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2 Tuesday, November 9, 2021 9:30 a.m.

3 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: You're live, Chair.

4 CHAIR TURNER: Good morning and welcome to the  
5 California Redistricting Commission. Welcome back to all  
6 of you that's dialed in to support us through and with  
7 this process. I'm your Chair over the next couple of  
8 days, Commissioner Trena Turner, and I just would like to  
9 acknowledge my vice-chair, Commissioner, Derric Taylor.

10 And with that, we'll go into roll call, please,  
11 Alvaro.

12 MR. HERNANDEZ: Actually, Chair, we have Ravi  
13 online.

14 CHAIR TURNER: Oh, Ravi, we miss you. Roll call,  
15 Ravi.

16 MR. SINGH: Thank you, Madam Chair.  
17 Commissioner Vazquez?

18 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Here.

19 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Yee.

20 COMMISSIONER YEE: Here.

21 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Ahmad.

22 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Here.

23 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Akutagawa.

24 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Here.

25 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Andersen.

1 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Here.

2 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Fernandez.

3 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Presente.

4 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Fornaciari.

5 Commissioner Kennedy. Commissioner Kennedy.

6 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Here.

7 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Le Mons.

8 COMMISSIONER LE MONS: Here.

9 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Sadhwani.

10 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Here.

11 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Sinay.

12 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Good morning. Here.

13 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Taylor.

14 Commissioner Toledo.

15 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Here.

16 MR. SINGH: And Commissioner Turner.

17 CHAIR TURNER: And I am here. Thank you so much.

18 MR. SINGH: You're welcome. You have a quorum,

19 Madam Chair.

20 CHAIR TURNER: Beautiful. And so today we continue

21 in our session with our live line drawing. I'm so

22 excited that -- and grateful to all of the -- all of the

23 commissioners and all of the staff that allowed us to get

24 through our congressional map (indiscernible) last night.

25 And today we're going to move to revisit our

1 assembly districts. And we know we have a portion of  
2 that work done through our VRA districts, but we're going  
3 to just kind of run through and look at our assembly  
4 districts today and just see where that takes us. And  
5 depending on the timing, we may get to our senate maps.  
6 We'll see what that looks like. I'm excited for our  
7 process.

8       Commissioners, I'd like to remind you, as guests in  
9 this building, to please wear the badges that has been  
10 assigned for you. And then also, remember your masks, as  
11 is the policy for the building we're in.

12       So with that, how about we get -- oh, and thank you  
13 to all of the Californians for the wonderful birthday  
14 wishes from yesterday. I think that was one of the  
15 largest parties I've had with you all watching, so thank  
16 you. And so with that, we'll go ahead and get started in  
17 our day.

18       And so I'll turn over into the hands of our line  
19 drawers to see where we're going to start. I'm trying to  
20 see who -- who's going to start, I guess is what I'll  
21 say.

22       MS. MACDONALD: Good morning, Chair Turner. Good  
23 morning, Commissioners. We can start where you would  
24 like to start. So we have our VRA districts done. And  
25 you know, just let us know, and we'll move around the

1 state with you. Thank you.

2 CHAIR TURNER: Beautiful. Commissioner Ahmad.

3 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Thank you, Chair. I'm just  
4 thinking about the time that we have left during these  
5 series of meetings, what we aim to accomplish by the end  
6 of these series of meetings. And I'm thinking it might  
7 be worthwhile for us to consider some sort of time limit  
8 on assembly districts so that we can move through senate  
9 districts, setting us all -- setting us up --

10 CHAIR TURNER: I like it.

11 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: -- for a successful time with  
12 our board of equalization. So just something for us to  
13 consider as we move through the next two days.

14 CHAIR TURNER: I absolutely love that as a process.  
15 We have -- in our run of show, we have a guideline. I  
16 don't know if we necessarily look at that as a time  
17 frame, but Commissioner Ahmad and others, do you have --  
18 how would you like to govern yourselves? What -- what  
19 are you thinking?

20 Commissioner Fernandez?

21 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Oh, I wasn't ready for  
22 that. I just wanted to run to Commissioner Ahmad.

23 Like in concept, that's great, but then I also feel  
24 that whoever goes last would be rushed. And I -- I would  
25 not want to do that to any of us.

1 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah.

2 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: But yeah, in concept, it's  
3 great.

4 CHAIR TURNER: And -- and maybe, with that and --  
5 and to address the -- that -- the way that that typically  
6 happens, Commissioner Fernandez, is that if we truly  
7 stuck with a time frame, it would give those -- the last  
8 equal amount of time, so as opposed to being rushed. So  
9 we'll see.

10 Commissioner Ahmad.

11 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Thank you, Chair. I guess my  
12 question to that, Commissioner Fernandez, is what does it  
13 mean to whoever is going last. I don't understand  
14 (indiscernible) we're all working on (indiscernible).

15 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: No, so I -- what I meant by  
16 that is let's say we're going to give ourselves six  
17 hours, and maybe like the first five hours we're still in  
18 L.A. and Southern California, and so then you've got the  
19 whole central and northern that get the last hour. I  
20 mean, I -- that's what -- that's what I meant in terms of  
21 being rushed. Thank you.

22 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. So we do have our entire day  
23 through the end of day today, and we had so much fun  
24 yesterday completing it. I don't know if that's our goal  
25 or desire, but perhaps we can move a little more

1 expeditiously. I dressed and am -- am ready for whatever  
2 we need. But I think we can do it sooner. And what I'm  
3 hoping is is that no one -- we want to be mindful of  
4 wherever we start in the state, we want to give the same  
5 attention, care, diligence to the end of the state.

6       So how about we get into it? And I then propose  
7 that we follow the process that we did yesterday, keeping  
8 in mind that we want to be additive and not repetitive.  
9 Some of the things that we've come to embrace that we  
10 want to ensure that the assembly maps that we -- the  
11 draft maps that we deliver are the best opportunity for  
12 us to get great feedback that will help towards our final  
13 maps. We want to get close as possible. We're not  
14 trying to have it perfect. Though, that would be  
15 beautiful as well. We want to get as close as possible  
16 so that we'll allow a reaction from California. But we  
17 also don't want to release a map that will cause  
18 reactions unnecessarily so. So we do want to get the  
19 best product out.

20       Commissioner Sinay.

21       COMMISSIONER SINAY: Just reflecting on the last two  
22 days, I would like to ask folks to give people time to  
23 think. I think if you -- just giving an extra second or  
24 two to be able to look at a map and say what direction to  
25 go versus saying hey, let me give you a recommendation on

1 the easiest way, we -- we will be -- we will end up at  
2 better maps. There are things that happened yesterday  
3 that in reflection is not the direction that we should  
4 have gone, but now we're there, and we will move forward.  
5 But please give us breathing and thinking room because I  
6 think in the long run, even though it feels like it's  
7 slow, it'll actually be faster. So please allow the  
8 process for the commissioners to work.

9 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you, Commissioner Sinay.  
10 That -- hopefully, that'll be helpful for us as we move  
11 forward.

12 And I'd like to ask for the commissioners, as  
13 well -- sometimes we have already answers. Sometimes we  
14 may need that second. But I also want us to exercise  
15 agency and be able to say give me just a minute, just a  
16 second to think this through. And if we do that, I  
17 assure you that we will work together so that we are  
18 presenting our best product. So if we follow the  
19 process -- we started yesterday, I believe, in --  
20 somebody remind me.

21 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Central.

22 CHAIR TURNER: We started -- did we start yesterday  
23 in central? So -- so let's do that. And then we'll go  
24 in that same manner.

25 So Kennedy, I see you at the helm. I'm excited.

1 Good morning, Kennedy.

2 MS. WILSON: Good morning, Chair.

3 CHAIR TURNER: And at this point, we will be -- we  
4 are looking at our assembly maps, and so we're looking --  
5 turning it over to your hand now, Kennedy. Thank you.

6 MS. WILSON: So would you like me to give an  
7 overview again or maybe an overview of our changes that  
8 we made, because we did start making changes in my area  
9 from last time.

10 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Sadhwani.

11 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, I think what would be  
12 really helpful is if -- especially if we're starting the  
13 Central Valley, is to start with those VRA districts that  
14 we made changes to, just remind us a little bit about  
15 where we left off. I think that we had come to a place  
16 where we all felt pretty comfortable with what we were  
17 working with. And from there, we can start working out  
18 if that sounds reasonable. I think Karin has some of  
19 that stuff.

20 MS. MACDONALD: Yeah, that makes perfect sense, and  
21 thank you very much for -- for that direction. I also  
22 just wanted to remind everybody that we don't have to --  
23 we're not shooting for these incredibly small deviations  
24 today. So it's a little bit of a different view of the  
25 state, and if it is helpful at any point for us to just

1 zoom out so you can see the deviations overall to remind  
2 ourselves which way the population needs to move, we're  
3 happy to do that. And we can also remind you once in a  
4 while to perhaps do that, so we don't create any bubbles  
5 someplace that, you know, then affect all of the  
6 districts.

7 CHAIR TURNER: Beautiful.

8 MS. MACDONALD: Thank you.

9 CHAIR TURNER: And -- and Commissioners, we -- to  
10 remind you, we're revisiting assembly -- I think it's  
11 where we started yesterday, but I think some of you may  
12 have been distracted, so I want you to hear. We're  
13 revisiting assembly, not for the small deviations, but  
14 this is an opportunity where there was -- there were --  
15 we want to revisit any architectural changes that's  
16 needed for the assembly. We started that with our VRA,  
17 and VRA may be pretty set. That's great. But we're  
18 building around it, not down to the Nth detail, but as  
19 close as we can and close as what will make sense for  
20 draft maps. So this is what we're working on now. Okay.  
21 Everyone good? Okay.

22 Kennedy, yes, then if you would remind us of where  
23 we left off with the VRA districts.

24 MS. MACDONALD: We're going to pull up the CVAP for  
25 Mr. Becker, who's on the line, and Kennedy will just walk

1 you through. And if there are any questions or any  
2 discussions, then you can weigh in. Thank you so much.

3 MS. WILSON: So first, we have our West Bakersfield,  
4 which we did not make any changes to. We left this the  
5 same. And it has a Latino CVAP of 57.47; black CVAP,  
6 7.22; Asian CVAP, 5.6 percent; indigenous CVAP, 0.81  
7 percent, and white CVAP, 28.13 percent.

8 And then moving north, we have the Kings Tulare.

9 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: That was page 47, right?

10 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yeah.

11 MS. MACDONALD: Yeah, so at -- at this point, we can  
12 try to call out some of the -- some of the page numbers,  
13 but because things have changed, what you're seeing on  
14 the pages is, of course, not necessarily what we're going  
15 to be discussing. But this one, actually, is probably  
16 (indiscernible) as the page it was on, so.

17 MS. WILSON: So now moving to Kings Tulare, we made  
18 some changes up in the north. We took out Parlier here,  
19 and let me --

20 One moment.

21 MS. MACDONALD: One moment, please.

22 MS. WILSON: One moment while we bring up the old  
23 map before the changes so that we can look throughout the  
24 state, because we made changes in a lot of my region up  
25 to the north, to, so one moment while we pull that in as

1 well.

2 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you, Kennedy.

3 (Pause)

4 MS. WILSON: Okay. So we were not able to bring up  
5 the previous version; however, I do have a visualization  
6 of that. And I will just read that off to you, and you  
7 can ask for more clarification as needed.

8 So here in Visalia, we also had a tiny bit of a  
9 change. We moved a bit more north into Visalia. We  
10 didn't change much of it, but we also included  
11 Farmersville into our Kings Tulare, and it was not in  
12 there before. So Farmersville moved up; a little bit of  
13 Visalia did as well.

14 And then moving north, Parlier was in this  
15 visualization, and we took it out. We kept Reedley  
16 whole. Selma is on the other side. Kingsburg is in.  
17 And then here to Lanier and Riverdale, that was a part of  
18 this Kings Tulare, but we moved it up and added it into  
19 the Fresno area. And those are the changes that we made  
20 within this visualization of Kings Tulare.

21 The Latino CVAP went from 54.10 to now at 54.08, so  
22 not a big change. We have black CVAP at 3.07 percent;  
23 Asian CVAP at 4.29 percent; indigenous CVAP at 1.35  
24 percent; and white CVAP at 36.18. And if Mr. Becker  
25 wishes to comment on this, he can do so now.

1 MR. BECKER: I don't think I have any specific  
2 comments about this one. I think -- why don't we go  
3 through all of the VRA, and then we can -- I can probably  
4 make some broad general comments about them.

5 MS. WILSON: Sounds good.

6 MR. BECKER: Thank you.

7 MS. WILSON: (Indiscernible).

8 Now we are going to continue moving in -- north into  
9 this Fresno visualization, which previously we brought  
10 the CVAP up, which it was previously at 52.27 for Latino  
11 CVAP, and now it's at 53.12 percent Latino CVAP.

12 And again, those changes were swaps that they did  
13 with Kings and Tulare, so now it includes Parlier, and it  
14 includes Riverdale, Lanier, and Layton as well.

15 And then in the north, we did not make any changes  
16 because unlike the congressional visualizations, Old Fig  
17 Garden and Sunnyside were out. But this time, in  
18 assembly visualization, Sunnyside and Old Fig Garden were  
19 together. We took a look at taking out this part of  
20 Clovis, but for CVAP, we decided to keep it in and keep  
21 that split in when we did this last time. And that is  
22 for this Fresno one, again, deviation at 1.92 percent;  
23 Latino CVAP at 53.12 percent; black CVAP, 7.71 percent;  
24 Asian CVAP, 11.08 percent; indigenous CVAP, 1.15 percent;  
25 and white CVAP is at 26.23 percent.

1           And then now, moving into the Merced Fresno. Give  
2 me one moment while we see a bigger picture. We made a  
3 very minor change in the north in Fresno. And I'll zoom  
4 into the northern border of Merced County. And before,  
5 Livingston was not in this visualization, and we brought  
6 it in. And our CVAP went from -- Latino CVAP went from  
7 50.62 to 50.95 percent. And then we have a black CVAP of  
8 5.9 -- 5.19 percent; Asian CVAP, 7.32 percent; indigenous  
9 CVAP, 0.96 percent; and white CVAP is 34.45 percent. And  
10 that is the general overview of the minor changes that we  
11 made with these VRA consideration districts.

12           MR. BECKER: And I don't have a lot to add here.  
13 This is very similar to what we discussed before. Some  
14 of the percentages, the Latino CVAPs were increased.  
15 This is an area where we're seeing consistent  
16 (indiscernible) polarized voting and where Voting Rights  
17 Act implications exist regarding Latino populations.

18           The Merced Fresno District is still a District  
19 that's on the lower boundary of Latino CVAP. It's --  
20 it's likely that the makeup of the district overall is  
21 sufficient to protect Latino voting (indiscernible), but  
22 as usual, I'd certainly invite further public testimony  
23 on that.

24           CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Sadhwani.

25           COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. Could we -- I don't

1 want to make major changes here at this point, but can we  
2 just zoom in and take a closer look in that Tulare-Kern  
3 District in the neck of Bakersfield. I recall last night  
4 we had had some testimony coming in about changing  
5 populations in that area. I just want to zoom in and  
6 take a look at the various neighborhoods that are  
7 included or are not included here. And I think that they  
8 were talking just about our congressional maps, but I'd  
9 like to just take a closer look here, too. I believe  
10 they were called -- yeah, I think -- I think it was  
11 Bakersfield Country Club.

12 CHAIR TURNER: That's right. Is it --

13 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Is that correct?

14 CHAIR TURNER: Was it Stockdale Country Club?

15 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. Does anyone else  
16 recall the -- I didn't -- I didn't get -- capture great  
17 notes on that, but I don't know if anyone else did.

18 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible).

19 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Because it looks like the  
20 Bakersfield Country Club neighborhood is not included  
21 here.

22 MS. WILSON: I'm circling it. It's the green fill  
23 here, Bakersfield Country Club right above East Niles and  
24 right to the right of Hillcrest.

25 CHAIR TURNER: So Kennedy, you're saying it is

1 included in (indiscernible)?

2 MS. WILSON: It is not included --

3 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Right

4 MS. WILSON: -- in the VRA consideration District.

5 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. And -- and will this  
6 visualization show Stockdale?

7 MS. WILSON: I'm sorry. (Indiscernible)?

8 CHAIR TURNER: Stockdale. It was part of that same  
9 testimony and feedback we received, but I -- I don't  
10 know -- oh, there. It was Stockdale Estates.

11 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Would it be possible to pull  
12 up Latino CVAP underneath this district?

13 MS. WILSON: Yes, one moment, please. And I'm going  
14 to change the labels so that we can see that a bit  
15 better. One moment.

16 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah, so it's -- it was the country  
17 club -- Stockdale Estates, Sunnyvale is what we're trying  
18 to look for if anyone --

19 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: It's right by Cal State  
20 Bakersfield.

21 MS. WILSON: Olde Stockdale, right -- is where I'm  
22 circling in this area.

23 CHAIR TURNER: Yes. So with that, Kennedy can --  
24 oh, Commissioner Sadhwani.

25 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, Chair, did you have a

1 thought about that? You want to --

2 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah, I do.

3 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- pull out that area?

4 CHAIR TURNER: I'd like to pull out Olde Stockdale  
5 and see if that will increase the -- it's -- well, no, we  
6 don't really need to increase it.

7 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: If we pull it out, we'll  
8 have to add populations somewhere --

9 CHAIR TURNER: Yes.

10 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- else.

11 CHAIR TURNER: Yes.

12 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: And maybe -- it looks like  
13 north of Benton Park -- I don't know the area very well  
14 myself, but it looks like that might be a reasonable  
15 place to pull in from.

16 CHAIR TURNER: So what we'd like to see, Kennedy, is  
17 if you -- let's try removing Olde Stockdale and adding in  
18 the area above Benton Park, depending on what the  
19 population of Olde Stockdale is.

20 MS. WILSON: Okay, I will try that right now. I'm  
21 going to turn the CVAP off if that's okay just to make  
22 that change and then can turn it back on when I'm done.

23 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

24 MS. WILSON: And one moment while I bring the  
25 pending changes window. So the entirety of Olde

1 Stockdale is 569 people. So bringing it out doesn't do  
2 much to the deviations by itself, but I can also take  
3 some blocks around it to make it look more square and.

4 CHAIR TURNER: Marcy, will you --

5 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Could you move in on that a  
6 little bit, please?

7 CHAIR TURNER: Marcy, will you remind me who is on  
8 today? I don't have my email up just yet.

9 MS. KAPLAN: Ashleigh's on (indiscernible).

10 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Ashleigh, can you bring up COI  
11 testimony in regards to this area, and we're looking  
12 for -- Stockdale is the way it's referred to. And I'm  
13 hoping it's the same as Olde Stockdale. All of the  
14 testimony I read didn't necessarily call it that way.  
15 And Sunnysi -- Sunnydale.

16 Go ahead, Jane -- Commissioner Andersen.

17 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yes, there is -- it is by  
18 Olde Stockdale. It's the Stockdale Country Club, and  
19 it's just east of Cal State Bakersfield. And it's --  
20 let's see -- off the 99. It's just west of where 58 hits  
21 the 99. So if you could put -- if you could put freeways  
22 on there, we could sort of see that it is -- I believe it  
23 is by the Olde Stockdale area.

24 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: On Google Maps, it looks  
25 like it goes up to Stockdale Highway.

1 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: That -- that is the area.

2 MS. WILSON: The Stockdale Highway follows this  
3 border. California State University Bakersfield is here  
4 to the left of my red selection.

5 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Right.

6 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Kennedy, could we take a  
7 look at -- if we went from Ming Avenue to -- looks like  
8 Gosford Road up to -- up to Stockdale Highway and just  
9 take a look at what that population would look like.

10 MS. WILSON: Yes, one moment. So here, we have a  
11 population -- including the Olde Stockdale selection from  
12 before, it is now 3,195. And that brings the Tulare-  
13 Kern -- moving this into Tulare-Kern, brings the  
14 deviation to negative 1.57, and then this West  
15 Bakersfield that it's coming out of, it brings it to  
16 negative 2.87. And the Latino CVAP goes up a little bit  
17 in West Bakersfield from 57.47 to 57.88.

18 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Thank you. I would feel  
19 comfortable making this change at this point in time.

20 CHAIR TURNER: Yes, thank you. So if you'd commit  
21 those changes --

22 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yeah.

23 CHAIR TURNER: -- and --

24 MS. WILSON: Where would you like to go next?

25 CHAIR TURNER: Did we -- are we okay with the

1 deviations on both sides, or do we need to put back in  
2 population? We're fine for now? Okay.

3 There was -- since we're in this same area, there --  
4 oh, Commissioner Fornaciari.

5 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah, I'm looking at  
6 the -- at the Google Map where it says Kern City. It's  
7 another country club right there. So I was thinking we  
8 could just go down to Ming and over to New Stine Road and  
9 move that out. But I think we need some guidance from  
10 the people of Bakersfield to give us a little more detail  
11 on how we ought to split their city. So maybe for now,  
12 we're okay, but hopefully, we'll get some -- some  
13 feedback as to what makes the most sense.

14 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Yee.

15 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yes, thank you, Commissioner  
16 Fornaciari. If we do that and move more population  
17 north, I'm wondering if we could look at the -- the neck  
18 a little bit more, which is a little bit to the north,  
19 and see if we can expand that some so it's not quite so  
20 narrow. So for instance, could it run closer to the  
21 border of Oildale, the southeastern border of Oildale and  
22 come down? But I think that's the downtown area, is that  
23 not, so it's probably pretty dense.

24 MS. WILSON: I can try that out.

25 COMMISSIONER YEE: Surely more dense than the

1 country club.

2 CHAIR TURNER: While she's working on that,  
3 Commissioner Sinay.

4 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Thank you, Chair. I was just  
5 curious -- we don't have a way of overlapping the VRA  
6 maps that were made for us and on top of the  
7 redistricting maps, correct? We just have to eyeball it.

8 MS. WILSON: I'm not sure I understand your  
9 question.

10 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible) Mr. Baker?

11 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah. So yeah, we received --  
12 we, the Commissioners and the public, received VRA  
13 guidance, and maps were -- were shared with the public.  
14 And I was just wondering if that -- if that's an overlay  
15 that can be put on the map or not because I'm -- I'm  
16 just -- I'm just wondering if we've captured this  
17 correctly.

18 MS. MACDONALD: Commissioner Sinay, if I may ask --

19 MS. SINAY: Yes, please.

20 MS. MACDONALD: Is that -- is that okay, Chair  
21 Turner?

22 CHAIR TURNER: Yes.

23 MS. MACDONALD: Do you mean the lines from the last  
24 draft of the current district?

25 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: No, no.

1 COMMISSIONER SINAY: It was -- well, it's based on  
2 the current districts, but it was the VRA how we  
3 should -- the VRA considerations for the State of  
4 California.

5 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Are you referring --

6 MS. MACDONALD: I don't think we have that now.

7 MR. BECKER: I think those were just in PDF form  
8 only, so I can't see any way you could overlay that onto  
9 the map.

10 MS. MACDONALD: Yeah, we don't -- we don't have that  
11 layer, Commissioner Sinay.

12 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Okay. Yes, the -- because  
13 I'm -- I do feel -- okay. It's just -- it's looking a  
14 little -- based on what I'm looking at, what he gave us,  
15 I'm not -- I'm still not completely convinced the  
16 (indiscernible) is absolutely correct, but the deviation  
17 seems -- seems good, so I'll just leave it at that.

18 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner For -- who's next -- oh,  
19 Fernandez.

20 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Almost Fornaciari you  
21 called me again. That's okay, Chair.

22 I think the information that Commissioner Sinay is  
23 looking for, it's -- if you just had the Latino CVAP up,  
24 it would be pretty similar because it would show the  
25 concentrations.

1 MS. MACDONALD: Would you like us to zoom in or move  
2 the map around? Please just let us know.

3 CHAIR TURNER: No. I think she said that's what she  
4 wanted to see.

5 And Kennedy, you were in the middle of working on  
6 something. We're ready when you are.

7 MS. WILSON: I was not sure if I should make that --  
8 start making that change to make broaden the  
9 (indiscernible) underneath Oildale. Is that what you  
10 would like me to do?

11 CHAIR TURNER: I thought we were at the point -- no,  
12 not -- was that -- was it you, Commissioner --

13 COMMISSIONER YEE: That was me.

14 CHAIR TURNER: Oh, okay.

15 COMMISSIONER YEE: I think that's worth exploring.

16 MS. WILSON: Okay. One moment.

17 COMMISSIONER YEE: Although there's less population  
18 north of that, so I don't know, maybe that's even better,  
19 on the eastern edge of Oildale to move the boundary to  
20 the edge of Oildale. Yeah. Right there, yeah. Perfect.

21 MS. WILSON: So should I remove this selection and  
22 see what this selection does on its own?

23 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yes, please.

24 MS. WILSON: Okay. So this does not change the  
25 deviations too much.

1 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay.

2 MS. WILSON: Here at West Bakersfield, we go from  
3 negative 2.87 to negative 2.86, and Tulare-Kern stays at  
4 a negative 1.57 in deviation. Our CVAP would stay the  
5 same in West Bakersfield at 57.88.

6 COMMISSIONER YEE: Excellent. And could we go back  
7 and take up Commissioner Fornaciari's --

8 CHAIR TURNER: Before -- before you --

9 COMMISSIONER YEE: -- proposal?

10 CHAIR TURNER: -- remove that one or do anything  
11 different, let me see what the other -- the difference in  
12 the CVAP for the other -- let me see the other CVAP for  
13 black -- I don't -- I don't know that there's an Asian  
14 population there. Maybe.

15 MS. WILSON: With this change?

16 CHAIR TURNER: Yes.

17 MS. WILSON: Okay, one moment.

18 So the percent black CVAP would be 7.27 percent in  
19 West Bakersfield. The Asian CVAP would be 5.63 percent.  
20 The indigenous CVAP would be 0.81 percent. And the white  
21 CVAP would be 27.63 percent.

22 CHAIR TURNER: And while you have that up, did any  
23 of those decrease?

24 MS. WILSON: They do not. They all stay the same.

25 CHAIR TURNER: Okay, thank you.

1 Go ahead, Commissioner Yee.

2 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay, returning to Commissioner  
3 Fornaciari's suggestion, right below the word  
4 "Bakersfield" there, to expand that, yeah, to -- to the  
5 east.

6 MS. WILSON: So that would have to be two separate  
7 actions, so I would have to commit this first and then --

8 CHAIR TURNER: Okay, do commit this one.

9 MS. WILSON: Okay. So here is that change making  
10 the neck wider and going up to the side of Oildale.

11 COMMISSIONER YEE: Very good.

12 CHAIR TURNER: And -- and Commissioner Yee, may I  
13 please, the -- thank you. Ashleigh found the COI  
14 testimony that we're looking for in regards to the old --  
15 regards to Stockdale and that community. And it was  
16 basically, do not include Stockdale Estates in  
17 Bakersfield with the district that has Delano, Arvin, and  
18 Wasco.

19 MS. WILSON: So the action that we just took removes  
20 it from Delano, Wasco, and McFarland.

21 CHAIR TURNER: So we removed Stockdale from -- okay.  
22 Okay, good. I -- Ashleigh was trying to follow up to  
23 ensure she gave us the COI testimony that supported that  
24 action, and I wanted to make sure we went the right  
25 direction. Thank you.

1 Commissioner Yee.

2 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay, so expanding that carve-out  
3 to the east, whatever streets make sense.

4 MS. WILSON: And I'm going to turn on the terrain  
5 layer.

6 COMMISSIONER YEE: I think we're going to expand  
7 both of those down to Ming.

8 MS. WILSON: This change puts West Bakersfield from  
9 a negative 2.86 to a negative 4.09.

10 COMMISSIONER YEE: That's getting kind of high.

11 MS. WILSON: That moves the Tulare Kern to a  
12 negative 0.34 percent.

13 And we also see a slight increase of CVAP when we're  
14 moving this as well from 57.88 to 58 percent -- 58.4  
15 percent in West Bakersfield. But it's still within the  
16 five percent deviation.

17 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah, I was going to say, also I  
18 had where Amberton is there, but we're getting kind of  
19 high.

20 So I don't know, Commissioner Fornaciari, do you  
21 have a thought on -- on this?

22 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah, I -- I was just  
23 looking at the -- at the maps that we've gotten in from,  
24 you know, various groups that have submitted maps.  
25 And -- and it seems like this -- the -- the groups have

1 this -- the northern border of their dis -- you know,  
2 the -- so where -- where the borders of the Stockdale  
3 Highway -- they have it much further south than we have  
4 it. And so this whole area is not even in it, so I  
5 think -- I guess at this point, just okay where we're at,  
6 and I'd like to get some public feedback on where it  
7 makes sense to -- to make these splits that we have to  
8 make because I think at this point, we're guessing. And  
9 if we try to, you know, look at the input we have now,  
10 the maps that we're given, it's a total revamp of --  
11 of -- of this area, and I'm not sure we want to do this  
12 at this point. And what -- I mean, ultimately, we all  
13 went to get it right, so we can -- but we can work on  
14 that in more detail later. That's my thinking.

15 COMMISSIONER YEE: Very good. Let's drop this  
16 expansion then. Thank you.

17 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Sinay.

18 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible).

19 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Sadhwani.

20 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yep, just in agreement with  
21 Commissioner Fornaciari, I think we are -- are within  
22 safe bounds in this district at this point in time, and  
23 if we get additional testimony from the community, we can  
24 come back and -- and make refinements in the future.

25 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you, Kennedy.

1           Okay. So let's move into -- let's see. This was  
2 all of your VRA districts, right? Okay, so do we want to  
3 complete commissioners' other VRA districts, and then  
4 we'll look at the -- come back perhaps to this area, but  
5 for now we'll go to our next VRA District. Let's look  
6 at --

7           MS. WILSON: Kings Tulare.

8           CHAIR TURNER: Tulare.

9           MS. WILSON: So if I may remind of you what we had  
10 last time, one of the major changes in this area was that  
11 Farmersville moved up. And before, it was included in  
12 Tulare Kern, but now it's in Kings Tulare.

13          CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Fornaciari.

14          COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah, just looks like we  
15 also added Woodlake.

16          MS. WILSON: That is correct. Woodlake into  
17 Farmersville.

18          CHAIR TURNER: Okay. I see no hands. Is there  
19 another VRA area?

20          MS. MACDONALD: There are two more.

21                 So now moving into Fresno County and the City of  
22 Fresno. Again, a change that we made was down here  
23 adding Riverdale, Lanier, Layton, and back into Fresno,  
24 and bringing in Parlier.

25          CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Yee?

1           COMMISSIONER YEE: I'm sorry. Could we go back to  
2 Kings Tulare; looking at the split of Visalia. If we  
3 make Visalia whole, will that even out the populations in  
4 the two districts?

5           MS. WILSON: I can show you what it will do.

6           COMMISSIONER YEE: There's probably a reason why we  
7 did this that I'm forgetting. Move the border north.

8           COMMISSIONER SINAY: If I may? I -- we had  
9 specifically, I think, made this change because of the --  
10 the differences that we saw in the CVAPs within the city  
11 of Visalia with Latino communities kind of being more  
12 populated in the northern portions of the city.

13          COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay, very good. I'll withdraw  
14 that.

15          CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Toledo.

16          COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: No, I was just going to make  
17 the same point. Thank you.

18          CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Yee.

19          COMMISSIONER YEE: All done.

20          CHAIR TURNER: All done.

21          Commissioner Fornaciari.

22          COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Commissioner Yee brought  
23 up a real good point, and we had talked about having  
24 someone kind of track our thinking process here. Is that  
25 being done in the background, do we know, so that we can

1 kind of resurrect our thinking?

2 CHAIR TURNER: Staff or line -- I'm sure the line  
3 drawers aren't -- are there -- is there any tracking of  
4 kind of philosophy or why we're moving changes? I don't  
5 know that that direction's been given.

6 Is that happening automatically? Yes. Marcy.

7 MS. KAPLAN: So staff have been provided direction  
8 to capture the notes on the direction to line drawers,  
9 and then if there's a withdrawal of notes, also if  
10 there's a note to highlight anything for future  
11 consideration for a bucket list, but we're not capturing  
12 the justification of -- of those moves. So if that's  
13 direction that wants to be provided. I'm not sure about  
14 the line drawers. I'm just talking from --

15 CHAIR TURNER: No, I --

16 MS. KAPLAN: -- (indiscernible).

17 CHAIR TURNER: -- appreciate that.

18 Commissioner Fornaciari.

19 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Well, I mean -- so we did  
20 talk about that. I -- I kind of felt like we'd gotten to  
21 a place where we wanted to do that so that we can, you  
22 know, kind of -- if we -- if we need to go back, like  
23 this conversation, that -- that we have someone who  
24 captured the -- the why we did it, and they can remind us  
25 why we -- why we moved forward. I think would be a good

1 idea if -- since we're already -- they're already taking  
2 notes, if they can capture the whys.

3 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. So then I'll direct staff, if  
4 you will add that. And staff, if it's not clear as to  
5 the why -- if it feels like, okay, we're doing this and I  
6 don't know why, then just stop us and let's ask the  
7 question. That'll aid in those notes that you're trying  
8 to capture.

9 MS. KAPLAN: Okay, we'll -- we'll add that. I'll  
10 provide that direction to staff.

11 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

12 Commissioner Akutagawa.

13 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. This conversation  
14 gets me thinking. I think -- I think in capturing these  
15 notes, I think it would be helpful to also remind us when  
16 conflicts and COIs come up, where we're making choices,  
17 and then to go back and to revisit what those choices  
18 were, and then to reweigh again against other COIs that  
19 may come up, the feedback that comes up from the -- or  
20 the inputs that come up from the community, why we're  
21 making certain choices, because I think there's -- this  
22 is so fast moving and I think we're giving direction --  
23 and I think sometimes even we forget what we gave  
24 previously. And so I think not just notes just for  
25 the -- the sake of why we made a move, but I think if

1 there's a way to capture the context in -- in which those  
2 moves were made, would also be helpful, too.

3 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

4 Okay, Kennedy, we'll move.

5 Commissioner Andersen. Commissioner Andersen.

6 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah, I was just going to  
7 add, yes, that is extremely important because that's part  
8 of the report we will be drawing as the whys. So if we  
9 can capture that, that's -- please do.

10 MS. WILSON: So moving back into Fresno, we have  
11 Riverdale and Layton and Lanier that were brought back  
12 into Fresno from Kings Tulare. And then we brought  
13 Parlier into Fresno as well.

14 And then we took a look at keeping Clovis whole, but  
15 we wanted to keep the Hmong community COIs together, so  
16 we kept that together as well. And there was a Hmong  
17 community that sent COI testimony -- a COI that this is  
18 the Schatt Avenue borderline, but the COI that they sent  
19 in raised slightly above that, so that is why this line  
20 does -- goes up north of Schatt as well.

21 CHAIR TURNER: Okay, and we'll continue to receive  
22 feedback to refine this area later, but I think we're  
23 okay with this.

24 MS. MACDONALD: So now moving onto Merced Fresno.  
25 The main change that we made was up in the -- Merced's

1 northern county border in Livingston. We brought  
2 Livingston in, and it increased our CVAP from 50.6 to --  
3 to 50.95. Increased Latino CVAP.

4 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Toledo.

5 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah, the C -- I -- I believe  
6 counsel said the CVAP was a little bit on the lower end.  
7 Is there -- can we put the Latino CVAP and -- and take a  
8 look and see if there's any other places we might be able  
9 to add to this area? And do you have any suggestions to  
10 try to increase Latino CVAP that wouldn't be too drastic  
11 but -- but minor changes that we can make that wouldn't  
12 impact other areas too?

13 MS. WILSON: So I would say it gets tricky around  
14 the borders with the other VRA districts, just because  
15 then you're taking from someone else. Other than that, I  
16 will defer to your direction.

17 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you. Can you zoom in a  
18 little more?

19 MS. WILSON: Yes. In which area? It's -- sorry,  
20 it's vast. So I spread out so that you could see it goes  
21 from Merced into Madera and then down to this Fresno and  
22 right before Fresno City and then down to the Fresno  
23 County line. So wherever you would like me to go, I can  
24 zoom in.

25 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Potentially closer to the

1 Merced -- yeah. And I do see the -- there are CVAPs up  
2 above that -- as well that are low as well. So I think  
3 maybe we can just ask for public testimony to see if  
4 there's any suggestions on how to -- how to increase  
5 the -- how to make sure that the Latinos are effectively  
6 able to -- to -- to elect people of their choice. Thank  
7 you.

8 MS. WILSON: I believe last time we tried bringing  
9 in Newman, and it was a bit too big. We can try to see  
10 that again right now if you would like to.

11 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I'm not -- well, maybe a  
12 neighborhood in Newman if we thought it was too big. But  
13 I'm not sure if the population's enough to -- to actually  
14 make a difference with CVAP. In your assessment, do you  
15 think -- would it make a difference?

16 MS. WILSON: We can try it out to see.

17 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Because of the -- because both  
18 districts are a little bit low, let's just -- I think we  
19 could -- the -- the best thing to do would be to -- to  
20 try to get public comments on this and see if the CVAP --  
21 if the public feels that the -- and the advocates feel  
22 that -- that this is sufficient CVAP to -- to ensure  
23 Latinos have an opportunity to elect a candidate of their  
24 choice. So let's just leave it at this. Thank you.

25 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Thank you, Commissioner

1 Toledo.

2 Commissioner Andersen.

3 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Thank you. Along the lines  
4 that Commissioner Toledo was going -- I believe we did  
5 look at Newman -- but could we go a little bit further  
6 over by -- by Madera -- that junction right -- yeah, that  
7 little section right across from Chowchilla, just that --  
8 exactly. Can we have a look at that little block? I  
9 don't believe we did that last time to see if that would  
10 increase the CVAP.

11 MS. WILSON: So adding this section here brought us  
12 from a 50.95 percent Latino CVAP to 50.96.

13 CHAIR TURNER: Well, inching forward. I -- I don't  
14 know what anyone thinks about that. And did we change  
15 the -- what are the deviations now from what were they?

16 MS. WILSON: They were at 2. -- for Merced Fresno,  
17 it was at 2.45, and it brought it up to a 2.5. And then  
18 Calaveras to East Fresno was 3.74 and went down to a  
19 3.68.

20 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Well, what do -- what do  
21 people think?

22 CHAIR TURNER: Well, I think we should wait  
23 probably, as Commissioner Toledo said, on more testimony  
24 instead of just making the arbitrary change. There may  
25 be a different way to do it that gets us more.

1 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Great. Thank you.

2 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Fernandez.

3 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Sorry I'm not being  
4 additive, but that's what I was going to say because I  
5 think in order to get that CVAP number up, we'd have to  
6 take parts out. So it's going to take more architecture,  
7 so I -- I think receiving testimony is a great way to go.  
8 Thank you.

9 CHAIR TURNER: We are not committing the change.  
10 That was your last VRA?

11 MS. WILSON: Correct.

12 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Let's go to the next VRA  
13 district -- I think is what we did yesterday. Is that  
14 Tamina?

15 Commissioner Fernandez.

16 MS. MACDONALD: On the way. Just one second.

17 CHAIR TURNER: And our break is coming up at  
18 10:26 -- at 10:30. Right?

19 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Our break is -- our first  
20 break's at 11 --

21 CHAIR TURNER: Oh, we --

22 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: -- o'clock --

23 CHAIR TURNER: -- started at --

24 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: -- Chair.

25 CHAIR TURNER: -- 9:30. Well, we -- okay.

1 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: It feels like it.

2 CHAIR TURNER: It feels like it. Yesterday went  
3 fast. Today I don't know.

4 MS. RAMOS ALON: Good morning, Chair. Good morning,  
5 Commission. Ready when you are.

6 CHAIR TURNER: Good morning. We're starting  
7 (indiscernible) VRA districts.

8 MS. RAMOS ALON: So this area has one VRA  
9 consideration district, and it is this one that is  
10 labeled Benito. We have made no changes to this since  
11 the last time that we looked at it, includes San Martin  
12 and Gilroy; and Santa Cruz County includes Corralitos,  
13 Aptos Hills-Larkin Valley, Amesti, Interlaken, Freedom,  
14 and Watsonville.

15 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Sorry, Tamina. Do you know the  
16 page number, by chance, for this one?

17 MS. RAMOS ALON: This is page 52. It used to be  
18 called Bensal. Apologies. We began renaming the  
19 districts to make a little bit more sense, and so now it  
20 is called Benito because it has all of San Benito in it.

21 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Thank you.

22 MS. RAMOS ALON: But it is the same in Bensal.

23 As I mentioned, we take all of San Benito County and  
24 then a part of Monterey County, which starts at the  
25 county border, comes down the 101 corridor, all the way

1 to King City.

2 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you, Tamina. Commissioners,  
3 any comments, or are we good?

4 Okay. Commissioner Sadhwani?

5 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, just -- could you  
6 remind us of some of the changes that we made here --  
7 just from my notes, it looks like we've decreased Latino  
8 CVAP slightly and increased the overall population  
9 deviation if I have my notes correct. Can you remind us  
10 of the changes that we made the other day?

11 MS. RAMOS ALON: Sure. Certainly. We actually did  
12 not make any changes the other day. This is exactly the  
13 way that it was. The prior visualization that you saw,  
14 not from the other day but from the previous week, did  
15 not include this area down to King City and had a  
16 slightly different part. We didn't have Corralitos in  
17 here and Santa Cruz County, and the CVAP was lower. So  
18 we are now at 56 percent -- 56.06.

19 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Got it. Thank you. I think  
20 the box up -- up top had Merced Fresno, so that's what I  
21 was looking at. So thank you for that clarification.  
22 This looks great.

23 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. And you said this was the only  
24 VRA for the area that you're covering.

25 Okay. We're ready then for, I think, Jaime. So

1 Bon, we're coming your way.

2 Commissioner Fornaciari.

3 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. I have a question  
4 for Karin, if that's okay.

5 CHAIR TURNER: Sure.

6 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Hey, Karin, look, I know  
7 you guys are really super busy, and this is a very, very  
8 heavy lift, but what would help me out a lot is on  
9 these -- on the little titles on these pages, if -- if  
10 you could add the deviation for the districts under the  
11 titles for all the maps so that when we're looking at an  
12 area, we can see the deviations for the districts all  
13 around it without having to make little notes and so we  
14 can kind of begin to get an idea of -- of where we might  
15 want to think about moving folks, if that's not -- does  
16 that make sense and -- I mean, I can do it by hand, but  
17 it would just be easier if it was on there.

18 CHAIR TURNER: The deviations of the districts  
19 around.

20 MS. MACDONALD: Yeah. Thank you very much,  
21 Commissioner Fornaciari. We'll work on that. Thank you.

22 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Thank you.

23 MS. CLARK: Okay. Good morning, Commissioners. If  
24 we could --

25 CHAIR TURNER: Good morning, Jaime. We're like, uh-

1 huh, move on with the work, I guess. Sorry.

2 MS. CLARK: If we could please begin looking at the  
3 visualization that is on page 64 of the VAD 1107 handout.  
4 This has not changed since this week. This includes  
5 Hawaiian Gardens, Lakewood, Bellflower, Paramount, part  
6 of Linwood -- the northern part of Linwood -- South Gate,  
7 Bell Gardens -- oops, sorry -- not Bell Gardens. I  
8 apologize. But it does include Cudahy, Walnut Park,  
9 Huntington Park, Maywood, and Vernon. And it's negative  
10 3.5 percent deviation. Or excuse me -- negative 3.6  
11 percent deviation. That's on page 64 of the VAD 1107  
12 handout.

13 MR. BECKER: And I won't make comments on each of  
14 these. I think we've discussed these before, but  
15 obviously, we can make some comments in general at the  
16 end and answer any questions with regard to specific  
17 districts.

18 MS. CLARK: Moving onto page 65 of the VAD 1107  
19 handout. This one's called AD5 Corridor. It's a 5.6  
20 percent deviation. It includes Montebello, Pico Rivera,  
21 Commerce, Bell, Bell Gardens, Downey, Norwalk, Santa Fe  
22 Springs, and La Morada.

23 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Akutagawa.

24 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, I'm trying to do like  
25 a quick COI search on this one, too.

1           One of the things that I did read previously was  
2 that Bell and Bell Gardens -- the COI testimony indicates  
3 that they would prefer to be with the Vernon, Huntington  
4 Park, Maywood, Cudahy, South Gate, Linwood -- that they  
5 see themselves as a -- as a gate -- gateway cities COI.  
6 I know that if you were to remove Bell Gardens, I think  
7 it makes -- or it might not totally make it weird. My --  
8 my suggestion is that perhaps instead of keeping  
9 Bellflower in that COI, perhaps it might help if you move  
10 Bell -- at least Bell and if you can, Bell Gardens out  
11 and into the gateway -- AD Gateway -- DAD AD Gateway 1107  
12 visualization and move Bellflower into the AD5 Corridor  
13 visualization. I think -- I think -- I was trying to  
14 look for it. I thought I saw -- but don't quote me. I  
15 thought I saw that -- that they see themselves more as a  
16 COI together than the other way around.

17           MS. CLARK: If I may?

18           CHAIR TURNER: Okay, yes, Jaime.

19           MS. CLARK: Thank you so much for that suggestion.  
20 Right now Bellflower -- we're moving Bellflower to the  
21 AD5 Corridor District would mean also by necessity moving  
22 Lakewood and Hawaiian Gardens because Bellflower is the  
23 city that connects Lakewood and Hawaiian Gardens to the  
24 rest of the area in the AD Gateway visualization. So  
25 just noting that, it would mean also moving Lakewood and

1 Hawaiian Gardens with Norwalk, Santa Fe Springs, La  
2 Morada, Downey area.

3 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I'll -- I'll try to look up  
4 the COI quickly, or I don't know if Ashleigh can look it  
5 up. But that may be better in that perhaps up on the top  
6 -- and I don't think it will impact the Latino CVAP  
7 because my other thought is then if you would move Bell  
8 and Bell Gardens perhaps -- would it -- would it totally  
9 throw it off if you also moved Commerce with it?  
10 Although, I -- I do -- I didn't realize that it had to  
11 come as a package like that, but it makes sense.

12 CHAIR TURNER: Yes. We'll go -- Commissioner  
13 Sadhwani, I was just looking for a minute. I got lost  
14 with all the black lines. I wanted the hands or  
15 something. This is kind of hard to see what area we were  
16 talking about. There's -- Commissioner Sadhwani.

17 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. I hear you,  
18 Commissioner Akutagawa. I'm -- I'm wondering if we can  
19 hold on making those changes. I -- I don't think that  
20 this is a bad pairing by any means. Though, certainly,  
21 if there's COI testimony, we can take a close look at it.

22 My thought here is there -- there were some larger  
23 considerations in other parts of L.A. County. And I  
24 think if we focus ourselves on some of those -- I know  
25 we've had testimony coming in from historical and

1 culturally-connected black communities. We've had stuff  
2 coming in on the San Gabriel Valley. If we -- if we take  
3 a look at some of those, it's -- if we want to do that  
4 today -- it would ultimately have reverberations to this  
5 whole area. So -- so I would -- I would recommend that  
6 we hold on that change for right now because it -- it  
7 might -- it might come up as we -- as we continue to move  
8 forward.

9 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Akutagawa.

10 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, I guess I'm not  
11 seeing what you're talking about, Commissioner Sadhwani,  
12 in terms of the reverberations since the changes would be  
13 kept solely within the AD5 Corridor and the AD Gateway.

14 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: May I respond?

15 CHAIR TURNER: Please.

16 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: I think if we make changes  
17 northeast or west of this area, we might end up needing  
18 to break up some of these districts in any case. So  
19 we've had -- had testimony coming in from the NELA area.  
20 We've had stuff coming in from South L.A. We've had it  
21 coming from San Gabriel Valley. If we want to take on  
22 any of those, it might ultimately lead to changes in --  
23 in these two districts as well. So that's why I'm  
24 suggesting -- this is a small swap as far as I see it,  
25 but if we want to work on some of those larger

1 components, it might impact this area in any case. We  
2 might -- we might get to the same point.

3 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Fernandez.

4 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes. Thank you, Chair. I  
5 just looked up one -- one of the visualizations -- or the  
6 feedback. It says that Bellflower, Norwalk, Downey, and  
7 Bell Gardens do not have anything in common with Vernon.  
8 So I think we might -- this might be a case of  
9 conflicting testimony.

10 CHAIR TURNER: Got it.

11 Commissioner Vasquez -- oh --

12 COMMISSIONER VASQUEZ: Well, I'm trying to be  
13 additive. I think that that whole (audio interference)  
14 Gardens, Bell, Cudahy would (audio interference) --

15 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Vasquez, (audio  
16 interference). Oh, man. Okay. I hope we can help  
17 troubleshoot that, because we really want to be able to  
18 hear what you're saying. Okay. Maybe she's dialing back  
19 in.

20 Jaime?

21 MS. CLARK: Thank you. Next, if we could go to page  
22 74 of the VAD 1107 handout. This is AD 60 Corridor.  
23 This is a .78 percent deviation. This includes Walnut,  
24 Diamond Bar, Rowland Heights, the City of Industry, La  
25 Puente, South El Monte. El Monte is split here. The

1 southern part of El Monte is included in this  
2 visualization. Avocado Heights, Rose Hills, West  
3 Whittier, South Whittier, East Whittier, and Whittier,  
4 Hacienda Heights, and La Habra Heights.

5 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you. Next, please.

6 MS. CLARK: Thank you. Next, if we could please go  
7 to page 73. This is a percent deviation of negative 2.3  
8 percent. This includes South San Jose Hills, Linda, West  
9 Puente Valley, Covina, West Covina, Charter Oak, all of  
10 the City of Glendora, all of the City of Azusa, Duarte,  
11 which is split at Angeles National Forest and the  
12 southern part of Duarte is in this visualization.

13 Irwindale and Baldwin Park are also included in this  
14 visualization. It's a negative 2.3 percent deviation.

15 And finally, if we could all please go to page 72 of  
16 the VAD 1107 handout. This visualization includes  
17 Monterey Park, Rosemead, South San Gabriel, San Gabriel,  
18 Alhambra, South Pasadena, San Marino, Temple City, the  
19 northern part of El Monte, and all of Arcadia. This is a  
20 negative 3.88 percent deviation.

21 CHAIR TURNER: Let's move. Thank you.

22 MS. CLARK: And that's the -- those are all of them.

23 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Well, then we'll make a shift  
24 to Sivan. Thank you.

