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2 Sunday, November 7, 2021 1:03 p.m.

3 CHAIR TURNER: Good afternoon. And welcome to  
4 our -- today's session of our California Citizens  
5 Redistricting Commission. I'm your chair for the next  
6 three days. Commissioner Trina Turner. I am joined -- I  
7 also have a vice-chair, Commissioner Derric Taylor. And  
8 we have so much exciting work to accomplish today,  
9 California.

10 And Commissioners, I'm going to start with roll call  
11 so that we can go into our session.

12 And so at this time roll call please, Alvaro. Thank  
13 you.

14 MR. HERNANDEZ: Yes, Chair. Good morning  
15 everyone -- or good afternoon.

16 Commissioner Vazquez?

17 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Here.

18 MR. HERNANDEZ: Thank you.

19 Commissioner Yee

20 COMMISSIONER YEE: Here.

21 MR. HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Ahmad.

22 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Here.

23 MR. HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Akutagawa.

24 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Here.

25 MR. HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Andersen

1 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Here.

2 MR. HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Fernandez.

3 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Presente.

4 MR. HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Fornaciari.

5 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Here.

6 MR. HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Kennedy.

7 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Here.

8 MR. HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Kennedy once again.

9 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Here.

10 MR. HERNANDEZ: Thank you. Okay. I'll confirm that  
11 he said here.

12 Commissioner Le Mons.

13 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Oh.

14 COMMISSIONER LE MONS: Presente.

15 MR. HERNANDEZ: Thank you.

16 Commissioner Sadhwani

17 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Here.

18 MR. HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Sinay

19 COMMISSIONER SINAY: (Audio interference).

20 MR. HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Taylor.

21 Commissioner Toledo.

22 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Here.

23 MR. HERNANDEZ: And Commissioner Turner.

24 CHAIR TURNER: I'm here and I'd like to also note

25 Commissioner Taylor is here, audio and video is not

1 currently working, but he is on with us.

2 MR. HERNANDEZ: Thank you, Chair.

3 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

4 MR. HERNANDEZ: Roll call is complete.

5 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you so much.

6 I want to start out by just giving some general  
7 comments that I'd like to say to our Commissioners and to  
8 all of California. Our meeting is scheduled to last from  
9 today Sunday, November 7th will -- our meeting is  
10 scheduled from 1 p.m. through 8 p.m.

11 We'll be here again tomorrow, November 8th, and  
12 again Tuesday, November 9th.

13 This is our first opportunity to do live line  
14 drawing. And so I'm very excited about that opportunity.  
15 And I just want to kind of set the agenda of what we're  
16 going to attempt in this time.

17 But even before I do that, I want to be able to say  
18 to Commissioners and to all of California we are here,  
19 the 14 Commissioners, our desire is to do exactly what  
20 you want us to do. Every one of you. That would be our  
21 desire, to draw maps that would be pleasing to everyone  
22 were that possible. We do have constraints that you're  
23 aware of that keeps us from maybe perhaps making everyone  
24 happy, but we have done our absolute best to listen to  
25 each and every one of you. And we hope that you're

1 feeling that and seeing that. So I wanted to name that  
2 upfront.

3 Today we're going to be going into a line drawing  
4 process where we'll begin with our Assembly maps. We're  
5 going to start as we did last week in the Central Valley.  
6 And we're going to do kind of that clockwise thing  
7 around.

8 We received visualizations from our last session  
9 that were heavily based upon direction that we gave to  
10 our line drawers. One of the things that if we were to  
11 be in this room ten years from now I know we would all  
12 have a different approach about how we'd give direction  
13 and about what we would select to say and not say and  
14 what have you. But again, we're learning as we go.  
15 We've given direction. And some of the direction that  
16 was given we didn't necessarily check in with each other  
17 on the direction that was given.

18 And so the visualization, so I'm reading, so I'm  
19 hearing, looks a little bit different than what many of  
20 us expected. I want to be able to say in addition to  
21 what we see, the task in front of us, the pressure in  
22 front of us is that by November 15th we do have to have  
23 draft maps completed. And we have a plan to have draft  
24 maps completed by this coming Wednesday. It's aggressive  
25 and it's exciting. And if anyone can do it, we can.

1           And so with that, I want to say that the line  
2 drawing session that we're getting ready to go into is  
3 designed for us to present a draft map, our first draft  
4 map, that Californians will have an opportunity to  
5 respond to. And after that, we will have almost of -- or  
6 about a month to absorb everything that we're hearing  
7 about our draft map so that we can present the best final  
8 map as possible. Now why am I saying that? I'm saying  
9 that to say, Commissioners and Californians, we are not  
10 going to get it perfect today. But we're going to get it  
11 as close as possible. What I am hoping to do -- and we  
12 are going to go into a closed session this morning -- but  
13 before that I just want to leave all of you Californians  
14 something to think about, I want us to have something to  
15 think about, we're going to need to determine do we start  
16 from the latest visualizations? Or were they problematic  
17 in a manner that would allow us to say we want to start  
18 with 10/27. Do we want to start with 11/2? We'll need  
19 to come to kind of just a general head nod consensus.  
20 We're not taking votes on that. We're just going to ask  
21 Commissioners be able to say, here's where we want to  
22 start today, because we need to do something as  
23 expeditiously as possible and not redraw all of the maps.  
24 We don't have that kind of luxury and that kind of time  
25 to take something and have so many comments on it that it



1 takes us the two or three days to come up with our draft  
2 just for Assemblies.

3       So let's see, what else did I want to tell you all  
4 going into this meeting? Oh, we need to remind everyone  
5 wear your masks in the room and the guests that we are in  
6 this facility, we've been asked to wear masks. We do  
7 have paper masks available for everyone that may have  
8 something that's a little bit thicker and uncomfortable.  
9 So please do wear your masks.

10       So first display, not the last, we're going to talk  
11 about what visualization. We're going to have on  
12 overview of what our line drawing can do and what it  
13 can't do in a bit.

14       But with all that said, I think what we're going to  
15 do now so that you can ponder, think about all of that,  
16 is go into closed session. We're going to go into closed  
17 session. It is now 1:10. We're going to go into closed  
18 session. And our desire is to the back out of closed  
19 session no later than 2 o'clock. No later than 2 o'clock  
20 so we don't have to come back with any extensions.

21       So with that, Christian, we'll go now into closed  
22 session.

23               (Whereupon, a recess was held from 1:11 p.m.  
24               until 2:05 p.m.)

25       MR. HERNANDEZ: Thank you so much. And thank you

1 all for waiting. We are back from our closed session  
2 under the pending litigation and cause and no -- no  
3 action was taken.

4 So we are going to go into our session now at this  
5 time. I have a couple of more instructions for us.

6 First of all, I want to mention concerning our  
7 Congressional maps, there was previous visualization for  
8 our Congressional maps that were posted up for a short  
9 time period and then removed. And I had them removed.  
10 There were some deviations that we just thought we could  
11 get a little bit more closer on. So from that  
12 prospective, the Congressional maps will go back up on  
13 probably by tomorrow morning.

14 And so today we're going to spend time talking about  
15 Assembly maps. And we believe that there'll be a lot of  
16 time for you to see the Congressional maps before we get  
17 to them perhaps on tomorrow.

18 Let's see, what else? Okay.

19 So Commissioners, we have a decision to make on our  
20 visualizations that are up. We have visualizations now  
21 that were from November 7th. We have visualizations that  
22 we've seen from October 22nd. We have visualizations  
23 that were from November I believe it was 2nd. And we  
24 need a good, solid point to start our conversation today  
25 from for our Assembly maps.

1           And so from that perspective I will just hear just  
2 brief thought processes. Do we plow ahead? Do we start  
3 with our current visualizations that's November 7th and  
4 began to give direction to our line drawers? Do we want  
5 to start from a different point so our public will know  
6 exactly where we're moving from? Do we have any thoughts  
7 on it? Or shall we just stay with our current  
8 visualizations and make it work?

9           Commissioner Ahmad.

10          Commissioner Fornaciari.

11          COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Thank you, Chair. Just a quick  
12 clarifying question. Today was supposed to be live line  
13 drawing, correct? So if we are live line drawing does  
14 that mean that whichever visualization we come to a  
15 consensus with is what we would start actually visually  
16 seeing the lines move in this meeting?

17          MR. HERNANDEZ: Absolutely. Yes. Good question.  
18 And yes, that's exactly what it means. We would just  
19 give our line drawers a little bit of time to bring up  
20 that particular visualization, and we then will begin our  
21 live line drawing from that point.

22          Commissioner Fornaciari?

23          COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: So just in general, I'm  
24 pretty happy with many -- much of the current maps. I  
25 think we've kind of broken the North state a bit with

1 some changes from last week just in the very Northern  
2 part of the state. I would prefer to go back to the  
3 October 27th visualization, but I've been thinking about  
4 how to kind of start there and make some changes. I have  
5 some ideas, but I'm not sure how we can reconcile it --  
6 exactly how to reconcile it with the current  
7 visualization. So I mean, I guess I could be convinced  
8 to go with the current visualizations and try to resolve  
9 those back to something that -- that more resembles  
10 October or -- yeah, October 27th. Thank you.

11 MR. HERNANDEZ: Thank you for those comments.  
12 Commissioner Fernandez.

13 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes, thank you, Chair.  
14 Yes, I do agree that the -- the visualizations this week  
15 for the Northern part of California are vastly different  
16 than what we had last week. And I was trying to go back  
17 to all of the direction that was given so I could not  
18 reconcile the two. So I would like to go back to the  
19 last week's visualization for Assembly. That would've  
20 been the November 2nd. Thank you.

21 MR. HERNANDEZ: Thank you, Commissioner Fernandez.  
22 Commissioner Toledo.

23 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. Overall when I look at  
24 the state Assembly, when I look at all of them, most of  
25 them seem okay. I mean, they are not perfect, obviously,

1 they're -- there's draft visualizations.

2 I do agree with Commissioner Fornaciari and  
3 Fernandez that -- that some of the North still needs some  
4 work. And perhaps last week's versions for some of those  
5 areas are more closer to what we're thinking. But I  
6 think we have an opportunity during the live draw -- live  
7 line drawing to address some of that. So I think  
8 that's -- I could be convinced on both. But I would  
9 think the current visualizations probably make the most  
10 sense at this point.

11 MR. HERNANDEZ: Thank you.

12 And I'll go to Commissioner Sinay in just a minute.

13 I just want to be real clear. What I'm hoping to  
14 accomplish with lifting an option of visualization, which  
15 one we want to use, is which one will get us where we  
16 need to go quickest without having to redo the entire  
17 map. So it's that kind of -- so if there's a certain  
18 area of the map for Assembly, if there -- that's what I'm  
19 looking for. If there's a certain visualization, I'd  
20 like to know what worked and what you did not like, even  
21 as we move forward.

22 Commissioner Sinay.

23 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Thank you. I guess part --  
24 part of me says I need to hear from the line drawers on  
25 why they chose some of the things that they chose on --

1 where we are on the visualizations now. And obviously  
2 it's our direction, and sometimes our direction is read  
3 the COIs and the public input. And so just kind of what  
4 informed that.

5 I'm okay with either way go. I will be honest, I  
6 think there's still a lot of big pieces that need to be  
7 done. But this week is not the week to do that. This  
8 week is the week to get us down and consider practice to  
9 get our deviations down as much as possible and do live  
10 line drawing.

11 And that gets me to the question that keeps hopping  
12 up in my head is so when do we fix the big things that we  
13 still want to fix? And how does that work after the  
14 draft maps are up and after the fourteen-day period, what  
15 does that look like? And I apologize if that was in that  
16 memo we got a long time ago. Now it feels like it was  
17 two years ago. But if we could just get some  
18 clarification on when we're going to be able to say --  
19 because do we go back to line drawing or do we go back to  
20 kind of plans -- draft plans and moving things around and  
21 then line drawing -- live line drawing? I'm just not  
22 sure what happens on the back end.

23 MR. HERNANDEZ: Yeah. So at this point we're in  
24 live line drawing. So that's what we'd be doing, live  
25 line drawing.

1           And I want to name -- and what's going to be helpful  
2 on before you go, Commissioner Andersen, is that one  
3 of -- what we will be doing different today that'll fix  
4 this prayerfully going forward is that when we give  
5 direction, even in our live line drawing today, I'll be  
6 assessing the room and the video screen to just see if,  
7 yes, if we are all in agreement with the direction.  
8 Because what also happens is is we'll give direction and  
9 then we'll have sometimes a counter direction that's  
10 given. And what we've not been diligent about is naming  
11 which direction do we actually want to allow to stand.  
12 So that's been an issue.

13           And the line drawers, to your request I'm sure can  
14 speak to this, because we're asking them to do so, to  
15 kind of give us feedback on how we're showing up on their  
16 end, because it's a difficult process. For anyone that  
17 thinks this is easy -- and I know we know it. But I'm  
18 saying it for all of California, it's a very challenging  
19 process to be able to get maps and take the direction and  
20 just from the fourteen of us.

21           And then, sometimes we give direction that we think  
22 maybe is not counter what someone else has given, but  
23 it's a direction that really does kind of blow up the  
24 whole map. And so it really just is not possible to put  
25 in place. And so we don't get to see all of those.

1 Another thing that I'm hoping to do -- just so that  
2 you'll know where I'm going, what I've asked for  
3 preparation -- is after I think next week or so we have  
4 more presentations that we're planning to receive based  
5 on whatever draft we've put out. I've also carved out  
6 some time for us to just have a discussion for us as  
7 Commissioners to be able to start to have a discussion  
8 about what do -- what are we seeing in all of our public  
9 comment. That's what we've not done as a Commission to  
10 say we are hearing from Long Beach and we know Woodlake  
11 want, we know what Fresno, and we know what -- you all of  
12 the San Diego, all of the different areas. A time period  
13 for us to just talk about what we are hearing, and to  
14 come to some sort of agreement about how we're going to  
15 move forward and what direction we're going to give. Of  
16 course, that's going to happen after we have our draft  
17 maps. That is the pressure right now. We do need to get  
18 draft maps done. They are not the final maps.

19 So what I'm proposing is is we kind of come to a  
20 decision, what starting point do we want today, what will  
21 get us there quickest to get the best possible maps out  
22 at this time. Of course, we will then get reaction to  
23 that map, and we'll have a little bit of a longer time  
24 period for us now to say, okay, how do we make this the  
25 best end product possible.



1           So I hope that's helpful.

2           And our line drawers, I'll come to you in a minute  
3 so you can answer some of those questions as well,  
4 because they're trying to put in place what we're asking  
5 the directions, but sometimes that -- on the back end --  
6 and we get what we got, right? From this. So we'll --  
7 we'll talk about that.

8           And then also I'm going to have Jaime talk about the  
9 tool, it's -- or talk about the line drawing tool itself.

10          Oh, and then we also need to talk about Board of  
11 Equalization. We've not had any conversation about Board  
12 of Equalization. So I want to lift that, too, right  
13 before Commissioner Andersen to start thinking about  
14 that. We'll will hear from the line drawers. What do  
15 they need from us for that? There are a couple of  
16 different ways we can go with the line drawing. And so  
17 we'll need to make that decision for that. Are we going  
18 to be looking at trying to put together Congressional  
19 Districts, are we going to focus on the Senate Districts?  
20 We'll need to give them some direction so when it's time  
21 for them to come back -- as easy as we think it may be,  
22 we need to have given some direction on Board of  
23 Equalization, okay?

24          So Commissioner Andersen and then Commissioner Le  
25 Mons, Commission Sadhwani.

1           COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Thank you, Chair. Yes, I  
2 agree with Commissioner Fornaciari. If we are going go  
3 back to a different visualizations, I do like what's  
4 happened with sort of the framework a bit with the North  
5 and -- on the 27th, those -- those visualizations. I do  
6 see, however, some glitches as you go down dealing with  
7 the VRA in not just the Central Valley but Southern  
8 California, because that does have the ripple effect up  
9 around the sides.

10           So I would say if we are going to go back and change  
11 those relations, I would go to the 27th. Otherwise, I  
12 say we just kind of basically take we have here and just  
13 kind of tweak it a little bit around the edges, and  
14 realize that we are going to do architectural changes,  
15 but we have to do architectural changes.

16           And if that's the true, we don't really have to  
17 worry so much about the "hard" details, because they're  
18 not really hard details. They're sort of artificially  
19 hard so just thought I'd bring that up, thank you.

20           MR. HERNANDEZ: Thank you.

21           Commissioner Le Mons?

22           COMMISSIONER LE MONS: Evening, Chair. I wanted to  
23 just weigh in and suggest that we go with the  
24 visualizations that have been informed by the most recent  
25 direction and feedback. And the reason I say that is I

1 think everybody has a sense of the journey. And what I'd  
2 be concerned about is if we jump back, they're going to  
3 be Commissioners that feel like what happened since the  
4 27th is now not being considered.

5 So I get this thought of going back. I think that,  
6 Commissioners, we should start from where we, continue to  
7 move forward remembering that there are some things that  
8 we want to change. But use this opportunity to do that.

9 Also I think the line drawers have been tracking,  
10 both through an experience as well as their notes, this  
11 journey. And so I think they can help in this live line  
12 drawing process with helping us understand the impact of  
13 some of the direction that we've given.

14 So I am advocating for not going back. Let's just  
15 start from the visualizations that we have today. And we  
16 can keep in mind the adjustments we want to make.  
17 Doesn't mean that we're only locked into what we have  
18 today. That's my (audio interference).

19 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you, Commissioner Le Mons, for  
20 weighing in.

21 Commissioner Sadhwani.

22 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yup. Thank you. I -- mines  
23 has a two-pronged question. First, for the line drawers  
24 is around feasibility. So if we were to go back, how  
25 feasible is it to do that? And if we wanted to pull

1 October 27th or November 2nd, is that going to ultimately  
2 have ripple effects on this entire map? We're trying  
3 to -- to move towards voting on a -- on a map very soon.  
4 So I'd like to hear that.

5 And then the other pieces, I differently want to  
6 hear my colleagues who are saying Northern California in  
7 particular was looking better in prior weeks. But I'm  
8 hearing both 10/27 and 11/2. If we were to go back,  
9 which one is it? And can we come to some consensus  
10 there?

11 For me personally, I'm okay if we just take what  
12 we've got and run with it. But I definitely hear my  
13 colleagues and just want to be responsive.

14 MR. HERNANDEZ: Thank you. I love it.

15 Commissioner Fornaciari, the line drawers does have  
16 an answer, but do you want to weigh in before?

17 Okay. Commissioner Fornaciari?

18 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. Thank you. Look,  
19 at this point let's just go with what we've got, the  
20 latest version. From my perspective, after hearing  
21 feedback and thoughts and the fact that we're -- we have  
22 an opportunity to -- to make some structural changes down  
23 the road, I mean, we have to get draft maps out. And  
24 they are draft. We're going to get to hear a lot of  
25 input and feedback on these maps. And that will help

1 guide us and steer us on where we're going to go down the  
2 road. But we are going to have an opportunity to make  
3 some structural changes that I think we need to make.

4 And so at this point, based on all the input and  
5 conversation, I'm uncomfortable with just going ahead  
6 with what we've got, maybe make some tweaks around the  
7 edges. But at this point just in consideration of -- of  
8 the deadlines that we have. So thank you.

9 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

10 And I see from my vice chair he has not access to  
11 video or audio, but he wants to ensure that we state for  
12 him that he's in favor of the current visualization as  
13 that is the culmination of our thoughts with public input  
14 to date. So that's his weighing in on it as well. Thank  
15 you.

16 Jaime?

17 MS. CLARK: Yes. Thank you all so much. Just from  
18 a technical standpoint, we could definitely go back to  
19 previous visualizations for this unique situation -- or  
20 these sets of meetings. And I would say that depending  
21 on if you wanted to -- like just start from a different  
22 visualization for all parts of the state, then we could  
23 do that. It would take a little bit more time to do  
24 something just for -- sorry, it would take more time to  
25 do something just for part of the state as opposed to the

1 entire state. We could definitely do either.

2       Because the handoff areas between Northern  
3 California and LA and the rest of Southern California  
4 haven't changed that much, then there might be some  
5 deviation issues that the Commission would need to look  
6 at, but nothing dramatic or drastic.

7       CHAIR TURNER: So what I'm hearing and kind of  
8 sensing from the screen, from nods when -- I forget who  
9 it was that suggested we just stay and move from  
10 current -- is that the general consensus is that we're  
11 going to move forward with what we currently have. Now  
12 I'm looking at -- and so I don't have to look at the room  
13 and the screen -- I'm just going to look at the screen  
14 and look for bobble heads. I think, yeah, that's feeling  
15 pretty good for a lot of folk. Okay. All right. Yes.  
16 Yeah. And so -- yeah, so not a like total everyone, but  
17 I think for the most part. And so we'll be sensitive to  
18 those -- any -- any that thought was hopeful for  
19 something different and just kind of see.

20       But can I come back to the line drawers? Can I have  
21 you explain a little bit about how we got where we are  
22 today? And then take it from there to tell us what the  
23 line drawing tool will do for us.

24       MS. CLARK: Yeah. Thank you so much for all of  
25 these questions.

1           And Chair Turner, you did a really good job  
2 explaining sort of how we take direction and to the best  
3 of our ability incorporate it into these plans.

4           Throughout the process I think all of us have been  
5 getting direction from Commissioners that is sometimes  
6 incompatible where -- and sometimes directly incompatible  
7 and sometimes unintentionally you're sort of down the  
8 line while creating these sets of visualizations just the  
9 two things don't necessarily work together. We take all  
10 of it and implement to the best of our ability as much as  
11 possible.

12           And we have tried to explain at times heard this and  
13 this about a specific city, which direction it should go.  
14 That was oppositional at times. So some of those things  
15 definitely are I think -- will be saved for live line  
16 drawing. And there'll be discussions about it today.

17           Sometime the direction is given that you wouldn't  
18 necessarily think direction in the Central Valley, for  
19 example, would have a ripple effect all the way up to  
20 Northern California and back down the Central Coast but  
21 it can.

22           So again, just trying to take everything into  
23 consideration and implement as much of it as possible in  
24 ways that are compatible with the Commission's wishes and  
25 what the Commission has directly expressed in terms of

1 desire for, I guess, different visualizations or  
2 different architecture in the maps.

3       And I would say additionally that in previous  
4 direction receiving rounds we haven't heard a ton about  
5 what the Commission likes. We've heard a lot about what  
6 the Commission does not like or what the Commission  
7 wishes to change. So in that way sometimes then we're  
8 kind of guessing, like, oh, they didn't say anything  
9 about this, so I guess they liked it? Or not a hundred  
10 percent sure if they like it or not. So I think also  
11 giving feedback around what you want to maintain, what  
12 you are liking moving forward would be very, very  
13 helpful.

14       CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

15       And what I'd like to ask right before you now talk  
16 to us about what the tool looks like -- talk to us about  
17 the line drawing tool, can you just answer for me, what  
18 direction do you need from us in regards to the Board of  
19 Equalization? What will be helpful so that we can --

20       MS. MAC DONALD: Thank you for -- thank you for that  
21 question, Chair Turner.

22       So for Board of Equalization, we don't have a  
23 visualization for it because we have not yet discussed it  
24 at all.

25       CHAIR TURNER: Um-hum.



1 MS. MAC DONALD: What we may be able to do, one  
2 suggestion would be to just do it live once we're done  
3 with the rest of the plan. So basically Assembly,  
4 Senate, and then Congress we could select either the  
5 Senate or the Congressional plan --

6 CHAIR TURNER: Um-hum.

7 MS. MAC DONALD: -- and then nest to the best  
8 ability possible to get to four districts. As you know,  
9 Board of Equalization is huge. So it's roughly almost 10  
10 million people per district. And then -- yeah, okay.

11 And then once we have just a general outline, we can  
12 again engage in live line drawing and make whatever  
13 changes you would like to make to get a plan done. I  
14 don't think it would take very long to nest something,  
15 but --

16 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

17 MS. MAC DONALD: -- important piece is that we would  
18 need to have one plan that's set to be able to nest from  
19 it. Because if you go to -- back to that plan --

20 CHAIR TURNER: Um-hum.

21 MS. MAC DONALD: -- then obviously everything else  
22 would change --

23 CHAIR TURNER: Right.

24 MS. MAC DONALD: -- that the Board of Equalization  
25 plan was based on. So -- if that makes sense.

1 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah, it does. Thank you. And  
2 that's helpful. We'll go to break at 2:30. So we have a  
3 couple of minutes.

4 Mr. Becker?

5 MR. BECKER: Yeah. I was just going to make a  
6 suggestion that the -- the state Senate is probably  
7 easiest place from which to start. I've gone back and  
8 forth on this a little bit, but I think since the state  
9 Senate has some larger deviations available, and so by  
10 nature is going to keep more counties and cities  
11 together, taking ten state Senate districts per a Board  
12 of Equalization District --

13 CHAIR TURNER: Um-hum.

14 MR. BECKER: -- is probably a really easy way to  
15 start. That's just a question of which ten, but the  
16 existing map is fairly well-defined, I think, about that.  
17 And you could even use that to kind of give you some  
18 guidance.

19 CHAIR TURNER: Beautiful. Okay. So here's what  
20 we're going to do, we're going to go to break at 2:30 for  
21 fifteen minutes.

22 When we come back, Jamie is going to show us the  
23 line drawing tool so we'll -- we'll know what's possible,  
24 and know what to expect.

25 And from that point, we're going to go into line

1 drawing. We're going to do our best to ensure that we  
2 are clear in any direction that's given. When something  
3 is requested, I'll kind of look around the room and try  
4 to gather, yes, that is what all want. I will give the  
5 debt -- direction, yes, please do it, no, we're still  
6 working on some more so that we can move through our  
7 Assembly Districts.

8 All right? Okay. So break, please. We will return  
9 at 2:45. Thank you.

10 (Whereupon, a recess was held from 2:30 p.m.  
11 until 2:45 p.m.)

12 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you so much. And welcome back  
13 from break.

14 At this time, we are excited to be again with our  
15 live line drawing session. We're going to start with  
16 Jamie that's going to give us an overview and what we can  
17 expect in this process.

18 Jamie --

19 MS. CLARK: Yes.

20 CHAIR TURNER: -- it's all yours.

21 MS. CLARK: Thank you, Chair Turner and to all  
22 Commissioners.

23 So what's on the screen right now is the Assembly  
24 visualization for today. This is unlike previously when  
25 we've been looking at layers on the map, this layer we

1 can edit and manipulate and change the way that the  
2 districts look on the map itself.

3 I am going to just do a really brief demo of what  
4 this looks like, and some things to keep in mind as we  
5 move through this process. We can only add area to one  
6 district at a time. So we cannot, for example, take a  
7 look at what it would be like to move a city out of a  
8 district into a different district and simultaneously see  
9 what it would look like to move a different city into  
10 that first district that we are working with. So the  
11 population changes, the area changes can only go one  
12 direction at a time, and can only be working towards  
13 adding area to one district at a time.

14 Similarly -- yeah, I guess, as I just described, we  
15 can't add area to one district and remove a different  
16 area from that same district at one time.

17 Committing a change, or making a change, to a  
18 district is not final. We can undo changes that we make.  
19 So say that there's something that Commission wants to  
20 explore, we can make the change. And then if the  
21 Commission decides that -- that you don't like the  
22 outcome, then we can revert back to previous versions.

23 Additionally, say that there's something larger that  
24 the Commission wants to explore, something more  
25 structural that the Commission wants to explore, we can

1 work with something called snapshots. I already have one  
2 loaded into the map. The snapshot that I have loaded  
3 into the map is this starting point. So starting as if  
4 there were no changes to the visualizations at all.

5 In -- another way we can continue to use this is if the  
6 Commission makes changes that you're happy with, we can  
7 take a snapshot of it. If the Commission wants to create  
8 additional changes, then we can keep working and  
9 exploring -- exploring sort of different population  
10 changes on the map. And if those just don't work out or  
11 if the Commission is happier with their first version,  
12 then we can revert back to the snapshot that we took  
13 after making changes to this map.

14 We will be able to display something called the  
15 Pending Changes window. So that will give Commissioners  
16 insight and understanding into the implication of a  
17 change being considered. So I'm going to show the  
18 Pending Changes window right now.

19 Is that showing on the screen?

20 CHAIR TURNER: No.

21 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: No nothing.

22 CHAIR TURNER: Oh, there it is.

23 MS. CLARK: It is there?

24 CHAIR TURNER: Yes.

25 MS. CLARK: Oh, weird. Okay. It took a second. So

1 here you can see it'll show the population of a selected  
2 area. I'll select an area so this populates. But it  
3 will show the population, the change of a population, and  
4 then what the deviation would be if the change was made.

5 So I'm just going to zoom into any area on the map.  
6 So let's say that we were going to -- and I'm -- I'm not  
7 suggesting this is something the Commission wants or  
8 would change, but if we were going to add to this CALA  
9 East Fresno, Calaveras East Fresno District if we were  
10 going to add Amador County to it. So I am going to make  
11 East Fresno our district. And you can see here it says  
12 the -- the population of this East Fresno District,  
13 because we haven't selected anything to add to that  
14 district, the change in population is zero. The ideal  
15 value, this shows, of course, the ideal value, the ideal  
16 population of each Assembly District. This is the  
17 deviation from that ideal value. So it's saying that  
18 this district, the East Fresno District, is  
19 underpopulated from the ideal population by 13,725  
20 people. And the current percent deviation of that  
21 visualization is negative 2.78 percent. So I'm going to  
22 select Amador County, because this is the first change  
23 I'm making with this plan it's just going to take a  
24 second, and then Amador County is highlighted in red now.  
25 And we can see that that's saying that the population

1 would become -- of the East Fresno visualization -- would  
2 become 516,910 people. That's a change of 36,592 people.  
3 That's how many people are in the highlighted area, which  
4 is Amador County. And it's saying the deviation from the  
5 ideal population would become 22,000 and change people  
6 overpopulated. And the percent deviation of the East  
7 Fresno District would be 4.63 percent. Similarly, it's  
8 showing what changes would occur to the district that  
9 we're pulling from. We can pull area from multiple  
10 districts at one time, but only add area to one district  
11 at a time.

12 So that's just a general overview. I'm not going to  
13 commitment this change right now, but if we did commit  
14 that change then -- it would be there and in the map.  
15 And it would -- it would just be reflected in the map,  
16 and these -- the labels on each of the districts would  
17 update to reflect the percent -- the -- the new percent  
18 deviation after we make changes.

19 I'm just going to show you a couple other things on  
20 the map that may be helpful for the Commission as we're  
21 working on this together, as you're directing us. We  
22 have census geography loaded into the map. I'm going to  
23 turn on the census tracts. Those are the green lines.  
24 So we have these loaded into the map. I'm going to zoom  
25 in, and the total population of each census tract is

1 displaying on the map now. We can change the color. We  
2 can change how big the labels show up. We can change the  
3 font, anybody has font preferences, we can change the  
4 font.

5 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: We don't.

6 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible, simultaneous  
7 speech) --

8 MS. CLARK: What? Yeah, we can't change the  
9 population in each tracts, but we can change -- we can  
10 change -- we can make changes to make it more accessible  
11 for Commissioners, whatever you'd like.

12 Similarly, we have the percent CVAP loaded onto the  
13 map. We can show the percent CVAP of the census blocks  
14 plus the total population of the census blocks. That is  
15 something that might be more interesting when we get into  
16 Congressional visualizations and are really trying to  
17 narrow down the total deviation. And unfortunately, just  
18 the way that this program aggregates or adds up the  
19 adjusted data to geography, we cannot show the adjusted  
20 population on the city level, which is unfortunate. So  
21 just so you know, we can't say City of Modesto and then  
22 show also the adjusted population totals. So that's just  
23 one limitation I wanted to let you know of.

24 Similarly, we don't have for City of Los Angeles and  
25 City of San Francisco on the neighborhood layers, we



1 can't show the total population of each neighborhood --  
2 of each neighborhood. So --

3 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Can you show blocks?

4 MS. CLARK: Okay. So just going to show the census  
5 block layer. I think right now it has the percent Latino  
6 CVAP. But I'm just going to zoom in so you can see the  
7 census blocks are all nested within the tracts. So the  
8 blocks are not split by the census tracts. They're all  
9 perfectly nested in there. And that's how we know the  
10 total population of each tract is because it's how -- the  
11 total population of each and every census block in there  
12 added up to the tract level. You can see as I zoomed in  
13 further, we even have the street names that pop up. We  
14 can change the font. We can change the size of those.  
15 I'm not sure how big the -- how big it's showing up on  
16 everyone's screens right now, but we can change the size  
17 of that. We can make the street names darker if it makes  
18 it easier to see, or anything that you which to make it  
19 as accessible and easy to follow as possible.

20 So that was just our quick overview of what is  
21 possible in this program, some of the limitations. And  
22 are there any questions?

23 CHAIR TURNER: I'm checking my screen. I think you  
24 did a wonderful job. I don't think we have any --

25 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Audio interference) Becker.

1 CHAIR TURNER: Mr. Becker? Okay. Mr. Becker.

2 MR. BECKER: I -- yeah, I just had a quick  
3 verification Parrott so I think for the Senate and  
4 Assembly Districts where you have flexibility with  
5 deviation, tract is a really good level to look at. The  
6 census tract level -- the census tracts are aggregated  
7 census blocks. You probably only need to get into the  
8 block level, except in rare circumstances, when you're  
9 looking at Congressional Districts.

