this
17 configuration?

18 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: So, you've got 110th
19 on the west and then over to the east.

20 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: And that's in reference --
21 where is downtown Lancaster in reference to this, let me
22 see, I need to --

23 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: I believe it -- I'm
24 not going to --

25 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Okay, I want to know

1 exactly what we're splitting.

2 COMMISSIONER BARABBA: Sierra Highway.

3 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Okay, that north -- Sierra
4 Highway is close to that train track. There's a
5 difference between the east and west side of Lancaster, so
6 I just want to see better. That's Sierra Highway, okay.

7 Okay, just needed to see that, thank you very much for
8 your time.

9 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, thank you.

10 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: I didn't realize it was
11 that labor intensive.

12 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Ms. Boyle,
13 Commissioner Galambos Malloy had a question about this
14 decision to be inclusive of all of, let's see, Eastern
15 Ventura versus making Lancaster whole, if there -- where
16 did this come from?

17 MS. BOYLE: Sure. So, Jaime needed this for the
18 districts to the north, it's part of the population
19 changes that were worked out, this external boundary seems
20 to be what's working best for her. So, giving it back to
21 her would require taking it back from her someplace else
22 and that take-back is going to be in Ventura County. She
23 doesn't have another border to take back through.

24 So, this is what we have right now as our external
25 boundaries. The other place to pull would be from San

1 Bernardino but, yeah.

2 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: And there's less
3 population there. And so this is, again, a balance
4 between maybe the community of interest testimony that we
5 are respecting at the Ventura/Santa Clarita, and yet we've
6 made Lancaster whole in other iterations, or other
7 districts, excuse me.

8 Any other questions about this district or, Ms.
9 MacDonald, do you have anything to add?

10 MS. MAC DONALD: One second.

11 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Any other questions
12 or concerns about this district from the Commissioners?
13 Okay.

14 MS. MAC DONALD: I think we're good.

15 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, we'll move on.

16 MS. MAC DONALD: Was there any specific direction
17 that Kyle should take down?

18 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Dai?

19 COMMISSIONER DAI: I think, go ahead and see if
20 you can clean up the Courts Hill, since we've already
21 split Lancaster, anyway.

22 MS. MAC DONALD: Okay, yeah, we're cleaning that
23 up.

24 COMMISSIONER DAI: Okay.

25 MS. MAC DONALD: So, we'll move on to the next

1 district, then?

2 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Yes, please.

3 MS. MAC DONALD: Let's move to Western San
4 Fernando Valley. So, this is SFVWC. And we have Granada
5 Hills, Porter Ranch is split, Chatsworth, Bell Canyon,
6 Hidden Hills, Woodland Hills, Tarzana, Encino, Beverly
7 Hills, Sherman Oaks, Valley Village, Northridge, Reseda.

8 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: The only comment I
9 might have is the Beverly Hills connection to the Valley.
10 And correct me if I'm wrong, but Calabasas and -- I know
11 we might be infringing a little more on that district a
12 little more than we might but where, if we had to consider
13 keeping Beverly Hills with its Westwood neighbors in the
14 West Los Angeles area, where would we need to look at
15 picking up some population to make it up in that district?

16 MS. BOYLE: We can possibly pick it up in Studio
17 City. Studio City is about the same amount of people.

18 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: And that, as I
19 recall, would be consistent with, again, some community of
20 interest testimony with Universal City, Sherman Oaks.
21 Commissioner Barabba --

22 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: We got a lot of testimony.

23 MS. BOYLE: Yeah.

24 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: We got a lot of testimony on
25 that.

1 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: So, that might be a
2 general direction for the SV -- or SFVWC to consider
3 removing the Beverly Hills and picking up the population
4 at the Studio City area and that would be consistent with
5 the mutual community of interest testimony that we
6 received.

7 Any other questions, or comments, or concerns of
8 Mr. Boyle?

9 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: I certainly agree.

10 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay. That's general
11 direction for that district.

12 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: And just for the record
13 because I think we're trying to -- the sense was that by
14 going too far into L.A. that those areas that are more in
15 the West Valley would be dominated politically by L.A., so
16 there was -- as well as community of interest with the
17 industry, there was also a concern about where the weight
18 of that district would be.

19 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Correct. Okay, any
20 other questions for us on this district? Okay, we can
21 move on.

22 COMMISSIONER BARABBA: Yeah -- oh, oh, oh.

23 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Oh, oh, oh,
24 Commissioner Barabba.

25 COMMISSIONER BARABBA: That area that's all

1 mountain ranges, right above Beverly Hills there, is there
2 population there at all? Okay, thank you.

3 MS. MAC DONALD: There's quite a bit of population
4 there, actually.

5 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: South of Mulholland.

6 MS. MAC DONALD: So, there was a reason -- Nicole
7 was just trying to figure out why she didn't swap out
8 Beverly Hills with Studio City in the first place, and she
9 just figured it out, so here we go.

10 MS. BOYLE: The swap's not quite even because
11 there is population up here, so I had to go further down
12 into the Hollywood Hills COI and there's -- I think they
13 have a community of interest around fire and around
14 management of the lands around Griffith Park, so that was
15 one of the things I was taking into consideration, but the
16 swap can be done.

17 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Can you show us the
18 population of Studio City, Toluca Lake, and Universal
19 City? Just as you have the populations below Beverly
20 Hills, we just want to see what the numbers are. Is that
21 possible to do quickly? If it's too late, if it's too
22 involved --

23 MS. MAC DONALD: Oh, it's fine, we'll do it right
24 now.

25 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Do we have that

1 community of interest whole at some other level, for
2 instance at the Assembly level or the Senate level, or do
3 we need the Commissioner --

4 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: That's what I was going to
5 ask, yeah.

6 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Because Beverly Hills
7 to the Valley is just --

8 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: And I think we have Griffith
9 Park with this area in the Assembly is where I think it
10 is. And I don't think in a Congressional it has to, I
11 mean even if it's for fire issues, those are sort of more
12 local than federal issues so --

13 MS. MAC DONALD: So, this area is 40,000 people.

14 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Forty thousand for that
15 whole area.

16 MS. MAC DONALD: Yeah.

17 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: So, you can drop off
18 Universal City, probably, and come close to an even swap,
19 perhaps?

20 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, the general
21 direction is to take a look at that --

22 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Just take a look at it,
23 yeah.

24 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: -- removing Beverly
25 Hills from the SV -- SFVWC.

1 MS. MAC DONALD: Okay, it will be more evenly
2 distributed if you take out Toluca Lake, rather than
3 Universal City.

4 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: That's fine.

5 COMMISSIONER BARABBA: That's fine.

6 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: That's fine.

7 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, one person
8 talking at a time, please. Or you can talk, just not on
9 your mic but --

10 MS. MAC DONALD: So, that is the general direction
11 then?

12 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Yes, it is.

13 MS. MAC DONALD: Thank you. Okay, we're going to
14 move north to the San Fernando Valley. And this is the
15 district SFVET. And it has the City of San Fernando,
16 Asilomar, North Hills, Van Nuys, Valley Glen, North
17 Hollywood, Lakeview Terrace.

18 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Questions, concerns?

19 MS. MAC DONALD: Just one second.

20 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Thumbs up it looks
21 like.

22 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Looks good.

23 MS. MAC DONALD: We're going to verify whether
24 Granada Hills is split, just one second. It is split.
25 There's a piece of Granada Hills in here.

1 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: We recognize that at
2 the Congressional level to get to those zero zeros that we
3 see right there. Okay.

4 COMMISSIONER DAI: And this is what the next round
5 of input, I think there will be some street level things
6 that I think people will have input on.

7 MS. MAC DONALD: So, we'll move to West L.A., and
8 this is the district WLADT. And it has Malibu, and Agoura
9 Hills, Calabasas, Topanga, Santa Monica, Marina Del Rey,
10 West L.A., Westwood.

11 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: And how far over does
12 that go to Korea Town, Hancock Park?

13 MS. BOYLE: It continues to the border of Korea
14 Town. Would you like to see the southern boundary with
15 the streets?

16 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Questions, concerns?
17 Commissioner Galambos Malloy?

18 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Yeah, I do actually
19 have concerns about this district. I feel like on the
20 western side I'm comfortable with it, there's a certain
21 coastal and, in some areas, mountain nature to it. But by
22 the time you get that far east I feel like we're really
23 mixing apples and oranges in terms of the types of
24 communities of interest.

25 I would, you know, just -- I'm thinking about what

1 if we took Santa Monica and kind of those coastal
2 communities on the side and sent them north and then kind
3 of reconfigured the inland part, because I'm just not
4 comfortable with that east/west corridor on the south
5 side.

6 COMMISSIONER FORBES: When you go down -- you go
7 down toward Hermosa Beach, in that direction, Westchester,
8 Hermosa Beach?

9 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Well, for example,
10 if we had -- if we kept the coastal side and then looked
11 at that maybe like -- I'm just throwing out something
12 rough, maybe east of the 405, or keeping Santa Monica with
13 the coast but then moving from West L.A., Westwood, doing
14 more of an inland piece in there?

15 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Right.

16 COMMISSIONER FORBES: No, I think your comment
17 about coming down the coast is a good idea and then,
18 actually, I think you could go almost straight up -- move
19 that line, which is the easternmost line of that district,
20 you know, work it west and shorten it up.

21 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Uh-hum.

22 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, so the -- and
23 we're running into the airport again.

24 COMMISSIONER FORBES: Right.

25 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Uh-hum.

1 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: When we pull back
2 from downtown, then she would have to pick up population
3 elsewhere.

4 Commissioner Raya?

5 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Question. Maybe Commissioner
6 Parvenu can answer this because I'm -- I'm looking at
7 whether there's a way to kind of scrunch that corner over
8 there, the eastern corner of it.

9 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: The eastern corner.

10 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Kind of come down a little bit
11 or --

12 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: The eastern corner as like
13 in a city?

14 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Yeah, okay, under where it
15 says "West Hollywood" --

16 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Right.

17 COMMISSIONER RAYA: -- either moving that up a
18 little and then moving the bottom line up a little, or
19 scrunching them together somehow, you know, taking --

20 COMMISSIONER DAI: Well, that's Beverly Hills,
21 right, and that's going to move, anyway.

22 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Yeah.

23 COMMISSIONER RAYA: No, not -- I'm talking about
24 the --

25 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: You're talking about the

1 far eastern part that's --

2 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Way over to the right of the
3 WESTLADT, the end of it that borders Korea Town.

4 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Right.

5 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Okay, so that little square in
6 there, is there a way that you could adjust that bottom
7 line up so that you could go, you could pick it up going
8 south along the coast, how would that affect the -- I'm
9 just looking mainly at the COI, moving it north, whether
10 that's totally wrong.

11 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Did come across --
12 you're talking about the bottom line of this district
13 below the 10 freeway.

14 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Yes.

15 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay.

16 COMMISSIONER RAYA: If you moved it north and then
17 you --

18 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay.

19 COMMISSIONER RAYA: -- you pushed south at the
20 marina how would -- is that possible? I mean numbers
21 that's one thing, but also because I know we've had
22 questions from Commissioner Parvenu about the community of
23 interest in that View Park, Windsor Hills and going north,
24 does that have a negative impact on that COI?

25 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Yeah, as we've been

1 discussing Miracle Mile and I went -- I was looking in our
2 drop box, and I was glad to see that we've got more input.
3 If you move that line that you're talking about up further
4 north and you're getting back into the Miracle Mile,
5 Hancock Park area, and they did concur with what I had
6 been saying that they are closer -- closely related to the
7 Park La Brea, Hancock Park area and they don't find a
8 community of interest south, basically, of the 10 freeway.

9 Now, we have in the visualizations that we saw
10 yesterday, at the Assembly level, it looks like we were
11 below what would be considered the Miracle Mile area, but
12 going up further at a Congressional level they have no
13 community of interest with Inglewood, Lennox, if we were
14 to move that -- that line north.

15 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Right.

16 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: So, I would think
17 that what I'd heard earlier was pushing the line that's to
18 the east or east furthest line coming further west.

19 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: This is a little
20 difficult for me to do at this level of detail. I would
21 request that we zoom in, particularly that eastern border
22 of that -- yeah, I'd like to see streets and --

23 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: I think it's the same
24 one we saw --

25 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Not streets, but

1 neighborhoods and small cities.

2 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: It's the same one we
3 had before, that's the Korea Town border there, so we see
4 that border at the others, but we can take a look at it.

5 Commissioner Parvenu?

6 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: My objection to moving that
7 line up is that we're creating a near finger. In terms of
8 compactness that having that little area to the east
9 jettison out like that is fine as it is. As you know, it
10 looks a bit more awkward if you bring that line up to the
11 10.

12 There -- those communities there, Mid-City,
13 Crestview, Miracle Mile, Hancock Park there's commonality
14 there. You want to keep that area pretty much as it is.

15 And I think there is, because of the east/west
16 corridors that extend, there is like Pico and Venice
17 Boulevard, there is a lot of east/west transit and
18 transportation going on there.

19 I would prefer this option rather than dipping
20 down further on the coastal side, actually.

21 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Commissioner
22 Parvenu, I just wanted to see what you thought about this
23 because when I look at that northern area, like the
24 Crenshaw area, you know, I could see dropping down the
25 green -- let's see here, how am I going to explain this?

1 You see where it says Crenshaw district --
2 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Uh-huh.
3 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: -- potentially
4 dropping that border down farther south so, really, the
5 border -- Inglewood goes south but you could create a
6 block of these -- you know, they're not coastal, they're
7 not central city, downtown, but communities that have --
8 we could link kind of the west side pieces, we could link
9 the View Park, Windsor Hills, Baldwin Hills, Crenshaw, et
10 cetera, that cluster of cities. What would you think of
11 doing that?

12 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: I have to respectfully
13 disagree with that because that place is Baldwin Hills and
14 Crenshaw district in with West L.A., and Santa Monica, and
15 Pacific Palisades and --

16 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: No, no, I was not
17 going that far west. Let me clarify, that would not
18 include Santa Monica or Venice. And the farthest west I
19 would want to go is maybe Sawtelle but not even
20 necessarily that far southwest.

21 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Okay, but I think that
22 northern line there is sufficient as it is. To go drop
23 that northern -- here's Commissioner Ontai with his laser
24 here. But that northern line I think is the --

25 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: On the Westwood.

1 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Right there, where it's
2 mentioned, there is a significant delineation between two
3 separate COIs. Once you go north you're into essentially
4 Korea Town. As we had Little Saigon, and bigger Little
5 Saigon, you have Korea Town and bigger, larger Korea Town.

6 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Okay.

7 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: And once you draw that line
8 upward you start encroaching into the Korean sphere of
9 influence. I think that line as it is, is accurate.

10 And if you go south, then that would push the
11 areas of northern Crenshaw over to the west side of town,
12 and those two areas, just like Pico, Union and Westside
13 don't -- that area and the west side, there's no
14 interaction whatsoever in those two different communities.

15 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Raya?

16 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Well, I, perhaps,
17 misunderstood when Commissioner Galambos Malloy first
18 talked about this, but I understood your concern to be
19 that we're going from Malibu to Korea Town, that's where I
20 see a bigger distinct difference and I -- that's, really,
21 the issue that needs to be addressed, not so much
22 everything -- well, obviously, you have to address the
23 rest of it over here.

24 But the people, you know, east of the 405 that all
25 works, or even Santa Monica east, that's a nice, little

1 grouping there, but the difficulty is going farther north
2 along the coast.

3 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, so we -- Ms.
4 Boyle, do you have a recommendation of how we might be
5 able to reconfigure this district or what else you might
6 have looked at?

7 You're familiar with the communities of interest,
8 so we do have somewhat of a line at the Crenshaw district
9 where Commissioner Parvenu was talking about. Then we
10 also have the communities of interest, we're bringing
11 Beverly Hills back into this district and you have this
12 other community of interest which basically runs from
13 Hancock Park to the west side, which is consistent with
14 some of the testimony.

15 Do you have some idea on where you might want
16 to -- some flexibility from us and direction that we might
17 fix this issue, while still respecting the Malibu -- we're
18 fine with the entire west side, it looks like, into Santa
19 Monica. But do you have any recommendations and then we
20 can tell you yea or nay?

21 MS. BOYLE: So, if we take -- there was direction,
22 already, regarding this visualization to take out Beverly
23 Hills and put it in, take out Studio City. We could shift
24 this district -- this is a protected -- this is a COI
25 that's being preserved for the COG, but if you were

1 comfortable moving Calabasas out, I might be able to shift
2 down further and try to pick up this area. There's quite
3 a bit of people in here but it might be possible to group
4 this area with Glendale and Burbank.

5 The other option Ms. MacDonald has, and that she
6 would like to describe to you is -- it involves the Long
7 Beach. I believe this visualization pulled back into Long
8 Beach border.

9 MS. MAC DONALD: Right, so if you want to -- if
10 you want to give us some flexibility on that one but then,
11 you know, we also need permission to move a ripple, again,
12 through -- basically through the L.A. area.

13 COMMISSIONER DAI: So, I think there was
14 significant testimony from both Calabasas and Agoura Hills
15 that they're part of the West San Fernando Valley, so I
16 don't think that would be terrible.

17 COMMISSIONER FORBES: Well, I have to disagree. I
18 would -- I think that we've had lots of testimony that
19 they belong to the Santa Monica Mountains there. And I
20 don't think the population, because of the density of
21 population around the Miracle Mile, adding 40,000 people
22 you're not going to get much out of Central Los Angeles in
23 terms of territory gain.

24 So, I think you give up a lot and you don't get
25 much.

1 COMMISSIONER DAI: Yeah, I think it's a tradeoff
2 and I think there was absolutely conflicting COI testimony
3 about that in terms of putting the communities together
4 around the mountains. But if you look at who gave the
5 testimony from Calabasas and Agoura Hills, there was a lot
6 of testimony from residents in those areas identifying
7 with the West San Fernando Valley.

8 Whereas most of the testimony from putting them
9 with the mountains were not from residents.

10 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Barabba?

11 COMMISSIONER BARABBA: I'd ask Commissioner
12 Parvenu, some of the people I know that live on the west
13 side are indicating they find themselves always going to
14 the west side for something rather than going to the east
15 of Los Angeles, because it's very difficult to get there.

16 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: That's right.

17 COMMISSIONER BARABBA: Would you -- would it be
18 your estimate that those people in and around the Mid-City
19 and Miracle Mile are more likely to find themselves going
20 to the west?

21 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: I can answer that
22 question since I lived there. I lived in Park La Brea
23 which, technically, is considered the west side. I mean,
24 it's not real the west, but it is west of downtown. I
25 worked in downtown, but as far as social entertainment I

1 went to Beverly Center. And that's consistent with some
2 community of interest testimony that we received recently
3 in the drop box as well.

4 In the Miracle Mile area their connections are
5 primarily to the west and not to the downtown area. The
6 cutoff is pretty much at Korea Town, anybody that lives
7 closer to Korea Town pretty much would go east into Korea
8 Town. Anybody that's from Hancock Park and Largemont area
9 goes west.

10 COMMISSIONER BARABBA: It seems to me that --

11 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Parvenu,
12 do you concur with that?

13 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: I completely concur with
14 Commissioner Filkins Webber. And I want to state there
15 are major east/west arterials, Olympic Boulevard, we've
16 got Wilshire Boulevard, you got Third Street, and you've
17 got Sixth Street, major east/west corridors where you can
18 go to the Farmer's Market, the Grove, the Westside
19 Pavilion. There's a lot of east/west transit going on
20 there.

21 And so it's very convenient and natural to go
22 east/west in that area, more so than going north/south,
23 actually.

24 COMMISSIONER BARABBA: Yeah, given that behavior
25 then I suggest that we leave it as it is.

1 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: I agree.

2 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Who said I agree?

3 Commissioner Forbes was that -- oh, Commissioner Parvenu,
4 you said leave it as it is?

5 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Ditto, yes.