25 MS. TRATT: Hello, everyone. All right. So

1 quick -- quick review. So we made some pretty big  
2 changes to -- yes, we made some pretty big changes to  
3 this first visualization, SEC, which you can find on page  
4 85. And just as a reminder, this visualization used to  
5 also include this kind of East San Diego County portion,  
6 but we created a hard line at the county to exclude this  
7 portion and instead included more of this eastern side of  
8 Coachella Valley. And it still stretches up to capture  
9 that Colorado River Basin and Needles.

10 Mr. Becker, will you just interrupt me, or would you  
11 like to say something?

12 MR. BECKER: No, I'll wait till the end and answer  
13 any questions if there are any.

14 MS. TRATT: Okay, thank you.

15 Next visualization that we looked at that has  
16 potential VRA considerations is on page 86. And this is  
17 the PCO visualization. And again, this one captures  
18 Pomona, the southern part of Upland, the majority of  
19 Ontario, and the majority of Chino. This is at a bit of  
20 a negative deviation. But the Latino CVAP is quite high.  
21 So we could definitely look at moving some population  
22 into this district to lower that deviation a little bit.

23 The next one is RCFR, which is on page 87, and  
24 that's just slightly to the east of this PCO. And this  
25 one captures Fontana, goes around Bloomington to Rialto,

1 and then also includes the majority of Rancho Cucamonga.

2 The next one is on page 88, and it's called SBCHR.

3 And we talked about some -- I believe we might have  
4 changed -- honestly, the days are blurring together in  
5 terms of what we've changed. But this Redlands border  
6 here still excludes Grand Terrace to Bloomington, all the  
7 way up here, and captures the entirety of the City of San  
8 Bernardino.

9 And then on page 89, we have JRC, which is the  
10 Jurupa Valley-Riverside visualization. And this goes as  
11 far south as El Cerrito, captures much of the City of  
12 Riverside to Highgrove and all of Jurupa Valley.

13 And the next one is MPH, which is on page 90. This  
14 one is definitely on the higher side of the deviation and  
15 the lower side of the Hispanic CVAP, so this one might  
16 need a little bit of tweaking. But this one captures  
17 Paris as well as Good Hope, Mead Valley, all of Moreno  
18 Valley, all the way to San Jacinto, and both East Hemet  
19 and Hemet are included in this visualization.

20 MR. BECKER: Sivan, can I -- can I interrupt just  
21 for a second on this one, because the -- this CVAP is a  
22 little bit below fifty percent. I'll just note -- also  
23 note that black CVAP here is -- is slightly over fourteen  
24 percent, and we have seen -- we have seen some evidence  
25 of cohesion between black and Latino communities in much

1 of this -- much of this area. This would be another good  
2 place to get some input from -- from the community to  
3 see -- to see what they think of this.

4 MS. TRATT: Mr. Becker, the final VRA consideration  
5 visualization is going to be skipped ahead to page 107  
6 And this is the Chula Vista, San Ysidro, CVSY  
7 visualization. Again, that's on page 107. And this one  
8 now includes all of San Ysidro, that southern part of the  
9 City of San Diego. It also wraps around to include  
10 Imperial Beach, all the way up to National City,  
11 including Bonita and all of Chula Vista. And I would  
12 note that this is at a zero deviation currently, so very  
13 well balanced and also at a pretty solid Hispanic -- or  
14 excuse me -- Latino CVAP percentage.

15 CHAIR TURNER: Very nice. Very nice. Okay. And I  
16 heard you say that was your last.

17 MS. TRATT: Yes.

18 CHAIR TURNER: Outstanding. Okay. So it looks like  
19 we have no comments, questions in regards to these VRA  
20 districts, and so from here we'll start the wonderful  
21 work of looking at our assembly maps. And we're going to  
22 go to break now so that we don't stop in the middle of  
23 it. Our break is about nine minutes away, and so we'll  
24 go to break. And let's just come back -- I had a pretty  
25 rough night. We'll come back at -- we'll come back at

1 11:10.

2 MS. TRATT: Chair, can I just ask, are you --

3 CHAIR TURNER: Yes.

4 MS. TRATT: -- planning on starting with the other  
5 visualizations in Southern California, or do you want to  
6 go back to Kennedy's area?

7 CHAIR TURNER: References, Commissioners? We're  
8 flexible.

9 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible).

10 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. So we'll start in -- we'll  
11 start in San Diego and go out.

12 MS. TRATT: Perfect. Thank you so much.

13 CHAIR TURNER: All righty, thank you.

14 (Whereupon, a recess was held from 10:52 a.m.  
15 until 11:15 a.m.)

16 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you. And welcome back. We are  
17 in our live line drawing session with Sivan, with -- San  
18 Diego is where we're starting for our assembly districts,  
19 and we are ready now to take a look at possible  
20 architectural changes for this area. So we are now  
21 looking for hands for commissioners for this area.

22 Oh, Commissioner Sinay. A feigned surprise.

23 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: It was shocking.

24 (Indiscernible).

25 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Now, now. Can I ask some

1 guidance from the line drawers on what would be easier  
2 going from the south border up east to west, west to  
3 east, north to south.

4 MS. TRATT: Yeah, I think because there's -- the  
5 south border is a pretty hard boundary as well as the  
6 Pacific Ocean, that might be a logical place to start.  
7 Although, I think if we're doing, like, big architectural  
8 changes, it also might be of benefit to everyone if we  
9 could just hear some, like, big picture ideas --

10 CHAIR TURNER: Sure.

11 MS. TRATT: -- just so we know the big -- the big  
12 picture of where we're headed today with those --

13 CHAIR TURNER: I love that --

14 MS. TRATT: -- changes.

15 CHAIR TURNER: -- Sivan.

16 COMMISSIONER SINAY: So I was going to start there,  
17 but I just wanted to get -- so basically, there are a  
18 few -- I'm going to call them corridors. My  
19 (indiscernible) today was San Diego isn't a north-south  
20 or -- San Diego is a north-south and an east-west county.  
21 It has both ways of looking at it. And so -- so I think  
22 that's where things get a little complicated sometimes,  
23 and we just need to figure out. So there is the East  
24 County that we've received, you know, a lot of requests  
25 to keep the East County together and -- and so that would

1 be one.

2       The other one is -- is the 78 corridor which is up  
3 at the north side, and that 78 corridor may or may not be  
4 connected to Camp Pendleton, depends how long -- you  
5 know, how -- how -- the number of people.

6       There is the coast going all the way down to  
7 Coronado, not including Imperial Beach. And then I think  
8 then we've got South Bay. And then we have the LGBT COI.

9       And then the final one that I'm thinking of right  
10 now -- and I'm sure I'm missing one -- is -- is City  
11 Heights. City Heights is a unique, wonderful part of San  
12 Diego County that has -- it's -- it's kind of the first  
13 home for many who come to the United States from other  
14 places. And so we have immigrants and refugees. And so  
15 we have heard, like, the caller yesterday saying City  
16 Heights can -- can feel comfortable going south towards  
17 South Bay, or City Heights -- what -- we've gotten a lot  
18 of requests early on and we heard them last week asking  
19 City Heights to be connected with Lemon Grove, La Mesa,  
20 and El Cajon, and Spring Valley. Thank you. So -- so  
21 you know, I -- those are the big pictures.

22       Is that how you wanted it? Okay. I'm seeing -- I'm  
23 seeing Andrew shaking his head yes, so I'm get -- Andrew,  
24 am I -- are you talking to me? Okay. I don't want to  
25 make any assumptions.

1           So with all of that, I'm guessing we should start at  
2 the south border, even though that's looking pretty good.  
3 I just wanted to confirm that -- that Chula Vista -- that  
4 one -- is the Chula Vista assembly district going all the  
5 way to the border, or is it stopping?

6           MS. TRATT: So the CVSY that includes Chula Vista  
7 does go all the way to the state border at the --

8           COMMISSIONER SINAY: Okay. And then --

9           MS. TRATT: -- bottom here.

10          COMMISSIONER SINAY: -- does it go to the Imperial  
11 County border?

12          MS. TRATT: It does not. It stops just outside of  
13 the San Diego City boundary --

14          COMMISSIONER SINAY: Okay.

15          MS. TRATT: -- and the Chula Vista easternmost  
16 boundary right here where my hand is going over.

17          COMMISSIONER SINAY: Okay. That's fine. So right  
18 now we have -- these are assembly districts. Okay. So  
19 the Chula Vista one's looking okay.

20          Where I would move -- can we move over to East  
21 County? And then can I name the cities that want to be  
22 part of -- we probably need to zoom in. So the counties  
23 that -- the cities -- I'm sorry -- that are part of East  
24 County traditionally, are El Cajon, and we've talked  
25 about splitting El Cajon since there's two COIs, if

1 that's possible. Santee, Jamul, Lakeside, Ramona,  
2 Borrego Springs, Poway, and then -- and then you can also  
3 include Valley Center and you know, all the others kind  
4 of going east. So did --

5 MS. TRATT: So Commissioner Sinay, it looks like  
6 currently in this configuration, there are three  
7 visualization districts that do kind of extend eastward  
8 toward the county border. This SESDC visualization,  
9 which includes Jamul, Spring Valley, and La Presa, as  
10 well as La Mesa and Lemon Grove, and then that is also  
11 connected to the historic barrios right here.

12 And then this WSDC visualization, which includes  
13 Rancho San Diego, all of El Cajon, Santee, and then  
14 goes -- this one stretches all the way out to Mount  
15 Laguna.

16 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Okay.

17 MS. TRATT: And then the third one that kind of  
18 encompasses part of East County is VSME, and this one  
19 includes most of -- or half of Poway that is split right  
20 here, also includes all of San Marcos and Escondido and  
21 goes all the way north to the -- the county border here  
22 to include Fallbrook, Rainbow, Pala, and this is a quite  
23 large geographic area but includes a lot of those cities  
24 that you mentioned.

25 COMMISSIONER SINAY: That last one does not -- does

1 that one go all the way down to the coast?

2 MS. TRATT: This last one, no. It stops --

3 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Okay.

4 MS. TRATT: -- short of the coast. It goes as far  
5 west as Carlsbad and Vista but does not include either of  
6 those cities.

7 COMMISSIONER SINAY: All right. Well, so what I  
8 would -- I think one of the ones that might help is if we  
9 look at the 78 corridor, Oceanside, Vista, San Marcos,  
10 and Escondido. See I'm -- I'm trying -- okay, let me ask  
11 a question. Do we want to do these big structural  
12 changes now or wait until the next -- because for  
13 assembly -- let's see -- for assembly I think we're doing  
14 okay. I mean, Poway being split, it works because we've  
15 split East County, and I think that's one of the big  
16 complaints kind of that we're getting is that we've split  
17 East County. And so I'm trying to figure out how do we  
18 allow for some of the -- the different pieces to be --  
19 start to be put in place.

20 COMMISSIONER YEE: Commissioner Sinay, why don't we  
21 have you think about specific directions you might want  
22 to start with while picking up a few more comments from  
23 others. So think about that, and we'll hear from  
24 Commissioners Toledo, Fernandez, Andersen, and Akutagawa,  
25 and Fornaciari.

1           COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Just a quick -- quick question  
2 for my colleague. When you say that (indiscernible) is  
3 one of the -- are asking to be put together, do you mean  
4 that they wrote a letter stating that, or is it community  
5 of interest testimony, or -- just want clarification on  
6 that. Thank you.

7           COMMISSIONER SINAY: Sure. We've received lots of  
8 requests from East County through the visualization form  
9 to -- and -- and listing out these -- these counties in  
10 particul -- these cities -- sorry -- in particular  
11 wanting to be put together. And we've received  
12 multiple -- like almost a hundred.

13           COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you.

14           COMMISSIONER YEE: Commissioner Fernandez.

15           COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah, no, I was just trying  
16 take a bird's-eye view, and I'm hoping Commissioner Sinay  
17 has noticed this. But there's -- there's quite a few  
18 districts that are overpopulated, so I don't know if  
19 that's something you want to look at. But then also, if  
20 you want to just wait until we receive more input, that's  
21 fine, too. I just want -- I was just trying to look at  
22 the overall picture.

23           COMMISSIONER YEE: Commissioner Andersen.

24           COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah, I'd actually -- can we  
25 turn on the tribal layer to make sure that in our

1 shifting around we don't cut any -- split any tribes --  
2 tribal lands, please.

3 MS. CLARK: Just one moment because we've been  
4 mapping on different computers different days. Just  
5 going to add that layer really quick.

6 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Great. Thank you very much.

7 MS. CLARK: So I'm going to stop sharing the screen  
8 and then add it.

9 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: That's perfect. Thank you.

10 COMMISSIONER YEE: While they're working on that,  
11 Commissioner Akutagawa.

12 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yes. I was going to ask in  
13 the direction that we're going now to perhaps before  
14 making large structural changes to San Diego to hold off  
15 because I would like to request and propose some changes  
16 to Orange County based on the COI testimony that I've  
17 read, and the assembly district, I think, gives us the  
18 room to honor some of that. Also, I just wanted to make  
19 an observation that -- and I know that this -- we haven't  
20 been really looking at how the assembly districts would  
21 nest into the Senate districts, but I wanted to note that  
22 that is number 6 of our criteria when practicable. And  
23 that's -- would be the start of some of my requests for  
24 some changes to that South Orange County area, which does  
25 impact the Camp Pendleton 78 corridor that I think

1 Commissioner Sinay is talking about.

2 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay, Commissioner Fornaciari.  
3 Then we'll go back to Commissioner Sinay.

4 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Thanks. Let's see, I -- I  
5 would support us taking the time to make some structural  
6 changes here. You know, we made a major change in the --  
7 in the district in both here and in congress and then  
8 just sort of haphazardly redid the districts to -- to  
9 kind of somewhat balance.

10 But I think, you know, if we started in the  
11 southeastern corner of the county and did -- you know, at  
12 least took a shot at the west county, you know, got that  
13 population pretty close, then -- then looked toward --  
14 back towards the city and sort of moved north from there,  
15 then we could get to a point where we understood where we  
16 were with population and changes we needed to make, and I  
17 think that would mesh into what Commissioner Akutagawa  
18 would like to do with Orange County.

19 But I think if -- I think if we get the -- the west  
20 and the southern part of San Diego County pretty close to  
21 where, you know, we're comfortable at this point, we  
22 could move and do the intersection with Orange County,  
23 too.

24 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay, Commissioner Sinay, any  
25 direction you're ready to give, especially coming from

1 the south up?

2 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah, I mean, I think my  
3 recommend -- yeah, my recommendation, as I said at the  
4 beginning, is to really get the East County piece kind of  
5 solidified. And that would allow for some of the other  
6 thought processes that that will come in from Orange  
7 County as -- and I don't think we'll go into Riverside on  
8 this side. But so if we -- when we're thinking about  
9 East County -- sorry, I did start with our maps that we  
10 had, but everything's changed, so if we can zoom in. I  
11 know, I started -- I started writing all over them. I'm  
12 like, wait, this isn't making sense. So I think the --  
13 ironically, the West San Diego County one is the one that  
14 has a lot of the East County in it right now. Am I  
15 saying that correctly?

16 MS. TRATT: Yes. I believe you're referring to the  
17 WSDC, which for --

18 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah.

19 MS. TRATT: -- everyone's reference is on page 94.  
20 And that's --

21 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Old version.

22 MS. TRATT: Of the old version, yes. The old  
23 version is on 94. And the new version is where I'm  
24 waving my cursor.

25 COMMISSIONER SINAY: So what I -- did you want to

1 say something, Alicia? Did I hear your voice?

2 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes. And I'm sorry. You  
3 probably said this already. But just so that I can see  
4 where you're going, what do you consider the East County  
5 line? What would be your boundary, I guess? I --

6 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Well, it --

7 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: You might have said it --

8 COMMISSIONER SINAY: It's --

9 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: -- but --

10 COMMISSIONER SINAY: It's not necessarily  
11 boundaries. It's cities that kind of come together.

12 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Right. So  
13 (indiscernible) --

14 COMMISSIONER SINAY: (Indiscernible) --

15 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: -- area. Okay.

16 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yes.

17 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Perfect. Thank you.

18 COMMISSIONER SINAY: So as I had said, El Cajon,  
19 Santee, Hamul, Lakeside, Ramona, Borrego Springs, Poway  
20 to the Imperial Valley border.

21 MS. TRATT: So Commissioner Sinay, if I may, are you  
22 kind of looking at reconfiguring things in more of like a  
23 north-south way rather than the more east-west way that  
24 things are currently --

25 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Well, that's where I was saying

1 there was an (indiscernible). Parts of -- of San Diego  
2 are north-south, and parts are east-west. So for this  
3 one, yes, I would say for East County, it would be north-  
4 south.

5 MS. TRATT: North-south, okay. So maybe you could  
6 give a direction to make that change, and we could start  
7 looking at kind of excluding things that are closer to  
8 the city and more orienting --

9 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah, so --

10 MS. TRATT: -- a -- a corridor like this, more or --

11 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yes.

12 MS. TRATT: -- less.

13 COMMISSIONER SINAY: So if you take out -- perfect.  
14 Take everything out that's from the City of San Diego  
15 that's in that west SDC right now. And put it into San  
16 Diego CY. Am I doing it right this time?

17 MR. BECKER: Okay, we will start with that,  
18 Commissioner, and we will see where -- where population  
19 goes. There's going to be a lot of population in the  
20 City of San Diego, but we will go over to the eastern  
21 part of San Diego -- the City of San Diego as possible.

22 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay. While the mappers are  
23 working on that, let's pick up a few more comments, if  
24 they are related to this.

25 Commissioner Andersen.

1           COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah, actually, mine was  
2 just a little bit -- it's that area just below Julian.  
3 It appears that we have indeed cut a tribal land. And  
4 that's -- that's the only one I'm sort of looking for,  
5 you know, areas like that. And I know they're working on  
6 that, but I'd like to have a -- have a look at that area  
7 just below Julian.

8           COMMISSIONER SINAY: Commissioner Andersen, when we  
9 do create the East County one, all the tribal lands will  
10 be together because --

11           COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: So --

12           COMMISSIONER SINAY: -- we'll be going north south.

13           COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Can -- can you -- okay,  
14 because you mentioned you're talking about all the  
15 different cities that are essentially just the east side  
16 of San Diego, and then you say to the border. So I'm --

17           COMMISSIONER SINAY: To the Imperial County border.

18           COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Right. So but I mean --  
19 does that mean you're taking everything that's not part  
20 of, like, everything east of Santee and putting it north  
21 south? You know, I'm not quite following where you're  
22 going with it.

23           UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Could you repeat that  
24 sentence?

25           COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Your -- yeah, and could you

1 repeat the sentence?

2 COMMISSIONER SINAY: So these -- these cities are  
3 the core of East County, and East County goes all the way  
4 to the east of the county. So the core of East County is  
5 El Cajon, Santee, Hamul, Lakeside, Ramona, Borrego  
6 Springs, Poway, and -- and then Escondido is included,  
7 but Escondido has also been asked to be included in the  
8 78 corridor. So if --

9 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay.

10 COMMISSIONER SINAY: All that area on the right that  
11 looks huge is not that populated.

12 COMMISSIONER YEE: All right. Okay. All right.

13 COMMISSIONER SINAY: It's very underpopulated.

14 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay. Commissioner Fornaciari.

15 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah, I was just going to  
16 say -- just offer -- it might be easier -- I mean, the  
17 districts on the right side of this visualization are  
18 random. We just threw them together yesterday with no  
19 specific reasoning or thought other than equalizing  
20 population. So I don't think we should get wrapped up in  
21 what it looks like now. I think we should just blow the  
22 whole thing up and start over. And I -- you know, I  
23 mean, just -- so that's my thought.

24 COMMISSIONER YEE: All good.

25 Commissioner Toledo.

1           COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yes. On -- in terms of  
2 blowing it up a little bit, for the SDCY map that we have  
3 right there, we have received significant testimony on  
4 trying to unify some of the LGBT community, specifically  
5 Balboa Park and Mission Hills, bakers -- Bankers Hill,  
6 Hillcrest, University Heights, North Park, South Park,  
7 Normal Heights, and Downtown San Diego. And if there was  
8 a way to unify that in a -- in a not so -- to unify those  
9 populations it would be -- it would be something that I'd  
10 be interested in -- in looking at. Thank you.

11           COMMISSIONER YEE: Thank you.

12           Okay. Commissioner Sinay, please proceed.

13           COMMISSIONER SINAY: Go ahead, Jaime.

14           MS. CLARK: Pardon me. If I may?

15           COMMISSIONER YEE: Yes, please.

16           MS. CLARK: Thank you. So what we're hearing from a  
17 couple of different commissioners is that it sounds like  
18 the desire is to have a couple districts based in the  
19 City of San Diego, keeping certain communities in the  
20 City of San Diego together and then additionally, to have  
21 some districts that are based in the more rural East  
22 County areas.

23           And may I suggest to that goal that we sort of start  
24 in the southeastern corner of rural San Diego County, can  
25 start building out districts from there based on the East

1 County areas that you would like to see in a district  
2 together and then can start sort of from that border  
3 piecing together different areas that you would like to  
4 see in -- in districts together. Does that sound okay?

5 COMMISSIONER YEE: Does that work for you,  
6 Commissioner Sinay? Okay. Let's --

7 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yes.

8 COMMISSIONER YEE: -- do that.

9 But we're now still in the middle of the -- the City  
10 of San Diego direction. Do we want to --

11 MS. CLARK: So we --

12 COMMISSIONER YEE: Go ahead, Jaime.

13 MS. CLARK: We -- we removed that selection.

14 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay.

15 MS. CLARK: And a suggestion might be for now to  
16 bring -- so the SESDC visualization currently has some of  
17 the City of San Diego in it. So a suggestion could be  
18 for now to add that area to the SDCY visualization. Then  
19 we'll know about how much population we need from the  
20 rest of the East County communities to be able to bring  
21 the SESDC visualization to an appropriate population size  
22 and can start -- start balancing from there. Does that  
23 sound okay?

24 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible).

25 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah, it does sound -- it

1 sounds okay. But is there a way to take the City of San  
2 Diego, Spring Valley, and La Mesa out as well?

3 MS. CLARK: Absolutely, yeah. We'll -- we'll start  
4 working on that --

5 MS. TRATT: I'll start with those --

6 MS. CLARK: -- right now.

7 MS. TRATT: -- changes. Thank you.

8 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Thanks. Even La Presa if it  
9 works.

10 And thank you for making this a collective building  
11 effort.

12 COMMISSIONER YEE: Everything we do is collective.

13 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: It's a remodel. Aren't  
14 remodels more painful than just an initial build?

15 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: But they are more fun.

16 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay, does that look good, that  
17 selection?

18 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yes.

19 MS. TRATT: So with this selection added to the  
20 SDCY, we are going to be at a pretty crazy deviation, but  
21 I would urge the commission to just accept this change,  
22 and we'll start moving some -- some big pieces around, if  
23 that's okay.

24 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yes, let's accept.

25 MS. TRATT: Okay, perfect.

1           So following here, Commissioner Sinay, do you --  
2 I -- I was going to start selecting some of these East  
3 County cities that you had listed that are in the WSDC  
4 visualization. Would you like me to start --

5           COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yes.

6           MS. TRATT: -- kind of -- I was going to kind of  
7 work inward and see where our population gets us to  
8 before going back too close to the City of San Diego, if  
9 that makes sense.

10          COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yes.

11          MS. TRATT: Okay, one moment.

12          MR. DRECHSLER: And just a reminder, there's -- on  
13 the eastern part of San Diego County, there's about  
14 72,000 people all in that area. We looked at this  
15 yesterday in the original version, so we're selecting at  
16 a bigger level tracts, not just cities. This is Andrew  
17 Drechsler.

18          COMMISSIONER YEE: And how far west would you like  
19 to go, Commissioner Sinay?

20          COMMISSIONER SINAY: Santee, at Eucalyptus, all the  
21 way up to Poway.

22          MR. DRECHSLER: And Commissioner, for right now,  
23 we'll grab all of El Cajon. I know that you've expressed  
24 splitting that, but for purposes here, we'll just grab it  
25 all for now.

1 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yes.

2 COMMISSIONER YEE: At about negative twenty percent.

3 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Chair --

4 COMMISSIONER YEE: Twenty percent. So additional  
5 population.

6 COMMISSIONER SINAY: So we still --

7 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Chair Yee, can I --

8 COMMISSIONER YEE: Please, Commissioner Fornaciari.

9 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Commissioner Sinay, I just  
10 want to check in. Don't -- don't you want this to go all  
11 the way to the northern border? So should we -- should  
12 we grab all the way to the northern and eastern border  
13 and then start working west so that we can make sure we  
14 grab all that, grab all the native lands, and then start  
15 adding cities that way? Does that make sense?

16 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah. That was going to be  
17 my -- my request is -- go -- start going towards Ramona  
18 and then all the way up to the -- you know, just go  
19 Ramona and go all the way up to the border with Imperial  
20 and -- Imperial and Riverside, making sure we don't --  
21 we're still -- where's the -- well, we don't have the  
22 deviation yet.

23 MS. TRATT: All right, Commissioner, so in adding  
24 all of this area, this new eastern county district is  
25 still negative 10.99 percent under deviation. Where

1 would you like me to start selecting from next?

2 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Sorry, I pressed it off.

3 Pala, Valley Center, Fallbrook, Rainbow, Bonsall.

4 COMMISSIONER YEE: We're getting pretty close.

5 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Because everything -- yeah,  
6 Lakeside and all that is already in there, right? Okay,  
7 yeah. Sorry. It gets confusing for me. Woohoo.

8 COMMISSIONER YEE: You said Bonsall as well?

9 COMMISSIONER SINAY: If it can fit -- yeah, if it  
10 can fit in. I think that tract is going into Camp  
11 Pendleton, or not? The one on the --

12 MS. TRATT: Just one moment, please.

13 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Okay, sorry.

14 MS. TRATT: All right. So with these changes that  
15 include Rainbow and Fallbrook, we've not included the  
16 City of Bonsall. This is at a deviation of 3.13 percent  
17 for this district, which if we commit this change will  
18 include a border where my mouse is tracing.

19 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Okay. And I would say yes.  
20 Others?

21 COMMISSIONER YEE: So separating Rainbow and  
22 Fallbrook from Bonsall?

23 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I'd rather -- I'd rather not  
24 separate Rainbow, Fallbrook, and Bonsall, but then I'm  
25 not sure where to put them if we create the 78 corridor.

1 So it's better to put them with -- with Valley Center if  
2 we get -- well, Bonsall's not going to fit. Right now,  
3 we only have part of Poway, right?

4 MS. TRATT: The entirety of the City of Poway is  
5 included.

6 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Okay, the whole -- okay, all  
7 right.

8 And then that white area right east of Escondido, is  
9 that unincorporated area?

10 MS. TRATT: Yes.

11 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Could we see if we can grab  
12 that first?

13 MS. TRATT: Yes. I would point out that we're  
14 already at a 3.13 deviation --

15 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Well, I was --

16 MS. TRATT: -- so I'll ask you --

17 COMMISSIONER SINAY: -- thinking --

18 MS. TRATT: -- next what you would like to remove.

19 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah, I was thinking of  
20 removing Fallbrook and -- and --

21 MS. TRATT: Okay, let me try that now. One second.

22 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah, let's pick up a few more  
23 comments while she works on that.

24 Commissioner, Ahmad.

25 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Thank you, Chair. I was

1 actually going to recommend that for the purposes of  
2 moving with the program and technology that we accept  
3 these changes and then refine those smaller areas with  
4 the next iteration just so the program doesn't crash on  
5 us.

6 COMMISSIONER YEE: Thank you.

7 Commissioner Toledo.

8 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah, I was just wondering if  
9 we could -- once we do these changes, if we could see,  
10 like, the tribal lands. I think we're going to capture  
11 everything because it's all of the east, but just want to  
12 verify.

13 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Chair?

14 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yes.

15 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I had my hand up. I'd like  
16 to make a comment.

17 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yes.

18 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: So that upper corner -- and  
19 I think this is maybe what Commissioner Toledo was  
20 talking about -- it likes like it may be cutting into  
21 some of the tribal lands. Is it possible to remove some  
22 of that corner? It just seemed like it was just to go  
23 all the way up there just to go up there. So it may be  
24 that it may enable the line drawers to also then capture  
25 Rainbow, Fallbrook, and Bonsall in that -- in this --

1 this this visualization, the right corner.

2 COMMISSIONER YEE: The northeastern corner?

3 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Northeast corner, yes.

4 Because I -- it seemed like we just went all the way up  
5 to that corner just -- just to grab, whether it's  
6 population or land.

7 COMMISSIONER YEE: Could we zoom into that corner?

8 MR. DRECHSLER: There won't be a -- Chair, there  
9 won't be a lot of population in that --

10 COMMISSIONER YEE: Right, right.

11 MR. DRECHSLER: -- east corner. I just wanted to  
12 point that out that we could take that out, but the  
13 population's going to be very small.

14 MS. TRATT: Are you -- are you referring to the  
15 northeast --

16 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yes, over there, because it  
17 looks like it's also cutting some of the tribal lands,  
18 too; is that correct?

19 MS. TRATT: No, we are not.

20 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah, it looks like --

21 MS. TRATT: This is the --

22 COMMISSIONER YEE: -- it's not.

23 MS. TRATT: -- county border, that's --

24 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah.

25 MS. TRATT: -- right here on both sides.

1 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay. So I think we can keep  
2 that border. And let's see, we are at a negative almost  
3 four percent.

4 So any last that we can add?

5 MS. TRATT: If you wanted to leave it at this under  
6 five percent, it's still in the acceptable range just to  
7 kind of, you know, sketch in some of the other big  
8 changes that might be --

9 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I -- I think I'd like to do  
10 what Commissioner Ahmad said and -- and accept this so  
11 the system doesn't crash and then play at the borders --

12 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay. Very good.

13 COMMISSIONER SINAY: -- if need be later.

14 COMMISSIONER YEE: Let's accept this then.

15 Okay. Further direction?

16 COMMISSIONER SINAY: So then we need to go back to  
17 the San Diego one, right?

18 MS. CLARK: So right now, the SDYC visualization,  
19 which includes much of the City of San Diego, La Mesa,  
20 Spring Valley, La Presa is 96.06 percent deviation. The  
21 WSDC visualization, which is the very eastern part of San  
22 Diego County is negative seventy percent deviation, and  
23 then the visualization just north of that, which includes  
24 Escondido, is negative seventeen percent. So it would  
25 make sense to start at the southern part of the City of

1 San Diego that is included in the SDYC visualization,  
2 start balancing population between SDYC and WSDC, and  
3 then you'll have a little bit more than -- you know, a  
4 little bit more than two districts, basically, of  
5 population there, and you can start adding north --  
6 moving population north that way.

7 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah. And I --

8 COMMISSIONER YEE: Thank you, Jaime.

9 Go ahead.

10 COMMISSIONER SINAY: No, that's -- I think that's  
11 exactly -- that will be really helpful. So -- so if we  
12 have La Mesa, Spring Valley, La Presa going east to  
13 capture City Heights, so further south, it'll be on the  
14 8. Oh, that is the 8, sorry. And then capturing City  
15 Heights and the barrios.

16 So I guess taking out -- so the question would be  
17 can you take out the -- I'm just trying to see for -- for  
18 population's sake, if you take out for right now 805 to  
19 the 94 all the way -- you know --

20 MS. CLARK: So if I -- if I --

21 COMMISSIONER SINAY: No, I wanted to --

22 MS. CLARK: Could I please make a --

23 COMMISSIONER SINAY: -- cut up that way. Yeah.

24 MS. CLARK: Would it --

25 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Please.

1 MS. CLARK: -- be helpful to make a suggestion?

2 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yes, please.

3 MS. CLARK: I think that if you start by looking at  
4 WSDC, so that is a pocket of population. It's negative  
5 seventy percent. So a suggestion could be to sort of  
6 balance those districts. It would be removing population  
7 essentially from SDCY and adding it to WSDC. So you have  
8 two, you know, balanced, districts, and then you can move  
9 the rest of the population from the City of San Diego  
10 north and then sort of play around with the border once  
11 you have districts that are a little bit more balanced.

12 COMMISSIONER YEE: So --

13 MS. CLARK: And when you're looking at balancing  
14 them, of course, you can do it intentionally. And  
15 there's just going to be big population changes that  
16 would need to happen.

17 COMMISSIONER YEE: So with WSDC, Commissioner Sinay,  
18 what direction can you give to expand that?

19 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Okay. So thank you.

20 So I think to ex -- to extend that because it is  
21 tiny -- it's a funky shape too -- I -- can it go up to  
22 kind of the 78 corridor?

23 Oh, wait. I got -- I got another idea. So you need  
24 to take from WSDC -- I mean, you need to take from SDYC  
25 to WSDC --

1 MS. TRATT: Yes.

2 COMMISSIONER SINAY: -- right?

3 MS. TRATT: Exactly.

4 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Okay.

5 MS. TRATT: Yep. So the --

6 COMMISSIONER SINAY: So let's go down.

7 MS. TRATT: -- highlighted in red is where we want  
8 to pull population into the green.

9 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Right.

10 MS. TRATT: So maybe starting at the north  
11 considering a lot of those communities that you mentioned  
12 are --

13 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Are down below --

14 MS. TRATT: -- already intact -- yeah, below.  
15 Exactly.

16 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yes, okay. Yes, please. So  
17 the best would -- so you want to pull -- so you need to  
18 go -- so take that red -- yeah, just start going --

19 MS. CLARK: Yeah, so -- so Sivan will select area to  
20 move into WSDC and (audio interference).

21 MS. TRATT: Yes, it is.

22 MS. CLARK: And so basically, right now, it mostly  
23 just looking at getting the SDCY visualization to within  
24 plus or minus five percent. It might mean that the WSDC  
25 visualization will be overpopulated, but we're just doing

1 this to make sure there's not a bubble in population in  
2 the southern part of the City of San Diego.

3 COMMISSIONER YEE: Very good.

4 COMMISSIONER SINAY: And just for those -- for  
5 those -- you know, I haven't gone to the north coastal or  
6 discussed the coastal side because I do feel that that's  
7 going to be very connected to Camp Pendleton and what  
8 Commissioner Akutagawa wanted to discuss. And there's  
9 several options on Oceanside and Carlsbad depending on  
10 what happens in Orange County.

11 COMMISSIONER YEE: All good. So what's being  
12 selected now, Commissioner Sinay, does that look like a  
13 reasonable addition to WSDC?

14 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yes.

15 COMMISSIONER YEE: Oops, lost some.

16 Okay, now we're over, so we can --

17 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Can we -- yeah, that little  
18 corner of the 8 and the 805, can we take that out?

19 MR. DRECHSLER: So we just wanted to stop here for  
20 just a second --

21 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Okay.

22 MR. DRECHSLER: -- to see that the SDYC is getting  
23 closer to deviation, but we're still over -- we're at  
24 twenty percent. So we're going to continue to just  
25 take -- is there a suggestion of where to take -- now

1 that we're down to the 8, is there a suggestion?

2 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah, I would probably -- let's  
3 see -- can you zone out -- I'm sorry -- zoom -- not zone  
4 out, but zoom out a little bit? So probably the area  
5 around Del Mar, up at the nor --

6 MR. DRECHSLER: That area in Del Mar is in a  
7 different district.

8 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Oh, that blue area is with --

9 MR. DRECHSLER: Yes.

10 COMMISSIONER SINAY: -- the city. Okay. I'm sorry.

11 MR. DRECHSLER: So if we just look at SDYC --

12 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Okay.

13 MR. DRECHSLER: -- right now.

14 COMMISSIONER SINAY: It's the red.

15 MR. DRECHSLER: So Sivan will just circle that. And  
16 if there's -- we need to take population out of here  
17 at -- at this time, so if you have suggestions, Sivan was  
18 taken over on the western side sort of in the middle.  
19 Could she continue to take out of there just to get  
20 deviation closer to five percent?

21 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Okay, we may have to change it,  
22 but yes.

23 MR. DRECHSLER: Yes. Just -- and this is just a  
24 start.

25 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yes.

1 MR. DRECHSLER: Okay.

2 COMMISSIONER YEE: Well, let's see. We'll also be  
3 working on the north side of the San Diego district SDCY  
4 as well, I believe, right, so -- we can make adjustments  
5 on both side -- north and south.

6 So Commissioner Sinay, looking at WSDC as we're  
7 expanding it, the question is how far south do you feel  
8 comfortable going?

9 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Sorry, I wasn't on the mic. My  
10 bad.

11 How much further do we need? Oh, we're still --

12 MR. DRECHSLER: So right now we are under  
13 population. So I think if we wanted to look at -- we can  
14 accept this change, and then if we wanted to tweak around  
15 the borders, that's something we -- we could do, but I  
16 know we have -- we're -- we're leaving City Heights  
17 largely intact, I believe, and --

18 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Okay.

19 MR. DRECHSLER: -- then barrio, so if we wanted to  
20 accept this change and then, you know, this will give us  
21 some opportunities to make some changes around the  
22 borders.

23 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I would --

24 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay.

25 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah.

1           COMMISSIONER YEE: Go ahead, Commissioner  
2           Fornaciari, and then we'll -- I think Commissioner Sinay.

3           COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. I was just going to  
4           ask where -- you know, you talked about parts of El Cajon  
5           going west. Where were you thinking of that going, into  
6           the La Mesa part or the WSDC part?

7           COMMISSIONER SINAY: La Mesa. So SDYC -- I mean,  
8           CY.

9           MS. TRATT: So -- so we would need to remove even  
10          more of the City of San Diego then to -- to bring the  
11          negative deviation to make it more negative in  
12          anticipation of adding that portion of El Cajon.

13          COMMISSIONER SINAY: And I don't think that that's  
14          critical at this -- at this junction. So for right --  
15          yeah, for right now just getting kind of the bigger  
16          infrastructure in place would be helpful.

17          COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay, so the current selection,  
18          is that acceptable? Shall we accept that? Okay. Let's  
19          accept that.

20          MS. TRATT: All right. It is locking in. One  
21          moment.

22          Okay. So we got rid of that extra population  
23          bubble. Now the SDCY visualization is highlighted in red  
24          and is at a negative .5 percent deviation. And now we've  
25          brought up that population north into the WSDC. And that

1 is great because we have some negative deviation  
2 visualizations that are around it, so yes, we will need  
3 to balance between this and give more population into  
4 these two visualizations.

5 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Can you just zoom out  
6 really quick, Sivan, please? Sorry. I just wanted to  
7 see the other ones. All the way to the border would be  
8 great, the Mexico border.

9 COMMISSIONER YEE: So we'll need to expand VSME as  
10 well as the big eastern county district.

11 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Well, the WSCD is over,  
12 right? Okay. Thank you, Sivan.

13 COMMISSIONER YEE: So perhaps, we could look at the  
14 north end of WSDC and think about how to bring that down  
15 south a bit.

16 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Don't we have the -- the -- oh,  
17 the WSDC, right?

18 MS. TRATT: We're moving population from WSDC into  
19 VSME.

20 COMMISSIONER YEE: Correct. So let's zoom into that  
21 border.

22 Okay, Commissioner Sinay, any direction you're ready  
23 to give there?

24 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah. I would just do exactly  
25 what I think you were going to do is just take -- take

1 and then -- and then --

2 MS. TRATT: Keep going?

3 COMMISSIONER SINAY: -- and then flip it over.

4 MS. TRATT: Is this acceptable, or do you want me to  
5 keep bringing a little more population from -- or if you  
6 could give me more direction on where you would like me  
7 to bring population in, that would helpful.

8 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Is DSME now at positive 11?

9 MS. TRATT: Yes, but keep in mind, we will still  
10 have to keep bringing population other places. It's just  
11 to balance out the WSDC since the population can't going  
12 anywhere but up or --

13 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Right.

14 MS. TRATT: -- potentially into SESDC.

15 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Right. You can't zoom in any  
16 further, can you?

17 COMMISSIONER YEE: So right now, it looks like the  
18 selection is a little bit too big; is that correct?

19 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Is it -- is it considered too  
20 big right now? No, because she said --

21 MS. TRATT: So --

22 COMMISSIONER SINAY: -- we needed to --

23 MS. TRATT: I -- I --

24 COMMISSIONER SINAY: -- move it up.

25 MS. TRATT: -- can -- let me try removing one more,

1 but now we're at negative .67. And that brings us to a  
2 really good deviation --

3 COMMISSIONER SINAY: That looks good.

4 MS. TRATT: -- right there.

5 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah, that looks good.

6 MS. TRATT: Shall I go ahead and accept those  
7 changes?

8 COMMISSIONER YEE: You happy with that? Okay.

9 MS. TRATT: All right.

10 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay, let's accept.

11 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: What about that little --  
12 okay. That little piece in the --

13 COMMISSIONER SINAY: That triangle.

14 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: The triangle right there  
15 and the -- right there, yeah.

16 MS. TRATT: So it looks like it is contiguous, but  
17 let me grab this just --

18 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah.

19 COMMISSIONER YEE: Sure.

20 MS. TRATT: Or let me grab a smaller (indiscernible)  
21 one second. All right. Perfect.

22 COMMISSIONER SINAY: San Diego, I know we're  
23 breaking up some neighborhoods right now, but I'm looking  
24 forward to hearing from you. We all are.

25 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay, so I'm thinking we can

1 either now go east and bring some of that population up  
2 in SESDC, or if Commissioner Akutagawa's ready, we could  
3 start talking about getting into the north San Diego,  
4 south Orange border.

5 MS. TRATT: Would you like me to go ahead and try  
6 adding Rainbow, Fallbrook, and Bonsall into the SESDC and  
7 see how much of that we can add, or would you prefer to  
8 keep them together and look at other population that we  
9 can move into this visualization?

10 COMMISSIONER YEE: Commissioner Sinay?

11 MS. TRATT: I can repeat that if that was unclear.

12 COMMISSIONER SINAY: That was really clear. Could  
13 staff check -- I think all our COI input on Bonsall,  
14 Fallbrook, and Rainbow is that they want to be together.  
15 Now, sometimes they say they want to be with Temecula and  
16 sometimes with Escondido. But I believe they all want to  
17 stay together.

18 MS. TRATT: Okay. So I would recommend then since  
19 we only have about negative four -- or four percent  
20 deviation to work with, we're not going to be able to add  
21 all three into this visualization --

22 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Right.

23 MS. TRATT: -- unless we then make some swaps down  
24 here theoretically but in continuing this kind of upward  
25 push of population maybe we can look in the -- this kind

1 of northern peninsula of the City of San Diego.

2 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I would keep the City of San  
3 Diego out kind of from -- the City of San Diego and East  
4 County, that would -- what I would consider -- so where's  
5 Escondido? It's right there in the pink, right?

6 MS. TRATT: Yes, my mouse is moving around --

7 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Okay. There --

8 MS. TRATT: -- where Escondido --

9 COMMISSIONER SINAY: -- we go.

10 MS. TRATT: -- is.

11 COMMISSIONER SINAY: All right. So -- and we've  
12 taken most of the -- how about, like, the unincorporated  
13 area then and hidden meadows that --

14 MS. TRATT: All right. I will do that now. One  
15 moment.

16 COMMISSIONER YEE: By the way, Commissioner  
17 Akutagawa has decided to step away, so we should really  
18 just focus on this for now.

19 Commissioner Fernandez?

20 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

21 COMMISSIONER YEE: I'm sorry. Commissioner Sadhwani  
22 first.

23 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I'm sorry.

24 COMMISSIONER YEE: I'm sorry.

25 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Oh, Commissioner Fernandez

1 can go first.

2 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Oh, I was just looking at  
3 that -- the little tip by Ramona. I'm not sure what that  
4 is. And then the little tip -- oh, that she's doing  
5 right now. But I was just thinking that maybe that  
6 little tip could go into the SCDC because it's --

7 COMMISSIONER SINAY: It's City of San Diego, though,  
8 and so --

9 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: But it has like a tiny,  
10 tiny little -- I have no idea what that is. Okay.  
11 Thanks.

12 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Probably a park, but I hear  
13 you.

14 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay, we're down to .22, which is  
15 a good improvement. Shall we accept this? Okay. Let's  
16 accept this.

17 MS. CLARK: Oh, one moment please. We're still --  
18 we're still just refining and trying to not include any  
19 of the City of San Diego.

20 COMMISSIONER YEE: Very good.

21 MS. CLARK: One moment. Thank you so much.

22 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Chair, while -- while  
23 they're working on that, can I -- can we just go back and  
24 revisit. I'm curious -- I know we started, I think,  
25 today or yesterday or at some point, the conversation

1 about justifications, if I recall what we're looking at  
2 right now -- I'm trying to wrap my head around all of the  
3 changes that are -- are happening here. It looks like  
4 we're separating El Cajon from La Mesa. Just wanted to  
5 revisit that piece and --

6 COMMISSIONER SINAY: So we've gotten --

7 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- ask about that  
8 justification one more time if that's the right --

9 COMMISSIONER SINAY: So we've gotten --

10 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- point forward.

11 COMMISSIONER SINAY: -- COI testimony -- the East  
12 County COI testimony, we've gotten -- I'm (indiscernible)  
13 you know, in public input we've gotten, they all want El  
14 Cajon with the East County, and then we've also gotten  
15 testimony -- public input from the -- the -- the groups  
16 in -- the refugee groups and Muslim groups and City  
17 Heights and -- that their -- that their community goes  
18 from City Heights to El Cajon, and that's why  
19 traditionally El Cajon has been with the East County.  
20 And that's why originally we -- I -- I had looked for  
21 that -- where to kind of divide it, which was the base --  
22 the valley versus the hills.

23 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: But currently, the entirety  
24 of El Cajon is -- is in this district; is that correct?

25 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah, because --

1 COMMISSIONER YEE: I believe so, yes.

2 COMMISSIONER SINAY: -- we hadn't done that -- that  
3 tweaking.

4 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Are we -- we're going to  
5 come back to that?

6 COMMISSIONER YEE: That was the intention, yes.

7 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Got it. And when we -- when  
8 we do, there's a number of COIs throughout that area  
9 that -- that convoy district and others that I think it  
10 would be helpful just to -- to take a look at it. I  
11 think I'm having a hard time --

12 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Convoy -- Convoy is actually --  
13 it's down the street from where we are right -- there.  
14 Yeah. So -- so in -- in my mind, just so that you all  
15 know, we've kept the City Heights, the LGBT, the Asian  
16 business -- the Asian business because it's more than  
17 convoy. It's Convoy, Mira Mesa, Kearny Mesa --

18 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Linda Vista, Clairemont  
19 Mesa.

20 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Linda -- yeah, all of that has  
21 kind of -- is -- it's been kept together in the WSDC.

22 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Okay. Very good. Thank  
23 you. I think I just needed some clarity about the  
24 direction. Thank you.

25 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Um-hum.

1 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay. Jaime --

2 Oh, I'm sorry. Commissioner Ahmad.

3 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Thank you. I also wanted to  
4 bring up that we just made a change to -- if we can  
5 scoochy (sic) on up on the map, the area that we were  
6 just making edits. So we just worked to move Hidden  
7 Valley out, is that correct, right next to Bonsall?

8 MS. TRATT: Do you mean Hidden --

9 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Hidden --

10 MS. TRATT: -- Meadows?

11 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: -- Meadows. Hidden Meadows.

12 MS. TRATT: Yes, we moved Hidden Meadows into this  
13 East County visualization.

14 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: So there -- I just wanted to  
15 raise that there is testimony asking to keep Bonsall,  
16 Fallbrook, Hidden Meadows, and then I'm forgetting the  
17 name of the city above Fallbrook.

18 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Rainbow.

19 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Rainbow. Rainbow -- together.  
20 So I just wanted to uplift that so don't need to make any  
21 changes right now, but there are definitely COI  
22 testimonies that we will have to make some decisions on  
23 because they're conflicting.

24 COMMISSIONER YEE: Thank you, Commissioner Ahmad.

25 Commissioner Sadhwani, another com -- okay.

1           Okay, Commissioner Sinay, do you have further  
2 direction ready?

3           COMMISSIONER SINAY: (Indiscernible) is there  
4 (indiscernible) --

5           COMMISSIONER YEE: Mic, please.

6           COMMISSIONER SINAY: Sorry. I keep hitting the  
7 button, and it doesn't turn on. I'm sorry.

8           I kind of feel like I can't make any more until we  
9 have the conversation about Orange County and seeing  
10 how -- what the ripple effects are about Orange County.

11          COMMISSIONER YEE: Sure.

12          COMMISSIONER SINAY: Does that make sense?

13          COMMISSIONER YEE: All good. Perhaps, we can then  
14 return to El Cajon. We said we'd come back here, so now  
15 here we are. Your thoughts?

16          COMMISSIONER SINAY: So on El Cajon, where we had  
17 been looking at before was Hemeshaw (ph.) and then, you  
18 know, going --

19          MS. TRATT: Commissioner Sinay, I believe if I  
20 remember correctly from the COI testimony that you were  
21 referencing, it's kind of everything that's below the 8  
22 and then cut off --

23          COMMISSIONER SINAY: Exactly.

24          MS. TRATT: -- right here. So would you like me to  
25 add that portion to the -- the SDCY that includes La

1 Mesa?

2 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yes.

3 MS. TRATT: Okay, I will do that now.

4 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Right, everyone?

5 MS. TRATT: This is going to be contiguous, but a  
6 little bit of a skinny connection, so I might need to  
7 take a little bit above the 8, but let's see --

8 COMMISSIONER SINAY: That's fine.

9 MS. TRATT: -- where we get to. Okay. One moment.

10 COMMISSIONER YEE: Commissioner Fernandez?

11 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: At some point, can we do  
12 another bird's-eye view so I can see all of the district  
13 lines, but not right -- not right -- not yet because I  
14 know you're in the middle of something. Thank you.

15 COMMISSIONER YEE: All good.

16 By the way, how long till our next break? I don't  
17 remember.

18 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: 12:45.

19 COMMISSIONER YEE: 12:45.

20 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Our next break is 12:45.

21 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: That's right. 12:45.

22 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay, very good.

23 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Is that splitting Mount Helix  
24 right now or --

25 MS. CLARK: Right now we're just making the

1 selection. We're going to clean it up in a second. It  
2 just tech -- on a technical perspective, this is the  
3 fastest way to do it.

4 MS. TRATT: All right. So adding that selected area  
5 of El Cajon, we'll make the SDCY visualization 11.47  
6 percent over deviation and negative 10.77 under deviation  
7 for the eastern county visualization. Would you like me  
8 to commit this change?