10 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Oh.

11 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you, Mr. Becker.

12 Okay. With that, we're going to go ahead and go  
13 into our live line drawing session. We're going to start  
14 with our Assembly District. We will start in the Central  
15 Valley, as we did before.

16 Commissioners what I would like -- well, let me say  
17 first of all, to all of the Californians that's watching,  
18 please remember that you can utilize our visualization  
19 tool that's online to give us in-the-moment feedback to  
20 the visualizations that you're seeing to the direction  
21 that's being given. And it's helpful -- you can give us  
22 feedback in any manner you'd like, but it's helpful to  
23 hear what you like as well as what you dislike. If  
24 there's something not working for you, Californians, it  
25 would be great to hear that. And it's also really good

1 to hear where we've gotten it right.

2       Commissioners, as we're giving direction, please let  
3 us know what you're trying to accomplish. So instead of  
4 just saying move this, move this, let's start trying to  
5 get understanding about what we're doing. So if we can  
6 kind of think in terms of this is the direction I'd like  
7 to give, I want to see this in line drawing, and this is  
8 what I'm trying to accomplish.

9       Because there may be -- and line drawers I'd love  
10 for you to help us if there -- if there is -- for  
11 example, if I'm trying to accomplish something but the  
12 way I'm going about it, if you see an easier way to do  
13 it, let's kind of have a two-way kind of dialogue so that  
14 we can move through this in a way that will help us  
15 achieve what it is we're trying to accomplish.

16       Everyone good? All right. This is exciting. Let's  
17 do it.

18       So we're starting with Kennedy? Yay.

19       All right, Kennedy. Let's go. Okay.

20       MR. BECKER: (audio interference) log back on. I've  
21 got to hardwire for internet (audio interference).

22       CHAIR TURNER: Oh, okay.

23       MS. MAC DONALD: Yeah, just one second. Our -- our  
24 internet here just went down. So just one second while  
25 we put an ethernet connection in.

1 CHAIR TURNER: All right. So the internet here went  
2 down, if you're viewing and watching. So again, this  
3 would be a good time, if your internet is still working,  
4 to go on to our website and get -- start giving us those  
5 visualizations, the feedback.

6 We are starting from our November 7th  
7 visualizations. We will be giving comment on what works  
8 for us. We are hearing from all of you, many if you took  
9 time, stayed up in the middle of the night to send us  
10 emails, and we appreciate all of that. Lots of feedback.

11 Soon as we get back up and running.

12 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Chair Turner?

13 CHAIR TURNER: Sir.

14 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah, just had a question,  
15 I don't know if it's for Fredy. But I was wondering when  
16 the latest Assembly visualization would be able to be  
17 loaded into the visualization tool?

18 CHAIR TURNER: You said Assembly?

19 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. Because the  
20 visualization tool online has the old one.

21 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. We'll check with Tony and see.  
22 Thank you for bringing that to our attention.

23 Fredy?

24 MR. CEJA: It's my understanding that the data team  
25 is working on that. So it should be up by tomorrow

1 morning.

2 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Are we ready, Kennedy?

3 MS. MAC DONALD: Yes, we're reading in one second.

4 Chair Turner.

5 CHAIR TURNER: Yes.

6 MS. MAC DONALD: Would you like us to start again

7 with an overview of the current visualizations? Okay.

8 Wonderful. Thank you so much.

9 And with that, over to Kennedy.

10 MS. WILSON: Hello, Commission.

11 So we are going to start in the Inland area. And I  
12 will give an overview of why this looks the way it does.

13 So a lot of the change has stemmed from -- for one,  
14 in Fresno keeping -- I'm going to zoom in so that we can  
15 see the city. So keeping the Hmong communities together,  
16 I did about as much as possible, and so that comes with  
17 these lines here in Fresno and why it's cut the way it  
18 is.

19 We also had direction to try to split Stanislaus as  
20 little as possible. And so with that, I had to continue  
21 moving population to the North. And so I cut off --  
22 before this was coming into Stanislaus and into Ceres,  
23 but then took that out and put it back to Somerset can be  
24 whole. And Stanislaus was not split into as many  
25 count -- into as many districts.

1           And then another change that caused a lot of change  
2 would be moving Elk Grove North. And by doing that, we  
3 had direction to move the Northern cities in Sacramento  
4 County to the East. And so with that overpopulating  
5 that, then we needed to move some more population North.

6           And then moving more population North, it was  
7 overpopulated. And then I had to get rid of some there.  
8 And that is why there are some additions -- counties to  
9 Tamina's area, because there was too many people in mine.  
10 And so we moved it North and put up that way.

11           And that is a general overview in how we got to the  
12 North the way that it is now.

13           And if there's any additional questions, I could go  
14 through that as well. Or I can start with the districts  
15 in Kern County.

16           So I'm going to start with the districts that Mr.  
17 Becker may want to comment on, starting with page 47 West  
18 Bakersfield. I'm going to zoom in here. This is a  
19 similar configuration that you've been seeing that has  
20 stayed pretty much the same. We have -- can't see the  
21 names here, Delano, McFarland, Wasco. Again Shafter not  
22 split. Going -- going to -- into this area I'm also  
23 going to turn to see that one, so one moment.

24           CHAIR TURNER: Which page are you on?

25           MS. WILSON: Page 47. And one moment while I put --

1 while I put the CVAP up.

2 MR. BECKER: Yes. Take it off.

3 MS. WILSON: Oh.

4 MR. BECKER: Okay. I don't know.

5 MS. WILSON: Oh, do you --

6 MR. BECKER: Okay.

7 MS. WILSON: Okay. I --

8 MR. BECKER: There we go.

9 MS. WILSON: Okay. Now it is up. We have the  
10 deviation and CVAP up. And again, we're keeping the  
11 communities and Cities of La Crests, Hillcrest, Benton  
12 Park, Cottonwood, Arvin, Lamont together in Bakersfield.

13 And Mr. Becker, if you wish to comment, you can.

14 MR. BECKER: Yeah, we're looking variations by land  
15 are populated -- this is an area of significant Voting  
16 Rights Act concerns with significant racially polarized  
17 voting and concentrated Latino populations. I think  
18 there's no question that the 57.47 percent is adequate to  
19 protect the Latino community in that area. There's  
20 probably even a little bit of leeway to slightly lower  
21 it, if you have other considerations that -- other  
22 criteria you'd like to make there.

23 MS. WILSON: And now I will continue moving North.  
24 And we have Kings, Tulare. And I will say that I did  
25 look at keeping Visalia whole, but it does drop the CVAP

1 here in this area. And so that is why I opted to keep it  
2 that way. And again, it's keeping Visalia. I'll turn it  
3 so you can see the names. Tulare, Portersville, Pixley,  
4 Lemoore, and Hanford together. And this now grabs a  
5 piece of Fresno County, Riverdale, Laton. And this is  
6 also due to the fact of taking out some of Stanislaus  
7 meant that Merced and Madera and Fresno had to combine  
8 together to get the population. And so then that created  
9 another district here within Fresno, and put some down  
10 here as well with Kings and Tulare.

11 MR. BECKER: So I just briefly note here again  
12 significant Voting Rights Act issues here with racially  
13 polarized voting and large Latino communities. Unlike  
14 the previous district, this one is slightly  
15 overpopulated. And this is one of the only overpopulated  
16 districts in this area, including the one immediately to  
17 its East. So just to keep that in mind. Which gives you  
18 some flexibility certainly to remove a little population  
19 if you want. It's 54.1 percent Latino CVAP right now,  
20 which is likely adequate to protect Latino voting rights  
21 in that area. It's probably less leeway -- well, I can  
22 say definitely less leeway than the previous district in  
23 terms of possibly reducing it.

24 MS. WILSON: And also, this is on page 46, if you  
25 were having trouble finding that. My apologies.



1           And the next one will be on page 45. It's titled  
2 Fresno. And some differences here Reedley is no longer  
3 split. Parlier is in here and Kingsburg is -- was taken  
4 out of what was here in Fresno previously. So now Selma,  
5 Sanger, Orange Cove, Fowler, Easton, all of those cities  
6 are kept together.

7           And then moving into Fresno, to keep the Hmong  
8 community together, I reached into Clovis to keep  
9 their -- that's why it comes up this way, to keep that  
10 community together. Sunnyside to Sanger keeping those  
11 communities together as well. Keeping Old Fig Garden.

12           Also we have Shaw running along here, which is where  
13 we said to cut. But then again -- so you can see East  
14 Shaw Avenue, I raised this line to also keep the Hmong  
15 community of their shape files and what they've sent in  
16 and said where their Committees are, I lifted that line  
17 above it to keep that intact.

18           MR. BECKER: So again, note slight under population  
19 here, still well within the legal limits. And now we are  
20 getting down into 52.27 percent Latino CVAP in an area  
21 with, again, significant Voting Rights Act implications  
22 for the Latino community with a strong racially polarized  
23 voting. That is an area that I would probably advise you  
24 don't reduce much farther, if at all, and perhaps even  
25 think about finding ways to increase Latino CVAP in that

1 area slightly more. And also welcome more public comment  
2 on that with regard to Latino voting strength in the  
3 area.

4 MS. WILSON: Now we will be moving to page 43,  
5 Merced/Fresno. And starting within Fresno, again, this  
6 part of Fresno has been taken and added here to keep the  
7 Hmong communities together and this West of the 99,  
8 Northwest of the 99 communities together. We have Viola,  
9 Kerman, up to Mendota and Firebaugh within Fresno County  
10 into Merced, which is -- there is a cut in the county at  
11 Livingston. So Winton and Atwater are still with the  
12 City of Merced.

13 And then we move into Madera. And we have Madera,  
14 Madera Acres, Parksdale, Parkwood, Fairmead, and  
15 Chowchilla within this visualization.

16 MR. BECKER: So this one is very close to ideal  
17 population, is at only negative 0.5 percent. This is an  
18 area also of Voting Rights Act -- with Voting Rights Act  
19 implications, large Latino populations, significantly  
20 racially polarized voting. This is at 50.62 percent.  
21 That's almost certainly on the low-end. And these  
22 visualizations that we have seen so far, these four  
23 districts, all do a very, very nice job of respecting  
24 Criteria IV, communities of interest, city boundaries,  
25 county boundaries. To a very large degree, there might

1 be some flexibility to -- to comply slightly better with  
2 the Voting Rights Act, which is Criteria II by finding  
3 ways to in -- slightly boost Latino population in this  
4 particular district.

5 MS. WILSON: And so now will be moving on to page  
6 48. We'll be going back down to start with this Kern and  
7 Tulare. And again, that's on page 48. And so we have  
8 what is left of Bakersfield that was not a part of the  
9 VRA District. And here, for population, I grab -- I gave  
10 Bear Valley -- Bear Valley Springs and Stallion Springs,  
11 Keen to the LA area for there to be a district there.

12 And moving up, we have what was also left in  
13 Tulare --

14 CHAIR TURNER: Kennedy, excuse me one minute. So  
15 the -- on my map at least, it's still jumping, and  
16 probably because of the internet or something still. So  
17 by the time you get to what the explanation is, when we  
18 see it it's changing again, and so we're not really seen  
19 it so.

20 MS. WILSON: Slowing down. Definitely.

21 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

22 MS. WILSON: Okay. So I'll follow the district here  
23 with my hand as well. Goes around here and up around  
24 this Kern and into Tulare. And you can't -- so this is  
25 the broadest picture, so you can't see the cities, but

1 Tulare to Visalia is connected, except for the part that  
2 was taken out for VRA consideration here. And again,  
3 that's on page 48.

4 So now we will be moving onto page 49. And I'll  
5 zoom out so that we can see that better as well. And I'm  
6 going -- if it's okay with you, I'll ask would you like  
7 me to remove the CVAP so that we can see this better? Or  
8 would you like to keep it on?

9 CHAIR TURNER: Looks like we're going to remove it.

10 MS. WILSON: Okay.

11 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

12 MS. WILSON: Okay. Now, that looks a little bit  
13 cleaner, you can see a bit better. So we have Mono,  
14 Inyo, Alpine, Amador, El Dorado Hills, and there is some  
15 of Placer. So I will wait for that to catch up, but I  
16 will show you what parts of Placer are included with this  
17 district of East.

18 So I will slowly zoom in there and wait for it to  
19 catch up to me and get those city names on. So in El  
20 Dorado, we have all of El Dorado included in the Eastern  
21 California district. And moving into Sacramento County  
22 with direction of moving Elk Grove up and moving some of  
23 those cities to the East.

24 We have Rancho Cordova, Mather, Folsom, and  
25 Orangevale moving to the East to help populate this

1 district. And so I'll circle those here, this purple one  
2 Folsom, Rancho Cordova, Mather are going out to this  
3 Eastern California district.

4 And now I'll continue to move North into Placer, and  
5 you can see Foresthill, Colfax, Alta, Sunnyside, Tahoe,  
6 Cedar Flat, Kings Beach, those are all included in here  
7 as well. And then, to keep Truckee in Nevada County with  
8 Tahoe, there is a portion of Nevada taking out that is  
9 the City of Truckee to keep it with this down below in  
10 the Tahoe area. And again, that's page 49.

11 And now we will be moving on to page 44. And so  
12 this is a new district that we have not seen before yet.  
13 This configuration of Fresno, Madera, Mariposa, Tuolumne,  
14 Calaveras, which again is trying --

15 CHAIR TURNER: Hope going to come up. There it is.

16 MS. WILSON: Oh, there it is. Okay. Wait. There  
17 we go. So thank you, sorry. So continue to slow me  
18 down. I'll continue to slow myself down as well. So  
19 Fresno and Madera, keeping those together, the foothills  
20 part of those and then, keeping Mariposa, Tuolumne, and  
21 Calaveras together as well.

22 With having to take some of Sacramento and put it to  
23 the East, we could not keep all of these counties  
24 together too. So that is why it has created its own  
25 visualization here. And that's how that came about.

1 Again, that's on page 44. Calaveras, Tuolumne, Mariposa,  
2 Madera, and Fresno. And again, keeping the foothills of  
3 Madera and Fresno together and then, direction to keep  
4 Calaveras, Tuolumne, and Mariposa together.

5 Now, we will be moving on to page 42. And we're  
6 going to be moving adjacent to the West to Stanislaus  
7 County. And I'll zoom in a bit closer so you can see  
8 what cities are in here.

9 So this visualization, titled Stanislaus, dips into  
10 Merced. It takes Livingston, Delhi, the -- Snelling,  
11 these cities that are on the norther edge between Merced  
12 and Stanislaus. And keeps Turlock and Modesto together.  
13 Previously, my visualization reached all the way up into  
14 Ceres. And so took that out to keep Stanislaus only a  
15 part of two counties instead of -- two visualizations  
16 instead of one. And that is why this looks the way it  
17 does. And again, that was on page 42.

18 Now, we will continue moving North. And next we  
19 have page 41, which is titled "Stockton". And this is  
20 very similar to what we have seen before. Again, with  
21 Tracy, Mountain House, and the City of Stockton all kept  
22 together. Page 41.

23 Now, we will be moving on to page 40. And so  
24 previously I had direction put Lathrop with Stockton,  
25 Tracy, Mountain House. However, taking Elk Grove out of

1 this visualization, this -- you know, with all the  
2 farming cities, it needed to be -- it needed population  
3 and so I needed to keep Lathrop and Manteca with a part  
4 of this visualization to keep this population. As you  
5 can see, it's still under negative 2.25.

6 And I tried to make these deviations a little lower  
7 than before as well. But we have Oakdale to Knights  
8 Ferry. I believe this is Salida. Let me -- Salida,  
9 Riverbank, Del Rio are still going North, along with  
10 Ripon and Escalon as well. And Salida, Riverbank, and  
11 Del Rio are part of Stanislaus County as well as Oakdale,  
12 East Oakdale, and Knights Ferry.

13 So that is all going North into San Joaquin -- and  
14 again, Lathrop, Manteca going North into San Joaquin.  
15 Then we have Farmington, Linden, up to Lockeford,  
16 Dogtown, Woodbridge, Lodi, Terminous. And we all the way  
17 up into Sacramento County. We have Guelph, Herald, Clay,  
18 and I do also include Vineyard from Sacramento County for  
19 population purposes. In trying to keep this at a good  
20 deviation and this, I needed to take Vineyard out. And I  
21 also added Rancho Murrieta as well.

22 And now, we will be moving on to page 36, SAC-  
23 ELKGROVE. And our zoom in closer here and wait for  
24 the -- so here we have Elk Grove and Sacramento. And we  
25 have Florin, Lemon Hill, Fruitridge Pocket are part of

1 that as well, Parkway.

2 And then, we have the Greenhaven, Pocket area in  
3 this loop here that I'm circling. It does not have a  
4 label, but this is the Greenhaven, Pocket area. And  
5 then, Southeastern Sacramento all within one district.  
6 And again, that is on page 36.

7 Now, we will continue moving North into page 35.  
8 And we have -- going back there's a lot of conflicting  
9 testimony with what you wanted to do with West  
10 Sacramento. And so taking in Elk Grove there and trying  
11 to deal with population, we have West Sac back in here.  
12 That was one of the considerations that we took from the  
13 transcript and the meeting notes. And so we brought that  
14 in here, and it's with Natomas, urban Sacramento.

15 We do have a split of Arden, Arcade, and Carmichael.  
16 But I did, here, Arden-Arcade and Rosemont being together  
17 as a COI from the Commission. And I have Loma Linda  
18 added in as well into this district.

19 Now, we will be moving on to page 34, West Placer  
20 and Sacramento. In this visualization we have  
21 Carmichael, Fair Oaks, Citrus Heights, Antelope, Foothill  
22 Farms, North Highlands, Elverta, and then moving into  
23 West -- into Placer, we only have the City of Roseville  
24 with these cities that are in Sacramento as well.

25 Now, we will be moving on to the Sutter, Yuba,



1 Sierra Nevada. And I'll zoom out so you can have a  
2 visual -- a better -- bigger picture visualization. So  
3 this is on page 14. Sutter, Yuba, Placer -- I mean  
4 Nevada, Sierra on page 14. And so again, due to pushing  
5 some cities eastward, we needed -- we were kind of having  
6 over-population, so again had to reconfigure what the  
7 North looked like.

8 I was keeping together Sutter, Yuba. We have  
9 Lincoln, Rocklin, Granite Bay, Loomis, North Auburn,  
10 Auburn within Placer going North -- northward towards  
11 Sutter and Yuba as well. Then we have Nevada. We have  
12 the Grass Valley as well a part of this. And then, the  
13 entire county of Sierra. And then, some cities on this  
14 Northern border or Sierra into Plumas for population.  
15 And again, that is on page 14.

16 Now, we will be moving on to the last visualization  
17 of my region, which is on page 12. And this  
18 visualization has Butte, Plumas, Modoc, Lassen, Shasta,  
19 Siskiyou, and again the part of Humboldt that contains  
20 the Karuk Tribe.

21 And if there are no questions, we can start live  
22 line drawing or whatever you wish, Chair.

23 CHAIR TURNER: First of all, thank you Kennedy for  
24 the presentation. And yes, time for live line drawing.  
25 So Commissioners, we have the presentation. We've taken

1 notes and so here we go.

2 Commissioner Fernandez, thank you for being our  
3 first Commissioner. We appreciate that. Go.

4 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Well, actually, I need a  
5 little direction on this because it's -- the changes I  
6 have are just completely -- these are very different --  
7 completely different maps and visualizations than we had  
8 last week. And so for me, it would be a complete revamp.  
9 And that's going to take a really long time. But I also  
10 need to make sure that I provide correct direction for  
11 future, right?

12 Because if I -- if I go into every single -- I can  
13 do high-level in terms of what some of the issues are,  
14 what some of my concerns are. But I -- I honestly feel  
15 that if I went through every single visualization, kind  
16 of took it back to where it was last week and then made a  
17 few -- I just a few changes last week. It would probably  
18 take the whole -- the rest of our meeting.

19 CHAIR TURNER: So let me suggest this. I do  
20 recognize Commissioner Fernandez that whereas, you know,  
21 kind of general consensus was that we start here. That  
22 that was something that might not have worked for you.  
23 And that's okay. So we're -- I'm prepared to hear from  
24 you and what's needed. But also what I'd like to have  
25 you start with is what -- just name for us again, what

1 you're trying to accomplish.

2 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Um-hum.

3 CHAIR TURNER: And let's hear back from the line  
4 drawers there and see if there's a quicker way to get  
5 there --

6 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Okay.

7 CHAIR TURNER: -- with what we need. Does that  
8 sound okay?

9 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah, sounds great.

10 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

11 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I'm game for anything right  
12 now. How's that? So let's -- how about if we just go --  
13 I'm just going to go by page number not changes, does  
14 that make sense, because I have notes on different pages.

15 So on page 49, and that is the -- no wait, is  
16 that -- that's the ECA one. And if we -- so that, in  
17 terms of how that changed from last weeks to this week,  
18 it's just taking a portion of our Eastern border. So  
19 it's heading into the -- oh, goodness, what was those --  
20 those -- yeah. Calaveras, Tuolumne, Mariposa.

21 In order to keep those counties together that  
22 community of interest, it pushed everything else to the  
23 side, which then pushed everything to the North. So now  
24 you've got sections of Sacramento that are in a -- of the  
25 urban area and in with Inyo County. All the way down at

1 the bottom.

2 So that's high level. That's my concern right now  
3 is we are putting urban area -- very urban areas with  
4 mountainous rural areas. So that's my first -- and that  
5 one I think we have Folsom, Rancho, Mather, I believe.

6 Can you zoom in really quick, please, Kennedy?

7 Yeah. With Vineyard and Vineyard, also. Vineyard,  
8 Mather, Rancho, Gold River, Folsom, Orangeville. All of  
9 those are Sacramento-based communities and cities that  
10 are connected similar to how LA is and you've got all  
11 those cities next to each other.

12 So that is a huge concern for me in term of the  
13 community of interest that we've heard for Sacramento as  
14 well as our communities of interest with Florin,  
15 Vineyard, Elk Grove, Lemon Hill Pocket, and also  
16 Greenhaven area.

17 So then, just leave it there, because I'll just --  
18 I'll just move over to the West Sac one. And then, with  
19 this one is, we're incorporating West Sac when we're  
20 actually leaving pieces of Sacramento out. And my  
21 direction would be to move West Sacramento back with Yolo  
22 County in order to accommodate some of the Sacramento  
23 communities, like the Vineyard and some of the areas that  
24 we have there.

25 So that would push everything -- so -- so my

1 recommendation was to push everything from the Sacramento  
2 would be Sacramento inclusive and then, to the East --  
3 not East, South. And that's what it's doing. It's  
4 pushing everything East and then all the way down South  
5 to Inyo. And --

6 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you. Before -- before you  
7 move --

8 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Oh, okay.

9 CHAIR TURNER: -- Commissioner Fernandez.

10 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Um-hum.

11 CHAIR TURNER: So to the line drawers: So in  
12 response to Commissioner Fernandez, just kind of general  
13 thought. What I've heard from you is the urban areas  
14 with mountainous would be something that you're trying to  
15 accomplish where that's not together. And then, also in  
16 pushing out -- we've pushed out West Sacramento -- or  
17 we've included West Sacramento, but pushed out  
18 Sacramento?

19 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Correct.

20 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. And so is there a response or  
21 a thought for help line drawers? Because we've talked  
22 about saying what it is we're trying to accomplish. Does  
23 that help there or should we -- do we need more as far as  
24 why we are where we are.

25 Mr. Becker, go ahead.

1 MR. BECKER: Commissioner Turner, I -- as I was  
2 talking with the line drawers. I mean, this is how live  
3 line drawing can work. This might be an opportunity to  
4 get a direction to say, for instance, Gold River, Rancho  
5 Cordova, Mather are in -- are in that East California  
6 district. You could try taking them out and see what  
7 happens.

8 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

9 MR. BECKER: That will tell you what hap --  
10 depending on what district you put them in, that will  
11 have a rippling effect.

12 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

13 MR. BECKER: And then, next so one instruction at a  
14 time. Because then, you might want to do something with  
15 West Sacramento. (Audio interference) --

16 (Background noise - audio interference)

17 CHAIR TURNER: That's helpful.

18 MR. BECKER: That's how I'd suggest going about  
19 Vineyard. I'll just note Vineyard is in a different  
20 district.

21 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

22 MR. BECKER: So -- but --

23 CHAIR TURNER: Beautiful.

24 MR. BECKER: I mean, if -- there might be rippling  
25 effects from a variety of areas though. So the district

1 that you might want to start with, if I was giving a  
2 piece of advice, was the -- is the MERCEDFRESNO district.  
3 Because that had some Voting Rights Act concerns that you  
4 might want to address that might ripple out probably in a  
5 clock-wise direction North to East.

6 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

7 MR. BECKER: So if you start from there, given that  
8 that's criteria 2, then working your way up, you'll  
9 probably have -- the Sacramento --

10 CHAIR TURNER: Can we fix this?

11 MR. BECKER: -- situation might become a little  
12 clear at that point.

13 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Beautiful. Beautiful. Okay.  
14 Commissioner Fernandez, that works for you? Okay, great.

15 Then, let me check in with Commissioner Yee and then  
16 Commissioner Sadhwani.

17 COMMISSIONER YEE: Thank you, Chair. I'd like to  
18 take a look at Fresno. I believe that's page 46. So  
19 looking at the border between Fresno and KINGS-TULARE,  
20 and Mr. Becker, could you confirm that those -- both of  
21 those are areas with VRA considerations, both Fresno and  
22 KINGS-TULARE?

23 CHAIR TURNER: Yes.

24 MR. BECKER: I'm pretty sure they are. I'm just  
25 confirming the Latino CVAPS in those areas. Yes.

1           COMMISSIONER YEE: Very good. So I'd like to  
2 propose moving the -- in the Southwest or rather the  
3 Northeast -- Northwest of KINGS-TULARE the Towns of  
4 Riverdale, Laton, and also Lanare, which I don't think is  
5 labeled there, to move them to the Fresno district. That  
6 will even out the population rule of one percent and I  
7 think also help with the VRA considerations.

8           MR. BECKER: I'd suggest that's actually a really  
9 good place to start because that actually moves up into  
10 the MERCEDFRESNO area. So that might be something, if  
11 you are all amenable, to it we can literally do that  
12 right now.

13          CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

14          MR. BECKER: All right. She's adding the --

15          UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible)

16          MR. BECKER: -- existing district as the existing  
17 boundaries right now. And now she's defining the -- the  
18 space that's going to be added to that for comparison.

19          COMMISSIONER YEE: All right. Very good. This will  
20 also put those back in their own county.

21          MR. BECKER: Right. Can you -- one -- one second.  
22 She's -- we've got to narrow it down a little bit.

23          COMMISSIONER YEE: All good.

24          COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Could you tell us what that  
25 population is?



1 COMMISSIONER YEE: Or not.

2 MR. BECKER: We haven't defined the right population  
3 yet --

4 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Well, no, I mean --

5 MR. BECKER: -- so yeah, we will in just a second.

6 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: -- but what's showing right  
7 there.

8 MR. BECKER: Right now, it's including --

9 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Could you tell us --

10 MR. BECKER: -- right now it's including some extra  
11 population we don't want to include.

12 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Correct. Could we see what  
13 that population is though, just the way it is right  
14 there?

15 COMMISSIONER YEE: I can actually -- oh. I can tell  
16 you the ones that I named population would be 5,566,  
17 Lanare, Riverdale, and Layton. It's just the one you had  
18 before was also in Fresno County.

19 MR. BECKER: We might be able to do that separately  
20 too. But let's -- we want to address, first, I think,  
21 Commissioner Lee's request. And then --

22 MS. WILSON: Yeah. In just one second. We're just  
23 setting up the map still, so just one second. So with  
24 this part of Fresno being added back in to the Fresno  
25 district, you can see that there would be a change of

1 8,942 people. This puts the new -- the Fresno district  
2 at negative 1.07, and then KINGS-TULARE at 0.85.

3 We also have here the Latino CVAP, which is percent  
4 HSP\_CVAP\_19. And that puts Fresno at 52.23 from 52.27,  
5 and KINGS-TULARE at 54.16 from 54.1.

6 COMMISSIONER YEE: It actually moved the CVAP in the  
7 opposite direction I was hoping, but the population's  
8 better.

9 MR. BECKER: Is it -- so kind of an I right that  
10 the -- that actually reduced the Hispanic CVAP is  
11 Fresno -- in the Fresno district?

12 COMMISSIONER YEE: Right. Right.

13 MS. WILSON: Would you like to make this change?

14 CHAIR TURNER: One moment, please.

15 COMMISSIONER YEE: That's all I had. But --

16 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

17 COMMISSIONER YEE: -- definitely if anyone else has  
18 a suggestion for --

19 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah, so if I -- as I -- just a  
20 question to the line drawers. If we -- if the answer is  
21 yes and we move forward, we can still back up later,  
22 right? And so -- because there could be changes on the  
23 other end that would -- will --

24 MS. WILSON: Yes. That's correct.

25 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Looking around. Commissioner

1 Sadhwani, are you going to comment on this piece?

2 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: I was going to comment on a  
3 different VRA district.

4 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. So yes, please make this  
5 change.

6 MS. WILSON: I will do that right now.

7 CHAIR TURNER: Mr. Becker, did you have something  
8 else?

9 MR. BECKER: Yeah, I was just going to ask  
10 Commissioner Andersen if she wanted us also to look at  
11 that other piece of Fresno County that you were  
12 mentioning before?

13 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah, thank you. Actually,  
14 before you do look at that, could you actually put the  
15 layer of the -- the Latino CVAP by, you know, by census  
16 block? Or not -- yeah, so we can see, you know, we can  
17 see where people are?

18 MR. BECKER: That's the -- that's the heat map (ph.)  
19 of Latino CVAP?

20 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: The heat map, yes, was what  
21 I intended. Yes, sorry. Thank you. Could -- could we  
22 see what that population is in that small little area,  
23 please?

24 MR. BECKER: Yeah. She's doing it.

25 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay.

1 MS. WILSON: So the pop -- the population in this  
2 area is 55,725. Doing this changes the two deviations to  
3 10.21 and negative 10.43. But the CVAP, Latino CVAP, is  
4 53.01 for Fresno, it does raise it. And then, 53.39 for  
5 KINGS-TULARE.

6 MR. BECKER: But the deviation is way too large,  
7 yeah.

8 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Well, thank you. We'll toss  
9 that. Thank you.

10 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Sadhwani has already  
11 stated she's going to be in a different area.

12 Commissioner Andersen, your hand was up. Was it for  
13 this -- what you've just shared already. So it's going  
14 down.

15 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: That was exactly it. Thank  
16 you.

17 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Commissioner Toledo, will you  
18 be commenting on this area?

19 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yes.

20 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. And then, let me just do a  
21 quick poll. Commissioner Akutagawa, same area or  
22 different?

23 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Same.

24 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Commissioner Toledo?

25 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I'm just looking at the -- I

1 believe I see Clovis as part of this or a portion of  
2 Clovis in the -- is that correct that it's in the Fresno  
3 district? Did we take a piece of Clovis?

4 MS. WILSON: There is a little part of Clovis and  
5 that was due to looking at the Hmong community shape  
6 files and what they've sent it. And so to include an  
7 area that they have given, I reached into Clovis because  
8 that's where they -- they are. The community of interest  
9 that was sent in, that's why that looks that way.

10 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I'm just curious if there's a  
11 portion of Clovis that we can take out without impacting  
12 the Hmong community too much. Because we did hear from  
13 the Clovis -- the community that they didn't want to with  
14 Clovis.

15 MS. WILSON: Taking out Clovis would split a COI  
16 that they sent in.

17 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Oh, yeah. I understand. I'm  
18 just saying.

19 MS. WILSON: Oh, sorry.

20 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Because I think we have  
21 conflicting COIs. We have a COI that say, all right,  
22 that they didn't want to be with Clovis. And then, we  
23 have some -- a community -- a Clovis -- a community of  
24 interest that it -- it represents the Hmong community.  
25 I'm just wondering if there's a way to try to honor both

1 of those things (indiscernible, simultaneous speech) --

2 MR. BECKER: Would you like us -- would you like us  
3 to look at taking that small portion of Clovis that is in  
4 the Fresno district and moving into the East Fresno  
5 district above?

6 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yes, I would. And --

7 MR. BECKER: Why don't we just do that?

8 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- to see what the impact  
9 might be. Thank you.

10 MS. WILSON: Commissioner Toledo, there's also going  
11 to be a little part of Tarpey Village that may be going  
12 with that. If we can take a look at that.

13 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I think that's fine.

14 MS. WILSON: That has this portion of Clovis that  
15 was taken out and Tarpey Village has a population of  
16 3,437. The deviations change from 2.78 -- negative 2.78  
17 to negative 2.08. Fresno goes from negative 1.07 to  
18 negative 1.76.

19 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Does that slightly lower the  
20 Hispanic CVAP?

21 MS. WILSON: Yes.

22 MR. BECKER: It very slightly lowers Hispanic CVAP  
23 by 975 people in the Fresno district.

24 MS. WILSON: Well, we can --

25 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Okay. So I won't make the

1 change.

2 MR. BECKER: Are you sure?

3 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I won't recommend the change.