6 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: It's true. I mean in
7 the sense that the population does go west.

8 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: And you have the 10 freeway
9 which is like the local unifier there in terms of getting
10 somewhere quickly.

11 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Oh, quickly?

12 (Laughter)

13 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Not at many times of
14 the day on the 10 freeway in the Santa Monica area. You
15 take Olympic, Pico --

16 COMMISSIONER RAYA: I would disclose my secret on
17 the way to get to the west side, but I'm not telling. It
18 is a good east/west artery but --

19 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: There is a lot of east/west
20 transition and transportation going on there. And also
21 you have major employment centers that are aligned along
22 those east/west corridors, too, for commuting purposes.

23 COMMISSIONER RAYA: I -- excuse me, but I think
24 we're just going to have to wait and see what we hear,
25 because I still think there is a significantly different

1 population in that little block versus going north and
2 concerned, because this is Congressional, you know,
3 concerned that the issues facing the people at the Santa
4 Monica Mountains are far different from the issues
5 downtown. And it's -- or west mid-downtown and what's
6 going to drive the influence in that district.

7 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, Commissioner
8 Blanco?

9 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: I have to agree, I still
10 think we need to -- it's not that those people in Mid-City
11 can get to the west side, it's a matter of representation,
12 it's not a question of whether they can take a good street
13 to the beach or to the west side.

14 And it's also the issue it reminds me of comments
15 we got with our first draft, where we had Pico Union with
16 -- with Santa Monica and Malibu, and now we've got this
17 downtown. So, it's not just this area, it's that downtown
18 is linked all the way. You go up the coast and it takes
19 you all the -- this district has residents in the downtown
20 area linked to Malibu.

21 And I think in a Congressional district in terms
22 of who's -- you know, where they get their representation
23 on their issues, which are much more -- it's much more low
24 income, there's immigrants in that area and I just don't
25 think that a -- where a majority district is beach, and

1 coastal and wealthy that those folks are going to be in
2 the right place for their representation.

3 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Any general
4 direction?

5 COMMISSIONER DAI: Consider Brentwood, Bel Air,
6 instead? That would cause a clockwise rotation.

7 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: And then the question
8 becomes where you put the Mid-City. With downtown?

9 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Pushing it -- oh, well, yeah.

10 MS. MAC DONALD: Can we split Hollywood, if we
11 need to?

12 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: It's big.

13 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Yeah, I think in the
14 Congressional that would not be a problem.

15 COMMISSIONER FORBES: Do you gain much population
16 in Brentwood, Bel Air? I don't think you gain much
17 population so, again, you don't gain much on the east side
18 by including that area.

19 MS. BOYLE: Correct.

20 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay. You have a
21 general sense of our concern regarding this area.

22 MS. BOYLE: Yes.

23 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: So, we'll --

24 MS. BOYLE: I have the same concern.

25 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: -- we'll move on and

1 we'll see what we can do. And as I understand it, you're
2 very familiar with the community of interest testimony and
3 a lot of what we're seeing now, Mid-City and Miracle Mile,
4 and the Los Feliz so --

5 MS. BOYLE: I would like to attempt to move
6 Miracle Mile and Mid-City north, if at all possible.

7 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: That flexibility -- I
8 would be agreeable to that flexibility with what the areas
9 that you see there, then the question just becomes down to
10 a detail on where the furthest line would be drawn?

11 Does anybody have any objection to that freedom or
12 flexibility?

13 It does not appear so, Ms. Boyle, so that might
14 work for you.

15 MS. MAC DONALD: I just want to make sure that we
16 have enough flexibility to really do that and I just hate
17 to harp around on that Long Beach/Orange thing, but if
18 we -- you know, can we please just have the flexibility to
19 work this out in accordance with your direction, as

20 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Well, you -- right
21 now we see that you have a district that crosses the
22 Orange County --

23 MS. MAC DONALD: Correct.

24 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: -- Los Angeles border
25 as it is, which we may be getting to momentarily and maybe

1 we can see where that flexibility would be. Primarily
2 between the communities that said they would be agreeable
3 in being in Orange County, which is Cerritos and Artesia,
4 versus those that do not wish to be part of Los Angeles.

5 And we've taken -- I've taken a look at issues
6 which have been raised by several of my fellow
7 Commissioners regarding socioeconomic differences that
8 might impact at that border, primarily between Las
9 Alamitos and Rossmoor versus other areas.

10 So, you have flexibility there, it appears that
11 you have done that. It might just be with different
12 cities.

13 So, any other general direction you might need to
14 fix the WLADT district?

15 We've given you flexibility in Hollywood,
16 flexibility going north. Not much flexibility going
17 south, so that kind of boxes you in a little bit.

18 Anything else?

19 MS. MAC DONALD: I think we're good right now,
20 thank you.

21 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, so let's move
22 on to the next district.

23 MS. MAC DONALD: Okay, we're moving on to the
24 Inglewood district which is IGWSG. And it includes
25 Jefferson Park, Baldwin Hills, View Park, Windsor Hills,

1 Hyde Park, Westchester, Lennox, Hawthorne, Bel Air,
2 Alondro Park, Lawndale, Gardena, the northern portion of
3 Gardena, West Athens, Westmont, Vermont Vista, Vermont
4 Knolls, Firestone, Harvard Park, West Vernon, Exposition
5 Park.

6 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: And when we spoke
7 last weekend I think we had some discussion about the
8 Gardena area and that -- okay. And I think maybe some of
9 the streets. I think that's where some of the changes
10 might have been in this district.

11 MS. BOYLE: Sure. Last week I believe we had both
12 Gardena and Torrance in here. And so I split it at
13 Rosecrans and moved it south of Torrance, and then I
14 shifted up north. There was direction to look at shifting
15 north and picking up, shifting this configuration north to
16 remove Torrance and Gardena, and then to either pick up
17 the Del Reys or to pick up View Park, Windsor Hills, and
18 these parts.

19 So, this visualization did that option, picking up
20 these instead of the Marina Del Reys.

21 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay. Questions?
22 Concerns? Okay.

23 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Can I ask just for
24 population, if you were to include Playa Vista and Playa
25 Del Rey, what kind of population are we looking at with

1 those two combined, do you know?

2 MS. BOYLE: Would you like to see?

3 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: If it's not -- it
4 won't take you very long.

5 MS. BOYLE: Okay. So, this is where I looked at
6 picking up the Del Reys. You can see in this one why I
7 chose the other option as my presentation was it has these
8 parts in with Malibu and Santa Monica, which seems more
9 offensive than the previous visualization.

10 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Yeah, thank you.

11 MS. BOYLE: Okay.

12 COMMISSIONER DAI: That's a good measure, level of
13 offensiveness.

14 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Yes, take it away,
15 take it away.

16 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Yao?

17 COMMISSIONER YAO: Is the split in Gardena greater
18 than the population of El Segundo?

19 MS. BOYLE: Yes. But I can verify that for you.
20 Would you like to swap Gardena out for El Segundo? That
21 could be possible.

22 COMMISSIONER YAO: We had El Segundo in with the
23 Westchester and all the other --

24 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: But, again, the
25 consistent community of interest testimony, if we wanted

1 to try and balance, is that El Segundo, South Bay coastal,
2 and not inland with Inglewood which, again, we're getting
3 that same testimony from Westchester. But we're also
4 getting the Westchester, Playa Del Rey, Playa Vista
5 connection as far as testimony.

6 COMMISSIONER YAO: Okay. If there's no interest
7 in doing that, then leave it alone.

8 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: I think at this
9 point, across the three maps, we're doing a fairly good
10 job of balancing the competing COIs we have that are all
11 immediately adjacent to each other.

12 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, any other
13 questions or concerns, anything anybody wants to look at
14 in this district, recommend? No general direction, okay.
15 Because all I see is everybody saying no, no, no, so okay.
16 We can go on to the next district.

17 MS. MAC DONALD: We're going to move on to Palos
18 Verdes. This is PVEBC. So, this is El Segundo, Redondo
19 Beach, Palos Verdes Estates, Rancho Palos Verdes,
20 Wilmington, Carson, parts of Gardena, and San Pedro down
21 at the bottom.

22 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Questions?

23 MS. BOYLE: Carson is split.

24 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Pondering? And where
25 is that split at for Carson and what the population

1 difference might be.

2 MS. BOYLE: I'm sorry, I don't have notes on it,
3 but I can look for you.

4 COMMISSIONER DAI: So, this is Congress, so we're
5 going to have to split one city at least.

6 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: True, just I wanted
7 to see where the split was at, it might be effective, or
8 ineffective, or offensive. We kept Cal State, Dominguez
9 Hills whole, I trust?

10 COMMISSIONER DAI: And with Compton, it looks
11 like.

12 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: It looks like it,
13 that's fine. We can look at those details later, if you
14 can go back out.

15 MS. MAC DONALD: Would you like to move on to
16 another district?

17 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Yeah, any other
18 concerns? I've got a few concerns; I'm just not certain
19 how it is going to work out here with all the different
20 variations we've seen here.

21 Commissioner Blanco?

22 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: Yeah, I just -- we can move
23 on but I know that in talking, I think it was yesterday,
24 when VRA counsel was here, there were concerns about
25 whether Compton/Carson -- one, whether Compton and Carson

1 should be together and whether that, in fact -- in other
2 words, there's concerns about the Congressional district
3 above it, is my point. That might affect what we do with
4 this district down here in Palos Verdes.

5 COMMISSIONER DAI: Yeah, I mean this is a very
6 diverse district, there's no question about it. This is a
7 configuration, it looks like, that allows us to go down to
8 the port and respect the community of interest testimony
9 we had along the transportation corridor.

10 But it -- we've kept a couple of communities
11 together that I think we weren't able to before, so
12 there's some smaller API communities I think in West
13 Carson.

14 We've respected the historical Japanese API
15 community as well.

16 We do keep the beach cities together, most of
17 them. So --

18 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Again, this goes back
19 to maybe recognizing that we can't, necessarily, respect
20 the one community of interest at every district level and
21 we're really trying to balance that.

22 And that might be what we had seen previously in
23 the Compton/Carson, where we're respecting it at the
24 Assembly and Senate level, but trying to balance some
25 population.

1 But I do have some concerns regarding this
2 district. Again, it goes back to maybe even socioeconomic
3 and significant difference between the Carson/Wilmington
4 versus Palos Verdes Estates.

5 If there is a balance here, we might revisit the
6 airport issue, again giving it to them at the Assembly
7 level, but here might be a balance to reconsider the
8 Congressional and whether putting Westchester with the
9 South Bay, respecting that community of interest and then
10 balancing and giving Compton back Carson and Wilmington,
11 and spreading the port a little bit more.

12 Now, here's a balance between these two districts
13 that we might wish to consider from the general direction,
14 if any Commissioners might agree in looking at a larger
15 picture.

16 Commissioner Raya and then Commissioner Blanco.

17 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Yeah, I do agree with taking
18 another look at this and I'm again coming at it from the
19 point of view of fair and effective representation.

20 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Blanco?

21 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: Yeah, I was going to say
22 that and, as well, I wanted to remind Commissioners about
23 the possibility of a Section 2 Congressional district in
24 Compton that was raised yesterday.

25 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Was that at the

1 Congressional level, also? Okay. By Mr. Brown.

2 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: It was only in the
3 Congressional.

4 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Oh, I see, at the
5 Compton/Carson district the --

6 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: Yeah, it was for
7 Congressional.

8 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: So, do we have some
9 general direction that we would like to consider that Q2
10 look at the Compton district based on Mr. Brown's concern
11 raised?

12 And in doing so, it might help out by putting
13 Carson and Wilmington together there and then -- but then
14 we've got to pull back on the airport and put it back into
15 the Coastal district.

16 Is there general consensus that we need -- that
17 based on Mr. Brown's comments that we may need to look at
18 that?

19 Commissioner Parvenu?

20 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: I -- I just have a problem
21 with that.

22 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: I know, there's a
23 balance here that's all. If you have significant
24 objections, I guess if you can provide general direction
25 as to what you think the solution might be, that we can

1 look at various options. Obviously, this Commission is
2 working and struggling diligently and we'd love to hear
3 it.

4 And if you don't have anything, then Commissioner
5 Galambos Malloy had a recommendation.

6 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: I don't have a
7 recommendation at this point, I just know immediately that
8 I disagree with this approach. I just don't --

9 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: You disagree with the
10 present or the direction that we're --

11 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: I disagree with what's
12 being discussed as alternatives, but I don't have a
13 response at this moment.

14 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, you can ponder
15 that.

16 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: I just disagree with it.

17 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Then we'll go with
18 Commissioner Galambos Malloy and then Commissioner Yao.

19 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: I think, you know,
20 as I understood the community of interest testimony that
21 related to the airport, and I think this is actually
22 similar to what we've seen in other parts of the region.
23 Early on we understood that there was a deep COI around
24 the Burbank Airport and only after a few rounds of
25 hearings did it really become clear that where that

1 mattered most was at the Congressional level, that the
2 airports are federally regulated. And so many of the
3 issues around noise abatement, air quality, et cetera, are
4 issues that there needs to be federal level advocacy
5 around.

6 So, for myself, given that the COI testimony
7 around the LAX Airport came very strongly from the
8 Inglewood community, I would really prioritize having the
9 airport connected to that district at the Congressional
10 level, specifically.

11 So, you know, that means we might need to be more
12 flexible elsewhere, but that is my perspective.

13 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: I agree. I agree with
14 that.

15 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: Chair, Madam Chair?

16 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Sorry, yeah,
17 Commissioner Blanco go ahead.

18 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: I agree with that, as well,
19 that the airport matters most in Congressional, much more
20 than in Assembly or Senate. So, I would agree with that.

21 My point is it might mean doing some other things,
22 but this Compton/Carson area has been -- we have been
23 advised that it's a potential Section 2 Latino district.

24 And so, you know, if those two things hold true,
25 the airport and the advice on this district, then we have

1 to figure something out.

2 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: So, I'm unclear --

3 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: I'm sorry, I had

4 Commissioner Yao in there earlier.

5 COMMISSIONER YAO: No, the airport connected to
6 the FAA was the same point I was going to bring out, so
7 it's been said.

8 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay. Commissioner
9 Galambos Malloy?

10 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: So, there still
11 seems to be some -- we're in an awkward position because
12 we need to figure out how to move forward and there's some
13 uncertainty around how we navigate this district, this
14 Compton/Carson district because of potential VRA issues.

15 Are we waiting for some additional piece of
16 information to define how we move forward there or, I
17 guess, where are we at in terms of the advice that we've
18 gotten from counsel?

19 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: I don't think counsel's
20 advice was that specific. I have a concern about the
21 adjacent district in terms of over-concentration, which
22 might lend some more equal division among the Compton
23 districts and the other ones, but that's me. That's not
24 counsel's official advice.

25 I think he did have -- he did express concerns

1 about there being very close with -- or having a Latino
2 majority district in the Compton/Carson area.

3 COMMISSIONER FORBES: Commissioner Ancheta, are
4 you talking about then the districts to the north and
5 northeast as being --

6 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: I haven't seen all the
7 districts, yet, but I know that East L.A./Boyle Heights is
8 at 63 percent Latino CVAP, downtown is at 61.44 Latino
9 CVAP. We haven't seen the other ones, yet.

10 COMMISSIONER FORBES: Okay.

11 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: But those are a little
12 high.

13 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Any other thoughts
14 about the two districts that we were looking at there, and
15 as far as general direction and whether we would want to
16 look at options?

17 Commissioner Parvenu?

18 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Can we go back, after you
19 show those tables that Commissioner Ancheta is requesting,
20 can we go back towards the Westchester Airport area again,
21 please?

22 So, as I last heard, the general direction is to
23 leave that area, whatever its name is, IGWSG, as is;
24 correct?

25 COMMISSIONER DAI: Well, I think we can't --

1 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: I've lost track of what the
2 direction is.

3 COMMISSIONER DAI: Yeah, we can't look at these in
4 isolation because I think if we're going to -- if we have
5 to consider the possibility of the Section 2 here, I think
6 it will affect all the districts around it.

7 COMMISSIONER FORBES: But we could address the
8 over-concentration, at least in the Downtown district, by
9 moving it, by doing a swap with the Inglewood district,
10 could we not?

11 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: So, essentially,
12 going west as opposed to going east. I think yesterday we
13 had tried to go east into Downey at the Assembly level --

14 COMMISSIONER FORBES: Right, right.

15 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: -- to look at
16 recalibrating the populations.

17 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: Just to get a complete
18 picture, Ms. Boyle, could you move -- thank you. Keep
19 going a little bit to get some of the other district
20 numbers.

21 So, I think just given the pictures we've got, I
22 think the over-concentration concerns would just be on the
23 two, the East L.A./Boyle Heights and then the Downtown
24 districts.

25 COMMISSIONER FORBES: And it seems to me you could

1 dilute the East L.A./Boyle Heights to the northeast and
2 the Downtown to the west. I mean recognizing that the
3 purpose here is dilution, I mean to get that number 60
4 down.

5 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: I don't know about
6 dilution, I would think of it as we're trying to look at
7 over-concentration of populations and --

8 COMMISSIONER FORBES: Okay, that's a better --

9 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: -- essentially, de-
10 concentrate.

11 COMMISSIONER FORBES: A better choice of words.

12 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: And if you'd note, the
13 Covina one is just short of 50 so --

14 COMMISSIONER FORBES: Right. Yeah, you might be a
15 trade --

16 COMMISSIONER DAI: It seems like --

17 COMMISSIONER FORBES: I'm sorry.

18 COMMISSIONER DAI: Oh, no, no, no. It might be
19 helpful if we could actually de-concentrate, even just a
20 little bit would help us with the Covina district.

21 COMMISSIONER FORBES: Yeah, I mean the DWWTR could
22 shift a little population to Covina and you might get both
23 of them to be --

24 COMMISSIONER DAI: You could use South El Monte.

25 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Again, I think based

1 on the advice of counsel, we need to recognize the
2 communities of interest that will bind these communities
3 when there are changes that are recommended.

4 COMMISSIONER DAI: El Monte and South El Monte.

5 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Can the COVNA, that's that
6 49.77, can some minor adjustment occur there to bring that
7 to 50?

8 COMMISSIONER DAI: Right, so my suggestion was to
9 put South El Monte in due to the connection with El Monte,
10 and I think that would probably decrease the concentration
11 in the Downtown -- the DWWTR district as well.

12 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay. So, we do have
13 general direction that might ripple through from Covina
14 all the way down to the port is what it looks like. So,
15 we have concerns regarding the recognition of a community
16 of interest, de-concentrating, as Commissioner Galambos
17 Malloy and Commissioner Ancheta had talked about,
18 considering the Covina district, the ELABH, maybe some de-
19 concentration, and the Downtown.

20 In doing so, in accordance with the community of
21 interest testimony that we've received that links the
22 communities that -- from whom we have received information
23 where there might be better connections, and be able to
24 achieve both purposes.

25 I did hear earlier that there -- you know, there

1 is a discussion among the Commission regarding options on
2 the coast and some hesitation about the airport. The
3 airport might be the solution, which will also help the
4 Compton/Carson district and balance out the over-
5 concentration in ELABH, the Downtown, as you move further
6 south.

7 Is there some distinct -- Commissioner Blanco?

8 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: I don't think -- well, I
9 don't think we said that there was option with the
10 airport, my sense was that we were all saying that it
11 needed to stay with Inglewood in this, in the
12 Congressional.

13 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: I've heard it go both
14 ways, I guess and --

15 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: That's my impression, too.

16 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Because I was still
17 of the opinion that I think that the airport in the
18 coastal helps the port and the Compton/Carson solution,
19 unless there's some way of fixing the Compton/Carson. And
20 I see Commissioner Dai shaking her head that that --

21 COMMISSIONER DAI: Yeah. I mean it's --

22 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: And there may very
23 well be other options, but if there's something we can
24 look at here, again we have put the airport at the
25 Assembly level, I recognize the issues with the federal.