9 MS. CLARK: So just sort of looking at some options  
10 here --

11 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah, because I don't like that  
12 little --

13 MS. CLARK: So Sivan zoomed out. We would add to  
14 this SDCY visualization. That would become  
15 overpopulated, and to fix that we would add population to  
16 the VSME to the north and then trade out for, you know,  
17 something, maybe the Hidden Meadows or something in that  
18 area in the very northern part of the county to do sort  
19 of a three-way swap is how -- is how this would -- the  
20 population would need to move.

21 COMMISSIONER SINAY: And then how do we deal with  
22 that little bridge thing?

23 MS. TRATT: So I can just add a -- a few more blocks  
24 to kind of strengthen that contiguity.

25 COMMISSIONER SINAY: That'd be good.

1 COMMISSIONER YEE: How far up would you go,  
2 Commissioner Sinay, on the bridge?

3 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I would want you all to have a  
4 say on that on where we feel comfortable for contiguity,  
5 because I think what I would do is if we have over -- you  
6 see how that little foot going to the left is at the  
7 bottom, you might take from there and move it over.

8 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay, so the portion of the  
9 bridge above Interstate 8?

10 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah, I would try to connect as  
11 much of La Mesa with El Cajon.

12 COMMISSIONER YEE: Right. So maybe -- yeah.

13 COMMISSIONER SINAY: And then take from the southern  
14 part.

15 COMMISSIONER YEE: Does that look good?

16 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah. Thank you.

17 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay. Are we ready to commit to  
18 this selection?

19 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yes.

20 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay, let's commit. And did you  
21 want (indiscernible) --

22 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Did we want to -- well --

23 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah, did you --

24 COMMISSIONER SINAY: -- we committed.

25 COMMISSIONER YEE: -- want Mount Helix also added?

1 COMMISSIONER SINAY: No.

2 COMMISSIONER YEE: No, okay.

3 COMMISSIONER SINAY: No, because it's already over.

4 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay, perhaps, Jaime, you could  
5 remind us of what your thinking was for our next step.

6 MS. CLARK: Yep. So then to balance between -- to  
7 basically to adjust the percent deviation, would be to  
8 add population from SDCY, which is currently at 11.8  
9 percent, to WSDC, which is negative .29, and then we can  
10 keep rippling it up and then make a trade between the --  
11 the two visualizations in the northern eastern part of  
12 San Diego County.

13 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay. So looking at SDCY then,  
14 what can we move up?

15 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Okay, so we need to go from  
16 the -- SDCY to WSDC.

17 COMMISSIONER YEE: Correct. So we could start here?  
18 Does this look like a good place to start?

19 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I don't think I would go in  
20 that triangle.

21 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay.

22 COMMISSIONER SINAY: But that's all kind of  
23 connected.

24 COMMISSIONER YEE: So let's take a look --

25 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Can we go --

1 COMMISSIONER YEE: -- at this -- go ahead.

2 COMMISSIONER SINAY: -- further to the west?

3 MS. TRATT: So this is the west.

4 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Right.

5 MS. TRATT: Do you mean the east next to La Mesa?

6 COMMISSIONER SINAY: No, I meant that.

7 COMMISSIONER YEE: South -- going southwest, yeah,  
8 southwest.

9 MS. TRATT: So southwest, I would remind you that  
10 this is where Barrio Logan and those --

11 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Right.

12 MS. TRATT: -- other areas that have asked to stay  
13 with La Mesa and Spring Valley. Would you like me to  
14 still pull from this area?

15 COMMISSIONER SINAY: No.

16 MS. TRATT: Okay.

17 COMMISSIONER SINAY: No, because I want to keep all  
18 that. I want to keep that -- we want to keep that. And  
19 then that's the -- okay, so you need to go --

20 COMMISSIONER YEE: We need to shrink SDCY.

21 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Right. Okay. So what I  
22 would -- okay, what if we took the -- oh, no, the -- I  
23 was going to say the LGBT neighborhood's already over on  
24 the other one.

25 MS. TRATT: Alternatively, if we don't want to shift

1 population further up, you could look at removing part of  
2 Spring Valley or part of La Presa. Although, I'm --

3 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah, let's do --

4 MS. TRATT: -- not sure --

5 COMMISSIONER SINAY: -- La Presa. Thank you.

6 MS. TRATT: Okay, so start with La Presa--

7 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yes.

8 MS. TRATT: -- removing La Presa? Okay. So I'm  
9 going to move part of La Presa from SDCY, which is  
10 overpopulated, into SESDC. One moment.

11 COMMISSIONER YEE: Commissioner Toledo.

12 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah, I was curious for the  
13 line drawers, if we had received shape files from Equity  
14 (sic) California for this area in terms of the LGBT  
15 community or -- because we are hearing that some of the  
16 LGBT community is -- is split in this visualization  
17 through the comment process. So --

18 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Part of the where they see  
19 themselves split is they want to be with downtown San  
20 Diego, but downtown San Diego kind of belongs to  
21 everybody. The heart of it is -- is the -- the fifth --  
22 where we were really splitting them was when we had the  
23 163 going right through their community. So Balboa Park,  
24 it's -- it's kind of the 94, 15, 8, and then -- then by  
25 over --

1 MS. TRATT: So Commissioner --

2 COMMISSIONER SINAY: -- where it says San Diego.

3 MS. TRATT: -- I have selected the City of La Presa  
4 to add to SE DC, and if we make this change, the  
5 deviation of SESDC will become negative 3.99, and the  
6 deviation of SDCY will become 4.69. Would you like me to  
7 commit this change?

8 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay, let's commit.

9 Oh, I'm sorry. Commissioner Ahmad.

10 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Thank you, Chair. I just  
11 wanted to also echo that I would be curious to look at  
12 how the shape files look like from the LGBT community in  
13 this area. Something doesn't feel right here, but I will  
14 let the process play out, but I'll definitely be coming  
15 back to revisit this area.

16 COMMISSIONER YEE: Very good. Okay. Thank you,  
17 people of La Presa.

18 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I think Jaime has something.

19 COMMISSIONER YEE: Oh, I'm sorry. Jaime, yes.

20 MS. CLARK: Thanks. Just in response to your  
21 questions about the COI layers, the shape files in this  
22 area, because we've been working on different computers  
23 and there's just so many COIs that have come in, we don't  
24 have every single shape file loaded. We can take a look  
25 at that and let you know what we find once we've had a

1 chance to load those in.

2 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: That would be great.

3 MS. CLARK: So we could --

4 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you.

5 MS. CLARK: -- off line -- maybe off line look at  
6 those and --

7 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Maybe during lunch or  
8 something.

9 MS. CLARK: Yes.

10 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Okay.

11 MS. CLARK: Okay.

12 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you.

13 MS. TRATT: If someone from the CRC staff also could  
14 do that research, that would be really helpful and could  
15 email it to one of us if they find a shape file. That  
16 would be great.

17 COMMISSIONER YEE: Very good. Okay. Having moved  
18 La Presa, anything else in that area that might move  
19 eastward?

20 COMMISSIONER SINAY: If we still -- if we still need  
21 more, then I would say parts of Spring Valley.

22 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay.

23 MS. TRATT: Would you like to try moving the -- all  
24 of Spring Valley or start moving part of Spring Valley  
25 into SESDC?

1 COMMISSIONER SINAY: How much do we need? I'm  
2 sorry.

3 COMMISSIONER YEE: Director Hernandez?

4 MS. TRATT: So --

5 COMMISSIONER YEE: I'm sorry. Go ahead.

6 MS. TRATT: We're 20,000 people over.

7 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay. Director Hernandez?

8 MR. HERNANDEZ: Yes, thank you, Chair.

9 Sivan, just for clarification, what are you  
10 requesting the shape file from staff?

11 MS. CLARK: Director Hernandez, I think that some of  
12 the Commissioners were requesting that Equity (sic)  
13 California shape files for LGBTQ communities in City of  
14 San Diego.

15 MR. HERNANDEZ: Thank you.

16 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: If I may, I don't have the  
17 shape files, but I believe in my notes I have the  
18 neighborhoods, if that's helpful? Yeah?

19 MS. TRATT: If you have borders or boundaries for  
20 the neighborhoods, that would be helpful, but otherwise,  
21 we have like an idea of where the neighborhoods are, but  
22 we don't have an official neighborhood council layer that  
23 we can kind of snap --

24 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Got it.

25 MS. TRATT: -- to.

1 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Okay.

2 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Last week, I did take all the  
3 neighborhoods that they had mentioned and outlined it  
4 onto the map. I can find my sticky that has all of that.  
5 But at this point, I have it a little memorized.

6 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah. But if we have the shape  
7 files, of course, that would be the fastest way, so.

8 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I do want to bring up that  
9 they -- in the past, when they have brought up and shown  
10 us maps, they have been the congressional -- the  
11 districts, the way they are now because they're  
12 envisioning how to be elected and so they're taking  
13 out -- they have included parts that are not the heart of  
14 the LGBT community but the coastal area and the City of  
15 San Diego.

16 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay, so let's return to Spring  
17 Valley. Selecting it all. Let's see the scoreboard.

18 MS. TRATT: So if we take Spring Valley and move it  
19 from SDCY into SESDC, that will make the deviation of  
20 SESDC 2.31 percent and SDCY negative 1.6 percent. Would  
21 you like me to commit this change?

22 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yes, please.

23 MS. TRATT: All right. Committing this change.

24 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay, good work.

25 Okay, I believe Commissioner Akutagawa is still

1 away, so I don't know whether we want to proceed  
2 northward or -- or we could break for lunch fifteen  
3 minutes early.

4 Commissioner Turner?

5 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you. Thank you for standing  
6 in. So Chair, what I would recommend is we do break for  
7 lunch a little bit earlier, but break and a time for the  
8 mappers to kind of clean this up and find the -- utilize  
9 the shape files so that we're not asking them to do it on  
10 their lunch as well. So if we perhaps can take just a  
11 bit longer with this time period, I think would be good.

12 COMMISSIONER YEE: So break now and come back when?

13 CHAIR TURNER: Break now and come back at 1:15. I  
14 think -- is that forty-five -- we'll come back at 1:30.

15 COMMISSIONER YEE: 1:30. Okay. Everyone good with  
16 that? Okay, we'll break until 1:30. And then  
17 Commissioner Turner will return as your chair.

18 (Whereupon, a recess was held from 12:30 p.m.  
19 until 1:30 p.m.)

20 CHAIR TURNER: Good afternoon, and welcome back to  
21 our redistricting live line drawing session. We are  
22 drawing lines for the assembly, and we are in the San  
23 Diego area. And we are working to get through with our  
24 assembly maps today and maybe even move into senate.

25 But however, at -- when we left for lunch break, we

1 were working on a visualization, so we're going to turn  
2 it back into the hands of Sivan and let us know what  
3 she's found out. Thank you.

4 MS. TRATT: Thank you so much, Chair Turner. All  
5 right. So while we were at the lunch break, we took a  
6 closer look at the submissions from Equality California  
7 and their LGBTQ area of interest. And because the  
8 majority of it is already kept intact within the WSDC  
9 visualization, we decided that it made a little bit more  
10 sense to just grab this portion of SDCY and bring it into  
11 the WSDC visualization rather than vice versa. This also  
12 opens up some flexibility if you wanted to look at adding  
13 back Spring Valley.

14 And I will just bring over the pending changes box.  
15 This is what the deviation -- the deviation of WSDC would  
16 become 2.18 percent if we made this change and added the  
17 red -- highlighted red portion into the WSDC  
18 visualization. And SDCY would become negative 4.07.  
19 Would you like me to commit this change?

20 CHAIR TURNER: Check with others and see where we  
21 are.

22 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I think it looks good. I  
23 just -- I was wondering if you can zoom in a little bit  
24 closer. I don't know if we can see detail on this map,  
25 or if we have to do the Google interface.

1 MS. TRATT: Yeah, I can turn on the Google base map.  
2 One -- one moment, please. Is this helpful,  
3 Commissioner?

4 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah, that's -- that's  
5 helpful. And that looks accurate to me. I'll defer to  
6 Commissioner Sinay.

7 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Can you zoom in just a little  
8 bit more on the south side? Southeast side, sorry,  
9 Talmage.

10 MS. TRATT: And again, we were just working from an  
11 image of a map, not a --

12 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Right.

13 MS. TRATT: -- shape files, so if there's  
14 adjustments with blocks, I can definitely add or remove  
15 blocks at this kind of micro level if that --

16 COMMISSIONER SINAY: No.

17 MS. TRATT: -- would be --

18 COMMISSIONER SINAY: This looks --

19 MS. TRATT: -- helpful.

20 COMMISSIONER SINAY: -- perfect.

21 MS. TRATT: Okay.

22 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Thank you.

23 CHAIR TURNER: Okay, please accept these changes.

24 And as we move forward, we don't want to get to the  
25 end and be rushed and out of time. And we know that we

1 are working on draft maps so that we can move forward, so  
2 we're going to balance what's needed in our architectural  
3 changes and work to ensure that we give all districts a  
4 good chunk and amount of time.

5 Commissioner Sadhwani.

6 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, thanks. I'm -- I'm  
7 still trying to just get in the closeup on that visual.  
8 Are we including University Heights in this --

9 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah, it was already in there.

10 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: It's already in there.

11 Okay, thank you. That's what I wasn't -- thank you.

12 CHAIR TURNER: Beautiful. So yes, you committed the  
13 changes?

14 MS. TRATT: Yes, changes have been committed. So  
15 now the deviation is 2.18 percent for -- let me move this  
16 out of the way -- for the WSDC visualization, which now  
17 encompasses the majority of the City of San Diego. And  
18 the SDCY visualization is at negative 4.07. So  
19 obviously, this is within the five percent plus or minus  
20 deviation allowance.

21 So we could move onto other areas, including Orange  
22 County, or if you wanted to consider readding Spring  
23 Valley to lower the deviation of the SESDC and raise this  
24 negative deviation, that would be another option.

25 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you. At this point, I'd like

1 to move onto South Orange.

2 I see hands, Commissioner Sadhwani, Commissioner  
3 Sinay.

4 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Oh, if we could quickly do the  
5 Spring Valley one, I think that that would finalize that  
6 piece because we had pulled it out and just put it back  
7 in with -- with its neighbors for that one COI from City  
8 Heights all the way to El Cajon.

9 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Sivan, let's do that.

10 But Commissioners, I do want to balance. We have to  
11 get through all of this. So we will not be able to fix  
12 all of the areas. We can note them. So please, let's --

13 You said Spring Valley, Commissioner Sinay?

14 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yes (indiscernible).

15 MS. TRATT: All right. So adding Spring Valley back  
16 into the SECY visualization would make that deviation  
17 2.22 and for SESDC would make it negative 3.99. Would  
18 you like me to commit this change?

19 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Do Commissioners feel that 3.99  
20 is too high?

21 CHAIR TURNER: It's within our five.

22 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Okay.

23 MS. TRATT: Thank you.

24 CHAIR TURNER: So once we commit there, if we can  
25 move to the South Orange County, please.

1 MS. TRATT: Absolutely. So this first district  
2 visualization that goes into southern Orange County is  
3 the SOCNSD visualization. And you can find what this  
4 looks like pre-live line drawing on page -- one moment,  
5 please -- on page 52. So this visualization includes all  
6 of the City of Vista. This was a change from last time.  
7 We reunited the City of Vista with Oceanside and Camp  
8 Pendleton. It goes north into South Orange County  
9 coastal cities, including Dana Point, Laguna Niguel, and  
10 San Juan Capistrano, as well as San Clemente. It should  
11 be on page 52.

12 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: That's Bensal.

13 MS. TRATT: Oh, that's on senate. I'm so sorry. It  
14 is on page --

15 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: It's page 96.

16 MS. TRATT: 96. Thank you so much. 96.

17 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. I think this area must look  
18 great. I don't see any hands.

19 Okay, Commissioner Akutagawa.

20 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, thank you. Okay. So  
21 I -- this is going to also impact the one up above the MA  
22 one. So is that -- I don't know, Sivan, if you want to  
23 talk about that.

24 MS. TRATT: Yeah, I can just give an overview of all  
25 of the visualizations in Orange County if that's helpful

1 before we start making changes. So --

2 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yes.

3 MS. TRATT: -- perfect. So yes, so the MA  
4 visualization, which is on page -- one moment, please --  
5 on page 104. So this is a visualization which captures a  
6 lot of those kind of hillside cities in inland Orange  
7 County all the way up to Silverado. And then it goes  
8 across into Riverside County to capture Wildomar and  
9 Murieta, as well as Temecula and the Pechanga  
10 Reservation. And this is at a .06 deviation currently.

11 Moving north along the coastline, the NOCCC  
12 visualization, captures much of the coastal area  
13 excluding these southern cities, and it goes from Laguna  
14 beach up to Alisa Viejo, Laguna Hills, Newport Beach,  
15 cuts Costa Mesa and the southern portion, Huntington  
16 Beach, and goes up to include Seal Beach, Rossmoor, and  
17 Los Alamitos.

18 Then we have the GGW visualization, which is on page  
19 99. It has a negative .33 deviation currently, and this  
20 is capturing all of Westminster, Midway City, Stanton,  
21 Garden Grove, the westernmost portion of Santa Ana, and  
22 goes and captures also the majority of the City of Costa  
23 Mesa.

24 Should I continue, Chair, just with the -- I think  
25 there's two more.

1 CHAIR TURNER: Please.

2 MS. TRATT: Okay. Or three more, Pardon me.

3 Okay, so next is the SAA. This looks a lot like the  
4 visualization we were looking at last night in  
5 congressional, where it captures a lot of Anaheim Valley,  
6 as well as the majority of the City of Orange and Santa  
7 Ana.

8 NOC is on page 100. And this goes slightly into  
9 L.A. County to include Artesia and Cerritos. Also  
10 includes Buena Park and Fullerton, and the other portion  
11 of Anaheim Valley, as well as Cyprus.

12 LAOSB is on page 101, currently at -- on the higher  
13 end of the negative deviation, so could add a little bit  
14 more population, but includes La Habra, Brea, Placentia,  
15 Anaheim Hills, Villa Park, as well as the eastern portion  
16 of Orange, goes a little bit into the mountainous area,  
17 and then wraps around to grab Chino Hills, and goes into  
18 Chino slightly, again, just to kind of lower the negative  
19 deviation.

20 And the last visualization is IRV, and it's on page  
21 102. This keeps Irvine, Tustin, and North Tustin  
22 together, along with Lake Forest.

23 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you very much.

24 So Commissioners, what would be helpful is what I  
25 think Commissioner Fornaciari was reminding us earlier.

1 So if you give us an idea of what overall it is you're  
2 trying to accomplish and then let us know how you want to  
3 go about it, I think it will help you bring all of us  
4 along with any vision that you're trying to create or  
5 shift. Thank you.

6 Commissioner Akutagawa.

7 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, thank you. And it  
8 was helpful to see all of it because I -- I -- here's --  
9 here's what I'm looking to do. I -- I am trying to honor  
10 the different COI testimony. I think there is -- I'll  
11 call it debate as to whether or not Costa Mesa belongs in  
12 the GG1 -- or -- or even I would say whether or not it  
13 goes with the Newport Beach coastal community. We've  
14 certainly seen several different testimonies about  
15 including Costa Mesa with Irvine. So what I'd like to do  
16 is -- and then also, looking at what is the LAOSB and its  
17 impacts to -- or I take that back. Looking at MA and the  
18 impacts that adding -- if -- if we were to add Costa Mesa  
19 to Irvine, it would mean having to push some cities a  
20 little bit southward.

21 I have -- I have a -- I guess I'll say it. I have a  
22 vision of where the swaps can happen without hopefully  
23 overly impacting anything negatively. I just want to see  
24 if I can play this out in terms of the swaps that I have  
25 in mind.

1           So I -- let me start with Costa Mesa and moving it  
2 into the Irvine district.

3           MS. TRATT: Okay, Commissioner Akutagawa, if we move  
4 Costa Mesa into the IRV visualization, the population of  
5 IRV will be over by 23.99 percent deviation. NOCC will  
6 become negative 7.2, and GGW will be negative 14.33  
7 percent deviation.

8           COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Okay, let me -- let me  
9 start this way. If we were to move -- if -- can you --  
10 let me just ask you this. Is it better that you accept  
11 this current change because then could you move Lake  
12 Forest out --

13          CHAIR TURNER: And -- and before we make any changes  
14 to move, Commissioner Ahmad.

15          COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Thank you, Chair.

16          I just was hoping Commissioner Akutagawa, that you  
17 can walk me through all of the changes that you are  
18 hoping to make before we actually go to the map and make  
19 those changes, just so I can see what your whole vision  
20 is.

21          COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Okay.

22          COMMISSIONER AHMAD: That would be very helpful for  
23 me.

24          COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Okay, so then I -- I also  
25 realized I -- I neglected to give one other piece of what

1 I have envisioned here. So reading through much of the  
2 COI testimony, there is quite a bit that the Orange  
3 County residents would like to stay within a -- you know,  
4 within an Orange County district.

5 Now, given the size of the congressional and the  
6 Senate ones, it's going to be a little bit harder, but I  
7 believe it may be possible to at least accommodate that  
8 at an assembly district. So my thought is starting with  
9 moving Costa Mesa to Irvine. Seeing if moving Lake  
10 Forest out and into the -- I think it's the MA  
11 visualization and then parking it there. And then seeing  
12 what that would then do to the numbers. Probably --  
13 although not ideal -- possibly moving North Tustin to the  
14 LAOSB to help make up some of that deviation that's  
15 negative right now. And then using the MA -- the Orange  
16 County portion of the MA, which is including moving Lake  
17 Forest in, combining it with that Orange County portion  
18 that is attached to Camp Pendleton, and then finding  
19 where a good break point is between either Laguna Beach  
20 or Newport Beach. So then it would be contained -- an  
21 assembly district would be contained all within Orange  
22 County.

23 Now, the coastal district, which would be Newport  
24 Beach, Huntington Beach, Seal Beach, part of that is  
25 going to depend on what the other numbers look like, and

1 then either pulling in, you know -- right now Rossmoor  
2 and Los Alamitos are in there. Either pulling in  
3 Westminster, Fountain Valley, Midway City -- I think it's  
4 pretty small there -- and then possibly, if need be, move  
5 out Los Alamitos and Rossmoor so that it's -- it's  
6 together with Cyprus and -- I think it's possibly --  
7 but -- but hopefully, we won't have to do that. That's  
8 my hope.

9 CHAIR TURNER: Sivan.

10 MS. TRATT: So just one thing to keep in mind while  
11 we're considering these changing is the population of  
12 Costa Mesa is approximately 111,000 people. The  
13 population of Lake Forest is approximately 85,000 people.  
14 Do you have North Tustin?

15 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: What about North Tustin?

16 MS. TRATT: We're looking that up now. One moment.

17 The other thing -- just responding to what you kind  
18 of said is some big picture things -- currently, the COI  
19 of Little Saigon is kept intact in its entirety within  
20 GGW. And I just wanted to bring to your attention that  
21 removing Westminster and Midway City would break that  
22 COI, just so you're aware.

23 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yes, and I am also very  
24 much aware as -- as we've heard from all of the -- or --  
25 or testimony of some of the people that we've gotten from

1 the Little Saigon area that they also want to include Los  
2 Alamitos and Rossmoor.

3 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Sadhwani?

4 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: I just had a few clarifying  
5 questions for Commissioner Akutagawa. With -- with GGW,  
6 if we remove Costa Mesa, can you remind me which  
7 direction then are you adding to the Little Saigon area?

8 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Right now, I'm trying go in  
9 a clockwise direction and seeing what that would do to  
10 the -- to the numbers

11 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: So does that --

12 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: But it could -- it could be  
13 possible that Los Alamitos and Rossmoor would be moved  
14 into the GGW.

15 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Okay, and I could see that.  
16 And then -- and then on the south side -- I know earlier  
17 today, as well as yesterday, you had mentioned shifting  
18 Fallbrook. Is this a part of this plan?

19 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: No, no. I mean, it -- it  
20 doesn't necessarily have to be. I was thinking it would  
21 be, but I think it's going -- Fallbrook could get shifted  
22 if -- when looking at that San Bernardino and also the  
23 San Diego portion, that would be -- that could be put  
24 together because the -- when I was looking at the map,  
25 putting Camp Pendleton and that San Bernardino portion

1 that is currently with South Orange County, it seems like  
2 from a terrain perspective, it's better to put those two  
3 parts together and then cut it off at the Orange County  
4 border. And also, specifically because of the COI  
5 testimony, there's quite a bit about -- from an assembly  
6 district, there was COI testimony to -- to keep -- there  
7 was mixed in the sense that people wanted to stay within  
8 Orange County, and then there was also within the  
9 congressional district, there was -- there was COI  
10 testimony specifying that they wanted to be a  
11 specifically coastal district, excluding the inland  
12 cities that are along the 15, which included communities  
13 like Fallbrook. And in fact, I've been getting on my  
14 email lots of input from the San Diego side, too, about  
15 that.

16 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: I -- I -- based on the COI  
17 testimony we had received over the summer, I think for  
18 Fallbrook we do have conflicting testimony regarding that  
19 area. I had gone back and looked at my notes on that. I  
20 would very much oppose putting Fallbrook into a coastal  
21 district. I -- I don't think they go together. I have  
22 additional notes on that if it's helpful for an  
23 explanation of why. But I think a lot of the other  
24 pieces that you're mentioning make a lot of sense for  
25 Orange County.

1           COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, and I am not asking  
2 to put Fallbrook in with the coastal side. Right now I'm  
3 just suggesting -- I was -- I was just mentioning that.  
4 I realize that that -- when I was saying about remove  
5 Fallbrook, it was -- I was mixing it up with the  
6 congressional. But for right now, I'm hoping to see if  
7 we could create an assembly district that would be a  
8 South Orange County assembly district that would stop at  
9 the Orange County border and that would include a portion  
10 of coastal South Orange County but also a portion of  
11 inland South Orange County. However, based on COI  
12 testimony that I've read, that that is not something that  
13 people are opposed to.

14           COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, I'm not sure where the  
15 population comes from then though into the -- so then the  
16 south -- or excuse me -- the SOCNSD -- I think that's  
17 South OC North San Diego -- that gets split at the  
18 border. And then what's -- what's populating the North  
19 San Diego part? It's getting put with something else?

20           COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: It will get put with  
21 something else. My -- when I looked up the population of  
22 Camp Pendleton, it wasn't in the thousands. So it  
23 shouldn't be too much, but this is why I'm asking to have  
24 these visualization changes made.

25           COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: I think it also includes the

1 City of Oceanside, though, which I think has a greater  
2 population, I would imagine.

3 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, and that's why I  
4 asked about whether or not the changes that were being  
5 done and the time that was spent was going to be  
6 something that needed to be done because I did have -- I  
7 did say that I wanted to make changes. Similar to what  
8 you said, Commissioner Sadhwani, about the earlier when I  
9 asked about making those other changes that there is  
10 ripple effects, same thing here. And so it was -- it  
11 was -- you know, it was an option, and -- and it was --  
12 you know, people opted to focus on San Diego first.

13 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: I mean, I would support  
14 starting with the Costa Mesa change and -- and maybe  
15 seeing where that gets us. I'm a little concerned  
16 because I think it is going to have a really big ripple  
17 effect, but I agree with that change.

18 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Akutagawa, I'd suggest  
19 that you start with the changes, recognizing that we can  
20 remove them. However, at some point, I want to -- I want  
21 to just kind of have in the back of you -- have in the  
22 back of your mind of how much is too much, you know, if  
23 you get into trouble or get too far down where we maybe  
24 need to start reversing some things. I just want don't  
25 want this to go on a long time, but I do want it to go on

1 long enough for you to be able to explore, you know, what  
2 you have in your mind and see if it will work or not. It  
3 may work perfectly, and then we can move on.

4 Before you do that, Commissioner Kennedy?

5 MR. KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair.

6 Just to say that certainly having Temecula grouped  
7 with both Murrieta and Wildomar is far preferable to  
8 having Temecula cut off from those cities. We still have  
9 to recognize that that white area in between Temecula and  
10 San Juan Capistrano and so forth, that -- that large  
11 white area in MA is mostly pretty rough mountains, and  
12 you know, the question is can -- can you get there from  
13 here? So we just need to keep that in mind. Thank you.

14 MS. AKUTAGAWA: And I'll say that that's part of the  
15 reason why I thought that that was not a good district to  
16 have because it is hard to transverse. That is all  
17 Cleveland National Forest, and people have written to say  
18 that that is not a practicable kind of district to have  
19 because there's only one way in and one way out. It's --  
20 it's not unlike some of the other conversations that  
21 we've had on the far north about, you know -- you know,  
22 one way in and one way out.

23 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Sadhwani?

24 MS. SADHWANI: Yeah, I was just going to say the --  
25 my last thought here is it sounds like there's multiple

1 changes that you're trying to make, but I think if we can  
2 prioritize -- what's that first one you -- you suggested  
3 Costa Mesa as the first change. That -- that's a change  
4 to that GGW. You also suggested a desire to make two  
5 coastal districts, and I -- I don't know that we're going  
6 to get both, right? Like --

7 MS. AKUTAGAWA: No, I -- no, I -- I mean, I  
8 don't think it's going to be --

9 MS. SADHWANI: I think prioritizing where you want  
10 to start might make a whole --

11 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, and I -- I have already laid  
12 it out.

13 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Let's -- so the -- you're  
14 starting --

15 MS. SADHWANI: I don't think it works.

16 CHAIR TURNER: -- Commissioner Akut -- Akutagawa in  
17 Jerrian (ph.).

18 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Well, I've asked to start with Costa  
19 Mesa. I mean, we could start somewhere else, but I  
20 think -- as I was looking at it, it was possibly moving  
21 Costa Mesa to the Irvine district that could -- that  
22 would then have the changes. I understand -- did -- were  
23 you able to find out what the number for North Tustin is?

24 MS. TRATT: Yes, so again, North Tustin is about  
25 24,000 people, Costa Mesa is about 11 -- 111,000 people,

1 and Lake Forest is about 85,000 people, so they're  
2 roughly an even swap. But it looks like they would be  
3 going to different districts if you're assigning Lake  
4 Forest to MA and North Tustin to LAOSB.

5 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Yes. So can -- let's move Costa  
6 Mesa and -- and what order do you need to do this in  
7 terms of accepting changes and --

8 MS. TRATT: So because --

9 MS. AKUTAGAWA: -- being able to undo it?

10 MS. TRATT: So -- pardon me. So because they're all  
11 in different districts, I will need to make those changes  
12 one at a time. So starting with adding Costa Mesa to  
13 IR -- IRV from GGW --

14 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Yes, please.

15 MS. TRATT: -- let me commit this change first. All  
16 right.

17 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Fernandez?

18 Okay. Go ahead, Commissioner Akutagawa. And yes,  
19 that -- that change.

20 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Okay. And then let's move Lake  
21 Forest to the MA. And then can you temporarily put the  
22 Camp Pendleton side or the Cleveland National Forest side  
23 at the San -- at the Orange County/San Diego border? Can  
24 you put that portion that is south of the Orange County  
25 border and San Diego border, can you park it somewhere?

1 MS. TRATT: Yes, would you like me to move North  
2 Tustin into LAOSB first, or move them to Camp Pendleton?

3 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Yes, I just -- I thought you had to  
4 do it one at a time; I didn't think you could move that  
5 yet.

6 MS. TRATT: I can move that now that Lake Forest is  
7 in MA if you'd like me --

8 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Okay, yes.

9 MS. TRATT: -- to do that now.

10 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Yes.

11 MS. TRATT: Okay. One moment, please.

12 Okay. So now the IRV visualization has a deviation  
13 of 1.32, LAOSB is at .66 deviation, and MA is at 17.46.  
14 And I'm now going to move the map down to look at the  
15 Camp Pendleton portion.

16 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Actually, the MA, can you remove  
17 that Cleveland Nat -- that big, white section there  
18 that's all the forest there, as well as, looks like  
19 Wildomar, Murrieta, Temecula, and that whole section that  
20 is south of the Orange County border in -- into San  
21 Bernardino? Yes.

22 MS. TRATT: So which visualization would you like me  
23 to add this area to? And I'd just remind you that this a  
24 VRA consideration district as is --

25 MS. AKUTAGAWA: That one?

1 MS. SADHWANI: -- (indiscernible) Beach, as is --  
2 yes. So these two are VRA, so I would recommend either  
3 moving it into Southwest Riverside or into the VSME just  
4 temporarily while we --

5 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Yes, let's do that.

6 MS. TRATT: Which one, Commissioner?

7 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Oh, go into Southwest Riverside.

8 MS. TRATT: Okay. I will assign this area to  
9 Southwest Riverside. One moment.

10 CHAIR TURNER: I just want to say that, yes,  
11 Temecula, Murrieta, Menifee, Lake Elsinore -- that was  
12 all the COI testimony, keeping all that area together.

13 MS. TRATT: All right. So with those changes, it  
14 would cut at the Orange County/Riverside border,  
15 Southwe -- the SW RIV would co -- become 54.8 percent  
16 overpopulated and MA would become 41.59 percent  
17 underpopulated. Would you like me to commit this change?

18 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Yes, please.

19 MS. TRATT: All right. I'm ready for your next  
20 direction, commissioner.

21 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Okay, thank you. Can you now pick  
22 up from San Clemente north? Before you do that, can you  
23 add -- can you go up just a little bit more? It looks  
24 like Aliso Viejo and Laguna Hills, and Laguna Woods --

25 MS. TRATT: So those --

1 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Yes, can --

2 MS. TRATT: They're currently in the NOCC  
3 visualization.

4 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Yes, let's move -- let's move them  
5 to the inland MA that's --

6 MS. TRATT: Okay.

7 MS. AKUTAGAWA: -- currently called MA.

8 MS. TRATT: Okay. Just a reminder that this is  
9 already underpopulated, but I will do that now. One  
10 moment.

11 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Thank you.

12 MS. TRATT: All right. So adding Laguna Woods,  
13 Laguna Hills, and Aliso Viejo to MA would make the  
14 deviation of MA 21.09 percent under deviation and NOCC  
15 27.71 percent under deviation. Would you like me to  
16 commit this change?

17 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Could you also scroll -- oh, that's  
18 a different area. Okay. Yes, please. And could you  
19 scroll down just a little bit more now? Okay. Let's add  
20 San Juan Capistrano --

21 MS. TRATT: To MA?

22 MS. AKUTAGAWA: To MA.

23 MS. TRATT: Okay. That would make the deviation of  
24 SOCNSD -3.46, which is within our deviation range, and MA  
25 would become -13.95 deviation.

1 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Okay. Let's go ahead and let's add  
2 San Clemente to that and see what happens.

3 CHAIR TURNER: Please commit that change.

4 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Okay.

5 MS. TRATT: So we now have a noncontiguous portion  
6 of the SOCNSD --

7 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Okay.

8 MS. TRATT: -- because this is --

9 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, I -- I realize that. Could  
10 you add in Dana Point? And that should make it  
11 contiguous after my next request. And could you accept  
12 that, and then return Aliso Viejo?

13 MS. TRATT: Return Aliso Viejo back into NOCC?

14 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Yes, please.

15 MS. TRATT: Okay. One moment.

16 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Oh, that was a big change. Okay.

17 MS. TRATT: Would you like me to also add Laguna  
18 Niguel?

19 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Into --

20 MS. TRATT: Because this is technically part of this  
21 S -- this is one of those bubbles, because Laguna Niguel  
22 is currently associated with this northern coastal Orange  
23 County -- or pardon me, San Diego County district.

24 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Oh, I see. Okay. So before adding  
25 Aliso Viejo it was -- if you undo that change -- oh, I

1 thought Laguna Niguel was part of the NOCC. Okay. If  
2 you could add Laguna Niguel to the NOCC, what would that  
3 do then?

4 MS. TRATT: So that would make the deviation of NOCC  
5 -14.67 percent deviation and SOCNDS -36.24. And again,  
6 that's the visualization that includes Camp Pendleton,  
7 Oceanside, and Vista.

8 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Okay, but the MA visualization is  
9 just 5.79 percent over it looks like?

10 MS. TRATT: Yes. Yes.

11 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Okay. I see. Okay. That means  
12 it's -- okay, so it's too -- it's too much then?

13 CHAIR TURNER: Yes.

14 MS. TRATT: Correct.

15 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Okay. Okay. And Aliso Viejo was  
16 smaller when -- when you had Aliso Viejo selected and  
17 Lagun -- Laguna -- if you accept this into the MA  
18 district, is that where it is, or is that in the NOCC?

19 MS. TRATT: So the pending change right now is  
20 adding Laguna Niguel into NOCC. Would you like me to  
21 change that to add Laguna Niguel into MA?

22 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Oh, no, no, no, no. I'm sorry, I'm  
23 getting confused then. Okay, yes, please accept it to --  
24 put it into the NOCC, and then the MA will be 5.79; is --  
25 is that correct? Okay, then if you add --

1 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Akutagawa, 5.79 is still  
2 too high for MA.

3 MS. AKUTAGAWA: No, I know.

4 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. I thought it was --

5 MS. AKUTAGAWA: So I'm going to take -- I'm going to  
6 take away from NA (sic).

7 If you take away Aliso Viejo from NA (sic), will --  
8 how much will it bring down?

9 MS. TRATT: Would you like me to add --

10 MS. AKUTAGAWA: And then how much will --

11 MS. TRATT: -- add Aliso Viejo into NOCC?

12 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Yes.

13 MS. TRATT: Okay. One moment. Yes, that will lower  
14 the deviation to -4.78 percent, which is within our  
15 acceptable range. Would you like me to commit this  
16 change? It'll also put NOCC within our acceptable range  
17 at -4.1 percent.

18 CHAIR TURNER: And Commissioner Akutagawa, one  
19 moment, please.

20 Jaime?

21 MS. CLARK: Yeah, thank you so much. Just if -- so  
22 if Sivan just kind of zoomed out of the map and just sort  
23 of taking a look at where we are right now, the GGW,  
24 which is the Garden Grove-based visualization, is  
25 negative fourteen percent. So is the NOCCC; it's about

1 negative fourteen percent. And then additionally,  
2 there's some underpopulated and overpopulated districts  
3 going on right now in Riverside County and northern San  
4 Diego County.

5 And yes, absolutely, making the change that's on the  
6 table right now would balance population between NOCCC  
7 and MA, however, there would still be this GGW  
8 visualization, which, again, is the kind of Garden  
9 Grove/Westminster visualization that would additionally  
10 need to be balanced. So if I may suggest that balancing  
11 that GGW visualization first, and then moving further  
12 south and balancing the rest of the districts would  
13 prevent any bubbles of population occurring that would  
14 need more refinement later.

15 CHAIR TURNER: Um-hum.

16 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Okay. If to the GGW, if you added  
17 Los Alamitos and Rossmoor I don't think it'll be enough,  
18 but what -- where would it get to the population?

19 MS. TRATT: One moment, please.

20 Adding Los Alamitos and Rossmoor to GGW would make  
21 the deviation of GGW -9.79, and NOCC would be a deviation  
22 of -19.21 percent.

23 MS. CLARK: So --

24 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Okay.

25 MS. CLARK: So for this we should just really focus

1 on balancing the GGW, and then we can deal with other  
2 deviation issues later down the road.

3 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Okay. If -- if you were to take --  
4 I know Cypress is in another district, it looks like; is  
5 that correct?

6 MS. TRATT: Yes, that's correct. So in order to add  
7 that -- oh, I -- I could add that if you'd like to see  
8 what that would do.

9 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Yes.

10 MS. TRATT: So that would put the deviation at GGW  
11 at .37, which is a really good deviation if we --

12 MS. AKUTAGAWA: And what about the North OC district  
13 that --

14 MS. TRATT: So -- so like Jaime just said, we'll  
15 deal with that once we return all the way around  
16 clockwise.

17 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Okay.

18 MS. CLARK: And then --

19 MS. TRATT: Oh, sorry.

20 MS. CLARK: Sorry. So the North OC, which has the  
21 Cypress/Buena Park/Anaheim area, that's going to be -9.86  
22 percent.

23 So if -- Sivan, could you zoom out just a little  
24 bit, please?

25 MS. TRATT: Um-hum.

1 MS. CLARK: So committing this change would mean,  
2 essentially, that -- changing all of the districts in  
3 Orange County.

4 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Okay.

5 MS. CLARK: If we include Cypress.

6 MS. AKUTAGAWA: And -- okay. Okay. Could we do  
7 that then?

8 CHAIR TURNER: One moment.

9 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Or no, maybe not. Okay.

10 MS. CLARK: So then --

11 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah.

12 MS. CLARK: -- for -- for what the area that you're  
13 looking at right now, if you weren't going to add  
14 Cypress, it would be looking at adding Seal Beach in with  
15 the Garden Grove/Westminster-based visualization.

16 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Okay. And what would that do if we  
17 added Seal Beach to that then instead of Cypress?

18 MS. TRATT: So I've just selected to add all of Seal  
19 Beach, and that would put the deviation of GGW at -4.68  
20 percent.

21 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Which is within the --

22 MS. TRATT: And --

23 MS. AKUTAGAWA: -- range?

24 MS. TRATT: Yes, and it would put NOC at .31  
25 percent.

1 MS. AKUTAGAWA: And then if you went then back down  
2 the coastline, you could smooth it out?

3 MS. CLARK: Right. So then we --

4 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah.

5 MS. CLARK: -- would be just sort of rippling  
6 population north and balancing -- balancing --

7 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Perhaps take -- perhaps taking the  
8 rest -- perhaps tak -- well, perhaps then taking South  
9 Orange County and that Cleveland National Forest as part  
10 of --

11 CHAIR TURNER: It -- it feels -- it feels to me like  
12 we're -- we're starting to break a lot of COIs that we  
13 recently worked on. But again, it's just I'd -- I'd have  
14 to bring in Jose and others to co -- it's  
15 (indiscernible) --

16 MS. AKUTAGAWA: I was going -- I was going to  
17 suggest, actually, that we don't break the River -- San  
18 Bernardino COIs and try to see if we were take just the  
19 population of that Cleveland National Forest plus the  
20 Camp Pendleton and perhaps the Vista, because I think  
21 that's as far down as it went -- or I'm sorry, Oceanside.

22 CHAIR TURNER: Um-hum. Okay.

23 Commissioner Sa -- Sadhwani?

24 MS. SADHWANI: I -- I was definitely following you  
25 in the beginning here, Commissioner Akutagawa, but I -- I

1 think at this point we're -- we're causing so many large  
2 changes. Like, to me --

3 CHAIR TURNER: Um-hum.

4 MS. SADHWANI: -- connecting Oceanside to Menifee, I  
5 think it would be, right?

6 MS. AKUTAGAWA: No, no, no, no, it would be --

7 MS. SADHWANI: All the way up --

8 MS. AKUTAGAWA: -- not -- it --

9 MS. SADHWANI: -- (indiscernible).

10 MS. AKUTAGAWA: -- it would not -- it would -- no,  
11 the line would stop at Cleveland National Forest; it  
12 wouldn't cross over into San Bernardino.

13 MS. CLARK: But we would still need all that  
14 population down below. And I -- I understand you're  
15 trying to make a -- an -- an Orange County coastal or  
16 Orange County so -- southern Orange County district, but  
17 I think we're having humungous ripple effects, and I'm --  
18 I'm curious if it would be possible.

19 I definitely was feeling you when we were looking at  
20 Costa Mesa, North Tustin, and Lake Forest. And those  
21 initial changes, I think, were helpful, but from there we  
22 went south, and I'm wondering if it's possible to go back  
23 to those first three changes and work our way northward  
24 more so that we can clean up the GGW after those initial  
25 changes rather than falling into districts that are

1 hitting San Bernardino and San Diego.

2       And I think the reality here is these districts have  
3 to be about approximate size, and we're -- we're not  
4 going to be able to hit -- each COI that we have isn't  
5 necessarily going to get its own district, right? Like  
6 for example -- and I do want to be really responsive  
7 here, but like, we are getting a lot of testimony from  
8 Little Saigon, but the reality is we keep Little Saigon  
9 together, right? We have a Westminster/Garden Gl --  
10 Grove/Fountain Valley; that does not constitute a -- an  
11 Assembly district or a Congressional district on its own.  
12 And so I think if we work our way northward rather than  
13 southward, we can contain some of these ripples in Orange  
14 County and work our way out from them.

15       MS. AKUTAGAWA: Okay. Let's -- let's see what that  
16 would do then.

17       MS. CLARK: Did that make sense to you Sivan?

18       MS. SADHWANI: So I think what makes most sense --

19       And Chair, you can direct me otherwise if you feel  
20 differently.

21       I took a snapshot before we started making any  
22 changes, so I would suggest that we revert to how the  
23 districts were --

24       MS. CLARK: Yes.

25       MS. SADHWANI: -- and then I remake that Costa Mesa,

1 Lake Forest, North Tustin swap --

2 MS. CLARK: Yes.

3 MS. SADHWANI: -- and then we go from there. Is  
4 that all right?

5 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. I -- I like that. But before  
6 we go that route, let me get Commissioner Kennedy.

7 MR. KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair.

8 I -- it -- it sounds a little bit like the -- the  
9 objective is to fit a number of districts solely within  
10 Orange County -- or -- or for all intents and purposes,  
11 within Orange County. And the reality, if we do the  
12 math, is Orange County comes out to six and a half  
13 districts, so you know, we -- we -- it is important we do  
14 have constraints -- physical constraints and -- and other  
15 constraints, but we have to -- we have to recognize that,  
16 you know, some of these are just going to have to cross  
17 the county line at some point. Thank you.

18 CHAIR TURNER: Let's go back -- yes, Sivan.

19 Commissioner Akutagawa.

20 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, I -- I was going to agree with  
21 what Commissioner Kennedy said. I think it's my -- my  
22 objective is more to prevent a district where they have  
23 to cross over a mountain to get to the other side, and if  
24 there's another way to, and then also to ensure then, as  
25 he had also stated, that Temecula, and then those other

1 three cities that follow up along the I-15, they've also  
2 expressed that they are a COI as well, too. And so if  
3 there's a way that we can make it work, I think -- I  
4 think crossing the bou -- the -- the county lines  
5 would -- it, you know, is not a -- a -- a, you know,  
6 game-stopper here, it's just -- that was just what I was  
7 visualizing when I was looking at the maps and trying to  
8 figure out, would this actually work? It's hard until  
9 you see the numbers, you know, what we're doing right  
10 now.

11 CHAIR TURNER: So Sivan, did you get a chance to  
12 reverse?

13 MS. TRATT: Yes, so now we're back to the cha -- how  
14 the visualizations were before we swapped Costa Mesa from  
15 the GGW. So once I get your direction, I will go ahead  
16 and do the Costa Mesa, Lake Forest, North Tustin swap  
17 again. Should I go ahead and do that?

18 CHAIR TURNER: Yes, let's see -- let's see --

19 MS. TRATT: All right.

20 CHAIR TURNER: -- if -- so you heard what  
21 Commissioner Akutagawa was trying to accomplish, and so  
22 this is what we're working towards now.

23 (Pause)

24 MS. TRATT: All right, Chair, so the program is  
25 still showing this as being under selection, but it -- it

1 is added to the district, it's just acting up for some  
2 reason, but now Costa Mesa is part of IRV, Lake Forest is  
3 part of MA, and North Tustin is part of LAOSB.

4 MS. AKUTAGAWA: I believe we were going to try for  
5 GGW. We're going to move Los Alamitos, Rossmoor, and  
6 Seal Beach into the GGW visualization there, and that  
7 does align with the COI testimony that we received from  
8 the Little Saigon callers and writers.

9 MS. SADHWANI: Sivan, can we also just take a  
10 look -- I -- I just can't see it on this view of the map  
11 of what the population deviation is south of NOCCC? Just  
12 so I know what we're working with.

13 MS. TRATT: Yes, one moment, please. I'm --

14 MS. SADHWANI: Yeah.

15 MS. TRATT: -- also --

16 MS. SADHWANI: No worries.

17 MS. TRATT: -- going to bring over the pending --  
18 oh, this is the wrong one. One second. Here are the  
19 pending changes.

20 And then Commissioner Sadhwani, you had said to --

21 MS. SADHWANI: Yeah, just if we could -- if we can  
22 pan out so we can see what -- what the population  
23 deviation is so we know how much we'll have to shift --

24 MS. TRATT: Yeah.

25 MS. SADHWANI: -- potentially downwards.

1 MS. TRATT: Absolutely. So if we -- if we add Los  
2 Alamitos, Rossmoor, and Seal Beach to GGW, the deviation  
3 of GGW would become -4.68 --

4 MS. SADHWANI: Um-hum.

5 MS. TRATT: -- and NOCC would be at -16.86.

6 MS. SADHWANI: And it looks like the SOCNSD could --  
7 could absorb some of that.

8 MS. TRATT: Yes, and MAA is -- or MA is also  
9 overpopulated by 17.46 percent currently.

10 MS. SADHWANI: Got it. So we can -- we can be  
11 working our way outward that way, down and -- and -- and  
12 east.

13 MS. TRATT: Yes, exactly.

14 MS. SADHWANI: Perfect.

15 MS. TRATT: Would you like me to ahead and commit  
16 this change?

17 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Yes.

18 MS. TRATT: All right. I'm ready for your next  
19 direction.

20 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Could you zoom in on that South  
21 Orange County area? I believe it's over by Laguna Beach.  
22 Okay. Let's -- let's add Laguna Niguel and let's see  
23 what that does to the numbers.

24 MS. TRATT: So I would actually recommend shifting  
25 from MA into NOCC to balance this high positive and this

1 high negative deviation first, and then make --

2 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Okay.

3 MS. TRATT: -- smaller adjustments just because this  
4 is within our acceptable range, and these are very much  
5 not.

6 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Okay.

7 MS. TRATT: So which cities would you like to move  
8 from MA into NOCC?

9 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Let's --

10 MS. TRATT: I can --

11 MS. AKUTAGAWA: -- move --

12 MS. TRATT: -- start with Lake Forest and --

13 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Lake Forest. Yeah, let's -- let's  
14 move them.

15 MS. TRATT: Okay. One moment, please.

16 CHAIR TURNER: Oh, that --

17 MS. TRATT: This looks like adding Lake Forest would  
18 bring both of those deviations down to a very acceptable  
19 range of --

20 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Okay.

21 MS. TRATT: -- of .54 and .06 percent. Would you  
22 like me to make those changes?

23 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Yes. And then it also looks like  
24 NOCC comes down to 3.68.