4 MS. WILSON: 52 to 30.31 --

5 MR. BECKER: But that changes Hispanic CVAP 9.7 --  
6 negative 9.7, yeah.

7 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Toledo does not --

8 MR. BECKER: Okay. It -- it increases --

9 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I'm withdrawing the request.

10 MS. WILSON: It actually increases it.

11 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Toledo is withdrawing  
12 that request.

13 MS. WILSON: It actually increases it.

14 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Akutagawa --

15 MR. BECKER: Yeah. I -- I just want to be clear. I  
16 misspoke. It did -- it does very slightly increase  
17 Hispanic CVAP.

18 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Oh.

19 MR. BECKER: From 52.23 to 52.31 percent.

20 CHAIR TURNER: Ah.

21 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: It's minimal, so I'll still  
22 withdraw the request.

23 MR. BECKER: Thank you. Is that withdrawn?

24 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Sadhwani, I see you  
25 still, but we're still in the same area. Okay.

1 Commissioner Akutagawa.

2 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. I -- I'd like to  
3 see, perhaps part -- I looked up the population of  
4 Parlier, which is like in that border between, I think  
5 it's the --

6 MR. BECKER: Yeah.

7 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- sorry, let me get down  
8 to what it's called. KINGS-TULARE, and it's at the very  
9 top --

10 MR. BECKER: We've got it.

11 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- of KINGS-TULARE. It  
12 looks like Parlier may make up some of that gap where  
13 Fresno is under deviation and Parlier -- KINGS-TULARE is  
14 over deviation. And it looks like, from the heat map,  
15 that it might still balance out the CVAP that the VRA is  
16 going to require and also still honor the previous COI,  
17 so.

18 MR. BECKER: So the instruction is to add Parlier to  
19 the Fresno and see what that looks like?

20 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yes.

21 MR. BECKER: Thank you.

22 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: And I guess the question I  
23 have is can you add enough, I mean, if you at the census  
24 block level, I guess you start with the whole city and  
25 then, maybe, if it's over too many, take away?



1 MS. WILSON: So taking Parlier out of KINGS-TULARE  
2 and moving it to Fresno, it has a total population of  
3 14,732 people. Fresno's deviation would jump from  
4 negative 1.07 to positive 1.92. KINGS-TULARE goes from  
5 0.85 deviation to negative 2.13.

6 And we see a change in Latino CVAP. Fresno jumps  
7 from 52.23 to 53.13. However, KINGS-TULARE drops from  
8 54.14 to 53.23.

9 MR. BECKER: Okay.

10 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: It still dropped fifty-  
11 three though that small change.

12 MR. BECKER: Should we keep that?

13 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I'll just say -- I mean,  
14 I'm comfortable with that, but I don't know what my  
15 colleagues all feel about it. I will also comment that  
16 the previous visualization on Fresno showed that we were  
17 roughly about 14,000 under. And it's kind of interesting  
18 that by adding 14,732, it's jumped up the standard  
19 deviation, so. It just interesting to see how this  
20 changes.

21 CHAIR TURNER: Kennedy, on Parlier -- Parlier or  
22 however you pronounce it, did we go down too far? Did we  
23 capture more than just Parlier that that --

24 MS. WILSON: Yes. And that is because there was a  
25 part that was noncontiguous of Parlier. So to keep it,

1 there was -- I'll take the block out really fast. And so  
2 if you can see, I'll zoom in really close. There's these  
3 two parts of Parlier that are a little bit South and not  
4 connected. So I chose a block to keep that connected.

5 And the difference there is from -- with connecting  
6 the blocks, we're at 14,732. And taking it away, we're  
7 at 14,703.

8 MR. BECKER: It's twenty-nine people.

9 COMMISSIONER YEE: Twenty-nine people.

10 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Akutagawa, while you're  
11 deciding that, Commissioner Fernandez, Yee, Kennedy, is  
12 the -- Commissioner Ahmad, do any of you want to weigh in  
13 on this particular census block?

14 COMMISSIONER YEE: I do.

15 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. So Commissioner Yee and then  
16 Commissioner Ahmad.

17 COMMISSIONER YEE: Let me -- Mr. Becker, could you  
18 comment on the CVAPs if we adopt this change?

19 MR. BECKER: I'll take a closer look at this. I  
20 mean, the -- certainly, there's a -- there's -- it  
21 increases it in one of the -- in one of the districts.  
22 In the district that goes from 54.16 to 53.23, do I have  
23 that right?

24 MS. WILSON: Um-hum.

25 MR. BECKER: Those are very similar CVAPs. I -- and

1 I think it's -- I think it's highly unlikely that that  
2 change would have a significant impact on ability to  
3 elect. But we're going to take -- we'll take a close  
4 look at that. I think these are in ranges that -- again,  
5 we always invite more input from the Latino community on  
6 these kinds of things.

7 But these are kind of -- these are the modest  
8 changes that likely don't have a major impact on the  
9 ability to elect in these areas. I think the increase in  
10 the other district has a -- likely, a more net positive  
11 impact than any of the decrease and the other has a net  
12 negative.

13 COMMISSIONER YEE: Thank you.

14 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Ahmad?

15 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Thank you, Chair. I just  
16 wanted to clarify that red line underneath the label  
17 KINGS-TULARE, that's the county line, correct?

18 MS. WILSON: Yes. That is the county line. I can  
19 make that a little bit thicker if --

20 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Oh, no, no. It's all good. I  
21 just wanted to clarify that's the county line between  
22 Fresno and Tulare, right?

23 MS. WILSON: Yes. That is the county line.

24 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Okay. So while counsel is  
25 checking up on VRA-related items, I do see testimony

1 saying that Tulare comes into Fresno County and grabs  
2 Reedley, Parlier, and Orange Cove? This is wrong and  
3 these small Latino community -- farm worker communities  
4 should be in districts with Fresno County, so that change  
5 is reflects in some of the COI testimony that we have  
6 received, so. It's not just a matter of landing on  
7 something.

8 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. So are we good with this  
9 change? Oh, I'm sorry. Yes, Commissioner Kennedy?

10 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: I just wanted to ask the  
11 mappers if we -- instead of moving Parlier, if we moved  
12 Kingsburg, what would be -- the effect of that be? Thank  
13 you.

14 MR. BECKER: So to be clear, put Parlier back in  
15 Fresno and take Kingsburg out and put it into the Fresno  
16 district?

17 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Correct.

18 MR. BECKER: Okay.

19 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Thank you.

20 MS. WILSON: So as you can see here, there are  
21 12,414 in -- people in Kingsburg. The deviations in  
22 Fresno go from negative 1.07 to positive 1.45. In KINGS-  
23 TULARE, we have a deviation jump from .085 to negative  
24 1.6. And this -- the Latino CVAP in Fresno drops to  
25 51.83 from 52.23. And in KINGS-TULARE, it jumps up from

1 54.16 to 54.66.

2 So the Latino CVAP in Fresno goes lower and drops  
3 below fifty-two percent. But in King-Tulare, it stays at  
4 fifty-four overall.

5 MR. BECKER: I -- I'd probably advise that this  
6 raises a few more concerns that the last change did with  
7 regard to Voting Rights Act compliance.

8 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Thank you. So let's go back  
9 to the previous one. And so Commissioners, just to kind  
10 of give us a sense of where we are. So we know we're in  
11 the process of trying to create eighty districts. We  
12 have about four hours or so left. So we're look at about  
13 twenty districts, maybe, and hour.

14 So just -- and I know it's a little bit more  
15 difficult because we're doing VRA districts right now so  
16 the others will be a matter of, you know, moving, perhaps  
17 a little quicker. But I just thought I'd throw that out  
18 there just -- just because.

19 Okay. Mappers, let's make the change we have with  
20 Parlier for now. Thank you.

21 Commissioner Sadhwani, please.

22 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Thank you. I wanted to take  
23 a closer look at the City of Visalia, which I believe  
24 is -- a portion is in the KINGS-TULARE. Yeah.

25 I'm curious, there's a couple -- I'm curious if we

1 took in more of the Northern portions of Visalia what  
2 that might do to improve what's now become a negative  
3 deviation there. As well as improving the -- well, I  
4 can't see that. But I'll just note that some of the  
5 testimony that we've received from communities on the  
6 ground suggest that a VRA district may need to be draw at  
7 a -- at a higher rate than this area. And so that's --  
8 that's kind of what I'm looking to achieve.

9 MR. BECKER: So to be clear, you want more of  
10 Visalia moved in KINGS-TULARE district? Possibly that  
11 Northern portion, maybe a straight line across Goshen to  
12 the other side. Is that roughly what you're looking for?

13 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: That's correct.

14 MR. BECKER: Okay. We can -- we can -- so this  
15 actually reduced the Latino CVAP, this -- and created a  
16 slightly larger population of balance, although still  
17 within the legal levels. What we might want to do,  
18 Commissioner Sadhwani, is make this area a little bit  
19 smaller. Can I suggest not including Goshen? I don't  
20 know if I'm saying that right. And going basically --  
21 here to here.

22 MS. WILSON: I'm just going to -- okay. Here.

23 MR. BECKER: Yeah. I'd say connect those corners.  
24 We're just trying somethings out and you'll tell us if  
25 that looks okay. Is that all right? That probably

1 didn't do what you were intending it to do. That's still  
2 now -- maybe, would you open to the idea -- I don't know  
3 if just Goshen would likely do it. I don't know. No?

4 MS. WILSON: I don't think so.

5 MR. BECKER: Maybe yet -- maybe a -- maybe even a  
6 shallower portion of that top. Do you want to try that?

7 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. Sure. I -- I think  
8 the goal is clear. And so it's just a question of how do  
9 we get there.

10 MR. BECKER: Draw a line from down here connecting  
11 this block and -- there we are. Yeah, this is -- the  
12 percentage is still down a little bit. You --  
13 Farmersville? Can you zoom in? Hold on, we might have  
14 a -- we might have a suggestion.

15 Okay. We -- so one possibility that was suggested  
16 was maybe looking at Farmersville and Linnel Camp and  
17 seeing if that can be included in the KINGS-TULARE  
18 district. Would you like us to draw that for you?

19 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, I -- if based on what  
20 we're seeing on the screen, it's hard to envision how  
21 that would come in. But yes, I'm definitely open to --  
22 definitely open to suggestion.

23 MR. BECKER: Get rid of that one there. What if we  
24 did this?

25 Commissioners, are you okay if we just to put

1 something up on the map that might be useful there?

2 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

3 MR. BECKER: Take this off there.

4 MS. WILSON: Okay.

5 MR. BECKER: So it's a larger block, it makes  
6 another possibility.

7 MS. WILSON: And kind of take it this way?

8 MR. BECKER: I would take it -- and try to get these  
9 if you can as a block because it - yeah. We're -- can  
10 you -- can you all see what's happening here? So this  
11 is -- this is contiguous. It raises the CVAP up about a  
12 half a percentage point to 5.369 where we are right now.  
13 And the deviation is really close to zero, both under  
14 plus or minus half a percent.

15 Well, that's -- this is a great example. She just  
16 zoomed out so you can see what that district would look  
17 like, big picture.

18 CHAIR TURNER: Very nice.

19 MR. BECKER: Sorry? I don't -- I intend to be off-  
20 mic at that distance.

21 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. So do you have more?

22 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: No, that's it, Chair.

23 CHAIR TURNER: That was beautifully done. All  
24 right. We're -- we're cooking now.

25 MS. WILSON: We can -- we can also



1 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

2 MS. WILSON: -- look at the opportunity of taking  
3 Woodlake in, which is here to the East of this district  
4 now.

5 CHAIR TURNER: Yes, please. Let's look at it.

6 MS. WILSON: Okay.

7 MR. BECKER: In addition to?

8 CHAIR TURNER: In addition to.

9 MR. BECKER: Okay.

10 CHAIR TURNER: No, it's --

11 MR. BECKER: So deviation is higher, CVAP is higher.  
12 You -- I might suggest you might want to take a look at  
13 what happens if we eliminate the first change so you can  
14 compare the two.

15 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Let's try it.

16 MR. BECKER: It might not seem like it, but this is  
17 actually moving quite quickly. Okay. That change by  
18 itself not quite -- I believe it's just slightly less of  
19 Latino CVAP. Again, deviations are quite good. Probably  
20 not a significant difference with regards to Voting  
21 Rights Act implications, versus -- choice A versus choice  
22 B here.

23 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioners, do we have core  
24 testimony that anyone has, quickly, that -- between  
25 choice A, choice B?

1 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Do we have any staff that's  
2 on hand to check stuff like that for us as we did in the  
3 past?

4 CHAIR TURNER: Yes.

5 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Okay.

6 CHAIR TURNER: Yes, we do.

7 MR. BECKER: And I didn't want it here. No, that's  
8 doesn't -- that's not at least what I would, can see it a  
9 little bit, but not much. Okay.

10 CHAIR TURNER: So we have Ashleigh on now that  
11 supports. Ashleigh, have you been able to track? Are  
12 you -- do you have a response for us?

13 MS. HOWICK: Not at the moment, Chair. But I will  
14 work on finding it.

15 MR. BECKER: And I'll just add that we made --

16 CHAIR TURNER: So what would -- go ahead,  
17 Commissioner Sadhwani.

18 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: I was going to say I think  
19 MALDEF includes Farmersville.

20 MR. BECKER: And if we do choice -- I'll -- the  
21 Woodlake choice --

22 CHAIR TURNER: Uh-huh.

23 MR. BECKER: -- we just made an additional slight  
24 change for even more compactness that basically maintains  
25 the same Latino CVAP 53.71 percent and deviation still

1 within the plus or minus one.

2 CHAIR TURNER: So hold there. Commissioner  
3 Sadhwani, you said Farmersville was another COI we had to  
4 have included?

5 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: That had been the first  
6 option that we looked at, but I'm open and flexible.

7 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Very good. Ashleigh, what I  
8 was asking was did we have -- did you see additional COI  
9 in regards to either Woodlake and that other area was --  
10 what the other area?

11 MR. BECKER: Farmersville.

12 CHAIR TURNER: Oh, no, no. Not the current one the  
13 initial. Was Farmersville what we had included before?  
14 Okay, okay. Farmersville, thank you.

15 MR. BECKER: And choice -- choice C is still out  
16 there which is both Woodlake and Farmersville.

17 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Can you just remind us the  
18 impact if we did both?

19 MS. WILSON: If we did both, I can just quickly  
20 click the city, and of course, make it prettier later.  
21 But that bumps it to 54. And doing one of the other, it  
22 stays at 53. And the deviations, I still would have to  
23 connect, but I believe when I had more census blocks  
24 connected, it went up to, I think, a positive two.  
25 Nothing over five, nothing over three even.

1 MR. BECKER: Yeah. This is -- this is well within  
2 legal parameters for deviation. And even slightly  
3 stronger with regard to Voting Rights Act implications in  
4 this care.

5 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Well, let's connect them.

6 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Chair?

7 CHAIR TURNER: Yes. Commissioner Vazquez.

8 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I was just -- I'm trying to  
9 track, sort of the change on TULARE-KERN in case that  
10 makes a difference to folks. I'm not seeing any  
11 concerning changes, but just -- I was looking at it and  
12 wanted to flag it potentially for my colleagues.

13 CHAIR TURNER: Of connecting -- Commissioner  
14 Vazquez, of connecting to Tulare and Kern?

15 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Well, of adding these  
16 populations since we're add -- we're adding to KINGS-  
17 TULARE. What are we doing to TULARE-KERN. And so I was  
18 just -- I just wanted to flag for folks the other column  
19 as we're doing this in case there are concerns.

20 MR. BECKER: So --

21 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: If we're -- if we're adding  
22 to a problem. It doesn't look like we are, but I just  
23 wanted to flag that.

24 MR. BECKER: Yeah. So this is --

25 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

1 MR. BECKER: -- what's now on the screen is actually  
2 doing -- taking into account Woodlake and Farmersville  
3 and also making sure there's compactness and contiguity,  
4 which this does. The deviation is still good. The  
5 TULARE-KERN district is not in area of Voting Rights Act  
6 concern and it was only at 29.92 percent. It's reduced  
7 to 28.3 percent. And the deviations are still well  
8 within legal parameters.

9 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Looking around the room, let's  
10 make that -- let's see, any other hands for this area?  
11 Commissioner Akutagawa, Commissioner Ahmad, Commissioner  
12 Sinay. And then, we'll make a call.

13 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Can I just -- so that we  
14 can see because Three Rivers also came up. I just want  
15 to note, I just did a quick search for Woodlake in the --  
16 in the Airtable database and it does seem like there is  
17 COI testimony supporting this particular change. But I  
18 just wanted to see where Three Rivers is in relation to  
19 this map. Thank you.

20 MR. BECKER: So it should be up on the screen now.

21 MS. WILSON: Three Rivers, I --

22 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you. Thank you, Kennedy. We  
23 see it. Commissioner Ahmad.

24 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Thank you, Chair. I just  
25 wanted to reiterate what Commissioner Akutagawa just

1 said. I, too, did a quick search in Airtable and it  
2 seems like COI testimony does say, include Farmersville  
3 as well as Woodlake and Lindsay into -- and Tool --  
4 Tooleville into Tulare-King. But at some point, we would  
5 probably need to make that determination of how many of  
6 those COIs go in -- communities go into that --

7 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

8 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: -- district, but it's aligned.

9 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. So Tooleville's there, right?  
10 Yeah. Okay. Good, good, good.

11 MS. WILSON: Tooleville is not a part of this  
12 district right now. It's right next to Exeter, right  
13 here on the -- to the East of it. And so here is Exeter,  
14 and here lies Tooleville right there next to it as I'm  
15 circling around with my hand. And Lindsay is part of it  
16 already.

17 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner -- on this area,  
18 Commissioners Sinay?

19 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Sorry, this is still a learning  
20 question. So ideally, what we would be doing now is that  
21 the KINGS-TULARE will be over populated which allows us  
22 to continue moving North. I see all these heads saying  
23 no. So I'm getting it wrong.

24 MR. BECKER: It -- it's -- I would just way, it's  
25 slightly overpopulated above the ideal, but still well

1 within the legal parameters.

2 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Okay.

3 MR. BECKER: It's still well below five percent.

4 COMMISSIONER SINAY: So I guess what I -- so let me  
5 just say big picture, because I'm not ready to play  
6 little picture yet. Big picture, it seems what we've  
7 been wanting to do is move, you know, kind of move  
8 population North so that we can improve the Latino CVAP  
9 in the MERCEDFRESNO area. Is that not connected at all,  
10 what we're doing right now or could -- it could be  
11 connected if we did it in one --

12 MR. BECKER: So let me say a couple of things.  
13 First of all, the net --

14 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Thank you.

15 MR. BECKER: -- the net deviation between these two  
16 districts is about the same in both. It's about -- it's  
17 about the same, and it's both legally permissible.  
18 Because this is taking an additional population from the  
19 Eastern portion of this district and because the  
20 MERCEDFRESNO district is to the Northwest of this, this  
21 gives you the most flexibility with regard to what you  
22 might do above this.

23 Does that make sense to everybody? It doesn't  
24 define what you're going to have to do, but it gives you  
25 a lot more flexibility.

1 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Okay.

2 CHAIR TURNER: On this district, on this area,  
3 anyone else before we go back to Commissioner Fernandez  
4 at the top?

5 Commissioner Andersen?

6 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Thank you. As we're looking  
7 at these close areas and we're still trying to guess.  
8 And I really appreciate having the, you know, the heat  
9 maps on, but could we also have the census track numbers  
10 so we can kind of make a good guess? Like, it looks --  
11 oh, that looks like an area with a lot of -- clearly a  
12 lot of area with Latino population, however, it could  
13 have six people in it.

14 And so if we had numbers, we could, like, you know,  
15 give you better information, please.

16 MR. BECKER: So can I suggest you pick either the  
17 Hispanic CVAP blocks or the tracks. Because I think it  
18 will become unwieldy to look at both of them.

19 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Well, if we could kind of maybe  
20 go on and then go the other back because you could --

21 MR. BECKER: That's what --

22 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: -- it would be kind of an idea  
23 we're looking at then you see numbers, and you go, ah.  
24 Right, because I was looking at Tonyville area. Isn't  
25 that area out to the West as well. Thank you. I think



1 that gives us a quick idea of

2 CHAIR TURNER: And while we're doing that, I know  
3 we -- I think we received counsel to get it as close as  
4 possible. I also want to just say these again, we're  
5 working towards a draft. And we'll have another  
6 opportunity. So we don't have to be exact right now. We  
7 do want to be able to move forward some.

8 Okay. Wait, Commissioner Andersen until you get  
9 what you -- oh, is that what -- was that it for you?  
10 Okay. Great.

11 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Except, yeah.

12 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

13 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: That's what I -- I think it's  
14 just -- it helps in terms of picking this versus that.

15 CHAIR TURNER: Sure, it does.

16 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: We can see the numbers as well.

17 CHAIR TURNER: I agree.

18 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Thank you.

19 CHAIR TURNER: Um-hum. Mappers, do you need  
20 direction from us?

21 MR. BECKER: Should we finalize this?

22 CHAIR TURNER: Yes, please.

23 Commissioner Fernandez.

24 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Okay. I'm going to take  
25 you away from this area. On this journey that seems far,

1 far away. Where am I going?

2 CHAIR TURNER: Oh, I'm sorry.

3 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Are you finished?

4 CHAIR TURNER: I'm sorry.

5 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Are you done with the area  
6 or no?

7 CHAIR TURNER: No. Commissioner Sadhwani. I'm  
8 sorry.

9 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Sorry. Before we move away  
10 from Central Valley, I wanted to take a quick look at the  
11 Bakersfield district. Sorry, the West Bakersfield  
12 district, I think it is, WBAKERSFIELD. If I'm looking at  
13 this correct, although I don't know if we've shifted ---  
14 no, it was the other one that we just shifted, right?

15 Here, we're under -- under population and right next  
16 door in the TULARE-KERN, right? These are those  
17 districts around as I will call the dollop. I'm just  
18 wondering if there's anything we can do to -- I know we  
19 don't have to equalize them, but I -- I'm curious about  
20 increasing the population in the West Bakersfield  
21 district, possibly drawing from additional portions of  
22 the City of Bakersfield just to try and balance out those  
23 changes in the deviation between these two districts that  
24 are right next to each other.

25 MR. BECKER: Could I make a suggestion, Commissioner

1 Sadhwani?

2 So what we could do is in the -- can you move your  
3 mouse right, right in there. In this -- in the area  
4 that's currently being circled, we could move out from  
5 WBAKERSFIELD into TULARE-KERN. Oh, I'm sorry. It's got  
6 to be the other way around. What I -- so probably the  
7 first thing I'd suggest then, is looking down here.

8 Looking in the Arvin area and maybe moving out to  
9 build a larger ridge between these portions of the  
10 district. And then, moving up to the norther part of  
11 TULARE-KERN where Shafter is and seeing what that does if  
12 we move that into West -- West Bakersfield. Do you want  
13 to try that? Let's just try it. So why don't we --

14 MS. WILSON: Sure.

15 MR. BECKER: Get as much as you can, like, in here,  
16 and add it to Tulare.

17 MS. WILSON: Yeah.

18 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: While we're working on that,  
19 and I haven't looked -- I recall that we had COI  
20 testimony around Oildale. Does anyone recall what that  
21 testimony was?

22 CHAIR TURNER: Ash -- Ashleigh, can you -- can  
23 you -- Ashleigh, check Oildale for us, please?

24 MS. WILSON: Good idea.

25 MS. HOWICK: Yes, will do, Chair.

1 MR. BECKER: So just that -- what you can see on  
2 your screens, changes -- yeah, pull it down a little bit.

3 MS. WILSON: Like this?

4 MR. BECKER: Yeah. Changes the deviation.  
5 Deviation in West Bakersfield right now is significantly  
6 underpopulated which would need to be fixed on the other  
7 end. But we've already talked about adding some  
8 additional population. Maybe -- and this maintains --

9 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioners, let's make sure your  
10 mics are off while you're not presenting or speaking.  
11 And then, Mr. Becker, if you'd speak a little bit louder  
12 into your mic.

13 MR. BECKER: You bet. So what we're trying to do  
14 now is trying to -- I don't know if you can do this both  
15 at the same time, but takes -- because these are three  
16 districts that are being implicated.

17 CHAIR TURNER: Ashleigh, do you have something for  
18 us yet?

19 MS. HOWICK: Yes. I would like to note that there  
20 are a few COI inputs from that area, but what I'm seeing  
21 is that this should be included with Bakersfield.

22 CHAIR TURNER: Oh, and it should be included with  
23 Bakersfield?

24 MS. HOWICK: Yes.

25 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. And so there was no COI

1 testimony about Arvin and Lamont being together? That's  
2 a different question, I understand, but it seems like  
3 there was -- I heard something about Arvin and Lamont.

4 MS. HOWICK: I will look into that. Again, just  
5 noting that there was few from Oildale, but they also did  
6 link with Rosedale, just to note, but I will look at the  
7 other one now.

8 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you. And it seems, though,  
9 we've blown past a break, because we're so engrossed in  
10 this process. We are going to take a break, because  
11 we're beyond, and we'll be back at 4:31 -- 4:32. Thank  
12 you.

13 (Whereupon, a recess was held from 4:16 p.m.  
14 until 4:32 p.m.)

15 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you so much, and welcome back.  
16 We're going to pick right up where we were. We were  
17 considering some changes to the WBAKERSFIELD, KINGS-  
18 TULARE-type area. And so mappers, what do we have?

19 Mr. Becker, was it you? Right. Right.

20 MR. BECKER: Was I on the spot?

21 CHAIR TURNER: You are on the spot, yes. Please --

22 MR. BECKER: Excellent.

23 CHAIR TURNER: -- sir. Thank you.

24 MR. BECKER: So I think, if we're remembering, we're  
25 going back to the original request from Commissioner

1 Sadhwani, which -- go North, please. I'm being taught  
2 manners again. The request was to add some population  
3 into WBAKERSFIELD from KINGS-TULARE to even out the  
4 population percentages, and I would suggest focusing,  
5 perhaps, on the Kings County area to do that.

6 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Well, I think the piece that  
7 I was seeing was the --

8 MR. BECKER: Wait, wait. No, because they're both  
9 underpopulated and negative 2.22. I don't know that  
10 that's what --

11 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Oh. When did Bakersfield  
12 become negative populated? Or no. Sorry, actually.  
13 TULARE-KERN had originally been overpopulated. So  
14 perhaps some of the other changes that we had made --

15 MS. WILSON: Yes, when we moved --

16 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- shifted that.

17 MS. WILSON: -- Farmers --

18 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Is that what happened?

19 MS. WILSON: When we moved Farmersville and  
20 Woodlake, that brought it down.

21 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Okay. Got it. That makes  
22 sense. Thank you.

23 MR. BECKER: So does that render your request moot?

24 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yes.

25 MR. BECKER: Excellent.

1 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Sorry about that.

2 MR. BECKER: No problem. No it's easy that way.

3 CHAIR TURNER: Ashleigh, are you there?

4 MS. HOWICK: Hello, Chair. Yes.

5 CHAIR TURNER: Ashleigh, did you have anything with  
6 Lamont and -- what's the other area I asked you about?

7 MS. HOWICK: Arvin. Yes. So we do have COI coming  
8 from both Arvin and Lamont, better stating that they want  
9 to be together. They share a high school and various  
10 other services. We also have a repeated COI that  
11 includes Arvin and Lamont also with Roscoe, Shafter,  
12 McFarlane, Delano, and East Bakersfield, which was stated  
13 as being East of the 99. And then we have COI coming  
14 from Bakersfield to include Arvin and Lamont with  
15 Bakersfield.

16 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Mr. Becker, with the change,  
17 did we just split Arvin from Lamont, or we have not done  
18 that?

19 MR. BECKER: No. we've reverted back --

20 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

21 MR. BECKER: -- to the original

22 CHAIR TURNER: Perfect.

23 MR. BECKER: -- visualization with regard to them to  
24 keep them all --

25 CHAIR TURNER: Oh, perfect.

1 MR. BECKER: -- together pursuant with the COIs.

2 CHAIR TURNER: Oh, perfect. Okay. Thank you,  
3 Ashleigh. Thank you. Same area or move?

4 Commissioner Fornaciari?

5 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Well, just slightly North,  
6 but still talking about our VRA district, I mean, since  
7 we were able to keep going a little North -- since KINGS-  
8 TULARE is a little over and Merced and Fresno is right on  
9 the -- right on the line. But the CVAP is -- I would ask  
10 Mr. Becker -- I mean, would we want to beef up the CVAP a  
11 little bit there?

12 CHAIR TURNER: Yes.

13 MR. BECKER: So that CVAP is definitely on the lower  
14 edge of protecting the Latino community there. And we  
15 could certainly look for ways to equalize the population.  
16 I note that both the Fresno and KINGS-TULARE districts  
17 are slightly overpopulated above the ideal right now and  
18 have slightly higher Latino CVAPs. Perhaps we could look  
19 at that very Southwestern portion of Fresno County and  
20 see what adding it into the MERCED-FRESNO District would  
21 do. If that's an instruction you'd like to give?

22 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. That's what I was  
23 looking at.

24 CHAIR TURNER: And where is the county line?

25 MS. WILSON: The county line between Fresno and



1 Kings follows the district visualization as well, so my  
2 mouse is following that here.

3 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you. Between Merced and  
4 Fresno.

5 MS. WILSON: Oh. Between Merced and Fresno. Okay.  
6 That is right here.

7 MR. BECKER: So if I'm not mistaken -- Kennedy, can  
8 you confirm that the piece of population in the Fresno  
9 visualization at the Southwestern corner there, that we  
10 were talking about potentially adding -- all of that is  
11 within Fresno County, as is part of that -- so that would  
12 not make any changes to county boundaries.

13 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

14 MR. BECKER: So we're going to try to do that.  
15 We're taking in the communities of Lanare -- I don't know  
16 if that's how it's pronounced -- Lanare and Riverdale.  
17 So deviations are now both under one percent. The Latino  
18 CVAP in MERCED-FRESNO has gone up 0.01 percent. And the  
19 Latino CVAP in the Fresno district has gone down 0.01  
20 percent -- gone up 0.1 percent, somehow. I mean --

21 CHAIR TURNER: Neal, did you have more for that  
22 area?

23 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Well, I think we need  
24 more. It doesn't seem like there's much population down  
25 there. Are there other areas where there might be

1 opportunity? Near that border?

2 MR. BECKER: We're actually -- that border might be  
3 a possibility. Another possibility would be around  
4 Madera, around where the cursor is right now, or perhaps  
5 at the Northern border of this in Merced County. Those  
6 are other options.

7 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: So both of those are under  
8 the CALA-EFRESNO is more under, so maybe we could look up  
9 in the North?

10 MR. BECKER: In Merced County? Correct?

11 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah.

12 MR. BECKER: We're looking at adding the communities  
13 of Livingston and Cressey currently to the MERCED-FRESNO  
14 district. So that small portion increases the deviation  
15 a little bit. So Stanislaus becomes negative 3.34  
16 percent, which is still within the legal range. And  
17 MERCED-FRESNO goes up to a 0.269 percent deviation. And  
18 the Hispanic CVAP in the MERCED-FRESNO District goes up  
19 about 0.3 percent to 50.93. I might --

20 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: We're not really having a  
21 lot of impact here.

22 MR. BECKER: I might suggest going back down to the  
23 Madera area and just seeing what that does. If you want  
24 to take a look at that we could get rid of this --

25 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Sure.

1 MR. BECKER: -- change. And then perhaps this area  
2 South of Le Grand. Yeah. That's a fairly underpopulated  
3 area so that doesn't have much of an effect. Could you  
4 revert back to that one? So we're looking at the impact  
5 of both this and the previous direction, if that's okay  
6 with everybody?

7 That's basically the same as just doing this  
8 Northern portion in Merced County. The Hispanic CVAP is  
9 still at 50.93 percent. Deviations are about what they  
10 were before, so I think that Madera area doesn't do much  
11 at all.

12 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. I kind of feel like  
13 I'm striking out, so I will defer to my colleagues if  
14 they have other ideas.

15 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah. Can you go back up to the  
16 North part of that? Waiting on it. Waiting on it.

17 MR. BECKER: Can we turn off both of these changes?  
18 For now, or no?

19 CHAIR TURNER: No.

20 MR. BECKER: Okay.

21 CHAIR TURNER: Oh, there, that's what I want to see.  
22 I wonder if we drilled down -- so we added -- up towards  
23 the North where we added that portion in, there is --  
24 what was that area right to the left of it?

25 MR. BECKER: Right there. Yep.

1 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah.

2 MR. BECKER: Yeah. That's the Delhi area.

3 CHAIR TURNER: That's -- yeah. Yeah. Delhi is --  
4 yeah. So let's see if we grab -- if we -- yeah. Try  
5 Delhi.

6 MR. BECKER: Okay. Working on that now. Yeah.  
7 Unfortunately, there is significant population there  
8 which makes it overpopulated, but there might be ways  
9 to --

10 CHAIR TURNER: Um-hum.

11 MR. BECKER: -- adjust in other areas.

12 CHAIR TURNER: So if we --

13 MR. BECKER: We're just trying to remove some  
14 population to get this within the legal thresholds.

15 CHAIR TURNER: Are you splitting Merced? What are  
16 you doing with that? Okay. Oh, I see.

17 MR. BECKER: No. This is all within Merced County  
18 still.

19 CHAIR TURNER: I meant the city.

20 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Do we still have the  
21 population on the bottom area picked?