1 Again, just a balance.

2 COMMISSIONER DAI: Yeah, I think the challenge is
3 it's hard to do both airport and the port, so it seems to
4 be either/or. I don't think we have the number.

5 So, I really -- I think that given we also have to
6 deal with some of these over-concentrations that we're
7 going to need some flexibility here.

8 So, you know, I would be in favor -- I mean I
9 agree that the airport is more of a federal issue but,
10 again, we do have conflicting community of interest
11 testimony. I think we need to resolve the compliance with
12 the Voting Rights Act, that's a higher priority.

13 So, I think more flexibility is better at this
14 stage.

15 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: And we could provide
16 some general direction that would ask Q2 to take a look at
17 the issues surrounding the Voting Rights Act in these
18 areas which, as I understand, they know what that means as
19 far as un-concentrating these areas, or de-concentrating
20 these areas and giving them flexibility on the airport and
21 looking at what options we can get with VRA issues in the
22 Compton/Carson.

23 Commissioner Yao?

24 COMMISSIONER YAO: Is there a direction to try to
25 make the Compton COMP district a Section 2 district by

1 going all the way down to -- what's that city next to the
2 port?

3 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: Wilmington.

4 COMMISSIONER YAO: Wilmington, yeah. If there --
5 if there is then I think -- I think this direction will
6 trump the airport direction.

7 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Blanco,
8 I'd like you to address that question.

9 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: So, I think we should check
10 with counsel on this, whether he is of the opinion that it
11 is clearly a Section 2 district, which was my
12 understanding and he was pretty -- he gave us a lot of
13 information from our expert about that, or his consultant.

14 But the other thing, and because the other thing
15 is could it be just a effective district, so not over 50
16 but, you know, what's known as an effective district, and
17 that would clarify some issues. You know, if it could be
18 45 or 40, you know.

19 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: We did receive advice
20 of counsel in response to your question.

21 Commissioner -- I'm sorry. Sure, let's take ten
22 minutes here. Thank you.

23 (Off the record at 1:08 p.m.)

24 (Back on the record at 1:20 p.m.)

25 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: We are resuming the

1 meeting of the Citizens Redistricting Commission, after a
2 brief technical break, and we'll get started here, again.

3 We left off at the districts that we're looking at
4 here, the Congressional districts in South Los Angeles.

5 The consensus that I felt, and also with Ms.
6 MacDonald, to give some leeway in looking at the districts
7 on advice of counsel, the Compton district, consideration
8 of the community of interest testimony that we received
9 with the ports in Compton/Carson, and some leeway on the
10 airport.

11 Now, Ms. Boyle, did you want to -- is that the
12 general consensus to provide flexibility to look at these
13 districts, again, based on that brief summary?

14 I see people shaking their head yes. So, we have
15 flexibility on the airport, looking at the Los Angeles
16 Port.

17 Just some other brief considerations is the Long
18 Beach Port is separated from Long Beach in this
19 configuration so we had talked about some -- we've talked
20 about the ports before, so if -- so, you've got some
21 flexibility there with the ports.

22 Just keeping in mind the community of interest
23 testimony with San Pedro with the Los Angeles Port. So we
24 don't want to cut off San Pedro, as we may have done, if I
25 recall correctly, in the draft map, so we want to keep

1 them together.

2 Any other questions, concerns or general
3 directions?

4 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Madam Chair?

5 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Yes, Commissioner
6 Parvenu?

7 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Let me understand the last
8 set of directions, can we sort of go over that? Because I
9 mean we've been discussing different alternatives and
10 options and I want to be clear what the last set of
11 directions were so I can sort of envision what this
12 reconfiguration's going to look like.

13 So, we are suggestion, then, that Carson,
14 Wilmington be added to the Willowbrook/Compton, that
15 Compton, COMP; is that the recommendation?

16 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Correct. I think it
17 serves two purposes, on advice of counsel, number one.
18 Number two, it's consistent of the community of interest
19 testimony between Compton/Carson and going with
20 consideration to the port.

21 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Okay. Okay, and that makes
22 that a potentially Section 2 area, it's over 50 percent?
23 I don't see any figures now because it's not projected,
24 yet.

25 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Correct, we'll take a

1 look at that, and that's the general direction.

2 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Direction of counsel.

3 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: And in doing so then
4 we have to give some flexibility on the airport.

5 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Okay. Now, that means that
6 IGWSG, as it stands, that has to be modified and, if so,
7 why?

8 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Well, it would have
9 to; based on the flexibility we need to give to the
10 airport.

11 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Okay. There are no people
12 that actually live at the airport.

13 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Well, when I say
14 airport I mean Westchester and there's quite a few people
15 that live in Westchester.

16 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Westchester, okay. But the
17 airport, itself, separated from Westchester, would be
18 aligned, still continually aligned with that IGWSG or is
19 the recommendation that it be aligned to the South Bay
20 community?

21 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: It's flexibility.

22 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: I would prefer and go on
23 record to say I prefer to be aligned with the IGWSG.

24 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Galambos
25 Malloy?

1 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: As I understood
2 where we were at, there is also a bit of need to confirm
3 with counsel exactly what his advice is regarding a
4 potential Section 2 district in the Compton/Carson area.
5 I think across the Commission we don't all have the same
6 understanding of what his guidance was.

7 Clearly, if we have some legal obligations in that
8 area, that's going to define what we can do as we're
9 moving west.

10 But I was not under the impression that we were
11 told we had to do a Section 2 district in Compton/Carson.
12 And unless that's the case, then I really do feel
13 strongly, as we talked about the Congressional issues with
14 the airport, that the airport stay with the Inglewood
15 district.

16 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Ward and
17 then Commissioner Forbes.

18 COMMISSIONER WARD: I don't know if it helps
19 further the discussion at all, but I did ask for a
20 complete list of what Mr. Brown briefed yesterday and
21 listed to us as his recommendation for required versus not
22 required. And in L.A. County he did list CD at
23 Compton/Carson.

24 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Can I request, I
25 feel like this is one of many times that we've been in a

1 position where it becomes clear that individual
2 Commissioners are having direct contact with counsel, the
3 information of which is not necessarily reaching the full
4 Commission.

5 So, if Commissioner Ward has received something by
6 e-mail or, you know, whatever we have, that if one of us
7 receives information, we should really all be working off
8 of the same base.

9 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Ancheta?

10 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: I also have in my notes
11 that -- and, again, I don't think it was a you must draw
12 this, but I have it in my notes that the Compton
13 Congressional district was one to look at as a potential
14 majority Latino seat, or district, rather. So, I have
15 notes on that.

16 But again, whether it was you must draw it -- I
17 don't think it was you must draw it, but counsel never
18 tells us you must draw anything.

19 COMMISSIONER BARABBA: We decide, he advises, as I
20 recall.

21 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Correct.

22 Commissioner Forbes?

23 COMMISSIONER FORBES: That's okay, I'm happy.

24 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay. Any questions
25 about the directions of flexibility?

1 MS. MAC DONALD: Okay, I just need to clarify what
2 the statement means that Commissioner Ancheta just made,
3 which is that counsel said that you --

4 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: I believe counsel was
5 not firm on saying you must draw a district. I don't -- I
6 mean, I'd yield to other Commissioners as well, I don't
7 think he was saying -- and I don't think he ever says --

8 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Right.

9 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: To be honest with you
10 he never says draw it, you must draw it this way.

11 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: He said should.

12 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: But take a look -- you
13 know, take a look at it and --

14 MS. MAC DONALD: Okay, so --

15 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: And again, alignment
16 with community of interest as well, so that's always his
17 recommendation.

18 MS. MAC DONALD: For us, we will look at 50
19 percent CVAP, 50 percent plus one CVAP in the context of
20 preserving other criteria, is that what you want?

21 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Yes.

22 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: And I think much as
23 we did yesterday, we were looking at many different
24 options on how to deal with over-concentration in some of
25 these districts, so I feel like we've gotten stuck in this

1 airport versus Compton/Carson/Wilmington, and that we do
2 have maybe some flexibility on the other side, so just
3 encourage you to also look towards other avenues of
4 addressing this and showing us what some of those would
5 look like.

6 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, let's move on
7 to the other districts.

8 MS. MAC DONALD: Okay, we'll move on to Long
9 Beach.

10 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Questions, concerns?
11 I have a few if -- Commissioner Barabba?

12 COMMISSIONER BARABBA: Oh, I believe we made the
13 indication we'd prefer to have the Long Beach part with
14 Long Beach.

15 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Correct.
16 Commissioner Parvenu?

17 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: I just want to have a
18 general overview of how many cities do we split and where
19 do we cross the county line exactly.

20 MS. BOYLE: Sure.

21 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Or do we -- not in this --
22 yeah, we do. Can you show the county line? I know it's
23 right along the river. I generally know where it is, but
24 I'd like to see the county border.

25 MS. BOYLE: Yes.

1 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Am I correct, it's
2 the brown line that runs right there --

3 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: It's the brown line.

4 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: -- near Cypress, Los
5 Alamitos and then it runs -- the stair steps along La
6 Palma and Buena Park.

7 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Okay, that's good. Thank
8 you.

9 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: So, is -- you have
10 the Buena Park, La Palma, Cypress, Los Alamitos and
11 Rossmoor are in Orange County.

12 MS. BOYLE: Correct.

13 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: And I would concur
14 with Commissioner Barabba that I think Long Beach has
15 significant connection, obviously, with its port in Long
16 Beach.

17 And I think, as we had discussed previously, as we
18 look at these districts in the South Los Angeles, I think
19 the flexibility at the Orange County border was at the
20 Cerritos/Artesia, and taking into consideration the vast
21 amount of community of interest input testimony we've
22 received at the public comment stage for Rossmoor and Los
23 Alamitos, and recognizing the distinct socioeconomic
24 differences between Rossmoor and, for instance, Hawaiian
25 Gardens area, and the various parts of Long Beach that you

1 have in there.

2 Other than, I think, the only connection might
3 have been Bixby Knolls.

4 Commissioner Ward?

5 COMMISSIONER WARD: I completely concur. When you
6 look at, in total, the public input we received from
7 Orange County there's two areas that far stand out in
8 areas of concern, and this boundary is certainly tied
9 for -- tied for first.

10 There's significant -- I mean a district like this
11 goes against, you know, the bulk of -- like I said, when
12 the number one issue is coming out of Orange County, it
13 combines communities of interest that -- or, actually,
14 sorry, breaks up communities of interest that have been
15 well-defined through public comment.

16 So, areas like Buena Park and Cypress certainly
17 have divergent input about where their communities are,
18 but certainly Long Beach and Buena Park, Long Beach and La
19 Palma, these are communities that share absolutely no
20 interest or commonality.

21 And using the criteria we've been using to pair
22 other parts of the State, and certainly L.A., this would
23 be a drastic change.

24 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Dai and
25 then we do need to move along.

1 COMMISSIONER DAI: Yeah, I mean I would just
2 comment that there was some, not a lot, but there was some
3 testimony about some commonality between Seal Beach and
4 Long Beach, but certainly not Huntington Beach. So, there
5 is a small amount of flexibility just for Seal Beach.

6 You know, obviously, we heard that Los Alamitos
7 wants to stay in Orange County.

8 But, again, I guess one other thought and this is
9 a flexibility for Q2, again in terms of the Compton/Carson
10 district, I don't know if it's possible to go north, but
11 we are getting this configuration because of the district
12 that's coming down to the ports.

13 And so that is what is causing this problem along
14 the Orange County and Los Angeles border, so we can't have
15 it both ways.

16 So, I think it would be advisable to look at an
17 alternative that doesn't come all the way down to the
18 port, if that's possible? And I don't know if it is.

19 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: So, the flexibility
20 and the general direction here would be some leniency at
21 the Seal Beach, Long Beach, but not likely going further
22 into Orange County past Seal Beach border, and seeing if
23 we could -- if that eases up some pressure in this area or
24 district with consideration of the community of interest
25 testimony for Rossmoor and Los Alamitos, and Cypress with

1 the Orange County.

2 Does that appear to be consistent with our
3 understanding of community of interest testimony? Okay.

4 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Did we have some conversation
5 yesterday about the fact -- I thought Commissioner
6 DiGuilio was discussing the fact that Seal Beach, a lot of
7 that was Naval something or other. And then that there
8 was a connection between Seal Beach and Los Alamitos, so
9 the two of them could be kept together in that district
10 Or --

11 COMMISSIONER DAI: Yeah.

12 COMMISSIONER RAYA: You know, the others -- the
13 others maybe would rightfully go out, Cypress, Buena Park,
14 La Palma, but that if you had to bring in Seal Beach and
15 Los Alamitos it would be okay, is that --

16 COMMISSIONER DAI: Right, so then the community of
17 interest would be between Long Beach and Seal Beach and
18 then between Seal Beach and Los Alamitos.

19 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Right.

20 COMMISSIONER DAI: Yeah.

21 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: The -- there is a
22 Naval station there in Seal Beach and the connection is
23 with the -- and Commissioner Ward, you probably know this
24 better, the military aspect with Los Alamitos.

25 The only concern I have about that idea is we

1 haven't received much in the way of testimony, we just
2 recognize that that's where the connection is. It's
3 Rossmoor. Rossmoor is an unincorporated area that -- with
4 a distinctly different socioeconomic base. And because of
5 its unincorporated nature, that's why I think it's pulling
6 to stay in Orange County because of the effects on the
7 fact that it's unincorporated.

8 And that happens a lot with unincorporated cities
9 and that's where, I think, we're getting a lot of this
10 testimony. It does have a strong connection with the Los
11 Alamitos and that's, as I understand it, their desire to
12 stay in the Orange County base given the fact that it's
13 unincorporated.

14 Whereas some of the cities can hold onto some of
15 their strength and influence, whereas unincorporated areas
16 have more difficulty, and the fact that there is a
17 distinct socioeconomic difference between Rossmoor and
18 various parts of Long Beach.

19 But the general direction was maybe to have some
20 flexibility. I think we keep them together at other
21 areas, the Seal Beach, Los Alamitos, if recall correctly,
22 are together in the Senate district that we looked at
23 yesterday.

24 So, again, this might be a balance for flexibility
25 for Q2.

1 And so any other general question? Commissioner
2 Raya?

3 COMMISSIONER RAYA: One more question. Is
4 Lakewood wholly in this district? Okay, thank you.

5 MS. BOYLE: Lakewood is wholly in the Long Beach
6 district in this -- no, it is not. I'm sorry; it's split
7 for population reasons.

8 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay. Any other
9 general direction for this direction and we can move on?

10 COMMISSIONER WARD: Can we get a recap of the
11 general direction?

12 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: I think it was some
13 flexibility at the Seal Beach border, flexibility at the
14 Cerritos/Artesia border, and putting Long Beach with its
15 port and, again, in consideration of the Compton/Carson
16 Airport and the push and pull that we're going to see in
17 the South L.A. District.

18 Commissioner Blanco, did you have something
19 further?

20 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: I just for -- for the
21 record, and I know people watch these sessions, I want to
22 remind people that communities of interest are on the same
23 level as counties, so it's -- it's not first do the county
24 and then to the community, they're really paired together
25 in the same section of Prop. 11 as things to respect.

1 And so, I think in some situations, and this may
2 be one of them, where we compare a community of interest
3 so -- because, again, it's about a fair and effective
4 representation, then we should, especially as Prop. 11
5 says, if it's necessary to do so for the factors that --
6 that take precedent over them.

7 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: And the only response
8 that I would have in that regard as far as fair and
9 effective representation is we've seen in some iterations
10 if you're putting only three cities from Orange County
11 into a larger Los Angeles-based district that's -- that is
12 diminishing the fair representation, especially to small
13 communities like Rossmoor is what --

14 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: I agree.

15 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: You agree with that,
16 Commissioner Blanco?

17 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: Yes, yes.

18 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay. Commissioner
19 Ward?

20 COMMISSIONER WARD: Thank you, Chair. I also want
21 to add that, again, in respecting public comment there's a
22 lot of comment that talks about not only is it a county
23 border, but the fact that we have a lot of community of
24 interest identifying this as a vastly different community
25 than Long Beach, identifying reasons why that is certainly

1 a county line, but is definitely a line that separates two
2 completely different areas.

3 So, it has a couple of reasons why. And,
4 obviously, when we talked about more northern Orange
5 County those -- that line isn't, through community input,
6 as firm.

7 But when we get down here, the public response has
8 been pretty clear, not only is it a county line and things
9 like that, but it also speaks loudly that it is a hard
10 line.

11 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: Right, and that was my point
12 that it really is -- you know, the community of interest
13 testimony is a big part of these things, not just the
14 county lines.

15 Before we move on what have we said about Artesia
16 and Cerritos, I'm sorry?

17 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: I think we've
18 recognized that we're giving some flexibility as we move
19 things around in South L.A.

20 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: Okay.

21 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: That that's a border
22 that I think we've recognized in our draft maps. And,
23 Commissioner Ward, we understand that you have a different
24 option but --

25 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: I don't mean in terms of its

1 porousness, I'm talking about the Congressional district
2 that it's in.

3 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Oh, we can move up to
4 that district and I'd like to. So, if we can move on?

5 Okay, Commissioner Barabba, briefly?

6 COMMISSIONER BARABBA: Just this would not -- I
7 mean I appreciate, and particularly this instance, the
8 need to try to honor a county boundary line, but this
9 would not be the first time that we've ever broken a
10 county boundary line. And so that's -- at least the
11 comment was made that we've not done this too many other
12 places. In fact we have.

13 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Ms. MacDonald, Ms.
14 Boyle, do you need any further directions of flexibility?

15 MS. MAC DONALD: No, I think this is -- this is
16 great. Thank you very much, Commissioners.

17 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, we can move up
18 there to the next district.

19 MS. MAC DONALD: DWWTR is the next district we're
20 going to. And this has Rose Hills, Pico Rivera, Downey,
21 Downey is in there whole, Bellflower, Artesia, Cerritos,
22 Millwauk, Santa Fe Springs, La Morada, East La Morada,
23 Whittier.

24 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: And if I'm not
25 mistaken, it has the South El Monte, which we had

1 discussed earlier, is that correct, at the very top?

2 COMMISSIONER DAI: Yeah, I had suggested moving
3 that into the Covina district.

4 MS. MAC DONALD: So, it has parts of Lakewood, I'm
5 sorry.

6 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: And that small part
7 of Lakewood. Questions, comments, concerns?

8 We had the one direction on the South El Monte, to
9 consider putting it with the Covina district.

10 Ms. Boyle, do you need further direction from this
11 Commission on how you would either pick up population
12 or --

13 COMMISSIONER DAI: I would pick up population,
14 possibly, with La Habra Heights, which has been associated
15 with Whittier before in public testimony. That would be
16 one suggestion, La Habra Heights and La Habra. I don't
17 know how many people are in South El Monte, but you can
18 make the call on that.

19 I know that Commissioner Ward would prefer to go
20 with La Habra Heights, first.

21 COMMISSIONER WARD: We've heard less from them.

22 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, anything
23 further? So, that would be where the flexibility is at
24 with La Habra Heights and South El Monte. Ms. Boyle, do
25 you have any questions about further direction on this

1 district?

2 MS. MAC DONALD: We're good at this point.

3 COMMISSIONER DAI: Yeah, and then the reminder, of
4 course, Artesia and Cerritos are, of course, want to be
5 with La Palma and Buena Park.

6 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Well, I guess I have
7 the question of whether that would be at this
8 Congressional level if we -- I think it's more of the
9 balance that if they needed to put it there -- we are
10 respecting it, I think, at other levels.

11 COMMISSIONER DAI: Yeah, they're together. Yeah,
12 Artesia and Cerritos are together, so I think there's
13 flexibility to leave them there, too.