25 MS. TRATT: Yes. So currently the deviation of

1 SOCNSD is 3.68, and that goes south, again, to Vista and  
2 Oceanside.

3 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Okay, but it -- I guess I just  
4 realized it doesn't really solve the problem of MA  
5 including Wildomar, Murrieta, and Temecula, and then them  
6 also being separated from their preferred COI and that  
7 Cleveland National Forest is still the big barrier --  
8 physical barrier -- between the two communities.

9 So my question is, do -- as -- do you see that  
10 there's a way to -- to be able to smooth that part out  
11 where Wildomar, Murrieta, and Temecula can be absorbed,  
12 possibly, by SW Riverside without blowing -- at least one  
13 of them being -- without blowing the whole -- or can they  
14 be -- can it be moved up a little bit? Is there any  
15 other areas of negative deviation that would enable that  
16 COI to stay together?

17 MS. CLARK: Commissioner Akutagawa, if those areas  
18 were combined with the SW RIV visualization, then -- so  
19 right now it's basically these areas in Riverside County  
20 plus areas in Orange County. If those were going to be  
21 moved north, then it would be, you know, different areas  
22 further north on 15; it would cross over into Orange  
23 County. So if we were trying to do a population switch  
24 there, it would just essentially be an -- a decision  
25 between which areas on 15 in Riverside County would go

1 with areas in Orange County.

2 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Jaime, can I just ask you if -- if  
3 just Wildomar, Murrieta, and Temecula, and leaving the  
4 Cleveland National Forest in MA -- and then can you go up  
5 just a little bit? Is Chino Hills, is that in a area  
6 where there's negative population deviation? Oh, it's  
7 already in there. Then perhaps the other option is to  
8 absorb more of Chino into that district, if that would  
9 make sense.

10 MS. TRATT: So -- so Chino is right here, and it's  
11 part of PCO, which is a VRA consideration district and is  
12 also already at a negative deviation, and it also borders  
13 a -- a lot of pretty --

14 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Okay.

15 MS. TRATT: -- delicate L.A. --

16 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Yeah.

17 MS. TRATT: -- visualizations. So I would just --

18 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Okay.

19 MS. TRATT: -- caution you against making any big  
20 changes right now.

21 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Okay.

22 CHAIR TURNER: And I guess the caution I have is  
23 that it's 2 o'clock, and -- 2:30, and we have all of the  
24 other areas still to go. We are still in San Diego, kind  
25 of, you know, the same part of the map. I -- we may have

1 to come back to this after our draft maps are completed,  
2 and then when we have a little bit more time -- we've --

3 MS. AKUTAGAWA: I --

4 CHAIR TURNER: -- we've tried it a couple of ways,  
5 but --

6 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. Chair, I'm -- I'm fine  
7 stopping here. I -- I -- I think I'll just keep thinking  
8 about other options for, you know, creating more of a  
9 clean line for that Cleveland National Forest area with  
10 that San Bernardino, but I'm also comfortable with the  
11 existing changes that we've made, too.

12 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

13 And currently, Sivan, the deviations in all this  
14 piece -- part, I think, as I was tracking, still falls  
15 under -- okay.

16 MS. TRATT: That's correct, Chair.

17 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Commissioner Sadhwani, would  
18 you concur?

19 MS. SADHWANI: Yeah, I think -- I think that this  
20 whole area is pretty complex; it connects var -- Orange  
21 County is the connective tissue between a lot of the  
22 issues in L.A., San Bernardino, San Diego. I think we  
23 need additional thinking throughout the entire region.  
24 But I think that we're in a -- moving in a positive  
25 direction, and so I -- I would feel very comfortable

1 leaving it here for our draft with the full  
2 acknowledgement that we're going to need to come back and  
3 take a look more closely.

4 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

5 With that, Sivan, was that -- that was all of your  
6 area, right?

7 MS. TRATT: Yes, Chair.

8 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. I'd like to move to L.A.  
9 Thank you.

10 Commissioner Akutagawa, your hands up; you have  
11 more?

12 MS. AKUTAGAWA: Nope, I'm done. Thank you.

13 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Thank you for your work.

14 MS. CLARK: Just give me a moment to switch over  
15 here.

16 (Pause)

17 MS. CLARK: Okay. So earlier today we looked at  
18 some of the areas of L.A. County. And now, just going  
19 through the handouts, not very much has changed, so -- in  
20 our Assembly visualization, so just going to go through  
21 the handout from page 59, please. This is East Ventura  
22 County and Malibu area. Visualization in Ventura County,  
23 it includes Simi Valley, Moorpark, Thousand Oaks, Oak  
24 Park, Westlake Village, and much of Camarillo. In Los  
25 Angeles County it includes Westlake Village, Agoura

1 Hills, Calabasas, Topanga, Malibu, and Palisades  
2 neighborhood. This is a 1.03 percent deviation.

3 The next page in the handout is page 60, and it  
4 shows the visualization called "ADWESTSIDE". It includes  
5 Bel Air, West Hollywood, Beverly Hills, Westwood  
6 Neighborhood Council, Westside Neighborhood Council,  
7 South Robertson, West Los Angeles, Santa Monica, Mar  
8 Vista, Venice, Del Ray , Marina del Ray, part of  
9 Westchester -- does not include LAX. This is a 4.17  
10 percent deviation.

11 Moving to page 61, please. South Bay -- this  
12 includes Westchester, including the airport, El Segundo,  
13 Manhattan Beach, Redondo Beach, Gardena south of  
14 Rosencrans.

15 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Rosecrans.

16 MS. CLARK: Rosecrans; thank you.

17 Torrance, Palos Verdes, Rolling Hills, and Lomita.  
18 This is a 2.59 percent deviation.

19 Next is page 62 -- page 62. This is South L.A. It  
20 includes San Pedro, Wilmington, Harbor Gateway South  
21 Neighborhood Council, West Carson, Carson, Compton, West  
22 Rancho Dominguez and East Rancho Dominguez, Lynwood south  
23 of 105. This is a 2.86 percent deviation.

24 Next, please, page 63. This is just the city of  
25 Long Beach plus the city of Signal Hill. This is a -1.6

1 percent deviation, also including San Clemente Island and  
2 Santa -- and Catalina.

3 And next we are looking at page 66 of the handout.  
4 This is the -- called "110LA". This includes Culver  
5 City -- for the most part east of 405, including Palms  
6 Neighborhood Council, Ladera Heights, View Park, West  
7 Adams, Empowerment Congress West, South Central Zapata-  
8 King, Cando (ph.), Park Mesa Heights. This is 3.29  
9 percent deviation.

10 Next, please meet me on page 67 of the handout.  
11 This is the 105 corridor, including the cities of  
12 Inglewood, Lennox, Bel Air, Hawthorne, West Athens,  
13 Gardena north of Rosecrans, Westmont, Empowerment  
14 Congress Southeast Area, Florence, Watts Neighborhood  
15 Council, and Willowbrook. This is a 1.59 percent  
16 deviation.

17 Page 68. This includes Mid-City West, greater  
18 Wilshire, Koreatown, Rampart Village, historic  
19 Filipinotown, Pico-Union, Olympic Park, Pico, Mid-City,  
20 Jefferson Park, Empowerment Congress North Area  
21 Neighborhood Council. This is a 3.99 percent deviation.

22 Page 69, please. Looking at the, sort of, Northeast  
23 L.A.-based visualization; this includes East Los Angeles,  
24 Boyle Heights, downtown, including Little Tokyo and  
25 Chinatown, Westlake South Neighborhood Council, Echo

1 Park, Arroyo Seco, Highland Park, Herman Neighborhood  
2 Council, L.A. 32 (ph.) -- El Sereno Area, Lincoln  
3 Heights. This is a percent deviation of 2.88 percent.

4 Page 70, please. Looking at the visualization that  
5 includes Glendale, Eagle Rock, Glassell Park, Silver  
6 Lake, East Hollywood, Hollywood Hills, Atwater areas;  
7 this is a percent deviation of .11 percent.

8 Page 71. This is 210 corridor. This includes La  
9 Crescenta, La Canada Flintridge, Altadena, Pasadena,  
10 Monrovia, the northern part of Duarte, San Dimas, La  
11 Verne, Claremont, San Antonio Heights, northern parts of  
12 Upland, and Rancho Cucamonga. A difference in this  
13 visualization is just to balance population with areas in  
14 San Bernardino County; it includes Running Springs and  
15 Crestline. This also responds to Commission direction to  
16 include ski towns with other ski towns, and includes  
17 areas of Angeles National Forest. This is a 1.57 percent  
18 deviation.

19 We already went over some of the other  
20 visualizations, so now skipping to page 76, we're headed  
21 to the San Fernando Valley. So page 76, it's looking at  
22 the South San Fernando Valley visualization. This  
23 includes Bell Canyon, Hidden Hills, West Hills, Canoga  
24 Park, Woodland, Tarzana, Encino, Sherman Oaks. This line  
25 here goes up to Califa. There's differing COI testimony

1 as to whether the POSO neighborhood goes up to Oxnard or  
2 Califa; Oxnard is a couple blocks north of this. And  
3 there's differing COI testimony that includes all of this  
4 in with Van Nuys and other neighborhoods to the north.

5 This visualization also includes Sherman Oaks,  
6 Studio Silly -- Studio City, greater Toluca Lake, Valley  
7 Village. This is -4.46 percent deviation.

8 Page 77, please. Central San Fernando Valley. This  
9 includes Racita, Lake Balboa, North Hills, much of  
10 Panorama City and Van Nuys, Greater Valley Glen Council,  
11 Noho West, Noho Neighborhood Council areas. This is a  
12 percent deviation of -4.79 percent.

13 Moving on, please, to page 78. Looking at this East  
14 San Fernando Valley-based visualization. This includes  
15 Sylmar, Mission Hills, Arleta, City of San Fernando,  
16 Pacoima, much of the Sun Valley area, City of Burbank,  
17 Foothill Trails, Sunland-Tujunga, and areas of Angeles  
18 National Forest. This is a -1.04 percent deviation.

19 Moving on to page 80, looking at the Santa Clarita-  
20 based visualization. This includes Castaic, Val Verde,  
21 Santa Clarita Valley areas with Granada Hills, Porter  
22 Ranch, Chatsworth, Northridge. And this is a percent  
23 deviation of -3.24 percent.

24 And finally, moving to page 81 in the handout. This  
25 visualization includes Antelope Valley; and in Kern

1 County it includes Rosamond, Mojave, California City,  
2 Edwards Air Force Base areas, and includes Tehachapi out  
3 to Bear Valley Springs. This is a percent deviation of  
4 .86 percent.

5 CHAIR TURNER: I wonder if, Jaime, if you can just  
6 kind of drill down a bit, click on the CVAP for all  
7 area -- you know, the full -- the big CVAPs and just kind  
8 of just let us visualize, see the areas for a minute so  
9 that we're able to see where we are in some of these  
10 areas.

11 MS. CLARK: The -- the CVAP on the district label?

12 CHAIR TURNER: Yes.

13 MS. CLARK: Okay. One moment, please.

14 CHAIR TURNER: Because I think --

15 Commissioner Sadhwani, while she's doing that.

16 MS. SADHWANI: Yeah, I'm curious to hear how other  
17 commissioners are feeling about the L.A. map at this  
18 stage. I have a -- I -- I think in general things are  
19 looking -- the -- the overall architecture looks pretty  
20 good to me.

21 There -- that being said, I think there's a lot of  
22 fine-tuning that could also take place on this map.  
23 We're certainly hearing -- and I -- I want to name some  
24 of the things -- some of the testimony that -- that I  
25 feel like I've been hearing. In general, I think San

1 Gabriel Valley is looking pretty good. There's concern  
2 that we might be packing the Black community in some of  
3 the -- the southern -- South L.A. districts, so I think  
4 we -- taking a closer look at some of that. The -- did I  
5 say San Gab -- Gabriel earlier? I'm sorry, I --

6 CHAIR TURNER: You did.

7 MS. SADHWANI: -- meant San Fernando. San Fernando  
8 is looking good. San Gabriel Valley, I think we're  
9 hearing testimony that it's not -- the way we've drawn is  
10 not necessarily meeting the needs of AAPI communities,  
11 and I think that's something worth taking a look at,  
12 especially if there's a VRA district in there.

13 We're hearing a lot from the NELA area that Eagle  
14 Rock belongs with Los Angeles, not with Glendale. I  
15 think we're hearing that on the Congressional map as  
16 well.

17 Pieces around Santa Clarita; in particular -- I  
18 mean, Santa Clarita cannot go with Simi Valley in an  
19 Assembly district, it's way overpopulated -- but in  
20 particular, I think the piece I -- I would want to lift  
21 is potentially swapping Granada Hills and -- and the  
22 northern San Fernando Valley for the Sylmar, and  
23 working -- working its way down into Sunland. We made  
24 that switch in the Congressional maps, and so I would  
25 recommend it here, too.

1           We've also heard from the LGBT COIs in the West  
2 Hollywood area are being -- are -- are being split up.  
3 So I name all of that because I think that's actually a  
4 whole lot of work when it comes to a place like L.A.  
5 County. That being said, I would feel fairly comfortable  
6 moving forward with what we have now acknowledging  
7 that -- that there's work to be done, and that we'll make  
8 those refinements as we move forward. But I -- I just  
9 wanted to put that forth and see where others are  
10 feeling.

11           CHAIR TURNER: Thank you. I asked for the CVAP --  
12 I agree, Commissioner Sadhwani.

13           I asked for the CVAP to be up for all of the  
14 different districts so that I can just take a quick look,  
15 because we are receiving a lot of testimony about  
16 districts that can be drawn, perhaps, different ways, and  
17 whether we are, you know, combining areas that is  
18 causing -- that's more problematic than anything that's  
19 working for our communities. So I -- I do see our CVAP  
20 that's up at -- and listed. I think that there are maybe  
21 some ways that we can make changes to some of these  
22 areas.

23           But I also would like to just note that this also  
24 could be an area that we work on when we have a longer  
25 amount of time. I'm worried that if we rush for

1 something that has such high levels of population in  
2 these particular areas, we'll cause more problems and  
3 we'll be -- in our haste, we'll leave some things out  
4 that we really don't have to.

5 Commissioner Vazquez?

6 MS. VAZQUEZ: Yeah, I was going to agree, generally,  
7 with Commissioner Sadhwani. I think we're definitely in  
8 a place architecturally that I think we're -- we will be  
9 able to fine-tune things sort of in -- in one sweep sort  
10 of once we gather more feedback on these maps. I think,  
11 actually, these maps probably did really good at  
12 soliciting the kind -- that kind of helpful feedback  
13 where, you know, here/not here, this -- you know, these  
14 go together, not these going together. And so yeah, I  
15 think I generally agree that the -- the architecture of  
16 these maps in L.A. feel pretty good and feel like they  
17 will -- you know, we'll definitely be changing them, but  
18 not the kinds of big architectural movements that we were  
19 doing in other parts of the map today, so -- so yeah.

20 And I also just wanted to note that a lot of the San  
21 Gabriel Valley comments we were getting are mostly on the  
22 Congressional districts -- at least from what I read and  
23 remember, particularly the -- the AAPI community and the  
24 Congressional district, so just wanted to flag that I --  
25 I hear that. I an -- I anticipate, again, that -- that

1 we will be going back to those maps and making some  
2 changes, but these Assembly maps feel -- feel good to me.

3 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

4 Commissioner Sinay?

5 MS. SINAY: Thank you.

6 I wanted to ask VRA Counsel, my understanding is  
7 that the terms "cracking" and "packing" can only be used  
8 when we are discussing VRA districts. But when we're not  
9 discussing VRA districts, cracking and packing are not  
10 a -- your -- they're not terms we used.

11 MR. BECKER: I think that's probably a fair way to  
12 define it. I mean, there's -- where the Voting Rights  
13 Act applies, as it does through much of this map, but not  
14 through all of it due primarily to concentrations of  
15 population in racially polarized -- the lack of racially  
16 polarized voting in some areas, you can't really crack or  
17 pack a minority population because of the -- because the  
18 Voting Rights Act protections don't meet the three  
19 Gingles preconditions.

20 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

21 Commissioner Toledo?

22 MR. TOLEDO: Yeah, if -- if the changes that we're  
23 thinking about are refinements, we may want to at least  
24 do some of the refinements so we don't push them off --  
25 so prioritize a couple of the refinements so that we

1 don't do all of them all at once later. But -- but I  
2 mean, of course, if there are architectural changes  
3 and -- and -- and we're going to make large changes,  
4 then -- then we may not have time today, so that was -- I  
5 was just thinking through maybe doing a couple and moving  
6 on, or -- or if we're all just very comfortable with  
7 this -- and looking at the CVAPs now and looking at  
8 the -- for the VRA districts, you know, there's a couple  
9 that are a little bit low, but -- but overall the --  
10 they're probably very good, and -- and so I -- I'd be  
11 comfortable moving either way, but recognizing that there  
12 are some refinements that need to be made to -- to make  
13 sure that communities are fairly represented in these  
14 maps. Thank you.

15 CHAIR TURNER: I think before I go to Commissioner  
16 Yee, just in kind of response to that, my thought process  
17 in having is just basically, I think what will make a  
18 difference in how we move forward in this area is for us  
19 to have the discussion we keep talking about -- I keep  
20 talking about -- as far as how are we weighing community  
21 of interest, and how are we -- we're each researching on  
22 our own and separate and not necessarily have had an  
23 opportunity to discuss it as a Commission.

24 And I don't want to start making changes to this  
25 area where I'm holding testimony that I've received.

1 11,000 different pieces of testimony, you know, there's a  
2 chance that I've missed some of it, you know? And I  
3 don't want to respond just on the parts that I'm hearing,  
4 and someone else is responding from their point, and  
5 we're ping-ponging back and forth. I really think we  
6 have the time to be able to discuss what we've heard for  
7 this area because it's so heavily populated -- so dense  
8 population -- such a dense population. And I think that  
9 if we do that, it may inform how we make these changes  
10 and be able to hold the -- the whole of what we're  
11 hearing.

12 Commissioner Yee?

13 MR. YEE: Yes, I'm very happy with where we're at  
14 right now. Of course, lots of adjustments -- small  
15 adjustments, but overall a lot of good work. You know,  
16 every district could be changed and improved, but we had  
17 to balance all the different considerations, so.

18 Last night there was one area, though, that, after  
19 Mr. Becker had to leave, some of the changes we made  
20 created districts that were less compact, and I'm  
21 wondering if he had a chance to look at any of those and  
22 give us some thoughts on that. You know, I mean,  
23 obviously, L.A. is the most -- probably the most complex  
24 area of -- in the nation, and it's going to lead to  
25 districts that, you know, are less simple for sure, and

1 that's probably a good thing -- that's definitely a good  
2 thing, but just wondering if we are straying into  
3 noncompactness to a degree that we really need to take  
4 more -- pay more attention to that.

5 MR. BECKER: Commissioner Yee, that was -- that's in  
6 the Congressional maps from last night?

7 MR. YEE: Yes, but even some of these.

8 MR. BECKER: So I -- I'll just say I haven't had a  
9 chance to look at all the changes that were made after I  
10 left to the Congressional maps last night.

11 I think I'd also suggest that if we want to have a  
12 conversation about compactness as it relates to specific  
13 districts, that's probably best left to a closed session.

14 MR. YEE: Very good.

15 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Sadhwani, and then  
16 Commissioner Ahmad.

17 MS. SADHWANI: Yep, Chair, and just in response  
18 to -- to the comment you had made, my -- my suggestion  
19 would be that we really dedicate at least two days post-  
20 November 29th to L.A. County to have that discussion  
21 and -- and begin to really make those refinements. Thank  
22 you.

23 CHAIR TURNER: Absolutely.

24 Commissioner Ahmad?

25 MS. AHMAD: I just wanted to express my agreement

1 with what's been stated already. They look pretty okay.  
2 I know that there will be changes. I know there will be  
3 changes because people will have a reaction to them. So  
4 at this point, I'm comfortable moving forward in this  
5 region as a draft with the intention of coming back.

6 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

7 Commissioner Yee? No?

8 Okay. Jaime, with that, we -- unless you have  
9 something more for us? Okay. We're going to move.

10 We're going to go to break, though -- oh, no, no,  
11 no. It's getting close.

12 But we are going to move to, I think is it, Tamina?  
13 Okay.

14 MS. MAC DONALD: We can do that.

15 Thank you, Chair. Ready when you are.

16 CHAIR TURNER: Okay, great. So if you'd start by  
17 giving us just a brief overview of where we are currently  
18 with this area. Thank you.

19 MS. MAC DONALD: Chair -- Chair Turner, if I may?  
20 So we -- earlier we went over the -- the VRA area -- VRA  
21 consideration area in Tamina's region, and we can  
22 basically now -- I -- I just asked her to take the CVAP  
23 down just to make the map a little bit less cluttered,  
24 but of course we can pull it back up as you wish to see  
25 it. And would you, perhaps, just like to take a look at

1 the deviations for that area right now, or would you just  
2 like to start at the top or the bottom and then just  
3 work -- work your way through -- through the various  
4 districts as you wish?

5 CHAIR TURNER: Um-hum.

6 MS. MAC DONALD: Thank you.

7 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah, let's start at the top.

8 MS. MAC DONALD: Start at the top, okay.

9 MS. ANDERSEN: Could -- could we have the  
10 deviations, though, on it just -- just the deviation so  
11 when we look -- when we look we can see the areas around  
12 them?

13 MS. MAC DONALD: Sure. Just one moment. Okay, that  
14 looks a little better, just in case you had a slight  
15 panic attack there for a second. So those are our  
16 deviations.

17 MS. RAMOS ALON: Okay. So we already went through  
18 our one Benito VRA district here in the morning, so we  
19 are going to go to page 11 of the 1107 AD packet, which  
20 is NCOAST. And for NCOAST, the direction was mostly in  
21 the Sonoma break over here between the LAKENAPA end coast  
22 and SONOMARIN areas. The request was to use Novato --  
23 move Novato to the coastal area instead of out of --  
24 instead of being in the wine area, and put Hot Springs to  
25 Napa into this area, along with Watsonville in the

1 unincorporated areas. I'm sorry, not -- that's Hot  
2 Springs to Napa -- sorry -- slash other district. So the  
3 movement that we had was along the -- the borders here  
4 between these districts.

5 So page 11 is NCOAST, page 13 used to be called  
6 "TEHENAPA", now it's "LAKENAPA" to more closely reflect  
7 what's actually in this visualization. So we have Glenn,  
8 Colusa, Lake Napa, Yolo, and as I previously zoomed in on  
9 but did not describe, here is Temelec, Sonoma, El Verano,  
10 Boyes Hot Springs, Fetters Hot Springs-Agua Caliente,  
11 Glen Ellen, Kenwood, and the eastern part of Santa Rosa.  
12 Santa Rosa is split in this visualization with the  
13 western parts of Santa Rosa. You'll remember we -- we  
14 took even the little unincorporated areas last time we  
15 were together and put them all together in this western  
16 area. So the split is between NCOAST and the LAKENAPA  
17 district.

18 CHAIR TURNER: Tamina, before you move --  
19 Commissioner Fornaciari?

20 MR. FORNACIARI: Yeah, NCOAST -- also moved Tehama  
21 into the NCOAST, right?

22 MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes, Tehama is in NCOAST in this  
23 visualization.

24 MR. FORNACIARI: So I mean, to me, I guess, I'd just  
25 like to check in. It seems to me the major changes

1 are -- are a result of the direction to get rid of that  
2 little district -- the co -- the -- the edge of -- the  
3 populated edge of Marin going into southern Sonoma. We  
4 got rid of that district, and so that percolated up and  
5 it -- I mean, it changed the whole coast in the Central  
6 Valley pretty dramatically.

7 MS. RAMOS ALON: That's correct. So the direction  
8 that I received back for 1107 was, if you'll recall, we  
9 had the SONOMARIN district over here, and I was to cut it  
10 in half, place half of it in the more wine district, and  
11 place half of it in the NCOAST district, which then had  
12 this ripple effect that kind of created all of this.

13 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

14 Commissioner Fornaciari, did you have others? Okay.

15 So with that, it is right at 3 o'clock, so we will  
16 take our break, and we'll be back at 3:15. Thank you.

17 (Whereupon, a recess was held from 2:59 p.m.  
18 until 3:15 p.m.)

19 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you so much. We're back from  
20 break. And right before go back to Tamina, Mr. Becker,  
21 you had an -- something you wanted to share with us.

22 MR. BECKER: Yes, thank you, Chair. I just wanted  
23 to clarify something briefly in response to  
24 Commissioner's Sinay's question about packing and  
25 cracking. I -- I want to be clear that packing and

1 cracking can be evidence of an intentional discrimination  
2 against minorities under the Voting Rights Act. I didn't  
3 mention it specifically here because I don't think we've  
4 seen anything that would remotely approach intentional  
5 discrimination against minorities; quite the contrary,  
6 hopefully. The people of California have seen that in  
7 this process that the respect for minority voting rights  
8 has been remarkably high here. But in the abstract, in  
9 intentional discrimination case, packing and cracking  
10 could certainly serve as -- as -- as evidence of that.

11 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you. Thank you for that  
12 further clarification.

13 Okay. Commissioner Toledo?

14 MR. TOLEDO: Yeah, with regard to the North Coast  
15 map -- or the -- yeah, that's what it is -- North Coast  
16 map, the portion that -- that I -- I wanted to -- to --  
17 to remove, for lack of a better word, is Tehama. It just  
18 doesn't make sense at this point for geographical  
19 purposes for it to be part of the North Coast. I can see  
20 it a little bit for now, as we move through and -- and  
21 get population, I think, toward the Sacramento area, it  
22 may make sense to put it with -- where -- where we have  
23 Glenn -- with Glenn/Colusa/Lake Napa area. And -- and I  
24 know that's going to overpopulate and underpopulate  
25 others, but I believe -- my understanding is that from

1 there we can start moving and shifting towards  
2 Sacramento, is my thought at this point. Other  
3 commissioners may have other opinions, but that's what  
4 I'm thinking at this point.

5 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Fernandez?

6 MS. FERNANDEZ: Actually, my thought with Tehama was  
7 to put it with Norco, and that's -- what we've heard from  
8 the north is they are more east/west, not -- not  
9 north/south, and I think we could still achieve trying to  
10 get some area down below if we put it there instead -- in  
11 the NORCO. Because I mean, like, the LAKENAPA, I -- I --  
12 it's -- it's growing on me, it's kind -- kind of looks  
13 okay right now.

14 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Fornaciari?

15 MR. FORNACIARI: I'm kind of with Commissioner  
16 Toledo on that. I don't -- I mean, we've gotten COI  
17 testimony about the valley, Tehama, Colusa, Glenn,  
18 Sutter, Yuba, Butte, and so I -- I think -- I mean, so  
19 the -- the counties to the north and the east are more  
20 mountainous. Tehama is clearly a -- a farming county in  
21 the center. But I guess, you know, when I made my  
22 initial comment I just -- I said my initial comment for  
23 context as to how we got to where we are. I -- I was  
24 kind of thinking if we could sort of look at the whole  
25 more (ph.) state and see where -- before we start moving

1 stuff kind of see where things are because we moved some  
2 stuff near Sacramento yesterday or the day before, and --  
3 and kind of take it all in sort of current-state context.

4 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. So it almost --

5 Now, Commissioner Andersen, your hand's been up  
6 since you returned from break, so I don't know if it's a  
7 placeholder, or what are we doing?

8 MS. ANDERSEN: Yes, I -- I definitely have portions  
9 in mind for this area. But I do agree with Commissioner  
10 Fornaciari. If we could back out just a little bit and  
11 have a look at some of the large areas, and you know,  
12 like ECA effects everything in -- in/around the  
13 Sacramento area. There's a portion of ECA -- a portion  
14 that's been added from Sacramento to ECA, which I don't  
15 quite understand. I would like to put that in  
16 Sacramento, but then you have to pull something out of --  
17 you know, and maybe that -- the -- the PLACER-SAC or, you  
18 know, that -- no, I guess it's with Su -- now it's called  
19 SUT -- SUTYUBSIENEV.

20 CHAIR TURNER: Oh, thank you.

21 MS. ANDERSEN: Yeah, that little portion in -- and  
22 I -- you know, I understand you might want population,  
23 but I don't quite understand why -- where it came from --  
24 why it came from Sacramento.

25 CHAIR TURNER: Um-hum. Okay.

1 MS. ANDERSEN: And -- and then also, I agree with  
2 Commissioner Fornaciari because the center area is  
3 affected by both sides, and we have the same issue if you  
4 have them on the Congressional with that portion of  
5 Sacramento that's been thrown -- the tail of Sacramento  
6 has been thrown into Salano.

7 Also, the Marin, that area was supposed to go down  
8 the -- the portion that comes down from Mendocino of  
9 NORCOAST (ph.) -- was supposed to go down the coastline,  
10 not inland at the LAKENAPA county line, so I would like  
11 to switch that.

12 CHAIR TURNER: So let's do this then. Let's -- and  
13 I see we have the dynamic duo ready. Why don't we have  
14 them talk to us about the entire area, and then we can  
15 give -- because it sounds like, again, we're going to  
16 ping-pong back and forth between Tamina and Kennedy for  
17 this area.

18 MS. WILSON: So from last time, we did actually  
19 start making changes in Sacramento, if you remember, and  
20 so it all -- I think this is stemming from the Sacramento  
21 area and moving Elk Grove north, and then just pushing  
22 population north. And what we did last time, Mono, Inyo,  
23 Alpine, all the way to Sacramento were connected, but we  
24 took those out, and then kept this Calaveras, Tuolumne,  
25 Mariposa, Madera -- we kept those together, and including

1 some of Stanislaus. Which, by the way, Stockton, Tracy,  
2 and Mountain House are all together here, and then it's  
3 still -- we have Sac to Stanislaus -- let me see if I can  
4 further. So we have the eastern part of Stanislaus:  
5 Lathrop, Manteca, Ripon, Escalon, the eastern farming  
6 cities in San Joaquin up to Sacramento up to Elk Grove  
7 line for a population -- as you can see, we're still -  
8 3.55, but we have Wil -- so we have Wilton and Vineyard  
9 helping to populate that as well. But then going up into  
10 Elk Grove, into Sacramento, we started pushing some of  
11 these cities to the east, and so since we can't go down,  
12 we had to start pushing up. And we created this new  
13 district here with Alpine, Amador, El Dorado, the eastern  
14 part of Placer, and then the eastern part of Sacramento  
15 County, and then we were -- didn't get there quite yet to  
16 moving -- to continue moving things upwards.

17 Ken -- this is Kennedy. And now it's going to be  
18 Tamina.

19 I apologize, court reporter.

20 MS. FERNANDEZ: I'm sorry, before -- before you  
21 move -- I'm sorry.

22 MS. WILSON: You just moved.

23 MS. FERNANDEZ: It's okay. I'll stay. Can you just  
24 tell me how many times Sac County is split? One, two --  
25 I'm counting maybe six times.

1 MS. WILSON: So let's do a little count. We have  
2 the tail here: one, two, three, four, and five. Five.  
3 Here, the -- we have the tail of Sacramento, the Delta  
4 communities going with Solano. We have Vineyard and  
5 Wilton, and Galt, Herald, Clay going down into San  
6 Joaquin. Then we have Elk Grove with the southern parts  
7 of Sacramento City. Then we have northern Sacramento  
8 City with West Sac: Rosemont, La Riviera, Arden-Arcade.  
9 Then we have Rancho Cordova, Mather, Folsom, Orangevale,  
10 Rancho Murieta going east. And then lastly, we have Fair  
11 Oaks, Citrus Heights, Antelope, Elverta, North Highlands,  
12 Carmichael going north. Which is 5.

13 MS. FERNANDEZ: Why did I count six? One, two,  
14 three --

15 MS. WILSON: One, two, three, four -- oh, you're  
16 correct -- five, six.

17 CHAIR TURNER: I'm sorry, Tamina, while you are  
18 making a switch, Commissioner Fernandez, you want to say  
19 more now?

20 MS. FERNANDEZ: No, yeah, it's a county of one and a  
21 half million and it splits six times, so that's -- that's  
22 a little concerning to --

23 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

24 MS. FERNANDEZ: -- those that live in Sacramento  
25 County.

1 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you. We'll -- we'll --

2 MS. FERNANDEZ: So -- so please call in.

3 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Toledo?

4 MR. TOLEDO: Yeah, I'm wondering if we could get  
5 some guidance on -- from the line (indiscernible) where  
6 to start some of those visualizations, some of the  
7 changes that we're thinking, right? It sounds like we  
8 have some consensus on Tehama moving to NOR -- and I hope  
9 it's consensus -- NORCA -- North -- North California.

10 Sounds like the rest of the North Coast looks pretty  
11 good, though we may -- we may have to make some changes  
12 for population purposes. SONOMARIN makes sense. The  
13 Napa, Yolo, Glenn, Colusa farmworker areas makes sense.  
14 And the areas we're going to make some more additional  
15 changes to would be more in the Sacramento/Yolo area.  
16 So -- so given that, where do you think we should start?

17 MS. RAMOS ALON: Well, first I'd like to mention  
18 that the deviations are actually, in my nonVRA opinion --  
19 VRA lawyer opinion -- good, because we are in the  
20 Assembly, so we have up to plus/minus five percent is a  
21 safe harbor. We're down to 0. something in Sacramento,  
22 so deviation-wise, we are actually okay with this map.

23 Want to tell you a little bit about just an overview  
24 of the area and how we got to where we are, and that is  
25 really due to two big moves that happened in the last set

1 of directions. The -- the first was the movement of West  
2 Sac. West Sac used to be in -- in this area, and then  
3 West Sac was returned to Sacramento. And then all of the  
4 movement that you've done around Sacramento has really  
5 moved some things around. So that's one big piece.  
6 Whatever you do in Sacramento is going to ripper --  
7 ripple across this entire area.

8 A second big piece is what you do, really, with  
9 Sonoma over here. If you'll remember, before we used to  
10 have SONOMARIN as a district that was over here, and then  
11 the direction was to split up that district to get rid of  
12 it completely, move half of it up into Napa and half it  
13 into NORCOAST; and so that's what happened. And that  
14 overpopulated the district, and so we had to create a  
15 second one here to not go over the Bay Bridge. The  
16 population was to be transferred over to Sacramento area,  
17 which is why she -- which is why Kennedy has that new  
18 district over in that area, and that's what pulled all of  
19 this over, including Tehama. So you can move Tehama, but  
20 really, until we figure out exactly what's happening with  
21 Sacramento, it -- it's just going to pull everything back  
22 over.

23 MR. TOLEDO: So are you suggesting that we start in  
24 Sacramento?

25 MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes.

1 MR. TOLEDO: Okay, so let's start in Sacramento.

2 MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes. I'm sorry, that was my  
3 foundation.

4 CHAIR TURNER: Te -- Te -- Tehama -- Te -- Tehama --  
5 Tehama (sic), how do you really feel?

6 MS. FERNANDEZ: If I could just add, I think -- is  
7 the one, Tamina -- and I don't remember if Tamina or  
8 Kennedy. Didn't we make some changes to the San Joaquin  
9 also, I believe, and that's what pushed population -- we  
10 kind of moved things -- I think that started the ripple  
11 effects going up.

12 Okay. So if -- and I apologize because we might  
13 reverse some of the direction we gave you last time. But  
14 why don't -- shouldn't we deal with Tehama first, because  
15 that's going to impact?

16 MS. WILSON: Well, I -- I would say that dealing  
17 with Sacramento, you're most likely going to be pushing  
18 population north.

19 MS. FERNANDEZ: Okay. Thank you.

20 Okay. So can we zoom into that Sacramento area,  
21 please? Thank you.

22 MR. TOLEDO: Mr. Becker has his hand up.

23 CHAIR TURNER: Mr. Becker?

24 MR. BECKER: I was just going to make a suggestion.

25 This is a really underpopulated area of California -- and

1 you might hear my dogs behind me, so apologies for  
2 that -- and Sacramento is such a huge population center.  
3 My recommendation might be a little different than  
4 Tahima's (sic). We should start outwards because you  
5 don't have a lot of population flexibility on the  
6 northern and eastern and western parts of this area, and  
7 move inwards. Because honestly, you can try to keep  
8 Sacramento together. That's going to create some huge  
9 districts that are going to be on the outskirts of  
10 Sacramento from the west, north, and east, and that might  
11 be what you want. I just want to suggest that -- and  
12 that's totally fine, obviously -- but you -- you might  
13 want to -- you just don't have a lot of population to  
14 work with on the -- once you move, you know, north of  
15 Sonoma County to the northern border down east to Lake  
16 Tahoe, there's just not a lot of population there.

17 MR. TOLEDO: So it sounds like we should -- oh, we  
18 should start with Tehama then.

19 MS. FERNANDEZ: I -- I just said that. I think Mr.  
20 Becker took my great idea. Yes, I think -- I think  
21 that's probably the best course.

22 MS. WILSON: So shall I start by moving Tehama back  
23 over?

24 CHAIR TURNER: Right before you do, let me just  
25 check on Commissioner Andersen, Commissioner Sadhwani.

1 MS. ANDERSEN: Yeah, thank you, Chair.

2 Yes, I -- I -- I think we -- I agree with the -- Mr.  
3 Becker. We need to -- we need to work with the edges  
4 because you can take portions of Sacramento in little  
5 bits. But the area that I did not realize, and I would  
6 really like to fix, is the -- that Mono and Inyo just got  
7 shunted over to be with Fresno.

8 CHAIR TURNER: Okay, but before we move -- we're not  
9 trying to move, I was just trying to see if you were --

10 MS. ANDERSEN: Oh.

11 CHAIR TURNER: -- going to comment on this area.

12 MS. ANDERSEN: Yes, I am --

13 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

14 MS. ANDERSEN: -- because it -- this is -- Mono/Inyo  
15 has been cut from Alpine and added in to the Cal/Fresno,  
16 and I -- it -- it should be up with Alpine/El  
17 Dorado/Placer; and it's -- it's -- it's not much  
18 population at all, and that's going to change a little  
19 bit of the stuff that we do in the north. And if we  
20 don't address that now, and we adjust everything, then  
21 they're stuck where -- being represented in an area where  
22 they literally cannot get to -- I mean, in the winter,  
23 and they also can't get to because they don't have  
24 broadband.

25 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

1 MS. ANDERSEN: So.

2 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Fernandez?

3 MS. FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

4 I would disagree with that. All of the community of  
5 interest information that we've received from Placer/El  
6 Dorado/Novato is they go -- they go west. They take  
7 Interstate 80 and 50, and they go towards Sacramento. So  
8 in my opinion, I would not agree with -- with moving  
9 that.

10 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Sadhwani?

11 MS. SADHWANI: Yeah, I -- I would agree with  
12 Commissioner Fernandez about starting in the top. I -- I  
13 think we got -- we got to just choose an area and start  
14 there, then we can make our way through. There's a lot  
15 of issues in the -- the northern California area that --  
16 that we're going to touch.

17 I wanted to just make a -- a broad comment, you  
18 know, around Commissioner Fernandez. I -- I know that  
19 you mentioned a concern about breaking up Sacramento  
20 County in -- into numerous districts. And while I hear  
21 that, I -- I just wanted to lift, like, it is a county  
22 with 1.5 million people, it is an urban area, and -- and  
23 there are other parts of Sacramento that are less urban,  
24 but it's also an area that is connected into the Bay  
25 Area. There's a lot of momentum between these places, so

1 having numerous cuts isn't necessarily a bad thing. I  
2 think it means additional representation for the people  
3 that live in that county.

4       And I -- I -- I have no idea, but I'm sure that  
5 there's a whole lot more than six cuts in -- in L.A.  
6 County, for example, which is, of course, much, much  
7 bigger. But when we're talking about urban areas, I  
8 think it's fair to -- to -- to see those cuts  
9 Commissioner Kennedy raised earlier. In many of these  
10 kinds of areas there -- we're going to have to go across  
11 county boundaries, and I think that's what's happening  
12 here. So I think it's okay to feel comfortable about  
13 that.

14       CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Fernandez?

15       MS. FERNANDEZ: While I do agree there's one piece,  
16 that it's 5,000 people, and if I can get that into Sac  
17 County, then that's only five cuts. So -- so eventually  
18 we'll get there, but I do agree there are many  
19 commonalities -- you're absolutely right -- going every  
20 which way: north, east, west, and south. So yes, thank  
21 you.

22       CHAIR TURNER: All right. So let's start at the top  
23 and get some things done. I said let's start at the top  
24 and get some things done.

25       Commissioner Fornaciari?

1 MR. FORNACIARI: Well, I'm just going to vote again  
2 to move Tehama to LAKENAPA. And I know that my twin,  
3 Commissioner Fornaciari II, doesn't agree. So where are  
4 you at, Commissioner Toledo?

5 CHAIR TURNER: So can you give directions to the  
6 line -- to Teha -- who's that, Teha -- Kennedy --  
7 whoever's on the draw. Give them Kennedy so that she'll  
8 know exactly. Is it Tehama in its attire -- entirety?

9 MR. TOLEDO: Yes, move Tehama into LAKENAPA.

10 MS. FERNANDEZ: And I'm willing to go on this  
11 journey with you to see what happens. Not that I'll  
12 agree all the way, but I'm up for an adventure.

13 MR. TOLEDO: And I'm willing to go on it, too.  
14 Just -- just want to make sure that American Canyon down  
15 below gets added to Napa because we -- Napa's split. But  
16 other than that, I -- I think this all makes sense to me.  
17 It's -- it's not mountains and it's agricultural, so I  
18 would be -- I -- I'm willing to go along with this as  
19 well.

20 MS. WILSON: So after selecting this county, the  
21 county of Tehama, this would bring LAKENAPA to an 11.39  
22 percent deviation. And then it would take North Coast  
23 from 3.7 percent deviation to a -9.66 deviation.

24 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

25 Kennedy, let's -- let's go ahead and lock that in

1 because we've got a lot of movement, it looks like.

2 Commissioner Fernandez, Fornaciari, Toledo?

3 MS. FERNANDEZ: Can -- can we -- let's see, where am  
4 I? Do we want to fix the North Coast one first, or -- or  
5 to -- go with the LAKENAPA? To my -- to my other twins.

6 MR. TOLEDO: I -- I say we fix the North Coast  
7 first.

8 MS. FERNANDEZ: Yep, yep, I think that's great. I  
9 think the logical --

10 MR. TOLEDO: And then go back.

11 MS. FERNANDEZ: -- approach would be to go -- oops,  
12 can we go south, please?

13 MR. TOLEDO: I think we should probably add back  
14 some of the Santa Rosa area we took.

15 MS. FERNANDEZ: Yes. Go from west to east,  
16 Commissioner Toledo?

17 MR. TOLEDO: Yes, that's correct.

18 MS. FERNANDEZ: Okay. So can we start grabbing some  
19 of those areas?

20 MR. TOLEDO: On the northern side first, and then --  
21 yeah. Right near the bottom (indiscernible).

22 (Pause)

23 MS. RAMOS ALON: The highlighted area represents  
24 63,462 people, and it results in NCOAST having a  
25 deviation of 3.19 percent. I can continue to go lower.

1 Is there an area -- is there an idea of which cities  
2 should be taken out of the red area?

3 MR. FORNACIARI: I think this is okay --

4 MS. FERNANDEZ: It's fine, yeah.

5 MR. FORNACIARI: -- for now, because we're going to  
6 have to move some of Santa Rosa down -- excuse me.

7 Actually, though, no, we need to -- we need to take some  
8 more because I think we're at --

9 MS. FERNANDEZ: We're going to move into --

10 MR. FORNACIARI: We're going to have to go the --  
11 okay.

12 MS. FERNANDEZ: -- Napa.

13 MS. FORNACIARI: Because yeah -- yeah. I got you.

14 MS. FERNANDEZ: Right. Yeah.

15 MS. RAMOS ALON: May I make this change?

16 CHAIR TURNER: Yes, please.

17 MS. RAMOS ALON: And then do I understand that --

18 MS. FERNANDEZ: I think we go into the -- we take  
19 the population from the LAKENAPA, correct?

20 MR. TOLEDO: Well, let's start with Napa first  
21 below -- yeah.

22 MS. FERNANDEZ: Yes, I -- I just meant the LAKENAPA  
23 district --

24 MR. TOLEDO: Yes.

25 MS. FERNANDEZ: -- is what I meant.

1 MR. TOLEDO: Thank you.

2 MS. FERNANDEZ: Yeah.

3 MR. TOLEDO: Yeah.

4 MS. FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

5 MR. TOLEDO: Well, and also, maybe starting from the  
6 tip, the Sonoma Cou -- Cou -- the Sonoma County portions  
7 that are not currently in LAKE -- or that are currently  
8 in LAKENAPA, start there first, and then we'll -- yes,  
9 that area.

10 MS. RAMOS ALON: So I'm moving this area of Sonoma  
11 into the SONOMARIN area?

12 MR. TOLEDO: That's correct, yes.

13 MS. RAMOS ALON: Okay.

14 MS. FERNANDEZ: Yes.

15 MS. RAMOS ALON: Thank you.

16 MS. FERNANDEZ: Oh, wait. Okay, that's fine. After  
17 you do that one, can -- okay, go ahead. Sorry.

18 MS. RAMOS ALON: This change is 63,970 people.

19 MS. FERNANDEZ: Um-hum.

20 MS. RAMOS ALON: This brings SONOMARIN to 2.73  
21 percent and LAPA -- LAKENAPA to -1.56 percent.

22 MR. TOLEDO: Is this within acceptable deviations  
23 for both?

24 MS. RAMOS ALON: Both are within the plus five/minus  
25 five percent.

1 MR. TOLEDO: Right, so let's --

2 MS. RAMOS ALON: Can we hold --

3 MR. TOLEDO: -- lock it in.

4 MS. RAMOS ALON: Can I --

5 MR. TOLEDO: Oh, but let's hear --

6 MS. FERNANDEZ: Okay.

7 MR. TOLEDO: -- Commissioner Fernandez first.

8 MS. FERNANDEZ: I just -- I realized that -- can --  
9 can you go -- go up, please? I wanted to see how far --  
10 that includes Yolo, Napa -- I'm just trying to see which  
11 counties we have now on there: Yolo, Napa, Lake, Colusa,  
12 and Glenn, and Tehama. Okay. Can -- can you go down to  
13 Yolo really quick, please?

14 My other thought was potentially moving West  
15 Sacramento back into Yolo County and making Yolo County  
16 whole. So I don't know how you feel about that.

17 MR. FORNACIARI: We -- I think we can look at that,  
18 but --

19 MR. TOLEDO: Let's fix --

20 MR. FORNACIARI: -- we got to fix Marin first.

21 MR. TOLEDO: Yeah, let's fix Marin, and then we  
22 can --

23 MR. FORNACIARI: And then we can massage the middle.

24 MS. FERNANDEZ: But that's going to go into LAKE --  
25 that same district, into the LAKENAPA district.

1 MR. FORNACIARI: Right, but we got to take some out  
2 of LAKENAPA and put some in Marin; because Marin's like  
3 an island.

4 MR. TOLEDO: I -- I think we'll be able to address  
5 that as we -- let's fix -- le -- let's fix these two, and  
6 then once we fix these two in terms of deviation, we can  
7 address the other issues, I think. So let's -- if  
8 everyone's okay with it, let's accept this change.

9 Chair, are you okay with that?

10 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah. Thank you.

11 MS. FERNANDEZ: No, because -- oh, is it Tamina?  
12 Tamina. I didn't know if it was Tamina or Kennedy. What  
13 would the impact of moving West Sac -- it's going to take  
14 it over -- if we move West Sac into the --

15 MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes, it will --

16 MS. FERNANDEZ: -- LAKENAPA.

17 MS. RAMOS ALON: -- take it way over.

18 MS. FERNANDEZ: Like, how much -- right, that's what  
19 I was saying, if we -- what's the -- can you just tell me  
20 what the population is just so I kind of have an idea?

21 MS. RAMOS ALON: Sure.

22 MS. FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

23 MS. RAMOS ALON: So West Sac has 54,071 people;  
24 moving it into LAKENAPA will create the deviation of 9.38  
25 percent, and W Sac to Sac --

1 MS. FERNANDEZ: Um-hum.

2 MS. RAMOS ALON: -- area will become -10.76.

3 MS. FERNANDEZ: Yeah, but where you going to put  
4 Tehama?

5 MS. RAMOS ALON: And -- and then that will require  
6 rejiggering of Sa -- Sacramento.

7 MS. FERNANDEZ: Right. Yeah, that's -- that's kind  
8 of why I wanted Tehama to go into the other district.  
9 That was my think --

10 MR. FORNACIARI: Yeah, but if -- if Tehama goes in  
11 the other district, then we've --

12 MS. FERNANDEZ: Right.

13 MR. FORNACIARI: -- got to step -- then we've got to  
14 step population down --

15 MR. FORNACIARI: Right.

16 MS. FERNANDEZ: -- from there. I mean, right now,  
17 you know, right now the way it is we don't have to do  
18 anything else and we're all within deviation.

19 MS. FERNANDEZ: Tamina, can you -- can you zero into  
20 that Souc -- Sacramento/Elk Grove district?

21 And I just want to tell you what -- what my vision  
22 here was, Commissioner Fornaciari.

23 Oh, go down, please. Thank you. Was -- right --  
24 there's -- see where Elk Grove is? Vineyard is directly  
25 connected to it, and that Vineyard, Florin, Elk Grove,

1 Pocket, Lemon Hill, Greenhaven, that is AAPI COI. I was  
2 just trying to move it into the Sacramento area instead  
3 of having Vineyard tied to San Joaquin and below. I -- I  
4 forget how far down it goes. I mean, it's something that  
5 we could address later, it's -- yeah. How far down does  
6 that one -- does that district go, Tamina?

7 MS. RAMOS ALON: If I may, taking Vineyard out will  
8 also put the South Sac/Stanislaus under.

9 MS. FERNANDEZ: Right, right. That's why I'm saying  
10 we might be able to address that later, so. It's looking  
11 better, so I -- okay, we can -- we can leave it for now.  
12 I can think about that.

13 I think -- I think I'm done. Are we done?

14 MR. TOLEDO: I have one other --

15 MS. FERNANDEZ: Okay.

16 MR. TOLEDO: American Canyon is split from Napa  
17 although it's part of Napa, and I just want to -- it's a  
18 small community.

19 MR. FORNACIARI: No, it's with it.

20 MS. RAMOS ALON: It's -- it's with it.

21 MR. TOLEDO: Oh, is it? I thought I -- in my map it  
22 looked a little bit -- okay, if it's included, I'm fine  
23 with this Napa as-is. Thank you.