22 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah. That's what I was thinking,  
23 Commissioner --

24 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Because they didn't --  
25 that didn't really add any value.

1 MR. BECKER: Yes. That's a good suggestion. Let's  
2 finish there. Now, let's scroll down to -- we're going  
3 to scroll down to the Madera area and remove that  
4 population. Okay. So Stanislaus now is significantly  
5 underpopulated, so that would need to be corrected. It  
6 could be corrected elsewhere.

7 CHAIR TURNER: Right.

8 MR. BECKER: MERCED-FRESNO is at the upper end of  
9 the legal threshold, and is now at 51.24 percent. So one  
10 possibility would be to take other areas of the MERCED-  
11 FRESNO District, move it up into Stanislaus.

12 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. And you said -- so  
13 Commissioner, Fornaciari, what about adding Hilmar with  
14 Delhi? Does that take us the wrong way? Because we've  
15 taken out --

16 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: It looks like it would  
17 take us the wrong way.

18 MR. BECKER: That will further overpopulate it. I  
19 think we --

20 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Doesn't look very red.

21 MR. BECKER: Yeah. What I think you'll need to do  
22 to correct this is probably move some population from the  
23 MERCED-FRESNO District into Stanislaus, probably close to  
24 the Northern-Northeastern portion around where it says  
25 University of California-Merced.

1 CHAIR TURNER: University of California-Merced.

2 Move to the Stanislaus, away from the Fresno. I don't  
3 like that.

4 MR. BECKER: Would you like us to experiment with  
5 that? Display that for you?

6 CHAIR TURNER: Not really.

7 MR. BECKER: I love honesty.

8 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah. I want to keep the University  
9 of Merced with Merced.

10 MR. BECKER: I think there might be a way not to  
11 take it out. I think that -- I was just using the words  
12 on the map --

13 CHAIR TURNER: Oh, the area.

14 MR. BECKER: -- as a point.

15 CHAIR TURNER: I got you.

16 MR. BECKER: I think there might be an area that is  
17 outside of the University of California-Merced that stays  
18 in that district.

19 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Let's try that.

20 MS. WILSON: So should I commit this change to  
21 adding Delhi and Livingston to the MERCED-FRESNO?

22 CHAIR TURNER: Yes.

23 MS. WILSON: Okay.

24 (Pause)

25 MR. BECKER: Thank you for bearing with us as we

1 just try to get that deviation down within the legal  
2 limits.

3 Thanks for your patience. We're almost there.

4 (Pause)

5 MR. BECKER: Yeah. There's some complex geography  
6 over here, so we're just trying to navigate that real  
7 quick. Okay. So here's where we are with this -- you  
8 might want to zoom out a little bit. This district gets  
9 a little bit bigger geographically. Stanislaus gets  
10 within the negative deviation. It's below negative 5  
11 percent. MERCED-FRESNO is above -- just over 4 percent  
12 above the ideal, so still within the legal deviation and  
13 at 51.39 percent. And the East Fresno District, which is  
14 to the East of that, is at negative 2.78 percent. I  
15 don't think it's significantly. It might have been  
16 exactly the same as it was before.

17 CHAIR TURNER: I don't know. Commissioner  
18 Fornaciari?

19 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Seems like an awful lot of  
20 change for a little bit of increase. I guess my question  
21 is, if we undid all this change and then, what would it  
22 look like if we added Newman?

23 MR. BECKER: I'm sorry, what did you ask to add,  
24 Commissioner Fornaciari?

25 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Newman.

1 MR. BECKER: We're going to undo that.

2 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Well, or -- just -- I  
3 guess.

4 MR. BECKER: Too late?

5 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: I mean, Delhi we had a  
6 pretty high population, right?

7 MR. BECKER: So removing Delhi and adding Newman  
8 instead?

9 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah.

10 MR. BECKER: That's what you're -- okay.

11 (Pause)

12 MR. BECKER: Okay. So that increases the MERCED-  
13 FRESNO District above 50 percent, a little bit -- 51  
14 percent, rather, 51.07 percent. The deviation on the  
15 MERCED-FRESNO side is still at the very top, and the  
16 deviation at the Stanislaus side is significantly  
17 underpopulated. And I will note, this isn't necessarily  
18 a problem, but that adds an additional county split into  
19 Stanislaus County. For Voting Rights Act concerns, that  
20 would be legitimate.

21 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah.

22 CHAIR TURNER: Can I --

23 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: I would --

24 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Fornaciari, can I get --  
25 Commissioner Vazquez, you want to weigh in here?



1 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yes. Thank you. I actually  
2 feel like, potentially, I think this maybe makes a better  
3 attempt at the change. Actually, I don't remember what  
4 the deviation for Stanislaus was with --

5 CHAIR TURNER: Negative 3.34?

6 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: -- Delhi.

7 CHAIR TURNER: Oh, with Delhi.

8 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yeah. With Delhi. But I'm  
9 just curious. I'm wondering if trying to -- no. Never  
10 mind. I'm torn.

11 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. I'd just as soon  
12 back it up.

13 MR. BECKER: I mean, a possible solution is maybe we  
14 revert here, and then go South if we're going to look for  
15 population shifts.

16 CHAIR TURNER: Let's try it.

17 MR. BECKER: So why don't we -- why don't we --

18 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: So one thing we did do,  
19 though, is add Livingston, right?

20 MR. BECKER: Yeah. Would you like to keep the  
21 Livingston addition right now?

22 CHAIR TURNER: I like Livingston with Merced. Is  
23 that what you're saying, Commissioner Fornaciari?

24 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: I'm just noting that we  
25 made that move and wondering if we want to keep it;

1 that's all. So it sounds like -- I'm open either way.

2 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah. I think Livingston, Winton,  
3 Atwater, Lanada (ph.) -- I think all of those, we may  
4 have COI testimony about being together. Maybe some  
5 others as well. So let's see if we can leave it there  
6 and then see what it does going South.

7 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: I guess it would also  
8 offer -- some of the input we got from groups, they had  
9 CVAPs at this level. I mean, if we're comfortable as a  
10 Commission at this level, maybe we can move on at this  
11 point.

12 MR. BECKER: So this is the line between MERCED-  
13 FRESNO and the Fresno District is already within Fresno  
14 County. That's not a county line. There might be some  
15 population on the edge of that border that could be  
16 shifted between the Fresno District, although that's  
17 getting into some tricky areas as well, because the  
18 Fresno District's at 53 percent. You want to scroll  
19 down? Keep going.

20 MR. BECKER: Mr. Becker, I think I support  
21 Commissioner Fornaciari about just moving at this point.  
22 And we can get reactions to --

23 MR. BECKER: Yep. So keeping it where it is right  
24 now?

25 CHAIR TURNER: Yes.

1 MR. BECKER: Yes. And we can get reactions to these  
2 changes and pick it up from here. Commissioner Toledo,  
3 on this area?

4 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yes. I was just wondering,  
5 can you read off the CVAPs for not just the Hispanic, but  
6 the other groups for the area as we are in right now?

7 MS. WILSON: One moment, please, while I pull that  
8 up. So on our label, we have the deviation Latino CVAP,  
9 black CVAP, percent Latino CVAP, percent black CVAP,  
10 percent Asian CVAP, and percent white CVAP.

11 And I'll zoom out so that you can see all four of  
12 the districts.

13 MR. BECKER: We're going to turn the Latino CVAP  
14 block level data off for now so it moves a little bit  
15 faster. We can always turn it back on if you request it.

16 CHAIR TURNER: Um-hum. We're good here. Thank you.  
17 Commissioner Andersen? I'm sorry, Commissioner  
18 Fernandez?

19 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Mine are still for the  
20 further North.

21 CHAIR TURNER: I don't see any other hands right  
22 now.

23 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Okay. Now, we're going  
24 North. I'm going to use my mouse, Kennedy, to move your  
25 map. It's not possible, but --

1 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Okay. So let's move that in.

2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Lock that in.

3 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: So kind of right there,  
4 where you have it --

5 MR. BECKER: One quick second. We're just going  
6 to --

7 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Oh, go ahead. Sorry.

8 MR. BECKER: We're just going to clean the map up a  
9 little bit and then we'll zoom in on the district that  
10 you asked.

11 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Chair?

12 CHAIR TURNER: Yes?

13 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Can I just ask as we're  
14 about to move to another section of the map, we've spent  
15 a whole lot of time covering these VRA districts. Are we  
16 all feeling good about that? I just want -- just a  
17 check-in. Are we -- sounds like accomplishment. Maybe?  
18 Maybe not?

19 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Akutagawa?

20 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I just want to just from a  
21 question -- are you going to clean up and then are you  
22 going to show us the changes, like how it looks in its  
23 entirety? Just so that we can see it?

24 MR. BECKER: That's what's up right -- you mean with  
25 Latino CVAP or with -- is there other data you would like

1 to see, because that's what's on right now is these are  
2 the changes.

3 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: No. I guess I just want to  
4 see, like, the area where we made the change. I just  
5 want to just visualize it again one more time, because  
6 there were a lot of things that were going back and  
7 forth, and so I'd just like to see --

8 MR. BECKER: On the MERCED-FRESNO District?

9 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yes. If you could just  
10 zoom in, especially on the area that you made the change.  
11 I'd like to just see what's the final change.

12 MR. BECKER: So here it is. The main changes  
13 includes Livingston now.

14 CHAIR TURNER: Sounds like, yes, Commissioner  
15 Sadhwani, we're good. We're feeling good about this  
16 area. Um-hum. Good check. Okay. We'll go North. Let  
17 me --

18 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Thank you. I forget about  
19 that. North to 44 and 40 -- right -- right, yeah. Right  
20 about there is great. So the CALA-FRESNO and then the  
21 ECA. So I'm trying to free up some space, I guess, or  
22 some population to go up North, because right now  
23 Sacramento is split into, I believe, five -- is  
24 Sacramento split into five, Kennedy?

25 MS. WILSON: Correct.

1 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Okay. So I'd like to  
2 decrease that, plus whatever we talked about in terms of  
3 trying to keep Sacramento cities with Sacramento cities  
4 and not go all the way down to Inyo. So we have the  
5 CALA-FRESNO -- so my suggestion -- or I'd like to see  
6 what it would look like -- and I realize that you're  
7 trying to keep Calaveras, Tuolumne, and Mariposa  
8 together, right? Is that a COI? Okay.

9 So can I see what it looks like when you -- it's not  
10 going to change dramatically. Hold on. If you move in  
11 Mono County and Inyo County into that CALA-FRESNO? And  
12 probably Alpine, too. And I'm trying to --

13 MS. WILSON: So here I have the addition of Mono and  
14 Inyo to the Calaveras-East Fresno District, and the  
15 deviation goes from negative 2.78 to 3.74 for the  
16 Calaveras-Fresno, and East California goes from 3.15  
17 to negative 3.36. And the population change --

18 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Um-hum.

19 MS. WILSON: -- between Mono and Inyo, there are  
20 32,180 people.

21 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah. I had that as well.  
22 Can you move -- can you move up, please? Okay. So that  
23 was 32,000. That's really not going to get me much. Can  
24 you increase that -- that one, yeah. The ECA? And so  
25 right now that one's overpopulated by 3.15? Is that

1 right? The ECA?

2 MS. WILSON: Yes, but with --

3 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Oh, but it's -- it would be  
4 negative now.

5 MR. BECKER: Yeah. Not after your change.

6 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Okay.

7 MR. BECKER: It's underpopulated 3.36.

8 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Okay. Can you please zoom  
9 in in Rancho Murieta? Can you see what that does to it  
10 if you pull that little piece out? I can't remember how  
11 big Rancho Murieta is. And you put it into the ECA?

12 MS. WILSON: So we can only do one change --

13 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Oh.

14 MS. WILSON: -- at a time, and so Mono and Inyo  
15 would go into Calaveras-East Fresno, and then I could go  
16 and pull in Rancho Murieta to the Eastern California  
17 after.

18 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Okay.

19 MS. WILSON: If that's a change you would like me to  
20 do.

21 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: So if we said, yes, we  
22 could always go back and undo it, right?

23 MS. WILSON: Okay. Is it okay if we -- okay. Let's  
24 go.

25 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Let's go. We're on a roll.

1 We're exploring. I think it's Rancho Murieta. Rancho  
2 Murieta's kind of -- I'm sorry, I had the page number.  
3 Is it on thirty --

4 MR. BECKER: Right here.

5 MR. BECKER: I think she's --

6 MS. WILSON: I have it.

7 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: It's in the --

8 MR. BECKER: Kennedy has it.

9 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: -- San Joaquin, I think.

10 MS. WILSON: Rancho --

11 MR. BECKER: Rancho Murieta?

12 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Right there, yeah.

13 MS. WILSON: Oh, my God, I did it again. So adding  
14 Rancho Murieta to the Eastern California after removing  
15 Mono and Inyo --

16 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Um-hum.

17 MS. WILSON: -- would change the deviation from  
18 negative 3.36 to negative 2.16, and then the Sacramento-  
19 Stanislaus would go from negative 2.25 to negative 3.43.

20 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Okay. I think that's going  
21 to pick up down below. Right? You're going to pick up  
22 down below? Okay. Can you do me another favor, too, and  
23 can you grab -- I don't know how big Wilton is. Can you  
24 grab Wilton that is right next to Elk Grove?

25 MS. WILSON: Yeah.



1 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: And put it into that ECA?

2 MS. WILSON: Please.

3 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Sorry. My manners weren't  
4 very good, were they?

5 MS. WILSON: Please. Thank you.

6 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: What did you -- what did  
7 you grab down there -- just an unincorporated area?

8 MS. WILSON: So -- yes.

9 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Okay. Okay.

10 MS. WILSON: And actually, there is a portion of  
11 Clay that I'm going to take out that is right there.

12 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I can't add Galt because I  
13 think that was too big. Yeah. Galt is too big. Galt  
14 has 25,000.

15 MS. WILSON: Clay. Okay. Yeah. We can add Clay.

16 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: What does that kick me to?

17 MS. WILSON: So now with that addition of Wilton and  
18 Rancho Murieta --

19 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Uh-huh?

20 MS. WILSON: -- Eastern California would be at a  
21 negative 0.86 --

22 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Uh-huh.

23 MS. WILSON: -- and Sacramento to Stanislaus would  
24 have changed to negative 4.75.

25 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes. And that one will go

1 down again lower once we move (audio interference) in,  
2 but we have plans, I believe, for the Stanis --

3 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah. We can keep going. Let's  
4 save --

5 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Okay. All right.

6 CHAIR TURNER: -- this. Let's save this.

7 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Okay. I was going to see,  
8 what's next to -- what's right next to Clay? That other  
9 little town?

10 MS. WILSON: I believe it's Herald.

11 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Okay. Herald. That's  
12 probably about maybe 300, 400? I'm just grabbing --  
13 because they're kind of -- they are more remote. There's  
14 actually quite a bit of distance between Galt, which is  
15 now more of a city, to when you get to Harold and Clay.

16 CHAIR TURNER: So Commissioner Fernandez, are you  
17 wanting to grab Herald and Clay?

18 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I don't want to -- okay.  
19 I'm trying to think of how much we're going to need down  
20 below.

21 MR. BECKER: Can I ask, Commissioner Fernandez, is  
22 this to add -- is this primarily to add additional  
23 population into East ECA, or is it to prep for COI  
24 reasons?

25 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes and yes. It's both for

1 COI reasons and also --

2 MR. BECKER: So population of ECA is very good right  
3 now.

4 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Okay. All right. So I'll  
5 stop.

6 MR. BECKER: It's 0.86. The area we're going to  
7 need to address with this change, potentially, is that  
8 South Sac-Stanislaus is starting to get close to the  
9 lower border of --

10 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Right.

11 MR. BECKER: -- underpopulation.

12 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Right. Okay. Yeah. Okay.  
13 I'm good with that.

14 CHAIR TURNER: I think it's --

15 MS. WILSON: So -- oh. Shall I commit this --

16 CHAIR TURNER: So let's accept that for now, and  
17 then we're going to move to Commissioner Andersen and  
18 Akutagawa, and we know that we do have to address that  
19 area of SSAC-STANIS.

20 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

21 CHAIR TURNER: South Sac.

22 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah. My first question --

23 CHAIR TURNER: Go ahead.

24 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: My first question is, where  
25 were you going with that, Commissioner Fernandez?

1 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: So what -- oops.

2 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: I mean, because there's --

3 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Am I on still?

4 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: -- a lot of COI testimony  
5 that we've blown up on the other side, so I'm just  
6 wondering where you're going to then change that?

7 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I'm not sure which one  
8 we've blown up in terms of COI testimony, because I've  
9 added to it, I believe.

10 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Mono-Inyo now they can't get  
11 to where their county, their governments -- Mono, Inyo  
12 and Alpine all have a common government, local  
13 governments, that deal with fire, safety, all their  
14 particular --

15 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Right.

16 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: -- communities of interest,  
17 now they're split. And the one thing they did not want  
18 to be is, crossing the mountains where they can't get in  
19 the winter.

20 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Right. So what I was  
21 getting at was community of interest towards the North,  
22 trying to minimize the number of splits in Sacramento  
23 County. Eventually, I'm going to move over to Taminaz  
24 (ph.) area to try to minimize the number of splits in  
25 Sacramento County, as I noted right now they're split

1 into five different districts, which also have  
2 communities of interest on that side. Right now we  
3 have -- if we leave it the way it is, we have parts of  
4 Sacramento going --

5 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Right.

6 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: -- connecting all the way  
7 to Inyo County.

8 MR. BECKER: Sacramento --

9 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: If we don't make that  
10 split.

11 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Right. But you've added  
12 more of Sacramento in with El Dorado, Amador --

13 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Right. Which is closer.  
14 They're connected with the 50 --

15 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay. So corridor? So I  
16 guess my question is, you're basically trying to figure  
17 out a way to keep more of Sacramento County in Sacramento  
18 without the five splits in Sacramento County?

19 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes. And also trying to  
20 keep the common communities of interest in the local --

21 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Communities of interest.

22 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Local areas, right.

23 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay. All right. Yeah,  
24 because it's -- I think there's a better way to do that,  
25 but go ahead and continue moving.

1 CHAIR TURNER: Well, while we're there, can I --  
2 what is your thought about the better way? Maybe we  
3 don't see it yet.

4 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Well, it also involves quite  
5 a bit starting over. I actually would take Butte and  
6 Sutter and Yuba -- put those together. Pull more of the  
7 Northern, all the way down, take Sierra Nevada, and then  
8 switch -- which gives you more room in around --like if  
9 you pull Placer County out, and that gives you room to  
10 take that area of Sacramento County to the East there, to  
11 put it with like Arcade and all that sort of stuff. Can  
12 you see where I'm headed with that one, Commissioner  
13 Fernandez?

14 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah. We haven't gotten to  
15 that part yet, so I'm trying to --

16 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Right.

17 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: -- I'm trying to deal with  
18 the East side, because we haven't gotten to the West side  
19 or central part yet.

20 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: The East side would -- you'd  
21 have space because you wouldn't have it going North up  
22 into Placer, so you could just automatically take that  
23 what's now called West Placer Sac. You could just expand  
24 that into the same area you just added over to ECA.

25 CHAIR TURNER: So line drawers, do we have this

1 ability to snapshot what we currently have, reverse it,  
2 put Commissioner Andersen's visualization up, snapshot  
3 it, and then tell us the difference so that we're able to  
4 see both sides?

5 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Well, --

6 CHAIR TURNER: Does that make sense? Is that a  
7 thing?

8 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay. We could, but I don't  
9 want to jump into this. If Commissioner Fernandez has an  
10 idea to go the other way, because mine also would involve  
11 multiple steps of shifting things down and that could  
12 take quite a long time. We may or may not take it, so if  
13 Commissioner Fernandez wants to go ahead, go ahead.

14 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I mean, I'm open.

15 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah. Yeah. Let's snapshot it,  
16 because that means we won't lose it, we can go right back  
17 to it. And if it will keep -- because you mentioned  
18 about using the same fire department, all of those  
19 different things and -- you know, for all the reasons  
20 that you gave, let's give it a try. If we can just move  
21 and we'll see what works.

22 MR. BECKER: So we're saving those changes right now  
23 so they can be reconstituted if we need to use them.

24 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. And while they're doing that,  
25 Commissioner Fernandez, I see your hand's still up for

1 your other area -- no, well. I just thought maybe it was  
2 still up. And then Commissioner Andersen is going to  
3 have to walk us through some things. Commissioner  
4 Akutagawa, you're in that same area, right? Okay.

5 MR. BECKER: We're ready now.

6 CHAIR TURNER: And so we currently have a thought  
7 process to do the snapshot, hear from the other side.  
8 Did you want to -- how did you want to weigh in there?  
9 Or I should ask, will what you're thinking be in  
10 alignment with the direction Commissioner Fernandez is  
11 currently going that we have snapshotted, or do you want  
12 to hear what Commissioner Andersen is trying and weigh in  
13 there? Or do you think you have a third option?

14 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I thought you were talking  
15 to Commissioner Andersen still.

16 CHAIR TURNER: No. Commissioner Akutagawa, I'm  
17 sorry.

18 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. I'm just trying to  
19 quickly scroll through the COI testimony that we  
20 received, focused on the Sierras --

21 CHAIR TURNER: Uh-hum.

22 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- and I think the biggest  
23 concern about moving Inyo and Mono -- and I understand  
24 where Commissioner Fernandez is going, but we've heard  
25 very clearly -- at least for Commissioner Andersen and



1 I -- because we were working with some of the governments  
2 and some of the people in that area -- the concern about  
3 crossing the Sierras, and then during the wintertime  
4 having to go into Nevada to come back around into  
5 California to access certain areas. And so that's just  
6 my main concern, and I'm reading through some of the COI  
7 testimony, and it seems like that's one of the areas --  
8 and I don't know if there's a way that we could still  
9 carve out that portion of Sacramento, kind of the  
10 Sacramento --

11 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

12 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- Greater Sacramento area,  
13 but also still maybe narrowly hug that California-Nevada-  
14 Sierra kind of line where we can then still achieve the  
15 population numbers.

16 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Let's do this. Mr. Becker?

17 MR. BECKER: Sorry. Can you repeat that?

18 CHAIR TURNER: No, no. I thought you had something  
19 for -- I thought you were waiting to get in the queue. I  
20 thought you had something for me. No?

21 MR. BECKER: No.

22 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. All right. So with what  
23 you're saying, Commissioner Akutagawa, what I want is to  
24 see if I can't have Commissioner Andersen attempt to walk  
25 through what she's doing, because you shared that same

1 area. And then if you would just keep an eye out to see  
2 if that still falls in line with what you were thinking.  
3 Commissioner Andersen?

4 And Ashleigh, are you still on, or did we move to  
5 Jose? Jose? Okay.

6 So Jose?

7 MR. CHAVEZ: Hi, Chair.

8 CHAIR TURNER: Hi. So I just wanted our  
9 Commissioners to hear your voice so they can have  
10 confidence that we have backup as well.

11 MR. CHAVEZ: (Indiscernible, simultaneous speech) --

12 CHAIR TURNER: There'll be no question for you now.

13 Just want to know you were there and listening.

14 Commissioner Andersen, you have lots of help that's going  
15 to walk you through your visualization.

16 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Thank you. Actually, I  
17 would kind of start up further North if that's okay to  
18 make the changes that will shift some population around.  
19 Because, basically, what I'm going to try and do is grab  
20 all of Placer to go with what is now considered ECA, but  
21 then take some of -- and then take the other areas which  
22 have been added to ECA from the other counties, which  
23 include, like, Rancho Murieta, and that sort of thing.  
24 Have those been taken out already? No. That entire area  
25 of Sacramento, I'd want to put that back with Sacramento

1 and take the portion that's in West Placer Sac out of  
2 Sacramento and put it with Placer to add Placer --

3 MR. BECKER: Excuse me. Hold on.

4 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Andersen --

5 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Does that make sense?

6 MR. BECKER: Thanks. I'm sorry. Let's get one  
7 change at a time. It's just very hard for

8 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: No, no, I'm -- but --

9 MR. BECKER: -- the line drawers, so.

10 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: What I'm trying to do is  
11 just the overall, because then they can probably go, ah,  
12 the quickest way to do it is to do this first, and then  
13 that one.

14 MR. BECKER: Well, first -- what I heard first --  
15 and I think the mappers are doing right now -- is they're  
16 adding the rest of Placer County into the ECA District.  
17 Is that correct?

18 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yes, please. Correct. And  
19 Lincoln and Rocklin, et cetera.

20 MR. BECKER: Okay. I just want -- I just want to  
21 note, this has completely destroyed the deviations along  
22 these -- along this area, so we'll see --

23 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Just temporarily --

24 MR. BECKER: What's your next one?

25 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Just temporarily. Okay.

1 And then what I'd like to do is take out the rest of  
2 Sacramento County out of ECA.

3 MR. BECKER: Okay.

4 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: And add -- well, you don't  
5 add it to --

6 MR. BECKER: She's doing that.

7 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: -- the West Placer-Sac.

8 MR. BECKER: West Placer-Sac is where you want it,  
9 correct?

10 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Correct.

11 MS. WILSON: So now, for the Eastern California  
12 district, we have a deviation of 38.46, and for West  
13 Placer-Sac, we have a deviation of 10.42.

14 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay.

15 CHAIR TURNER: That's step 1. That's step one.  
16 Yeah.

17 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: And then if we can -- can we  
18 back out just a little bit? A little more. Oh, take out  
19 the portion of Nevada County from ECA. Of -- yeah.  
20 Because Sierra Nevada won't stay together.

21 MS. WILSON: I committed that change, adding all of  
22 Nevada back to this Sutter-Yuba-Sierra Nevada --

23 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay.

24 MS. WILSON: -- and it is now negative 40.56.

25 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Right. Can we -- let's

1 see -- if we move that one down here -- do we still have  
2 in -- ECA has Placer, El Dorado, Amador, Alpine, Mono,  
3 Inyo. Is that correct?

4 MS. WILSON: That is correct.

5 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay. Then, what I'd like  
6 to do is get Butte, because we have Sutter-Sierra Nevada  
7 that's way too big. Can we pull Butte -- oh, I'm sorry.  
8 Take out of Sutter-Sierra Nevada, take the portion of  
9 Plumas County out.

10 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Chair?

11 MS. WILSON: And put it North?

12 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah.

13 MS. WILSON: Oh, sorry.

14 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: May I just make a comment?

15 CHAIR TURNER: Who's -- oh. Yes.

16 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Sorry. I didn't have my  
17 hand raised. I think we're getting into the territory of  
18 doing major architectural changes.

19 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah. We are.

20 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: And I don't think that we  
21 would have time to do the entirety of the state in this  
22 way when we're ultimately trying to redraw --

23 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah.

24 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- entire visualizations.

25 I'm curious --

1 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: I agree.

2 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- if something like this  
3 had maybe existed in a previous visualization, we might  
4 not be able to get to it today, but we could certainly  
5 note it, put a pin in it, if you will, and come back to  
6 it. It might not be a part of our draft map, but that  
7 doesn't mean there won't be an opportunity to work on it  
8 at another time.

9 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Chair, I agree. This is a  
10 major reconstruction, and it has involved many steps,  
11 which is why I kind of didn't want to jump right into it.  
12 So I will just -- I'll just back off completely, and go  
13 to Commissioner Fernandez and we can work it out over the  
14 after-drafts.

15 MR. BECKER: Should we unwind these --

16 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yes.

17 MR. BECKER: -- changes, then? Thank you.

18 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Please.

19 CHAIR TURNER: Or we could leave it 60 --

20 MR. BECKER: Restore?

21 CHAIR TURNER: -- and 80 percent over. Yeah. We  
22 should unwind.

23 MR. BECKER: Should we restore the snapshot that --  
24 in response to Commissioner Fernandez's direction?

25 CHAIR TURNER: Say it again?

1 MR. BECKER: Should we restore the snapshot that --

2 CHAIR TURNER: Yes, let's restore --

3 MR. BECKER: -- from Commissioner Fernandez?

4 CHAIR TURNER: -- we're going back to

5 Commissioner -- yes --

6 MR. BECKER: Or should we go back to the original  
7 visualization?

8 CHAIR TURNER: No. Let's go back to Commissioner  
9 Fernandez. We're going back to Commissioner Fernandez,  
10 and let's -- Commissioner Fornaciari?

11 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. Just to echo  
12 Commissioner Sadhwani's comments, I think even what  
13 Commissioner Fernandez is proposing is major  
14 architectural revision. At the rate we're going, yeah --  
15 we're not going to get anywhere. So I would offer a  
16 suggestion. Maybe today, if we focused on our VRA  
17 districts and getting those VRA districts to a place  
18 where we're comfortable with them throughout the state, I  
19 think that might even be an ambitious goal for us to  
20 finish, if we're going to finish today. But at least, if  
21 we got there, I think that we could -- that would sort of  
22 set an anchor for us to make these major architectural  
23 changes down the road. And again, I'll just revisit the  
24 comments at the beginning -- these are draft maps, and we  
25 have opportunities to make changes down the road.

1 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you, Commissioner Fornaciari.

2 Commissioner Akutagawa?

3 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. I was going to say  
4 the same thing. I think, again, I would just invite  
5 everybody to take a look at the Eastern Sierra COIs as  
6 well, too, and there's some very pointed testimony about  
7 why something that is specific to them is going to be  
8 important. But I think we're talking about major  
9 architecture, and we probably need to just revisit it.  
10 Thank you.

11 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Sadhwani?

12 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yes. I agree with both  
13 Commissioner Fornaciari and Akutagawa, and I'm just  
14 wondering if maybe if staff could create a list for us.  
15 In those places where we see the need for future  
16 architectural changes, let's note them down, and as we  
17 have done with our visualizations -- I'm sorry, I'm  
18 just -- I can't talk when you're talking on top of me.  
19 If we can note them down, we can come back to them. That  
20 can be a living document for us, something that we could  
21 even put on our website which reflects the fact that  
22 these are just drafts and we're going to come back to it.  
23 We recognize that there's going to be changes to be made.

24 CHAIR TURNER: I think I agree with that, and want  
25 to go back to, again, the comments and kind of direction



1 from the beginning. We will have another session, not  
2 only an opportunity to look at the maps again. We've  
3 pushed back this major architectural change and it does  
4 need to happen. We are going to have to do it. But I'm  
5 hopeful that even after we hear from Californians, we'll  
6 be able to have that discussion on the 29th that says,  
7 let's everyone share and talk about what they've heard.  
8 And then, we'll have to come up with a process whereby  
9 we're hearing everyone but recognizing we can't do what  
10 everyone wants. But at least we'll have -- we've not  
11 allowed ourself that opportunity to just have that  
12 discussion devoid of where we're going to put a line.  
13 Let's just talk about what we've heard.

14       And so the process, for those that don't know, when  
15 we receive COI testimony and we receive feedback on  
16 visualizations, because of some of the constraints that  
17 we're under, we all look at research, review, read the  
18 material on our own, and like any other thing, when  
19 you're receiving input, it impacts people different ways.  
20 And so we're all coming from our own particular  
21 perspectives about what we've read, what we've heard, who  
22 we've spoken to, where we live, et cetera, which makes it  
23 kind of sometimes coming at this from twelve different  
24 perspectives, or fourteen different perspectives. And so  
25 I think the conversation on the -- when we get an

1 opportunity to just discuss and talk about it so that we  
2 can kind of come to an agreement of how we will move,  
3 will also be beneficial. So for today, if it's okay,  
4 let's note that this North area, the Sierras -- the, you  
5 know, that these are all areas that we want to come back  
6 to, and we know that we're going to have to put in some  
7 substantial amount of time in doing that so that we can  
8 all feel good about the choices that we're making in  
9 these areas. So yeah. Let's continue to move.

10 I want to go back, though, to Commissioner  
11 Fernandez, just because she still was talking, to see if  
12 you have anything now that we can just state generally on  
13 the record, before we move in a different direction.

14 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I think I've already stated  
15 what my -- the major changes that I want to see for the  
16 North. And seeing these visualizations this week, I'm  
17 not at all satisfied with them, and I do understand how  
18 the North can feel disenfranchised, like they haven't  
19 been heard, because these maps do not show that Northern  
20 California has been heard, so I'm very disappointed in  
21 that.

22 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you, thank you, thank you,  
23 thank you.

24 And so we want to make sure that we do put out a  
25 product, if you would, or maps that reflect -- and I

1 think even discussing and being able to talk through what  
2 some of those constraints are will let people know that  
3 they've been heard. And then we'll work together to see  
4 what we can implement in the coming weeks.

5 So VRA areas. All the hands are down now.

6 Mr. Becker?

7 MR. BECKER: I just -- there is -- this -- we've  
8 covered all of the central VRA areas in the Central  
9 Valley. Next would be -- to go to the Northern and  
10 coastal areas with Tamina. Fair? I believe?

11 (Indiscernible).

12 CHAIR TURNER: San Benito?

13 MR. BECKER: That's in the coastal areas --

14 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

15 MR. BECKER: -- under Tamina's. Yeah.

16 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Yes.