14 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay. Commissioner
15 Ward, nothing further? Okay.

16 Okay, we can move on.

17 MS. MAC DONALD: Okay, we're going to move west.
18 So, this is the Downtown district and it has Korea Town,
19 Westlake, Pico Union, West Adams, University Park Central,
20 West Vernon, South Park, Vernon, Maywood, Walnut Park,
21 Southgate.

22 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay. Questions,
23 concerns? Are we splitting -- or we're not splitting
24 Downey, right, at the far end where it looks like we have
25 a little finger at the far south end on this district?

1 MS. BOYLE: That's the tail of Southgate; it's the
2 City of Southgate.

3 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, great. I don't
4 remember that. Okay.

5 And we've given the general direction, earlier,
6 about consistency with the Voting Rights Act and de-
7 concentration, which we'll see with the rest of the South
8 L.A. districts. And that's what we see in this district,
9 as well.

10 COMMISSIONER DAI: Yeah, I think 61 percent is not
11 that bad. You know, in the Assembly, I think we had one
12 district at 70, which was really concerning. But I think
13 60, low sixties is still not -- unless you have a
14 suggestion on how to change that, Commissioner Ancheta?

15 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: Yeah, I don't have a
16 specific one. But, again, if you've got an adjacent one
17 that's at 40 and you've got one in 60, you might want to
18 move in a rotation there.

19 COMMISSIONER DAI: Where's the 40?

20 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: Compton.

21 COMMISSIONER DAI: Oh, right.

22 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: And what about up
23 on the -- well --

24 COMMISSIONER DAI: Which actually argues for
25 moving north, so, for Compton.

1 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Anything further?

2 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: I was looking at
3 the district above.

4 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, we can move on
5 to the EL -- oh, I'm sorry.

6 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: So, I think Commissioner
7 Ancheta's point on the -- joining, just means that maybe
8 when we're exploring that district, whether there's
9 possibility -- you know, we had talked about some
10 possibilities going down, but just to know that there's --
11 if it's possible to take population going either east or
12 north there, perhaps.

13 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Isn't that the discussion we
14 had earlier about moving --

15 COMMISSIONER DAI: Southgate?

16 COMMISSIONER RAYA: No, moving South El Monte into
17 Covina and then something else would come east and -- I
18 thought that was part of our discussion earlier about
19 reducing the concentration in the downtown and the East
20 L.A. districts.

21 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: I think that was the
22 general direction we gave.

23 Commissioner Ward?

24 COMMISSIONER WARD: I had a question; hopefully,
25 Commissioner Ancheta can shed some light on. When we have

1 multiple potential Section 2 areas, in a dense area like
2 this, how does compactness play into this, if you can
3 still draw -- for example, in the ELABH, you know, we have
4 kind of a little bit of a corridor that goes in and
5 grabs -- is compactness a concern when there's multiple
6 potential Section 2 issues at play here, how we draw them
7 or how compact we make them or don't make them?

8 Because I do understand that VRA trumps,
9 obviously, compactness and we certainly want to respect
10 that, but I'm just not sure how, when you have multiple
11 ones that are all around each other how -- if compactness
12 comes back in as a requirement that we need to respect or
13 not?

14 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: Well, and again there's
15 two types of compactness. And I think if you're just
16 looking at sort of the Gingles compactness that these
17 aren't -- these are good. I mean, just generally, they
18 look -- in terms of, you know, the minority populations
19 are close together and the shapes of the district, I
20 think, are not too bad.

21 And, again, it's a certain level of -- you know,
22 it's a close call on certain kinds of variations on
23 compactness. I don't think we have a compactness issue
24 within these districts. In my opinion. It's the same --
25 I've seen worse that have been upheld, let's put it that

1 way.

2 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Anything further? We
3 do need to move along. Okay, ELABH. Or we're looking at
4 it, now.

5 I'm sorry, Commissioner Galambos Malloy, did you
6 have some questions on this district?

7 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Well, much as in
8 the conversation we were just having about the district to
9 the south, looking at the Latino percentages in this
10 district, whether we have flexibility to do any rotations
11 to the north, or slightly northwest, or northeast?

12 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: You wanted to see the
13 northern part of that district?

14 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Yeah, but we have a
15 district there, as well, where you have a highly
16 concentrated district that's next to some not-concentrated
17 districts, and thinking about the whole picture of what
18 the population swaps might look at to even it out.

19 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Ms. MacDonald, did
20 you have a question and then we can get back to this

21 MS. MAC DONALD: Yes, Ms. Kubas has a question.
22 Could you please repeat the directions for the last -- for
23 the last district?

24 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: The Downtown
25 district?

1 MS. BOYLE: Sorry, Commissioner Dai was
2 mentioning, and Commissioner Ancheta were mentioning
3 moving some of the population from Compton so that there
4 could be a population rotation. I didn't know if that was
5 to be taken as official direction.

6 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Blanco?

7 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: So, maybe one thing to look
8 at would be Walnut Park as a possible trade up there would
9 be -- so, that is direction, I think, if possible.

10 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: So, Walnut Park from
11 Downtown into COMP?

12 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: Yeah, could be.

13 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay. As an option.
14 Anything further? I think the general direction
15 in looking at -- what we gave for South L.A., and these
16 districts with de-concentrating is where we're going to
17 see a lot of balance among all of these. Am I correct,
18 Ms. Boyle?

19 Okay, just for Kyle's purposes, so I just wanted
20 to make sure she gets that down correctly.

21 Anything further? Commissioner Galambos Malloy,
22 did you -- I need to get back to your question if -- I
23 think the general direction is --

24 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: It's the general
25 direction.

1 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay.

2 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: I think we all know
3 what we're trying to accomplish here.

4 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay. Okay, then DW,
5 we've already looked at that.

6 Next, I guess, district for Congressional in Los
7 Angeles area. We looked at Covina.

8 MS. MAC DONALD: So, we'll do ELABH. And this
9 district starts with Eagle Rock, Glassell Park, Mt.
10 Washington, Elysian Valley, Echo Park, Elysian Park,
11 Filipino Town, China Town, Little Tokyo, the Artist
12 District, Boyle Heights, Commerce, Bell Gardens,
13 Montebello, East L.A., El Sereno.

14 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Questions, concerns?
15 I guess the only question that I might have is going back
16 to Commissioner Blanco and Commissioner Parvenu, if this
17 line at the Downtown district, at Pico Union, is
18 satisfactory, if that was in accordance with some of the
19 directions we had given last week, I think when we were
20 looking at the Pico Union area.

21 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Yes, it does.

22 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay.

23 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Can we just pan over so I
24 can see better here, before we leave this area? Pull that
25 up a little, please?

1 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: In the Pico Union
2 area?

3 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Yeah, I want to see what's
4 going on here.

5 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay.

6 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: I do -- in this
7 area I just want to make sure we reflect the connection
8 between USC and West Adams, which is looks like we do.
9 Where is University Village? I don't see. Okay, so
10 there's University Park, so they're all in the same
11 district here; is that correct?

12 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: That's right, that's in the
13 new Downtown district, as opposed to its orientation.
14 They have a real estate development along Exposition Park,
15 and Adams, and Jefferson. They have a public affairs
16 office that orients towards the south and the southwest.

17 They have long-standing relationships with the
18 south and the southwest. They're now in a different
19 district. They have connections with what we call South
20 Park, which extends up and down the Figueroa Corridor
21 towards downtown.

22 They also have --

23 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Well, basically, are
24 they in the Downtown district?

25 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: They're in the Downtown

1 district, yes. No longer in the -- whatever the name is
2 of the left one, I guess there, Crenshaw, View Park,
3 whatever. And that's an uncomfortable matter for me to
4 deal with because I know of their orientation. They have
5 a department on campus that deals with development off-
6 site along those corridors and that's traditionally been
7 in existence for the past 20 years, and they have some
8 ongoing projects. But they also --

9 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: But they're all
10 together in this district?

11 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: They're -- South Park is,
12 yes.

13 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: And University?

14 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: University Park is, yes.

15 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: And Adams and
16 Normandy?

17 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: It looks like they're
18 connected west towards Adams and Normandy, yes.

19 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay.

20 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Chair, it's come to
21 my attention, I was looking on the website and I was
22 actually having a difficult time finding the Congressional
23 visualizations for Los Angeles. And we have, it seems
24 like, the rest of the visualizations.

25 So, can I ask staff to work with Ms. Shupe to make

1 sure those get posted? I think this is a pretty crucial
2 set of visualizations that should get up immediately.

3 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Thank you for that
4 observation.

5 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Can we go to the far north
6 of this district, above where it says "Wilshire Center?"
7 I want to see what that street is. I believe it's -- I
8 don't know what it is, it might be --

9 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Ms. Boyle, can you
10 look where it says 101 right there, that --

11 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: That corner, that's right.

12 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: -- the green line.

13 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: I think that the one that
14 goes north/south may be Vermont and one goes east/west and
15 I just want to see what it is. I have no idea what it is.

16 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Melrose. It's
17 Melrose, okay. I thought it went further than that, but
18 that's fine. And that street there is Silver Lake.
19 There's a lesbian/gay community over there in Silver Lake.
20 Let me see, what is that line that goes east/west? Right
21 there, yes, what is that street? Is that Beverly? No,
22 not that one, the one north of the green.

23 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Hollywood.

24 MS. MAC DONALD: It looks like --

25 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Los Feliz is --

1 MS. MAC DONALD: Silver Lake Boulevard.

2 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Okay, so Los Feliz and
3 Silver Lake are LGBT community.

4 Melrose, to the west, also is an LGBT. And I do
5 recognize the Equality maps, too, from Equality
6 California, and their interests.

7 And, also, West Hollywood is where in this area?

8 Farther, much further west, okay, so that's Melrose.

9 Okay, Melrose also splits a bit of the Thai community
10 but -- but there is a smaller -- well, that's Thai Town
11 proper. Melrose, down there, to that right -- east/west,
12 right, underneath the 101 and down there, yeah, that's
13 another significant Thai community.

14 But we keep them whole up there with Little
15 Armenia and Thai Town, and that's the nucleus, that's the
16 center, so that's most important to keep that together, so
17 I'm okay with that.

18 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, it looks like
19 it is.

20 Commissioner Raya?

21 COMMISSIONER RAYA: I would just like to see the
22 whole district that we're talking about, please?

23 MS. BOYLE: It stretches from Korea Town southeast
24 to Southgate. The northern boundary Melrose Avenue.

25 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Thank you.

1 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: I had some concerns
2 that USC or portions of it might be split, so some general
3 directions could be to really go to the street level and
4 make sure that the entire USC and surrounding areas are
5 together.

6 MS. BOYLE: How narrow can I get through here and
7 would you still be comfortable with it if we got
8 significantly got more narrow connecting this grouping
9 with Korea town?

10 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Can you zoom in? We may
11 not need to go narrow, we may need to expand a bit. We
12 just need to zoom in and see what neighborhoods are
13 included in that USC sphere of influence.

14 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Well, can we just
15 provide them the general direction, unless there's a
16 street that you don't want this district to go past on the
17 west side, if we broadened this corridor through here?
18 Just so we can move on to the other districts because we
19 only have -- basically, almost going on 45 minutes, we
20 have some general business to take care of in the last 15
21 minutes, or we push back three o'clock, let Q2 leave, and
22 take some general business at 3:00 to 3:15, but I think
23 there's a lot of us that need to get to the airport, too.

24 Do you have general direction on a street not to
25 pass on the west side?

1 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: No, I'll rest.

2 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay.

3 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: At least on this version.

4 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Yao?

5 COMMISSIONER YAO: Just a comment that we're

6 talking about Congressional districts and a lot of these

7 development type of issues may be more important in the

8 State district, as compared to the Congressional

9 districts.

10 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, great. Any

11 further direction on this, other than what we had

12 provided, that might impact this district?

13 Seeing none, okay, we can move forward with

14 the -- I mean we have a couple left, right?

15 MS. MAC DONALD: We're moving on to SGMFH.

16 MS. BOYLE: It contains part of the eastern part

17 of the San Fernando Valley, specifically Tujunga and

18 Sunland. Shadow Hills, with La Crescenta, Montrose, La

19 Canada, Flintridge, Burbank, Glendale, and Glendale is

20 split. I'm sorry, not with La Canada, Flintridge, or La

21 Crescenta, Montrose. They're in the SGVP district.

22 This district is Burbank, Glendale, without La

23 Crescenta, Montrose. The majority of it would be with the

24 Pasadena and with the smaller split of Glendale.

25 In this district we have Silver Lake, Toluca Lake,

1 Universal Studio -- Universal City, Studio City, Los
2 Feliz, West Hollywood.

3 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay. Any questions
4 or concerns? We gave the general direction earlier about
5 Studio City and Beverly Hills.

6 MS. BOYLE: And this splits Miracle Mile from its
7 community of interest with Hancock Park and Melrose.

8 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Is there a
9 possibility of cleaning that up a little bit when you add
10 Beverly Hills in there?

11 MS. BOYLE: Yes, there could be some adjustment
12 and that's part of what I'm going to be looking at based
13 on the earlier direction.

14 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: And I -- there was
15 some community of interest testimony that we see that
16 gives further direction on Miracle Mile, so we'll just
17 give you flexibility in understanding that community of
18 interest testimony.

19 Any other questions or concerns?

20 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Yeah.

21 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Raya?

22 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Just clarification, sorry.

23 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Sure.

24 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Beverly Hills is going what
25 direction? It's going south, right, not --

1 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: It's going -- yeah.

2 COMMISSIONER BARABBA: I think it's the previous
3 direction.

4 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Yeah, that's what I thought,
5 okay.

6 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: And Studio City's
7 coming out --

8 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Out.

9 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: -- of this district
10 that we're highlighting right now.

11 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Okay.

12 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: And the only other
13 question I had is about Tujunga. Do we have Tujunga with
14 La Crescenta at any other level? We've gotten quite a bit
15 of recent public input testimony, putting the -- you know,
16 and this is the difference between going north and south
17 for our foothill communities versus going east and west
18 like we did before. And Tujunga's given us quite a bit of
19 input on their connection with La Crescenta. But if we
20 can put them whole in another district level -- but,
21 again, this is where we're splitting the foothills.

22 Commissioner Dai?

23 COMMISSIONER DAI: Yeah, I was going to say since
24 Glendale's already split, I mean that would be an
25 opportunity to put them together if the Commissioner

1 desired.

2 MS. MAC DONALD: Honestly, we can't remember, but
3 we will absolutely look into that. And we believe that
4 the might -- may actually be together in at least one
5 other district.

6 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay. Any -- so,
7 we'll take a look at that issue and maybe -- because you
8 could, what, make Glendale whole and maybe put -- I don't
9 know if that cuts off any population just above or north
10 of Tujunga. Maybe a swap is what I'm saying in
11 population, as Commissioner Dai just said, between the
12 rest of Glendale and making Glendale whole, and putting
13 Tujunga with La Crescenta.

14 Because I don't think above that is much in the
15 way of population in the foothills. But, Ms. Boyle?

16 MS. BOYLE: The direction is to include Tujunga,
17 Shadow Hills area with La Crescenta, La Canada, Flintridge
18 so, basically, to bring the northern boundary of this
19 district all the way down to the Burbank City border, and
20 connect this over the top?

21 COMMISSIONER BARABBA: I think it was just
22 Tujunga, we didn't go down to the Shadow Hills and --

23 MS. BOYLE: Okay, so just the Tujunga community
24 over the hill so, basically, that would bring the boundary
25 then to about here.

1 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Correct and then --

2 MS. BOYLE: To the 210, approximately.

3 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Approximately, and
4 where the population shift might be with Glendale coming
5 in, and then the foothills would just go over to the north
6 part of Tujunga, if that's just some general direction,
7 unless there's any significant opposition to that. Okay.

8 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Did you use the
9 freeway as the split for Glendale, what was the dividing
10 line?

11 MS. BOYLE: I used the Census tract, but it does
12 approximately follow a major arterial, you can see it to
13 the right here. And then for population reasons, to
14 finish this, I had to inch it to the west more.

15 I'd also like to point out that there's a
16 possibility of all this is going to change.

17 (Laughter)

18 COMMISSIONER DAI: We'll be up there in Claremont,
19 yeah.

20 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: We'll be up there
21 next to see how much a change there would be when we pick
22 up Claremont.

23 Do you want to address that before we -- or see
24 where the pull-back would be from Claremont?

25 MS. BOYLE: I think so.

1 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Let's start at that
2 border, first, before we tell you about changes or
3 directions that could be irrelevant --

4 MS. BOYLE: Flow out from there, yes.

5 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: -- irrelevant if
6 we -- with what's happening with Claremont.

7 Just to bring us back a little bit of what's
8 happening with the Claremont is what's causing some
9 changes in the Congressional districts in Riverside, which
10 we had agreed, I think last week, based on the community
11 of interest input that we had received, that they were
12 satisfied with the Congressional districts in that
13 Riverside County. And then we saw a change yesterday,
14 despite the fact that -- and this is where, apparently,
15 the push and pull is at.

16 So, Ms. Boyle?

17 MS. BOYLE: So, we're talking about picking
18 Claremont back up and putting it back into L.A., so it's
19 not included with the San Bernardino district.

20 However, picking it up would require that I remove
21 this area from the Covina district, disconnecting it from
22 the San Gabriel Foothill Mountains, and this is the
23 Congressional level, to jump over to pick up Claremont.

24 And I think in Stockton we were not comfortable
25 with that, but we went with this configuration.

1 But based on what we've seen, now, what's happened
2 further down in San Bernardino and Riverside, it looks
3 like picking this up might relieve some of those issues.
4 So, we're kind of back into a situation. WE know that
5 this district is already only 49.77 percent, so shifting
6 this to pick it up is not really an option.

7 I mean we could look at it, but we'd get something
8 kind of longer. We could go further down to South El
9 Monte, and stretch to Claremont, and possibly remove
10 something from these areas that are not as concentrated.

11 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: So, should we --

12 MS. BOYLE: Or we can go over the top.

13 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Do we want to provide
14 flexibility in looking at it, because then that pulls the
15 population from the San Bernardino district that is now
16 being pulled -- or is being taken to put into Riverside.

17 So, that would clean up and get us back to our
18 original district in Riverside that we liked, and the
19 public liked, and it might solve the problem, giving them
20 flexibility to look at various options here, with
21 Claremont.

22 Commissioner Dai?

23 COMMISSIONER DAI: Yeah, I think there's a lot to
24 be said to bring Claremont back into an L.A. County
25 district. It is a foothills community, I imagine, you

1 know, and as long as we can connect the foothills, two
2 foothill communities, I think that's a very reasonable
3 option.

4 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Yao?

5 COMMISSIONER YAO: I concur with Commissioner Dai.

6 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Wonderful. So,
7 you've got some flexibility there, Ms. Boyle, so we can
8 fix the other ripple effects from this.

9 Any other -- okay, so when that happens, you've
10 mentioned where there would be some shifts here in Covina.
11 We've already talked about the South El Monte and El Monte
12 coming together.

13 Anything further of direction, based on this
14 desire to put Claremont back into Los Angeles County that
15 you would require from us?

16 MS. BOYLE: So, once we do that, we're going to
17 need to get down to the zero and two-person populations,
18 so communities in the foothill that we would feel
19 comfortable splitting, or where there's community of
20 interest testimony that you're familiar with, that would
21 allow us to create the splits within those communities; if
22 Commissioners have any information like that, that they'd
23 like to provide to me, I would find that very helpful.

24 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: You're asking
25 Commissioners to volunteer as to what cities that would be

1 split? That's always hard. But maybe if we can --

2 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Maybe anonymously.

3 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Exactly, can we
4 submit it anonymously?

5 (Laughter)

6 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Actually,
7 Commissioner Raya said that.

8 Why don't we look at it a different way, as far as
9 the areas that we recognize as being communities of
10 interests that we would desire to respect, we can look at
11 it that way.