24 MS. FERNANDEZ: Oh, you know what? I did have one  
25 more thing, sorry. Tamina, that little arm of Sac County

1 from Walnut Grove/Isleton -- oh, no, keep going, keep  
2 going to your -- to your right, keep going, more, to your  
3 right, right -- right there.

4 Do you see the little -- Kennedy, you know the  
5 little part that -- oops. Okay, you see where Walnut  
6 Grove is -- Walnut Grove/Isleton? All of that is part of  
7 Sac County, so can we grab -- no, no, move to the left.  
8 Right there, yes, perfect. Can you grab all that and see  
9 if it fits into the Sac/Elk Grove? Because that would  
10 give Sacramento County one less split.

11 MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes. And I apologize --

12 MS. FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

13 MS. RAMOS ALON: -- I think my computer -- or the --  
14 the transfer was a little delayed, but I did know the  
15 area you were talking about.

16 MS. FERNANDEZ: Oh, you did? No, I was -- and I had  
17 my mouse going over here, over here. Thank you.

18 MS. RAMOS ALON: Can I just ask a point of  
19 clarification? So was -- the direction is what exactly?  
20 Putting that southern portion of Sacramento County with  
21 Elk Grove?

22 MS. FERNANDEZ: With the Sac/Elk Grove, because that  
23 is Sacramento County; it has this little leg to it or  
24 some -- I don't know what you want to call it, but it was  
25 just trying to -- it was just trying to prevent one more

1 split from --

2 MS. RAMOS ALON: Can you tell me the profile of  
3 Isleton and Walnut Grove? Are those more rural areas or  
4 more --

5 MS. FERNANDEZ: Yes, they are more rural areas, um-  
6 hum.

7 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible).

8 MS. RAMOS ALON: And so they're better served with  
9 the more urban areas in area?

10 MS. FERNANDEZ: I wanted to keep it in -- oh,  
11 actually, we might be able to put the SACWAC (ph.) in the  
12 SSAC, maybe, since that one is under -- more under --  
13 since we already have other parts of Sac County in there.

14 Yes, that way. Thank you, Tamina.

15 MS. RAMOS ALON: You -- you -- you would prefer the  
16 SSAC-STANIS?

17 MS. FERNANDEZ: I think -- yeah, because that one is  
18 under, so I think that might be a better place for it.  
19 Thank you.

20 MS. RAMOS ALON: Okay. So this change is 5,935  
21 people. Resulting deviation of SSAC-STANIS is -2.34  
22 percent; resulting deviation of SOLANO is 2.47 percent.

23 MS. FERNANDEZ: So overall it's a better  
24 adjustment --

25 MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes.

1 MS. FERNANDEZ: -- for both? Yeah. Thank you.

2 I -- I would recommend doing it, Chair.

3 CHAIR TURNER: Let's lock it in, please.

4 MS. RAMOS ALON: Locking in.

5 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Fornaciari?

6 MR. FORNACIARI: Yeah, I just -- one more  
7 suggestion. I just want to acknowledge Ms. Andersen  
8 and -- and you know, I feel you on Mono/Inyo and Alpine.  
9 I think we've heard a lot of testimony the three of them  
10 want to be together; I know they don't want to go over  
11 the hill. You know, I think we've done a pretty good job  
12 of that in our other maps, and so I guess my suggestion  
13 would be to put Alpine with CALA-EFRESNO at this point  
14 since it's only 1,200 people. But -- but I'm sure  
15 Commissioner Andersen has something to add on that, so  
16 I'll -- I'll just let her take the floor.

17 CHAIR TURNER: Please.

18 MS. ANDERSEN: Thank you, Mr. Fornaciari.

19 Yes, Alpine/Mono/Inyo with, you know, Amador,  
20 Calaveras, Tuolumne, Mariposa, those are the areas that  
21 they're all hoping -- that is their community of  
22 interest -- all of them. And no, we actually haven't --  
23 we've kind of cut them off from most of them. Alpine's  
24 1,200 people, so there's no reason not to put it with,  
25 you know -- because now they're -- they're with Fresno,

1 but -- which means it's instead of being in -- with  
2 Bakersfield, now they're with Fresno, so (indiscernible)  
3 together, can be ignored together, unfortunately. I  
4 don't know how many people are in Amador County, but that  
5 would -- you know, I -- I'm not sure. You can get a few  
6 people from -- if you fix the north, I guess. Yeah,  
7 how -- how many would that be? That would -- yeah.

8 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible).

9 MS. ANDERSEN: Yeah, that's too many. So Amador's  
10 alone out by themselves, so. They do have a lot in  
11 common with El Dorado, which would be wonderful. If --  
12 if we could do -- that doesn't affect anything any --  
13 really, not at all, so let's put Alpine, please, with  
14 CALA-EFRESNO at least.

15 But then can we go back to SOLANO?

16 Oh, sorry, can we -- can we make that change? Could  
17 we put Alpine County in with CALA-EFRE -- CALA-EFRESNO,  
18 please? Thank you.

19 CHAIR TURNER: Yes, please.

20 MS. ANDERSEN: And then could we go over to SOLANO?  
21 That -- that one, please. Because in this, originally we  
22 were tying Vallejo in with Contra Costa because we were  
23 thinking of going along Highway 4 and that sort of thing,  
24 but we're not doing that anymore. So we have in -- if --  
25 if you can zoom in on the section right there -- yeah,

1 please, right there. You know, Hercules, Pinole, Tara  
2 Hills, those are all in the West Contra Costa School  
3 District, and to have them put up with Solano County  
4 really doesn't make any sense.

5 Now, I -- I know that I'm seeing that both these are  
6 slightly over in population, and I do not know what the  
7 population is there.

8 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Andersen, while -- while  
9 they're checking that, excuse me for a minute. We are  
10 going to public comment today, and I just do need to make  
11 that announcement that we are going to public comment  
12 before we close today, so that means in probably about  
13 five or so minutes.

14 MS. ANDERSEN: Great.

15 CHAIR TURNER: And --

16 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yeah, it's already 4 o'clock.

17 CHAIR TURNER: Yes.

18 MS. ANDERSEN: Sorry, could you tell me, Tamina,  
19 please, what is the population for -- in -- in -- just  
20 actually in that little section, two things: the -- the  
21 entire section -- the population there, and then also  
22 just Hercules and Pinole. Actually, why don't we start  
23 with Hercules and Pinole first, please? Okay, so  
24 that's --

25 MS. RAMOS ALON: Well, I think --

1 MS. ANDERSEN: -- 45,000 people.

2 MS. RAMOS ALON: -- Hercules and Pinole have 45,110  
3 people.

4 MS. ANDERSEN: Okay. That is too much to put --  
5 just tuck in at some -- anywhere quickly. And -- and  
6 then Rodeo/Crockett, the -- the rest of it, the  
7 Rodeo/Crockett and the unincorporated? Well, if you just  
8 hit the total area, you can subtract.

9 MS. RAMOS ALON: This area is 58,368 people.

10 MS. ANDERSEN: Okay. Hm. Okay. Because I -- I  
11 hate having sort of an or -- just a little orphan put up  
12 with the other -- the other areas. Is -- hm. Could --  
13 could we pull back out just a little bit to see the --  
14 the whole area? Thank you. That's really tight. Yeah,  
15 the numbers are -- it would require more reconstruction.  
16 I'm going to pause at this time.

17 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Did you want to continue,  
18 Commissioner Toledo or Commissioner Forna -- okay.

19 MS. FERNANDEZ: I -- I think I'm finished.

20 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Toledo?

21 MR. TOLEDO: I -- I'm -- yeah, I think my -- the  
22 visualizations all look good to me at this point. I'm  
23 comfortable with the -- for public input, so.

24 I -- ideally, we would have had Vallejo and Benicia  
25 with Martinez, and but it doesn't look like population

1 will allow for it now without some construction, so -- so  
2 maybe that's just something we can think about in the  
3 iteration of if -- and we can get public testimony on  
4 that as well. Thank you.

5 CHAIR TURNER: Can we drill down in that area again?  
6 Because I -- I'm certainly not comfortable with Vallejo  
7 in that area. We have -- I don't think we have any COI  
8 testimony asking that we keep Vallejo with those other  
9 areas.

10 MR. TOLEDO: I -- I think it's with Vall -- I think  
11 it's Vallejo, Pinole --

12 CHAIR TURNER: Right.

13 MR. TOLEDO: -- Hercules, or Rodeo that -- that we  
14 have testimony on if -- what -- what I've seen.

15 MS. ANDERSEN: I -- not -- not to -- you know,  
16 Hercules/Pinole, it's been with Rodeo -- with Crockett  
17 mostly -- Crockett and then Martinez, and -- and Rodeo,  
18 but.

19 CHAIR TURNER: Um-hum.

20 MS. ANDERSEN: And that's why I -- I'd -- I'd really  
21 like to get Hercules/Pinole back with their school  
22 district. But we would -- we would have to change --  
23 we'd have to do a little rearranging with -- which we  
24 could do if we hit San Francisco and pulled some  
25 population back that side, but it would -- it would

1 require taking a little bit from each way and fooling  
2 around.

3 CHAIR TURNER: Tamina, can you show me what -- what  
4 else is Vallejo with? Can I see the top or north part of  
5 that?

6 MS. RAMOS ALON: Vallejo is included with its  
7 county. Solano is this -- these are the Solano County  
8 border lines --

9 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah.

10 MS. RAMOS ALON: -- which Vallejo and Benicia are  
11 part of, and that includes these cities in northwestern  
12 Contra Costa County.

13 CHAIR TURNER: And so there's a -- a split -- split  
14 with -- between -- oh, I see it.

15 Yeah, Commissioner Andersen, I -- I'd like  
16 Hercules/Pinole.

17 Okay. Well, why don't we prepare to go to public  
18 comment now, and perhaps even some of those comments  
19 would help with those areas. We're going to go to public  
20 comment, and then we'll come back to this area.

21 And so Kristian.

22 MR. MANOFF: Sounds good, Chair. Just a moment  
23 while we get some screens ready.

24 MS. SADHWANI: Chair, just to confirm, will lines  
25 close at 4:30?

1 CHAIR TURNER: Lines will close at 4:30, yes.

2 MS. SADHWANI: Thank you.

3 MR. MANOFF: All right. Katy, are you there?

4 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: I am.

5 MR. MANOFF: If you could please invite the public  
6 to comment.

7 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Absolutely.

8 In order to maximize transparency in public  
9 participation in our process, the commissioners will be  
10 taking public comment by phone. To call in, dial the  
11 telephone number provided on the livestream feed, it is  
12 877-853-5247. When prompted to enter the meeting ID  
13 number provided on the livestream feed, it is 87527284951  
14 for this meeting. When prompted to enter a participant  
15 ID, simply press the pound key.

16 Once you have dialed in, you will be placed in a  
17 queue. To indicate you wish to comment, please press  
18 star nine. This will raise your hand for the moderator.  
19 When it is your turn to speak, you will hear a message  
20 that says, "The host would like you to talk", and to  
21 press star 6 to speak. If you would like to give your  
22 name, please state and spell it for the record. You are  
23 not required to provide your name to give public comment.

24 Please make sure to mute your computer or livestream  
25 audio to prevent any feedback or distortion during your

1 call. Once you are waiting in the queue, be alert for  
2 when it is your turn to speak, and again, please turn  
3 down the livestream volume. And we will be giving a  
4 warning at thirty seconds and fifteen seconds remaining  
5 on the two-minute public comment period.

6 Right now, we will be starting with caller 0637.  
7 And up next after that will be caller 7863. Caller 0637,  
8 if you will please follow the prompts to unmute by  
9 pressing star six. The floor is yours.

10 MS. NEIL: Hi, this is Amy Neil. I'm a twenty-  
11 seven-year resident of Albany, California. I'm sorry, my  
12 comment -- I've been waiting in the queue for a couple  
13 days -- is about the Congressional districts, and my  
14 concern is that Albany, which is the northernmost city in  
15 Alameda County, it has been drawn into a county north of  
16 us, mostly Contra Co -- all Contra Costa and Solano  
17 County cities, and we're the only little Alameda County  
18 piece that's brought up there. We only have less than  
19 20,000 residents, so we don't really have a community of  
20 interest going north so much. Our community of interest  
21 tends to be with Berkeley, in particular, and  
22 Berkeley/Oakland area.

23 An example of that is that we do have -- the  
24 University Village is all in Albany, which is the UC  
25 Berkeley student housing for families; so we have almost

1 a thousand units; it's about, I would say, close to  
2 fifteen percent of our population. And their students go  
3 to -- their children go to our schools, we have Solano  
4 Avenue, which is a big retail area -- it's all of  
5 Berkeley -- all -- half in Berkeley, half in Albany, and  
6 so that really is kind of concerning to us that at least  
7 me and several other people, you know, in my circle that  
8 we are not with Alameda County anymore.

9 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

10 MS. NEIL: Also, as kind of a -- yes -- as a small  
11 city, we're kind of reliant on our county for a lot of  
12 partnerships, and we partner with Berkeley on a lot of  
13 things, and it feels like we're being separated out from  
14 kind of our --

15 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

16 MS. NEIL: -- community by moving up there.

17 So that's my comment. Thank you very much. And I  
18 want to say thank you to all of you who are serving on  
19 this Commission; I know it's difficult work. And I've  
20 been listening all day, and I really appreciate how much  
21 time and -- and attention and like, thought you're  
22 putting --

23 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

24 Right now, we will have caller 7863. And up next  
25 after that we will have call-in user 1. Caller 7863, if

1 you will please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing  
2 star six. The floor is yours.

3 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes, good afternoon. I'm  
4 calling because I'm -- I'm very concerned about the State  
5 Senate map on page 49 that's the San Bernardino/Riverside  
6 County map for State Senate 1107. And this map crosses  
7 from Riverside into the San Bernardino County line, and  
8 the city said it has encumbered; it really seems to be  
9 like it's been jerrymandered, and we would -- we're very  
10 concerned about this as we're connected with the San  
11 Bernardino County.

12 I've lived in -- in Riverside for the past thirty  
13 years, and we would really like to keep the city of  
14 Riverside since it's -- since it's the seat of the  
15 county, it needs to be represented in the Senate district  
16 in its entire city limit together with Jurupa Valley,  
17 Moreno Valley, Perris, and surrounding communities which  
18 are our community of interest. The -- the cities -- all  
19 of the cities in San Bernardino are not our communities  
20 of interest, and we would sincerely appreciate the  
21 Commission to take our testimony that we have done in the  
22 past as to what our communities of interest are. And  
23 we -- we'd appreciate that.

24 The second map I would like to comment also is --  
25 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

1 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- on the Assembly map, which  
2 is on page 89, and then this map also, the city of Corona  
3 and Coronita are not communities of interest, and  
4 especially Grand Terrace is not a community of interest.  
5 The city of Riverside --

6 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen seconds.

7 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- would be best to be  
8 connected with Jurupa Valley, and if necessary,  
9 population -- if you could add Eastvale and parts of  
10 Norco. We would really appreciate you keeping us out of  
11 the San Bernardino area because we don't have anything  
12 in -- in common.

13 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

14 And right now, we will have call-in user 1. And up  
15 next after that will be caller 9464. Call-in user 1, if  
16 you will please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing  
17 star six. The floor is yours.

18 MS. O'CONNOR: Good afternoon, my name is Ann  
19 O'Connor. I represent a community in North Sherman Oaks  
20 called "part of Sherman Oaks", or "POSO". Thank you for  
21 drawing the State Senate map with a straight line from  
22 the 405 freeway east along Oxnard Street to Hazeltine  
23 Avenue. But today, can we please clean up this north  
24 boundary in the State Assembly and Congressional maps so  
25 that they look like your own State Senate map and our

1 current Sherman Oaks city map.

2 We are 76,000 strong community of interest with  
3 Sherman Oaks, who have waited ten years to clean up our  
4 north border. There's a strange carve-out indentation on  
5 this north border that will put 200 homeowners and  
6 renters back in Van Nuys after fighting very hard for two  
7 years to attain our renaming to Sherman Oaks. It's a big  
8 deal for 6,900 POSO residents, and a small straight line  
9 for the Commission. Please keep it simple like the State  
10 Senate map.

11 During our renaming in 2009, we knocked on every  
12 business along Sepulveda Boulevard, and the businesses  
13 wanted to be part of Sherman Oaks, but you have carved  
14 them out, too. They want to be represented by the same  
15 Sherman Oaks elected officials. I have not heard of any  
16 other community in the whole of California who is asking  
17 to just clean up our borders after going through a  
18 renaming such as ours to Sherman Oaks. If we fix this  
19 properly, we won't have to worry about it for decades to  
20 come. We have sent in hundreds of feedback forms and  
21 emails to voters --

22 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

23 MS. O'CONNOR: -- who reject, plus testifying.

24 I have sat in six eight-hour meetings last night  
25 until midnight and testified six times over the week. We

1 fear you are not listening to us. Please draw a line  
2 straight down Oxnard from the 405 like you did --

3 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen seconds.

4 MS. O'CONNOR: -- the State Senate map. Thank you  
5 very much.

6 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

7 And right now, we will have caller 9464. And up  
8 next after that will be caller 3770. Caller 9464, if you  
9 will please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star  
10 six. The floor is yours.

11 MS. SLATER: Hi, my name is Linda Slater, L-I-N-D-A,  
12 Slater, S-L-A-T-E-R, and I live in Oceanside in San Diego  
13 County.

14 My fellow Oceansiders and I identify ourselves as a  
15 coastal city, and we also identify as part of San Diego  
16 County. Oceanside is fortunate to be a more diverse city  
17 compared to other coastal cities, and but we still  
18 identify with San Diego. And right now you have the  
19 Assembly district with Oceanside and Vista in the  
20 south end, a twenty-two-mile expanse of open land through  
21 Camp Pendleton, and then the larger part of the district  
22 in South Orange County. And this puts Oceanside and  
23 Vista in a situation where we will have essentially no  
24 influence. So we -- you know, we -- we don't identify  
25 with the -- Orange County, we identify with San Diego

1 County, and we -- there's a big spanse (sic) between us  
2 that would exacerbate the problem. So I ask that you  
3 reevaluate the map, page 96, and put Oceanside with the  
4 coastal north county areas. The -- the coastal district  
5 doesn't need to go down to --

6 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

7 MS. SLATER: -- Coronado or -- or Imperial --  
8 Imperial because those are not considered part of North  
9 County. Thank you very much for all your work. And I  
10 appreciate the opportunity to speak.

11 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

12 And right now, we will have caller 3770. And up  
13 next after that will be caller 1940. Caller 3770, if you  
14 will please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star  
15 six. And the floor is yours.

16 MR. GARRETT-PATE: Thank you, commissioners. My  
17 name is Sam Garrett-Pate. I'm calling on behalf of  
18 Equality California about the Assembly visualization in  
19 Los Angeles County.

20 We were disappointed to hear the Commission decide  
21 not to make changes to the Hollywood/West Hollywood area  
22 even though Commissioner Sadhwani did note that the LGBTQ  
23 communities in Hollywood and West Hollywood are currently  
24 split in the Assembly visualizations. Unfortunately,  
25 those November 7th visualizations, as the commissioner

1 noted, inexplicably divide the LGBTQ+ community centered  
2 in Hollywood and West Hollywood between three different  
3 visualizations: ADWESTSIDE, GLENNLA, and N10.

4 Notably, the district divides Hollywood from West  
5 Hollywood and connects Hollywood to Glendale, then links  
6 West Hollywood to Santa Monica despite significant COI  
7 testimony that doing so would disempower the people of  
8 Hollywood and West Hollywood. This would be a  
9 devastating blow to the L.A. LGBTQ+ community's  
10 opportunity to elect candidates of choice, and it is  
11 particularly unfortunate because past visualization had  
12 the community united in a single Hollywood visualization.

13 Respectfully, we don't think that this an issue that  
14 can be just cleaned up around the edges, and instead,  
15 would urge the Commission to make changes before  
16 releasing draft maps to unite the L.A. LGBTQ+ community  
17 in a single Hollywood Assembly visualization. Thank you  
18 so much.

19 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

20 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

21 And right now, we will have caller 1940. And up  
22 next after that will be caller 9675. Caller 1940, if you  
23 will please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star  
24 six. The floor is yours.

25 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Oh, hi. I'm calling from

1 Marin County, and I'm very confused about what the  
2 discussion was about Sonoma and Marin. I've listened to  
3 hours of this testimony now, and I -- I feel like Marin  
4 has just kind of been batted around as an afterthought.  
5 But I do appreciate the fact that you were listening, and  
6 you heard us about our Congressional district and our  
7 Senate district where we belong with -- with the  
8 coastline, but that just is not feasible for the Assembly  
9 district which is so much smaller -- half the size of the  
10 Senate district.

11       So we really believe we should be with Sonoma as we  
12 have been for the last decade. Marin should not be  
13 split. I -- I know you're kind of bending over backwards  
14 for the coastal thing, but it goes a little too far when  
15 you split us in half for an Assembly district to put us  
16 on the coast when the west part of our county is the  
17 least populated portion of the -- of the county. So we  
18 are best served -- we have a strong community of interest  
19 with Sonoma. There's the 101 corridor, which is their --  
20 there's work that needs to be done on that; that's a  
21 shared responsibility. There's the completion of the  
22 SMART ra -- rail; that's a shared a responsibility. We  
23 get much of our water from -- from Sonoma. So it -- it  
24 really needs to be in the Assembly district as it's drawn  
25 in, I think it's the VAD\_SONOMARIN\_1107, it should really

1 be Marin --

2 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

3 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- and half of Sonoma,  
4 preferably with part of Santa Rosa thrown in just as a --  
5 a balance between the two districts -- whatever district  
6 is formed to the east of us -- but we should not be drawn  
7 south, we should not be --

8 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

9 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- drawn west. It's  
10 understandable that we can't be on the coast of the  
11 Assembly district, but please keep us together with  
12 Sonoma for this district. Thank you.

13 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

14 And right now, we will have caller 9675. And up  
15 next after that will be caller 7625. Caller 9675, if you  
16 will please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star  
17 six. The floor is yours.

18 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you so much. I'm  
19 calling from the unincorporated area of Ashland, which is  
20 within Kern Assembly District 20, to say that I strongly  
21 oppose the current proposition to have our unincorporated  
22 area merged with the areas of Livermore and Pleasanton,  
23 and all those areas across the 680 corridor. It is  
24 highly different from us. We do not share services, we  
25 do not share communities, and it makes our current

1 district go from twenty percent white and eighty percent  
2 people of color to forty percent white and fifty cent  
3 (sic) people of color. And the -- the propensity for  
4 voting changes immensely when you put us in a district  
5 with Livermore and Pleasanton that has traditionally and  
6 historically voted for republicans or folks who are not  
7 democrats. That would harm all the people of color who  
8 live in this area who reside on the other side -- the  
9 west side of the 680 corridor.

10 I want to offer a suggestion that we maintain our  
11 line parallel to 580 and stay with Castro Valley,  
12 Hayward, all the unincorporated being together, Union  
13 City, and San Leandro. Combining us with San Leandro  
14 would mean that we have a community of interest that is  
15 strongly tied historically, geographically, and as well  
16 as our commuting. Putting us with Livermore and  
17 Pleasanton, we just have nothing in common with that  
18 area, and those areas can be best served if they are  
19 combined --

20 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

21 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- with Dublin and with  
22 Stockton. We deserve a chance to have our votes count  
23 and not completely washed out by being combined with  
24 people who do not share our interests or our communities  
25 or our children's futures.

1 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: We have never been in  
3 partnership with Pleasanton and Livermore. Please do not  
4 send us over there. Thank you.

5 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

6 And right now, we will have caller 7625. And up  
7 next after that will be caller 7693. Caller 7625, if you  
8 will please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star  
9 six. The floor is yours.

10 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi, my name is David (ph.),  
11 and I'm calling on behalf of Bay Rising. And I'm  
12 actually calling with the very, very similar comment to  
13 the last one that was made. Just calling for those areas  
14 west of the hills to not be included with those in the  
15 east. There is a map put together by AASRC (ph.) that  
16 has an Assembly District 20 that's perfect for it. The  
17 areas of Hayward, Ashland, Cherryland are absolutely not  
18 similar or should be included with those of Pleasanton,  
19 of Livermore.

20 You know, these maps, looking at them, just don't  
21 make sense at all for the -- these communities. The one  
22 that was submitted by AASRC includes San Leandro and  
23 Lorenzo, Hayward, even to the Newark areas. You know, I  
24 think those are -- that's a really great map; there are  
25 other ones that we've seen that really make sense.

1 Really appreciate all the work that you all have put  
2 together to get us to this point, and we're really  
3 hopeful that we can get to a point that really makes  
4 sense for all the people of this district. Once again,  
5 keeping Ashland, Hayward, those areas to the west of the  
6 hills really makes sense for the folks in this district.  
7 Thank you a lot.

8 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

9 And right now, we will have caller 7693. And up  
10 next after that will be caller 2911. Caller 7693, if you  
11 will please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star  
12 six. The floor is yours.

13 MS. ROWE: Hello, my name is Chris Rowe, C-H-R-I-S  
14 R-O-W-E. Thank you, commissioners. I was on the call  
15 with you for over eleven hours yesterday, and you  
16 didn't -- in the time I was on, did not get to the San  
17 Fernando Valley.

18 I am looking at all three sets of maps. I know  
19 today you're focused on the Assembly maps, so I'll speak  
20 to the San Fernando Valley, the district  
21 VAD\_SOUTHSFV\_1107. And I -- I have no problems really  
22 with that, although I would like to see what's called  
23 "contiguous compact communities of interest". And so  
24 really, I'd like to see the boundary lines drawn as  
25 you've drawn it in this visualization at the boundary of

1 L.A. County, and then to the 405. And then so what you  
2 have is a South Valley district using the neighborhood  
3 council boundaries west of Canoga Park, Winnetka, to  
4 include Reseda and Lake Balboa. Then going north of  
5 there, and keep the San Fernando Valley whole within the  
6 valley; don't take it into the Santa Clarita Valley. And  
7 then go east of the 405 and put Van Nuys, Greater Valley  
8 Glen, North Hollywood with Sherman Oaks, Studio City,  
9 Toluca Lake --

10 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

11 MS. ROWE: -- because they have an Armenian  
12 population over there that's a major concern for them.  
13 And then go north to the East San Fernando Valley where  
14 you have a more Hispanic population, but you have a more  
15 rur -- rural district --

16 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen seconds.

17 MS. ROWE: -- that can go into the Santa Clarita  
18 area. Please use the 405 as the dividing line.

19 I'm also very, very concerned -- please don't, for  
20 my -- my Senate district, do not put the San --

21 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

22 And right now, we will have caller 2911. And up  
23 next after that will be caller 0396. Caller 2911, if you  
24 will please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star  
25 six. The floor is yours.

1 MS. ERIKAT: Good evening, commissioners -- good  
2 evening, commissioners and staff. My name is Jeanine  
3 Erikat. Thank you all for your tireless work today  
4 and -- and throughout the past year. Again, I'm a policy  
5 associate at PANA, and I've testified multiple times in  
6 front of this Commission representing Black, Arab, Middle  
7 Eastern, Muslim, South Asian refugee immigrant  
8 communities who PANA serves across San Diego County, but  
9 especially in the neighborhoods of City Heights, La Mesa,  
10 Lemon Grove, Spring Valley, and El Cajon.

11 I called last week with concerns around the  
12 visualizations and see that the current visualizations  
13 have similar issues. I am worried that visualizations  
14 continue to pair our COIs of Lemon Grove, La Mesa, Spring  
15 Valley, southeastern (indiscernible) El Cajon with Santee.  
16 Many of the residents in City Heights, La Mesa, Lemon  
17 Grove, Spring Valley, southeastern (indiscernible) El  
18 Cajon are refugee immigrants; largely, black immigrant  
19 people of color communities who have shared in -- needs  
20 such as increased affordable housing, equitable  
21 transportation access, and language access. All of which  
22 is not a concern for many Santee residents and would be  
23 detrimental to map El Cajon with Santee. There's not an  
24 overlap of community, and similarly, our communities of  
25 interest don't have shared concerns with coastal and

1 downtown areas. We urge you to keep our COIs together  
2 and not map us with Santee or downtown areas. Thank you  
3 for your time.

4 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

5 All right, now we will have caller 0396. And up  
6 next after that will be caller 1618. Caller 0396, if you  
7 will please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star  
8 six. The floor is yours.

9 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi. Thank you,  
10 commissioners. My name's Austin (ph.), and I'm a  
11 lifelong Kings County resident. I'd just like to comment  
12 on the communities of interest there.

13 I believe Kings County is better whole. It has a  
14 dominant Latino presence throughout, and it should be  
15 kept together to ensure that Lut -- Latino conummy --  
16 community has fair representation in congress, as well  
17 the Kings Area Regional Transit (sic) connects much of  
18 Kings County by bus, including Avenal, Kettleman City,  
19 Stratford, Lemoore, Hanford, and Corcoran, so I just  
20 think it's really important to keep Kings County whole.

21 Other than that, I'd like to thank you for all your  
22 work on the -- the maps so far. Thank you.

23 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

24 And right now, we will have caller 1618. And up  
25 next after that will be caller 8158. Caller 1618, if you

1 will please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star  
2 six. The floor is yours. Caller 1618, would you please  
3 star six one more time? Not sure what happened. The  
4 floor is yours. Hello?

5 MS. STEELE: Hello?

6 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Hello? Yes, the floor is  
7 yours.

8 MS. STEELE: Okay. My name is Regina Steele (ph.);  
9 I live in Riverside in Riverside County. I am here to  
10 talk about the Assembly Visualization VAD\_MPH\_1107 and  
11 Senate Visualization VAD\_SVRC\_1107 (ph.) that protects  
12 the communities of interest of the African American  
13 community. We would like to thank the Commission for  
14 hearing our voice in past public hearings. We ask that  
15 you finalize these two visualizations; any changes made  
16 would weaken our voting strength. Thank you so much.

17 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

18 And right now, we have caller 8158. And up next  
19 after that will be caller 1986. Caller 8158, if you will  
20 please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star six.  
21 The floor is yours.

22 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi, I'm calling in regards to  
23 the Long Beach area. I wanted to say that any efforts to  
24 put Long Beach more into the Orange County area,  
25 specifically, like, Seal Beach and Huntington Beach would

1 just be a disservice to the Long Beach community. Long  
2 Beach is very diverse and the -- when you go into Orange  
3 County, it's completely different. Our schools, our --  
4 our restaurants, our -- everything there -- the hou --  
5 the housing. The -- the needs of Long Beach are kind of  
6 in its own -- on its own. And we're the third largest  
7 city in L.A. County, fifth largest city in California,  
8 and lar -- and Long Beach should not be broken up into  
9 different areas because we have our own needs in Long  
10 Beach and anything short of that would be a disservice to  
11 Long Beach and the community.

12 And if -- when you start going into Orange County,  
13 those are completely different and there's nothing --  
14 Long Beach and Huntington Beach are so different, and you  
15 know, if you -- if you break those up and you break --  
16 start breaking up Long Beach or you start putting Long  
17 Beach into Orange County, then the focus is not going to  
18 be on the Lo -- on the Long Beach community, and it would  
19 really harm our community that is already struggling now  
20 since the pandemic. So thank you.

21 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

22 And I would like to make a brief announcement for  
23 all those out there listening. The lines are closing at  
24 4:30, approximately four minutes. Please, if you want to  
25 make comment this evening, dial in now.



1 Right now we have caller 1986. And up next after  
2 that will be caller 8800. Caller 1986, if you will  
3 please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star six.  
4 The floor is yours.

5 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello, commissioners. My  
6 name is Alyssa (ph.). Thank you for taking the time to  
7 listen to our community of interest testimony.

8 Kings County is a collection of small, rural towns  
9 economically driven by their agriculture industry. Kings  
10 County towns should have the same representative because  
11 their demographics and local economies are largely  
12 similar. Kings County is not large enough to be its own  
13 legislative body, but the community belongs together.  
14 Please keep Kings County whole. Thank you.

15 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

16 And right now, we have caller 8800. And up next  
17 after that will be caller 2567. Caller 8800, if you will  
18 please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star six.  
19 The floor is yours.

20 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Audio interference) Victor  
21 (ph.). Thank you for taking the time to listen to our  
22 testimonies and the work you are all doing. (Audio  
23 interference) communities of -- of interest (audio  
24 interference) interest because of the entire comm --  
25 because the entire community -- county faces similar

1 economic interests and concerns. Kings County has a  
2 (indiscernible) Latino presence throughout the county,  
3 and the county should be kept together to ensure the  
4 Latino community has fair representation in congress.

5       Additionally, the unincorporated communities within  
6 (audio interference) and they have same interests  
7 throughout, and they've (audio interference) needs and  
8 access. Thank you.

9       PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

10       And right now, we have caller 2567. And up next  
11 after that will be caller 3135. Caller 2567, if you will  
12 please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star six.  
13 The floor is yours.

14       UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello, commissioners. Thank  
15 you for all the work that you're doing with the  
16 Congressional maps. We really appreciate it.

17       I am disappointed that the Commission hasn't taken  
18 our communities of interest testimonies into  
19 consideration. As someone who is a part of the Latino  
20 community, I urge you to consider not splitting Kings  
21 County. The population of towns in Kings County are  
22 predominantly Latino and share cultural and political  
23 interests, making the entire county a community of  
24 interest.

25       Kings County is a former Section 5 county and should

1 be kept whole out of deference to that former status.

2 Please keep Kings County whole. Thank you for your time  
3 and consideration.

4 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

5 Right now, we will have caller 3135. And up next  
6 after that -- oh -- right now, we will have caller 7175.  
7 And up next after that will be caller 6855. Caller 7175,  
8 if you will please follow the prompts to unmute by  
9 pressing star six. The floor is yours.

10 MR. PAYNE: Hi, there. Thank you. This is Jeremy  
11 Payne with Equality California. I wanted to call in and  
12 thank you for all your work and advocacy for the LGBTQ+  
13 community of San Diego this week.

14 I know we have Senate coming up tomorrow, and I  
15 wanted to share a concern that was already brought up by  
16 some of our commissioners. So this is about the Senate  
17 district for San Diego that separates the Hillcrest  
18 community at the 163 Freeway. Of course, this splits  
19 Hillcrest, our iconic LGBTQ+ community, right in half,  
20 and we would advocate for extending the eastern boundary  
21 to Interstate 15. That would allow us to keep our LGBTQ+  
22 community united.

23 Historically, this Hillcrest area and the  
24 surrounding areas that would be incorporated by pushing  
25 to the 15 have been part of our LGBTQ+ community in the

1 3rd Council District in the city of San Diego where the  
2 past five city council members elected have been all out  
3 LGBTQ+ individuals and have been responsive to the LGBTQ+  
4 community of interest and our needs.

5       Importantly, the four council members who previously  
6 occupied this seat have gone on to serve as members and  
7 leaders of the California legislature and as mayor of  
8 city of San Diego. Again, reinforcing the fact that when  
9 the local LGBTQ+ community of interest is empowered to  
10 elect candidate of choice, we can elect officials who are  
11 responsive to our community's need at all levels of  
12 government.

13       So again, thank you for advocacy for San Diego's  
14 LGBTQ+ community. And we hope that we are able to  
15 correct tomorrow's Senate district. Thank you so much.

16       PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

17       And right now, we will have caller 6855. And up  
18 next after that will be caller 5083. Caller 6855, if you  
19 will please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star  
20 six. The floor is yours.

21       MR. SUKATON: Good evening. Hi. Sam Sukaton,  
22 California Environmental Voters Education Fund. I know  
23 that we are bearing down on the -- on the 15th deadline  
24 for draft maps, so I appreciate your live line drawing  
25 and the hard work that you're doing.

1 I would love to speak to the maps you're currently  
2 drawing, but I do want to interject briefly about the  
3 Congressional visualizations that seem to be going back  
4 and forth. I'd appreciate if the Commission kind of  
5 reopened discussion about the Congressional lines, or at  
6 least post the cha -- changes you've made.

7 Moreover, I do want to point back to our engagement  
8 initially with you on that presentation with a couple  
9 notes on Northern California. First, and I'll say this  
10 again, the North Coast should be from Point Reyes to  
11 Castle Rock in one Congressional seat. We actually --  
12 we -- we -- you probably got a letter from the Karuk  
13 Tribe about expanding that into western Siskiyou County;  
14 we support that as well.

15 The Sierras from Tahoe to Manzanar should also  
16 remain together distinct from the Central Valley. I see  
17 you all drawing towards Fresno. As I suggested, draw  
18 east once for population, specifically in El Dorado and  
19 Placer counties.

20 Finally, given some of the confusion expressed by  
21 some callers here today, I would -- I would hope that you  
22 post the line drawn north that you worked on this week  
23 for review ahead of draft maps so I know that those are  
24 also dropping. I do look forward to discussing more of  
25 these changes at the Assembly, Senate, and Congressional

1 levels over the course of the week.

2 But again, appreciate the work that you're doing;  
3 let's keep talking. And I hope you have an -- I hope  
4 you're having a restful evening once these drop. But  
5 thank you so much for your time.

6 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

7 And right now, we will have caller 5083. And up  
8 next after that will be caller 8600. Caller 5083, if you  
9 will please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star  
10 six. The floor is yours.

11 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello. I'm calling from  
12 Orange County, California; specifically Rossmoor. I  
13 thank you for allowing me to call in today.

14 I'd like to call to voice my concerns with being  
15 lumped in with Long Beach. In all of the maps,  
16 especially our Congressional district, right now that's  
17 how it's drawn. And Rossmoor, Los Alamitos, Seal Beach,  
18 we have a very different -- different values as a  
19 community from Long Beach, and I don't think it makes  
20 sense to cut up our community and put us in with Long  
21 Beach. We share these three cities -- Los Al, Rossmoor,  
22 and Seal Beach share a school district, and it doesn't  
23 make sense to have some of them lumped in with Long Beach  
24 and others lumped in with the rest of Orange County.

25 I lived in Long Beach until I was four, my parents

1 were born and raised there, and we left that area because  
2 it didn't align with our values, so I think it's -- it's  
3 a little unfair for our community to be cut up and placed  
4 with a community where their -- their votes, their voices  
5 drown out those of ours. So I would strongly urge the  
6 Commission to -- to keep Orange County intact,  
7 specifically Rossmoor and Los Alamitos and Seal Beach and  
8 group them with cities like Cypress or Huntington Beach,  
9 farther south. Thank you.

10 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

11 And I would like to remind all of those that have  
12 called in to please press star nine to raise your hand  
13 indicating you wish to give comment. If you'll please  
14 help me in my moderating the queue.

15 Right now, we have caller 6251. And up next after  
16 that will be caller 2115. Caller 6251, if you will  
17 please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star six.  
18 The floor is yours.

19 MR. ENGARDIO: Hello. Hello. My name is Joel  
20 Engardio from San Francisco, and I want to comment on  
21 Congressional District 12. I want to thank the committee  
22 for drawing the new lines that you did. I think it's  
23 very important to connect the LGBTQ community in the  
24 Castro with the growing LBGTQ community on the west side  
25 of San Francisco, which historically has not had many

1 LGBTQ residents but -- but more are moving there, so it's  
2 nice to see a consistency in grouping them together the  
3 way you have with this current line. So I thank you very  
4 much for the way the line is drawn.

5 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

6 Right now, we will have caller 2115. And up next  
7 after that will be caller 4535. And again, one more  
8 time, please, those that have called in, if you wish to  
9 give comment, please press star nine; this will raise  
10 your hand.

11 Caller 2115, if you will please follow the prompts  
12 to unmute by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

13 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi. The community is doing  
14 good and important work to make sure that Latinx voices  
15 are being equitably represented in our community, but I  
16 want to point out a potential error.

17 For the last decade, the Latinx community in  
18 Bakersfield has been well represented by being combined  
19 with Delano and Wasco and not the Stockdale and larger  
20 portions of southwest Bakersfield. I'm concerned that if  
21 the Commission continues to add more of western  
22 Bakersfield into VCD\_KINGS-TULARE and KERN, our district  
23 will -- our district risks losing its VRA status and its  
24 Hispanic representation before another commission has the  
25 opportunity to rectify it.

1 I would recommend that the Commission include  
2 Stockdale with Rosedale and Oildale with -- in  
3 VCD\_FRESNO/KERN (ph.) so that the Latinx community is  
4 able to maintain its representation of choice. Thank  
5 you.

6 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

7 Right now, we will have caller 4535. And up next  
8 after that will be caller 5178. Caller 4535, if you will  
9 please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star six.  
10 The floor is yours. Caller 4535, you are unmuted. Can  
11 you hear me? You may want to --

12 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I can, I'm sorry. I was  
13 muted --

14 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Perfect.

15 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- right there.

16 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: There you go. The floor  
17 is yours.

18 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Sorry about that.

19 I'm a Yorba Linda resident, and I've submitted  
20 comments before about the importance of keeping North  
21 Orange County together. And last night I saw the  
22 Commission completely disassemble North Orange County and  
23 basically split it up into three Congressional districts.  
24 I just kind of want to make it clear that this makes very  
25 little sense to anyone who lives in this area. If you

1 live in Yorba Linda, Brea, or Anaheim Hills you know how  
2 similar these cities are. If the goal is to keep these  
3 communities together, then any maps should have these  
4 cities in one Congressional district. Instead, now we're  
5 arbitrarily connecting Yorba Linda all the way down to  
6 Irvine and Mission Viejo. One representative should  
7 represent these cities. Thank you.

8 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

9 And right now we will have caller 5178. And up next  
10 after that will be caller 9708.

11 Caller 5178, if you will please follow the prompts  
12 to unmute by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

13 MR. LONG: Thank you. First of all, thank you, all  
14 of the commissioners, especially thank you, Commissioner  
15 Sinay, for doing the bulk of the work in San Diego.

16 As -- my name is John Long (ph.). As a person born  
17 and raised in San Diego, I wanted to provide feedback for  
18 the portions of north San Diego City. It seems like in  
19 the -- in the current congressional visualizations,  
20 Rancho Penasquitos is split along the 56, which  
21 disconnects our community. And in the -- in the work  
22 that you all did today in the assembly district, you've  
23 split the north City of San Diego communities of Carmel  
24 Valley, Mira Mesa, as well as Sabre Springs.

25 I would try to urge the commissioners to use

1 Penasquitos Creek as a natural dividing line between  
2 different communities because that's how the zip codes in  
3 northern San Diego City are kind of reflected and  
4 determined, that Penasquitos Creek separates Carmel  
5 Valley from your upper Sorrento Mesa, separates Rancho  
6 Penasquitos from Mira Mesa, and separates Sabre  
7 Springs -- most of Sabre Springs from Scripps Ranch.

8 I know you don't have, like, the community mapped on  
9 like San -- like San Francisco or LA in San Diego. But  
10 if you can just use Google Maps and use Penasquitos Creek  
11 as a natural dividing line, that would be great, because  
12 it also separates school districts as well. It separates  
13 the San Diego Unified School District --

14 MR. MANOFF: 30 seconds.

15 MR. LONG: -- from the Poway Unified School District  
16 as well. Thank you.

17 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
18 right now, we will have caller 9708, and up next after  
19 that will be caller 1784.

20 Caller 9708, if you will please follow the prompts  
21 to unmute by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

22 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello, Commission. I was  
23 very confused by how the congressional district lines in  
24 Orange County ended up. For weeks, we've been submitting  
25 and hearing the importance of having an Orange County

1 coastal district, and I think we might need to be clear  
2 on what that means. These are the beach cities: Seal  
3 Beach, Huntington Beach, Newport Beach, Laguna Niguel,  
4 Dana Pointe, and San Clemente. They deal exclusively  
5 with coastal issues, and it has little to do with cities  
6 like Aliso Viejo or Irvine.

7 We need to make this change before any final maps  
8 come out because the interests of these communities are  
9 the same for every coastal city in the county. There are  
10 no separates issues from northern Orange County and  
11 southern Orange County. They -- they should all be one  
12 district. Thank you.

13 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
14 right now, we will have caller 1784, and up next after  
15 that will be caller 2668.

16 Caller 1784, if you will please follow the prompts  
17 to unmute by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

18 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hey, Commission. I'm a  
19 lifelong resident in Stanislaus County. I've been  
20 waiting for a couple days to talk to y'all. Some crazy  
21 late nights. I definitely envy your -- I don't envy your  
22 task. I just wanted to call -- I don't want to be among  
23 the voice of complainers today. I want to commend you  
24 all for the work that you've done in San Joaquin and  
25 Stanislaus County, especially on these assembly

1 visualizations.

2       The -- I want to talk about the -- the Sac to  
3 Stanislaus District. That's the district where I live  
4 in. It is not -- it wouldn't be the ideal district that  
5 I would draw, but I understand that you guys have to make  
6 compromises, and we're running out of time. Parts of The  
7 Delta that I would prefer not to be in the district, but  
8 again, I understand you have to make compromise, and I  
9 think you guys have listened to us well, bringing in the  
10 eastern sides of both San Joaquin and Stanislaus into an  
11 ag district. We are both ag counties on the east side,  
12 especially, where, you know, we have four-plus billion  
13 dollar ag industries that are pushing product out day in  
14 and day out, season to season. You know, we just  
15 completed harvest out here, dusty and dirty.

16       But I just want to commend the Commission, because  
17 while it's not the district I would draw, I think it  
18 represents a great compromise for our agricultural  
19 voices. I think it -- you know, nothing's going to be  
20 perfect, and I hope everybody who's calling in and has  
21 gripes and complaints remembers that the -- you guys as  
22 commissioners can't make perfect the enemy of the good,  
23 and you guys have got to do good for all the people of  
24 California. So I just wanted to call and commend the  
25 district, even the changes that you made today. It

1 looks -- it looks really well --

2 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

3 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- (indiscernible) and the --  
4 the -- all of that. So thank you very much.

5 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
6 right now, we have caller 2668, and up next after that  
7 will be caller 9194.

8 Caller 2668, if you will please follow the prompts  
9 to unmute by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

10 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening, Commission.  
11 I'm listening to the Commission's process, and I'm so  
12 impressed by your ability to juggle all these competing  
13 interests and end with a map that I think is actually  
14 pretty solid.

15 I'm from Bakersfield, and I live in Rosedale, kind  
16 of near the shopping centers on Rosedale Highway. I'd  
17 just like to point out one point of input for you to  
18 think about, and that's the way that you divided  
19 Bakersfield kind of on a north-south basis instead of by  
20 east and west.

21 I have three kids, one of them in high school and  
22 two of them in college. My middle kid goes to  
23 Bakersfield College on the east side of town, which takes  
24 about twenty or thirty minutes to get to class every day  
25 coming from Rosedale. My oldest is in her last year at

1 CUSB, which is on the west side of town, which only takes  
2 her about five or ten minutes.

3 Our highway system is really laid out in a way that  
4 makes it easier to get south than it is to get east, and  
5 that's created two separate communities on either side of  
6 Highway 99. So I think it would make a lot more sense  
7 for the Commission to divide the district that way  
8 instead of on a north-south basis along Stockdale  
9 Highway. Thank you so much.

10 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: And here we are up  
11 against a break.

12 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you, Katy (ph.). We'll take  
13 our fifteen-minute break now and be back at 5 o'clock.  
14 Thank you.

15 (Whereupon, a recess was held from 4:45 p.m.  
16 until 5:00 p.m.)

17 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you so much, and thank you for  
18 holding. We are back now from break.

19 And Katy, we will take our next callers now, please.

20 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Wonderful, Chair. We  
21 will start with caller 9194, and up next after that will  
22 be caller 3241.

23 Caller 9194, if you will please follow the prompts  
24 to unmute by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

25 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi, there. Can you hear me?

1 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening. So last night,  
3 I watched the Commission work through the Orange County  
4 congressional map, and I was a bit confused by the  
5 outcome. I like that the Commission started by  
6 protecting VRA Hispanic communities in Santa Ana and  
7 Anaheim, but I'm at a loss of what happened in Irvine.  
8 This is a major population center and a unique and  
9 diverse community that should be the anchor of an OC  
10 district. It seems very arbitrary to build a  
11 congressional district starting with the smaller cities  
12 and have the Commission split -- split in half just to  
13 make the population total add up. This needs to be  
14 rectified.

15 Irvine's a vibrant community of interest that should  
16 not be split up, and that should be a focal point of a  
17 congressional district other -- with other similar  
18 communities, like Lake Forest, Laguna Woods, Mission  
19 Viejo, et cetera. Thank you very much.

20 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
21 right now, we will have caller 3241, and up next after  
22 that would be caller 1619.

23 Caller 3241, if you will please follow the prompts  
24 to unmute by pressing star six.

25 And one more time, caller with the last four 3241,



1 if you will please follow the prompts to unmute by  
2 pressing star six.

3 I do apologize, caller 3241. There appears to be  
4 connectivity issue with you, with your phone, at this  
5 time. If we have time, we will come back.

6 Right now, we will have caller 1619, and up next  
7 after that will be caller 8852.

8 Caller 1619, if you will please follow the prompts  
9 to unmute by pressing star six.

10 And one more time, caller 1619, if you will please  
11 follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star six.

12 Caller 1619, I will have to try to come back to you  
13 if we have time. There appears to be a connectivity  
14 issue.

15 Caller 8852, and then up next after that will be  
16 caller 5814.

17 Caller 8852, if you will please follow the prompts  
18 to unmute by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

19 MS. ORTIZ: Thank you. Good afternoon,  
20 commissioners. I'm Graciela Ortiz, mayor of Huntington  
21 Park in southeast Los Angeles. I'm here to speak on  
22 assembly district visualization maps.

23 As I'm looking at the maps presented, or  
24 visualizations, one thing is clear: My community and the  
25 communities surrounding us will be disenfranchised as the

1 proposed maps are linking us to the city of Lakewood and  
2 other affluent and wealthy communities that will never  
3 understand the struggles and needs of our communities.  
4 Over the years, we have organized and come together as  
5 leaders to provide resources and a voice to south LA,  
6 Florence-Firestone, Walnut Park, and Huntington Park.  
7 These proposed visualization maps will divide us and  
8 strip us of our voices.

9 I urge you to please keep south LA, Florence-  
10 Firestone, Walnut Park, and Huntington Park together. I  
11 understand that you cannot start from scratch as you have  
12 a deadline. But please look at maps submitted on  
13 November 5th titled "South Los Angeles 11/4/2021" as this  
14 map is equitable and will require minimal changes to your  
15 current visualization maps.

16 The current visualization maps will divide the  
17 Latino populations and stop our communities from having  
18 Latino representation in Sacramento as it splits the  
19 Latino feedback in current 8059 and 8053 into three  
20 potential assembly districts. These proposed  
21 visualizations will dilute our Latino voice in  
22 Sacramento. Please help us stop the current injustices  
23 that are being proposed for our communities with these  
24 maps.