17 MS. RAMOS ALON: Good afternoon, Commissioners. We  
18 only have one consideration area for my section, and that  
19 is going to be page 52.

20 The difference between what you saw last week with  
21 this visualization and what you're currently looking at  
22 is that there was direction to add the areas of the 101  
23 corridor down to King City in Monterey County.

24 The direction was also to take out Morgan Hill, so  
25 Morgan Hill was moved out of the district with San Martin

1 and Gilroy, and into San Jose-based district. And for  
2 population, Corralitos was taken into this area.

3 There was also a request to add the unincorporated  
4 areas of Watsonville, and so that was also included in  
5 this district visualization.

6 If you'll give me one minute, I will turn on the  
7 CVAPs.

8 (Pause)

9 MR. BECKER: So you can see here, the deviation is  
10 well within the legal parameters, only underpopulated  
11 against the ideal 1.73 percent. This is an area, I'll  
12 remind you, that shows significant concentrations of  
13 Latinos, as well as racially polarized voting patterns  
14 consistent with Voting Rights Act protections. And this  
15 currently is at 56.08 percent Latino CVAP, which is very  
16 likely to be -- highly likely to be sufficient to protect  
17 those interests.

18 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

19 Commissioner Sinay?

20 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Looking at San Benito next to  
21 Fresno --

22 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hold on one sec.

23 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Oh, sorry. Looking at San  
24 Benito next to Fresno, it looks -- you know, is there a  
25 way to -- I know we've moved away from MERCED-FRESNO, but

1 I'm still not that comfortable with where the CVAP is for  
2 the Latino. So I was wondering how others felt about  
3 looking at the border of San Benito and Fresno to  
4 increase the CVAP -- oh, okay. There's not much there.  
5 Unless we go -- oh, no.

6 MR. BECKER: Yeah. So there might -- there might be  
7 ways to do that. I'll just point out that MERCED-FRESNO  
8 is -- we could try to capture some of that population on  
9 the Eastern edge of San Benito County. The deviations  
10 are still sufficient to probably accommodate that. It  
11 might not be that much population, but we could -- would  
12 you like us to show a visualization with that?

13 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I don't know if I would  
14 break -- break -- you know, San Benito really wants to  
15 stay with the coast, so unless it was significant  
16 population that would help the CVAP, I don't think that  
17 that makes sense.

18 MR. BECKER: The line drawers believe it's not  
19 particularly large numbers of pop, but we can look at it  
20 if you'd like, though. Yeah.

21 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

22 Commissioner Toledo?

23 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I'm just looking at the map.  
24 I am very comfortable. I just wanted to express my  
25 comfort with this map. I think it's a -- it was well --

1 captured all the farmworkers community and the community  
2 of interest testimony and just thought it was -- captures  
3 what we're looking to do, so thank you.

4 CHAIR TURNER: Line drawers, I think I heard  
5 Commissioner Toledo says he likes this area, what you've  
6 done. Okay.

7 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: It's great. Thank you.

8 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Ahmad?

9 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Thank you, Chair.

10 I, too, wanted to express my appreciation for this  
11 visualization. Going down the list of requirements we  
12 have to follow, equal population, VRA, as well as  
13 community of interest input. This visualization also  
14 takes into account the geography of that mountain line  
15 that is that border between MERCED-FRESNO and -- MERCED-  
16 FRESNO and BENSAL visualization, so I just wanted to put  
17 that on the record. Thank you.

18 CHAIR TURNER: Beautiful. No other hands?

19 Is that all you had, Tamina?

20 MS. RAMOS ALON: That's all I have. Thank you very  
21 much. I will get Jaime.

22 (Pause)

23 MS. CLARK: Oops. Zoomed in very far. Okay. So  
24 starting on page number 64, the one that is called  
25 Gateway, this includes -- okay. So actually -- one

1 second -- on these visualizations, last week, I received  
2 direction from multiple Commissioners to look at ways to  
3 spread out the Latino CVAP amongst these visualizations.  
4 Previously, I had received direction to take Lakewood and  
5 Hawaiian Gardens out of sort of the mix of these  
6 visualizations. Additionally, to have Walnut, Diamond  
7 Bar, Rowland Heights, Hacienda Heights out of these  
8 visualizations.

9 To be able to sort of spread out the CVAP in the way  
10 that Commissioners are requesting, we had to add those  
11 back in. To further spread that out, we could also look  
12 at, in the future, adding Artesia, Cerritos back in.  
13 Basically, the cities I just listed have significantly  
14 lower Latino CVAP than other cities in these  
15 visualizations, and so that's why they're added back in  
16 as a direct result of Commission direction to look at  
17 spreading out the Latino CVAP.

18 So this visualization includes Hawaiian Gardens,  
19 Lakewood, Bellflower, Paramont -- Paramount, excuse me.  
20 Lynwood is split, per Commission direction. Southgate,  
21 Walnut Park, Huntington Park, Maywood, and Vernon. And  
22 the percent deviation of this visualization is negative  
23 3.6 percent.

24 MR. BECKER: Commissioners, if I can, I'd like to  
25 ask Jaime to go into the 5 corridor visualization as

1 well, because I think this whole area needs to be  
2 discussed a little bit in context, if that's all right.

3 MS. CLARK: And next is on page 65, I believe.

4 MR. BECKER: 5 corridor?

5 MS. CLARK: Yeah. 65, please. And this  
6 visualization includes Montebello, Pico Rivera, Commerce,  
7 Bell -- yes -- Bell, Bell Gardens, Norwalk, Santa Fe  
8 Springs, and La Mirada.

9 Next, I'm going to move to page 70 --

10 CHAIR TURNER: So the maps haven't caught up with  
11 you yet.

12 MS. CLARK: Oh. Thank you.

13 CHAIR TURNER: Is it just mine? Oh, there we go.

14 MR. BECKER: So -- so let me take up this moment  
15 while these are being -- while these are catching up.  
16 This is -- look at this entire area. The center of this  
17 is that 5 corridor district, which has over seventy  
18 percent Latino CVAP. It also is just an area of very  
19 high concentration of Latinos.

20 And if you look at the districts surrounding it,  
21 there is the West San Gabriel Valley, West SUV District,  
22 which was -- which is the Asian VRA district North of  
23 that. And then the rest of the districts are already of  
24 significant Latino population as well in this area of VRA  
25 concerns, with the only exception being the North Orange



1 County District below, which you'll see there, but that's  
2 only at 28.5 percent, so it's -- that's not an area of  
3 that significant Voting Rights Act concerns, and it's  
4 very unlikely to get to 50 percent.

5 So I just want to point that out in all of this  
6 context because it would be natural to look at this high  
7 concentrations and ask if they can be lowered, but they  
8 may -- it might not have much of an impact on surrounding  
9 districts.

10 MS. CLARK: So then, please, if we can move to page  
11 74? So to the one that is called 60 corridor? This  
12 includes Whittier, West Whittier, South Whittier, and  
13 East Whittier, La Habra Heights, Hacienda Heights,  
14 Rowland Heights, Diamond Bar, Walnut, the City of  
15 Industry in its entirety. It also includes La Puente,  
16 Avocado Heights, El Monte is split along 10, and that was  
17 for all of these visualizations to be able to just work  
18 with the -- inside the percent deviation. And it also  
19 includes South El Monte.

20 And I had received direction to respect the Walnut,  
21 Diamond Bar, Rowland Heights, Hacienda Heights community  
22 of interest. That is included in this visualization. I  
23 had also received direction to add La Puente to the --  
24 this district just to the North of it, and just for  
25 population purposes, that wasn't possible, and also for

1 just considering the CVAP considerations as well. Yep.

2 And then moving on, please, to page 74. This is  
3 sort of the East San Gabriel Valley visualization. Oh,  
4 I'm sorry. 73. So one back. Pardon me. This includes  
5 Covina, West Covina, Valinda, West Puente Valley, Baldwin  
6 Park, Irwindale, Mayflower Village, South Monrovia  
7 Island, the Southern part of the city of Duarte. Again,  
8 this is split at Angeles National Forest. It also  
9 includes Azusa, Glendora, Charter Oak, and Citrus. This  
10 is a percent deviation of negative 2.3 percent. And up  
11 here, this is just the city boundary of Glendora. And  
12 the City of Monrovia has, like, a little tail that kind  
13 of dips down, so Monrovia is split and just the -- I'll  
14 zoom in to show you. Oh, I zoomed in a lot. So this  
15 area is technically part of the City of Monrovia.  
16 There's, like, a very small part that connects it, so  
17 just noting that for the Commission.

18 And next, if we could go to page 72, please? This  
19 is called West SGV, sort of West San Gabriel Valley. It  
20 includes the cities of Arcadia, East Pasadena, San  
21 Marino, South Pasadena, Alhambra, Monterey Park,  
22 Rosemead, San Gabriel, East San Gabriel, South San  
23 Gabriel, Temple City, and then, El Monte North of the 10,  
24 and additionally, it includes North El Monte. And this  
25 is a percent deviation of negative 3.88 percent.

1 MR. BECKER: So those are the areas which -- where  
2 all of the Gingles preconditions are met and the VRA  
3 concerns are significant in L.A. County.

4 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you, Jaime and Mr. Becker.  
5 Commissioner Vazquez?

6 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yeah. I generally like where  
7 this map is right now, knowing that we're headed into  
8 draft maps, so mappers, another -- generally, I think the  
9 architecture from this has been worked to a pretty decent  
10 spot, at least given the areas that we just reviewed.

11 One area I did want to focus on has more to do with  
12 communities of interest and seeing if we can put more  
13 communities of interest together, along -- in that, like,  
14 sort of 5 corridor, but also understand if folks have  
15 more pressing concerns that relate to Voting Rights Act  
16 considerations. I can defer my comments so that we can  
17 prioritize getting Voting Rights Acts stuff in line  
18 first.

19 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Akutagawa, you have  
20 something pressing? Voting Rights Act, I'm talking --

21 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: (Indiscernible,  
22 simultaneous speech) --

23 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Commissioner --

24 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I'd like to hear what  
25 Commissioner Vazquez --

1 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

2 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- wants to say.

3 CHAIR TURNER: Perfect. Commissioner Vazquez?

4 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Great. I do really feel like  
5 communities of interest-wise -- so -- that Maywood, Bell,  
6 and Cudahy, in particular, should remain together, and if  
7 possible, I'd recommend that they go East into the AD 5  
8 corridor visualization. I know that that pushes the AD  
9 Gateway District sort of further out of population, so  
10 I'm -- I'm not actually sure that this is a change we can  
11 make right now, but just wanted to note that. And maybe  
12 other Commissioners have a good sense of where we may add  
13 population to this AD Gateway in order to keep Maywood,  
14 Bell, and Cudahy together.

15 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. So before we actually push the  
16 button on that, Commissioners Akutagawa and others, will  
17 you have an idea of where we're going to add into this if  
18 we pull out Maywood and Cudahy? Because if not, we can  
19 leave it for the next iteration.

20 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. I think I think this  
21 is going to just -- I have some ideas, but I think right  
22 now, on -- at this point right now, I think we're better  
23 off waiting. At least for me. I would say that.

24 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: That's --

25 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Vazquez --

1 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: -- yeah. That's fine.

2 CHAIR TURNER: -- is that okay? Okay. Okay.

3 Commissioner Akutagawa?

4 MR. BECKER: So I'm sorry. Just to clarify with  
5 where to proceed, you want us to --

6 CHAIR TURNER: We did not -- we did not make any  
7 changes.

8 MR. BECKER: So unwind that?

9 CHAIR TURNER: Yes, please.

10 MR. BECKER: Yes. Thank you.

11 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Correct.

12 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Okay. I was going to just  
13 ask about a small change, given that this AD 5 corridor  
14 is slightly, slightly over population, and then that West  
15 SGV population is slight -- well, it's a little bit  
16 under, but I think given these changes that Commissioner  
17 Vazquez has asked for, I'm going to refrain from that.

18 I do have a question on the East SGV visualization  
19 that borders the AD 60 corridor visualization. So I  
20 noticed that the AD 60 corridor visualization, the  
21 standard deviation, it's a -- it's about 6,000 people  
22 over, and then the East SGV one is about 11,000 under. I  
23 was going to ask and see if the line drawers could  
24 indulge me on this. If we were to move La Puente out of  
25 the AD 60 corridor and add it to the East SGV

1 visualization, and move the South San Jose Hills  
2 community into the AD 60 corridor, what would that do to  
3 the numbers?

4 MS. CLARK: Right. We can try right now. One  
5 moment, please. I'm going to commit this change, and  
6 then go to the next one.

7 (Pause)

8 MS. CLARK: So this change makes the East San  
9 Gabriel Valley visualization --

10 CHAIR TURNER: Jaime, is there a way we can see that  
11 little box that typically comes up?

12 MR. BECKER: Yeah. It's --

13 MS. CLARK: One moment.

14 CHAIR TURNER: It's on page 74.

15 MS. CLARK: So the -- this change makes the percent  
16 deviation of the East San Gabriel Valley 1.41 percent  
17 deviation. It also raises the Latino CVAP percent. And  
18 for the AD 60 corridor visualization, the percent  
19 deviation becomes negative 2.47 percent deviation, and  
20 the Latino CVAP becomes 51.92 percent.

21 MR. BECKER: Yeah. And that --

22 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Would you be able to show  
23 them side by side, like -- like previously?

24 MR. BECKER: Yeah. So this changed. But I'll tell  
25 you. I'm looking at it right now. It -- what the AD 60

1 corridor was at positive 1.24 percent deviation, and at  
2 52.67 percent Latino CVAP before, and East San Gabriel  
3 Valley was at negative 2.3 percent deviation before, and  
4 at 55.88 percent. So it's -- it -- I mean, without  
5 taking into account community of interest testimony, et  
6 cetera, it probably unnecessarily slightly weakens Latino  
7 voting power in the AD 60 corridor District without a  
8 commensurate real increase in the East San Gabriel Valley  
9 District.

10 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Okay. So am I looking at  
11 it correctly? So it's 56.5 for the East San Gabriel  
12 Valley now? So it's a slight increase, but -- okay. I  
13 just want to make sure I'm seeing -- I -- because they're  
14 not side by side like on that box, like before.

15 MR. BECKER: So East -- East SGV is at 56.5 percent  
16 now. It was at 55.88 percent before. AD 60 corridor is  
17 at 51.92 percent Latino CVAP now. It was at 52.67  
18 percent before.

19 MS. CLARK: And just to clarify what does show up in  
20 the box, it's if there's a change that's not yet  
21 committed, then they'll be side by side in the box, but  
22 once there's already a change, then -- or if there's no  
23 changes on the table, then there would only be one  
24 district showing up in the -- in that box.

25 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Got it. Okay. The only

1 reason why -- I was just curious what that would do, is  
2 that I did see some COI testimony asking that South San  
3 Jose Hills be together with Walnut, but given that, you  
4 know, the incremental -- the changes really don't do a  
5 whole lot to add to either one, I -- let's not accept it.  
6 I just wanted to see it.

7 CHAIR TURNER: Before you change anything, though,  
8 Commissioner Vazquez?

9 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yeah. I was actually going  
10 to say that I do not prefer this change. Hacienda/La  
11 Puente is the school district in this area. That would  
12 include Hacienda Heights and La Puente, so for me, that's  
13 a pretty strong community of interest. In -- against  
14 sort of making this change, at least at this stage.

15 CHAIR TURNER: Perfect. Thank you Commissioner --

16 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yeah.

17 MS. CLARK: I'll revert it right now.

18 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Commissioner Toledo? Thank  
19 you.

20 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. just curious for -- for  
21 our VRA counsel, with this particular district, with the  
22 AD 60 corridor, with Walnut and such, we have a 52  
23 percent CVAP. Has -- is that -- in your research, is  
24 that an effective -- or is that likely to be effective  
25 for the Latino community? Are you able to give us some



1 guidance around that?

2 MR. BECKER: We'll take a closer look at that, but  
3 there's been testimony from advocacy groups that -- at  
4 similar levels, that they advocate for districts at  
5 around this level. It's in the range of adequate, is  
6 what I would say. So it's probably okay. It's not in  
7 the range where I would advise reducing it significantly  
8 at this point. And if -- and I think, you know, again, I  
9 would invite further testimony from advocacy groups about  
10 this area and what -- what level they think is  
11 sufficient.

12 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Because in looking at this, I  
13 do see the City of Valinda, which does have a high -- has  
14 very much in common with La Puente, and would  
15 potentially -- could potentially fit in this district,  
16 although it's a pretty big population, and might not  
17 be -- might be too big. I'm just curious.

18 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Toledo, we have three  
19 minutes before the next break. Do you want to see that?

20 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Well, I just wanted feedback  
21 from the line drawers is -- if that is even possible.  
22 Thank you.

23 MR. BECKER: So -- so we're getting advised that the  
24 population is likely sig -- significantly too large that  
25 it would throw the deviation out of whack.

1 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: So no.

2 CHAIR TURNER: Jaime, did you have more?

3 MS. CLARK: I do not, but I could just show that  
4 that change would make the AD corridor percent deviation  
5 5.8 percent, and the East San Gabriel Valley deviation  
6 negative 6.86 percent deviation.

7 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

8 MS. CLARK: And then, there's not really a --  
9 there's not really a great switch to -- in considering  
10 all of the Commission's direction and the community of  
11 interest testimony that you've received so far.

12 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Well, with that, we are going  
13 to, at 5:58, go to dinner. We will be back at 6:30.  
14 Thank you.

15 (Whereupon, a recess was held from 5:58 p.m.  
16 until 6:32 p.m.)

17 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you so much, and welcome back.  
18 I hope you all had a lovely evening break for your meal.

19 At this point, we are going to move to our VRA  
20 districts in Southern California with Sivan.

21 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: [See'-van].

22 CHAIR TURNER: [See'-van].

23 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: [See'-van].

24 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Chair, we will have a chance  
25 to come back and talk about Los Angeles generally; is

1 that right?

2 CHAIR TURNER: Yes.

3 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Okay. Gotcha.

4 CHAIR TURNER: Yes. Because what --

5 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Sorry.

6 CHAIR TURNER: -- it sounds like what we're doing  
7 currently is kind of locking in kind of what we're going  
8 to do with VRA, and then we're going to be able to just  
9 roll through the other districts with enough --

10 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Right.

11 CHAIR TURNER: -- to give us kind of draft map  
12 direction.

13 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: So the -- just a quick  
14 question. There were a couple districts, did we cover  
15 them, in the San Fernando Valley and the NELA District  
16 and Glendale? Well, Glendale doesn't hit 50, but because  
17 they're not technically identified as VRA districts; is  
18 that why? Okay. We'll be coming back.

19 CHAIR TURNER: All righty.

20 Take it away, Sivan.

21 MS. TRATT: Excuse me. Getting used to the mic.

22 All right. We're going to start on page 85, with  
23 visualization SEC. And the only modifications that were  
24 made to this visualization were based on Commissioner  
25 request to consider a letter submitted by a member of the

1 Pala band of Mission Indians. And the gist of the letter  
2 was basically that, instead of having all of the tribal  
3 lands in one district, rather to consider associating the  
4 tribal land with the city or county that the people  
5 living there are most likely to receive services from.

6 So I removed some of these tribal areas from the SEC  
7 visualization, which previously had all of them, and kind  
8 of reallocated those areas to the city or area that I  
9 thought might be the closest. Although any more, you  
10 know, specific feedback from members of the public,  
11 community members, would obviously help us kind of hone  
12 this in more. Oh, and this is on page 85, if -- Mr.  
13 Becker?

14 MR. BECKER: So this South SEC District, which is  
15 the entire Southeast corner of California -- you might  
16 want to zoom out a little bit -- is a 53.0 -- is that 07  
17 percent?

18 MS. TRATT: Yes. 07.

19 MR. BECKER: 53.07 percent Latino CVAP. It's  
20 within -- it's a little overpopulated against the ideal,  
21 but within the legal safe harbor of plus five percent.  
22 And 53.07 percent is likely sufficient to protect Latino  
23 voters interests in this area. Probably not a lot of  
24 leeway to reduce that.

25 MS. TRATT: All right. Continuing on -- continuing

1 on to page 86, we're looking at visualization PCO.

2 COMMISSIONER SINAY: (Indiscernible, simultaneous  
3 speech) --

4 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Microphone, please?

5 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I thought I was. Sorry. The  
6 tribal lands, can you just show us how they were cut,  
7 please?

8 MS. TRATT: Yeah. So none were split. Rather, they  
9 were moved whole from SEC into other districts. Do you  
10 want me to show -- yeah.

11 COMMISSIONER SINAY: (Indiscernible) -- sorry. I  
12 wanted to make sure that they weren't split. So the  
13 tribal -- each tribal group was kept together?

14 MS. TRATT: Yes. Each --

15 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Okay.

16 MS. TRATT: -- reservation is kept whole within  
17 itself. They were just reallocated from all reservations  
18 in Rancho DS and like, the Southern area, being in one  
19 district or visualization, rather re -- redistributing  
20 them into other visualizations --

21 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Okay.

22 MS. TRATT: -- so that not all of the tribal areas  
23 are in one district. That was the feedback --

24 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Okay.

25 MS. TRATT: -- that we got.

1 COMMISSIONER SINAY: And I just wanted to confirm,  
2 because I'm perfectly -- that was kind of where I was  
3 hoping we were going, but a lot of the Commissioners felt  
4 very strongly about keeping a tribal land -- all the  
5 tribal lands together in one COI. So I just want to make  
6 sure that everybody heard that they're no longer in one  
7 COI. I mean, in one district.

8 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you. All right.

9 Commissioner Toledo?

10 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. Quick question and  
11 follow-up. In making these changes, did the Latino  
12 CVAP -- what are the impact on the Latino CVAP, given  
13 that this is a VRA district?

14 MS. TRATT: I don't -- it definitely didn't drop it  
15 below the 50 percent. Let me see what it was last week.  
16 One second. So it looks like it dropped slightly from  
17 54.72 percent to now 53.07 percent.

18 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Sadhwani?

19 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Oh, sorry. Can -- first,  
20 can you repeat that? And then I have different --

21 MS. TRATT: Yes. It went from -- sorry, the angle  
22 of the microphone -- it went from 54.72 percent to 53.07  
23 percent.

24 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Okay. I wanted to raise to  
25 Commissioners -- this is not necessarily a right now

1 piece, but maybe it is. Given this letter that we  
2 received, I mean, I think that we were drawing this  
3 district in this way to try and preserve the tribal COIs  
4 to the extent possible. We've also, however, received a  
5 whole lot of community testimony asking to not have this  
6 district go into San Diego. Have it be Imperial,  
7 Riverside, pick up greater portions of the Eastern  
8 Coachella Valley to populate it. And I just wanted to  
9 get a sense if there's -- a sense from others if that's  
10 something worth exploring. Whether that's right now in  
11 live line drawing, or as an architectural -- a possible  
12 architectural change for the future. Thank you.

13 CHAIR TURNER: My -- my personal preference would  
14 be, since this is one of the VRA districts, is that we do  
15 what we need to do now --

16 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yeah.

17 CHAIR TURNER: -- for VRA.

18 Commissioner Fernandez?

19 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes. Thank you. I think  
20 Sivan; did I say that right?

21 MS. TRATT: Yes, ma'am.

22 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Okay. If you go -- if you  
23 go down to San Diego, where the corner is?

24 MS. TRATT: Right here?

25 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

1 MS. TRATT: Okay.

2 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Oh and actually, not the --  
3 yes.

4 MS. TRATT: Is this better? Should I zoom in  
5 further?

6 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Oh, no. That's good.  
7 That's good. Thank you. Okay. No, that's fine.

8 I was thinking of the other VR -- VRA district right  
9 next to it, because I was thinking of Chula Vista, that  
10 that had a high percentage.

11 I wanted to respond on the tribal lands, in -- in  
12 terms of being in one district or separated.

13 If Jose is still there, could you check the COIs?  
14 Because I thought we did received some community of  
15 interest where they wanted to be together, so that was my  
16 only comment for that.

17 And in terms of not going into San Diego, it --  
18 where's the -- is that the -- I don't know if that's  
19 going to be possible to not include San Diego in that VRA  
20 district. I'd like to hear from Mr. Becker.

21 MR. BECKER: So that is an area of Voting Rights Act  
22 considerations, where we've seen all three Gingles  
23 preconditions met, that South San Diego County area,  
24 Southeast corner -- Southwest corner, rather. There's --  
25 it doesn't require that that particular district be drawn



1 exactly as it is, but I can say that district, as it is  
2 drawn, adequately protects Latino voters consistent with  
3 the VRA.

4 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

5 MR. BECKER: If we're talking about CVS -- CVSY,  
6 right?

7 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible).

8 MR. BECKER: Oh, okay. SEC is still -- the  
9 percentages are on -- are probably, likely okay, but  
10 they're -- you -- you don't have a lot of flexibility to  
11 reduce the percentages further.

12 CHAIR TURNER: There was also a question for Jose.

13 Jose, did you have information?

14 You were asking, specifically, Commissioner  
15 Fernandez, about the COI testimony in regards to the  
16 tribal lands?

17 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Right. In terms of  
18 either -- I thought I heard, and maybe it was from our  
19 presentation when we did our language access, where they  
20 asked that all the tribal lands be kept together, or if  
21 there's other communities of interest received in our  
22 database for that? That'd be great. Thank you, Jose.

23 MR. CHAVEZ: Hi, Commissioners. Yes. It looks like  
24 it has -- I pulled out some COI public in form -- input  
25 form where they opposing to placing Chula Vista with

1 the -- with the San Diego County. It looks like they did  
2 not want to -- let me see here. One more -- one second.  
3 "Please do not split Chula Vista and/or add it to San  
4 Diego County, unless" -- they only support proposed  
5 placement of the (indiscernible) by -- by the San Diego  
6 County communities of interest map. And then --

7 CHAIR TURNER: Are you still looking? I couldn't  
8 hear you.

9 MR. CHAVEZ: Yes. I am still looking for other COI  
10 that would be relevant to this question.

11 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. I'll have you keep looking,  
12 and we'll -- and just let us know. Flag me when  
13 you're -- when you're ready.

14 Commissioner Sadhwani, did you have direction to  
15 give that you -- when you left it, going back to that  
16 area?

17 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. I'm looking for my  
18 notes real quick. Hang on.

19 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. While you're doing that,  
20 Commissioner Sinay?

21 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Thank you. So if you look,  
22 there -- there is ways of making sure that we have two  
23 Assembly Districts that are VRA, with SEC not going into  
24 San Diego. I don't think this is the time to do it,  
25 because it is a reconstruct -- you know, it's

1 architectural, but MALDEF, in their report, has -- has  
2 separated -- has separated -- one of the reasons we had  
3 gone into San Diego, even though it had been asked so  
4 many times that we don't go into San Diego was because of  
5 the tribal lands.

6 And now that we're kind of splitting up the tribal  
7 lands, I would like us to explore, in three weeks from  
8 now, you know, really creating -- there's, you know --  
9 looking at how we can do the architectural difference --  
10 do it differently, both for SE -- SEC as well as CVSY,  
11 because -- but I think for now, where we're at is okay  
12 for what we're doing right no -- you know, the point we  
13 are right now, but I think in both of those cases,  
14 they're still not the best they can be for the community  
15 and representation.

16 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

17 Commissioner Toledo?

18 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. I was wondering if the  
19 line drawers could just take us to the Coachella Valley  
20 so we can -- in our -- in the map in front of us, look at  
21 where that is in relationship to this district and have a  
22 clearer view of it? I think Commissioner Sadhwani  
23 probably has a follow-up to that -- to -- I think she --  
24 she's ready.

25 CHAIR TURNER: (Indiscernible) Commissioner Sinay,

1 your hand's still up?

2 COMMISSIONER SINAY: No.

3 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

4 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Sorry.

5 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Sadhwani?

6 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yep. So I think the idea  
7 would be breaking along the San Diego, Imperial County  
8 border. That opens up a lot more options for us in San  
9 Diego County for that -- at -- what are we calling it?  
10 SEC? SEC? Okay. For SEC. Having that section, right,  
11 to all of that portion of San Diego would come out. And  
12 then up in Coachella, if we can look at that a little bit  
13 more closely, it would maintain the Salton Sea in its  
14 entirety, which we've received a whole lot of COI  
15 testimony about. And then including Indio Hills, Garnet,  
16 Coachella, North Shore --

17 CHAIR TURNER: Can we look at this while you're  
18 doing it? Can we start to map it, or are you wanting to  
19 still just talk about it?

20 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: If -- if y'all are okay with  
21 mapping it, I'm okay with that.

22 CHAIR TURNER: Let's see what that looks like so  
23 we'll know.

24 MR. BECKER: Okay. Well, so --

25 CHAIR TURNER: So going back to --

1 MR. BECKER: -- just to let you know, because this  
2 might -- this might help with the visualization of it,  
3 that's -- there's approximately, Andrew tells me, about  
4 72,000 people currently in SEC that are in San Diego  
5 County. So we'd be removing about 72,000 from San Diego  
6 County, which might give you some barometer for where --  
7 where to -- how -- how much population you need to grab  
8 from elsewhere. So we're going to first remove -- we're  
9 going to remove the San Diego County portion of SEC.

10 MS. TRATT: Who should I give it to?

11 MR. BECKER: Why don't we give it to -- at -- the  
12 San Ysidro, Chula Vista, San Y -- San Ysidro one right  
13 now.

14 Is that all right, Commissioners? That's the other  
15 VRA district.

16 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Um-hum. That -- that's --

17 MR. BECKER: All right. Well, just temporary.

18 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Just temporary, please.

19 MR. BECKER: She's got -- she -- she's got to assign  
20 it somewhere. Oh, wait, actually, we'll keep it  
21 unassigned. We'll keep it unassigned.

22 CHAIR TURNER: Please hold.

23 (Pause)

24 MR. BECKER: Yeah. Now, what population would you  
25 like us to capture into SEC?

1 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Can we zoom into the  
2 Coachella Valley?

3 MS. TRATT: Absolutely.

4 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Just, like, so is it  
5 possible to see city names on there? Yeah. So it looks  
6 like pulling upwards all the way up to Desert Hot  
7 Springs, potentially.

8 MR. BECKER: All of it, including Palm Springs,  
9 Cathedral City?

10 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: No. Along the 10, more or  
11 less.

12 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: The North side?

13 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: The North side of the 10.

14 MR. BECKER: North side of 10 included. Everything  
15 on the North side. Do you want to split Cathedral City  
16 on the 10?

17 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: For now, yes.

18 MR. BECKER: Okay.

19 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. Let's try splitting  
20 it.

21 MS. TRATT: I'll have to split that in a census  
22 geography layer, so --

23 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Oh, wow. Okay.

24 MS. TRATT: -- just one moment.

25 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Okay. Yeah. Let's start

1 with this and see how far we --

2 MS. TRATT: Okay.

3 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Can we also include Indio  
4 Hill -- oh, Indio Hills is already in there, right?

5 MR. BECKER: Yes.

6 MS. TRATT: Yes.

7 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yep. Okay. Maybe possibly  
8 removing parts of that other side and other places.

9 MR. BECKER: Yeah. Hold on a second. Let us get --

10 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. No worries.

11 MR. BECKER: We can probably clean this up a little  
12 bit in a little bit --

13 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Sure.

14 MR. BECKER: -- but this is going to give you --

15 MS. TRATT: Is this generally --

16 MR. BECKER: Yeah.

17 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Generally, yeah. That's --  
18 that's where were --

19 MR. BECKER: I think -- I think generally we're  
20 good.

21 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- looking at. Yep.

22 MS. TRATT: Okay.

23 MR. BECKER: And then, did you want us to remove  
24 some population from --

25 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Well, how -- how far over

1 are we on deviation at this point?

2 MR. BECKER: The Northern district, the MBCV  
3 District, is still underpopulated, 8.02 percent. The SEC  
4 District's quite good. It's at 0.75 percent, and at  
5 58.27 percent, if you can see that.

6 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: So -- so technically, we  
7 could leave it there, but it -- the MBCV would need --  
8 needs population.

9 MR. BECKER: Right.

10 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Got it.

11 MS. TRATT: Luckily, we have all of San Diego County  
12 to --

13 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Now it -- yeah.

14 MR. BECKER: All of that --

15 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: All of San Diego is now  
16 opened up.

17 MR. BECKER: -- yeah, but that's going to be a  
18 domino effect --

19 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Right.

20 MR. BECKER: -- because it doesn't -- it's not  
21 adjacent to that area, so there's --

22 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Right. But --

23 MR. BECKER: -- there's this whole big  
24 unaffiliated -- yeah.

25 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Perfect.



1 MS. TRATT: Would you like me to commit this change?

2 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: I say yeah, but.

3 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I've got a que -- I mean, I  
4 would say yes, but we said not to do big structural  
5 changes, and we didn't do big structural changes in the  
6 North, so I don't, you know --

7 MR. BECKER: This is VRA.

8 COMMISSIONER SINAY: This is VRA? Okay. But I  
9 just -- I just wanted to put a -- you know, just share  
10 the inconsistency, but if we want to get the VRA  
11 districts right, and we're just focusing on that, then  
12 yes.

13 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah. Thank you, Commissioner Sinay,  
14 for a process and just kind of philosophy, so yes. VRA  
15 districts, and I'm thinking this isn't going to cause  
16 perhaps as many kind of domino impact, but we'll see.  
17 But yeah, this is VRA area. So let -- let's go ahead and  
18 commit this change for now. Yes.