12 COMMISSIONER YAO: I guess we're trying to get the
13 Covina district up about 50 percent, is that right? So, I
14 think whatever -- whatever facilitates that to happen will
15 take priority over any city split. So, I would recommend
16 to give you that kind of flexibility to make that happen.

17 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: I'd be curious, Commissioner
18 Ancheta, about what you're feeling is about the 49.77
19 percent, as opposed to over 50 percent?

20 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: I think if you're
21 referring to current case law, it would be over 50
22 percent.

23 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: Yeah, it would have to --

24 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: Yeah.

25 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: Okay.

1 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: No, there's a legal
2 argument, but I don't think it's -- I don't think a court
3 has upheld any argument, yet, that that's -- based on CVAP
4 and inaccuracies in CVAP, that that might be a functional
5 district, but that's not in the courts at this point and
6 it certainly hasn't been handed down as a decision.

7 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: And have we --

8 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: I think there's an
9 argument there, but it's not a settled area of law.
10 However --

11 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: So -- so we did have a
12 policy we approved for Section 2 districts on deviation,
13 and I just want us to remember that, to the -- for
14 Congressional. We did pass a motion.

15 So, to the extent that that helps some of these
16 Section 2, I would recommend that we remember we have that
17 tool available.

18 And the other issue is I guess we've already done
19 all the other stuff we talked about with the surname and
20 all of that to try and see if the 49 really is more than
21 that. Remember when we instructed to look at the tables?
22 I'm just assuming you've already done that in coming up
23 with the 49.77, right?

24 Remember, this was where we said that on these
25 districts that were close, because we're going with Latino

1 CVAP, which is an inaccurate -- not a very reliable
2 statistic on a lot of grounds, which I'm sure Commissioner
3 Barabba could explain better than I can, that we would go
4 back and look at Spanish surname registration to see if
5 there was a way that it looked like 49.77 was really 50,
6 if you went into the tables.

7 And I just -- I want to remind ourselves that we
8 have those tools that we've agreed upon before.

9 COMMISSIONER DAI: So, Q2 has already provided
10 those tables and it's an alternative measure which,
11 according to many statisticians is an equally bad measure.
12 But it might be an equally bad measure that gets us over
13 50 percent so --

14 MS. MAC DONALD: I mean some of the -- if you
15 would like me to just say something very quickly, some of
16 the problems that come in with looking at registration
17 figures is that there is significant under -- under-
18 registration. So, you'd have to basically find that
19 figure and then configure that in.

20 So, really, these are very complex statistical
21 problems. I think what -- what generally, in this
22 particular, in the Voting Rights community and the
23 redistricting community, is accepted that CVAP, the CVAP
24 that we have from the Census, that comes out of the ASC
25 basically understates, so this is very likely, in my

1 opinion, from what I've seen for Latinos.

2 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: So, how do we -- so this
3 is -- you're saying that it's understated, so it's very
4 possible that in reality this is an over 50 percent.

5 MS. MAC DONALD: Absolutely, from my opinion, from
6 what I'm saying, yes.

7 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: So, I guess I'm curious what
8 we do with that piece of information, you know, as a
9 Commission? If we know that do we, you know, how do we --

10 COMMISSIONER DAI: Is it reasonable for us to
11 declare that 49.77 percent is effectively 50 percent?

12 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: That's what I'm saying,
13 right, how do we deal with that?

14 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: Well, we can do that,
15 because we can do anything we want at some level. But if
16 you are asking could someone sue because we didn't hit 50
17 percent, they could. Is it likely, given these numbers,
18 probably not. Unless there's another configuration that
19 someone would want to look at, if there's another district
20 that could be drawn, that we didn't draw.

21 But I think it's highly unlikely that on this
22 particular set of circumstances, if we left it alone,
23 there would be litigation on that district.

24 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: Yeah, I'm inclined to go
25 that way, given what we've heard that to just do that we

1 would split all the cities and I do feel like -- I'm
2 struggling with this because I do think that the
3 statistics are usually under-counts, and that we probably
4 are at over 50 but maybe, is this a lawyer question,
5 counsel? I'm not for us, but I mean for counsel? I don't
6 know, or can we just decide here.

7 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: Well, we -- well, we
8 can always decide. I don't know how counsel -- we can
9 always ask counsel what he thinks. I don't know that he
10 would necessarily say you have to draw it in a particular
11 way.

12 Again, this is the first time CVAP's been
13 available this early in the redistricting process. You
14 typically look at voting age population, look at those
15 numbers. This is probably a Section 2, majority Latino
16 district, I mean --

17 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: And my question is,
18 is when did counsel say that? In all of the lists that
19 we've gotten, I don't recall any opinion on COVNA or any
20 Covina district. Am I missing something? Or is it just
21 because we're so close on this number that we have to
22 consider?

23 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: That's -- yeah.

24 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Yeah, it's because of the
25 number.

1 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, Commissioner
2 Barabba and then Commissioner Raya.

3 COMMISSIONER BARABBA: I would be startled if
4 there was an statistician with any recognition at all that
5 would say that's a real number and that the highest
6 probability is that it is higher than 50. I can't imagine
7 anybody saying it's less than 49.77.

8 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Raya?

9 COMMISSIONER RAYA: My question is we talked
10 earlier about moving, I think, South El Monte into this
11 district, am I --

12 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: That would fix it.

13 COMMISSIONER RAYA: So, when you do that and you
14 shave off some of that foothill --

15 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: That will fix it.

16 COMMISSIONER RAYA: -- that's probably going to
17 take care of it.

18 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: It's just that
19 Claremont wouldn't -- we're trying to -- if we didn't jump
20 over this district, Claremont might come in, which might
21 diminish that number. That's where some of the concern is
22 in making Claremont contiguous with this district, instead
23 of jumping over.

24 COMMISSIONER RAYA: I'm sorry, I thought Claremont
25 was going to be -- was going to be with the other, the

1 beige district?

2 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: It was based on Ms.
3 Boyle's recommendation that she's got options here that
4 can make it look better.

5 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Right. So, I'm just saying if
6 you do that and you're shaving off some of Glendora from
7 the Covina district, that's going to make an adjustment
8 when you also bring in South El Monte.

9 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, that sounds
10 like good general direction. Does anyone have any -- and
11 we'll keep an eye out on that number.

12 Ms. Boyle, do you need anything further on this
13 district because we do need to move on.

14 MS. BOYLE: I think that's good.

15 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: We have 50 minutes to
16 get to a 500,000-person bubble in Orange County.

17 MS. MAC DONALD: Thank you. Thank you and we're
18 done with Congressional.

19 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Wonderful. Now, what
20 I'd like to take a look at because of this overlap is
21 looking at the Riverside district that is being impacted
22 by pulling Claremont here.

23 Did you still have that? I thought we had
24 Riverside and Orange County to look back at.

25 MS. MAC DONALD: Okay, we don't have the

1 Congressional districts; we have the Senate districts for
2 them.

3 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: For Riverside?

4 Because I note there weren't any issues in the -- there
5 might have been, if anybody wanted to come back and look
6 at this. We can go through the Senate and see if there
7 was an issue.

8 Do we have any Congressional for Riverside and
9 Orange County? I think the Senate district was an issue
10 in Orange County.

11 MS. MAC DONALD: Yeah. Well, she has Senate
12 districts, but you need us to find the Congressional
13 districts or try to get them?

14 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Well, I just thought
15 it might have been a flow into this discussion, so we can
16 confirm that there was one district that was being
17 affected by this Claremont. So, I was just trying to be
18 consistent in flowing into something that would work.

19 MS. MAC DONALD: Okay, so we had a false alarm, we
20 do have the CDs, so just one second and we'll pull them
21 up.

22 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay.

23 MS. MAC DONALD: So, you would like to look at the
24 ONTPM?

25 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: So, what happens when

1 we take Claremont out, where -- where does the population
2 flow from there on the Congressional to get back at
3 looking at RVMV and pulling San Bernardino out of that
4 district?

5 MS. MAC DONALD: Okay, so we don't know this area
6 very well, so we're going to have to largely rely on the
7 Commissioners.

8 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, why don't we do
9 this, this was the general direction that we gave last
10 week and I'll have Commissioner Dai back me -- or tell me
11 if I'm saying anything wrong.

12 As we understood, we provided direction for RVMVN
13 last time, last week, that when SBRIA came in and took
14 Rubidoux and Mira Loma that based on that population then
15 RVNVN would have to pick up population and the direction
16 was to go south.

17 COMMISSIONER DAI: Right. So, what would happen
18 now is that I think we would see the other configuration
19 we saw before, which put Upland and Rancho Cucamonga
20 together and went over the top, instead, and that would
21 push that population down. I believe that's what would
22 happen, if I recall.

23 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Correct. And we're
24 still respecting Highland, Redlands, Loma Linda, and
25 keeping them whole, together in one district, while at the

1 same time respecting the RVNVN.

2 Now, when you -- as I understand it, and correct
3 me if I'm wrong, if you're following me and Kyle's getting
4 the direction, because this is what we had discussed last
5 week, when you're removing the population at RVNVN at
6 Rubidoux and Mira Loma, and adding it to SBRIA, the
7 population flow would come down, removing Highland, Loma
8 Linda and Redlands from RNVNV. Then you would pick up the
9 population, if you continue to go south, at what I believe
10 is part of Perris, which might be --

11 COMMISSIONER DAI: Which would push Perris into
12 the district.

13 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Correct, which would
14 be consistent with the community of interest testimony,
15 and that might be easier with the numbers, rather than
16 splitting Corona, and then just doing that on a geographic
17 basis.

18 When you take the population from Perris, in the
19 PRS, then if you come down further then Temecula, on the
20 Congressional level there's about 70,000 people that are
21 in San Diego, that could likely be put into the
22 Congressional district of PRS. That's the general flow of
23 direction.

24 And unless any Commissioner -- that's what I
25 understood the directions were last week, before we saw

1 any visualizations.

2 Does anybody have any questions, or concerns, or
3 additions, or objections to the general directions
4 provided on these districts, now that we can take a look
5 at what happened with Claremont?

6 Ms. MacDonald -- or Kyle?

7 MS. BOYLE: OCSDs, is that what these are?

8 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: These are -- no,
9 these are Riverside --

10 COMMISSIONER DAI: These are Riverside and San
11 Bernardino, yes.

12 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Region two
13 Congressional. Sorry.

14 And if I recall, that was the only Congressional
15 that we had issues with in region two from yesterday.

16 So, if that's correct, then what we were going to
17 look back at, which we went through fairly quickly
18 yesterday, were the Senate districts in -- I believe it
19 was San Diego and Orange County. And Orange County right
20 now we have, I think, a 500,000-person bubble. And now
21 that we've looked at Los Angeles, and then maybe we can
22 compare the two. Is that your understanding, too?

23 MS. MAC DONALD: So, are we okay with CD, so can
24 we close the CD map now?

25 COMMISSIONER DAI: Any other comments on other

1 Southern California CDs?

2 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Do you have the CDs
3 up for region one? Let me just flow down here and let's
4 see if there were any -- it will refresh my memory if we
5 had any issues in San Diego.

6 Given that Commissioner Ontai is not here,
7 Commissioner Blanco do you recall, did we give direction
8 on correcting any issues on the CDs in region one?

9 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: The only thing, again, was
10 that Logan -- Barrio Logan area, to make sure it wasn't
11 split off, and I don't know --

12 COMMISSIONER DAI: Yeah, we fixed also the --

13 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: I think it's fixed, I think
14 it should be.

15 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: I think it is, I can
16 see the corner where the sign says 94.

17 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: Me, too, yeah. Well, not
18 94, it's --

19 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Well, I mean
20 underneath there is where the corner is.

21 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: Yep, there it is.

22 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay. So, let's
23 move, just go back -- let's just go ahead and circle
24 around to Orange County. And on the Congressional level,
25 I just want to confirm if we had any changes or

1 corrections, then we can go back and look at the SDs.

2

3 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: And I have a comment before we
4 leave these CDs, before we --

5 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: If you can just pull
6 back, I want to see the border at San Diego?

7 So, we've got the county line is brown so,
8 technically, Dana Point, San Juan Capistrano and San
9 Clemente are in San Diego?

10 MS. MAC DONALD: That's correct.

11 COMMISSIONER DAI: And, again, at least the sister
12 cities are together.

13 COMMISSIONER WARD: Yeah, the concern, obviously,
14 with that has been, reacting to COI testimony, is what
15 binds those cities to South Orange County, what the city
16 officials provided us are that those three cities are
17 dependent upon their other south county neighbors for a
18 number of different municipal regions. And we've heard
19 that in a live testimony, too.

20 The concern I have with this being a soft border
21 is it's much like the situation we had with Marin County.
22 I mean they're -- you know, we had a -- the Golden Gate
23 Bridge. Here we have a 20-mile military base and
24 absorbing them down south, over it, certainly doesn't give
25 them effective and fair representation in this district.

1 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Is your mic on? I'm
2 sorry, I couldn't hear you.

3 COMMISSIONER WARD: It was.

4 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, thank you.

5 I have one question, just as a general question,
6 as you see what we did in Los Angeles, at the border
7 between Orange County and Los Angeles, and depending on
8 where we go -- it doesn't seem like we're going to be
9 breaking too much further, obviously, into Orange County
10 and combining it. If anything, we're going to be removing
11 some of the cities, quite possibly, like Buena Park and
12 Los Alamitos, and putting that in here.

13 Does that cause any problems just in the Orange
14 County area? In other words is there a possibility that
15 you would be going further north, or is this a question
16 for Alex?

17 MS. BOYLE: There's no place to move population,
18 really, except around and back up through here.

19 So, if we are taking out 70,000 people from
20 Temecula --

21 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: I know.

22 MS. BOYLE: -- that's going to pull this line down
23 70,000. And it looks like, based on the conversation I'm
24 hearing, that would eat into this COI here or maybe we
25 could take both Dana Point and San Capistrano.

1 Or the other option would be to bleed the 70,000
2 people out into L.A. through this way, through the Four
3 Corners area.

4 But this has -- this region has limited options
5 for moving population around.

6 COMMISSIONER DAI: I think there is more kind of
7 porousness in that Four Corners area, so I would look at
8 that first. And we know that South OC wants to be with
9 South OC, we just have limited abilities and flexibility
10 here.

11 Like I think right now Chino is split, also, in
12 this configuration, as I recall. So, I think there's some
13 opportunities there. But I mean I understand,
14 Commissioner Ward, your concerns. But I think, again, at
15 least having the cities together is less egregious than
16 just isolating one.

17 But we do need to give our mappers some
18 flexibility to move that population around or we're going
19 to get stuck again.

20 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Raya?

21 COMMISSIONER RAYA: I had a question, from my
22 fellow Commissioners, whether anyone recalls receiving
23 direct, or maybe Q2 knows, testimony from the City of San
24 Clemente, officials from the City of San Clemente.

25 I don't recall that. I know we've had people talk

1 about those cities and as much as, you know, I obviously
2 prefer to have everybody in Orange County. But the
3 testimony we did have about San Clemente was different
4 from Dana Point, certainly, and that there are -- there
5 are ties with Pendleton, a lot of Pendleton families live
6 in San Clemente, and kids go to school in San Clemente.

7 Also, you know, this was just something from my
8 own knowledge of the area and giving some consideration to
9 the fact that there's a nuclear plant at the south end of
10 town, and that perhaps there is some connection in terms
11 of, you know, security issues, perhaps, with being next to
12 Pendleton, you know, that kind of distinguish San Clemente
13 from the other cities.

14 Also, San Clemente goes very far into the hills,
15 now, east of the 5.

16 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: To add to that, the
17 other community of interest input that we heard was
18 actually from Oceanside and that they did not want to be
19 up in Orange County.

20 So, the inverse is true. When you're actually
21 looking at it, it's the same argument that we had with,
22 you know -- in looking at the residents of an area and
23 where they wanted to be and where they didn't.

24 And in this case we did hear a lot from the San
25 Diego.

1 But I think the general direction, I'd like to
2 just go back up, if there's -- the one place that is
3 flexible, and I think we all agree, is Chino, which we
4 hadn't seen before in this Four Corners area, is connected
5 with Chino Hills. And in most of our iterations and I
6 think in our draft map Chino Hills was separated.

7 So, if there is some flexibility in working on
8 getting Orange County better, it's definitely at the Chino
9 and Chino Hills area.

10 So, the only other question that I have is if --
11 and I'd like to just pose this to my fellow Commissioners,
12 we received recommendation for the Section 2 for Anaheim
13 and Santa Ana at the Assembly level. And, again, we're
14 trying to balance these interests. Is there a potential
15 for a better workable model for respecting all of the
16 other communities of interest that might be disrupted here
17 if we considered a configuration that might be similar to
18 our draft maps at the Congressional level for Orange
19 County because it may not -- we don't have a Section 2 for
20 the Congressional in Anaheim and Santa Ana, and so we're
21 respecting them where we do have the required Section 2.

22 So, is there a possibility that in order to
23 correct and respect all of these communities of interest
24 that we revisit this area because we're -- we're flowing
25 down from districts where as at other levels we're mixing

1 things up, and this might be one where we can respect
2 communities of interest that we weren't able to before and
3 reconfigure -- because we're following a configuration
4 that's at the Assembly level, which may not be necessary
5 at a Congressional level.

6 So, wanted to get some thoughts here, I think
7 there's a lot more work that might be necessary in Orange
8 County.

9 COMMISSIONER DAI: There was absolutely
10 conflicting testimony about Chino and Chino Hills, and
11 there was some testimony that linked Chino with Chino
12 Hills, and other testimony that separated it. So, I do
13 believe that's flexible.

14 I'm just looking back through my notes for Orange
15 County and some of the maps that were even submitted by
16 city officials had left Dana Point, San Clemente, and San
17 Juan Capistrano with the -- with the San Diego district.

18 So, again, you know, I don't think that's
19 preferred for those cities but that definitely was the
20 case on some of the maps that were submitted.

21 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Any other thoughts of
22 some general direction for Orange County because we do
23 need to get to the Senate districts and we only have 35
24 minutes.

25 Commissioner Ward?

1 COMMISSIONER WARD: The enthusiastic call. I
2 understand that the South OC cities, on some of the maps
3 that were submitted, do leave those areas out, but they
4 were also submitted based off of visualizations and
5 things, first that did that -- did that. They were
6 offering better configurations of what we had with the
7 boundaries we'd placed. It certainly wasn't a preferred
8 option.

9 But I thank Commissioner Webber for bringing up
10 this issue. I was going to wait until we got more into
11 the affected districts.

12 But I do believe that we might have some better
13 options for Orange County if we can work with Anaheim
14 differently, and pair it up with some of the -- it's other
15 COIs in North Orange County.

16 So, I'd like to see us give some general direction
17 to Q2 that allows for that and -- and then with the other
18 discretion and soft lines we'd give them, I think that it
19 might free them up to come up with some really good
20 options for us.

21 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: And what do we do with the
22 community of interest testimony that we got uniting Santa
23 Ana with Anaheim, in that case?

24 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: We're respecting it
25 at the Assembly level, which is the Section 2, that's

1 what's drawing it together.

2 COMMISSIONER WARD: We'd be able to respect things
3 like Orange, who's continued to submit public comment up
4 through last night, you know, in trying to remain whole,
5 and COIs that we aren't able to respect at the Assembly
6 level we can respect at this level by, again, giving more
7 flexibility.

8 I mean Anaheim and Santa Ana are two huge
9 population centers, they're going to make a drastic change
10 for what we can do with this county, if we can free that
11 up.

12 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Some of the other
13 input has been recently by Irvine. Irvine feels that it
14 is a South Orange County city. Now, we know it's large
15 and we may have to think about splitting it up but, again,
16 this configuration that we're doing for Orange County at a
17 Congressional level is following our Assembly level, but
18 it seems to still be inconsistent with the respect of
19 various other communities of interest only because we're
20 putting Anaheim and Santa Ana together at a Congressional
21 level.