25 Once again, thank you so much for all that you're

1 doing as I know it's not (sic) a difficult task. Thank  
2 you very much.

3 (In Spanish) Thank you.

4 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
5 right now, we will have caller 5814, and up next after  
6 that will be caller 4828.

7 Caller 5814, if you will please follow the prompts  
8 to unmute by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

9 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi, there. Last night, the  
10 Commission ended with congressional district lines that  
11 split up the community of Irvine, and as I watched, I was  
12 in awe that the Commission arbitrarily split -- split up  
13 Irvine right at the end of drawing the Orange County  
14 lines. You know, it almost seemed like the Commission  
15 was running out of time and just wanted to end the  
16 meeting and decided to split up Irvine just to move  
17 forward. Irvine is the type of large and important city  
18 that should start congressional district lines, not one  
19 divided up because time is running out.

20 I hope that you can reconsider the importance of  
21 Irvine when drawing these congressional lines. Thank  
22 you.

23 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. Right  
24 now, we have caller 4828, and up next after that, caller  
25 0313.

1           Caller 4828, if you will please follow the prompts  
2 to unmute by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

3           UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening, commissioners.  
4 As you know, the Los Angeles Latino community is clearly  
5 the majority in LA, a city with over four million  
6 residents and a county with over ten. For decades now,  
7 the Latino communities in Los Angeles have fought and  
8 thankfully, found our voice in the -- voice in the state  
9 legislature through representative -- through  
10 representation by two assembly districts, currently 8051  
11 and 53.

12           Although there is much in common in communities that  
13 span from Eagle Rock to the north to portions of south  
14 LA, Pico-Union to east LA, the population in these Latino  
15 communities deserve to be represented by at least these  
16 two districts in the assembly. We ask that you look at  
17 the current assembly districts in reference for new maps.

18           We have worked so hard to get to 2021, and just to  
19 lose our Latino representation by merging two seats into  
20 one as proposed by these initial visualizations and  
21 decimating the work, struggle, and accomplishments of our  
22 communities and our advocates. We demand two strong  
23 voices in the legislature for these communities of  
24 work -- of working families, our community, one of the --  
25 one that represents communities of downtown LA, Pico-

1 Union, Boyle Heights, and south LA, and another that  
2 represents that northeast LA communities like Eagle Rock,  
3 Mount Washington, and Highland Park and El Sereno among  
4 others, and east Los Angeles.

5 Thank you so much for all your hard work,  
6 commissioners. Have a good rest of your night.

7 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
8 right now, we will have caller 0313, and up next after  
9 that will be caller Call-In User 4.

10 Caller 0313, if you will please follow the prompts  
11 to unmute by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

12 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening, commissioners.  
13 I wanted to call from south Fresno County in favor of  
14 having Fresno County districts at all levels be with  
15 other Central Valley communities. I do not think it is  
16 fair for Central Valley communities to have parts of  
17 Hollister -- cities of Hollister that are parts of San  
18 Benito County and Monterey County be represented in  
19 Fresno County districts.

20 Currently, the senate map S Ben Merced Fresno 1107  
21 has Monterey County and San Benito County part of Fresno  
22 County when communities like Salinas, Hollister, are not  
23 similar to Central Valley communities like Kerman,  
24 Fresno, Madera. And so I would urge the -- the  
25 commissioners as they draw their maps tomorrow to -- to

1 keep this in mind as they're drawing Central Valley  
2 communities, to keep Central Valley communities whole.

3 One other thing is I understand that the Central  
4 Valley is diverse in its own -- in its own right, and to  
5 please keep in mind to -- to separate communities like  
6 Fresno and Clovis, who, while share close boundaries,  
7 are -- are very different in -- from a socioeconomic  
8 status.

9 But nonetheless, I would rather have a whole  
10 Central -- Central Valley district rather than a Central  
11 Valley district that has coastal communities that do not  
12 represent -- and share interests relating to water,  
13 agriculture, and just --

14 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

15 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- the rural resources that  
16 we need here in Central Valley. Thank you.

17 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
18 right now, we will have Caller-In User 4, and up next  
19 after that will be caller 6640.

20 Call-In User 4, if you will please follow the  
21 prompts to unmute by pressing star six. The floor is  
22 yours.

23 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi. Can you hear me?

24 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

25 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Okay. So I'm a Taiwanese

1 American, and I want to say that it's really a whammy  
2 that from the get-go in the survey, you guys never, ever  
3 separated the free Taiwan from communist China. And when  
4 you are redistricting, you always lump us together, which  
5 is really, really unbearable. It drives me up the wall.  
6 It drives, you know, a lot of our communities up the  
7 wall. We don't share the same interests.

8       For example, in Irvine, many people told you that  
9 you shouldn't separate them, but if you do have to  
10 separate, I ask that you will please separate the  
11 communities that come from nations of democracy and  
12 people who come from communist China. We don't share the  
13 same interests.

14       For example, right now, I'm struggling with a lot of  
15 communist Chinese here who are trying to kill me.  
16 They've stalked me. They follow me around. They --  
17 around my house all the time because I am -- I -- I -- I  
18 openly state that Taiwan is not a part of China. You  
19 guys can never understand what people like me to have to  
20 put up with in California as we have more and more  
21 communist Chinese immigrants coming here and as they gain  
22 more political powers.

23       You might think that I get into a car accident when  
24 I'm actually murdered. I can't even sometimes go to -- I  
25 have to be very careful who I pick to service me for

1 health if they're coming from communist China.

2 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

3 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I have caught them in the  
4 past doing things that are not ethical to me.

5 I ask you to please consider in the future, in the  
6 survey, you cannot lump Taiwan together with China, and  
7 when you do have to separate the community, please  
8 consider Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, you know, nations  
9 that are for democracy, from nations that come from  
10 communism. Thank you.

11 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
12 right now, we have caller 6640, and up next after that  
13 will be caller 3135.

14 Caller 6640, if you will please follow the prompts  
15 to unmute by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

16 MS. MACIAS: Thank you. Good afternoon. My name is  
17 Karina Macias, a council member for the City of  
18 Huntington Park.

19 As a resident and representative of the community, I  
20 ask that the Commission -- that the communities of Walnut  
21 Park, unincorporated areas of Florence-Firestone,  
22 Florence-Graham, and South Bay stay together. I know for  
23 a fact you all have received over 600 emails in support  
24 of the map that was mentioned by Mayor Graciela Ortiz.

25 The Commission right now has Huntington Park

1 connected to Lakewood, another affluent community. Our  
2 communities have nothing in common with them. We're  
3 talking about different income brackets and communities  
4 in general. This -- the current map smells and looks  
5 like the gerrymandering map that LAUSD Commission gave  
6 us, which is unacceptable. Don't commit their same  
7 mistake. Keep Huntington Park with the cities that I  
8 mentioned. These are communities that have similar  
9 priorities and interests, and it provides a chance for  
10 true representation for the community.

11 I thank you for your consideration and your work.  
12 Thank you so much.

13 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
14 right now, we have caller 3135, and up next after that  
15 will be caller 9399.

16 Caller 3135, if you will please follow the prompts  
17 to unmute by pressing star six.

18 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello?

19 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: The floor is yours.

20 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello? Thank you,  
21 commissioners. I would like to talk about the  
22 congressional map. You got it right when you put Vallejo  
23 and Richmond into the same district. Vallejo was once in  
24 Contra Costa County. We are a community of interest with  
25 Richmond. We share the 80 freeway, and our poor and low-

1 income communities go to work in Richmond.

2 As it stands, the black community in Vallejo is  
3 wholly underrepresented. We can never hire -- we can  
4 never elect a congressperson because of the way we're  
5 disjointed. We can never hire an assembly -- I mean,  
6 elect an assembly person nor elect a state senator.

7 So please reconsider placing us back with the City  
8 of Richmond. And at first, you had us with Antioch and  
9 Pittsburg, which also has large black populations. So  
10 please look out for us a community of interest with  
11 Richmond. Thank you, commissioners, and thank you for  
12 your work.

13 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
14 right now, we will be going to caller 9399, and up next  
15 after that will be caller 7486.

16 Caller 9399, if you will please follow the prompts  
17 to unmute by pressing star six.

18 One more time, caller 9399, the floor is yours.

19 Caller 9399 --

20 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello?

21 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Oh, there you are. The  
22 floor is yours.

23 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you. Good. My name's  
24 Fernando (ph.), and I'm up -- I'm up here in the high  
25 desert of San Bernardino County. I'd like you to

1 remember to consider the map visualizations that the  
2 Brown-Black (sic) Redistricting Alliance had submitted.  
3 They have a lot of support from many communities and  
4 organizations from this area here in the high desert.

5       Particularly for AD 33, we want to keep -- if we  
6 can, keep our communities whole without splitting any  
7 cities, towns, or communities. Also to support the  
8 congressional mapping that they submitted and  
9 particularly the senate district map that they've  
10 submitted.

11       Again, this is one group, the Brown-Black (sic)  
12 Redistricting Alliance, that's supported by at least  
13 twenty different organizations that actually reside and  
14 live and work in this area here. We're very concerned  
15 that we don't want to see our community split, and we'd  
16 like to see some equity in the long run. So please, keep  
17 their suggestions in mind. Thank you.

18       PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
19 right now, we will have caller 7486, and up next after  
20 that will be caller 8247.

21       Caller 7486, if you will please follow the prompts  
22 to unmute by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

23       DR. PHUN: Hi, folks. My name is Dr. Juily Phun,  
24 and I'm a resident of San Gabriel and a professor at Cal  
25 State LA. I want to thank the Commission for their work,

1 and thank you for listening to my testimony.

2 I urge you to keep the west San Gabriel Valley  
3 intact by including Monterey Park, Rosemead, and  
4 Alhambra. Keep our district whole. Monterey Park,  
5 Alhambra, San Gabriel, Rosemead\*\*, \*\* and the surrounding  
6 area has been historically the birthplace of Asian  
7 American politics and has produced our first Chinese  
8 American woman representative. If you split our area,  
9 you will divide our community and split our vote. I urge  
10 you to listen to the community members and not split up  
11 the Asian American and Pacific Islander community.

12 I support map VCD CDWSGV 1102 as it allows for more  
13 fairness and -- and equality. It was also made with  
14 community input. Accordingly, I recommend a drawing of  
15 District 27 as proposed by the community maps, keeping  
16 the AAPI core towns together, and redraw this map with  
17 equity. Thank you very much.

18 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
19 right now, we will have caller 8247, and up next after  
20 that will be caller 8495.

21 Caller 8247, if you will please follow the prompts  
22 to unmute by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

23 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi, good evening. I'd like  
24 to thank the Commission for all the work that they've put  
25 into our redistricting.

1 I'm asking you that during your discussion, to think  
2 about keeping our counties together. I'm talking about  
3 SD District 12, which encompasses Salinas Valley,  
4 Salinas, and Central Valley. I want you to consider  
5 keeping them together just as it is now, as current SD  
6 12. We -- dividing them guarantees that our Latino  
7 voters in the district will be diluted, and we stand a  
8 chance of not being able to continue to focus on the  
9 wonderful work we've accomplished so far. As you know,  
10 many issues aligned all of -- all these counties with our  
11 values and needs.

12 So again, I ask you to please reconsider by keeping  
13 Merced County whole as it is and -- and -- and -- and  
14 current as SD 12 right now. Thank you so much.

15 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
16 right now, we will go to caller 8495, and up next after  
17 that will be caller 3477.

18 Caller 8495, if you will please follow the prompts  
19 to unmute by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

20 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Can you hear me?

21 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

22 MS. ABDI: Okay. Good evening, commissioners.

23 Thank you for keeping our community together. My name's  
24 Rahmo Abdi. I'm a community organizer with PANA. PANA  
25 serves hundreds of immigrant, refugee families across San

1 Diego County, especially in the neighborhood of City  
2 Heights, La Mesa, Lemon Grove, Spring Valley, and El  
3 Cajon. We have worked hard with (indiscernible) and  
4 community members to draw a map that accurately reflects  
5 our community's shared values and interests, which is why  
6 it is concerning that the visualization part of  
7 (indiscernible) of Lemon Grove, La Mesa, Spring Valley,  
8 southeastern San Diego, and El Cajon with Santee and part  
9 of -- with part of downtown.

10 Many of residents of City Heights, La Mesa, Lemon  
11 Grove, Spring Valley, and El Cajon are refugee and  
12 immigrants, largely by far a community who have shared  
13 needs, such as increase in affordable housing, equitable  
14 transportation access and language access, all of which  
15 are not concern for many Santee residents and downtown  
16 residents. We do not share anything in common with --  
17 with residents in Santee and have different priorities  
18 and concerns.

19 I please urge you to keep our community of interest  
20 together. Do not map us with Santee or downtown. Thank  
21 you for your time, and keep our community together.  
22 Thank you.

23 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
24 right now, we will have caller 3477, and up next after  
25 that will be caller 8600.

1           Caller 3477, if you will please follow the prompts  
2 to unmute by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

3           UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello. Thank you, and good  
4 evening.

5           I would like to make an appeal that the city of Long  
6 Beach in LA County should not be combined with any other  
7 cities in Orange County, such as Rossmoor, Seal Beach, or  
8 Huntington Beach. For twenty-five years, I have been  
9 both a renter and a homeowner, first in Rossmoor and now  
10 in Long Beach. Long Beach is its own unique, diverse,  
11 large, and beautiful city, and its communities,  
12 demographics, school districts, transportation, housing,  
13 water, and energy needs couldn't be more different.

14           So again, please keep Long Beach intact and in LA  
15 County and out of Orange County. Thank you.

16           PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
17 right now, we will have caller 8600, and up next after  
18 that will be caller 4967.

19           Caller 8600, if you will please follow the prompts  
20 to unmute by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

21           UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi. Good evening,  
22 Commission. Thank you so much for hosting this.

23           I'm just calling in to advise you to separate  
24 Bakersfield from the east to west along the 99 instead of  
25 north to south along Highway 58. The way that you have

1 it divided from Bakersfield in the current visualization  
2 separates Rosedale from Stockdale, Gosford, and southwest  
3 Bakersfield, when we have a lot more in common with those  
4 communities than downtown Bakersfield or Delano or Wasco.

5 With western Bakersfield, we share shopping centers,  
6 pools, churches, recreational centers, you know,  
7 restaurants, but we share very little with the east side  
8 of town.

9 And so I just really hope that you guys and the  
10 Commission looks at my comments and considers changing  
11 the way that Bakersfield is divided. Thank you so much.

12 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. And right  
13 now, we will have caller 4967. If you will please follow  
14 the prompts to unmute by pressing star six. The floor is  
15 yours.

16 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi. My name's Alita (ph.).  
17 Thank you for taking the time to listen to our testimony.

18 I'd like to make a comment on communities of  
19 interest. During the September recall election, some  
20 towns in Kings County did not have vote centers or ballot  
21 drop boxes. Residents of these towns rely on neighboring  
22 Kings communities to vote in person. Kings County was  
23 previously identified as a Section 5 jurisdiction and  
24 absolutely a community of interest today and should be  
25 kept together. Thank you, and have a nice day.

1 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

2 And Chair, that is all of our hands at this time.

3 CHAIR TURNER: Okay, Katy. We thank you so much.

4 At this point, we'll go back into our business.

5 You have more hands?

6 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: They -- I just -- some  
7 just popped up right now.

8 Caller 4791, and up next after that will be caller  
9 6343.

10 Caller 4791, if you will please follow the prompts  
11 to unmute by pressing star six. The floor --

12 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello?

13 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: -- is yours.

14 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi. I'm a citizen of Brea in  
15 north -- northern Orange County. I'm concerned about the  
16 breakup of the north Orange County cities. The most  
17 recent visualization congressional lines separates the  
18 north Orange County cities of Brea, La Habra, Yorba  
19 Linda, Anaheim Hills, and it makes little sense.

20 Our communities deal with the same traffic, the same  
21 infrastructure issues, and the same economic trends.  
22 North Orange County should be -- should all be a part of  
23 the same congressional district in order to empower our  
24 community and what we need from our representative. I  
25 hope the Commission understands that leaving that line

1 separates intertwined communities. Thank you so much for  
2 your time.

3 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
4 right now, we will have caller 6343, and up next after  
5 that will be caller 4108.

6 Caller 6343, if you will please follow the prompts  
7 to unmute by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

8 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good afternoon, Commission.  
9 I want to thank you for hearing my comment. I live in  
10 the southwest area of the City of Bakersfield, and I just  
11 wanted to make sure that you understand that my community  
12 has very little in common with the east side of  
13 Bakersfield or with Wasco or Delano.

14 In my opinion, we have much more in common with the  
15 VCD of Fresno-Kern than we do the VCD of the Kings-  
16 Tulare-Kern. We share major roads and highways with  
17 Rosedale and Oildale, and it's not very common that  
18 someone would live on the west side of Bakersfield and  
19 work on the east side, but it's common that someone will  
20 work in Rosedale but live in Stockdale as they're both on  
21 the west side of town.

22 I ask you to please recognize that east and west  
23 Bakersfield are two very different communities and should  
24 be represented separately. Thank you.

25 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And

1 right now, we have caller 4108, and up next after that  
2 will be caller 0073.

3       Caller 4108, if you will please follow the prompts  
4 to unmute by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

5       UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello, hi. This is Fernando  
6 (ph.). I reside here in northern California,  
7 specifically the Bay Area here in Castro Valley. I am a  
8 citizen of the East Bay for about twenty years, fifteen  
9 years as a renter, five years as a homeowner.

10       And I'm calling -- I want to petition the Commission  
11 to keep unincorporated areas west of I-680 together with  
12 Hayward and -- and expand the population of north and  
13 south in San Leandro or parts of Fremont if necessary.  
14 These communities as an aggregate are qualitatively  
15 different than the inland suburban communities that make  
16 up the Tri-Valley.

17       So if anybody's ever been to the Bay Area, they  
18 understand specifically that the East Bay is much more  
19 different than the Tri-Valley. This is a big chunk of  
20 the East Bay. We have very different needs. The 680  
21 corridor is, like, second-ring suburbs and ex -- and ex-  
22 suburbs, and the 880 corridor is urban and the first ring  
23 of suburbs, and like, to a greater degree, the  
24 populations are super different. The communities face  
25 different issues. It's race, it's class, education,

1 public transit access, development, like, the industry  
2 jobs.

3 Keeping the unincorporated communities in the region  
4 together that you -- you know, you do not move our  
5 communities over to the east across the ridge of 680,  
6 which would go to Tri-Valley, like, Pleasanton, Sunol,  
7 and Livermore, which are -- again, are very different  
8 than Hayward, Castro Valley, and -- and the such.

9 So that is my petition to you today. I appreciate  
10 your time.

11 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
12 right now, we will have caller 0073, and up next after  
13 that will be caller 8499.

14 Caller 0073, if you will please follow the prompts  
15 to unmute by -- the floor is yours.

16 MR. AI: Hi, commissioners. My name is Mike Ai with  
17 Equality California, and I'm calling to ask that the  
18 LGBTQ+ community of interest in Coachella Valley be kept  
19 together in Coachella Valley congressional and assembly  
20 visualizations. We ask that you unite the Coachella  
21 Valley's LGBTQ+ community on both sides of the 10 freeway  
22 in a single assembly and congressional district, as it  
23 was done in the senate visualizations. That is, in  
24 putting communities north of the 10 freeway like north  
25 Palm Springs, Cathedral City, and Desert Hot Springs into

1 the district with Imperial County.

2 For the Coachella Valley senate visualizations, we  
3 greatly appreciate how you have united the LGBTQ+  
4 community. We think that the San Bernardino communities  
5 like Big Bear Lake and Yucaipa would belong better in San  
6 Bernardino district rather than the desert, Coachella  
7 Valley district. Thank you.

8 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: All right. Now we will  
9 have caller 8499, and up next after that, we will be  
10 retrying caller 3241.

11 Caller 8499, if you will please follow the prompts  
12 to unmute by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

13 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi. I've lived in the town  
14 of Bakersfield my entire life, specifically the Rosedale  
15 area. Bakersfield should be divided west and east along  
16 Highway 99, not north and south along Stockdale Highway  
17 and Highway 58. This would split us into western  
18 Bakersfield and eastern Bakersfield. My family and  
19 friends who live in the Stockdale area and southwest  
20 Bakersfield -- well, we shop at the same places, we go to  
21 the same movie theaters, and our children visit the same  
22 park.

23 I urge you to consider dividing highway -- dividing  
24 Bakersfield along Highway 99 rather than along Highway 58  
25 or Stockdale Highway. Thank you very much.

1 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
2 right now, we will have caller 3241, and up next after  
3 that will be caller 6575.

4 Caller 3241, if you will please follow the prompts  
5 to unmute by pressing star six.

6 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Can you hear me?

7 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can. The floor  
8 is yours.

9 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi. When I'm watching the --  
10 the committee last night, I saw that they were trying to  
11 put Irvine in one of the congressional districts. Irvine  
12 should be in its own separate one or like, the center of  
13 another one because Irvine has all these special  
14 interests that are not related to the coastline. The  
15 coastline has very, very vastly different priorities than  
16 Irvine or any cities nearby.

17 So I think Irvine should just be separated from the  
18 coastline. Thank you.

19 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
20 right now, we will have caller 6575, and up next after  
21 that will be caller 6836.

22 Caller 6575, if you will please follow the prompts  
23 to unmute by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

24 Caller 6575, you are unmuted. Can you hear me?  
25 Please double-check your phone and make sure you are not

1 on mute on your telephone. Oh, now you are muted again.

2 Let's try this one more time.

3 The floor is yours. You may want to double-check  
4 and make sure your phone is not on mute. You are unmuted  
5 in the meeting.

6 MS. SCHOTTENFELD: Hi. Can you hear me?

7 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

8 MS. SCHOTTENFELD: Great. Thank you so much. My  
9 name's Lisa Schottenfeld. I'm a resident of Alameda  
10 County. Thank you so much for all of your work.

11 I'm just calling because I'm concerned about the  
12 ways that the Alameda County maps have been drawn and the  
13 way that doesn't ensure that communities within assembly  
14 districts share common interests and share common  
15 representation. I think it's just incredibly important  
16 to keep the unincorporated areas in Alameda County  
17 together with Hayward, with San Leandro, with Fremont. A

18 s you know, in the current maps, the unincorporated  
19 towns and Hayward are grouped together with those inland  
20 suburban communities of Livermore and Pleasanton, and  
21 just -- the populations of these areas are totally  
22 distinct. They face totally different issues based on  
23 race and class, education, transit access, so many other  
24 things.

25 And so I'm just really urging you to ensure that --

1 that those unincorporated towns are kept together with  
2 Hayward and -- and San Leandro and Fremont. Thank you.

3 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
4 right now, we have caller 6836.

5 And I'd like to give those who have not spoke this  
6 evening one last opportunity to press star nine.

7 Right now, we will have caller 6836. If you will  
8 please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star six.  
9 The floor is yours.

10 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good afternoon, Commission.  
11 I'm calling in to advise you to separate Bakersfield from  
12 east to west along Highway 99 instead of from north to  
13 south along Highway 58. Rosedale has a lot more in  
14 common with areas such as the -- Stockdale area, Gosford,  
15 and southwest Bakersfield than areas like the downtown  
16 area and Delano and Wasco. We shop at the same places,  
17 and we all go to the same schools and that -- those types  
18 of things. Most of us know a lot of people in those  
19 areas and generally don't know people in the other areas.

20 So I'm just asking that we once again divide from  
21 Highway 99 north to south instead of from Highway 58.  
22 Thank you.

23 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
24 at this time, that was our last hand. If you have not  
25 spoke this evening, please press star nine now.

1 Otherwise, it will be in the chair's hand.

2 Chair, we do not have any hands.

3 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Thank you so much --

4 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: You're welcome.

5 CHAIR TURNER: -- Katy, for all of your work and  
6 diligence.

7 I'd like to start out by saying to all of our  
8 callers that's called in, if you ever feel threatened or  
9 unsafe or unwell, we recommend that you call 911, please.  
10 We want to ensure that you have access and are aware of  
11 what resources to call if you're feeling threatened or  
12 unwell or if you are feeling like your life is in danger.  
13 Please call 911. Thank you.

14 At this time, we will go back into our assembly live  
15 line drawing. We were in our northern area, northern,  
16 kind of also central, inland. And so commissioners,  
17 we'll be back in the hands of -- it looks like Tamina,  
18 and I think we were moving from the north area into maybe  
19 the Central Valley a little more.

20 Line drawers, where were we?

21 MS. CLARK: We have no pending changes, Chair. We  
22 can go wherever you like.

23 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Let's on into Kennedy's area,  
24 then.

25 Did we -- oh, did we finish the Bay Area? Okay.

1 Well, that's what we'll do. We'll go Bay Area. Thank  
2 you.

3 Commissioner Toledo?

4 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I'm just curious, because we  
5 did receive some comments about Vallejo and uniting up  
6 with Contra Costa area. So -- and at this point, I'm not  
7 sure if -- how we can do that at this point, given the  
8 population deviations. But that -- we were successful in  
9 doing that on the congressional map, but we haven't been  
10 able to do that in the assembly map, and I was curious if  
11 there was an interest in trying to do that at this point.

12 CHAIR TURNER: Yes, I think we continue to hear  
13 that. So we have Commissioners Andersen and Yee that  
14 will perhaps address that.

15 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Thank you, Chair. Yes,  
16 that's an item -- I believe to make enough room to try --  
17 essentially, we will have to reconstruct the East CC, 680  
18 CC, and the Alameda -- those. Also, we'll have to get  
19 into a little bit of the Fremont one. But I believe that  
20 Commissioner Yee --

21 Did you want to start over in San Francisco and try  
22 to work -- instead of trying to work -- move a little --  
23 make a little room by starting coming down the peninsula  
24 just a little bit (indiscernible) --

25 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Andersen, let's just let

1 him take it from whichever direction. Unless you want to  
2 give us some direction, we'll take yours. I think he  
3 might have --

4 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay. Well, what I -- what  
5 I would start with is -- because we just heard -- we've  
6 heard it several times -- the San Leandro, Ashland,  
7 Castro Valley section -- yes, that -- correct, that area  
8 right in there. What I would do is grab San Leandro from  
9 Oakland and add it to the Alameda.

10 Or -- okay, all right. I'm getting -- I'm being  
11 told to start from the north with Vallejo.

12 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Anywhere (indiscernible).

13 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay. If -- can we -- can  
14 we grab Vallejo out of Solano and put it into -- with --  
15 with Rodeo and Hercules and put it into -- oh. First,  
16 let's add Martinez to East CC.

17 CHAIR TURNER: Maybe we can talk big picture  
18 about --

19 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay.

20 CHAIR TURNER: -- the overall stuff.

21 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Big picture? Yeah. Big  
22 picture here. At -- create Vallejo, Rodeo, Crockett,  
23 Martinez, across East CC, realizing that we'll have to --  
24 have to chop East CC probably about Oakley and add that  
25 to the 680. And then we'll have to --

1 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Andersen, let's start  
2 with telling us what you're trying to do, because --

3 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: That's exactly what I'm  
4 trying to do.

5 CHAIR TURNER: I mean, not -- just overall, big  
6 picture of what is -- not just where to move it. What  
7 are you trying --

8 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay.

9 CHAIR TURNER: -- to accomplish? Is it just the  
10 population? That's what I'm trying to understand,  
11 because --

12 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: I'm trying to create --

13 CHAIR TURNER: -- I'm hearing the areas --

14 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay.

15 CHAIR TURNER: Go ahead.

16 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: I'm trying to create the --  
17 I guess the Highway 4 corridor again. This would be  
18 the -- for -- it has -- it's Delta and it's refinery  
19 area. It's also for common working class, that whole  
20 scenario.

21 It's east of -- across the top of east Contra Costa.  
22 It's on top of -- sorry. The northern portion of Contra  
23 Costa County, going across that way. Then, moving down,  
24 we'd like to -- like to try and restore as much as  
25 possible Tri-Valley, and adding over -- then on the west

1 side of the hills, Hayward to the northern portion of  
2 Fremont, in there.

3 And that would create -- so the play would be you'll  
4 end up with two districts across -- the eastern Alameda  
5 and the -- essentially, it's -- rather than kind of  
6 going -- we sort of have east-west, kind of going north-  
7 south.

8 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible)?

9 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: It's -- yes, it's a little  
10 bit similar to what we tried to do with the  
11 congressionals.

12 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Similar to the congressional  
13 districts.

14 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Correct. Similar to that --  
15 similar to that construction we did with congressional.  
16 Obviously, smaller population. So with that, that's why  
17 I was saying the easiest thing to do here is add Martinez  
18 to East CC, so we can create the corridor then.

19 CHAIR TURNER: Is that a visualization you're asking  
20 to see or you --

21 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yes.

22 CHAIR TURNER: -- want to see?

23 So she wants to explore --

24 MS. RAMOS ALON: This here, right?

25 CHAIR TURNER: -- Kennedy (indiscernible) --

1 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Correct.

2 MS. RAMOS ALON: And then this stuff here.

3 CHAIR TURNER: Oh, there we go.

4 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Correct.

5 MS. RAMOS ALON: (Indiscernible).

6 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Correct.

7 MS. RAMOS ALON: Okay. And then we'll have to see  
8 what the --

9 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: We'll have to --

10 MS. RAMOS ALON: -- deviation happens  
11 (indiscernible).

12 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Correct.

13 CHAIR TURNER: And so while they're adding that, to  
14 see what that's going to look like, Commissioner Yee?

15 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay. I wanted to return to Daly  
16 City.

17 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. So we'll move -- no, we won't  
18 move the areas. We'll stay with what she's trying to  
19 work. Okay. So you're going to be Daly City, in this  
20 same area.

21 Commissioner Toledo?

22 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yes. I was just going to ask  
23 the line drawers if there's any way -- because I'm  
24 thinking less radical changes, but -- and we might need  
25 to do more. But if there's any way to shift -- if the

1 line drawers have any suggestions of how we might be able  
2 to get Vallejo with the Richmond area, Contra Costa with  
3 some kind of swap, because we'll need population up in  
4 the north. So something that's not -- and I'm not saying  
5 it, but I just was hoping that you might be able to offer  
6 some guidance.

7 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Can I ask a clarifying  
8 question to Commissioner Toledo? Is that okay? I just  
9 want to clarify, are you trying to put Vallejo with  
10 Richmond or --

11 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: With the northern Contra --

12 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Or Vallejo with -- out to  
13 Pittsburg and/or Antioch?

14 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Contra Costa area. So that  
15 would be -- it would be the Pinole area, right? Right  
16 above -- across the bridge.

17 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: It is connected right there  
18 right now, Commissioner Toledo. You have Vallejo, Rodeo,  
19 Pinole, Hercules are connected in Solano County right  
20 now. And the idea would be can we -- can we add Vallejo,  
21 Benicia, down to east Contra County, going out to  
22 Pittsburg, Antioch.

23 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: But they're connected on --  
24 in -- yes, I see what you're saying. They're still over  
25 the bridge and connected to Solano County, and I think

1 ideally, we'd get them into Contra Costa area.

2 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Uh-huh. With -- I'm sorry,  
3 with Vallejo, or just take Crockett -- just do a  
4 smaller -- just do Crockett, Rodeo -- just grab them back  
5 and put them in Contra Costa?

6 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I would do it with Vallejo  
7 because Vallejo wants to -- would -- I think that we've  
8 heard the interest in being with Contra Costa County.

9 CHAIR TURNER: We --

10 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: We can try it.

11 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Andersen, I want you to  
12 see the -- go through what you're attempting to do. I  
13 think it would be helpful -- I would -- I'm with --  
14 Vallejo and as well as Martinez, a lot of those areas are  
15 distinctly different from Oakley and Brentwood, all of  
16 those -- that far area that you're trying to go,  
17 irregardless (sic) of it being in the 404. But I do want  
18 to support your visualization and see where we're going  
19 to go and how this thing's going to land.

20 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah, it --

21 CHAIR TURNER: So can we accept or --

22 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Well, actually, one question  
23 we should say, can you give us the population of just  
24 Vallejo, please?

25 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: 126,000.

1 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: And -- sorry, did you --

2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: 126.

3 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: 126?

4 MS. RAMOS ALON: 126,000.

5 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay.

6 MS. RAMOS ALON: (Indiscernible).

7 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: And Antioch's 115. Okay.  
8 Yes. Could we go ahead and grab Vallejo, the Crockett-  
9 Hercules area, and add that to -- well, just for right  
10 now, let's add it to 680 OC, please.

11 MS. RAMOS ALON: Okay. So this entire Vallejo,  
12 Benicia, and this area of Contra Costa County to 680 CC,  
13 yes?

14 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Benicia --

15 MS. RAMOS ALON: Sorry, court reporter.

16 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Add in Benicia as well.  
17 Yes, let's just try it for a visualization.

18 Commissioner Toledo, do you think Benicia should be  
19 added as well?

20 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I'm just afraid we're taking  
21 too much population from the --

22 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: I --

23 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- Yolo-Napa area. So --

24 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: I do agree with that.  
25 That's a concern.

1 Can we not take Benicia just yet?

2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible)?

3 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah.

4 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible).

5 MS. RAMOS ALON: This is a population change of  
6 184,535 people.

7 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay.

8 MS. RAMOS ALON: Resulting deviation to 680 CC is  
9 40.77 percent.

10 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay. Could --

11 MS. RAMOS ALON: And Solano goes down to negative  
12 34.89 percent.

13 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Could you look -- just hold  
14 that and go over and tell us population from Antioch  
15 through Byron, Bethel Island, please?

16 MS. RAMOS ALON: Antioch, Byron, and Bethel Island,  
17 you said?

18 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: All -- yeah, all -- yeah,  
19 that whole --

20 MS. RAMOS ALON: (Indiscernible).

21 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: That whole area, the  
22 population area, please.

23 MS. RAMOS ALON: This area -- and I can include the  
24 unincorporated as well -- is 243,665.

25 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Oh, okay. Could you take

1 Antioch out of that, please?

2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: 128,000.

3 MS. RAMOS ALON: 128,085.

4 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay. And the Vallejo area  
5 was around the same number, correct?

6 MS. RAMOS ALON: Vallejo itself was 126,000.

7 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: 126.

8 MS. RAMOS ALON: (Indiscernible).

9 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay. So it was 125,  
10 something like that. Let's try it. Oh, does this --

11 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible).

12 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah. Oh, interesting.

13 Well, here's a different idea, is just take Vallejo and  
14 Benicia and add it down to Martinez and then out. Do  
15 not -- do not grab -- take Vallejo -- I'm sorry. First,  
16 Crockett, Rodeo, Hercules, add that to 680 OC.

17 MS. RAMOS ALON: This change going to 680 CC is  
18 58,368 people.

19 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay. Just do that, please,  
20 for right now. Okay. And then could you take the --  
21 just Vallejo, Benicia, from the Solano and add it to --  
22 as well. Stop. Put Martinez with East CC, please.

23 MS. RAMOS ALON: That's a 37,349-person change.

24 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay. Please do that.

25 Okay. Now can you grab Vallejo and Benicia and add that

1 to East CC? Okay. We have to grab -- okay.

2 MS. RAMOS ALON: This change is 157,104 people.

3 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay. Go ahead and add  
4 that, please, just to -- we can just go click, click,  
5 click. You did take a snapshot before of this, correct?  
6 So we can just go undo?

7 MS. RAMOS ALON: We're undoing things? Oh, I will  
8 take a snapshot right now.

9 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Please do. Thank you.  
10 Okay. And then add that to East CC, please, once you've  
11 made a portion we can go back to.

12 MS. RAMOS ALON: Add the bridge right there.

13 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah. Okay.

14 MS. RAMOS ALON: The resulting deviations are Solano  
15 at negative --

16 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Solano --

17 MS. RAMOS ALON: -- 41.15, East CC at 39.24, 680 CC  
18 at 7.67.

19 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay. All right. Can we  
20 add -- excuse me. Can we take from -- oh, I'm sorry.  
21 It's not Antioch. The -- oh.

22 MS. RAMOS ALON: Basically, just going through  
23 Antioch.

24 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah, that's what I'm -- can  
25 we go from -- back from just beyond Antioch out the --

1 and put that -- oops, sorry. It happened again. Yeah.  
2 Brentwood, Oakley, Knightsen, Byron, up to Bethel Island.  
3 Oh, we took that little -- that tab section of Sacramento  
4 out, didn't we?

5 MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes, we did.

6 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay.

7 MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes.

8 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay. Because I was going  
9 to put that up with there. I didn't realize you had  
10 taken that piece out. Can we -- what's the population of  
11 Sacramento? Now, where did that one go? That went to  
12 Stanislaus. Okay. Oh, you took that -- right, right. I  
13 was planning on putting that back up, and I forgot you  
14 put -- you took the tail out of -- in the assembly. You  
15 took that out. Could have more population from over --  
16 we have to shift Marin into Lake and then out. Okay.

17 Well, we can do that -- not right now, we can't. So  
18 let's just undo it. Or -- sorry, do you want to --

19 CHAIR TURNER: Well, can we zoom in and look at it  
20 again?

21 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: If I may, I think if we were  
22 to go in this direction -- I'm sorry, I'm cutting the  
23 line.

24 CHAIR TURNER: Right before you got the line --

25 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Okay.

1 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Fernandez?

2 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah. No, just -- I'm  
3 sorry, did you want to --

4 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes. My huge concern at  
5 this point is that Solano is a negative forty-one.

6 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Correct.

7 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: So the only want to bring  
8 that population back is to go over the river and through  
9 the woods and then all the way around Sacramento and come  
10 back around to San Joaquin, and --

11 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Right.

12 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah, and then it's  
13 grandmother's house or something. I'm not sure. So I  
14 wonder if that'll be quoted?

15 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Well, yeah. Originally, I  
16 didn't realize you were going to take that portion of  
17 Sacramento and put it -- I thought it was going to go  
18 with Solano, as you did on the congressional.

19 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah, I moved it -- I moved  
20 it with the other county because that was one less split  
21 for Sacramento County. Because it was split into five  
22 different districts, and it --

23 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Well, yeah. But --

24 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: It was split into six; now  
25 it's five.

1 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: (Indiscernible). Taking too  
2 much out. We can get there, but I don't think we have  
3 the time today to do that.

4 CHAIR TURNER: Tamina, can we --

5 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: But it --

6 CHAIR TURNER: -- zoom in again?

7 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah, what I believe --  
8 there isn't enough population to -- you can do it if you  
9 shift all the way around and you grab from here, and you  
10 can -- you could make that happen. It would be a lot of  
11 work. I don't think it's -- at this point, it's -- I  
12 don't believe that's worth our time at this -- right now.

13 What I would like to do is we'll leave Vallejo and  
14 Benicia with Solano. I would like to grab the bits of  
15 Contra Costa back to put it in with Contra Costa, and we  
16 can -- I'm sure we can kind of work that through the area  
17 somehow.

18 CHAIR TURNER: Well --

19 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: So could we --

20 CHAIR TURNER: Right before we move back,  
21 Commissioner Fernandez?

22 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: No, I agree that we move  
23 back, because what this also does is in order to get this  
24 community of interest, you're also going to potentially  
25 breakup other communities of interest.

1 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Well --

2 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: If we do all that.

3 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: -- we've done that many  
4 times, so --

5 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah.

6 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: I mean, that's happened --

7 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I just want to make sure  
8 that --

9 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: -- in many portions  
10 throughout the --

11 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah.

12 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: -- state. But yes. At this  
13 point, if we could just add -- put -- please put Vallejo  
14 and Benicia back with Solano.

15 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Andersen -- oh. Are you  
16 still in Davis, or are you in this area? Okay.

17 Commissioner Andersen?

18 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yes.

19 CHAIR TURNER: For the area that you're at, if we  
20 left -- if we pulled Vallejo, Benicia, down into the area  
21 that you're trying to, if we did not look at this -- if  
22 we looked at it as -- from like communities and not  
23 necessarily the I-4, which some of this is not on I-4 any  
24 longer, would we be able to -- would you be amenable to  
25 combining some of the Oakley, Knightsen, Brentwood, with

1 the Alamo coming this way?

2 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Would -- going -- you mean  
3 out to Stockton? Or -- I'm sorry, what --

4 CHAIR TURNER: Going west. Am I saying it the right  
5 way? Yeah, there, right there.

6 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yes. The issue, though --  
7 Commissioner Turner, your -- yes, but the issue is you  
8 have to put population back up to Solano, and that's  
9 where it's hard.

10 CHAIR TURNER: So we can't push down, huh? Oh,  
11 we -- they need the forty-one.

12 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Correct.

13 CHAIR TURNER: They need those.

14 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: We'd have to push something  
15 up. But -- so let's just put Vallejo back with Benicia,  
16 but we can grab at least the Contra Costa and put it --  
17 restore it with Contra Costa. And we can -- yes. So  
18 could you go ahead and please do that one, put Vallejo  
19 back with Benicia?

20 MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes. This change is 157,104  
21 people. The result in Solano is negative 9.35 percent,  
22 and East CC is 7.44 percent.

23 CHAIR TURNER: I have one more idea for your area,  
24 Commissioner Andersen.

25 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Oh, go right ahead. Go

1 right ahead.

2 CHAIR TURNER: If we moved Oakley, Knightsen,  
3 Brentwood up into Solano?

4 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yes. But to do that, you  
5 have to add Isleton, that little tab of -- that portion.  
6 You'd have to add the Isleton area of -- that was  
7 Sacramento County, which has now been put with Sac-  
8 Stan -- you'd have to add that as well.

9 CHAIR TURNER: Well, I would like to see what that  
10 looks like, and we maybe can explore a different area to  
11 not break Sacramento. I just -- while --

12 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: I do like that, because --

13 CHAIR TURNER: -- we're exploring.

14 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: -- that does -- that does  
15 connect -- or what we could do is actually add it --  
16 well, then we would have to add it back to Solano. But  
17 it does put that Delta area together with the Isleton,  
18 Rio Vista.

19 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: That's not the same Delta  
20 area. There's a river, Sacramento River, that is a  
21 barrier. It's -- they have no commonalities at all,  
22 whatsoever. I -- yeah, it's making it worse, actually, I  
23 think. Yeah.

24 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: So once you're over the --  
25 when you take the 160 over, you go up -- actually, that

1 whole area right through there.

2 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: It's like crossing the  
3 bridge from Marin to San Francisco.

4 CHAIR TURNER: What's that current -- oh, there we  
5 go. What's that population?

6 MS. RAMOS ALON: This current change will be 50,428  
7 people. Resulting deviation of Solano would be 0.86  
8 percent, and East CC would be negative 2.32 percent, and  
9 Sac-Stans would be negative 2.79 percent.

10 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Pardon? Oh, yes, yeah. No,  
11 this whole area out here is rural. And then -- I'm  
12 sorry, what is it that -- oh, yeah. So East  
13 Stanislaus -- I say we do that. But Chair, it's up to  
14 you.

15 CHAIR TURNER: Well, I'm trying to get a consensus  
16 from everyone. I like it as well. I understand the  
17 several splits, so I would want to work to see a  
18 different split. I think the -- it feels to me like a  
19 lot of those communities -- it is -- and I didn't have  
20 the issue with crossing the other bridge, either. But  
21 I'm looking for --

22 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: You know, I -- you know, I  
23 think it is a very similar area. It's -- I mean, yes,  
24 they have different waterways and different locations,  
25 but it's still a -- it's still a fishing area with -- as

1 well as farming. Fishing and farming. It's all open  
2 spaces, flat. They all -- they're -- it's an area where  
3 you're concerned about your levies. It's a whole levy  
4 area.

5 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner -- new hand. You've  
6 gone to Daly City. Akutagawa?

7 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Oh, no, I think we're --

8 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, I just have a  
9 question, and I think this gets to I believe a question I  
10 may have asked either yesterday or this morning, I don't  
11 know. It's all kind of blurring together.

12 This is in regards to COIs. You know, in some ways,  
13 there are multiple COIs, there are overlapping COIs, and  
14 you know, how do we prioritize which COI is going to stay  
15 whole and which one is going to get broken up? And I  
16 guess this is more from a process -- and I'm just trying  
17 to understand, you know, how that prioritization is  
18 going. And I don't know if it's -- if it's one that  
19 could be answered, to be honest, but I wanted to ask it.  
20 Thank you.

21 CHAIR TURNER: Good question. I'm looking at it,  
22 and that's part of the longer conversation that we're  
23 going to have when we get an opportunity to discuss all  
24 of the COIs, which we have not. But this is a matter of  
25 fundamentally, we don't want to split any county or city

1 multiple times. We -- that's a direction. And then we  
2 have specific COIs that are actually in conflict with  
3 each other, and in this case, I don't know if there's a  
4 specific conflict with -- a specific COI that's in  
5 conflict.

6 I do know on the other area that we're trying to  
7 bring in, we have COIs wanting to be able to keep, you  
8 know, Vallejo with Pinole -- I mean -- not Pinole; with  
9 Hercules and Rodeo, those areas. We have COIs that want  
10 to be together.

11 And so trying to make that happen, if we have COI  
12 testimony that is this area not being with Rio Vista or --  
13 you know, do we have specific COI, or is it a matter of  
14 us just trying to keep areas together? That's I guess  
15 what I would want to know, and then we would need to  
16 weigh that one way or the other. I don't have anything  
17 different from that right now, Commissioner Akutagawa,  
18 until we have a longer discussion.

19 Commissioners -- I see hands -- Andersen, Yee,  
20 Akutagawa, Fernandez, Kennedy.

21 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah, I've sort of said my  
22 piece about this. You know, yes, the Hercules, Pinole --  
23 trying to bring that into Contra Costa, because just to  
24 have those couple of cities in with Solano doesn't make a  
25 lot of sense. I mean, yes, they have the 80 corridor,

1 except they're no longer with their school system, and  
2 that's -- and the -- other than Highway 80, there's no --  
3 in terms of the public transit which goes through those  
4 areas, buses, AC transit -- not AC transit. It's the  
5 Contra Costa version. You know, it's in another assembly  
6 district. So they have different -- their issues are  
7 different.

8 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Fernandez and then  
9 Kennedy.

10 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes, thank you. And I  
11 would disagree -- vehemently disagree with Commissioner  
12 Andersen. They aren't similar areas. If you're talking  
13 about school systems, you're completing breaking up the  
14 school system with Isleton and Walnut Grove. That's a --  
15 Riverdale's Unified School District that we have received  
16 testimony.

17 Again, these are the assembly districts. I've made  
18 sacrifices or -- for communities of interest, knowing  
19 it's the assembly, so that in the senate and the  
20 congressional, we try to do more in terms of trying to  
21 address those communities of interest that in a bigger  
22 district, we can accommodate, instead of breaking up  
23 other communities of interest.

24 Again, Chair Turner, you mentioned --

25 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: But --

1           COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: -- splitting up -- trying  
2 to minimize splitting up counties. We're splitting up  
3 Sacramento again, if we do this. And I don't agree  
4 there's a commonality or community of interest -- I have  
5 yet to hear one -- regarding Solano and Oakley, Bethel  
6 Island, and Knightsen. Most of the communities of  
7 interest has been Solano either with Napa or with Yolo.  
8 So I -- yeah, I'm -- it's taking those small little towns  
9 again and putting them wherever you want, and I just --

10           COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Well, they'd be with Solano.

11           COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: It's --

12           CHAIR TURNER: And Commissioner Kennedy --

13           COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: They're in Sacramento  
14 County. Those communities are in Sacramento County, not  
15 Solano County.

16           CHAIR TURNER: Thank you. No, Commissioner Kennedy.  
17 Yes, Commissioner Kennedy?

18           COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair. Now, I did  
19 want to hear more from Commissioner Fernandez. I'd  
20 like -- can you remind me the boundaries of River (sic)  
21 Unified School District, for example? I'm really trying  
22 to understand the distinctions here.

23           COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Right. Well, Riverdale  
24 Unified School District goes all the way from Clarksburg  
25 to the tip of that -- the Sac County, Sacramento County.

1 Yeah. So it goes up and down.

2 Again, it's a different community of interest, the  
3 northern Delta versus the -- whatever you want to call  
4 that other part of Delta. Again, there haven't been any  
5 communities of interest saying to combine Solano with  
6 Contra Costa.

7 Another option would be you could potentially go  
8 into San Joaquin, which I don't think would be a popular  
9 decision either. So -- and then you go around that way.

10 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Could I say the issue is,  
11 though, what does -- did we ever get any kind of  
12 community of interest to say, let's put Rodeo and  
13 Crockett with Solano County? No. That's something that  
14 came out of -- if we do a whole Vallejo down to -- down  
15 to Richmond, all the way out to Pittsburg, Antioch, is  
16 the only time this has come up. Otherwise, you know,  
17 people -- because people have not been calling in to say,  
18 hey, I'm on the 80 corridor, I want to go all the way  
19 through. We actually have had very little testimony like  
20 that.

21 And while, yes, I understand that that would go into  
22 this area over -- is -- the Bethel Island, it is a  
23 different school. It's Sacramento and then Solano, which  
24 is unfortunate. But can we maybe, you know, move some  
25 population from, you know, like -- take some -- add some

1 population to Solano from a little bit further north? So  
2 basically, the -- Contra Costa doesn't have to move up  
3 there to fill it?

4 You know, I'm sort of wondering, why is the --  
5 Contra Costa now being just decided, well, what the heck,  
6 let's chop it up. So that's what I'm wondering here.

7 You know, we -- it got rearranged to create this. So --

8 CHAIR TURNER: Uh-huh.

9 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: -- can we unarrange a  
10 little bit of that? And then we wouldn't have to do  
11 the -- this East Bay thing and west Sacramento.

12 CHAIR TURNER: Uh-huh. Okay, let's explore it,  
13 Commissioner Andersen. Let's see. And you're asking  
14 about more population from up north, or do you want to  
15 push down?

16 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Well, from -- well, from  
17 north, because the only way into Solano is something  
18 that's touching Solano, and we have kind of negative  
19 areas and -- a little bit negative. So we would have to  
20 add something from the North Coast into Sonoma-Marín and  
21 then into Napa, so we put it into Solano, which is -- you  
22 know, I kind of went the other way, North Coast -- and  
23 it's not a lot of people, but it's, you know, a couple of  
24 percent, a couple of percent, that would (indiscernible)  
25 that.

1 CHAIR TURNER: So we've gone back and forth with --  
2 oops, where are we? And this is because we're trying to  
3 keep Napa whole?