19 MR. BECKER: One second. We're just finalizing  
20 this --

21 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

22 MR. BECKER: -- and we going to -- we're going to  
23 accept this change.

24 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. And while we're doing that,  
25 Commissioner -- oh, a couple hands -- Toledo, on this?

1           COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah, on this. Just curious,  
2 I know we got feedback from Equality California about the  
3 LGBT community of interest. I know Palm Springs is  
4 there. I'm just making sure that we're keeping those  
5 together and that we're not separating them. So -- so  
6 I'm just curious about that, and perhaps Jose can give us  
7 exactly what those were.

8           CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Jose, we're going to want to  
9 know exactly what those COI testimonies were for LGBTQ  
10 for this area.

11           Commissioner Fernandez?

12           COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes. And maybe  
13 Commissioner Kennedy can refresh my memory, but I believe  
14 we also had COI testimony regarding, like, the Southern  
15 Eastern Coachella Valley community not being similar to  
16 the others? And I don't remember the cutoff, but I  
17 think, at this point, you may be crossing over into  
18 another community of interest as well. So I -- again,  
19 the whole conflicting of which one's going to take  
20 precedent, so yeah.

21           CHAIR TURNER: Right, right.

22           COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: But so that's maybe  
23 another, if -- since Jose's online, he might be able  
24 check that out for us.

25           CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

1 Commissioner Anderson, and then Commissioner  
2 Kennedy?

3 COMMISSIONER ANDERSON: Yeah. I'm just wondering,  
4 because I'm wondering exactly what Commissioner Toledo  
5 and Fernandez said about breaking up certain co --  
6 communities of interest. By doing this, are we possibly  
7 opening ourselves up to another VRA district? Is that,  
8 you know, because we have a really good VRA district, and  
9 it's just a question of, why do this and break up other  
10 COIs unless there's another -- a bottom-line goal.

11 CHAIR TURNER: So I think the ideal is just to  
12 ensure that we feel really good about VRA as a higher  
13 priority first, but we're going to -- we're looking at it  
14 right now. Good question for the floor.

15 Commissioner Kennedy?

16 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair. And -- and  
17 yes, VRA is a higher priority, and we do have to keep  
18 that into -- in account. The -- some of the other things  
19 that we had heard, the Filipino community wanted, I  
20 believe, Desert Hot Springs, Palm Springs, and Cathedral  
21 City grouped. I believe the Black community wanted  
22 Desert Hot Springs and Palm Springs to be grouped.

23 You know, the kind of central and Western Coachella  
24 Valley is more the tourism economy, and then when you get  
25 down to, certainly, to Coachella and Thermal, and to a

1 certain extent, the outskirts of Indio, that's where it  
2 starts becoming heavily agricultural, so you know, there  
3 are -- there are some other things to keep in mind here.  
4 Thank you.

5 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you. Commissioner Sinay?

6 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Just to answer Commissioner  
7 Anderson's question, this is actually, as we've been  
8 trying to create this VRA, this is -- this has been the  
9 request from the very, very beginning from Coachella  
10 Vall -- I mean, from Imperial Valley and Coachella  
11 Valley, was hey, keep us together, not with San Diego.  
12 And last week, I brought it up as well, the need --  
13 there -- these are rural communities versus San Diego.  
14 If you notice, when we took out the rural part of San  
15 Diego, the CVAP actually went up because the rural parts  
16 of San Diego are actually, you know, indigenous,  
17 obviously, because we have, as well as more white, and so  
18 they felt very strongly, the Latino community is more  
19 inland and that's how, in the Senate District, we have it  
20 connected, Chula Vista all the way in and -- so anyway,  
21 I -- that's the main reason, Jane -- I mean, sorry --  
22 Commissioner Anderson, that it -- that I think it was  
23 brought up and we're looking at it.

24 The other COIs are, you know, they would be number 4  
25 versus number 2, as we're looking at all -- and also, I

1 would -- I would argue that this makes it more compact,  
2 which, you know, so. But I'm probably going to be proven  
3 wrong on that one once we see how much geographic area we  
4 need.

5 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you. And I'll go next to  
6 Commissioner Toledo, but I want to say again,  
7 Commissioners, we're working on a draft, not our final.  
8 And I want to make sure that we're doing what we need to,  
9 but we're not belaboring the point too long, so that  
10 we're able to continue to move.

11 Commissioner Toledo?

12 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: So to that point, just a  
13 question to our counsel. By making these changes, does  
14 it open up the possibility of creating a different, or  
15 another VRA district? Do you see that, if our -- do you  
16 see that, if we -- if we move out?

17 MR. BECKER: So I'd -- I'd say a couple things.  
18 First, it's very hard to say what the impact of this is  
19 going to be until we decide what the 70,000 plus in the  
20 Eastern San Diego County and what they're going to do and  
21 where they're going to go.

22 Secondly, it's very unlikely that when you've  
23 increased the C -- the Latino CVAP in a district like  
24 this, which, by the way, is perfectly fine, that that  
25 will yield increase elsewhere. It's probably going to

1 yield decrease elsewhere. It might yield -- yield  
2 decrease somewhere where that decrease did not impact  
3 Latino voters' ability to elect candidates of their  
4 choice, which, I think that's very likely to be the case  
5 here, given the percentages that we've been seeing. So I  
6 can't say for sure, but I think it's unlikely it yields  
7 an additional Latino VRA district.

8 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you.

9 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Sadhwani? Mr. Becker?

10 MR. BECKER: Yeah. Yes?

11 CHAIR TURNER: So what -- you are in the process of  
12 trying to finish it up to tell us where we were?

13 MR. BECKER: Well, so I think at -- I think the  
14 question is, do we accept this change? And then, if so,  
15 I'd say the next thing we should probably do it  
16 immediately decide what we're going to do with the  
17 Eastern San Diego County, because that's not going to be  
18 an easy answer. So let's accept that?

19 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you. I'm seeing yes, accept.  
20 I'm like, who are you trying to tell me to look at? It's  
21 me. Yes. Accept, please, and then we'll move.

22 Jose?

23 MR. CHAVEZ: Hi, Chair. Hi, Commissioners. I would  
24 like to provide some input on -- in regards to tribal  
25 preservation -- reservations per your request. Per some

1 COI testimonies that I found, it looks like different  
2 tribes want the Commission to reconsider not moving the  
3 districts -- their reservations, or where they belong,  
4 out of the San Diego County. It -- they are --

5 CHAIR TURNER: Wait. I didn't understand. You said  
6 they said don't leave -- repeat, please?

7 MR. CHAVEZ: Yes. Give me one second here. So  
8 tribal lands and tribal residents would be better served  
9 through a San Diego County-focused representative is an  
10 argument that they -- that the COI has -- some of the COI  
11 that we've received says. They are -- many of the  
12 reservations, or even the Native American casino --  
13 casinos are in the Greater San Diego area, and a  
14 representative focused on one county would ensure that  
15 the public safety, transportation, water, and other  
16 infrastructure issues are addressed properly.

17 And then, if I can move to LGBT communities.

18 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

19 MR. CHAVEZ: "The most recent request Senate  
20 visualization BSD, specifically, SDCY 1102, it -- it  
21 splits the heart of San Diego LGBT plus community by  
22 dividing Hillcrest at the California 163 Highway." So  
23 they're asking to not divide -- put that line as a  
24 division.

25 Other input that we received also says that -- to

1 keep LGBTQ plus communities together, considering the  
2 Equality California maps for Assembly, Senate, and  
3 Congressional Districts.

4 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Thank you, Jose.  
5 Mr. Becker?

6 MR. BECKER: Thank you, Chair. I'm just going to  
7 note here, there are three districts that are  
8 underpopulated to some degree adjacent to this unassigned  
9 area of Eastern San Diego County, and I'd suggest you  
10 could probably start by trying to assign some of that  
11 population of those three districts. In addition, SDCY,  
12 which is not immediately adjacent, but is close, you  
13 might be able to capture some population to the East  
14 there, and move WSDC further East, if that's really the  
15 only place to go. There's not a lot of choices here.  
16 I'd probably advise not doing much with CVSY. You've got  
17 a very nice district that respects a lot of traditional  
18 redistricting principles there, while maintaining a zero  
19 percent deviation. That's probably not an area you'd  
20 want to touch too much.

21 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Thank you.  
22 Commissioner Sinay?

23 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I have some ideas. You didn't  
24 laugh, David.

25 MR. BECKER: (Audio interference) that.



1           COMMISSIONER SINAY: Well now that things are freed  
2 up a little, we -- you know, I brought up the different  
3 COI testimonies that we've received, and I think that we,  
4 since we're -- you know, again, I didn't want to do major  
5 re-architectural, but we're there. The -- for the  
6 community, the ones that -- okay. So where I would start  
7 is with what's considered the East county rural areas, so  
8 that would be the East El Cajon, Jamul, Alpine, Lakeside,  
9 Santee, Poway, Ramona, Borrego Springs, and that would  
10 include like South county and states, and you know, kind  
11 of all that all the way to the Imperial. So that would  
12 kind of -- you would then, let's see where'd we put it --

13           MR. BECKER: Can I try to get a clarification here?

14           COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yes, please.

15           MR. BECKER: Poway is pretty heavily populated, but  
16 what you could do --

17           COMMISSIONER SINAY: (Indiscernible, simultaneous  
18 speech) --

19           MR. BECKER: -- and I think you might have been  
20 saying is keep Poway whole, including San Diego Country  
21 Estates and Julian and up to the Northern edge of San  
22 Diego County and see what that does.

23           COMMISSIONER SINAY: But right now you don't have --  
24 okay. But you don't have Lakeside, Santee. Yeah, I see  
25 what you're saying.

1 MR. BECKER: So what I'd suggest --

2 COMMISSIONER SINAY: -- is not getting into the --

3 MR. BECKER: -- you're talking about -- I'd focus on  
4 the areas that are not assigned first, and then tweak the  
5 areas that are currently assigned to a district.

6 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Okay, and then we'll tweak --  
7 we'll tweak them later.

8 MR. BECKER: Yes, exactly.

9 CHAIR TURNER: And what I'm hoping we're doing is  
10 trying to balance out these numbers right now and not  
11 create perfect districts right now.

12 MR. BECKER: That's all we really -- we have roughly  
13 70,000 people in Eastern San Diego that need to be put in  
14 a district, and you know, if I were going to make a  
15 suggestion just to get a very quick visualization, is  
16 maybe attach everything from San Diego Country Estates  
17 North to the edge of the San Diego border to VSME, then  
18 attach Alpine, Descanso, Pine Valley, Mount Laguna to  
19 WSDC and then everything South of there, attach to SESDC  
20 just to see what it looks like.

21 COMMISSIONER SINAY: We can do that and be ready for  
22 lots of input from San Diego, which is good. I'm good  
23 with input because we haven't had a lot of community  
24 input from San Diego, so let's do it.

25 MS. TRATT: All right. Making that change now.

1 MR. BECKER: Okay, so you're seeing this now. This  
2 might not be where you want to end up in terms of  
3 population deviation. You're now at a place that is  
4 legally sufficient. I mean, you've got a 0.83 percent  
5 deviation in that Northeastern, whole Northeastern  
6 portion of San Diego County, the WSDC district is a 3  
7 percent deviation, and the SESDC district is a 3.99  
8 percent deviation, so you're at a point now where you can  
9 start tweaking and you're within equal population.

10 CHAIR TURNER: Jose, your hand is still up. Did you  
11 have something else?

12 MR. CHAVEZ: I apologize, Chair. I don't.

13 CHAIR TURNER: Go on, Commissioner Sinay.

14 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I'm okay where it is right now,  
15 and do the tweaking later. I will continue to get hate  
16 mail from my -- will continue to get, but that'll be  
17 fine.

18 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Commissioners and to the  
19 public, we're at a point, a different place than I hoped  
20 for us to be for today, and so I'm going to make a call  
21 that we will not take public comment today. We're going  
22 to push through so we can get through all of our  
23 Assembly, and so for those of you that are waiting, I  
24 encourage you to call back tomorrow and raise your hands.  
25 We'll take public comment tomorrow, but for today, we're

1 going to push through until we complete these Assembly  
2 districts. Thank you.

3 So Commissioner Sinay. Okay. Mr. Becker.

4 MR. BECKER: Should we go to the other VRA  
5 districts, which are North of here, correct?

6 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

7 MS. TRATT: All right, so the next visualization  
8 will be on page 86, and this is visualization PCO. Let  
9 me just zoom in a little bit further. And the only  
10 change from the last time you saw this visualization is  
11 previously Chino was kept whole, and due to other  
12 population shifts in the map, Chino was splint for  
13 population here, and it increased the Latino CVAP.

14 MR. BECKER: So this is an area of Voting Rights Act  
15 attention given the population concentrations and the  
16 racially polarized voting. Very nice deviation of 0.55  
17 percent and 58.11 percent Latino CVAP, which is a  
18 comfortable range for protecting Latino voting rights in  
19 the area.

20 MS. TRATT: Chair, should I continue?

21 CHAIR TURNER: One moment, please.

22 Commissioner Kennedy?

23 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair. I just  
24 wanted to make sure that we resolved the issue of  
25 splitting Cal Poly Pomona residents from the campus.

1 We'd received significant input, I think, that we were  
2 splitting the central part of the campus area from the  
3 residential, the student residents part of the campus, so  
4 I just want to make sure that we're keeping all of Cal  
5 Poly Pomona together. Thank you.

6 MS. TRATT: I believe that the entire City of Pomona  
7 is kept whole in this visualization. I don't have the  
8 COI for the UC Pomona campus handy, but I will definitely  
9 make sure, but I believe if it's in the City of Pomona,  
10 it should be kept whole in this visualization.

11 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

12 Commissioner Fornaciari?

13 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah, I believe the  
14 feedback on that was -- thank you for bringing that back  
15 up, and I meant to bring it up, but I lost it. I think  
16 the feedback on that was that the residences are in an  
17 unincorporated part of the county, and I would imagine  
18 it's that white spot next to Walnut there, so just to  
19 give you a pointer to it.

20 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

21 Commissioner Akutagawa?

22 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, I was just going to  
23 ask if we could just zoom in on that area just so that we  
24 could see.

25 MS. TRATT: Would you like me to put a satellite or

1 a Google Maps layer on so you can see some more detail of  
2 the underlying geography? Would that be helpful?

3 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Would you also show some of  
4 the streets too because I know the campus, and I could  
5 just eyeball it.

6 MS. TRATT: One moment. Is this okay?

7 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I think it's split. As  
8 Commissioner Fornaciari said, it's that white  
9 unincorporated area right there. Yeah, I think if you  
10 zoom in more, I think it'll become even more clear.

11 MS. TRATT: Would you like me to add that part to  
12 this visualization?

13 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Will it impact at all? I  
14 do agree that it should be whole. Actually, the entire  
15 campus is split actually.

16 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: You know, I might say it's  
17 probably separate from the city because Berkley is  
18 separate from the City of Berkley.

19 MR. BECKER: Yeah, so just to clarify, what we're  
20 going to do is we're going to take Cal Poly Pomona out of  
21 8060 corridor and put it into PCO right now. Is that the  
22 intention here?

23 CHAIR TURNER: I heard Commissioner say either way.

24 MR. BECKER: Let's try that way first --

25 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

1 MR. BECKER: -- and then see what happens. Yeah.

2 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Vazquez, do you want to  
3 comment on that? Are you speaking, Commissioner Vazquez?  
4 You're on mute, Commissioner Vazquez. Oh, you're not on  
5 mute. Something's going on with your -- we can't hear  
6 you.

7 MR. BECKER: Can I go through the changes here  
8 really quickly?

9 CHAIR TURNER: Yes.

10 MR. BECKER: Okay. So this actually looks like the  
11 deviations got a little better actually. 1.02 percent  
12 deviation in PCO, 0.78 percent in 8060 corridor, and both  
13 are above 50, actually 57.95 down from just over 58  
14 percent in the PCO district, and 8060 corridor goes from  
15 52.67 to 50.79 percent Latino CVAP. That's probably a  
16 highly effective change for a variety of reasons.

17 MS. TRATT: Would you like me to make this change,  
18 Commissioners?

19 CHAIR TURNER: Checking for consensus. Yes, please.

20 MS. TRATT: All right. I'm committing the change.

21 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Akutagawa? No.

22 Commissioner Vazquez, do you want to try your mic  
23 again? No, ma'am, not coming through. If you can try  
24 maybe calling us dialing in on the phone or something?

25 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yeah, I'll try. Hold on.

1 CHAIR TURNER: No, no. There you go. We hear you.

2 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I don't know what the deal is  
3 with these headphones. Too cute. I think I would say  
4 that Cal Poly Pomona is probably a community of interest,  
5 or at least I would take it as such, with the nearby Mt.  
6 SAC, Mt. San Antonio College, and so if it's possible to  
7 keep Cal Poly Pomona, as if we're shifting things East  
8 into the 8060 corridor, if it's possible to add Mt. San  
9 Antonio College, so it should be the area to the West  
10 of -- yeah. It's at Temple Avenue and Grand, Temple and  
11 Grand. It's probably that, yeah.

12 MR. BECKER: Would you like us to --

13 CHAIR TURNER: And --

14 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yes, please.

15 CHAIR TURNER: Okay, okay.

16 MS. TRATT: Just to be clear, I'm shifting Mt. San  
17 Antonio into the Pomona district, or shifting --

18 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yes.

19 MS. TRATT: Okay. Great.

20 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yes, correct.

21 CHAIR TURNER: While she's working on that,  
22 Commissioner Taylor?

23 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: No, I think Commissioner  
24 Vazquez hit the same point. They share a similar street  
25 in Grand Avenue, and the campuses border each other, so



1 they're just on the North and South of one another, so  
2 the campuses actually touch.

3 CHAIR TURNER: Got it. They're working on that now.  
4 Thank you.

5 Commissioner Ahmad?

6 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Thank you, Chair. I just  
7 wanted to concur with what we just stated -- agreeing  
8 with what was stated.

9 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Sadhwani?

10 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, I'm curious to see  
11 what comes of this, but I'm not necessarily sold on  
12 breaking up Walnut. We have heard a whole lot of  
13 community of interest testimony about the City of Walnut  
14 and connecting it to Hacienda Heights, Diamond Bar,  
15 Rowland Heights, et cetera. I don't recall any community  
16 of interest testimony about Mt. SAC. I could be wrong,  
17 but I would prefer to err on the side of the testimony  
18 that we have received.

19 CHAIR TURNER: And Commissioner Sadhwani, for those  
20 of that does not know the area, can you tell me where  
21 that is?

22 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: I believe that Mt. SAC is in  
23 the City of Walnut whereas Cal Poly Pomona is, yes,  
24 adjacent to it. I don't know if it's technically in the  
25 City of Walnut, but as Commissioner Kennedy had pointed

1 out, we'd had callers call in saying we're splitting --  
2 people who live on the campus of Cal Poly Pomona live in  
3 the City of Pomona, so they wanted to have Cal Poly  
4 connected to Pomona. I don't recall any testimony asking  
5 for Mt. SAC and Cal Poly Pomona to be kept together. Mt.  
6 SAC is a community college, whereas Cal Poly is a part of  
7 the Cal State system. So there are similarities, but in  
8 this, I would generally prefer to keep Walnut whole.

9 CHAIR TURNER: We hear that. Thank you.

10 I'm going back to the top. Commission Ahmad? No.

11 Commissioner Akutagawa?

12 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, I was just going to  
13 add to what Commissioner Sadhwani just said. I know that  
14 Mt. SAC is a feeder to Cal Poly Pomona, but I do agree  
15 that I have not heard any testimony saying that they need  
16 to stay together per se, but the unincorporated areas of  
17 Cal Poly Pomona should be kept together.

18 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Becker -- Mr. Becker?

19 MR. BECKER: Doctor, Commissioner, mister, whatever.  
20 So I just want to point out, this is roughly the area,  
21 you can tell us if that's not right, where this confirms  
22 its status as a commuter school. There is zero  
23 population change by adding it in. I just want to make  
24 note of that for everyone. This doesn't do a lot to  
25 either district from a percentage perspective, so really

1 this comes down to since it doesn't affect people  
2 population, it doesn't affect VRA considerations, it  
3 really comes down to how you want to balance out the  
4 communities of interest.

5 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Thank you.

6 Commissioner Vazquez?

7 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Sorry. I had a cat issue,  
8 jump on me. I'm okay. For me, it's just like that area,  
9 I think, in my head, it's probably opening up a bigger  
10 can of worms as to whether sort of the local residents  
11 consider Mt. SAC part of Pomona, which I sort of, just  
12 having gone to school there in Claremont, you sort of  
13 think of that place as similar, but I don't think the  
14 campus itself needs to be in one Assembly district,  
15 although, actually now that I'm talking about it, if  
16 we're thinking about Assembly districts, this is a  
17 California community college in the same way this has CSU  
18 right next to it. It may make sense for the campuses to  
19 be in a similar Assembly district given, again, the  
20 shared higher ed concerns of the campuses.

21 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Now since it is not a VRA  
22 area, and it's not making very much difference, zero  
23 population, Commissioners can you like pull a separate  
24 sheet of paper and just write bucket at the top of it and  
25 put that off to the side, and we'll get back to those

1 things when we need to. Because, no, it's a great  
2 conversation and all, but just not one that we need to  
3 decide right now and spend any more time on it right now.

4 MR. BECKER: So Madam Chair, we'll revert back --

5 CHAIR TURNER: Let's revert back, and we have it, I  
6 hope, several of us, noted on our pages as buckets,  
7 because I think those are valid points, and we can talk  
8 it through, but not tonight. Not tonight. Please.

9 Commissioner Akutagawa?

10 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, I was just going to  
11 just add, and just for then the bucket, the Mt. San  
12 Antonio Community College district is its own separate  
13 community college district. It's not aligned with any  
14 other districts; it's its own separate district, so for  
15 what it's worth.

16 CHAIR TURNER: Love it. Beautiful. All right.  
17 That bucket paper is going to get bigger as we go along,  
18 so let's move.

19 Okay, what else do you have for us, Sivan?

20 MS. TRATT: All right. So the next visualization is  
21 on page 87, and this is visualization RCFR. And there  
22 were no changes made to this visualization since last  
23 presentation.

24 Mr. Becker?

25 MR. BECKER: Yeah, nothing to add here. The

1 deviation's within legal limits; it's slightly  
2 underpopulated from the ideal. 55.71 percent appears to  
3 be adequate to protect the Latino population there.

4 MS. TRATT: Should I continue, or would we like to  
5 make changes?

6 CHAIR TURNER: Please continue.

7 MS. TRATT: All right. On page 88 is visualization  
8 SBCHR. And there are no changes made to this  
9 visualization.

10 MR. BECKER: I'll just note, this is getting into an  
11 area where the Voting Rights Act considerations are still  
12 present. We'll take a close look at this. 50.0 percent  
13 Latino CVAP is something you'll probably want to keep an  
14 eye on, and I think it's likely that it may be advisable  
15 to increase that.

16 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

17 Commissioner Vazquez?

18 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yeah. I was wondering  
19 actually, I think I would like to get feedback  
20 potentially on a change I'd like to make here, so I want  
21 to try to do that today. If we can -- Sivan, could you  
22 turn on the Latino CVAP for this area, the  
23 concentrations?

24 MS. TRATT: Yes, absolutely. One moment.

25 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Thank you. Yes, perfect.

1 MS. TRATT: Do you want me to zoom in on any area,  
2 Commissioner?

3 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yeah, I'm eyeballing this  
4 portion of Highland that is very red. Yeah, so can we  
5 include both of those red portions of Highland?

6 MS. TRATT: This area and this area you mean?

7 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Correct. Yes.

8 MS. TRATT: Okay.

9 MR. BECKER: Actually --

10 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yeah, that didn't do what  
11 I --

12 MR. BECKER: -- that reduces the Hispanic CVAP a  
13 little bit.

14 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: That didn't do what I wanted  
15 it to do. Okay.

16 MR. BECKER: Yeah, my expectation is that those  
17 aren't heavily populated areas that we're looking at --

18 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yeah, that makes sense.

19 MR. BECKER: -- 3,400 people.

20 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Right. Would it -- yeah,  
21 would it make sense to just include all of Highland then,  
22 or would that overpopulate? Maybe continue going North  
23 to grab what's left of Highland. I'm not sure how  
24 much -- I don't think this is very heavily populated.  
25 No. Okay.

1 MR. BECKER: So that's brought it down even a little  
2 bit further.

3 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yeah. Okay. Never mind.  
4 I'm not sure that there's -- maybe there's a portion of  
5 Grand Terrace. So backing out of this attempt. Yeah, so  
6 undoing everything. And I'm looking down at Grand  
7 Terrace. Yeah.

8 MS. TRATT: Should I try including the whole city or  
9 just a couple of blocks to see?

10 MR. BECKER: Wait. Before you do that, let me just  
11 note that that is in the district JRC, which is also at  
12 51.58 percent.

13 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Okay.

14 MR. BECKER: If you're looking -- I mean it might be  
15 that you -- can you use the map please? Another  
16 possibility is taking some population from, perhaps, the  
17 Rialto area. That's already underpopulated, so you're  
18 going to have to be careful about that. It may very well  
19 be that this is not a place that it's possible to get  
20 much higher, at least right now.

21 CHAIR TURNER: And is that your intent?  
22 Commissioner Vazquez, what is it you're trying to do?

23 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yes, thank you for that  
24 question. I am trying to increase the Latino CVAP in  
25 SBCHR.

1 MR. BECKER: This is an area where the jingles pre-  
2 conditions were a little bit less prevalent than what we  
3 saw closer to the San Bernardino, Riverside, LA County  
4 where they meet. The Western portions of those. Without  
5 making a final piece of advice as to what VRA  
6 implications are here, this might be one of those areas  
7 that you leave roughly at this area specifically to  
8 elicit public comment after the drafts come in to see if  
9 there are some suggestions or other advice with regard to  
10 the percentages.

11 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Got it. Thank you. I'm okay  
12 with this then. I thought there would be some more room  
13 to play, but it doesn't look like it.

14 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. So we have four hands.  
15 Commissioners Sadhwani, Fernandez, Toledo, Akutagawa.

16 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, I think to me this is  
17 an area that needs work, and I don't know that we're  
18 going to do that tonight. I'm going back through some of  
19 the testimony we received. Inland Empire United, for  
20 example, gave out some suggestions on VRA districts in  
21 this area. A lot of the COI testimony links San  
22 Bernardino with Rialto, and I think that's probably  
23 something that we want to look at and explore, but it's  
24 also going to send shock waves through all of these other  
25 districts. So I would be comfortable -- these are



1 definitely VRA areas, but I would be comfortable putting  
2 that on the bucket list if need be. They're also VRA  
3 areas if we want to work through them. I don't know how  
4 late everybody wants to stay.

5 CHAIR TURNER: Until we get done. That's what we  
6 want. That's what we want. We do.

7 Commissioner Fernandez, please?

8 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes, actually I would like  
9 to -- I realize that JRC is pretty close. I would like  
10 to try the Grand Terrace in the SBCHR just to see.  
11 Because Grand Terrace isn't that big in terms of  
12 population, so I just want to see if it changes it just a  
13 little bit. Thank you.

14 MS. TRATT: So it looks like that changed the  
15 Hispanic, excuse me, the Latino CVAP in SBCHR to 49.83  
16 percent and in JRC to 51.84, and the deviation for SBCHR  
17 is now 2.11 percent and JRC is negative 0.58 percent.

18 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Okay. Thank you. We can  
19 undo that.

20 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Toledo?

21 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah, thank you. Just a  
22 question for the line drawers because I know you're very  
23 familiar with this area, do you see any easy changes that  
24 we might be able to make to increase the Latino CVAP at  
25 this point without making major architectural changes?

1 Because I know you've played around with this map trying  
2 to get it to meet our requirements. Any minor changes  
3 that you might want to suggest?

4 MR. BECKER: Let me just say, you can see from the  
5 surrounding districts and the 49 -- you've got a 51.58  
6 percent district, a 50.04 percent district, and a 49.78  
7 percent district all within close proximity to each  
8 other, which tells you that, I mean, that's a pretty big  
9 area of population. There's probably not a lot of  
10 population to draw from elsewhere. It's an area of  
11 little more dispersion here, but that said, there might  
12 be things that could be done if you change the  
13 architecture pretty significantly. I don't know if  
14 that's something you want to do right now.

15 MS. TRATT: One, if I may Chair, one suggestion that  
16 we might consider would be moving RCFR a little bit  
17 farther into splitting Rancho Cucamonga and then dividing  
18 Rialto here or along community of interest lines or some  
19 significant order but kind of splitting the City of  
20 Rialto to get more population.

21 MR. BECKER: I just note about that -- we're looking  
22 at the Latino CVAP block level data, right?

23 MS. TRATT: Um-hum.

24 MR. BECKER: This is likely to reduce the Latino  
25 CVAP in RCFR, so there's not a lot of areas of Latino

1 population that can be included to these three districts  
2 that aren't already included in these three districts.  
3 But that doesn't mean we can't experiment with some  
4 things.

5 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Commissioner Toledo, can I get  
6 Commissioner Vazquez?

7 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yes, please.

8 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: So the other recommendation I  
9 see here, we haven't gotten there yet, but MBCV is quite  
10 significantly underpopulated, and so I'm wondering, it  
11 will increase the negative deviation, but including  
12 potentially all of Mentone, seeing what that does, and/or  
13 the Northern side of Redlands you can see it is not as  
14 concentrated, so there may be some combination of  
15 Redlands and/or Mentone adding that to MBCV could get us  
16 closer to where we want potentially.

17 MR. BECKER: Okay. Why don't we start first with  
18 just looking at Mentone and see what that does if that's  
19 okay with everybody.

20 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I'm sorry. I said adding  
21 northside Redlands. I meant southside Redlands.

22 MS. TRATT: Okay. So it looks like this block right  
23 here is actually part of the City of Redlands, so that's  
24 going to cause a potentially unintentional split there,  
25 but I'm just going to continue to see what will happen,

1 but just to let you know. So we're over negative 5  
2 percent. Should I keep going?

3 CHAIR TURNER: While we're waiting on the dial,  
4 Commissioner Sadhwani, do you want to go, or do you want  
5 to wait until we see what that harvest looks like?

6 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: I can just mention my  
7 thoughts on this. I completely agree with Commissioner  
8 Vazquez about Mentone and parts of Redlands, and I think  
9 some population might be able to shift if we would be  
10 willing to split Ontario. Ontario is currently in that  
11 Pomona district, which is slightly overpopulated, not  
12 terribly, but a little bit. I think if we could pull  
13 parts of Ontario into RCFR, it might open up some of  
14 Rialto so everything could shift over. And we've had a  
15 lot of testimony about Rialto and San Bernardino being  
16 kept together.

17 MR. BECKER: If I may, so the first change that we  
18 discussed, which was Mentone and parts of -- Southern  
19 parts of Redlands, adding that to MBCV fixes the  
20 deviation problem in MBCV and brings it below the safe  
21 harbor. Now MBCV and SBCHR are both over four percent  
22 underpopulated against the ideal but within the negative  
23 five percent barrier. And now SBCHR is at 51.25 percent  
24 Latino CVAP.

25 Before we discuss other changes, we should probably

1 discuss whether we want to lock that in.

2 CHAIR TURNER: I'd actually like to see what it  
3 looks like to bring in Ontario, as well, so you can tell  
4 me best as far as process which way.

5 MR. BECKER: Do you want to revert back from this  
6 change and then try the Ontario, or lock this in and add  
7 Ontario?

8 CHAIR TURNER: Well, what was your vision? Lock it  
9 in?

10 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Lock it in.

11 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I would like to lock it in,  
12 please.

13 CHAIR TURNER: Ms. Vazquez, I didn't hear you.

14 MR. BECKER: I would recommend that given that  
15 it's --

16 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yes.

17 MR. BECKER: -- solves the (indiscernible,  
18 simultaneous speech) population problem in MBCV by  
19 itself.

20 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Hold on, please.

21 Commissioner Vazquez, I didn't hear you.

22 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yes, I'd like to lock it in,  
23 "Regis."

24 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you. Yes. I love it. Let's  
25 do it.

1           COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Oh, good. I got Fredy to  
2 laugh. He was looking absolutely thrilled by this  
3 conversation.

4           MS. TRATT: Should we move on to splitting Ontario?

5           CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Akutagawa, are you going  
6 to comment there?

7           COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yes.

8           CHAIR TURNER: Okay. One moment before we move.

9           COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Just one thing. I did see  
10 some COI testimony asking that Redlands, Mentone, and  
11 Yucaipa be kept together. Is there any value in instead  
12 of splitting Redlands just moving all of Redlands out and  
13 looking in the direction that you're looking. Thank you.

14          MR. BECKER: We can certainly try that. Given that  
15 there's likely going to be some population we can shift  
16 around to the West of this district, that's probably  
17 doable from a deviation perspective. The question  
18 becomes what it does to Latino CVAP, but we can look at  
19 it.

20          COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: If I can respond. I'm  
21 comfortable, obviously, splitting Redlands. I just want  
22 to be really, really mindful of the North side of  
23 Redlands, which is economically, if not racially and  
24 ethnically, very different from really the other side of  
25 the freeway in Redlands. There's very stark divide, so

1 yeah, I just want that.