22 But we're respecting it where they really wanted
23 it, at the Assembly level, and we're doing it for the
24 Section 2 purposes.

25 So, then when we look at reconfiguring Orange

1 County we can likely respect the Irvine community of
2 interest testimony we received putting into South Orange
3 County and working, obviously, where there might be a
4 split, respecting the community of interest testimony.

5 I think there was even some further that we
6 received from Laguna Woods, Laguna Nigel. Obviously, Dana
7 Point wanted to be in South OC.

8 There's a lot going on here that doesn't need to
9 be bound by the Anaheim/Santa Ana any further because this
10 isn't a Section 2.

11 So, I'm just asking for flexibility and seeing if
12 the Commission feels that there might be more flexibility
13 here to respect greater -- other communities of interest
14 that could not be respected at any other level.

15 Commissioner Dai?

16 COMMISSIONER DAI: Yeah, I mean I think that's a
17 fair consideration and we've talked about, you know,
18 trying to really accommodate some of the conflicting
19 communities of interest.

20 I do remember, though, Irvine -- I believe the
21 testimony from Irvine was actually putting it with Tustin
22 and North Tustin, so I would ask Q2 to double check the
23 community of interest testimony around that.

24 COMMISSIONER RAYA: There has been quite a bit
25 connecting with South Orange County, right.

1 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Recently.

2 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Recently, yeah.

3 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: And so we might get
4 into an issue where I think Q2 might have -- if they're
5 still under their limit of the June 28th post-draft map
6 versus -- and that's incumbent upon us to be looking at
7 the drop box, which we are doing.

8 So, I think it does go both ways but it might be
9 an --

10 COMMISSIONER DAI: And that may be an argument for
11 splitting it, too, so --

12 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Correct.

13 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: And I would just remind, so
14 I mean I think we should look at it, but I also want to
15 remind us that we have -- first of all, I don't think
16 people made a distinction and they said we only want to be
17 together in the Assembly, I think they just said together.
18 You know, they didn't make distinctions between.

19 But I'd want us to remember, too, the testimony
20 from the folks next door in Little Saigon, Westminster,
21 the larger, that area who, when we're looking at options
22 here, they did not want to be with Santa Ana. So, that
23 was a lot -- we got a lot of testimony.

24 So, when we -- when we go in here, they said --
25 they had a lot of testimony that they didn't want to be

1 connected, they wanted to be with Costa Mesa and the
2 beach.

3 So, when we're redrawing this I think we have to
4 respect that community of interest testimony as well.

5 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, what I would
6 like to do -- okay, Commissioner Forbes? I haven't heard
7 from you for a while so --

8 COMMISSIONER FORBES: I know and that's fine.

9 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: I just need to move
10 us along, we've got to get to the CDs, we have a 500,000-
11 bubble.

12 COMMISSIONER FORBES: I have a comment about as we
13 work on this map we may have an opportunity, we did not
14 have the opportunity in the Assembly district, to combine
15 greater Little Saigon, and there may be an opportunity to
16 expand into -- I'll call it greater Little Saigon.

17 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay. Commissioner
18 Parvenu?

19 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Before we leave the
20 Congressional, I know we have to wrap this up, can you go
21 back to like South Central Los Angeles, please?

22 You know, I want to make this statement, looking
23 at this picture from -- from where we are, I'm not really
24 pleased with what I'm seeing here. What I'm seeing is a
25 reduction of a Congressional district in the central part

1 of Los Angeles, the second largest city in the nation,
2 first largest city in the State.

3 And this area here, I don't care who the -- who
4 the elected officials are, Democrat, Republican, whatever,
5 this is being said without any regard to incumbencies in a
6 nonpartisan way.

7 But I see -- what I'm seeing here is a reduction
8 of a Congressional district serving the central part of
9 Los Angeles. This is where the highest unemployment is in
10 the area, high foreclosure rates, the crime rates are
11 highest here, there's gang violence, there's black/brown
12 relations that are being developed, there's a crumbling
13 infrastructure, public utilities, school overcrowding,
14 medical facilities are poor, health care, social services
15 are in need.

16 To reduce the core of this city to two
17 Congressional districts troubles me. I don't care who the
18 candidates are, I'm saying this without regard to any of
19 that. I'm following the Constitutional guidelines and the
20 criteria that we have before us.

21 But to reduce that area, an overpopulated area
22 that has high crime, to two Congressional districts and
23 two representatives in Washington D.C., as opposed to
24 three, truly troubles me. It troubles me to no end. And
25 I don't know how that area can be reconfigured, but I want

1 to go on record to say that in terms of political
2 effectiveness, to create three districts, as opposed to
3 having two solid blocks, would be more beneficial to the
4 core of the largest city in this State.

5 And I'm troubled by this scenario, I truly am. I
6 wish we -- I would like us to rethink this, I'd like to
7 take the Etch-A-Sketch machine and just shake it, and come
8 up with a different configuration because that -- that
9 bothers me. I just want to communicate that before we
10 leave this Congressional district scenario.

11 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, thank you very
12 much, Commissioner Parvenu.

13 Can we return to Orange County?

14 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: Well, I want to understand
15 that because that's a very strong statement, so I want to
16 find out what -- have we reduced the number of
17 Congressional districts in L.A.?

18 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Well, overall we know that
19 Congressional districts have been picked up in the Inland
20 Valley because as you say, correctly, Commissioner Blanco,
21 that's where the population is and the reason here has
22 taken a hit, the urban area has taken a hit.

23 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: So, but you're saying we've
24 got fewer Congressional districts in downtown?

25 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Well, not particularly

1 downtown, but the central core area of Los Angeles, that
2 area where what's known now as the
3 Inglewood/Downtown/Compton area. That are, in previous
4 configurations, for the past 10, 20 years, allowed for
5 three Congressional districts.

6 Now, that area, geographically, only allows for
7 two, that area.

8 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Ms. Boyle?

9 MS. BOYLE: I think that there may be a way to
10 address Commissioner Parvenu's concerns. It may somewhat
11 break through this community of interest here in
12 Inglewood, but it sounds like that was actually still
13 supported by COI testimony.

14 What would need to happen is we would need to
15 shift this northwest somewhat to pick up Culver City and
16 maybe go up as high as the 10, if that would be
17 acceptable, and possibly, maybe, shift out here, maybe
18 moving west a little bit. And then we could move this
19 district south and put in Gardena and Torrance.

20 And I think that might address some of the
21 concerns that Commissioner Parvenu is raising, and I will
22 be looking at doing that.

23 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Okay.

24 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: The only --

25 MS. BOYLE: With your direction. And that would

1 mean shifting this -- starting with a shift northwest here
2 of the Inglewood district, but not past the 10.

3 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: And I would like to
4 remind Q2, as well as the Commissioners, that when we did
5 this before we over-concentrated Latinos in the central
6 portion of Los Angeles. We have been struggling with
7 this, this is not a new discussion, Commissioner Parvenu,
8 we've had this before.

9 And that's what we've been trying to balance in
10 this area because if you follow the suggestion that Ms.
11 Boyle was just talking about you push to the east and you
12 either combined districts that we heard, at a draft map
13 stage, did not belong together, such as Inglewood and
14 Southgate, and then you've got to push further east. And
15 when you do that, you over-concentrated districts that we
16 saw at 70 percent, 83 percent Latino.

17 So, we are really trying to balance some serious
18 concerns here and we've given them direction to take a
19 look at this. But, again, this is not a new discussion.

20 I really want to get us to the -- to the SDs. Are
21 you struggling to say something, Commissioner Barabba?

22 COMMISSIONER BARABBA: Yes, I am.

23 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay.

24 COMMISSIONER BARABBA: I think the reality of what
25 we're facing is, though, the population of Los Angeles

1 County increased by three percent, the population of the
2 Latino population increased by ten, and the population of
3 the African American decreased by eight. And the overall
4 growth in Los Angeles was less than the State, so we're
5 facing the reality of a change in population. It's just,
6 I think, as simple as that.

7 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, Commissioner
8 Galambos Malloy and then we'll move on.

9 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Yeah, I think we're
10 well aware that the population has changed really
11 drastically in just -- in a lot of different ways,
12 including where people are situation in the State and in
13 various cities.

14 But I am interested in this idea of exploring a
15 different configuration along the lines of what Ms. Boyle
16 had suggested and I wonder if we could give her the
17 direction of where some potential borders might be?

18 For example, of like you wouldn't want to go east
19 of certain communities, for example, because what I see
20 potentially happening there, again if you're looking more
21 at this east/west corridor is as you get farther east then
22 it may offer an opportunity to de-concentrate some of
23 those Latino neighborhoods, but it's also -- you know, we
24 have to make sure that who we're linking up on the west
25 side and on the east side that they still represent if not

1 a community of interest, altogether, but that it's a
2 combination of different communities of interest as we've
3 seen in other districts.

4 But I share some of the same concerns and I think
5 that we need to move forward on this track now because if
6 we come back next week and are still very concerned with
7 this issue, and we haven't seen any alternatives, it's
8 going to impact our timeline.

9 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay. In that regard
10 are you asking Ms. Boyle to come up with options that
11 are -- that are different from the general instructions
12 that we provided for this area previously, because then
13 you're asking her to draw this district two different
14 ways, and she's already provided us three options, at
15 least at an Assembly level, previously.

16 Because I'm not certain that the directions we
17 provided earlier would be consistent with what you're
18 recommending, Commissioner Galambos Malloy. So, unless
19 there's some way, or if Ms. MacDonald or Ms. Boyle think
20 that there is some balance between the direction we
21 provided earlier and -- you're okay? Okay, then that's
22 fine, we're not putting any more work on them. Great,
23 let's move on.

24 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: We shouldn't
25 underestimate Ms. Boyle.

1 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Oh, absolutely never,
2 never, when I saw those options yesterday.

3 Let's move back to Orange County. The general
4 direction is to consider the community of interest
5 testimony that we received. It's not necessary to keep
6 the Assembly level configuration.

7 And in that regard I just wanted to respond to
8 Commissioner Blanco that we have heard from every single
9 community of interest that they wish to be identified at
10 every single level. So, and we haven't been able to do
11 that with everybody and I don't think we'll be able to do
12 that, necessarily, with this district.

13 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: I get that. I was
14 mentioning the Westminster folks, I was just reminding
15 when we think about the COI that we heard loud and clear
16 that the -- when we're looking at how to, you know, group
17 the --

18 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Not to be together.

19 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: Yeah, so that's why --

20 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: I understand, I'm
21 just commenting -- I'm just responding to the comment you
22 made before that.

23 But so any other general direction? We have
24 malleability at the Chino, Chino Hills where that might be
25 impacting. We're still looking at the south border, where

1 we're going to have to work with some population at San
2 Diego, we recognize that. But we also recognize if we can
3 keep that, the Oceanside people really didn't want to be
4 with Orange County.

5 Any other general directions? We've got community
6 of interest testimony from Irvine; we've given direction
7 that it was probably okay to split Irvine because it's so
8 large. We just have to rework this area to be consistent
9 with other community of interest input that we didn't have
10 before.

11 One final comment, Commissioner Ward, then we're
12 going to get to the CDs.

13 COMMISSIONER WARD: Thank you, Chairman.

14 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Or SDs, excuse me.

15 COMMISSIONER WARD: The Q2 had mentioned earlier
16 and I think Commissioner Raya had a point about possibly
17 moving the line south more and leaving more of --
18 basically, separating those three cities and the lack of
19 COI testimony from San Clemente. And I'm just reviewing
20 my summaries, I actually agree, Dana Point and San Juan
21 Capistrano have chimed in, there's been very little from
22 San Clemente.

23 So, I can't recall exactly what your -- one of the
24 options you had to possibly lower that line, but that
25 could be consistent with the information we've received.

1 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay. Ms. Boyle and

2 Ms. MacDonald --

3 COMMISSIONER WARD: So, it's on the table.

4 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: -- I guess, do you
5 think that Alex or Holly require anything further? And,
6 basically, Mr. Ward and Mr. Forbes are assigned to this
7 district for any additional questions. But we do need to
8 move on to the Senate districts.

9 MS. MAC DONALD: I think we're fine. And, also,
10 we looked at the COI testimony and I would agree that
11 there's been very little and definitely nothing from
12 officials from San Clemente.

13 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Correct. We had a
14 woman at two different hearings, I think, Fullerton and
15 Santa Ana.

16 Let's look at the Senate district, I'd like to
17 start in Orange County at the Senate district level
18 because that's where we appear to have a problem.

19 MS. MAC DONALD: Okay, we're looking for a couple
20 of files here right now, so please bear with us.

21 Okay. So, unfortunately, I was actually going to
22 ask if it will be okay if we put up the AD boundaries for
23 this area but, unfortunately, we actually don't have the
24 file.

25 And I think this is going to complicate things

1 because I wanted to suggest a couple of things based on
2 the Assembly districts, because there's a -- there is a
3 pretty good potential for nesting that may address a lot
4 of your concerns.

5 So, but without having them to look at right now,
6 I think this is going to be very theoretical,
7 unfortunately.

8 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: I have one question.
9 The visualizations that we saw yesterday morning on the
10 Senate districts for Orange County, was that a process of
11 blending of communities of interest? Was that an attempt
12 to blend or was that an attempt to next, do you know?

13 MS. MAC DONALD: I think it was an attempt to
14 nest, but I'm not entirely sure.

15 I know that there was a discussion that I had with
16 Ms. Henderson, where she was talking about that certain
17 areas should not be nested, but then they were nested,
18 anyway.

19 I think the big area -- or the big issue that I
20 have on this particular border is that I would probably --
21 I would like to ask whether we could nest Orange to San
22 Diego, because I think that's going to resolve a lot of
23 the problems and those were --

24 COMMISSIONER DAI: Along the coast?

25 MS. MAC DONALD: Yes, along the coast. And that's

1 actually what's driving a lot of the problems that you saw
2 yesterday in the Senate maps. And I have to -- so, I'm
3 going to apologize here because I really -- we've really
4 been working nonstop and I have not had time to really
5 look at this. But when -- from what I know, this is a big
6 problem.

7 So, if we could have the flexibility or perhaps
8 even the direction to actually nest those particular
9 districts, that would be very helpful.

10 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: The only, not
11 hesitation, but I guess my only concern is that, and
12 correct me if I'm wrong, if my notes -- because I looked
13 at this again last night and I was looking at my notes, I
14 didn't -- other than there was some discussion at the SD
15 for ISAND, everything else was a blending and I -- I know
16 we gave some direction more on nuances at the Senate, but
17 I didn't know if you had any extra people in San Diego
18 that you would really be combining. I thought we -- once
19 we hit that line right there, Riverside and San Diego were
20 kind of set.

21 So, I wasn't sure if you needed that flexibility
22 on this border because then it seems to me we're moving
23 back into a ripple effect on the SDs, back into Riverside,
24 and I thought we were trying to just find areas where we
25 were consistent, where it seemed -- appeared fine based on

1 the way that we were drawing it.

2 And now I just see that there could be a ripple
3 effect back in there, if you're coming back from Orange
4 County.

5 MS. MAC DONALD: What we have here is an odd
6 number of Assembly districts, and so something needs to be
7 nested, basically. So, it's either Orange and San Diego
8 or it's going to go into Orange and L.A. So, basically, I
9 think probably the lesser evil might actually be the
10 Orange to San Diego and I think that's basically the
11 tradeoff here.

12 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: The other option in
13 that is that we had more flexibility at the North Orange
14 County border and L.A., which you're already doing at
15 WESTAND. Not there, but actually on the northern border.

16 So, I would think at this point we've got 500,000
17 people over. The flexibility is to -- and the general
18 direction would be, given that we're running out of time
19 here, to obviously pay attention to the community of
20 interest testimony, do nesting to the best of your ability
21 and I guess we'll just have to take a look at the options
22 that we've had before.

23 Because we have a significant amount of population
24 here and given the direction in the other areas, it might
25 impact this. I don't know that we can give any other

1 specific direction on what to do with Orange County right
2 now, when we've got this significant bubble.

3 MS. MAC DONALD: Right. I mean if we go north on
4 this, then we're running into the Section 2 cluster.

5 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Oh, sure, I
6 understand.

7 MS. MAC DONALD: Yeah.

8 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: So, I think the
9 flexibility is some nesting into San Diego.

10 COMMISSIONER DAI: Yeah, I mean I think we need to
11 give Q2 as much flexibility as possible if we want to have
12 any hope of possibly releasing a second draft we can all
13 feel good about.

14 So, and I think -- you know, coastal communities
15 do have a lot in common so, again, this is federal level
16 representation, so environmental issues are important.
17 So, I think it's a reasonable alternative.

18 You know, what we looked at before was the San
19 Diego and Riverside nesting, as well, or blending. So, we
20 gave you flexibility there as well.

21 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: I just want to remind folks,
22 when we look at Orange County, it's a very compact, small,
23 geographic area. And when you're doing -- you know, you
24 just see it on the map and if you're dealing with Senate
25 districts which are over 900,000 people in that compact,

1 small kind of shape, I think it's completely unrealistic
2 to say everything's going to stay within those county
3 lines. It's just given the shape of the district, it's
4 just not going to happen.

5 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, so we've given
6 some flexibility there. Any other comments?

7 I have one comment to make about Orange County,
8 but if anybody --

9 One thing we haven't talked about and I'd just
10 like Kyle to make a general note about this, unless
11 there's any significant disagreement, and Commissioner
12 Ward, you can chime in on this as well.

13 San Onofre hasn't been talked about --

14 COMMISSIONER RAYA: I talked about it earlier
15 today.

16 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Did you? Well, okay,
17 maybe I missed it, I apologize.

18 COMMISSIONER RAYA: I didn't say San Onofre, I
19 said there's a nuclear plant at the southern border of San
20 Clemente.

21 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Right, but -- and
22 you're right, it's closer with San Clemente, as I
23 understand it.

24 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Yes.

25 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: So, but what we're

1 seeing in some of these configurations is we're pulling up
2 that -- where we are creating a hard line, I think maybe
3 at an Assembly level or somewhere, we were pushing San
4 Diego all the way up that San Clemente Border, and I think
5 that San Onofre actually goes closer with San Clemente.

6 So, when there's some maneuverability with
7 wherever that border's going to be, I think the general
8 direction should be to Q2 is that San Onofre stays with
9 San Clemente on whatever district, where the line is at,
10 when there isn't an overlap.

11 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Yeah. Well, my point was more
12 along the lines that it seems to me to be a national
13 security issue and I'm surprised that nobody in San
14 Clemente has talked about it, but that that would make it,
15 you know, a good fit if it had to be connected to
16 Pendleton.

17 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Well, they don't have
18 much to do with it, as I understand. It's actually
19 Mission Viejo -- Mission Viejo's actually in San Clemente,
20 because the population is closer there for potential
21 catastrophe. So, that's where they have the interest, and
22 I've never heard that much of Oceanside.

23 COMMISSIONER RAYA: No, no.

24 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Or as Camp Pendleton
25 really doesn't have much to do with San Onofre.

1 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Right, except for the fact
2 that it's --

3 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: It's close.

4 COMMISSIONER RAYA: -- it's right there.

5 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Blanco?

6 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: The other thing, when we're
7 looking at that whole area for Congressional, I would
8 remind folks that you have the San Clemente -- the San
9 Clemente border crossing that's up there, you know, where
10 you actually have the immigration control on Highway 5.
11 And it's right -- it, basically, it's considered,
12 technically, legally the border with Mexico, you know, in
13 the law. It's considered immovable border and it's up
14 there right south of San Clemente, and it's part of the
15 Border Patrol, and Immigration, and Customs.

16 So, in terms of something that is -- it's very
17 much connected. They put it up there precisely because
18 it's considered sort of one area all the way from San
19 Diego up there in terms of where they do a lot of
20 immigration control.