4 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: No, I don't know why that  
5 was --

6 CHAIR TURNER: Because if we go that route --

7 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Those --

8 CHAIR TURNER: I was looking at the area -- well,  
9 it's gotten -- we were under, in -- if --

10 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: One thing we could do is hit  
11 the North Coast, reduce it, and put -- pull that  
12 population into Sonoma-Merlin, and then take --

13 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Perhaps --

14 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: -- a little bit more out.

15 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Perhaps we can ask the line  
16 drawers if they can see an easier route to getting  
17 population to be able to do this, either from Sacramento  
18 or from the Yolo-Napa, although that'd be difficult if  
19 we're not trying to break up Yolo and Napa. But it --  
20 either Sacramento or some place around there. Because we  
21 do have the west Sac area and potentially -- I believe  
22 there's enough population there. But that'd be difficult  
23 too, because we wanted that to be with the Lake  
24 community, which is Sacramento, right?

25 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: If we add a little bit of

1 Santa Rosa into Sonoma-Merlin and then added some of the  
2 wine country into Lake-Napa and then added possibly a  
3 little bit of Yolo into Solano, something like that. Or  
4 it might have to be a larger area because it's -- isn't  
5 as densely populated. But Yolo did want to be with  
6 Solano County, so that's a possibility.

7 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Because right now, Solano --

8 CHAIR TURNER: Right now, Solano's whole, so maybe  
9 they'll get to be with part of it, and not all of it.  
10 But we can explore that and down into all the areas.

11 Commissioner Sadhwani?

12 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, just a couple of  
13 observations. It seems to me -- and please correct me if  
14 I'm wrong -- that those northern parts of Solano are more  
15 rural. Is that a fair assumption? Solano County? And  
16 Vallejo itself is a more urban area?

17 MS. RAMOS ALON: That's right.

18 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. So we have a county  
19 that's actually in large part being populated -- at least  
20 a quarter of the population's coming from an urban area.  
21 However, at the same time, we have very strong community  
22 of interest testimony to link Vallejo inward.

23 And you know, when we're thinking about this major  
24 reconstruction at this point in time, yeah, it definitely  
25 shifts things and leaves us with some discomforts. You

1 know, the communities of interest testimony and the  
2 county splits are both criteria number 4. They are  
3 combined as our fourth criteria. And so I think this  
4 is -- this is a judgment call that we need to make as a  
5 Commission, and I think whatever we do tonight is not the  
6 end of this --

7 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: No.

8 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- process. So if we don't  
9 like it in the long run, we can of course come back and  
10 find additional solutions. So I think it's at the point  
11 where we have to make a decision: Are we going to accept  
12 this change, feel a little uncomfortable about it for  
13 today? Certainly, there are parts of LA County that I  
14 feel still a little uncomfortable about, but I know that  
15 we're going to go back and continue to work and refine.

16 So to me, I think I could see the path forward of  
17 including this Vallejo to Antioch district that we've  
18 kind of been working on. I know that that's going to  
19 probably require, especially for today, given  
20 otherwise -- it's going to require major reconstruction  
21 that we don't have time for tonight.

22 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Uh-huh.

23 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: It's going to require  
24 cutting back through Sacramento County into Solano, which  
25 doesn't feel perfect, but I think that it leaves a lot of

1 opportunity for us in the future to say, okay, how do we  
2 minimize that county split, that we've honored  
3 communities of interest testimony and now we also need to  
4 come back and honor the county splits as well. So I  
5 would support moving forward with this change.

6 I would also, just while I have the mic, suggest  
7 removing Concord from that Vallejo to Antioch, because I  
8 think it's overpopulated right now.

9 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: They both are.

10 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Right. And then more of  
11 that population's going to need to shift northward to  
12 even things out.

13 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: I appreciate that. And  
14 given sort of the resistance and the time frame, you  
15 know, we would have to do quite a bit. You know, I can  
16 acquiesce and just say undo it, and everyone -- most  
17 people would be happy and know that we have to come back  
18 to this area. There are a lot of areas here which are  
19 not right. I want to be on the record for that. But we  
20 don't actually have time to really adjust all this.

21 But I would like us to really think about it next  
22 time, because there are areas here which we just heard  
23 from and we will hear from again. The communities of  
24 interest are not being -- are not being honored.  
25 Counties are being cut up, and in odd ways that don't

1 make a lot of sense. So if we can just undo it and --

2 CHAIR TURNER: I'm willing --

3 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: -- keep going.

4 CHAIR TURNER: -- to move part of it into San  
5 Joaquin area. I still want to push to see how we can get  
6 this done.

7 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay.

8 CHAIR TURNER: So we talked about perhaps -- so we  
9 have some of those -- what was that, Brentwood areas and  
10 different ones. Because there's a rural part that we --  
11 up in that part of San Joaquin anyway. And so if we push  
12 down through that way -- because what we need to do is to  
13 be able to have something that people will respond to.

14 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Correct.

15 CHAIR TURNER: And --

16 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: The only thing -- we do need  
17 to add more population to Solano as well, though. It's  
18 at negative nine percent. So the -- so the only way to  
19 do that is to drag it across -- well, the way  
20 Sacramento's been reconstructed now, there -- it doesn't  
21 have an easy grab where -- so it's going to have to come  
22 down from, like -- take a bit of Santa Rosa into --

23 CHAIR TURNER: But Sonoma-Merin, isn't that the --  
24 bordering right there to the -- to the west? That's over  
25 by 2.73?

1 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yes. That --

2 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. So there's a start.

3 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Well, it borders Lake-Napa.

4 Because you have to go grab --

5 CHAIR TURNER: Oh, and it's under.

6 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: So you have to grab from  
7 North Coast into Sonoma-Merlin, into Lake-Napa, into  
8 Solano. The quick grab -- you can -- you can reduce  
9 North Coast low by grabbing some of Santa Rosa, put it in  
10 Sonoma-Merlin.

11 CHAIR TURNER: Okay, let's try it.

12 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay. Tamina, could you --  
13 Tamina, could you please take a snapshot, and then we can  
14 try all of this? Thank you. Then can you take enough of  
15 Santa Rosa to reduce North Coast -- probably say, like,  
16 four percent, so it's -- so it'll be, like, slightly  
17 negative.

18 (Pause)

19 CHAIR TURNER: And Commissioner Andersen, if we pull  
20 things on this side of 12, would that be too much? On  
21 this side, on the north side of 12?

22 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: So yeah, actually, if we  
23 just maybe stay south of 12 and say, come up the 101.

24 (Indiscernible) percent. Yeah. Yeah.

25 (Pause)

1 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah.

2 MS. RAMOS ALON: So this is a change of 12,089  
3 people. Resulting deviation to N Coast is 0.75 percent.

4 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Could we go just a little  
5 bit more, please, in -- yes, from that area.

6 (Pause)

7 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: It -- yeah, yeah, grab that  
8 block. Okay. So that's -- yeah, that's good. Let's  
9 stop there. Thank you. Okay. Now, could we add --  
10 like, start, say -- just a little bit north. Start, say,  
11 with Kenwood and go down that line. Oh. Yeah, Kenwood,  
12 Glen Ellen (indiscernible) that whole area through there.  
13 That's Sonoma Valley. Yeah. Okey-dokes.

14 MS. RAMOS ALON: This is a change of 36,519 people.  
15 Resulting deviation for Sonoma-Merin is negative 1.03  
16 percent.

17 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Great. Actually, Tamina,  
18 could you please turn on the highway? Because where's  
19 the highway that connects Napa and Sonoma, down -- the  
20 12. Can we go down to the 12? Well, not quite that  
21 much. Just track --

22 MS. RAMOS ALON: Just a moment, please.

23 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: I can't quite see that.  
24 Great. Let's put that in, please, into Lake-Napa. Okay.  
25 Now, we need to put some of this into Solano. And do we

1 want to -- so any of Lake-Napa. So could we see the  
2 Lake-Napa? Yeah.

3 Do we have any areas that we'd like to put in with  
4 Solano County? Commissioner Toledo, Commissioner  
5 Fernandez? Or Yolo?

6 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Toledo?

7 Oh, Commissioner Akutagawa --

8 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I mean --

9 CHAIR TURNER: -- do you have an idea too? I don't  
10 want to step --

11 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: We might want to consider  
12 putting some of Yolo in --

13 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yes.

14 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yolo-Solano (indiscernible) --

15 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yolo wanted to be with  
16 Solano.

17 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: The COI testimony we have is  
18 Yolo-Solano, but I of course am going to defer to  
19 Commissioner Fernandez, because we'd want to put -- if we  
20 could, we'd put all of Yolo together with Solano County.  
21 And ideally --

22 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yes. That would be ideal.

23 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- that would be the --

24 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: But I know population  
25 lines --

1 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: You can't.

2 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: It's too many for --

3 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: You can't, and that's -- I  
4 mean, right now, that Lake -- you have all of those  
5 counties that are whole, which is nice, very nice to have  
6 that.

7 Can you zoom in on that, please? Is that Tamina?  
8 Thank you.

9 MS. RAMOS ALON: Zoom in on which part?

10 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: The Solano. I just want  
11 to -- I want to see the surrounding --

12 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: It's -- we want to see the  
13 intersection, please.

14 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: It's just that it's changed  
15 a little since my hard copy.

16 MS. RAMOS ALON: So Solano -- follow the Solano  
17 County boundary?

18 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Do you want to grab and go  
19 above Davis/Winters, but cut not just right at the  
20 border, but.

21 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible).

22 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: You know what it comes down  
23 to? It comes back to Tehama.

24 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Well that, we can't add  
25 Tehama to Solano.

1 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I know.

2 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah. Because we --

3 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah. I guess, or Napa.

4 It's one of the two.

5 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: (Indiscernible) 100,000

6 people?

7 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah.

8 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: 100,000?

9 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: That wouldn't -- yeah -- it  
10 wouldn't have it.

11 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: How much population are we  
12 looking for? I believe it's 100. (Indiscernible).

13 CHAIR TURNER: Tamina, how much population are we  
14 looking for?

15 MS. RAMOS ALON: We're looking for 46,186 people.

16 CHAIR TURNER: 46,000. Okay.

17 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Well, that's the total.

18 Right? That's to make is zero, correct?

19 CHAIR TURNER: Yes.

20 MS. RAMOS ALON: Correct.

21 CHAIR TURNER: That's to make it zero. So give or  
22 take your five percent.

23 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: All right. So when you say  
24 five -- each percent's 5,000, you want about, say about  
25 30,000 people.

1 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Ahmad?

2 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Can we not do Napa and  
3 American Canyon, or no?

4 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: We kind of hate to put --  
5 Napa is the -- the City of Napa should stay with Napa.

6 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: And American Canyon has really  
7 close ties to Napa.

8 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Right.

9 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: They've both  
10 (indiscernible) --

11 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: No, that's why I was  
12 thinking about --

13 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- so they wrote a joint  
14 letter saying not to separate them --

15 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Right.

16 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- so I was --

17 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Right. And so the --

18 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: But we have difficult  
19 decisions, right?

20 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Well, but population wise,  
21 does it do it?

22 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: But I don't think they have  
23 sufficient population in American Canyon --

24 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Oh, it does.

25 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- it's a pretty small

1 community.

2 CHAIR TURNER: So in the mic, don't cross-talk --

3 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah.

4 CHAIR TURNER: -- for the reporters. Okay. Go  
5 ahead. Whoever was wanting, go. One or the other.

6 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I just don't see it having  
7 enough population to make it work at this point. I  
8 think --

9 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Actually, American Canyon,  
10 we're looking right there --

11 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: 31,000.

12 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: -- it does.

13 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you, Commissioner Andersen.  
14 Commissioner Ahmad?

15 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Thank you, Chair.

16 Quick question for anyone who has the answer. What  
17 is the population of Yolo County?

18 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Almost 217,000.

19 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: 217,000?

20 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah.

21 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Okay. Thank you.

22 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: But isn't that with West  
23 Sacramento?

24 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah.

25 CHAIR TURNER: Oh.

1 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: West Sac is -- we don't have  
2 West Sac with Yolo County. And that's a very large  
3 population center.

4 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: 54,000 is West Sac. So it's  
5 still too many. But if we do add --

6 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah, it's 54.

7 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: -- right here -- both are  
8 within the -- okay. Lake Napa's 1.6 percent and Solano's  
9 negative 4.89. What do we think?

10 CHAIR TURNER: I'd go American Canyon, but we do  
11 have the letter. What about this (indiscernible) -- if  
12 we grab all of these areas, that's still not going to be  
13 enough population, huh?

14 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: No. Winters by itself,  
15 also, would not. So it's either American Canyon or Davis  
16 is the only real population here. But Davis is big.

17 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Looks like our two options are  
18 American Canyon, potentially, or Davis.

19 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: That's correct.

20 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Those are the two areas where  
21 there's sufficient population.

22 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Ahmad?

23 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Well, Davis is --

24 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Thank you.

25 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: -- significantly bigger.

1           COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Thank you, Chair. Is it  
2 possible for us to see what both of those options would  
3 look like? So American Canyon in with Solano and then  
4 separately, Davis in with Solano? No committed changes.  
5 Just to see what it would look like.

6           MS. RAMOS ALON: Sure. So this is American Canyon  
7 in with Solano. It's a change of 22,026 people. The  
8 resulting deviation is negative 4.89 to Solano and  
9 positive 1.68 to Lake Napa. And I will move to the other  
10 one.

11           COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: And I'm just going to state  
12 right now, like, Yolo County has four major cities, which  
13 is West Sac, Davis, Winters, and now I can't think of the  
14 other one. Woodland. And if we take Davis out -- we've  
15 already taken West Sac out, so you're taking two of the  
16 four cities out of Yolo County.

17           MS. RAMOS ALON: Davis, well, I guess we could not  
18 include the University of California, Davis. Davis on  
19 its own would be 66,948 people. The resulting deviation  
20 to Solano would be 4.2 percent. The resulting deviation  
21 to Lake Napa would be negative 7.41 percent.

22           COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Quick question on that. Is  
23 there a Solano County portion of University of Davis, or  
24 is it all in Yolo County?

25           MS. RAMOS ALON: No. It's all in Yolo County.

1 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Because I thought there was a  
2 portion in Tehama.

3 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: So UC Davis is in Yolo  
4 County, but some of the UC Davis, the area that they use  
5 for the university, is in Solano County. That's why  
6 there's that tie between the two counties, just for the  
7 UC Davis piece of it.

8 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Would it make any difference  
9 if we put UC Davis in Solano County? Would there be  
10 sufficient population there, given their strong ties with  
11 Solano County?

12 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: It would be too much.

13 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Too much population?

14 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah.

15 MS. RAMOS ALON: UC Davis change would be 8,530  
16 people. The resulting deviation to Solano is negative  
17 7.62, and to Lake Napa is positive 4.41.

18 CHAIR TURNER: And if we have that with Winters?

19 MS. RAMOS ALON: Change would be 15,662 people. The  
20 resulting deviation to Solano is negative 6.18. The  
21 resulting deviation to Lake Napa is 2.97.

22 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: And just taking -- Davis is  
23 a college town, so you take the University out of the  
24 college town, yeah.

25 CHAIR TURNER: Well, what we'll do is -- we can do

1 is to take 15 minutes for break, while we just run this  
2 around in our minds and come back with a perfect  
3 solution. So we are now at break. Thank you.

4 (Whereupon, a recess was held from 6:31 p.m.  
5 until 6:46 p.m.)

6 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you, and welcome back. We went  
7 to break while we were discussing population rules in the  
8 Sonoma, Marin, Lake Napa, East Bay, East CC area, and I  
9 am certain we have some great direction and thoughts  
10 about which way we want to go.

11 Who's going to take it?

12 Commissioner Ahmad, yes?

13 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Actually, I was just going to  
14 ask, Chair Turner, if you can highlight what the rest of  
15 the evening looks like, just so I know how much energy to  
16 conserve?

17 CHAIR TURNER: Um-hum. That's a good -- that's a  
18 good plan. So for highlights for the rest of this  
19 evening, we will go through and complete the rest of this  
20 particular district. We'll go through even the Central  
21 Valley, which we've looked at the VRA Districts, but we  
22 have not discussed the configuration or anything in the  
23 Central Valley. And then we're going to go, depending on  
24 if it's still a healthy hour, we're going to go into our  
25 Senates and just look at, perhaps, the VRA areas for the

1 Senates. And then we're probably going to try and go  
2 home a little earlier. Not midnight. We'll see where we  
3 are. Unless we just look at it and think, "We're so  
4 close. We can get it done." But I think what we'll try  
5 for is at least to get through. Thank you. Okay.

6 Commissioner Andersen? You've got the answer.

7 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Okay. Can we zip into the  
8 ECC and the -- basically, can we see the Contra Costa,  
9 please? Oh, I'm sorry. Wait. We were still on Solano  
10 deciding what to do.

11 So I believe American Canyon was the only real  
12 possibility there, because Davis is too big and it makes  
13 Lake Napa go, was it negative 7? And that wouldn't --  
14 and unfortunately, American Canyon and its area puts both  
15 districts within the deviation.

16 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Could I just be reminded of  
17 what is the general direction we're going in? This is,  
18 of course, building out that COI from Vallejo to Antioch,  
19 and what's the plan with the other population that's left  
20 down in Contra Costa? Can you remind me, please?

21 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Basically, we were trying to  
22 repair the Tri-Valley. Try to get that together. At  
23 this point, we're moving enough around to balance  
24 population and respect, also, communities of interest,  
25 but we're not going to do a full reconstruction. So

1 right now, we're putting this together so we have --  
2 essentially, we have the first step towards building the  
3 Vallejo out, that whole district, for next time. And  
4 we're keeping Contra Costa together. Well, at least,  
5 we're not putting a portion of it, a small portion, with  
6 Solano County. And then, we are trying to do some basic,  
7 little, slight reconstructions to enable that corridor to  
8 come (indiscernible).

9 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Can I get some clarification?  
10 So even if we make this change, we wouldn't be able to --  
11 right now, with this version, with the draft maps, we  
12 wouldn't be able to move Vallejo down with the  
13 communities that we were intending to in Contra Costa?  
14 Is that what you're saying, or am I misinterpreting?

15 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Oh, no. Remember, we tried  
16 Vallejo first, and you can't get there.

17 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Okay. So your change would  
18 not get Vallejo into Contra Costa County?

19 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: That's correct.

20 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Okay. Okay.

21 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: At this point. At this  
22 point, that's correct.

23 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Just wanted to clarify. Thank  
24 you.

25 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah.

1           COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: I'm curious, though, if,  
2 during the break, anyone had any other thoughts about how  
3 to do that? Or not.

4           COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Just wondering if there's any  
5 thoughts from the line drawers? If the goal is to get  
6 Vallejo down there, I mean, it looks like American Canyon  
7 would be first step, right, if we're moving in this  
8 direction, but it doesn't achieve, because there's not  
9 enough people. We'd end up with 100,000 people moving  
10 into Contra Costa, and then we'd have to find the  
11 population -- move population back up into the  
12 Sacramento/Yolo area, Yolo/Solano area --

13           COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Correct.

14           COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- so we are still going to  
15 end up with other issues. I'm just wondering if the line  
16 drawers have any suggestions for us, either -- any  
17 thoughts about how we might be able to do that?

18           MS. RAMOS ALON: Well, the way we've done this in  
19 previous visualizations, was by taking this area, taking  
20 East Contra Costa and putting it upwards, through  
21 Sacramento into Solano, and keeping this, kind of,  
22 larger, both Delta areas together. That's when we've  
23 able to get Vallejo down before.

24           COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. There's not 100,000  
25 people -- I guess the whole County of Napa would be

1 100,000 people -- 150,000 people, about, if I remember  
2 correctly, and so --

3 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah. But we can't, because  
4 even just taking Davis out of the Lake Napa District made  
5 Lake Napa go too small.

6 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: That's what I'm saying.

7 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah.

8 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: We'd need to get to population  
9 out from --

10 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Correct.

11 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- Concord, or from the Contra  
12 Costa area up into the Solano area in order to make any  
13 inroads here --

14 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yes.

15 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- if we're trying to get 100  
16 people from Vallejo down into Contra Costa.

17 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Correct.

18 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you.

19 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah. And there wasn't the  
20 desire to do that, so we're just doing this, and then we  
21 will make the adjustments across, so --

22 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Well, given that we can't get  
23 Vallejo into Contra Costa with the American Canyon  
24 change, then I wouldn't want to break up the farm worker  
25 community because it's a large farm worker and API

1 community, unless we can -- I mean, unless there's some  
2 other objective for doing that.

3 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Well, yeah, the objective  
4 is, is to not orphan three cities of Contra Costa with  
5 Solano.

6 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Which are those three cities?

7 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Well, actually, there's four  
8 cities and unincorporated areas. It is Hercules, Pinole,  
9 Rodeo, Crockett. And then the unincorporated areas.  
10 That section, that northeast section right there of 6800C  
11 right now, that was with Solano.

12 CHAIR TURNER: And was there a way, Commissioner  
13 Toledo and Andersen, as we pushed towards San Joaquin,  
14 that we moved some of those areas into that Terminous  
15 area, Knightsen, into San Joaquin County, that moves it  
16 over and allows that space?

17 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I think the problem, and I  
18 mean, the line drawers can -- that I see, and the line  
19 drawers can correct me if I'm wrong, but if we take  
20 100,000 people, which is Vallejo/Benicia and put it with  
21 the Bay Point/Pittsburg area, which is, I think what  
22 we're thinking we'd like to do --

23 CHAIR TURNER: Uh-huh.

24 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- that we have to put 100,000  
25 people into Solano.

1 CHAIR TURNER: Right.

2 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Correct.

3 CHAIR TURNER: And how many -- and how many people  
4 are in this area, the Bethel Island, Knightsen, Discovery  
5 Bay, Brentwood --

6 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: And that, I can't remember,  
7 but I believe that was a visualization that we had a  
8 couple of minutes ago.

9 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: It was. Actually, it is  
10 about 100,000. But I mean --

11 CHAIR TURNER: But it was to push it up, and I'm  
12 talking about -- but you have to take to push it over to  
13 the San Joaquin County area.

14 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Oh, so you're talking about  
15 shifting in the other direction?

16 CHAIR TURNER: Yes. If the --

17 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: That's possible, too.

18 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: We can certainly shift that  
19 over, Chair Turner, but it does not -- you'd still have  
20 to wrap population around to put it back into Solano,  
21 because see, right now, Solano, if you don't do anything,  
22 is at negative 9 percent? So we need at least, say,  
23 40,000 people or something like that to go up into Solano  
24 just to make it within the negative, it's just a little  
25 bit less than negative 5 percent.

1 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: And we didn't have a negative  
2 before we made all the changes, did we?

3 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: No, because you had  
4 Crockett, Rodeo, and Hercules, Pinole. That whole area  
5 was in Solano.

6 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: That's right.

7 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Right.

8 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I'm sorry. Commissioner  
9 Andersen, remind me what the population is of Crockett,  
10 Rodeo, Hercules, and Pinole?

11 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Sorry. Line drawers, could  
12 you please help us out on that one? I cannot recall.

13 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Oh, it's 58,000.

14 MS. RAMOS ALON: Without the unincorporated areas,  
15 this population is 58,039 people.

16 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: 58.

17 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah. And we had, though,  
18 the unincorporated, so it was around 60,000 or something.

19 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I mean, to be honest, I think  
20 that the only option that we've seen thus far that would  
21 achieve all of these things is the option that goes  
22 through Sacramento and essentially connects the Delta  
23 areas, but it's also an option that we didn't all agree  
24 one, right --

25 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Correct.

1 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- so that, at this point,  
2 that's the only way I see we can get 100,000 people. We  
3 can rotate 100,000 people out of those two areas, and I  
4 don't know if the line drawers can come up with another  
5 alternative?

6 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah. I don't believe we  
7 were planning on doing that tonight, because -- you could  
8 do that. It would be a lot of work, and so the idea is,  
9 we were just keeping -- we're getting close to being able  
10 to doing that, so next time, and this time, we're  
11 incorporating Contra Costa County, but we're bringing  
12 those back in.

13 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Fernandez?

14 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Tamina, this visualization,  
15 it keeps Solano whole, though, correct?

16 MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes, it does.

17 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Okay. Which is at the same  
18 level as a community of interest, correct? It's 4?  
19 Yeah.

20 CHAIR TURNER: That's correct.

21 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Okay. So yeah.

22 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: I mean, there are a lot of  
23 other counties that aren't kept whole, so.

24 CHAIR TURNER: One moment, Commissioner Andersen.  
25 Commissioner Yee, you're Davis.

1 Commissioner Toledo, you're finished? Do you have  
2 more?

3 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I mean, if -- I would want to  
4 want see Vallejo connected to Hercules and Pinole and  
5 that area, because it's a community of interest. Those  
6 three areas are a community of interest, right? They're  
7 not exactly contiguous, because you have to go across the  
8 bridge, but they're very similar. So that's the --  
9 yeah -- so I think getting us closer, but it doesn't  
10 actually connect us to Vallejo, which is the population  
11 center for that area.

12 CHAIR TURNER: Right. Commissioner Sinay?

13 COMMISSIONER SINAY: So this is one of those areas  
14 where we do have conflicting communities of interest.  
15 Ever since we started talking about this, we've gotten a  
16 lot of "Do not put Benicia and Vallejo with North Contra  
17 Costa. We belong where we are. We don't want to cross a  
18 bridge." I know that if you ask 40,000 people, you'll  
19 get 40,000 different responses, but I just wanted to put  
20 it out there. I know that -- we've heard more -- I would  
21 love to see the North Contra Costa connected better, but  
22 I just wanted to just put it out there that we do have  
23 communities of interest right now that are saying no.

24 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Fornaciari?

25 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yes. I'd also offer that

1 these are Assembly Districts, and so they're smaller and  
2 much more difficult to do that with, because we've done  
3 that in the Congressional District. I mean, I guess I  
4 feel like we've just gone down a rabbit hole that we  
5 can't get out of easily, and this might be something that  
6 we want to put in our bucket to look at, to come back to.  
7 And if you were going to ask me what I would like to see,  
8 I'd like to see us go back to where we were when we  
9 started this, and then just work on it based on all the  
10 feedback we get and thoughts that we have. So that's  
11 where I'm at.

12 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: I would propose -- I did say  
13 I'd acquiesce and just say "Undo". That was quite a  
14 while ago, but -- because I know where we want to go, and  
15 it's involved to get there.

16 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: So I would --

17 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Toledo?

18 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you. I would suggest  
19 maybe not going all the way back, because I do think some  
20 of the Santa Rosa area does make sense, but maybe just  
21 adding the -- until we can figure out how we can keep  
22 those three communities together, Rodeo, Pinole, and  
23 Vallejo area, to unite them again by putting them back  
24 with Solano, because at least there, the three  
25 populations would be in one community of interest, until

1 we can figure out -- or if we can figure out -- how to  
2 get them into a Contra Costa-based District with Bay  
3 Point and Antioch. Thank you.

4 MS. RAMOS ALON: Chair, may I make a suggestion?

5 CHAIR TURNER: Please make a suggestion.

6 MS. RAMOS ALON: This is a -- we've gone through  
7 this a few times, a couple of weeks. If you would like  
8 to switch out and do the North with Kennedy, I can pull  
9 up those previous visualizations and perhaps take a look  
10 at some options which we may be able to look at?

11 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Let's do it.

12 MS. RAMOS ALON: Or not. I mean, no problem. Never  
13 mind.

14 MR. LARSON: Just for the reporter, this is Dale  
15 Larson. I'd very much advise you all not to have any  
16 draft maps with these kind of deviations, and it seems  
17 like it's going to be too hard tonight to get these  
18 deviations back to where they need to be, other than  
19 rolling this back. And one advantage of rolling back is  
20 it puts the communities together that Commissioner Toledo  
21 wants to see together, I think, so my advice would be  
22 roll back so you have the deviations at an acceptable  
23 level, acknowledge on the record, as you've been doing,  
24 that there are issues that need further refinement there.

25 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Yee?

1           COMMISSIONER YEE: One of our principles in the  
2 mapping playbook that we agreed to is that conflicting  
3 COIs, one principle to decide between them is to go with  
4 the one that helps us fulfill higher-ranked criteria  
5 better, and so certainly, population deviation is a  
6 higher-ranked criteria, so I would agree with the advice  
7 that Counsel is giving.

8           CHAIR TURNER: Well, thank you for that,  
9 Commissioner Yee, because I was inclined not to follow  
10 the advice the counsel was giving. I wanted to see the  
11 previous visualizations. Okay. Okay. Well --

12           COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Sorry. I missed what you  
13 said, Chair. You said you want to see them?

14           CHAIR TURNER: I said, we have guidelines that we  
15 should follow since we took the time to write them out,  
16 but yes, I wanted to see the previous visualizations.  
17 Yikes.

18           MR. LARSON: It seems to me that you could --

19           CHAIR TURNER: Put this on hold?

20           MR. LARSON: -- you could give up temporarily on  
21 this very specific path, and still see the  
22 visualizations. Roll back and still see what those other  
23 visualizations were.

24           CHAIR TURNER: Okay. And so Kennedy, we are going  
25 to -- where are we at with this?

1 Commissioner Toledo?

2 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Before we go back, we would  
3 have to roll back or get the deviations aligned, so --

4 CHAIR TURNER: Um-hum.

5 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- before we can move to  
6 another area of the state --

7 CHAIR TURNER: And the reason I went to you is  
8 because we were saying "roll back", but there were some  
9 pieces that you wanted to keep.

10 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Oh, I mean, if there's a way  
11 to keep the Santa Rosa piece, but I don't know if we can  
12 because we made so many changes.

13 CHAIR TURNER: Uh-huh.

14 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I don't think -- that might be  
15 too much population, but there may be a way to just add  
16 the areas that we took out, which was, I believe it's  
17 Hercules, Pinole area, Tamina?

18 MS. RAMOS ALON: So these are -- the pink lines are  
19 the previous lines before any changes.

20 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. It's --

21 MS. RAMOS ALON: The black lines are where we are  
22 now.

23 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Given that -- it's probably  
24 easier to just roll back all the lines to where we  
25 started, to go back to where Commissioner Andersen went

1 back, unless we can get just the right population to get  
2 the deviations right, and I don't know if we can do that  
3 right now, quickly.

4 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Well, I mean, we could. You  
5 can do the American Canyon into -- Lake Napa would be  
6 okay, and you'd have to do a little bit with East Contra  
7 Costa and 680CC. So I --

8 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: So moving up the --

9 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: (Indiscernible).

10 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- Hercules up to Solano  
11 County, right?

12 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: No, that wasn't, but -- or  
13 we just roll it back.

14 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Just roll it back.

15 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: I think we're just going to  
16 roll it back. So this, we'll have to get there next  
17 time.

18 CHAIR TURNER: Tamina?

19 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Because again, I did say  
20 there's a lot -- we could do this, but there's a lot of  
21 work, and --

22 CHAIR TURNER: I'm looking at the 680CC 7.67, is  
23 that the previous visualization, or is this -- okay.  
24 That's the current. All right. Well, here we go. Let's  
25 roll it back. Ai, yay, yay.

1 Commissioner Sinay?

2 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Thanks. I just went through  
3 the 66 communities of interest that we've received. Only  
4 one or two have said to put it with Contra Costa.  
5 There's probably more, because I went through them  
6 quickly, but one of the first ones we got, this was a  
7 good reminder, it was from the Filipino Americans. They  
8 called over the summer.

9 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Sinay, let's start over.  
10 When you said, "put it back", they just want you to  
11 confirm what are you saying, so they can --

12 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Put what back?

13 CHAIR TURNER: -- put what back? What are you  
14 reading?

15 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I didn't put anything back.

16 CHAIR TURNER: No, you said "I just went through a  
17 lot of the comments", and they said to put it --

18 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Oh, the community of interest,  
19 I just went through, only one or two of them said that  
20 they wanted to put Vallejo and Benicia with Contra Costa.  
21 What they predominantly say is keep Benicia and Vallejo  
22 together, and keep it in Solano. And then the third  
23 piece that they say is, kind of that Tri-City thing, is  
24 American Canyon. And then we hear American Canyon with  
25 Napa. But American Canyon and Vallejo have a strong tie

1 through the Filipino community. That was one of the  
2 first -- just reading that reminded me of the call over  
3 the summer.

4 Having said that, we have heard it, but I'm not  
5 seeing it in the COI testimonies. So I just wanted to  
6 share that.

7 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Commissioner Sinay, can I ask  
8 you a clarifying question? Can you inform me, so I can  
9 go back and look at those COIs as well, what search terms  
10 you used in the Airtable?

11 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: For this one, I just looked  
12 at Benicia.

13 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Okay. Thanks.

14 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I probably should have  
15 looked at Vallejo, but I looked at Benicia.

16 (Pause)

17 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Ahmad.

18 Commissioner Sadhwani?

19 Okay. So we're just waiting for this to be rolled  
20 back and see where we are.

21 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Since you called on me, I'll  
22 just say I'll definitely keep this on my bucket list,  
23 because I think it's something I'd like to continue to  
24 explore. But as we've seen in the last -- I don't know  
25 how long, it's going to require some more major

1 reconstruction.

2 CHAIR TURNER: Let me know when you're ready,  
3 Tamina. It was for -- Commissioner Yee.

4 COMMISSIONER YEE: Thank you, Chair. I want to also  
5 assure that callers who may be listening, who are still  
6 concerned about Tri-City area, as well as the San  
7 Leandro, Hayward, Union City area, we are definitely  
8 thinking about those. We don't want to try to  
9 work -- rework that now, live. But we will give that  
10 attention and try to think of options for some of the  
11 suggestions that have been made.

12 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you. Commissioner Sinay.

13 COMMISSIONER SINAY: So I'm going even deeper into  
14 our searches. This summer was when we started hearing, a  
15 few times, that Vallejo -- that on the whole, we've heard  
16 Vallejo with Contra Costa. On the whole, though, the  
17 newer COIs have been in the other direction.

18 So just -- and a lot more have come in saying, keep  
19 us in Solana Beach -- Solano Beach, sorry. I'm talking  
20 about home now. Keep us with Solano. So just to  
21 reiterate, it's just there is conflicting -- and so I  
22 think either way we go, we'll be okay. But we should  
23 feel okay about taking a deep breath right now.

24 CHAIR TURNER: How we doing, Tamina?

25 COMMISSIONER RAMOS ALON: Almost there, Chair.

1 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Ahmad.

2 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Thank you, Chair. I just  
3 wanted to ask Commissioner Toledo a question.

4 You know how you were saying, earlier, looping up  
5 from East CC up around -- to Solano, would that mean  
6 taking, like, that little tail chunk? This is not -- no  
7 direction, or anything. I'm just trying to have a  
8 conversation during down time.

9 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Well, I think the original  
10 thought, if we went through -- if we connected the Delta  
11 area, we would need the -- there's no way up into Solano  
12 without going through that -- without what's often  
13 referred to the Sacramento tail, which would mean the  
14 splitting Solano County one more time. So that -- yes.

15 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Oh, you mean Sacramento County?

16 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yes, because that tail is  
17 Sacramento County.

18 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Got it.

19 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: It's not Solano; it's actually  
20 Sacramento.

21 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Got it. And do you know if  
22 that has, like, the population that we were looking for  
23 in that earlier area.

24 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I don't. But I think it has  
25 about 5,000 people if I remember correctly, so it's not

1 heavily populated. It has -- it's Delta area, so it's  
2 farm worker communities and --

3 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Right.

4 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- lower income and also --

5 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Okay. I just wanted to think  
6 about all the ideas that were put on --

7 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- yeah.

8 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: -- the table today. Thanks.

9 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible) Fernandez.

10 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Commissioner Fernandez knows  
11 that area much better than I do.

12 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: And the purpose of it  
13 was -- Commissioner Ahmad, was that Sacramento County was  
14 split into six different districts. And so we wanted  
15 to -- that would be one less split, and the communities  
16 of interest are very different between the northern Delta  
17 and the Contra Costa communities. Thank you.

18 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Sinay.

19 Commissioner Sadhwani.

20 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Oh, I was just going to  
21 ask -- just so I can get my bearings here; have we  
22 received much community of interest testimony from that,  
23 if you will Sacramento tail, if that's what we're calling  
24 it? Is that an area where they were feeling displaced?

25 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: I don't recall receiving

1 anything --

2 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I don't recall.

3 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: -- receiving anything from that  
4 area, that's why I wasn't -- I wasn't sure.

5 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: We did get some testimony  
6 while -- if I remember correctly, Commissioner Fernandez  
7 may remember this better, some groups asking for the  
8 Delta to be connected. But I don't know where those  
9 calls were coming from, whether it was the southern part  
10 of San Joaquin or -- Commissioner Fernandez may remember  
11 better than I do.

12 CHAIR TURNER: And we can also -- Jose is still on,  
13 I believe.

14 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Oh. Okay.

15 CHAIR TURNER: Jose, are you still there?

16 COMMISSIONER RAMOS ALON: Yes.

17 CHAIR TURNER: And if you can pull for us, as  
18 well -- I don't know how -- Delta area of Sacramento, is  
19 that how you refer to that? Is that how to refer to it  
20 properly, Delta area of Sacramento?

21 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: You could. I think people  
22 call it different things. It could be the northern  
23 Delta; it could be Delta of Sacramento. Because the  
24 Contra Costa area also refers to itself as the Delta.

25 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah.

1 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: So there's, like, two  
2 separate areas.

3 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Well, Jose, you have your work  
4 cut out for you, to see what you can find. And once you  
5 find any COI and let us know, then we can kind of  
6 determine if it's the right Delta northern area.

7 COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Hi, Commissioners. Yes, they  
8 do call it the Delta are. But yes, it does have couple  
9 of names. I found some communities of interest here.  
10 They -- one second here.

11 CHAIR TURNER: You thinking or did you get cut  
12 off -- oh, there you go. Okay.

13 COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Yes. So it looks like -- so  
14 it's -- it mostly comes from the city of -- or the  
15 community -- or Antioch; is that a pronunciation?

16 CHAIR TURNER: Antioch?

17 COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Yes. And --

18 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. So Antioch is a different  
19 Delta.

20 COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: -- let me see here.

21 CHAIR TURNER: Keep going.

22 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Actually, I think we did  
23 receive some communities of interest that talked about  
24 the Antioch, saying that it was different from the  
25 northern part (indiscernible) calling.

1 COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: Right. And that's it is.

2 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah.

3 COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: That's what this -- or a  
4 handful of COI that we received is saying that the  
5 greater Sacramento is -- are very different from -- or  
6 which is the Northern Delta area does not -- it's  
7 completely different from what their -- from their  
8 communities, and it is a good number of -- a handful of  
9 COIs. And I'm looking for the Northern Delta.

10 CHAIR TURNER: Because that first testimony is  
11 actually opposite of what we're doing, then. I don't  
12 know how prevalent it was, but from what you just read;  
13 let's see what else you got.

14 COMMISSIONER CHAVEZ: So the -- so there's a handful  
15 of communities of input from the visualization feedback  
16 forms which refers to visualization, not B-Y-R-O-N 1107,  
17 which they refer as best reflects public input. It  
18 includes all of Yellow County and all of the greater  
19 winter areas on one district -- groups Yolo and Solano  
20 together. It is compact and reflects COI testimony for  
21 our valley, post-range, and Delta area.

22 So if you want to refer to that, there's a handful  
23 of those. It is, again, the visualization, not Byron  
24 1107. There's a handful of those as well on feedbacks.  
25 And there's also good -- a handful of communities of

1 interest, or feedback from Brentwood where they want to  
2 be included. "We want our representation to include all  
3 of the San Joaquin Delta area, including  
4 Stockton" -- including Stockton.

5 Yes, so there's a good -- a handful of input, too,  
6 where there is a -- again, from Brentwood and Antioch  
7 where they would like to ask the Commission to reconsider  
8 grouping the suburbs of Sacramento with Delta  
9 communities. Again, these are -- just a handful of  
10 those.

11 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Jose, thank you.

12 Commissioner Sidhwani, is that what you're looking  
13 for?

14 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Well, I -- you know, for me,  
15 I'm just trying to -- it's not an area that I personally  
16 know very well, to tell you the truth; so I'm basing most  
17 of this on community of interest testimony. And I'm  
18 looking at the map of the area right now.

19 And I know we've talked about the Delta a whole lot,  
20 and I recall, you know, sometime ago Commissioner Kennedy  
21 had put together that really great presentation. We had  
22 a speaker come to talk about the geography of California.

23 You know, as I'm looking at this Delta area, it  
24 seems like there are a whole lot of waterways that run  
25 through the area; is that correct?

1 CHAIR TURNER: Yes.

2 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Is that what I'm looking at?  
3 So all of these areas, though they span three different  
4 counties, are all living with waterways, kind of -- there  
5 are cities that are on waterways; is that correct?

6 CHAIR TURNER: Yes, marinas.

7 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: And they have marinas, or  
8 they're using water in some way, shape, or form?

9 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes. Yes. Yeah, they have  
10 marinas and there are little areas where there's little  
11 towns. And a lot of it is -- has levees all around the  
12 water to them, so then they -- there's a lot of farming  
13 in between, and it's all like that. Yeah.

14 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Okay.

15 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: It's very much, you know,  
16 fishing and water -- the water communities.

17 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: So what I'm hearing from  
18 Jose is that Antioch is, certainly, that breakpoint,  
19 right? Where Antioch stays west; but going further east  
20 in this Delta region, even in Contra Costa County, to  
21 consideration. But it seems like there could be  
22 similarities in these towns that are all along waterways,  
23 as we move forward for the future.

24 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you. Yep. I heard that, too.  
25 Commissioner Fernandez?

1           COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes. And the communities  
2 on the Sacramento side do not have the levee  
3 consider -- like, all the levees and the different  
4 waterways' it's more on the Solano-Yolo side. Because  
5 the towns of -- what is it, Walnut Grove and Courtland,  
6 they don't have all of the different levees, so I do kind  
7 of know that information.

8           But again, regardless of the information that I  
9 know, as a commissioner I rely on the communities of  
10 interest information, and that's -- as Jose has just  
11 read, there is conflicting information. Again, trying to  
12 keep -- trying to minimize the cuts to -- the splits to  
13 Sacramento County.

14           Right now, Solano County is kept whole. Again, same  
15 criteria level as communities of interest. And at some  
16 point, we do have to decide communities of interest,  
17 because we do have conflicting communities of interest of  
18 even what to do with Viejo and Benicia.

19           CHAIR TURNER: Uh-huh.

20           COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: So -- anyways. I'm going  
21 to go off now.

22           CHAIR TURNER: Okay. So what I do want -- what time  
23 is it? 7:22. I want to make sure that we look at this  
24 area, because with that information we probably will come  
25 back and end up cutting into that area and looking to a

1 different area to minimize splits where it makes sense.

2       Because if that's going to be what solves this  
3 issue, then we'll look at it. I don't necessarily want  
4 to, unless you all want to continue and explore tonight.  
5 That was helpful, and I think we have other areas. Okay.  
6 So Californians, you know what we're looking at.

7       If you're in that part of Sacramento, please know  
8 that we're considering making that change, and would love  
9 to hear from you. If you're in Vallejo area -- Sonoma,  
10 those areas, you heard the long discussion what we're  
11 considering. We'd love to hear from you, because we will  
12 need to make a decision about what to do there if we're  
13 going to make those desire architectural changes.

14       Tamina, what other areas do you have?

15       Are -- oh, no, I'm sorry. There was  
16 a -- Commissioner Yee.

17       We can look at Daly City.

18       COMMISSIONER YEE: Ready for Daly City?

19       CHAIR TURNER: Yeah, Daly City.

20       COMMISSIONER YEE: Ready for Daly City. Okay. This  
21 should go very quickly. This is the same change I  
22 proposed the other day but did not have fully worked out.  
23 I have it now fully worked out, so it should have -- work  
24 very quickly.

25       Thank you for your patience. So for the line

1 drawers, can we please take a look at the south San  
2 Francisco neighborhoods of Westborough and Buri Buri. So  
3 the goal here is to unit these Filipino American dominant  
4 neighborhoods with Daly City -- with Filipino communities  
5 in Daly City.

6 Okay. Can we go ahead and move those into West San  
7 Francisco?

8 COMMISSIONER RAMOS ALON: Sure thing. One moment,  
9 please.

10 (Pause)

11 COMMISSIONER RAMOS ALON: This is a change of 34,830  
12 people. The result in deviation to WESTSF is 10.62  
13 percent, and to SMATEO is negative 3.4 percent -- 3.64  
14 percent.

15 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay. Very good. Let's go ahead  
16 and accept that if we can. Okay. Two more steps. The  
17 next step is to move Brisbane -- or that's in Australia,  
18 Brisbane into San Mateo.

19 COMMISSIONER RAMOS ALON: This is a change of 4,870  
20 people; resulting deviation to San Mateo is negative 4.8  
21 percent. WESTSF is 9.64 percent.

22 COMMISSIONER YEE: Good. Let's accept that. And  
23 then let's move to San Francisco, to the Richmond  
24 District. We're going to work on the Inner Richmond. A  
25 little peninsula towards the western addition we're going

1 to move westward. Not -- yeah. Let's try to  
2 Aguello -- [argway] -- [argwayo] -- sorry, first. Let's  
3 see where the population is.

4 COMMISSIONER RAMOS ALON: Arguello is back over  
5 here. We still -- WESTSF is still overpopulated by 5.31  
6 percent. Would you like me to walk it back?

7 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay. Let's go all the way to  
8 Highway 1.

9 COMMISSIONER RAMOS ALON: The change in population  
10 is 29,560 people. resulting deviations are EASTSF 3.29  
11 percent, and WESTSF 3.65 percent.

12 COMMISSIONER YEE: Perfect. Let's lock that. And  
13 that's it. Dinner is served.

14 CHAIR TURNER: Nicely done.

15 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Second time's a charm.

16 CHAIR TURNER: So let's see that area. Let's see  
17 what we did. Nice.

18 COMMISSIONER YEE: By the way, there was COI  
19 testimony for Brisbane to move southerly to the  
20 peninsula.

21 CHAIR TURNER: Very nice, Commissioner Yee.

22 Commissioner Ahmad.

23 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Thank you, Chair. I, too, saw  
24 that COI testimony that Commissioner Yee just referred  
25 to. I -- can I see the bottom of SMATEO? I just want to

1 see how far that visualization stretches.

2 COMMISSIONER YEE: Thank you, Tamina.

3 COMMISSIONER RAMOS ALON: You're very welcome.

4 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Andersen.

5 COMMISSIONER ANDERSON: Yeah. Just -- not that we're  
6 going to do anything about it right now, but I'd like us  
7 to notice and then look at, next time. The City of San  
8 Jose is cut up into five different district, and it's  
9 just excessive. So I just want us to note that, and then  
10 we can come back to it, please. Thank you.

11 CHAIR TURNER: Oh, Commissioner Andersen, you don't  
12 want to give it a roll?

13 COMMISSIONER ANDERSON: I (indiscernible), I'm not  
14 sure other people do. Not right now. Thank you.

15 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Any other area here?

16 Oh, Commissioner Sinay.

17 COMMISSIONER SINAY: You know, it's interesting. I  
18 live in a county that's pretty split up, that has a lot  
19 of assembly, a lot of congressional, a lot of  
20 cross-county, and the only -- I'll be honest, we see it  
21 as a larger group of people that are representing us  
22 wherever they go. It's a larger delegation for us, and  
23 we get excited. And we look at it as a delegation, and  
24 they take pictures of the delegation.

25 So I find it interesting sometimes that everyone is

1 saying, oh, that's a bit much; because the only time we  
2 complain is, really, when our member that we have to vote  
3 for doesn't live in our county. And for me being in  
4 northern -- in north San Diego County -- some of you  
5 drove down, but Camp Pendleton is big -- a big barrier.

6 You know, it's not a barrier, but it's a long drive.  
7 And so I just find it interesting I keep hearing that  
8 when, for us, it's always been kind of a sense of pride  
9 that we've got this delegation.

10 CHAIR TURNER: I like it. Yes. Yes. Thank you for  
11 sharing that.

12 Commissioner Ahmad.

13 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Thank you, Chair. And I just  
14 wanted to quickly echo on -- respond to Commissioner  
15 Anderson's comment. I don't think it's always  
16 necessarily a bad thing to have multiple splits. And for  
17 this particular region, I'm not going to comment on the  
18 lines right now. But just from being from that area,  
19 it's vastly different, although it is just one city.

20 So when we get to that conversation, we can explore  
21 all the COI testimonies, and then all of our criteria  
22 that we have to lean to make those decisions; but just  
23 throwing that out there similar to what Commissioner  
24 Sinay was saying.

25 CHAIR TURNER: I love it. That's going to be good

1 conversation.

2 Vice-Chair Taylor.

3 VICE-CHAIR TAYLOR: Yes. Real quick, because I know  
4 that we're not quite there with the conversation yet.  
5 But some of these splits are naturally occurring.  
6 They're coming because of community of interest  
7 testimony, population needs, and so I think we need to be  
8 mindful of why those splits occur, as opposed to the  
9 number of splits. Thank you.

10 CHAIR TURNER: Beautiful. Commissioner Andersen.

11 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yes. I should clarify,  
12 that's exactly what I mean. It's the quality of the cut,  
13 that's what it is. It's -- because quite frankly,  
14 Oakland had -- always had two assembly people. Right  
15 now, it has one. And there's power in numbers.

16 But it depends on, you know, where it's cut. You  
17 know, if a little tiny -- little portion is cut out, it  
18 doesn't have a voice anymore, that's the problem. And so  
19 it will be a good conversation when we can look at the  
20 areas with more community of interest, so that's what I  
21 was referring to, so I thank you.

22 CHAIR TURNER: You're welcome. Going to the next  
23 additive comment.

24 Commissioner Sinay.

25 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Nothing.

1 Vice-Chair Taylor.

2 VICE-CHAIR TAYLOR: Nope, I'll lower my hand.

3 CHAIR TURNER: All right. Tamina, do you have more  
4 for us in your area?

5 COMMISSIONER RAMOS ALON: Nothing, Chair.

6 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Kennedy, let's move for a  
7 close to the central valley, I think, area and inland.  
8 And we're going here, because we've gone through the  
9 central valley just VRA districts; and I think we've done  
10 that one other time.

11 We didn't necessarily look at the area. We did VRA  
12 and then moved. And so I just do, based on COI  
13 testimony, want to look quickly at the central valley and  
14 see where things are.