2 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Commissioner Akutagawa is  
3 shaking her head, as well, uh-huh. Okay.

4 Commissioner Sadhwani, where did you want to -- you  
5 said the --

6 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I want Ontario.

7 CHAIR TURNER: Ontario. Are we still going that  
8 direction?

9 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. And so this would  
10 ultimately have impacts in probably those three  
11 districts. I don't know what the populations are, so we  
12 would need to do a little trial and error here, but I'm  
13 thinking North of the 10 freeway to Euclid Avenue, which  
14 is, like, by the thing that says Upland, I believe. Yep.  
15 That might be too much population to remove from that  
16 PCO, but that would be the area I would suggest taking a  
17 look at.

18 MR. BECKER: East of Euclid and North of  
19 (Indiscernible, simultaneous speech) --

20 MS. TRATT: East of Euclid, okay. Perfect. I will  
21 make that change now. One moment.

22 MR. BECKER: Actually, can I make a suggestion? I  
23 think that's going to be a lot of population. I think we  
24 should start from the Eastern edge of this district and  
25 start moving West to see where we get to, if that's okay,

1 from the corner.

2 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, I think the only  
3 concern about the Eastern section is I'm not sure what  
4 the Latino CVAP is, or is that part closer to Euclid?

5 MR. BECKER: Lets'-- it probably is closer to  
6 Euclid. Well, you direct us of where you want us to go.

7 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Well, you -- I think it's --  
8 I'm okay to be exploratory, so I'll leave it to Sivan  
9 to --

10 MR. BECKER: Why don't we start from that corner and  
11 start moving West and see --

12 MS. TRATT: Okay, just gradually add --

13 MR. BECKER: -- and adding that and just -- and then  
14 we can try something else.

15 MS. TRATT: Okay.

16 CHAIR TURNER: While they're dragging lines,  
17 Commissioner Vazquez and Kennedy? No.

18 Commissioner Kennedy?

19 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair. If we're  
20 going to be moving a significant portion of Redlands and  
21 we still need population in the MBCV district is my  
22 recollection, I would suggest that we look at moving Loma  
23 Linda or a significant part of Loma Linda because that  
24 has pretty natural ties to Redlands. Thank you.

25 MR. BECKER: Chair, if I may, if we can hold off on



1 other direction because we're just going to be able  
2 capture that while we're working on this right now. If  
3 there's something else to be said about this particular  
4 area, that might be helpful.

5 CHAIR TURNER: Okay, no, that's fine. I'd asked for  
6 him to just share while you were doing that so I'll know  
7 which direction we're going. So we'll wait to see what  
8 this looks like, and then, Commissioner Kennedy, we'll  
9 have you give direction so we can see what that looks  
10 like.

11 MR. BECKER: All right. So this is -- just this  
12 portion is we've moved 7,844 people. The deviations are  
13 now RCFR is at negative 1.46, PCO is at negative 0.57,  
14 and the Hispanic CVAP percentages are 55.34 down from  
15 57.95 percent. No, I'm sorry. 55.34 down from 55.71  
16 percent in RCFR and 58.36 percent up from 57.95 percent,  
17 so actually PCO has a slightly higher Latino CVAP with  
18 this percentage removed from it, which probably to your  
19 point, Commissioner Sadhwani, means we have to move a  
20 little bit to the Northwest there to capture -- want to  
21 do a little bit more to see if the populations are still  
22 pretty much in balance?

23 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: If I may, I would be  
24 concerned about RCFR if we end up taking parts of Rialto  
25 out of it and populating whatever that district was on

1 the other side of it, which is where I think this area  
2 closer to Euclid might be important.

3 MR. BECKER: Quick status check. RCFR is at  
4 negative 3.04 percent deviation. Latino CVAP has gone  
5 from 55.71 to 55.85 and PCO is now -- I'm sorry. RCFR is  
6 at 1.69 percent positive deviation, and it's Latino CVAP  
7 has gone up from 55.71 to 55.85. PCO is now at negative  
8 3.71 percent deviation, and it's Latino CVAP has gone  
9 from 57.95 to 57.91.

10 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: My thought on that is right  
11 now it looks good, but if we make any changes to Rialto,  
12 it's going to sink the CVAP, I would assume, in RCFR.  
13 That would be my only concern.

14 MR. BECKER: You mean taking --

15 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Because I think we were  
16 taking a look at this cut in Ontario in order to suffice  
17 a cut in Rialto, to have more of Rialto stay with the  
18 City of San Bernardino.

19 MR. BECKER: So we could -- RCFR -- we've now added  
20 some population to it. I mean, if you want to go further  
21 up into Upland, the problem is PCO is getting pretty high  
22 in negative deviation.

23 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah.

24 MR. BECKER: And those are pretty tightly packed  
25 census blocks.

1 CHAIR TURNER: Are we at a point now where --  
2 Commissioner Kennedy, the direction you were giving it,  
3 was it in addition to this or in place of this?

4 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair. My sense  
5 was that we were trying to pick up some population on the  
6 West here in order to be able to shift population over  
7 the East, and if we're moving population to the East, and  
8 we're still minus 4.62 in MBCV, my suggestion was that we  
9 take more of the Southern part of Redlands and perhaps,  
10 over into Loma Linda and shift that East.

11 CHAIR TURNER: So are we good to lock what we have  
12 currently so that we can now explore that, add it, and  
13 see what that does?

14 Okay, let's do that.

15 MR. BECKER: Madam Chair, can I make another  
16 suggestion?

17 CHAIR TURNER: Sure.

18 MR. BECKER: I note that MPH is at a 4.81 percent  
19 positive deviation, and it is below 50 percent Latino  
20 CVAP. There might be areas that can shift from MPH into  
21 MBCV and at a minimum, not have a negative impact on the  
22 Latino percentage and possibly a positive impact on the  
23 Latino percentage.

24 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Kennedy, is that in  
25 alignment with what you're trying to accomplish, as well,

1 with COI?

2 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: I would need to see the map  
3 shifted a little farther South, but I -- yeah, I mean I  
4 think we could probably shift some. There was also that  
5 idea on a number of occasions where I said you could  
6 connect Grand Terrace to Loma Linda and Redlands by going  
7 through that Northern strip of Riverside County, yeah.

8 CHAIR TURNER: So give direction, Commissioner  
9 Kennedy.

10 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: So I would look at taking  
11 MBCV farther West into Southern Redlands, maybe just  
12 stopping at the Redlands, Loma Linda city line at this  
13 point and seeing what that does for us? And then we can  
14 determine whether we move over into Loma Linda, as well.

15 MS. TRATT: Sorry. Just going back to this pending  
16 change, are we -- should I accept this?

17 CHAIR TURNER: Yes, please.

18 MS. TRATT: Okay. And just to clarify, Commissioner  
19 Kennedy, this was a change to add this area to MBCV,  
20 correct?

21 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Correct.

22 MS. TRATT: Okay.

23 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Correct. And then we could  
24 also look at adding some of that area North of Moreno  
25 Valley in Riverside County to that MBCV, as well.

1 MR. BECKER: So just to get specific direction here,  
2 we're going to first add the Southern part of Redlands.  
3 You want us to go all the way to the border of Loma Linda  
4 for now?

5 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Correct.

6 MR. BECKER: And do you want us to go all the way up  
7 to the 10?

8 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: I would defer to Commissioner  
9 Vazquez on that.

10 CHAIR TURNER: She said no.

11 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: No. No.

12 MR. BECKER: Okay. So don't go any higher then.

13 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yeah, that feels right.

14 MR. BECKER: So we're going to start by not going  
15 into Loma Linda quite yet.

16 CHAIR TURNER: No, I think he said Loma Linda, but  
17 don't go up further North.

18 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: No. Let's pause before we  
19 get to Loma Linda.

20 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

21 MR. BECKER: Got it.

22 MS. TRATT: So this is the border with Loma Linda.  
23 Do you want me to go up and capture this area here or --

24 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Let's leave it like this for  
25 now, and then take from that Northern strip of MPH --

1 well, so yeah. Let's -- I would say --

2 MS. TRATT: This area above Moreno Valley?

3 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Correct.

4 MS. TRATT: Okay.

5 MR. BECKER: And I'll just note, so far we haven't  
6 made a big dent in the negative deviation, so there's  
7 probably going to be some more population we're going to  
8 want to add in.

9 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Right, and that's what we're  
10 trying to do right now.

11 Are we causing a problem because we didn't commit  
12 that portion of Redlands first?

13 MR. BECKER: I think we're okay. That's all  
14 contiguous, so we're trying to just include all of it.

15 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Right, but we're taking from  
16 two different districts to move into one district.

17 MR. BECKER: So now, MPH, which was at 4.62 -- I'm  
18 sorry 4.81 percent positive deviation is now at 4.61  
19 percent positive deviation. And the other two are still  
20 at above 4 negative deviation. There might be some  
21 additional population on the Eastern edge of MPH that can  
22 be added just below that. I don't know if you want us to  
23 explore that?

24 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Move the map South, please.  
25 Yes, we could. I don't know how much population there is

1 going to be there. If we look at the topographical  
2 layer, I think there are some hills there.

3 MR. BECKER: I think you're right. I think what I'd  
4 suggest maybe just to try it, maybe take that block just  
5 North of Moreno Valley and also the block at the very  
6 Northwestern corner and let's add that all in just to  
7 show and see what that does?

8 CHAIR TURNER: And when you get to it, I'd wonder  
9 what this is doing to the black CVAP from the 13.99 in  
10 MPH. Are the changes right now, it's just for  
11 population, right? Because we're already at a pretty  
12 high Latino CVAP.

13 MR. BECKER: Yeah, with an eye towards VRA  
14 compliance also, but we've just included, if you look  
15 down, we've expanded the box that includes the change in  
16 the black CVAP, as well.

17 So the deviations are getting better. MPH is still  
18 significantly above the ideal but still within the legal  
19 limit, 4.52 percent, and MBCV is now at negative 4.02  
20 percent. Latino CVAP is 51.45 percent in SBCHR 49.81 and  
21 49.81 in MPH, which is barely higher. It was 49.78  
22 percent before.

23 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Could I just get in on this?

24 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Kennedy, were you done?  
25 Commissioner Sadhwani?

1           COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Thank you. I wouldn't -- I  
2 don't take lightly breaking up Moreno Valley. We've had  
3 a lot of COI testimony about keeping Moreno Valley whole.  
4 I think where I get a little lost is, there's a lot of  
5 testimony I've seen from these areas that is somewhat  
6 different from different groups, but certainly splitting  
7 it, I don't think is -- it's certainly not improving the  
8 Latino CVAP from a VRA perspective, and I think it's also  
9 breaking into a lot of COI testimony that we've received  
10 from other communities that are growing throughout that  
11 region, so I would not support the addition of those  
12 areas.

13           CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Kennedy, your hand is  
14 still up?

15           COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair. I don't  
16 think we've gone into Moreno Valley itself yet. That is  
17 mostly a hilly area. There are some wild burros living  
18 in that area, but there aren't that many people.

19           CHAIR TURNER: They might feel some kind of way --

20           COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: It is a little bit of a no  
21 man's land between Redlands and MoVal, as we call it.

22           CHAIR TURNER: So how are we feeling, Commissioner?  
23 Shall we lock this in with that or no?

24           COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Let me see more of the  
25 screen.



1 MR. BECKER: I mean, I'll just say, so one thing, as  
2 we're trying to get better and better, one thing we have  
3 solved if we solved the negative 8 percent deviation  
4 problem. So that's a big accomplishment.

5 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

6 MR. BECKER: And even if we haven't gotten into the  
7 point where we're really comfortable, that's actually a  
8 big improvement over where we were.

9 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. It's something. Okay, so can  
10 we lock this as a -- Commissioner Vazquez?

11 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Well, I'm interested to maybe  
12 go more in this direction. I do think there's potential  
13 to increase the Latino CVAP in MPH, and so I'm wondering  
14 if maybe going into, for the MPH district, maybe adding  
15 there's like some portions -- no, again never mind. Once  
16 I start thinking through the implications, they don't  
17 quite pan out. But I feel like that the MPH maybe  
18 benefits from maybe more discussion, but I don't know if  
19 we'll get there tonight.

20 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Well thank you for that.

21 We'll go to break because it is 8 o'clock and time,  
22 again, for a break. They seem to be coming really quick.  
23 And we'll be back at 8:15. Thank you.

24 (Whereupon, a recess was held from 8:00 p.m.  
25 until 8:15 p.m.)

1 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you so much. And we're back  
2 from break. So we started the day expressing our desire  
3 to ensure that we had draft maps that we would have  
4 people that would be able to comment on our best efforts,  
5 and I think we're there for this district, this area. We  
6 do know that we'll be able to take some notes. We'll be  
7 able to come back to it later. We are going to have a  
8 session on the 29th where we will just be discussing what  
9 we've heard. Not map drawing, not line drawing. We will  
10 be just collectively coming to understanding. This is  
11 what we've heard. This is how we'd kind of like to move  
12 with what we're hearing from Californians. All of the  
13 COI testimony, all of the visualization response. All of  
14 the new information that we're going to get in the next  
15 days to come.

16 So with that being said, let me try to find my  
17 video -- with that being said, we're going to move now to  
18 a different area.

19 Please keep in mind, it wasn't just for that one  
20 area, the buckets -- please keep in mind buckets as we go  
21 through our next hour and a half time period. Please  
22 keep in mind, is this something that I should just be  
23 noting off to the side as a bucket that we'll come back  
24 and look at later when it's time to so that we can keep  
25 moving. Let's keep in mind our goal and desire to be

1 able to get to a place where we're feeling really good  
2 about our draft maps.

3 Mr. Becker?

4 MR. BECKER: I just want to clarify. Do you want us  
5 to revert from the changes we were discussing prior to  
6 the break?

7 CHAIR TURNER: No, sir.

8 MR. BECKER: Do you want us to accept them?

9 CHAIR TURNER: Yes, please.

10 MR. BECKER: Okay.

11 MS. TRATT: Locking in.

12 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

13 Commissioner Fernandez?

14 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Chair.

15 Just for clarification, Sivan, could you go over all  
16 of the VRAs in Southern? I want to make sure that I  
17 captured them all. Just the page number would be fine.

18 MS. TRATT: Yes, absolutely. The VRA consideration  
19 visualizations are starting on page 85 through 90, and  
20 then there's also one on 107. That's the CVSY, but  
21 otherwise, they all go consecutively starting at SEC to  
22 MPH on page 90.

23 CHAIR TURNER: So I'm wondering if we can -- was  
24 that all of our VRA considerations that you had Sivan?  
25 Yes. And so what I'd love to do now is to kind of work

1 backwards. Where we are taking a look at, just kind of  
2 running us through quickly the maps. These are where our  
3 deviations are, we're feeling good about this. Is there  
4 anything that is just glaring that won't cause a total  
5 architectural change; can we make adjustments to it; and  
6 move on so that we will be able to kind of settle on the  
7 Assembly, so that tomorrow we'll be able to move with our  
8 Congressional maps.

9 Commissioner Sadhwani?

10 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Did we cover the Orange  
11 County Santa Anna district?

12 CHAIR TURNER: Huh-uh. Nor did we cover Bay area,  
13 nor did we cover all of Central Val -- we --

14 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: The VRE district, though?  
15 Oh. (Indiscernible, simultaneous speech) --

16 CHAIR TURNER: We just did the VRA districts, yes.  
17 We've completed at VRE districts?

18 MR. BECKER: Yes. I'll just remind you, the Bay  
19 area was an area where jingles preconditions three --

20 CHAIR TURNER: No, no, no, no. I -- no. The --  
21 yes. We've done -- I wasn't talking about VRA.

22 MR. BECKER: All right.

23 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

24 MR. BECKER: Yeah. So there is a majority Hispanic  
25 district in the -- roughly the Santa Ana area of Orange

1 County. That is an area where we have not found  
2 consistent jingles three. So it's not necessarily a VRA  
3 district, but it does happen to be a majority Hispanic  
4 district, given the concentrations of population.

5 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you. Commissioner Fernandez?

6 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Okay. I think I  
7 misunderstood. So are we going to, like, speak in  
8 generalities, in terms of the bucket list for the future,  
9 so that we have it now, or? I think there's been, like,  
10 so much discussion. I'm trying to figure this out.

11 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah. Yeah. This is a tricky  
12 process, to try to figure out what's the best way to  
13 proceed. Given where we are, what I'd like to do -- what  
14 I'm thinking about the buckets is, if we get -- so for  
15 example, say we get back up to the North, and we're like,  
16 "Okay. Let's go through it, we knew this was a total  
17 architectural change. We won't necessarily have time for  
18 a full architectural change. But here are some bucket  
19 areas that, when we have a chance to just discuss this,  
20 Commissioners, let's talk about this."

21 Now -- but if you're in that same area, and you're  
22 like, "You know what, that isn't going to flip  
23 everything, but as long as we're talking about a draft  
24 why don't we go ahead and see what it looks like,  
25 mappers, to move this population from this area to this

1 area. To kind of fix, maybe, deviations. Maybe fix  
2 something that's an easy swap that you've already  
3 studied, and we can do that."

4 Bucket list is for big items that we don't want to  
5 go and have a lot of ripple effect for. If we can make  
6 changes now for our Assembly, that we can do now, let's  
7 do that. And what we'll do is to kind of see, is  
8 everybody in agreement with that change? Recognizing  
9 that our buckets, later, when it's time for us to make  
10 more changes to draft maps, may change something else.  
11 But for now, this is -- this is how I'm -- am I clear?  
12 Does that -- does that make sense for everyone?

13 It's okay to say no. I don't get -- sometimes I  
14 don't understand me.

15 Say again?

16 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: I'm sorry. Totally. So are  
17 we doing bucket lists or are we doing small changes?

18 CHAIR TURNER: We're

19 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Both?

20 CHAIR TURNER: -- we're moving through at the same  
21 time. If we get to an area that we just want to say,  
22 "This is something that I'm -- that I know is  
23 architectural." It'll be a bucket list, we'll name it as  
24 such. If it's an area that we want to give direction to  
25 the mappers to say, you know, let me see what this looks

1 like, since we're doing live-line drawing. Then we'll  
2 give that direction, recognizing those are things that  
3 will not cause a lot of ripple, okay?

4 Swapping out, that's not a big ripple. But when we  
5 try to start changing the entire direction of the map,  
6 that's a big ripple. That's a bucket list. Okay?

7 I'm sorry. So for those on the screen, I've not  
8 been looking at you. Let me look here. Okay.

9 Commissioner Andersen?

10 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: There you go. Well, a  
11 couple of easy ones. That we can do some live line  
12 drawing and have fun with. San Francisco.

13 CHAIR TURNER: Come on in. Let's have fun,  
14 Commissioner Andersen.

15 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Exactly. Let's have a good  
16 time. Which is -- I -- actually, I'm not sure. Is that  
17 on page 20, I think? Yeah. Page 20. We have East San  
18 Francisco has a population of -- a deviation negative 2.7  
19 percent.

20 CHAIR TURNER: And Commissioner Andersen? We are  
21 giving our mappers a run for their money, because we are  
22 jumping all over --

23 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Oh.

24 CHAIR TURNER: -- the board --

25 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Terribly sorry.

1 CHAIR TURNER: -- and did not prepare them for such.

2 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Changing people and  
3 everything.

4 CHAIR TURNER: But I'm so grateful for their skill,  
5 ability, and talent, and flexibility. I love and  
6 appreciate them. So with that, we are talking,  
7 apparently now, about the Bay area, in Assembly  
8 districts. We're going to give them time to get there.

9 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah. Can you hear me?

10 MS. CLARK: Chair Turner? I'm just going to -- I  
11 don't have the neighborhood layer loaded into this map,  
12 since we made a decision today to sort of change things  
13 up on the technical side of things. So I'm just going to  
14 look for that in my -- I'm just going to try and add that  
15 really quick. So it just might take me a minute (audio  
16 interference). One moment please.

17 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Fernandez?

18 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Can I just, kind of, make a  
19 suggestion? Maybe we just go by area, and we do, like,  
20 the small changes and bucket list, so that the mappers  
21 kind of -- so they don't have to keep switching out.  
22 Does that kind of make sense? It's just a suggestion.

23 CHAIR TURNER: That's a good suggestion. Can we  
24 stay in the Bay Area, though, since we didn't touch it  
25 before at all? We'll stay there, and then we'll -- we



1 will stay in areas. Thank you. Commissioner Yee?

2 COMMISSIONER YEE: Actually, I'm going to start with  
3 the same area that Commissioner Andersen mentioned East  
4 San Francisco. So once that's up, let us know.

5 (Pause)

6 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you very much. Are you ready?

7 MS. CLARK: All ready.

8 CHAIR TURNER: All right. Commissioner Andersen?

9 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay. Tamina, please, the  
10 East San Francisco has a negative, like, 13,000 people.  
11 And West San Francisco has a positive of 17,000 people.  
12 And I'm hoping you can grab the 13,000 to bring the  
13 deviation down. Make it, basically, have the East San  
14 Francisco be about even. And I'm thinking that we might  
15 be able to grab it, probably, from up around that  
16 Hospital Hill area in the inner Richmond. Just below  
17 Presidio Heights area.

18 And if you could see, like, if you put on maybe the  
19 census block, and we could see how many?

20 CHAIR TURNER: Or so we don't slow down with census  
21 block, can she do that and let's just see how close we  
22 get, and not exact?

23 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Absolutely. Whatever --  
24 whatever -- Tamina, whatever you think is the fastest and  
25 easiest way to do that.

1 MS. RAMOS ALON: So with this part of the inner  
2 Richmond, you are already at -- sorry. You are already  
3 at negative 0.37 and positive 1.25. So I'm just going to  
4 keep taking a few more census blocks. See if we can get  
5 a little closer.

6 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay.

7 MS. RAMOS ALON: Is there any particular divide in  
8 the inner Richmond that you wanted? I'm kind of East-to-  
9 West.

10 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah. I don't know the  
11 streets. I also did notice though, Presidio -- Protrero  
12 Hill, is actually cut. Would that have been a better  
13 area instead, to complete Protrero Hill?

14 MS. RAMOS ALON: I can go over there. So that would  
15 be why the split. It comes -- the census blocks come  
16 into Bayview, but --

17 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Do we need the lower block?

18 MS. RAMOS ALON: That is part of the block,  
19 together.

20 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Uh-huh.

21 MS. RAMOS ALON: See, that's one big block?

22 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: That is.

23 MS. RAMOS ALON: Yeah. So we -- So this is a weird  
24 census block shape. Would you like me to add that, or  
25 would you like me to go back to inner Richmond?

1           COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: And Tamina, is this -- this  
2 is here, I'm assuming COI testimony for these areas kept  
3 together, or no, or was it just population?

4           MS. RAMOS ALON: This is -- right now these are  
5 different -- their COI testimonies and following the  
6 lines of the neighborhoods, as close as they could be to  
7 the census geography.

8           COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay.

9           MS. RAMOS ALON: Some of the lines through the  
10 neighborhoods, unfortunately, did not match up --

11           COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Right.

12           MS. RAMOS ALON: -- with the census geography. So  
13 that's why you would have, like, little blocks, or little  
14 pieces missing.

15           COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: I guess in particular the  
16 interested in the Bayview area, where the COI testimonies  
17 there were. We're now looking at dividing that area.  
18 Now, I. If we could zoom in a little bit we could see  
19 what the -- if that sluice coming in -- then actually  
20 that would -- the part North is more Protrero Hill. But  
21 we can also go out to the inner Richmond. Oh. Okay. Oh  
22 and Cesar Chavez?

23           MS. RAMOS ALON: After you see what this number is,  
24 Commissioner Andersen, I'm going to get Commissioner Yee  
25 and Fernandez in, as well, to weigh in.

1           COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: So yeah. So the idea here  
2 is, if we can grab -- even out the population, and then  
3 we can sort of move down a little bit into San Mateo.  
4 Then change the other line to make that a little more  
5 even.

6           MS. RAMOS ALON: So this is a change of 462 people.

7           COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Good gosh.

8           MS. RAMOS ALON: This will stay within the Potrero  
9 Hill line without going down into Bayview.

10          COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay. That doesn't get us  
11 for it -- get it for us then. Could we go over to --  
12 thank you for having it at this detail. Could we go back  
13 over to the inner Richmond?

14          COMMISSIONER YEE: Commissioner Andersen? I will  
15 have a proposal about Daly City that might alter East San  
16 Francisco. So I don't know if you want to collaborate on  
17 that?

18          COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Oh. Well, certainly. Yes.  
19 Speak up.

20          COMMISSIONER YEE: Shall I go ahead?

21          CHAIR TURNER: Please.

22          COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay. So we got COI testimony  
23 from the Pilipino/American community in Daly City,  
24 wanting to add two neighborhoods that are in South San  
25 Francisco. One is the Westborough neighborhood, and the

1 other is the Buri neighborhood, also known as Sierra  
2 Highlands. And that's about right in the middle of the  
3 peninsula there. Do you have the neighborhoods, Tamina?

4 MS. RAMOS ALON: I do not have neighborhoods for San  
5 Mateo.

6 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay. See I don't have the  
7 streets. I just look -- they were on the google map, so.

8 MS. RAMOS ALON: You know, Westborough area is,  
9 like, around here, Unifirst Arrow, Westborough Boulevard,  
10 going to the freeway.

11 COMMISSIONER YEE: Right.

12 MS. RAMOS ALON: But I don't know exactly what their  
13 community of interest neighborhood boundaries are.

14 CHAIR TURNER: We're pulling it up. One moment,  
15 please.

16 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay. I have it on google maps.  
17 It is Kind Drive to the North.

18 MS. RAMOS ALON: I'm sorry?

19 COMMISSIONER YEE: King drive on the North side.

20 MS. RAMOS ALON: King drive on the North side.

21 COMMISSIONER YEE: To Gellert Boulevard on the East.  
22 Over to 280.

23 CHAIR TURNER: Did you find King -- did you find  
24 King yet?

25 COMMISSIONER YEE: It's somewhat North of

1 Westborough Boulevard. Between Skyline and 580 -- and --  
2 280.

3 MS. RAMOS ALON: Which is now this side. Yeah.

4 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Where?

5 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Oh there it is. I see it. So  
6 you see where the golf course is? Whoops. The other  
7 way. To the right. To the right. To the right. Over  
8 by 280. That big yellow golf -- keep going. The other  
9 yellow is a golf course. And then, okay. Wait. Yeah.

10 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Where?

11 COMMISSIONER SINAY: King -- okay. See where the  
12 line -- okay. Quit moving.

13 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Oh. There we go.

14 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Okay. Right there. There's  
15 King.

16 COMMISSIONER YEE: So we're looking at -- between  
17 Skyline and 280.

18 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Oh. The other side.

19 COMMISSIONER YEE: Other side. That is King. So  
20 going South --

21 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Wait.

22 COMMISSIONER YEE: So scroll to the right.

23 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: So it should be to the left.

24 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I think the neighborhood's on  
25 the other side of 280.

1 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah. Yeah. On the Western side  
2 of 280.

3 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Yeah. There's just -- Skyline  
4 is there.

5 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay. There's King. Oh.

6 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Here's Westborough over here  
7 to Skyline.

8 COMMISSIONER YEE: Right.

9 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Commissioner Yee, I'm  
10 wondering, do we have the shape files from the groups?

11 COMMISSIONER YEE: We do not, no.

12 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I do.

13 COMMISSIONER YEE: You do? Okay.

14 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I think we maybe do.

15 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: So Commissioner Toledo,  
16 how's the location? Pardon?

17 CHAIR TURNER: Karin, should we send the shape files  
18 to you? Who are we sending it to?

19 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah. We do have a shape  
20 file.

21 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Oh. You have them?

22 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes.

23 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: To Karin.

24 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: To Karin, please.

25 So Commissioner Yee, you want to add that to the --

1 to West San Francisco?

2 COMMISSIONER YEE: To combine it with Daly City.

3 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay.

4 COMMISSIONER YEE: So that would be West.

5 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: But this --

6 COMMISSIONER YEE: That's correct. West San

7 Francisco.

8 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: But that's in --

9 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah.

10 CHAIR TURNER: So what -- one moment, please. So  
11 Tamina, are you able to hear -- did you hear the  
12 direction? Now that you have -- think you have found  
13 that, Commissioner Yee is asking that that's combined  
14 with West San Francisco; is that what you're hearing us?  
15 Okay. Good. I know a few of us were talking. I wanted  
16 to make sure.

17 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Oh this is going to go way  
18 above the deviation, for sure. But we're -- I'm assuming  
19 there's more --

20 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah we -- we might pull  
21 Brisbane.

22 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Yee?

23 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yes. It continues all the way to  
24 280.

25 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Oh. Okay.



1 COMMISSIONER YEE: Oh, that's a big add. That's a  
2 big add.

3 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: But you'll take off more  
4 somewhere else, right?

5 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yes. I apologize for not being  
6 prepared with a shape file, or boundaries.

7 MR. MANOFF: As a reminder, members, if you could  
8 please speak one at a time, and avoid cross-talk for our  
9 interpreters. Thank you.

10 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you, Kristian.

11 COMMISSIONER YEE: Perfect. Thank you.

12 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Okay. So this area is a  
13 population change of 13,486, and --

14 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay. And there was one other  
15 neighborhood. The Sierra Highlands neighborhood, which  
16 is to the East.

17 MS. RAMOS ALON: Okay. Would you like me to take  
18 this area, first? Grab this area? I can always remove  
19 it.

20 COMMISSIONER YEE: Possibly. So my thought was to,  
21 perhaps, trade for Colma. Which is pretty stand-alone, I  
22 think.

23 MS. RAMOS ALON: Okay.

24 CHAIR TURNER: So yes. Let's lock that in.

25 COMMISSIONER YEE: The Colma only has 1,500 alive

1 people, so.

2 MS. RAMOS ALON: Right. And then Colma --

3 COMMISSIONER YEE: That's not going to help much.

4 MS. RAMOS ALON: Colma into San Mateo district?

5 COMMISSIONER YEE: Let's see. That would go to --

6 correct, San Mateo. But I'm seeing now, that's,

7 actually, not going to help very much at all. So let's

8 just take a look at the Westborough, first, then, and

9 seeing what that does to the population.

10 MS. RAMOS ALON: This is -- well, just so you know,

11 1,510 people.

12 COMMISSIONER YEE: Right.

13 MS. RAMOS ALON: Alive. In Colma.

14 CHAIR TURNER: All right. You're still driving,

15 Commissioner Yee. Where would you like it?

16 COMMISSIONER YEE: Thank you. I'm sorry this is

17 going so slow.

18 CHAIR TURNER: That's okay.

19 COMMISSIONER YEE: So the Westborough. So the other

20 neighborhood is the Sierra Highlands neighborhood. Also

21 known as Buri. And unfortunately, I again do not have a

22 shape file for you.

23 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Well, there's Buri Buri

24 Park.

25 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah.

1 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Just North of the golf  
2 course.

3 COMMISSIONER YEE: So that would basically continue  
4 East of 280. South of Hickey. Let's see. Are we  
5 finding it? And North of Westborough. To El Camino  
6 Rayo. Yeah.

7 MS. RAMOS ALON: This is a change of 9,603 people.  
8 And I'm adding to West S.F. Would you like me to make  
9 this change?

10 COMMISSIONER YEE: So let's see. The deviation is  
11 much too high now. Yeah.

12 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Well, we might take Brisbane  
13 out.

14 COMMISSIONER YEE: Really? Okay. If the  
15 population's work. But it sounds like we have to keep  
16 going before we'll know that. Yeah?

17 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah. I was quite done with  
18 the East -- of the -- East going down into the West.

19 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay. Can we hold these two?

20 CHAIR TURNER: Do we want to accept these? Cause  
21 there's not really a hole. We going to accept them, or?

22 COMMISSIONER YEE: I'm ready to accept them, if they  
23 work out.

24 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Accept for now?

25 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah.

1 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Do we need to do a snape  
2 shot, to -- in case we don't want to do that?

3 CHAIR TURNER: Well, they can reverse what's needed.

4 COMMISSIONER YEE: Right.

5 CHAIR TURNER: Snapshot, I think, works best when  
6 we're trying to compare to one against the other.

7 Commissioner Yee, after this, can we go back to  
8 Commissioner Sadhwani -- I mean, Andersen?

9 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yes. Please.

10 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. So let's save this.

11 Commissioner Andersen, you weren't finished. I  
12 apologize. Go.

13 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: No, no. That's quite all  
14 right. Tamina, could we go back and try the -- that  
15 inner Richmond, please?

16 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Absolutely.

17 MR. BECKER: And I'll just note again, I think  
18 everyone knows, is you're 8.24 percent over populated.  
19 So you might want to look at the entire Richmond?

20 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Well, we're -- but we're  
21 putting that into East -- into the East Bay. So we don't  
22 need -- into East San Francisco.

23 MR. BECKER: East S.F. -- which is underpopulated.

24 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Correct.

25 MR. BECKER: That's -- yeah. That -- so significant

1 population.

2 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: So we want -- we want to  
3 just take about two percent, right? We want to take --

4 MR. BECKER: Well, you need to take at least 3.24  
5 percent out of West S.F., currently.

6 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Correct. But we can do that  
7 at the bottom, and then move that population.