21 So, for whatever that's worth, it's important to
22 remember that's there in San Clemente.

23 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay. Ms. MacDonald,
24 do you have any other notes of direction that we need to
25 provide to you, other than redraw everything. I

1 apologize.

2 MS. MAC DONALD: Thank you for that. No, thank
3 you for summarizing that.

4 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: A little levity, too.

5 MS. MAC DONALD: Because that's actually what I
6 just said to Ms. Boyle.

7 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: But we do need to get
8 some general -- oh, sure, Commissioner Ancheta?

9 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: Regarding Senate
10 district numbering and deferral analysis, could you give
11 us any update regarding those?

12 MS. MAC DONALD: Yeah, the update would be that
13 I've been working on a memo for you and I have not been
14 able to finish it, so that would be my update.

15 I think what we would do and I need to talk to Ms.
16 Boyle about it, basically we would do, you know, an
17 overlay of the old districts with the new districts, and
18 then figure out how many people are being displaced.

19 There is actually a couple of ways to number,
20 there's a like geographic way, where we just look at the
21 shape and then -- there's a couple of different ways.

22 And I'm, honestly, not really right now prepared
23 to talk about it.

24 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: And that's okay. I
25 guess in terms of -- and, again, the process is a bit of a

1 moving target right now.

2 But in terms of how you would like us or what you
3 might prefer our process to proceed, how would you see
4 your memo once it's completed, and then our making certain
5 decisions? Will you need a decision to say, well, draw --
6 you give us, say, two or three options, you want a
7 decision from us to say do option one or option two, is
8 that right?

9 MS. MAC DONALD: Yes, and it's going to be a
10 pretty straight decision, I mean these are not very
11 different.

12 But, really, this is going to affect our timeline,
13 as well. Because as, you know, Commissioner Filkins
14 Webber just said, basically we're redrawing a lot.

15 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: Right.

16 MS. MAC DONALD: And in order to actually do the
17 displacement report we're going to have to merge all of
18 the areas and not work off of four different areas. So,
19 that's going to add, you know, 18 hours basically to the
20 process because we have to have it all together.

21 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: Thank you. That's
22 helpful, thank you.

23 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Chair?

24 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Raya?

25 COMMISSIONER RAYA: With regard to that whole

1 issue of the numbering, it might be useful to have some
2 coordination, since Mr. Miller and Mr. Wilcox have been
3 working on how we will post information to the website for
4 the public to understand that issue, maybe there should be
5 some communication with them, with Mr. Wilcox regarding
6 whatever memo and whatever information we put out.

7 MS. MAC DONALD: I don't -- I don't know if I'm up
8 to speed on this, but I was assuming that I would be
9 communicating with the Tech Committee and then they could
10 perhaps --

11 COMMISSIONER RAYA: That's fine. I'm not trying
12 to give any orders to anybody about how to do it, but just
13 that there should be some coordination, I think, so that
14 what you tell us and what we do coordinates with whatever
15 information we put out to the public.

16 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, a couple -- a
17 couple of things. I was going to have Mr. Claypool give
18 us an update on what is happening on some of those
19 recommendations that were made about the support provided
20 by some other websites on the -- I can't even talk
21 right -- equivalency files.

22 But, actually, what I'd like to first address,
23 while in my tenure of ever being Chair for the Citizens
24 Redistricting Commissioner -- no, we're getting into a
25 scheduling issue and what I just want to summarize, real

1 quickly, is what we've done as far as the direction today.
2 We've basically asked that we're providing a lot of
3 flexibility at the Senate level for Los Angeles, and Ms.
4 Boyle has confirmed that there's a lot of work that's in
5 progress there.

6 We have provided a different configuration for the
7 Congressional level and asking that we consider various
8 options, and based on Commissioner Parvenu and
9 Commissioner Galambos Malloy's request at the
10 Congressional level for South Bay and South Los Angeles.

11 We have to look at almost an entire redraw of OC
12 at the Senate level and the Congressional level to fix
13 these issues and we don't know what result that's going to
14 have in San Diego.

15 We also don't know what the results could
16 potentially be at the Los Angeles County and Orange County
17 border with Long Beach, when we take a look at some issues
18 with the airport and the ports.

19 We've been -- we've provided multiple options,
20 again, for South L.A. at the Congressional level.

21 That is just an overview of what we have asked Q2
22 to do, now.

23 And given the direction and the options that this
24 Commission has desired to see, that would make it
25 virtually impossible, but I'll let anybody else but,

1 personally, in my opinion, almost virtually impossible to
2 come back with presentations of one draft map for Northern
3 California and Southern California, which is anticipated
4 on the calendar for Tuesday and Wednesday, prior to a vote
5 that would be anticipated and what we've talked about for
6 July 14th.

7 So, we've all discussed the fact that when we have
8 these presentations, which will be the first time we are
9 seeing options, which is what we had seen at the first
10 draft map stage, that we have to consider and revisit the
11 topic of pushing back the schedule.

12 And I would defer to Commissioner Ancheta given
13 the work plan issue, and given that he's chair next week,
14 and maybe if you -- if you don't have anything to add to
15 that, or maybe you do.

16 And I think that maybe Ms. MacDonald can probably
17 give us a better idea of based on these options and these
18 choices and the general direction that we gave today what
19 this Commission is really looking like and looking at.

20 And we can visit whether we're voting on a second draft
21 map next week. The idea is just how much we're pushing
22 back into next week.

23 We have given ourselves flexibility of about a
24 couple of days.

25 MS. MAC DONALD: I'm just conferring with Ms.

1 Boyle to figure out how much time we need just to
2 implement, basically, everything that we've talked about
3 L.A. and then I have a pretty good idea about the other
4 areas.

5 Can I please have one minute?

6 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Certainly, because
7 I'll open it up. Commissioner Ancheta, do you have
8 anything to add and then we'll open it up to any
9 Commissioners.

10 And then I will get to Mr. Claypool. Thank you
11 for joining us again.

12 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: Well, I actually --
13 I think there are a couple options we want to discussion.
14 I guess I might open it up, if there are other concerns
15 that Commissioner Filkins Webber didn't cover, it's a very
16 good list, but I think if there are any others, you might
17 want to have the other Commissioners flag them if they
18 identify additional problems.

19 That, again, either there is not enough clarity
20 regarding what a draft would look like, in other words
21 there may be still two options out there or just, again,
22 more general concerns that may arise that might be an
23 impediment to voting on a draft map at this point.

24 COMMISSIONER FORBES: Yes, since you wanted
25 comments, I mean I have not seen, we have not seen any

1 visualizations for Sonoma, Solano, Napa, Yolo at this
2 point, none, because of our concern about Richmond, just
3 blew them out of the water.

4 So, I mean we'll be going to the meeting with
5 never having seen them before.

6 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: That is another
7 concern I could have added to my list.

8 Any other comments, questions about looking at
9 this push-back on the schedule a little bit?

10 Okay, Ms. MacDonald, or do you -- are you still
11 calculating?

12 MS. MAC DONALD: No. I'm not sure that news are
13 good. So, I think to really implement all of these
14 directions I don't think Southern California, including
15 L.A., could be here until Thursday to show you.

16 And Nor-Cal could be here on Tuesday.

17 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: Well, let me -- let's
18 just, again, and we talked about this yesterday, but let's
19 get more specific and more concrete about what we are
20 weighing as options.

21 So, the assumption, of course, is that our
22 original timeline is not doable given what -- particularly
23 just given what Ms. MacDonald just stated about the
24 availability of the Southern California maps.

25 There's sort of two major options we're pursuing.

1 One is the simply try to push back the release of a second
2 draft map a couple days. There are some -- just on that
3 option there are some potential time-saving measures,
4 including posting in different format, providing
5 equivalency files to other groups that could then post --
6 I think at some point we would still want to have our
7 official ones, but it takes the time pressure off to allow
8 other groups to pose more detailed data.

9 Ms. MacDonald, you mentioned some other options
10 which is a sort of direct access to the Statewide Database
11 server, which might save some time, is that another --

12 MS. MAC DONALD: Correct. We're actually looking
13 into the programming to just give them the equivalency
14 file and people can just look at the maps on the Statewide
15 Database file, and it's looking promising.

16 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: Okay. Now, the general
17 problem with this -- maintaining this kind of timeline,
18 even though it's pushed back a couple days, is that you're
19 still operating on the assumption that you'll get enough
20 clarity and you can vote on a draft. You're buying a
21 little more time but if at some point we go, well, Sonoma
22 is not what we expected, or anything, anything that's not
23 quite what we expected, or we've got two options and we
24 still have to decide on one, we can't pursue this kind of
25 timeline, it just doesn't work given how we're trying to

1 do it.

2 And we can't really go with this kind of second
3 draft map timeline more than three days, and even going to
4 three days pushes us right to the limit on our final draft
5 release.

6 So, that's option one and so some problems there.

7 Option two, which Commissioner DiGuilio offered,
8 and I'll just highlight this and I can't share it with
9 people, because she only shared it with me, I can't --
10 because of Google docs, I can't share what somebody else
11 shared. But let me highlight what she was suggesting in
12 her calendar.

13 It is, again, sort of the not publish the second
14 draft map, but to go basically through a more extended
15 line-drawing process that ultimately leads up to the final
16 draft.

17 There are various points where -- and it's not too
18 different from what we've done. We have, you know,
19 discussions, Q2 goes back, Q2 comes back to us, we can
20 have further discussions.

21 We do, of course, buy more time that way. I think
22 the big concern is, of course, where does the input occur?
23 You don't have a draft map out there, you can provide
24 visualizations, certainly, but that's not quite the same
25 as a map.

1 But, certainly, in terms of timeline it does give
2 us, I think, certainly much more flexibility to have the
3 iterative process go back and forth. But, in essence,
4 there would be no second draft. We would have to go -- go
5 with the final one. We could probably stay on deadline,
6 but in terms of adequacy of public input, the sense of
7 maintaining the -- I think the process remains transparent
8 but, again, what are they commenting on?

9 Is it just simply visualizations, is it, you know,
10 sort of a moving target for the public? These are all
11 things I think we really have to think about.

12 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: If we can be brief, I
13 think a lot of us have flights to catch.

14 But Commissioner Barabba and I'll just take it
15 straight up.

16 COMMISSIONER BARABBA: Yeah, my preference would
17 be to delay the publication of the second draft, find the
18 time that we think we can get it done, but rather than not
19 publish the second draft map.

20 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Raya?

21 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Well, I'm inclined to go with
22 the second option and to just figure out the best way to
23 continue to take input. I think we've been getting a lot
24 and I think we have received some messages from people
25 suggesting it's a good thing to take the time we need to

1 get this done right.

2 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Galambos
3 Malloy?

4 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: I'm also inclined
5 with the second option. I think that we are the one who
6 created the multiple drafts and I think that the intent
7 was in the right place. I think the reality of the
8 complexity of the job that we're trying to do, and we saw
9 our missteps from having rushed a bit on the first drafts,
10 and so I would say I'd want to make sure whatever we
11 release that we feel good about it.

12 And we have indicated that we want pretty
13 substantial changes to some of the visualizations that
14 we've seen and I don't want to bank on the fact that once
15 we see our options next week that we're going to be ready
16 to take a vote. I don't want to create a false sense of
17 urgency there.

18 Really, our goal is to get our maps done by the
19 end of the month, not next week. So, that would be my two
20 cents.

21 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Yao?

22 COMMISSIONER YAO: Agree with the previous two
23 Commissioners. The only suggestion I would have is to
24 release the equivalency file on the 14th, without voting on
25 it. In other words, that's the best data that we have.

1 And then continue to release an equivalency file on a
2 weekly basis until we vote on the final map, so that the
3 public has the information to give us detailed feedbacks.

4 Just releasing the PDF file, a lot of people felt
5 that it's inadequate to provide the kind of details as
6 compared to the first draft.

7 So, do away with the second draft, but make a
8 weekly release of the equivalency file, if that's doable,
9 and proceed accordingly. This way they can comment on the
10 detailed information that we do release to the public.

11 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Dai?

12 COMMISSIONER DAI: I was going to make a similar
13 comment, except I think weekly is not sufficient. So,
14 we're seeing visualizations every couple of days.

15 So, I think the doing a second draft is less
16 important, you know, than -- anointing something a second
17 draft is less important than making sure that the public
18 is able to -- in order to maintain the transparency of
19 this process, the public can actually see what their
20 district looks like on a detailed level.

21 And there have been plenty of volunteers of third-
22 party sites that said they'd be willing to post it
23 immediately.

24 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: We're going to get to
25 the third-party site issue as soon as I wrap this up, call

1 for a motion, then we'll go to Dan and then we'll be done.

2 Commissioner Aguirre?

3 COMMISSIONER AGUIRRE: I would agree with all the
4 previous speakers and regarding the equivalency files, if
5 Q2 feels that it's doable, then it will be great.

6 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Forbes?

7 COMMISSIONER FORBES: I also concur.

8 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Ward?

9 COMMISSIONER WARD: I just wanted to put my
10 support in with Commissioner Barabba on this one, I think
11 there's a whole host of arguments that are not so
12 functional, such as, you know, we've made a commitment and
13 we've spent a lot of time talking to reports and things
14 setting up an expectation that we would hate to -- but
15 that's not functional for what our end goal is, which is
16 putting out a quality map for California.

17 But I think why having the second draft is a very
18 functional thing to do is because although there are a
19 lot -- there's a lot of California who are into
20 redistricting and watching, there's most of California
21 isn't, they're waiting for the second draft and the
22 publicity that comes with that.

23 And I think even if we had a draft that, in
24 theory, we didn't agree on, that we voted down, it's going
25 to get buzz out there and there's hard lines we've made,

1 there's tough decisions that we've agreed upon throughout
2 the State. And I think that that's going to create a
3 whole new wave of community input to help us solve those
4 issues and, again, increase the quality of what we end up
5 with at the end.

6 And, also, I'd like to remind us that the first
7 draft that we passed, that created all the buzz, was
8 rushed and did have a number of flaws that we all
9 identified. So, it would mean that we'd go through the
10 whole process without actually even putting out a draft
11 map that, I guess, accurately represented where we were
12 at.

13 So, I'd like to consider still doing that, even if
14 it's a failed motion.

15 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Parvenu?

16 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: I agree with what's been
17 said before, I think the release -- actual release date --

18 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: You have two
19 options, which of the two options do you --

20 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: The first. Yes, the first
21 of the two options. The option of postponing the actual
22 release date until we're absolutely comfortable with the
23 product that we're going to provide to the public, that's
24 the option I'm referring to.

25 I think it's a moving target, it can be a moving

1 target, and we determine when that target date is. And I
2 think releasing the equivalency files, as Commissioner Yao
3 has said, is an excellent idea.

4 And I think what that does, too, is it frees up Q2
5 to actually do the actual work that's involved in this
6 intensive process. I think they can provide a better
7 product as long as they have the time to do it and we have
8 to allow them the time to do it.

9 And so that's why I prefer the first option, which
10 is to officially -- delay and official release date. But,
11 Commissioner Ward, yes, we do need a date, but it need not
12 be exactly the 15th.

13 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, Commissioner
14 Blanco?

15 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: I'm a little torn, but my
16 concern isn't just the time that Q2 has to -- how long it
17 will take them to implement, you know, the directions and
18 show us visualizations.

19 I think that today, for example, we had many and
20 they raised more questions among us than -- that we
21 solved. So, they were able to produce something to us,
22 but where that's not the only thing driving the timeline.

23 The other thing driving the timeline is that we
24 have differences and we keep asking, you know, for
25 changes. And so I feel like -- I don't know where this

1 takes me in terms of the vote, but I think we need, not
2 just Q2 doesn't just need time, we need time as a group to
3 go through and look at what's been proposed, and discuss
4 it and, you know, refine it.

5 And then what usually happens is what happened
6 today, we thought we were kind of close to some things in
7 L.A. and then there was a complete -- at the end, a
8 complete change of redoing everything.

9 And if that happens again next week, I don't --
10 I'm concerned that -- I mean that may be fine, that's the
11 process we have to go through, it's all part of a process.

12 But I'm not sure that we can do a second draft if
13 we continue to operate like this.

14 So, I guess my point is that I want us to leave as
15 much time as possible for us to be able to work on the
16 maps as a group and that may mean -- and then go back and
17 forth with Q2, and we may not be able to do all that going
18 back and forth, and discussing, and having a second draft.

19 So, I think I'm leaning towards not -- not rushing
20 our process. Not just Q2, but not rushing our deliberate
21 process just because of a second draft.

22 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay. I've allowed
23 everybody to speak. Commissioner DiGuilio is watching us
24 from online, she is our Work Plan Coordinator, she shared
25 an option calendar with you.

1 And, Commissioner Galambos Malloy, if anybody
2 wants to hear as to what she weighs in on real quick.

3 Then we're going to -- we'll hear from Dan on the
4 equivalency, very, very briefly and then we'll consider
5 where we're at to wrap this up.

6 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Commissioner
7 DiGuilio says, "I strongly believe that I want as much
8 time to do the maps right as we can, even if that means we
9 have no formal second draft map but, instead, rely on some
10 enhanced visualizations with backup data."

11 She reminds us that "our obligation is to do the
12 maps right, regardless of our self-imposed second draft
13 timeline."

14 And she just put in perspective, again, "this is a
15 short-term hit that really, if we take a little time now,
16 we could get it right in a way that will impact the State
17 positively for a decade."

18 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, Commissioner
19 Ancheta, you're the only one who hasn't chimed in, but if
20 you --

21 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: Well, I'll chime in.

22 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Briefly, briefly, we
23 gave everybody a chance.

24 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: No, I think given where
25 we are currently at, I think it's unrealistic to think

1 that given that there will be, multiple options that will
2 be presented to us next week that even pushing it back
3 three days, we would not get to the point where
4 everybody -- well, not everybody, we would be comfortable
5 enough to vote on that draft.

6 I would support moving forward with an ongoing
7 process but, again, and I do like Commissioner Yao's
8 suggestion of posting the equivalency files with, as Mr.
9 Claypool will give us some guidance on, and if Q2 can also
10 post those as well, that would work very well.

11 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, my two cents is
12 I concur with Commissioner Blanco, Commissioner DiGuilio,
13 let's get it right and we'll reconsider a draft.

14 Let's hear from Mr. Claypool. Do you want to go
15 first, Ms. MacDonald?

16 MS. MAC DONALD: Yeah.

17 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay.

18 MS. MAC DONALD: Yeah, I just wanted to clarify
19 something very quickly. We will be publishing four
20 equivalency files for each layer of maps because there
21 will not be this period of time where we can actually
22 merge the four areas together. I just wanted to clarify
23 that, okay.

24 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay. Mr. Claypool,
25 do you have an update for the Commission regarding all of

1 the flurry of activity that has gone on since our meeting
2 yesterday?

3 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Only that there's
4 clearly an intense interest in whether or not these maps
5 are going to go out as a draft, as an official draft. As
6 soon as you started talking about it yesterday -- as soon
7 as you started talking about it yesterday we received,
8 almost instantaneously, e-mails from Cause, from NALEO,
9 from MALDEF, from all parties concerned that there
10 wouldn't be a second draft.

11 But this is clearly your decision to make.

12 As far as the people who responded that they would
13 be able to assist us, Kirk, and Christina, and Rob
14 finished with a conference call with John Kim and Paul
15 Mitchell, with the Redistricting Partners and, clearly,
16 John Kim with the Advancement project, a little over an
17 hour ago.

18 And I'll read, it said that "they can take Q2's
19 equivalency files and put the maps on their site, at the
20 same time giving a link to us on our site. They can also
21 provide some enhanced products that will allow people to
22 search for their districts by zip code."

23 Paul Mitchell can do the same and they would work
24 together.

25 In addition, Doug Johnson of the Rose Institute

1 had offered to do this.