8 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: It's a workshop.

9 CHAIR TURNER: So what's shown, now, Commissioner  
10 Andersen, is that what you're seeing, or just --

11 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: No. I'm trying to get that  
12 more equal. To -- not -- rather than going from a  
13 negative 2 to a positive, you know, 4.8, I'm trying to  
14 just get -- having it go to a -- really close to zero.

15 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: So this change would be 37,688  
16 people. Would bring East S.F.'s deviation to 4.93 and  
17 West S.F.'s deviation 20.62.

18 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Right. Could -- I do not  
19 want to do that. That's too many. Could we -- could we  
20 get a little closer at Richmond? Zoom in a little bit.  
21 And see where the Saint Mary's medical is? Oh. Here we  
22 go. Yes. Could we go right down -- sorry. Could we  
23 take the area straight down Arguello, which is --  
24 basically it's that, kind of, nice little chunk. That  
25 square. Take the first square, going South on Arguello.

1 Yes. Yeah. Exactly. And add -- so add that square from  
2 Fulton up, first, please. Fulton to Gary. Oh, and  
3 there's California.

4 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: I'm sorry. So you want me to  
5 take out this (indiscernible).

6 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: No. I'm sorry. Put this --  
7 the large -- this -- the West portion, put back with West  
8 San Francisco.

9 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: And then cut it here?

10 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: The portion that we're  
11 trying to take out of East San Francisco is the -- is  
12 this Eastern portion. From Arguello East to Masonic.

13 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: I see.

14 (Pause)

15 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Now you know what you can do  
16 instead of counting sheep.

17 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Whoops.

18 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: So this is the resulting  
19 change. East S.F. has 3.28 percent over deviation. West  
20 S.F. is at 2.27 percent.

21 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: No. Okay. I'm sorry. No.  
22 It was the other way. I didn't -- the large chunk I  
23 wanted to leave with West San Francisco. The smaller  
24 portion I wanted to take.

25 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: I see.

1 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Does that make sense?

2 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Yes.

3 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: It's in reverse. Just undo.  
4 Right. Leave that in West San Francisco. The portion  
5 from Arguello, East. Yeah. Add this portion to East San  
6 Francisco. Okay. Now can we go up. Go -- perfect.  
7 Okay. One percent. Now that little portion, up here, by  
8 lake to Presidio Terrace? Yeah. That little --  
9 little -- not quite that. Yes. And -- right. So what  
10 does that do?

11 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: 787 people.

12 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Great.

13 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Brings the deviation to  
14 negative 0.88 percent in East S.F.

15 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Perfect.

16 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: And 6.43 percent in West S.F.

17 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Great. Let's -- do that  
18 please. And then move from East San Francisco to do  
19 something with West. Okay. Now, on West San Francisco,  
20 if we could zoom out, please? Okay. And if we could  
21 look at -- could we cut into South San Francisco? Could  
22 we take Brisbane out, and put it -- add that with San  
23 Mateo?

24 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Okay. Brisbane is 4,858  
25 people. The resulting deviation to San Mateo is negative

1 0.11 percent.

2 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay.

3 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: West S.F. comes to 5.45  
4 percent deviation.

5 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Sorry. Tamina, what is the  
6 green area, there?

7 MS. RAMOS ALON: This area? I'm sorry. Right here?

8 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Oh. I see. It's -- yes.  
9 San Bruno.

10 MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes.

11 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay.

12 MS. RAMOS ALON: It's a landmark area.

13 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Correct. And what's the  
14 population in that area? If we add -- if we also took  
15 that out and put it to San Mateo?

16 CHAIR TURNER: And I guess what I'd like to say,  
17 while she's working on that, is this is what we do not  
18 want to do, right now. Because the deviations, I don't  
19 think, were greatly off. So this is a good example of  
20 what we want to note and leave. Because it's taken too  
21 long to do these bit by bit, drilling down. And we're  
22 not going to get through the rest of our Assembly, at  
23 all, in this next hour, so like this. We have pushed and  
24 pushed. We don't have this time, Commissioners, any  
25 longer. We have to get through our Assemblies.



1 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay.

2 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. And we have to do drafts, and  
3 recognize that it's not the end. We will come back. And  
4 we are better now at being real clear and what direction  
5 we are giving to the line drawers in the end. So let's  
6 complete this, because we've invested this much time to  
7 get here. But we have to keep this at a higher level,  
8 and take the hits where they may. The community will  
9 tell us what they like and don't like. And then we will  
10 make adjustments where we can.

11 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay. And can we keep that.  
12 And then in South San Mateo, take out the portion of  
13 redwood city to accom -- to forgive bound -- down to --  
14 within deviation. Then we'll -- or put into Las Gatos  
15 Bank. Whichever one has the -- had the least. And we'll  
16 stop there then.

17 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: So make this change, this  
18 first change?

19 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Please.

20 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Okay. So West S.F. is now at  
21 5.44 percent. S Mateo is at negative 0.1 percent.

22 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Wait. I thought --

23 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner -- Commissioner Yee,  
24 Commissioner Fernandez, are you in the same area?

25 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: No. I'm kind of like the

1 North. I'm waiting for that --

2 CHAIR TURNER: Yes. And we haven't got --

3 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: And it's really quick.

4 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Commissioner Ahmad?

5 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Thank you, Chair.

6 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Ahmad?

7 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: I am so confused at what's  
8 happening right now. But I will sit in with my  
9 confusion, and hopefully things will pan out. I just  
10 wanted to state for the record, I'm so lost at what  
11 happened to San Francisco.

12 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah. We're moving through the area,  
13 and what we were looking for was great deviations that we  
14 want to change, or quick areas where we'll say move this  
15 from here. But what we can't do is to start creating  
16 little pockets in cities and streets and areas. Not now.  
17 And so that's what's going on. And yikes. Anything  
18 else, Tamina, as we look through the Bay area, are there  
19 any -- with the changes that we've made, are there any  
20 great disparities of deviations that we now need to fix,  
21 that we can fix with moving a city, a half a city,  
22 something in or out so that we can move forward?

23 MS. RAMOS ALON: Currently, all of the Assembly  
24 district visualizations in my region are below four  
25 percent, plus or minus. So that would depend on what

1 your threshold would be.

2 CHAIR TURNER: That's close. That's close.

3 MS. RAMOS ALON: Except West S.F.

4 CHAIR TURNER: Wait a minute. We see something  
5 different. Commissioner Ahmad?

6 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: I see West S.F. now sitting at  
7 5.44 percent.

8 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yes. Except for West  
9 S.F. -- take Colma out.

10 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Got it. Got it.

11 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: That should lower it just  
12 enough. Taking Colma out might make it okay.

13 MS. RAMOS ALON: I'm sorry?

14 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: If we take Colma out --

15 MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes.

16 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Then that should make it  
17 below five percent.

18 COMMISSIONER YEE: 1,500 people, yeah.

19 MS. RAMOS ALON: Colma brings us to 5.14, moving in  
20 the right direction.

21 May I make this change?

22 CHAIR TURNER: Yes. For starters. And we don't  
23 want to send a draft over five. So we need to take  
24 something else out.

25 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Commissioner Yee, what do

1 you want to do?

2 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: I want to be happy. I want  
3 everyone to be happy.

4 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Well, you did add all the  
5 people, so -- I wasn't adding people.

6 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: What chose? What -- oh. He  
7 wants to do -- yes. I was.

8 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: It's a cash -- cash cow.  
9 Cash cow.

10 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: It's not cash cow.

11 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Shout out. (Indiscernible,  
12 simultaneous speech). Shout out.

13 CHAIR TURNER: And we're bringing it back in. We're  
14 bringing it back in.

15 COMMISSIONER YEE: I mean, what's the -- what's at  
16 the -- what's at the very bottom there, of that  
17 visualization? South of Daly City - South of Colma?

18 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Parts of San Mateo, down  
19 there.

20 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: It's South San Francisco.

21 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah.

22 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: And then -- or over to  
23 Pacifica.

24 COMMISSIONER YEE: Well, those are the parts we just  
25 put in.

1 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Right. So unfortunately --

2 COMMISSIONER YEE: And then below that.

3 MS. RAMOS ALON: You want me to go down?

4 COMMISSIONER YEE: Farther down. Yeah. Across from  
5 Pacifica.

6 CHAIR TURNER: Is that the very bottom?

7 COMMISSIONER YEE: Very bottom. Keep going. And  
8 that's the part that we just put in.

9 MS. RAMOS ALON: This is -- yes. This is the line  
10 that you just created, is -- was all of this. So the  
11 options are either to move population into SMATEO, or to  
12 adjust the San Francisco line, because you have a  
13 negative 0.88 in East S.F. And either would balance.

14 CHAIR TURNER: Alright. So with thirty seconds do  
15 we want to make a call or revert? What do we got?

16 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Here's just a -- you know,  
17 it might just do just enough. Remember, we were talking  
18 about the little portion of Potrero Hill? Oh. No.  
19 It -- yeah. Do you want to just take that bit and put it  
20 back into East -- East S.F.?

21 COMMISSIONER YEE: Sure.

22 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: That should lower it just  
23 enough.

24 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Oh, no. Oh, no, no, no,  
25 no --

1 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes. I've read it.

2 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: We're at -- we're at 5.04. Do  
3 we want to make this change?

4 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. So -- hey, can you do a little  
5 bit more of it --

6 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: West San Francisco is  
7 overpopulated.

8 MS. RAMOS ALON: Right.

9 CHAIR TURNER: We're going to call. Let's undo it  
10 all.

11 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: No. No.

12 COMMISSIONER YEE: That's okay. Let's undo -- undo.

13 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: We're almost there. If she  
14 adds that one little bit --

15 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

16 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Then we are there.

17 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. We're going to try one more.

18 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: That next little bit.

19 Right --

20 CHAIR TURNER: And then we're going to move.

21 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: All the way over to the  
22 slue.

23 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah.

24 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Right.

25 MS. RAMOS ALON: We are currently -- so we're in the

1 Bayview now. And we're still at 5.02.

2 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah. Yeah.

3 MS. RAMOS ALON: Shall I?

4 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Which way -- you said we're  
5 still over five?

6 MS. RAMOS ALON: We are at 5.02.

7 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Thank you.

8 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: 0.01.

9 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Undo it.

10 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay. I recommend removing  
11 Westborough then and keeping the Buri Buri neighborhood.

12 CHAIR TURNER: Bucket list. For this area. For  
13 this area. For this area. It's too many pieces.

14 Commissioner Fernandez, you ready to go with your area?

15 Bucket list. Commissioner Ahmad, you have a bucket  
16 list --

17 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I am ready.

18 CHAIR TURNER: -- or you have something to comment  
19 here?

20 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Oh. Wait. Mine's North,  
21 though.

22 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner is your --

23 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Ahmad -- Commissioner  
24 Ahmad, is yours?

25 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Yeah.

1 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Okay.

2 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: I just wanted to flash back to  
3 a half an hour ago.

4 CHAIR TURNER: Right.

5 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: East S.F. was sitting at  
6 negative 2.7 percent.

7 CHAIR TURNER: Right.

8 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: West S.F. was sitting at 3.57  
9 percent. And SMATEO was sitting at 3.59 percent.

10 CHAIR TURNER: It sounds like the winner, winner.  
11 For now. That was a better visualization. So let's undo  
12 it, please. And when you finish undoing it so that we  
13 will -- is there anything last call? Quick, automatic,  
14 in the Bay area that's not building blocks? And if not,  
15 we'll move to the North.

16 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: A bucket list item. Not  
17 for --

18 CHAIR TURNER: Not for -- not for architecture. But  
19 it -- but there may --

20 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Not for architecture, or for  
21 today.

22 CHAIR TURNER: But if there is something that you  
23 have, that's a quick, we're going to give that the same  
24 opportunity. And other than that, we will bucket list  
25 it.



1           COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I'll just say what it is. I  
2 think it's a bucket list, though. And that's -- from the  
3 Asian-American community, from the Pilipino community,  
4 specifically, we have a request to unify San Leandro, San  
5 Lorenzo, Cherryland, and Ashland, into a single

6           MS. RAMOS ALON: We're not --

7           CHAIR TURNER: The mappers aren't ready yet, right?  
8 We're just talking about it.

9           COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Oh. I'm just talking about  
10 it. Because it's bucket list.

11          CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

12          MS. RAMOS ALON: Oh. Okay.

13          COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: It's just bucket list. For  
14 future.

15          MS. RAMOS ALON: I -- yeah. I'd be happy to go down  
16 there. Is this where we wanted to revert to, for San  
17 Francisco?

18          COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: To the original.

19          MS. RAMOS ALON: We have --

20          CHAIR TURNER: Was this your original, Tamina?

21          MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes.

22          CHAIR TURNER: Yes, ma'am.

23          COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yes. So in terms of bucket  
24 list, for the area. It's just -- unifying those areas,  
25 if possible. And those would be San Leandro, San

1 Lorenzo, Cherryland, Ashland, into a single COI that's  
2 connected to Hayward, Union City, and parts of Newark.

3 CHAIR TURNER: And

4 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: And that's bucket list for  
5 future.

6 CHAIR TURNER: Right. And I want to explain bucket  
7 lists. So Bucket lists -- we're not doing anymore  
8 visualizations, but bucket list means when we have an  
9 opportunity to discuss this as a commission. On the  
10 29th, discuss all of the various COIs that we're getting.  
11 We'll be able to kind of balance what we're hearing.  
12 Look at what our draft map was, and give one concentrated  
13 solid direction of what our final map is going to be.

14 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: That's correct.

15 CHAIR TURNER: Okay?

16 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: And so I would like this to be  
17 part of that discussion in the future. With these Asian-  
18 American communities and connected to the Hayward, Union  
19 City, and Newark area.

20 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

21 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you.

22 CHAIR TURNER: Staff, we're writing. But if you can  
23 help as well with our bucket list items. Thank you.

24 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Clarification, Commissioner  
25 Toledo, was that San Leandro to Newark?

1 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: San Leandro, San Lorenzo,  
2 Cherryland, and Ashland, into a single COI connected to  
3 Hayward, Union City, and Newark.

4 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Great. Thank you.

5 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you.

6 CHAIR TURNER: Same area, Commissioner Fernandez. I  
7 know you're waiting for North, right?

8 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah. Waiting North.

9 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Sinay, same area?

10 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I have a -- do we have to talk  
11 about -- like, I've got a bunch of bucket list, but I'd  
12 rather -- do I have to bring them up, now, or can I just  
13 hold onto them --

14 CHAIR TURNER: You can hold onto them.

15 COMMISSIONER SINAY: -- until after, so that we can  
16 move a little quicker.

17 CHAIR TURNER: You can hold onto them.

18 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Okay. Thank you.

19 CHAIR TURNER: Um-hum.

20 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I just want to make sure I  
21 didn't lose them if I didn't say something.

22 CHAIR TURNER: You won't lose them. Thank you.

23 COMMISSIONER SINAY: No, no. I've got them written  
24 down. But I just want to make sure that this wasn't, say  
25 it now or forever hold your peace.

1 CHAIR TURNER: Nope. We're going. Going to have a  
2 good robust conversation. Commissioner Fernandez?

3 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Ready for North?

4 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Okay, Tamina. Yolo --  
5 yeah. I'm going Yolo and Solano. Again, lots of  
6 testimony regarding keeping Yolo intact. And then Yolo  
7 and Solano, they have agriculture education, IA, the  
8 corridor, the UC Davis. Last -- the visualization last  
9 week -- so this is going to impact North, right? In  
10 terms of redoing how the current visualizations look.  
11 The visualizations last week and the prior week for North  
12 were better in terms of this Yolo/Solano.

13 And then in terms -- and we include the Northern  
14 delta, Rio Vistas part of Solano. Clutch Bruges part of  
15 Yolo. That's why I keep including that piece of it. And  
16 then for population, we can move to Napa, for population,  
17 in order to get population or Colusa. But that's really  
18 about as far as we should go for that. So that's my  
19 bucket list. Thank you.

20 CHAIR TURNER: You did say it would be quick; was it  
21 too quick? Did we capture that, or we'll go back -- we  
22 got it? Okay.

23 Commissioner Andersen?

24 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah. Bucket list?

25 CHAIR TURNER: Yes, ma'am.

1           COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: I'd like to get Tehama back  
2 with the North. And I'd like to get the North coast down  
3 the rural parts of Marin, and wine country. I'd like to  
4 get that clarified. With wine country. And then Yolo  
5 agriculture area.

6           CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Fernandez?

7           COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I already talked about the  
8 Sacramento area. So I'm good, for now.

9           CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

10          COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

11          CHAIR TURNER: Tamina?

12          MS. RAMOS ALON: We've made no changes, Chair.

13          CHAIR TURNER: Oh. You look -- look -- it's hard to  
14 tell without the mask. But when you looked over, I  
15 thought your eyes were speaking to me, that you wanted  
16 to -- that you wanted to say something to me.

17          MS. RAMOS ALON: No. Just eagerly awaiting your  
18 direction, Chair.

19          CHAIR TURNER: Yes. Go ahead.

20          COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Just one more. In terms of  
21 with Contra Costa, Yolo County, and the Northern delta,  
22 are very different. So I want to make sure that message  
23 is brought home, in terms of they have very different  
24 communities of interest. Thanks.

25          CHAIR TURNER: Okay. We're going to talk about it.

1 Wonderful. Any other bucket list items for the North?

2 Okay. Bucket list items for -- what is next. Inland

3 Central Valley?

4 Commissioner Andersen?

5 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: I did have one, actually,

6 last. The Tri-Valley area in East Contra Costa Alamina,

7 was a bucket list item. But then going into -- sorry.

8 Is that Sacramento area, or is that considered North?

9 Where we're going now.

10 CHAIR TURNER: You're fine. What do you want to

11 share?

12 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Oh. Just to -- again, you

13 know, the Eastern Sierras. Obviously, bucket list.

14 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. And what are we capturing for

15 your desire for the Eastern Sierras?

16 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Oh. Keep the communities of

17 interest -- the Alpine, Mono, Inyo, together, and not

18 going across, you know, with either Fresno or

19 Bakersfield.

20 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. And you see why we need to

21 talk about this? Because we had a conversation earlier

22 about, yes, including Fresno. And now we're having

23 conversation about, yes, don't include Fresno. Which is

24 why we're now where we are doing -- and not just for you,

25 Commissioner Andersen. It's what we've done --

1 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Oh, yeah.

2 CHAIR TURNER: -- without discussing it and talking  
3 about it, and then expecting the line drawers to figure  
4 it out. And then they try and combine everything that  
5 we've told them, and bring it back to us, and it's -- we  
6 don't like it, anymore.

7 So we're capturing it now, so that on our next  
8 opportunity, after our draft maps, after we hear more  
9 public testimony -- I think we have some community groups  
10 that's going to give us more feedback, or vets agendas.  
11 After all of that, we'll get a chance to say, "Okay,  
12 Commissioners. Let's talk about these lists of challenge  
13 areas."

14 And then we're going to have to come up with some  
15 sort of way of determining how we want to move forward,  
16 based on everything that we've heard, so that we can come  
17 out of this with one voice. Other than that, we're  
18 just -- we are ping ponging back and forth, and it's not  
19 really advancing us in the direction we'd like to go.

20 So thank you, for that. Great suggestion. That's  
21 why I wanted to know, what are we talking about. We have  
22 those as bucket list areas that we need to talk about.

23 Anything else in this area? Let's look at these  
24 deviations that's currently on our screen.

25 I'm thinking the South-Stacks, Stanislaus area is

1 high. Can we look at that and see what -- what do we  
2 need to do?

3 MS. RAMOS ALON: I would also like to note that this  
4 dropped from the changes we made, earlier, as well. I  
5 can't recall exactly what it was before. I don't have  
6 the book open. But taking out Wilton and Rancho Murieta,  
7 definitely dropped that down.

8 CHAIR TURNER: So it's negative 4.75?

9 MS. RAMOS ALON: It is negative 4.75, from the  
10 changes we made earlier.

11 CHAIR TURNER: Oh. Okay.

12 MS. RAMOS ALON: The changes we committed to  
13 earlier.

14 CHAIR TURNER: Oh, I hear you.

15 MS. RAMOS ALON: So just assume --

16 CHAIR TURNER: Oh. Dropped, because we're in  
17 negative. Okay.

18 MS. RAMOS ALON: Yeah.

19 CHAIR TURNER: I'm with you. I'm sorry.

20 MS. RAMOS ALON: Oh. Sorry. Dropped. Yes. In  
21 negative.

22 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Let's draw down and see where  
23 we can put population back in.

24 MS. RAMOS ALON: It was at negative 2.25 before.

25 CHAIR TURNER: And now it's a negative 4.75.



1 MS. RAMOS ALON: Correct.

2 CHAIR TURNER: We're in the South-Stacks Stanislaus  
3 area, Commissioners. Can we take a look at that, and  
4 let's see if there's a quick -- it --

5 MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes. It is.

6 MS. WILSON: So I think you can see -- I know it's a  
7 smaller file -- it takes in Huston, Hickman, all this  
8 Oakdale, East Oakdale mines, Ferry, Riverbank, Del Rio,  
9 and Selita, from Stanislaus. And then moving into San  
10 Joaquin, we have Lathrop, Manteca, Ripon, Escalon,  
11 Farmington, Lindon, up to Gault, Herald, and Clay. And  
12 Vineyard, there is a, kind of, skinny, narrow way through  
13 here that takes into Vineyard is a part of this  
14 population as well.

15 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. And you're showing us what's  
16 already there with it being under, right?

17 MS. WILSON: Yes.

18 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

19 MS. WILSON: Everything that's in there from being  
20 under. And again, before Wilton and Ranch Marietta were  
21 in here, before. And they were taken out.

22 MR. BECKER: And I just point out, briefly, that  
23 negative 4.75 percent is a -- at the higher end of the --  
24 of underpopulation, but it is still within the legal safe  
25 harbor.

1 CHAIR TURNER: Yep. We're just going to see if it's  
2 a quick fix to get it down in twos and threes with the  
3 others.

4 Commissioner Fernandez?

5 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: She's my sister, Vazquez.

6 CHAIR TURNER: Yep.

7 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: That's okay. I was just  
8 thinking if we want to move Wilton back, it might get  
9 that number -- it might get the negative to a lower  
10 negative and it would take the positive -- or is that a  
11 negative over there. I don't know, I was just trying to  
12 think of a quick fix for that one. Or we just leave it.  
13 That's fine. Either way.

14 MS. WILSON: I can also just click on that city to  
15 see what the change would be, if you would like to see  
16 that.

17 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you, Kennedy.

18 MS. WILSON: So adding in Wilton would bring the  
19 Stanislaus deviation up to a negative 3.55 and the  
20 Eastern California to a negative 2.07.

21 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Can we do that, for now?  
22 Okay. Let's do that. Lock that. And then let's keep  
23 going down.

24 MS. WILSON: Locked. Down towards Stanislaus.

25 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. So Stanislaus. That's fine.

1 That's not in the fours.

2 MS. WILSON: So here, this Stanislaus district is at  
3 a negative 3.1. It dips into Merced, taking that Delhi  
4 to Snelling, and has Modesto to Turlock, together. As  
5 well as these Western cities, Newman, Crows Landing,  
6 Diablo Grande, Patterson, Monterey Park Track.

7 CHAIR TURNER: And then there's -- Commissioner  
8 Fernandez?

9 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: How about, Chair Turner,  
10 how about Livingston? If we move that one up; what do  
11 you think of that?

12 MS. WILSON: If I may, we made that change to bring  
13 up the Latino seat up in the MERCEDFRESNO, earlier.

14 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: That's right.

15 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

16 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Okay. Then never mind.

17 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Fornaciari?

18 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: I was just going to say  
19 that.

20 CHAIR TURNER: Then I think we -- we are within our  
21 accepted -- accepted limits for now, for our draft.  
22 Let's keep moving.

23 MS. WILSON: So moving down goes more into the VRA  
24 districts. Would you like to take a look at those,  
25 again?

1 CHAIR TURNER: No.

2 MS. WILSON: Or -- so move up?

3 CHAIR TURNER: Let's say -- we're just trying to now  
4 scour the whole California. I'm trying to make sure we  
5 didn't miss any area as we're moving toward the South. I  
6 think we need to go to L.A. if we don't have anything  
7 else.

8 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: 4,379.

9 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Sadhwani?

10 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Are doing L.A.? Is that --  
11 is that our plan, now?

12 CHAIR TURNER: Yes.

13 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: All right. This can be a  
14 bucket list. But the Glen L.A. areas, we continue to  
15 break up LGBTQ communities of interest of West Hollywood.  
16 Other areas, we've also heard a whole lot of testimony  
17 around Eagle Rock, Glassell Park, and other areas. Not  
18 really going with Glendale. Lived in Glendale a long  
19 time. They are -- there's some similarities, but not --  
20 not really. So I think -- I think this is an  
21 architecture piece for the future. Thank you.

22 CHAIR TURNER: Noted. Noted. We definitely will.  
23 And I guess the other part of us naming it for bucket  
24 list, in case someone says, what's the point. Not only  
25 do we know we need to talk about it, I want the community

1 to know that we understand that this -- we are agreement  
2 that this may not be what we ultimately want it to look  
3 like. And we want you to know, we do hear you. We hear  
4 your input, we read your tweets, we listen to your --  
5 just -- the emails that are coming in. We're reading  
6 them. And so from that perspective, we hear you. We are  
7 still making adjustments. And at this point, you all  
8 know the timeline like we do. And we do need to get some  
9 draft maps. And the point and purpose of draft maps, is  
10 so that you'll have something concrete to respond to.  
11 And the draft maps, I think you know, will sit for 14-  
12 days. Where you'll get a chance to respond to them. We  
13 won't touch them, but we will take -- you know, have some  
14 discussions and we'll come back stronger, and -- yeah.

15 So what else do we see in Los Angeles do we want to  
16 list as a bucket list or a quick fix? Beautiful.  
17 Nothing else in the whole of Los Angeles, Jamie?

18 Southern California. Okay. Commissioner Southern  
19 California? Bucket list?

20 Commissioner Sadhwani?

21 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Thank you. In Orange  
22 County, I think we still have some architectural work to  
23 do. We continue to pair Costa Mesa with Little Saigon.  
24 We've heard loud and clear, they don't want that. So I  
25 think, continuing to think through that area. Bucket

1 list.

2 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you. Commissioner Kennedy?

3 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: I think we need to see what  
4 we can do to put the Coachella valley back together, to  
5 the extent possible. Thank you.

6 CHAIR TURNER: And so that the public knows, our  
7 staff, they're highlighting these bucket list items, and  
8 the architectural changes. So we are capturing them into  
9 our notes, into our own personal sheets that we're using,  
10 to make sure we don't lose them. We are compiling them.  
11 They are documented. We will address them.

12 Commissioner, let's see. I have Sadhwani, Kennedy,  
13 hands still. Fornaciari?

14 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. So I said earlier,  
15 I think the whole North state needs to be worked on. So  
16 I'll just reiterate that. But, you know, in San Diego we  
17 made a drastic change to Eastern San Diego county, and  
18 just kind of picked it. I think we need to make sure we  
19 go back and revisit that whole thing to make sure it  
20 makes sense.

21 CHAIR TURNER: Beautiful. Commissioner Sinay?

22 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Thank you, Chair. In San  
23 Diego, we just -- we've been getting -- we've finally  
24 been getting a lot of input, and I want to make sure that  
25 we actually get the whole map correct for San Diego,

1 based on the communities of interest that we're getting.  
2 And there's just several different buckets of groups that  
3 have been calling us. And I understand. You know, East  
4 County, the LGBTQ, the refugee-immigrant, the South bay,  
5 the 78 corridor, and just to look at all of that when --  
6 in the second round.

7 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you. Commissioner Akutagawa?

8 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA:: Yeah. Generally, I think  
9 some of the Orange County districts are good, but the  
10 coastal areas, I think, are going to need some work.  
11 Along with the Little Saigon area that we've --  
12 Commissioner Sadhwani mentioned. And I don't -- I think  
13 because of what's going to happen in San Diego, it could  
14 impact us, you know, further up the coast, in terms of  
15 looking at that Orange County area. So I -- I think I  
16 just want to put that on a bucket list that, you know, we  
17 look at that area as well, too.

18 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you. Commissioner Sinay, you  
19 good? Commissioner Akutagawa?

20 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA:: I also want to just also  
21 mention I -- I think there's going to impacts to that  
22 inland Orange County area as well, too. So I just --  
23 just want to mention that as well. Thank you.

24 CHAIR TURNER: All right. So we -- any other area?  
25 Did we cover the whole map? The whole state? Okay. So

1 here's -- here's what I'm taking away from this, is that  
2 we want to talk about all of it. We want to talk about  
3 all of it. We want to look at all of it. We want to  
4 reconfigure all of it. This is going to be -- I  
5 invite -- and I know the community, you all are closely  
6 following our meetings. This is wonderful. You will not  
7 want to miss the meeting on the 29th. Where we'll  
8 discuss and talk about everything that we've heard. Our  
9 draft maps, we are going to move forward after tonight.  
10 The Assembly maps will be pretty much the way they are,  
11 is what we'll -- we'll end up -- I'm pretty set -- sure  
12 that we're going to end up with our Assembly maps the way  
13 that we've talked about them tonight. Tomorrow we are  
14 going to talk about our Congressional maps and move on  
15 from there.

16 We will have public comment. We will have public  
17 comments sometime tomorrow. We will have public comment  
18 tomorrow. And so we'll get a chance to hear from you as  
19 well.

20 I'm trying to see, what else do we need to do for  
21 today, at 9:23? I think the lesson -- the lessons  
22 learned for us is, again, we're going to -- so we're  
23 trying to -- we knew that we're trying to do this map,  
24 and piece together all of our -- it was one thing, fun  
25 and games, when we were trying to just pull in



1 communities of interest and they were standalones, you  
2 know, bits of instruction. But trying to piece it  
3 together starts to be an entirely new ballgame.

4 And we want to ensure that we're showing forth  
5 strong maps. Not for any one area, but for the whole of  
6 California. We go to sleep hearing your testimonies,  
7 hearing your voices, seeing what we've read, feeling, you  
8 know, some kind of way about if we've done a good job.  
9 If we've not done a good job. Making one person happy  
10 makes someone else not happy. We get all of that. And  
11 we have criteria that we are required to follow.

12 So with all of that being said, we did lose a seat  
13 in Congress, which means that while most of you want your  
14 area to stay the same, you want every other area to  
15 change so that yours can stay the same. Yeah. We got to  
16 think about that. Things will not look the same. It  
17 will not. And so I just want to name that change will  
18 happen.

19 Commission Andersen?

20 Commissioner Kennedy?

21 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Thank you, Chair. Just  
22 looking -- we don't have the visualizations up yet for  
23 Congressional?

24 CHAIR TURNER: Right.

25 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: So I'm just wondering if time

1 will matter. Or we --

2 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah. So earlier this morning we  
3 named that the district -- the Congressional districts.  
4 Even for visualization, the deviations were off greater  
5 than what, you know, we wanted -- greater than what I  
6 wanted. And so I made a call to have them pulled down.  
7 I apologize to that, to all of you. It was not for any  
8 nefarious intent. It just was we knew it was not what we  
9 really wanted to see. So we'll make sure that we have  
10 something posted that acknowledges that there was a  
11 different iteration of Congressional maps that were up  
12 for a brief time period. They were pulled down. We're  
13 working on those. And those should be up tomorrow  
14 morning. It won't be the regular time period, that we  
15 want to have happen. But you will see them, and we will  
16 work from them, on tomorrow as well. Thank you,  
17 Commissioner Andersen.

18 Commissioner Kennedy?

19 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Chair, given that, it just,  
20 to me, makes -- would make more sense to work on the  
21 sente maps tomorrow. So that we and others have adequate  
22 time to look at the Congressional visualizations before  
23 we move forward on the --

24 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah. Yeah.

25 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Thank you, for that,

1 Commissioner Kennedy. We wanted to move to Congressional  
2 maps, because we knew that would be the next largest,  
3 hardest body of work. And you're absolutely right. We  
4 don't see them just yet. Which will make it hard for the  
5 community to comment on them, talk about it, be with us,  
6 and for us to have an opportunity to view them.

7 So I'm going to ask, if we stay fluid on that? And  
8 we'll see tomorrow morning, which direction we're going  
9 to go. We know that it will either be the Senate or the  
10 Congressional maps, let's say that. It will be one of  
11 those.

12 I will not start with border revisualization.

13 COMMISSIONER YEE: But not the DOE.

14 CHAIR TURNER: So with that, let's see. Do I have  
15 any other hands. Commissioner Kennedy? You all, I thank  
16 you for listening in. I know you are all wishing us  
17 well. That we serve you well. And it's our desire to  
18 serve you well also. So with that, we're going to  
19 adjourn.

20 COMMISSIONER YEE: Recess.

21 CHAIR TURNER: Recess. Excuse me. So glad I have  
22 Commissioner Yee with me. We're going to Recess for the  
23 evening, and we'll see you tomorrow. We'll be starting  
24 tomorrow at 11 a.m.

25 Good night.

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(Whereupon, the meeting adjourned at 9:27

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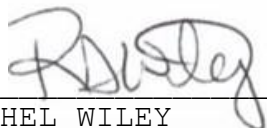
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