2 So, we have, as Commissioner Dai said, we have
3 many, many partners who are willing to assist us in this
4 effort. Whichever way you choose to go, then the staff
5 will go with you.

6 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Do we have a motion,
7 that's where I would like to move this towards at this
8 point.

9 COMMISSIONER RAYA: I move that the Commission
10 amend our schedule to eliminate -- I'm not sure that's the
11 word I want to use -- eliminate the second draft -- to not
12 publish a second draft map, but to continue forward with
13 the necessary revisions to produce the best final map we
14 can. And to publish, as frequently as possible, the
15 visualizations in cooperation with anyone who is able and
16 willing to partner with us to make the -- to continue to
17 have the process be as transparent and available to the
18 public as possible, so that they can provide ongoing
19 input.

20 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Is there a second?

21 BOARD MEMBER FIGUEROA: Second.

22 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, Commissioner
23 Galambos Malloy?

24 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Just two points on
25 this. One is that as we move forward with visualizations,

1 I would actually think that for every time that the
2 Commission is seeing any visualizations from here on out
3 that we would need to provide the equivalency files.

4 I think, as a Commissioner, I feel like that's my
5 concession to the public for the fact that we're not going
6 to be able to give the second draft map in the way that we
7 thought initially we could. So, that's one point.

8 And just apologies to the public for the, you
9 know, clerical error on our end that somehow we did not
10 get the CDs up until the session was already in motion.
11 So, we really need to have a tight standard around those
12 postings.

13 And the second piece would be that really
14 appreciative of all of the organizations that are
15 available to help us with getting these online.

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16 that. And I don't know all of the potential partners
17 equally, so I feel like I could trust our staff to make
18 that judgment call.

19 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay. Just one point of
20 clarification, Commissioner Raya, you used the term
21 "public visualizations in cooperation with the progress,"
22 but you were referring to the equivalency files or
23 something different?

24 COMMISSIONER RAYA: yes, I would incorporate
25 Commissioner Galambos Malloy's recommendations about

1 releasing the equivalency files on a --

2 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Rolling basis.

3 COMMISSIONER RAYA: -- rolling, immediate basis,

4 whatever would make sense, and that staff -- we would

5 leave to staff to determine with whom we partner.

6 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, and that's an

7 amendment that the seconder would be agreeable to?

8 COMMISSIONER FORBES: Yes.

9 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, and Mr. Dan

10 Claypool's taking it down. Do you need further

11 clarification?

12 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Well, I will and I'm

13 feeling --

14 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: And we're going to

15 reread it before we have to vote.

16 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: -- great empathy for

17 Janeece Sargis at this point.

18 However, I believe that perhaps Q2, we should make

19 sure that we can, in fact, provide a rolling equivalency

20 file, is that possible?

21 MS. MAC DONALD: We do equivalency files as

22 backups five times a day.

23 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: That's good.

24 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Dai?

25 COMMISSIONER DAI: I just want to agree with

1 Commissioner Ward's point. I mean I do think that this is
2 fine for our organized groups and folks who are really
3 watching the process. I would want to make sure that we
4 direct our communications, direct our communications to
5 also do a media push that indicates the switch in terms of
6 moving to this rolling iterative process, instead, and to
7 indicate which sites those visualizations are going to be
8 available to the public to see.

9 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: And I'm sure Mr.
10 Wilcox is listening as we speak.

11 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Blanco?

12 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: So, I wanted to say
13 something similar to that, to what Commissioner Dai said,
14 but a little bit more explicit. I am concerned about not
15 having the feedback that we would have gotten with a
16 second draft.

17 Now, I still think on balance we need the time,
18 but I'm wondering whether we can't have our Public
19 Information Committee and Mr. Wilcox not only sort of
20 explain that, you know, there's going to be equivalency
21 files available to people, but maybe we can even think
22 about being explicit that we want to receive comments on
23 the visualizations. I mean, sort of it's this hybrid, I
24 think, that in a way Commissioner Barabba alluded to,
25 where we still get some kind of formal comment and we let

1 the public know that we want a period of -- I don't know
2 how we describe it, but where we -- we don't just say, oh,
3 we're going to do visualizations, where we actually,
4 affirmatively, push out, besides the people that are glued
5 to their TV, doing this all the time, to the greater
6 public, that there is this process and that they can
7 comment on it.

8 So, that -- because I am uncomfortable about
9 having just the visualizations available to sort of the
10 people who are always looking at this, but other folks may
11 not know.

12 (Off-record conversation)

13 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Thank you. Okay, I
14 haven't heard from two people and we'll make it brief.
15 Ms. Dai I've already heard from.

16 Commissioner Barabba?

17 COMMISSIONER BARABBA: Yeah, I'm going to vote in
18 support of this amendment for the following reasons; I
19 look in the -- at the message from Mr. Mitchell -- I look
20 at the message from Mr. Mitchell and he said when he was
21 producing the maps he had over 100,000 views on his site.

22 And I'm seeing the publication of these files as a
23 surrogate for the second drafts.

24 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, Commissioner
25 Ward?

1 COMMISSIONER WARD: Yeah, I'll leave it really
2 brief, Chair. I just, even with what Commissioner Barabba
3 just said, again it's Mr. Mitchell's site I think is --
4 he's Redistricting Partners, if I recall right, and he's
5 the only site I've actually been to at all and I know that
6 there's a full analysis of the maps with political data,
7 and things like that, and I'm concerned that that's just
8 going to further muddy the waters, because that's going to
9 be the target people respond to.

10 Any time we put -- we rely on partners or third
11 sources to take our data and utilize it, we're opening
12 ourselves up, I think, to other issues.

13 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: The only distinct
14 difference, and Mr. Claypool can confirm this, is that
15 they're going to assist us by putting -- now, is the link
16 on our website going to go to one of these partners, or
17 will they be assisting us so that when you click on it
18 from our website that the equivalency files can be seen
19 there? How does that work?

20 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: As it's described,
21 the link will be from our website to their site.

22 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: I do have a problem
23 with that because of precisely what Commissioner Ward just
24 said. It seems to imply as if -- it could give the
25 impression that we are looking at other files that are on

1 their site that might be influencing our decision.

2 So, what we do have here just real quick, on the
3 motion, the motion, itself, before we get into the
4 partners, the way that the motion reads is that we would
5 be publicizing the equivalency files in cooperation with
6 partners and we said that we would be -- you know, staff
7 could be making that selection.

8 What we might do is just if we might want to have
9 a friendly amendment at this point, if we don't want to
10 get into a discussion as to who the partners would be just
11 yet, we could just say that we would be agreeing to
12 publicize equivalency files in cooperation with Q2 and
13 other partners that would be determined by the Commission.

14 And we can probably get to this business decision
15 next week, before we actually identify who those partners
16 might be. And that would be provided that the Commission
17 agrees that those partners would be necessary.

18 So, that might be one way to fix this issue and
19 move forward.

20 Commissioner Galambos Malloy?

21 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: I would actually
22 feel more comfortable if we empowered our Chair, our
23 incoming Chair to work with staff on determining this,
24 because I feel like there will be some prep that's
25 necessary to make sure whatever partner we decide on is

1 actually poised and ready to go. So, I would have some
2 hesitancy about, you know, waiting until next week for the
3 Commission to make a determination.

4 I feel like between Mr. Claypool and Commissioner
5 Ancheta we could probably come out with a decision that
6 addresses the Commission's concerns.

7 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: They're all poised
8 and ready to go, so it becomes a question as to who we
9 decide -- I'm sorry, and Statewide Database is poised and
10 ready to go, as well, which might be actually safer.

11 MS. MAC DONALD: It is the redistricting database
12 so it's --

13 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Yeah. Two more and
14 that's it, Commissioner Yao, because I have to open it up
15 for public comment on this motion, as well.

16 COMMISSIONER YAO: Question for Mr. Claypool. Any
17 of these redistricting partners offer up to do the PDF
18 file for us to release on our website?

19 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: They did.

20 COMMISSIONER YAO: So, if I may continue? If I
21 may offer up is basically release the files on a regular
22 basis, in the same manner that we did during our first
23 draft. In other words, we will put the PDF files on our
24 website and then allow the partners to basically do it on
25 their website. Because I don't believe that anybody that

1 was interested in doing so was not able to get to these
2 other files.

3 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Chair?

4 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Oh, Mr. Claypool.

5 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Now, I have to say,
6 they agreed to do the PDFs of these when they believed
7 that they would be receiving a single set of maps on the
8 second. I don't believe they agreed to do a rolling PDF
9 of maps.

10 COMMISSIONER YAO: Could I request Mr. Claypool to
11 look into that and report back to us?

12 MS. MAC DONALD: Yeah, I was actually just
13 chuckling about that as well, because these PDFs really do
14 take a lot of time. And I would just like to remind the
15 Commission that if So-Cal is supposed to map until
16 Thursday, then that equivalency file is not going to go
17 until Thursday, because you know how we work, we work
18 until the very last moment and then those PDFs will be
19 made right when we release the equivalency file. There
20 will be a little bit of a delay between the equivalency
21 file and the PDFs.

22 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Okay, I would accept all the
23 amendments that have come so far, if we can go ahead and
24 vote.

25 COMMISSIONER FORBES: Me, too.

1 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Well, we can't vote,
2 yet. We do have a motion on the floor and so, as we
3 customarily do with a motion on the floor, we will open it
4 up to public comment solely on the motion that is at
5 issue, which is to amend our schedule and not produce a
6 second draft map. We'll have continuing revisions with
7 the equivalency files on these websites.

8 Any public comment on the motion? Thank you very
9 much.

10 Then we will have Mr. Claypool read the motion
11 back in its various forms, or one form with various
12 amendments.

13 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: I just wish --

14 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: And he's not Ms.
15 Sargis.

16 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: -- I just wish
17 Janeece were here right now.

18 COMMISSIONER FORBES: We probably do, too.

19 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: The Commission --
20 this is what I heard and you tell me where I'm missing it.
21 The Commission amends its schedule to not publish a second
22 set of draft maps, as scheduled, but to move forward with
23 rolling equivalency files published through cooperation
24 with partners willing to assist the Commission.

25 Now, I believe there was something that we were

1 going to add Q2 in there as well.

2 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Well, it was Q2 and
3 then "partners willing to assist us" might still be at
4 issue, because it's not just partners who are willing to
5 assist, it's partners that the Commission would decide.

6 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Or as approved, as
7 provided by the Commission.

8 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: The chair.

9 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: By the Chair. Okay,
10 as approved --

11 COMMISSIONER DAI: I really don't think we want to
12 wait on this until we can --

13 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, as approved by
14 the Chair is the motion. And the amendment agreed to,
15 Commissioner Raya?

16 COMMISSIONER RAYA: I agree.

17 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Yes. And Forbes yes?

18 COMMISSIONER FORBES: Yeah.

19 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay.

20 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Okay, I'm going to
21 read it one more time, very quickly. The Commission
22 amends its schedule to not publish a second set of draft
23 maps, as scheduled, but to move forward with rolling
24 equivalency files published through cooperation with Q2
25 and the partners willing to assist the Commission, as

1 approved by the Chair.

2 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Commissioner Galambos
3 Malloy, is there something --

4 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: I may be splitting
5 hairs, but I feel like could we add just a half-a=sentence
6 on the front that says something like in order to provide
7 the highest quality product to the public, something that
8 really expresses the intent of what we're doing?

9 COMMISSIONER RAYA: That was in my original
10 motion.

11 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: That was part of the
12 motion, I have it down. She said "to produce the best
13 maps possible."

14 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Thank you.

15 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: So, let's put that in
16 the motion.

17 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Okay.

18 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: And one more time,
19 Mr. Claypool.

20 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: To produce the best
21 maps possible, the Commission amends its schedule to not
22 publish a second set of draft maps as scheduled, but to
23 move forward with rolling equivalency files published
24 through cooperation with Q2 and partners willing to assist
25 the Commission, as approved by the Chair.

1 COMMISSIONER AGUIRRE: Yeah.

2 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Perfect. That's --

3 COMMISSIONER RAYA: I'm sorry, but I did also

4 include, you know, receiving public -- so that we could

5 receive public input, that's a very important part of it.

6 COMMISSIONER DAI: Yeah.

7 COMMISSIONER RAYA: So, publishing the equivalency

8 files in order to invite public input.

9 COMMISSIONER DAI: Correct.

10 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Publish with --

11 okay, rolling equivalency files published through

12 cooperation with Q2 and its partners willing to assist, as

13 approved by the Chair, in order to receive continuing

14 public --

15 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Yes, input.

16 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: In order to receive

17 continuing public input.

18 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Does anybody need

19 another read or we'll just have Mr. Claypool call for the

20 vote?

21 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: We're set?

22 COMMISSIONER BARABBA: Yes.

23 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Call for the vote?

24 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Yes.

25 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Commissioner

1 Aguirre?

2 COMMISSIONER AGUIRRE: Yes.

3 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Commissioner

4 Ancheta?

5 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: Yes.

6 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Commissioner

7 Barabba?

8 COMMISSIONER BARABBA: Yes.

9 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Commissioner Blanco?

10 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: Yes.

11 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Commissioner Dai?

12 COMMISSIONER DAI: Yes.

13 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Commissioner

14 DiGuilio?

15 Commissioner Filkins Webber?

16 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Yes.

17 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Commissioner Forbes?

18 COMMISSIONER FORBES: Yes.

19 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Commissioner

20 Galambos Malloy?

21 COMMISSIONER GALAMBOS MALLOY: Yes.

22 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Commissioner Ontai?

23 Commissioner Parvenu?

24 COMMISSIONER PARVENU: Yes.

25 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Commissioner Raya?

1 COMMISSIONER RAYA: Yes.

2 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Commissioner Ward?

3 COMMISSIONER WARD: No.

4 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: Commissioner Yao?

5 COMMISSIONER YAO: Yes.

6 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CLAYPOOL: It is, let's see, 11

7 to 1 and it passes.

8 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Thank you. Any other

9 continuing business on today's schedule?

10 Oh, I'm sorry, Commissioner, I was going to turn

11 it over to you, but just as long as they don't have any

12 direction. The direction was for Public Information to

13 work out the whatever.

14 And Commissioner Ancheta?

15 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: So, for next week's

16 schedule, I just spoke to Ms. MacDonald about this and let

17 me just run a couple possibility. It seems like we should

18 cancel the Tuesday meeting and have, instead, the first --

19 have them come back on Wednesday and Thursday to provide

20 the latest iterations.

21 Now, I'm wondering if we should schedule Friday,

22 in addition, just to play it safe, and also offer some

23 business. Any thoughts on that or is it--

24 COMMISSIONER DAI: My one question is, is there

25 any advantage to going ahead and giving early approval or

1 direction on Tuesday, just in case there are any issues
2 with Northern California?

3 MS. MAC DONALD: Well, honestly, I mean I
4 understand that there are some concerns about
5 visualizations, but that's fairly minor to what we have in
6 L.A. And looking at all of your schedules, it seemed to
7 me that we cannot do anything on Wednesday, with So-Cal,
8 anyway, it would be best to just bundle those days.
9 Cancel Tuesday and then do Wednesday, Thursday,
10 potentially Friday.

11 COMMISSIONER DAI: So, one thought is if you're
12 actually done on Tuesday, do you want to send that out to
13 the Commission anyway, we don't have to meet.

14 MS. MAC DONALD: Sure.

15 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: Can you do it by Wednesday
16 or do you need an extra day?

17 MS. MAC DONALD: Nor-Cal we can pretty much do by
18 Tuesday, especially if we don't have to do any -- any --

19 COMMISSIONER DAI: Meetings.

20 MS. MAC DONALD: Well, meetings or, you know,
21 actual maps, you know.

22 COMMISSIONER DAI: Yeah.

23 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: So, then that would be
24 Wednesday would be Nor -- No, and then but --

25 MS. MAC DONALD: Yeah, we would do Wednesday Nor-

1 Cal and then Thursday/Friday So-Cal.

2 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: And so because it's
3 different people, they could keep working on -- on L.A.?

4 MS. MAC DONALD: Correct, yes. I just would like
5 to add one caveat here, when we're talking about the
6 Senate and the deferral, I have to have the entire plan
7 marched. So, basically, before we can really look at
8 deferral, I'm going to need 18 to 24 hours to actually do
9 that, and that would probably be after you see the maps
10 next, okay.

11 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: Sure.

12 MS. MAC DONALD: Okay, so and then I have to do
13 the overlays and we have to figure this out. So, just
14 looking at this schedule, at this point it seems to me it
15 would be best to do, you know, Wednesday/Thursday/Friday

16 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: Okay.

17 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay, Mr. Ancheta's
18 checking one thing. Commissioner Yao?

19 COMMISSIONER YAO: Maybe it's appropriate to
20 discuss at this time, maybe we need to agendize it. But
21 we probably should think about setting some kind of
22 schedule for the discussion of the deferral, because I
23 don't -- I think we really don't want to wait until the
24 28th to release the -- at least our draft version of the
25 deferral.

1 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: Well, let's assume
2 that -- and we're just trying to go -- I think we'll -- if
3 the Commission doesn't mind, I'll confer with Commissioner
4 DiGuilio around the following week and we'll get some
5 feedback on that.

6 I think, again, if we're kind of going to one more
7 set of iterations and then some feedback, that by the next
8 week we would have something firmer where we could discuss
9 that, so it's not -- and it's still in advance of the 28th.

10 MS. MAC DONALD: Yes, absolutely. And I should
11 have added earlier that whatever options we have, they
12 will all statistically minimize deferral, all of them.

13 There is not like that much variation, there's
14 basically some minor -- you know, some minor decisions
15 that you will have to make about your preferences.

16 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: So, again, I would
17 propose that we have a regularly scheduled, you know, 9:00
18 to 6:00 Wednesday and Thursday, we'll figure out where the
19 business comes in, and then I would like to schedule
20 Friday as well.

21 And, again, business might come up front, you
22 know, and particularly sessions in the mornings. But I'd
23 like to go for the three days just to give us sufficient
24 margin.

25 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: And then what's the next

1 week like?

2 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: A couple days have to
3 be off because they have to go back, so I suspect it
4 wouldn't be -- the earliest would be midweek, I would
5 think.

6 COMMISSIONER BARABBA: Well, why don't we just
7 leave it for Thursday and Friday, then?

8 COMMISSIONER YAO: Right, Thursday and Friday's
9 not --

10 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: The following week?

11 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: I think we had
12 tentatively scheduled Wednesday, Thursday, Friday. Let's
13 just keep that up -- keep that for now and I'll check with
14 Commissioner Ontai, who would be chairing on the 20th, to
15 confirm. If he wants to cancel, we can do that.

16 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: So, general -- I'm
17 sorry, Ms. MacDonald.

18 MS. MAC DONALD: Okay. One minor caveat here is
19 the two line-drawing days on the 21st and 22nd, when we put
20 those in there, we had actually anticipated having one map
21 and only moving blocks, and then live.

22 So, basically, big decisions are done, no more re-
23 rotating or redrawing California. Basically, at this
24 point, we really are -- I really -- I mean, I know you
25 haven't heard this from me, but I think we're done

1 redrawing California by that particular week.

2 And then, really, we can only make like minor
3 adjustments. And I think that that is really the only
4 reasonable way to look at completing this final map draft
5 on this calendar schedule.

6 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay. So, Wednesday
7 to Friday next week?

8 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: Yes, and I'm not -- and
9 I'm not cancelling Saturday, Sunday, Monday quite yet
10 but --

11 COMMISSIONER BLANCO: Which one?

12 VICE-CHAIRPERSON ANCHETA: Just want to play it
13 safe. But, obviously, those are the line-drawing
14 sessions -- I mean, the Q2 workdays.

15 CHAIRPERSON FILKINS WEBBER: Okay. Anything
16 further?

17 Mr. Claypool, nothing?

18 Okay, we are adjourned.

19 (Off the record at 3:37 p.m.

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