15 They might be just perfect, Kennedy. You all are  
16 just that good.

17 But I want to take a look and see. Kings-Tulare  
18 area is where I'd like to start. And if you'll just kind  
19 of blow up the map in that area a little bit, or what was  
20 Kings, Tulare.

21 I'm just looking to see Lemoore, Hanford, Tulare,  
22 Pixley, Terra Bella, and see that they're in the same  
23 district; and if they are, we can move. So we've made  
24 some changes, and I didn't know where any of those things  
25 were. So I see --

1 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: So I can circle it.

2 CHAIR TURNER: -- go ahead.

3 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Lemoore-Hanford are together  
4 in Kings. And Kings is not split in this visualization.  
5 Pixley, Terra Bella, and Porterville all together in  
6 Tulare in one district.

7 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Beautiful. Moving to the next  
8 west Bakersfield area. And for west Bakersfield, I'm  
9 looking -- are we there?

10 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Yes.

11 CHAIR TURNER: (Indiscernible) lines, please. Oh,  
12 there it is. Oh, it's reconnecting it says. Let's see.  
13 You're good?

14 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: For those in the room using  
15 the Wi-Fi, you may want to try disconnecting and  
16 reconnecting, please, to the Wi-Fi.

17 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Well, you still have Wi-Fi,  
18 Kennedy, right? So I'm looking in WBAKERSFIELD; if you'd  
19 let me know if Benton, Cottonwood, southeast Bakersfield.

20 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: So here's Benton Park. I'm  
21 not sure that's the same as Benton. We have Cottonwood  
22 here, and we have East Bakersfield here in the same --

23 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

24 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: -- visualization.

25 CHAIR TURNER: (Indiscernible) Bakersfield. Okay.

1 Beautiful. Then, for Stockton, let me take a look at  
2 that for the assembly.

3 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Yes. One moment, while I  
4 remove it.

5 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Can we -- whoa, whoa,  
6 whoa. I had a question.

7 CHAIR TURNER: Oh, sorry. I didn't -- I'm looking  
8 at my list here. Commissioner Fornaciari.

9 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Sure. Can you just turn  
10 on the freeways for us?

11 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Yes, one moment.

12 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: And we did hear from  
13 Bakersfield today. And I just was curious to see what it  
14 looked like. If you could turn on freeways and the heat  
15 map.

16 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Yes, one moment.

17 CHAIR TURNER: Yep, there's a lot testimony about  
18 that east/west versus north/south.

19 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: And one moment while I change  
20 the CVAP.

21 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: So this is a black CVAP  
22 right now?

23 CHAIR TURNER: Yes.

24 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: So it looks like we've  
25 left a bunch of the folks there, under La Cresta, out of

1 our VRA district.

2 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: So now I'm going to  
3 go -- pull up the Latino CVAP, one moment.

4 CHAIR TURNER: And if you get a chance, Kennedy, can  
5 you make the lines of where this district is a little  
6 darker, or different color, or something?

7 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Yes, I can. One moment.

8 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

9 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: And just to update you, while  
10 we were switching the computers, it gave us a setback; so  
11 I'm just switching that as fast as I can.

12 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Thank you. This  
13 is -- we're getting some good information here. I always  
14 wondered where Green Acres was, now I know.

15 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: It's the place to be.

16 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: The place to be.

17 CHAIR TURNER: All right. Thank you.

18 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: This is still not it. My  
19 apologies. I know it changed colors, but it's still not  
20 the correct one.

21 (Pause)

22 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: I'm changing the CVAP  
23 because --

24 (Pause)

25 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Okay. After that long wait,

1 thank you for bearing with me. I have made those lines  
2 darker and pulled up the Latino CVAP in this area.

3 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Thank you for that. I was  
4 just looking at MALDEF's maps, and black hubs maps. So  
5 MALDEF doesn't include -- you know, we notched out that  
6 area around the country clubs there, but that whole area  
7 where -- kind of around where it says Bakersfield does  
8 not include it in their maps, And they go further south.  
9 They go down to where it says Old River before they start  
10 turning west.

11 And now cut out to five there and capture all that  
12 read area out there. So I just wanted to see, at this  
13 point. I don't know if we want to try to, you know, look  
14 at how that might change the CVAP, or whatever.

15 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah. Mr. Larson, is this one of  
16 the -- is this the VRA district?

17 COMMISSIONER LARSON: This is certainly a VRA area,  
18 yes.

19 CHAIR TURNER: Uh-huh.

20 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Let me pull up the Latinos  
21 percent -- Latino CVAP.

22 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Sadhwani.

23 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, I think -- let's take  
24 a look at the Latinos, but my understanding was it was  
25 already within a pretty reasonable range for the

1 Latino -- the protected community to be able to elect a  
2 candidate of their choice.

3 I think having seen the -- you know, the cuts in  
4 that -- I don't know what you want to call it -- the neck  
5 area of the dollop, that Commissioner Fornaciari pointed  
6 out, south of La Cresta --

7 CHAIR TURNER: Right.

8 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- pulling some of that in,  
9 to make sure that those communities of interest might be  
10 able to stay together, would make a whole lot of sense to  
11 me. And then working on if it makes sense to add more.  
12 Because I think we're already within a reasonable range  
13 for the district.

14 But at the same time, we are underpopulated for the  
15 district in total. So I think those -- adding it in that  
16 priority order would make sense to me.

17 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Fornaciari.

18 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah, I was just -- I  
19 mean, I was just looking at it to see if the north/south  
20 cut made more sense. I don't think 99 would be  
21 exactly -- I -- if I was going to cut more south, just  
22 based on looking at the map, I would cut a little to the  
23 west of 99, probably. I would try that. But you know,  
24 at this point, I just wanted to take a look.

25 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Toledo.

1           COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah, I -- I mean, the  
2 CVAP -- CVAP here is almost 58 percent, which is very  
3 healthy. I'm not sure we're going to be able to get it  
4 that high anywhere else. But it's worth -- if there's  
5 interest in exploring -- it is a VRA district, and so we  
6 do need the CVAP to be within acceptable ranges. Thank  
7 you.

8           COMMISSIONER LARSON: This is Dale Larson. Just to  
9 piggyback on that. You know, we are comfortable with the  
10 Latino CVAP percentage right now, so we'd want to keep it  
11 in that range. That doesn't mean it's set in stone where  
12 it is, but that's -- that would be our target CVAP to  
13 keep right around there.

14          CHAIR TURNER: I think what I was -- I'm looking to  
15 see, as well, particularly, with that first layer for the  
16 black CVAP that came on, if we pulled population to the  
17 west of La Cresta, what change would that do for the  
18 black CVAP? And would it, then, overpopulate or make the  
19 CVAP numbers for the Latino community too high?

20           So Kennedy, can you go to 99 up at La Cresta and  
21 across? I think that's where it was when we saw it.

22          COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: I will try that now.

23          CHAIR TURNER: Let's see. And see what that does,  
24 also, for the total deviation numbers. Oh, they're --

25          COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: I think it was really,

1 just a -- like, a few blocks to the west of the current  
2 line.

3 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah, because we're under on that  
4 other side.

5 So Kennedy, yeah. Yep, let's not grab all of it.

6 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Of this portion here? Or  
7 make it smaller?

8 CHAIR TURNER: Yes.

9 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Okay.

10 CHAIR TURNER: Don't -- not in half. I'm sorry.

11 And -- yeah. What is it called?

12 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Should we turn the black  
13 CVAP back on?

14 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah. So it would need to be  
15 just -- not going out towards 99 at the bottom, but a  
16 thinner line. Yeah, from there down straight. Yes.

17 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: So this brings WBAKERSFIELD  
18 to a deviation of 0.93 percent. We have Latino CVAP at  
19 57.24, and we have percent black CVAP at 8.15. Latino  
20 CVAP does drop slightly from 57.88 to 57.24.

21 CHAIR TURNER: I think that's still reasonable.

22 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: I also would like to mention  
23 that Tulare-Kern drops to negative 5.37 from here.

24 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Actually, that was what I  
25 had had my hand raised for, for the futures. So I have

1 some thoughts about that.

2 CHAIR TURNER: All right. All right.

3 Commissioner -- Should we, then, based on what you  
4 have -- Commissioner Sadhwani, should we accept this and  
5 them move to -- okay.

6 So we will accept this, Kennedy.

7 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: The change has been accepted.

8 CHAIR TURNER: Why is it still so high? It still  
9 didn't move.

10 Commissioner Sadhwani.

11 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, are we done looking at  
12 the VRA districts again, or -- yeah.

13 CHAIR TURNER: I'm just going through the whole  
14 area, but yes.

15 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Oh. Okay.

16 CHAIR TURNER: So not VRA, that one just happened to  
17 be.

18 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Got it. Okay. Yeah. So  
19 you know, I had had my hand raised because I wanted to  
20 take a look at the Tulare-Kern, closer to where it hits  
21 up against the Antelope Valley --

22 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

23 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- district. Because what I  
24 had noticed from the get-go was Tulare-Kern. And we -- I  
25 just want to acknowledge we've had a whole of testimony

1 from the Bakersfield area, and from these regions; and  
2 we're hearing you, we're trying to do our best to also,  
3 you know, be responsive. And yet at the same time,  
4 uphold our Constitutional obligations.

5 But as we get down, could we zoom out and south a  
6 little bit? I'm just trying to wrap my head around the  
7 Tulare-Kern district, a little bit better. But yeah --

8 CHAIR TURNER: Take off the CVAP now, would it move  
9 a little quicker?

10 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Oh, yeah. We take off the  
11 CVAP. So there's this neck, so to speak, here that's  
12 very narrow. Yeah. And so I was curious -- and Antelope  
13 Valley is slightly overpopulated. Tulare-Kern is quite a  
14 bit underpopulated at this point. And so what I'm  
15 wondering is if we can shift a little bit of that  
16 population -- I believe that's Tehachapi, into the  
17 Tulare-Kern district, potentially, to try and one,  
18 broaden that region, as well as shift some of that  
19 population.

20 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: And I'm zoomed out, so you  
21 can't see the cities. But this smaller pink one is where  
22 the Tehachapi area is. And the bigger one is Bear Valley  
23 Springs.

24 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Could we take a look at the  
25 population for Bear Valley Springs?

1 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Yes.

2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Could we have the CVAP  
3 percentages up there?

4 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Yes, one moment.

5 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner -- while we're waiting  
6 for those to come up, Commissioner Fernandez, are we on  
7 this area? Yes?

8 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes. Actually, I'm  
9 just -- that's an area I wanted to look at as well,  
10 because I also am -- would like to widen the gap, so  
11 thank you, very much. I was wanting to see, at some  
12 point, if we could maybe zoom out, so we can see what the  
13 percentages are for the surrounding districts? Yeah.

14 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: So I also put the CVAP on  
15 there. In the label, we have deviation percent Latino,  
16 CVAP percent black, CVAP percent Asian, CVAP percent  
17 indigenous CVAP, and percent white CVAP. And now is  
18 my -- and the population of Bear Valley Springs is 5,604.  
19 I can see what it is with Bear Valley Springs, Stallion  
20 Springs, and Keene. One moment.

21 So Bear Valley Springs, Stallion Springs, and Keene  
22 all together -- Keene, is a total of 9,220 people. To  
23 move it over brings the Antelope visualization to a  
24 negative 1, and Tulare-Kern to a negative 3.51.

25 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: That seems like a reasonable

1 shift, if there's agreement.

2 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I'm just curious in terms of  
3 what's the reasoning behind the shift. Is it -- because  
4 just widening it for the sake of widening it or is it for  
5 population purposes or -- just curious to why?

6 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: For population purposes, the  
7 two districts were a little bit out of balance to begin  
8 with, and then we made that -- the shift right in that  
9 area of La Cresta just now, pushing the Tulare-Kern into  
10 a range that's beyond our legal limits.

11 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you. Appreciate it.

12 CHAIR TURNER: Can we commit to this, please? And  
13 then, just almost finish. If I can look at and see where  
14 Fresno -- west Fresno --

15 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Actually, Chair before --

16 CHAIR TURNER: -- oh.

17 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: -- before you go off to  
18 Fresno, just one last question. I'm going to channel  
19 Commissioner Sudhwani on this. Have we looked at the COI  
20 testimony for Tehachapi and see if there's any connection  
21 to those communities, because those communities  
22 oftentimes are pretty closely tied.

23 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Oh, go ahead. Sorry.

24 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: If I recall -- and I think,  
25 definitely, this is a place where staff could check it

1 out, some testimony had linked Tehachapi to Mojave and  
2 Rosamond as a part of the aerospace network of employment  
3 in the region. But again, I would -- I think that's an  
4 area where staff could, perhaps, double check in linking  
5 that to the Antelope Valley.

6 I believe that in Tehachapi, we had also had some  
7 testimony linking it still to Kern. And the area's  
8 tough, because the aerospace region -- we've actually had  
9 many communities of interest call in using that, and it  
10 really links all the way up to Ridgecrest, down into LA  
11 County, and Antelope Valley, and even down -- I think we  
12 had some just recently from -- where was it? Like, was  
13 it Sylmar maybe, all the way down south.

14 So I don't think we can link all of that. I mean, I  
15 think -- I had mentioned even once in La Quinta, there's  
16 the jet propulsion lab. But linking everything is a  
17 little bit too much, but I think there is still some  
18 connectivity it seems, but certainly an area where staff  
19 could research more.

20 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I will say that I saw one  
21 person -- one COI testimony here, that someone wrote  
22 saying that they do not want to be part of Bakersfield  
23 and Mojave.

24 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: That Tehachapi doesn't?

25 CHAIR TURNER: Who doesn't?

1 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: It's right in between Mojave  
2 and Bakersfield.

3 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Stallion Springs.  
4 I -- that's the search thing that I put in to the air  
5 table.

6 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: That Stallion Springs  
7 doesn't want to be either with Bakersfield or with  
8 Mojave?

9 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: That is what -- that's what  
10 they've written, yes.

11 CHAIR TURNER: Well, okay.

12 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: I wouldn't know. I don't  
13 think we can draw a district around that.

14 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you for writing us.

15 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Sinay.

16 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I'm looking at -- directly into  
17 Tehachapi, which, by the way, I got the best roast beef  
18 sandwich during my redistricting road trip. It was the  
19 best I've ever had. For those out there, we haven't had  
20 dinner yet.

21 It's kind of -- you know, some of them want to stay  
22 with Kern County, and others want to be with Antelope,  
23 and some don't want to be with either. So I think we're  
24 okay whatever we choose to do here.

25 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

1 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Because people like us and not  
2 like us, that's why I say we're okay.

3 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Fernandez.

4 Okay. Can Commissioner -- okay. Good.

5 Kennedy, west Fresno. And is the -- can I just see,  
6 is Sunnyside still split or not?

7 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Sunnyside is no longer split,  
8 and it is with Sanger.

9 CHAIR TURNER: Fabulous. Fabulous. The last -- oh,  
10 two more, and I'm done. Merced had a few splits at one  
11 point, but how are we looking in Merced?

12 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: One split at the moment, at  
13 the northern border. Atwater and Winton are still with  
14 the City of Merced. Delhi, Ballico, Cressey, those are  
15 going north into Stanislaus.

16 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. And last one is Stockton area.  
17 What did we end it up?

18 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Here she is. Stockton here  
19 with French Camp underneath, with Mountain House and  
20 Tracy.

21 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Can you move up just a  
22 little, please? Thank you.

23 CHAIR TURNER: A lot of split testimony here. So  
24 for here, there's been a lot of testimony that is split  
25 as to whether or not Mountain House and Tracy is Stockton

1 or San Martin should be kept whole, and did we go back  
2 and forth there?

3 So I'm not -- I'm saying this out loud, Kennedy, not  
4 for you to make any change; however, so that we can  
5 continue to get the community to weigh in on this.  
6 Because, again, it is conflicting testimony as far as  
7 what happens with Mountain House and Tracy.

8 So everything from the corridor, a 580, to San  
9 Joaquin kept whole, to keep Tracy with Stockton. And so  
10 I just wanted to say for the Commissioners, we're all  
11 over the board on this testimony. And so for now, not  
12 necessarily wanting to do anything different about a  
13 change, unless someone else -- oh, and Commissioner  
14 Akutagawa?

15 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. I -- it's not on  
16 this one, so if you want, I can just wait until you're  
17 finished.

18 CHAIR TURNER: No, I was finished with that one.  
19 But maybe Commissioner Fernandez or Sinay on this one

20 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes. Kennedy, could you  
21 move up to -- yeah. I want to see -- is that SSAC  
22 Stanislaus? All the way to where the border is, please,  
23 of that -- order of that -- just visualization.

24 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Yes. Up here in Sacramento  
25 County, it's including Vineyard and Wilton.

1 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Vineyard and Wilton. Okay.  
2 Just for something future, I would -- I've got to think  
3 of a way to get Vineyard back in with Elk Grove, Lemon  
4 Hill, Fruitridge, Rosemont, and Greehaven, that was a  
5 community of interest that we've had for, actually,  
6 various different cultural communities, so thank you.

7 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: And if you are wondering,  
8 Vineyard has about 44,000 people.

9 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah. And while we're in that area  
10 right there, Commissioner Fernandez, that's another space  
11 of conflicting COI testimony, that Stockton does not want  
12 to be with Lodi and those areas as well, so we'll just  
13 name that and --

14 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: And -- okay. Lodi is part  
15 of San Joaquin, right?

16 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yeah.

17 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Yes, but Lodi is not with  
18 Stockton in this visualization.

19 CHAIR TURNER: Oh, did -- is it out?

20 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: No, it's --

21 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: No, it's --

22 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: -- on the other side of  
23 Stockton. It's on the --

24 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: With Stockton --

25 CHAIR TURNER: Show it to me.

1 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: -- we just have Stockton,  
2 Mountain --

3 CHAIR TURNER: Oh, beautiful.

4 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: -- House, and Tracy. Those  
5 are the only ones in here, Lodi is separated from.

6 CHAIR TURNER: I see it now.

7 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Right. So I --

8 CHAIR TURNER: Well, then, that's wonderful.

9 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: -- so that's good  
10 information, Kennedy. That's about 44,000, so  
11 just -- for those of you out there, if we move it, you  
12 have to think of where we're going to bring in 44,000; so  
13 that's what we -- that would be great feedback and input  
14 if you don't like what you're seeing. We need to put in  
15 what we put out. So thank you, so much.

16 CHAIR TURNER: Very nice.

17 Commissioner Akutagawa.

18 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I see that Commissioner  
19 Andersen has her hand up. I don't know if she also has a  
20 comment on this, too.

21 CHAIR TURNER: Maybe, but she's after you and  
22 Fernandez.

23 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Oh, my bad.

24 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Okay. Well, I -- because I  
25 wanted to just ask about -- just possibly process, but

1 since we are revisiting some of these areas, there was an  
2 area in Los Angeles that was that --

3 CHAIR TURNER: We're not revisiting. We never  
4 touched this area before.

5 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Okay. All right. All  
6 right. Because we made some major changes to areas, and  
7 we rushed through, I guess I'll say, the LA area. In  
8 trying to get to everything, we just chose not to address  
9 some things that I believe it would be better to address  
10 now rather than the next time, because we're going to  
11 have a lot to do.

12 CHAIR TURNER: So the thought I'd have on that is,  
13 is I know that there still is, for today, a pressure on  
14 timing for us to complete this, so that the mappers can  
15 get information that's needed for the VRA districts for  
16 the senate, because now they have to go and map complete  
17 that tonight and come back tomorrow for us to have the  
18 full conversation.

19 So the -- unless -- so we probably have more quality  
20 time later than what we have right now, or you'll still  
21 get into a rush, because we don't have, technically,  
22 until the midnight hour if we're going to get what we  
23 need for tomorrow. I don't know if that was confusing or  
24 not, or if the mappers want to say it a different way.

25 But I think this time -- of course, they'll -- you

1 know, of course, willing to do what's needed. But beyond  
2 all of that, a timing element that's needed to get the  
3 next visualizations back, and up to us, and available.

4 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I thought it was a fairly  
5 easy fix, but I was told to hold off because it would  
6 have ripple effects, but I don't believe it will. But  
7 I'm also concerned, later on, we're going to run into the  
8 same problems, and we're just pushing everything down the  
9 road.

10 CHAIR TURNER: Can we -- let's try the -- because no  
11 ripples would work wonderful. But that's -- that is an  
12 easy fix. Want to look at it?

13 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Okay.

14 CHAIR TURNER: Uh-huh. Before we go, do we have  
15 more -- she has a quick fix without ripples.

16 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: It is --

17 CHAIR TURNER: Are we -- before -- we're finished  
18 with the Central Valley. Anyone have anything else for  
19 the Central Valley, Commissioner, before we  
20 move -- Commissioner Akutagawa, Commissioner Andersen,  
21 are you in the Central Valley?

22 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Well, the Sierras, so I  
23 don't know if that's considered -- it's well -- it is now  
24 put with the Central Valley, so -- and really, I just  
25 want us to -- if we can back out just a bit and just have

1 a look at -- the way we reconstructed things,  
2 unfortunately, the Sierra -- the eastern Sierras which,  
3 again, are Alpine, Mono, Inyo, Amador, Claveras,  
4 Mariposa, and Tuolumne.

5 Those areas, we're really hoping they're -- it's  
6 community of interest. We've gone through the many, many  
7 times things have in common. And their true hope is they  
8 have a voice. And when they're put -- and what we did  
9 say, and what they've said -- or with the mountain areas  
10 of Madera or Fresno, but as soon as you start putting in  
11 the Central Valley, that's who the representative's voice  
12 is.

13 And I just want to say that, this is what's  
14 happening again. And I don't see a fix. I certainly  
15 don't see a quick fix, but it certainly happening again,  
16 so I just wanted to mention that. And if there's -- if  
17 anyone has a clever way that they don't have to be what's  
18 the Central Valley, I'd love to hear it. Or at  
19 least -- well, they're not with Bakersfield this time,  
20 and there is a pathway over from Mono into Tuolumne, so  
21 there is a -- you know, there -- the exact  
22 (indiscernible), there is a way over this time. So I  
23 just want to mention that. Thank you.

24 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Thank you, Commissioner  
25 Andersen. And we'd love to get feedback on that. So we

1 have another break at 8:15.

2 But we'll go -- Commissioner Akutagawa with what you  
3 got for us.

4 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Let's see if this could be  
5 quick. And if -- and the line drawers can tell us. And  
6 then, I also want to invite Commissioner Vasquez, because  
7 I think she also had comments on this, too. This is the  
8 AD5 Corridor, and the ADGATEWAY.

9 And on this particular one, we have received quite a  
10 bit of COI testimony, particularly, around the Vernon,  
11 Huntington Park, Maywood, Bell, Cudahy, Cudahy Southgate,  
12 Bell Gardens, even including Commerce, that they are a  
13 community of interest. They don't feel that they share  
14 any kind of commonalities, especially socioeconomically,  
15 with Bell Flower and Lakewood in particular.

16 My thought is on here to move, if possible -- and  
17 this is where I would ask the line drawers for help.  
18 Would be good to move in Bell, at the very least.  
19 Possibly, Commerce, if that makes it more contiguous.  
20 And then move in and replace it with Bell Flower.

21 MS. WILSON: Thank you, Commissioner Akutagawa.

22 As we discussed earlier in the day, Bellflower --  
23 removing Bellflower would make two pockets of population.  
24 One in Lakewood, Hawai'ian Gardens. One in the northern  
25 part of this visualization. And Bellflower is what

1 connects these two areas, so if I may, a suggestion might  
2 be to try moving Hawai'ian Gardens, Lakewood, and  
3 Bellflower into this visualization, see what the  
4 population is like, and then move sort of north to south  
5 here to try and -- or, I guess, rather, moving areas here  
6 to see what the population trade off would be.

7 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. That sounds good.

8 MS. WILSON: Okay.

9 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Kennedy?

10 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair.

11 I think this is going to have to be one of those  
12 instances where we seriously explore crossing some city  
13 lines because it's going to make life a lot easier in  
14 doing this. You know, whether it's a portion of  
15 Bellflower that remains behind to keep a bridge and not  
16 create a pocket, or, you know, we've heard from Long  
17 Beach that, yes, they want as much of the city as  
18 possible whole, but I think there has been a recognition,  
19 and, in fact, the current situation is -- not 100 percent  
20 of the city is there. So if it's a portion of Bellflower  
21 that has to remain behind, or a portion of Long Beach  
22 that is shifted to create a bridge, I think we need to  
23 explore that. Thank you.

24 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

25 Commissioner Sadhwani?

1           COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. I was just going to  
2 say, I totally do support this exploration in principle.  
3 Not sure how I feel about doing this right now. Clearly,  
4 this is not an equal swap from one district to another.  
5 This is a ripple where we're going to have to -- as we've  
6 been saying, do exploration.

7           I hear the testimony coming in. I know we have work  
8 to do here. I said this before, and I will say it again,  
9 I think we'll probably need at minimum two days of live  
10 line drawing just of LA County to work out all of these  
11 considerations and to do this exploratory work, but I'm  
12 not sure -- maybe I'm wrong. I don't know. But it  
13 sounds like we're going to go on another expedition when  
14 we still have more work to do in starting the senate.

15           CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Toledo?

16           COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I'm supportive of doing an  
17 expedition, but these are two very -- this is a VRA area,  
18 and so I don't know if we have enough time to do it in  
19 the next four minutes because break is at -- we literally  
20 have break in four minutes. But I think it would be  
21 something that we should come back to at some point in  
22 the future or later in the day, but at this point, it  
23 might be -- I don't think it's an easy fix.

24           CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Fernandez?

25           COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Maybe because we are four

1 minutes from break and maybe Commissioner Akutagawa could  
2 use that break time to think of a easy fix, maybe. But I  
3 would be willing to explore. Maybe not for too long but  
4 willing to explore.

5 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. I just want to name, again, we  
6 are going to want what we need tomorrow morning, and I  
7 think we're putting a lot of pressure on the line drawers  
8 to get it in. So we know when we finished at the time we  
9 did. And then of course, they had other work to do  
10 before they turned in, which kind of turned into today.

11 So let's do take the break and think about what is  
12 the best thing so that we can get what we need for  
13 tomorrow morning and be able to complete out tonight.

14 Yeah. So we are at 8:13. We'll be back -- is this  
15 a dinner break time? Where are we at? Yeah. Okay. So  
16 we'll be back at 8:45. Thank you.

17 (Whereupon, a recess was held from 8:13 p.m.  
18 until 8:45 p.m.)

19 CHAIR TURNER: Welcome back from our break. And  
20 then when we went off to our dinner break, we were  
21 considering Los Angeles as to whether or not it would or  
22 would not have ripple effects. And so just wanting to  
23 check in with a couple of our commissioners and see where  
24 we're headed.

25 So Commissioner Akutagawa?

1           COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Okay. So this is what I  
2 thought of: Looking at Bell, Bell Gardens, and Commerce,  
3 seeing how it would -- if that could be swapped with  
4 Bellflower, Lakewood, and Hawai'ian Gardens. And if it  
5 doesn't work, I'm either -- and by the way, I just want  
6 to note that it is only within two districts. It's not  
7 involving any other districts. And if it doesn't work,  
8 we could either give it up, or I do also like what  
9 Commissioner Kennedy also suggested. That was my other  
10 thought is that we keep a piece of Bellflower back so  
11 that it could make that bridge. But I would defer to the  
12 line drawers as to which way they think would be better.

13           CHAIR TURNER: All right.

14           Jaime, waiting on you to help us.

15           MS. CLARK: One moment, please.

16           COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Chair, could I have a --  
17 just a quick -- if we could just get the populations of  
18 each of those, we could have a real good idea if it would  
19 be an even switch.

20           CHAIR TURNER: Those were -- what were the areas?

21           COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Hawai'ian Gardens, Lakewood,  
22 Bellflower, if you know the population of that. And then  
23 it was Commerce, Bell -- was it Maywood?

24           MS. CLARK: No. Commerce, Bell, and Bell Gardens.

25           COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: And Bell Gardens.

1 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Commerce is 12445. Bell  
2 Gardens is 39701. Commerce (indiscernible) Garden is --

3 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Sorry. Jaime, can you tell  
4 us?

5 MS. CLARK: May I?

6 CHAIR TURNER: Oh, you have it? Okay. Yeah.

7 MS. CLARK: Yeah. So just the Bellflower, Lakewood,  
8 Hawai'ian Gardens area is 176,503 people. And I'm just  
9 going to quickly make this change and see what the  
10 population switch would be. And just, I guess, noting  
11 that right now, the AD Gateway Visualization is 67.55  
12 percent Latino CVAP. The AD 5 Corridor Visualization  
13 currently is 70.46 percent Latino CVAP.

14 CHAIR TURNER: Oh my. Okay.

15 MR. LARSON: So we're going to want to keep an eye  
16 on that -- obviously, that 88 percent there is  
17 problematic, so we'll keep an eye on it as we adjust  
18 through here, but something like that would not work  
19 unless we get that down.

20 MS. CLARK: So just pausing here. This is adding  
21 Bell, Bell Gardens, Commerce, Montebello, and Pico  
22 Rivera. We could swap these, Montebello and Pico Rivera  
23 out for Downey potentially, but this switch would make  
24 the AD Gateway percent deviation 3.39 percent.

25 The 5 Corridor would be underpopulated still. It's

1 negative 6.44 percent. But the percent Latino CVAP for  
2 AD Gateway would be 86.68 percent. And for 5 Corridor,  
3 it would be 53.24 percent.

4 MR. LARSON: So we would certainly have concerns  
5 about that 86. I would not recommend doing this.

6 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Okay. So the first number  
7 you gave was without Montebello and Pico Rivera; is that  
8 correct?

9 MS. CLARK: I'm sorry. Could you repeat that?

10 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: The first number that you  
11 gave? Because my instruction was not to include Pico  
12 Rivera in Montebello.

13 MS. CLARK: Sure. So I just added those four  
14 deviation because just with Commerce, Bell, and Bell  
15 Gardens the percent deviation of AD Gateway would be  
16 negative 21.95 percent.

17 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Oh. Okay. Okay. I see.  
18 Okay. All right. Let's forget about it then. I think  
19 that this is going to require more work. So thank you  
20 for allowing me to see that.

21 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

22 Commissioner Fernandez?

23 MS. CLARK: It takes a second to move.

24 CHAIR TURNER: Oh, thank you so much, Jaime. I  
25 think that's what we needed to check out for Los Angeles

1 area. And so at this point, I think we're finished with  
2 our assembly maps for now. Recognizing that -- woo.  
3 Recognizing that we will take -- that was a clap wave.  
4 What in the world. All right. Okay. So celebration  
5 over. We got work to do. So now let's -- yes, line  
6 drawers.

7 So the direction we're going to go in now will be  
8 for out senate. What time is it? So here's the plan:  
9 Why don't we try to at least go up into our next break  
10 and let's see if we can get -- the desire would be to at  
11 least get through the VRA districts of the senate, and if  
12 we by some miracle knock them all out by then that would  
13 be beautiful. But let's just take a look at it and see.  
14 Everybody game?

15 MS. CLARK: Thank you, Chair Turner. We just need a  
16 couple -- two minutes and we'll switch over right now.

17 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. And the question was, when is  
18 the break. The next break is at 10:15.

19 MS. MAC DONALD: Chair Turner, I have another  
20 question, please?

21 CHAIR TURNER: Yes.

22 MS. MAC DONALD: Which is where would you like to  
23 start?

24 CHAIR TURNER: We'll start again in the south with  
25 VRA districts before we lose Jaime. Yes.

1 MS. MAC DONALD: Okay. In Los Angeles?

2 CHAIR TURNER: Oh, I'm sorry. No. Let's go the  
3 same order. We'll start with Sivan.

4 MS. MAC DONALD: Okay. Thank you.

5 CHAIR TURNER: Yes?

6 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: While they're switching up,  
7 Commissioner Akutagawa, could you just repeat what your  
8 original instructions were?

9 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: My original instructions  
10 were to move Bell, Bell Gardens, and possibly Commerce.  
11 It's really to move Bell and Bell Gardens in with Vernon,  
12 Maywood, Huntington Park, Southgate, Cudahy, Lynwood.  
13 They are considered the gateway cities, and there was COI  
14 testimony that spoke to wanting to remain together, but I  
15 think because of -- it sounds like deviations and  
16 population are -- VRA, CVAP, and deviations, it was not  
17 possible.

18 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Maybe it was because  
19 additional things were included for various reasons. I  
20 mean, Bell and Bell Garden total roughly 72,000, and if  
21 part of Bellflower were left back to create that bridge,  
22 it would be an even swap.

23 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Oh, well then, yeah, that  
24 would be great.

25 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: From those --

1 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yes --

2 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: -- because Bellflower is  
3 79,000, so if you left 7,000 people worth to establish  
4 that bridge, it would be an even swap between those two.  
5 Thank you.

6 CHAIR TURNER: Did we have a false start  
7 celebration?

8 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: I'm not asking for it to be  
9 done. I'm just stating an observation.

10 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. All right. Thank you. And we  
11 took exact -- you may remember that, but again, if we'll  
12 take note of exactly what that was.

13 Did somebody say senate? We're moving to the senate  
14 visualizations for our -- our senate line drawing. Live  
15 line drawing from senate.

16 MS. TRATT: All right, Chair. I'm ready when you  
17 are.

18 CHAIR TURNER: We are ready.

19 MS. TRATT: All right. So the first visualization  
20 is going to be on page 47. And this is the SEC  
21 visualization. Again, pretty similar to what we've had  
22 in the other plans until we made those pretty big  
23 sweeping changes. So this is still including that  
24 portion of east San Diego County and then goes all the  
25 way up to Needles and also captures all of Imperial

1 County and the southern cities of Coachella Valley.

2 CHAIR TURNER: Sivan, I'm sorry. Let me -- just,  
3 kind of, again, so I'll understand. So we're looking at  
4 senate districts now that the senate districts will, of  
5 course, need to nest the two assembly districts. So  
6 seeing as how we just finished the assembly districts,  
7 how does this impact?

8 MS. TRATT: Do you mean, they nest into board of  
9 equalization? Oh, no. they nest into --

10 MR. LARSON: So as you know, nesting is one  
11 criteria, it's lower on the list. So nesting two  
12 assembly district into one senate district is something  
13 that would be ideal, but it becomes a lower priority  
14 compared to things like VRA compliance and all of that.

15 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you. And so down that same  
16 line of questioning, I'm still trying to at least settle  
17 in my mind the conversation we're going to have now that  
18 I still -- still feels like there's some implication to  
19 the senate districts based on what we did in assembly.  
20 No, or yes? No, we're okay? Okay. Let's keep going.

21 Sorry, Sivan.

22 MS. TRATT: No. No worries.

23 All right. So yeah. So this is currently at almost  
24 negative two percent deviation and a Latino CVAP of 56.8  
25 percent.

1 Mr. Larson, did you want to say anything about this  
2 visualization?

3 MR. LARSON: Nope. I'm happy to answer questions.

4 MS. TRATT: All right. Moving right along to page  
5 48 is PO --

6 CHAIR TURNER: One moment.

7 Commissioner Kennedy? No? Okay.

8 We're ready. Thank you.

9 MS. TRATT: Okay. So again, page 48 is  
10 visualization POF. This includes the entirety of the  
11 city of Chino, Olive Pomona, the majority of Upland,  
12 Rancho Cucamonga, Fontana, all the way to Bloomington and  
13 Jurupa Valley. This is currently at a zero percent  
14 deviation with Latino CVAP of 57.1 percent.

15 Next would be on page 49, SBRC. And --

16 CHAIR TURNER: One moment, please.

17 MS. TRATT: Yeah.

18 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: You said Chino was whole.  
19 When I'm looking at the PDF at least, I'm seeing a  
20 district line that's not coinciding -- oh, I'm sorry.  
21 That's a highway. Okay. I thought that was the county  
22 line and therefore, the city line. Sorry.

23 MS. TRATT: Oh, no worries.

24 All right. Were there any other comments on PCO?  
25 Okay.

1           So for SBRC, again, on page 49, this includes the  
2 northern part of the city of Riverside, Rialto. It goes  
3 a little bit north, I believe, to kind of -- I think this  
4 is a river here, so this should be all of that kind of  
5 river basin area. It also captures the city of San  
6 Bernadino, as well as Colton, Grand Terrace, Highgrove,  
7 and then goes all the way down to grab Moreno Valley,  
8 Perris, and Meed Valley, Good Hope, and then back around.  
9 And it's at a deviation of negative .93 percent and a  
10 Latino CVAP of 55.58 percent.

11           And those are the VRA consideration visualizations  
12 that I have for the senate plan.

13           CHAIR TURNER: Commissioners, do we have any  
14 questions on the VRA districts for southern California?  
15 Okay.

16           Thank you so much.

17           MS. TRATT: Absolutely. Who would you like to see  
18 next? Jaime?

19           CHAIR TURNER: I would love to see Jaime next.

20           MS. TRATT: All right. Here's Jaime.

21           (Pause)

22           CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Sadhwani?

23           COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. You know, as we're  
24 switching over to LA, I just wanted to make a comment  
25 about that Imperial, Riverside, San Diego district. I

1 think, for me, I'm okay at least for now keeping it the  
2 way that it is. I think one of the challenges that we  
3 were able to face in congress and assembly was the length  
4 of Chula Vista to Imperial is quite far, but given the  
5 size of a senate district, I think in this instance it  
6 might make sense just to keep this together. So I'm --  
7 yeah. I think it's a really helpful to take a look at  
8 this, and, you know, I think we'll probably have more  
9 thoughts as we move through this process. But so far so  
10 good.

11 CHAIR TURNER: This was that same area that was just  
12 covered that was the VRA, right?

13 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. And we broke this up  
14 in both the assembly and congressional maps, pulling out  
15 that Chula Vista area and creating a separate district  
16 for it.

17 CHAIR TURNER: Can we -- and Commissioner Sadhwani,  
18 you don't want explore or ask questions now of Mr. Larson  
19 about keeping it?

20 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Well, my sense is if we were  
21 to try to break it up, then Chula Vista is going to be  
22 left hanging lonely and not into a district large enough.  
23 But, I mean, certainly if there's opportunity there it  
24 would be great to hear it. I'm not sure what that would  
25 look like though.

1 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Sinay?

2 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah. It's harder because it  
3 is so close to a million people, but I would -- if we  
4 could explore not going into three counties and just  
5 doing -- well, okay, four counties. Sorry. You know, if  
6 there is a way to do San Diego, Imperial, and Riverside,  
7 and keep it a VRA, that might be more doable for --  
8 because going from Imperial Beach to Needles is a hike --  
9 a few days hike.

10 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Kennedy?

11 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: I'm not rejected Commissioner  
12 Sinay's comment. The one thing that I would say is,  
13 we've got that area in eastern San Bernadino County at  
14 all three levels but different shapes for the different  
15 levels. The population density is so low that I would  
16 ideally like the mappers to ensure that that portion of  
17 San Bernadino that's in that district at all three  
18 levels, at U.S. House, at the state assembly, and the  
19 state senate, be the same shape in San Bernadino County  
20 so that we minimize voter confusion.

21 I mean, the populations are so low, it should be  
22 relatively straight forward. Thank you.

23 CHAIR TURNER: And I just want to make sure the line  
24 drawers -- are we good with that -- you understood? Any  
25 questions about that as a comment? No.

1           Commissioner Sinay, did you raise your hand again,  
2 or were you still there --

3           COMMISSIONER SINAY: No. I (indiscernible) --

4           CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Akutagawa?

5           COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. I was just going to  
6 comment and just remind ourselves that we are looking at  
7 some districts that are going to be quite large. I mean,  
8 look at the Fresno Kern district that we've gotten quite  
9 a bit of calls about. The ECA or the Eastern Sierra  
10 district is quite long, and it's a hike. The northern  
11 parts are long.

12           I think to Commissioner Kennedy's point, when you  
13 have areas of lower population, it does mean much, much  
14 more space in between and mileage also for, you know, the  
15 size. So I just want to say that out loud as well to.  
16 It's sometimes unavoidable, I think.

17           CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

18           Commissioner Sadhwani?

19           COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. I was just going to  
20 note, I mean, in a sense, this district -- I mean,  
21 perhaps we can do refinements in the future. What this  
22 looks like, and it's not entirely, but it actually does  
23 look like the two assembly districts nested in there to  
24 some extent, right. I mean, we have the one district  
25 that's kind of centered in Chula Vista, and then we have

1 another one that comes all the way up. So this does  
2 generally reflect that concept of nesting those two  
3 assembly districts.

4 And so I think Commissioner Akutagawa is absolutely  
5 right. Like, they're going to be big. And I think we  
6 can probably be hitting that nesting criteria.

7 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you for indulging us, Tamina.  
8 Jaime, we're ready.

9 MS. CLARK: Thank you. So moving to Los Angeles  
10 County. First, let's please look at page 39. This  
11 visualization includes the city of Long Beach, Signal  
12 Hill, Hawai'ian Gardens, Lakewood, Paramount, Linwood,  
13 Southgate, Bell Gardens, Cudahy, Huntington Park, Walnut  
14 Park, and the northern part of the Florence, Firestone  
15 area. This split here reflects the visualization --  
16 excuse me -- a COI layer for Watts neighborhood. It's  
17 different than the neighborhood counsel layer like we  
18 discussed previously.

19 And also included in this visualization is San  
20 Clemente Island and Catalina Island. And this represents  
21 a percent deviation of negative .91 percent.

22 Next is --

23 CHAIR TURNER: One moment, please.

24 Commissioner Sadhwani?

25 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: I don't know how doable it

1 is. I'm curious if we could pull up the assembly  
2 district she just finished underneath. No?

3 MS. CLARK: We haven't had time to process that  
4 layer and add it to this plan.

5 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Okay. Got it. Thank you.

6 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Akutagawa?

7 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Just a question for, I  
8 believe, Dale. This is a VRA district, I believe, but if  
9 I -- the CVAP that I'm looking at, it looks like it's 50  
10 percent, so is that considered comfortable for this VRA  
11 district? I don't --

12 MR. LARSON: So at the senate level, the VRA  
13 concerns come more strongly a little bit to the east  
14 there. There's some questions about that -- the one  
15 where the cursor is in right now, the 710 to the Water.  
16 You know, our analysis there is that with some crossover,  
17 we're seeing that these percentages is okay. So we're  
18 comfortable with this. We wouldn't want to go lower.

19 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: To make it a stronger  
20 Latino CVAP for a VRA district, have you considered other  
21 combination cities for this senate district because as we  
22 saw from that last swap that we tried to do in the  
23 assembly district, Downey Bellflower alone could add  
24 quite a bit to the Latino CVAP.

25 MR. LARSON: Well, that would also impact that

1 adjacent district as well, which is at 51.09.

2 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yes. And there is now  
3 significant COI testimony that we're receiving about that  
4 district as an Asian COI and the way it's being broken  
5 up.

6 CHAIR TURNER: Jaime?

7 MS. CLARK: I'm wondering if it would make sense to  
8 present the other areas where there may be comments from  
9 Mr. Larson and -- because all of these really impact each  
10 other a lot in terms of the types of considerations that  
11 we're looking at right now. And I can do my best to  
12 explain how some of the changes that are being discussed  
13 right now would maybe impact the other ones as well.

14 CHAIR TURNER: We can try that. Let me just check.  
15 Commissioner Fernandez and Sadhwani, is that  
16 amenable for you?

17 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah, that's fine with me.  
18 My only comment was going to be that I'm thinking it's  
19 probably going to be difficult to try to go into other  
20 areas because all of the other CVAPs are pretty low or  
21 pretty close, I think, some of the VRA districts that  
22 you're going to show us. So, you know, you can't rob  
23 from one to the other because it's just going to, I  
24 guess, mesh out at the end.

25 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Sadhwani?

1           COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. Mine is pretty quick.  
2 We approached this in the assembly and, I believe, in the  
3 congressional plans. The issue in this area was not the  
4 city of Long Beach needing the VRA protections but those  
5 harbor gateway communities that are included. In the  
6 assembly, we made the option to switch them over to some  
7 extent. So there's some differences here, obviously, in  
8 terms of the number of cities that we're talking about.  
9 But that was my understanding is that it's a certain area  
10 that's protected, not necessarily the entirety of that  
11 district. And given the population that we have some  
12 flexibility and options in terms of which way we want to  
13 got so long as those -- in those protected areas are  
14 receiving the coverage.

15           CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

16           Yes, Jaime, would you give us that overview, please?

17           MS. CLARK: Thank you. Next is page 41. It's the  
18 XSDC605. Pardon me. This visualization includes  
19 Cerritos, Artesia, Bellflower, Norwalk, Downey, Santa Fe  
20 Springs, La Mirada, La Habra, East Whittier, South  
21 Whittier, West Whittier, Whittier, Rose Hills, Hacienda  
22 Heights, La Puente, Avocado Heights, the city of  
23 Industry, Rowland Heights, Diamond Bar, and Walnut. This  
24 is a -4.12 percent deviation.

25           And next, please, page 43. So this is -- this

1 visualization includes Pico Rivera, Montebello, Monterey  
2 Park, Alhambra, San Marino, San Gabriel, East Gabriel,  
3 Temple City, Rosemead, South El Monte, El Monte, North El  
4 Monte, the southern parts of Arcadia, Irwindale, Baldwin  
5 Park, West Puente Valley, Valinda, Covina, West Covina,  
6 Charter Oak, and Azusa. This is a 1.96 percent  
7 deviation. And I'm just going to zoom out to kind of  
8 look at the whole area.

9 CHAIR TURNER: One moment, please.

10 Commissioner Fernandez.

11 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Chair.

12 Jamie, the three VRA districts -- or visualizations  
13 that you just showed us, is there any way to, like, put  
14 them in yellow or something? That way we kind of  
15 remember which ones are the VRA so that when we think of  
16 moving things around, we just need to be more careful  
17 with that. Thank you.

18 MS. CLARK: One moment. Maybe red. Okay. Thanks.  
19 And then this one includes sort of these areas.

20 And just give sort of an overview. Had direction to  
21 sort of create east to west visualizations for this area  
22 this time. And these two visualizations, there's very  
23 little -- not a ton of flexibility in terms of needing  
24 CVAP levels that would be over fifty percent for each  
25 district. You can see that this SD60-605 visualization

1 is underpopulated. This is just, you know -- these --  
2 this visualization doesn't split any cities. To balance  
3 both of those out further, either you would need to start  
4 splitting some cities, which, honestly, might bring this  
5 -- the SD10 west-east visualizations Latino CVAP down.  
6 Also part of that including some of these cities that are  
7 more south of the Foothills and trying to bring as much -  
8 - many of those cities into this visualization as  
9 possible also is bringing that Latino CVAP down.

10 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Fernandez.

11 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes. Thank you.

12 Actually, I just -- I was -- I forgot to say this  
13 earlier, but I just want to show my appreciation to  
14 Sivan, and Tamina, and Kennedy, and Jamie, and Andrew,  
15 and Karin. I mean, it's very impressive, like, how many  
16 cities aren't split in each of -- each of the  
17 visualizations for the senate, the state and assembly.  
18 So, I mean, just a great job. So thank you. I -- I  
19 apologize for not thanking you earlier. Appreciate it.

20 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Akutagawa.

21 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: A process point of view,  
22 I'd like to make some changes. Can we do that, or are we  
23 just going to -- what is our process?

24 CHAIR TURNER: In these VRA areas?

25 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: In this VRA.

1 CHAIR TURNER: Absolutely.

2 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: To our line drawers, you  
3 tell me whether or not this makes sense. Can -- I'd like  
4 to just start by maybe creating, like, one big humungous  
5 district that would contain the cities that I think are -  
6 - are most impacted by the VRA, and I'm going to say  
7 Montebello.

8 MS. CLARK: I -- I apologize for interrupting. I'm  
9 just going to make a screenshot really quick --

10 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Oh. Sure.

11 MS. CLARK: -- before --

12 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Okay.

13 CHAIR TURNER: While she's doing that, Commissioner  
14 Vazquez.

15 Don't call out anything just yet, Commissioner  
16 Akutagawa.

17 Commissioner vas --

18 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yeah. I just -- it's not a  
19 VRA, but it's adjacent that this SDNELA visualization. I  
20 imagine that certain conditions aren't met, et cetera,  
21 but the Latinos CVAP feels abreast away from something  
22 important. So as we're -- as we're potentially shifting  
23 things around, I just want us all to keep an eye on that  
24 one, but then yeah. I'll stop there. Just that's --  
25 that's where my eye is going to right now. I'm curious

1 to see where Commissioner Akutagawa wants to take this.

2 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Are you suggesting that we  
3 should dip into the Northeast LA? I was going to just  
4 try to keep -- leave that alone, but if you think  
5 otherwise -- I was going to try to focus on the Gateway  
6 Cities similar to what we did for the assembly.

7 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. So what we're wanting to do,  
8 that's -- that sounds good. We want to work with just  
9 the VRA districts tonight so that give the mappers  
10 something to start with. And then tomorrow, remember,  
11 we're going to come back. We'll be looking fully at our  
12 senate districts and our board of equalization.

13 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Although in looking at  
14 this, I probably will be dipping a little bit into the  
15 NELA, because what I was thinking of is the cities of  
16 Commerce, Vernon, Maywood, Bell, Bell Gardens.

17 MS. CLARK: Can I -- can I respond to that?

18 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah. Whatever -- yeah.

19 MS. CLARK: I totally see in here your vision, and I  
20 also feel like -- I -- I see your vision, and I would  
21 like to see it play out. That being said, as drawn, this  
22 senate district contains within it I think some pretty  
23 important communities of interest in Northeast LA that  
24 we've talked about in other districts. So Highland Park,  
25 you know, Echo Park, et cetera, these areas that are

1 really impacted by gentrification. And while they may  
2 not be in a Voting Rights Act district, I do think -- I  
3 do think their Latino CVAP is in a place where it gives  
4 potentially Latino communities of interest in NELA an  
5 important voice.

6 And so I'm just trying to balance out those two  
7 concerns. And I think potentially by eating into some of  
8 those Gateway Cities, we'll -- we'll have to grab  
9 populations that are not -- not as heavily Latino to  
10 rebalance NELA. And that gives me a little bit of pause.

11 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I just have one question  
12 for you because of the COI testimony that we've been  
13 receiving. I see that Eagle Rock, I believe, is in the  
14 SD210. Is your belief that it should stay there, or  
15 should it be put into the NELA district to be together  
16 with the others -- the -- Highland Park and the other  
17 cities that people have called in saying that they want  
18 Eagle Rock in? And if that's --

19 MS. CLARK: Yeah. I think -- yeah. I think that  
20 makes sense. Sorry for interrupting. I think that makes  
21 sense. I'm just not -- I don't think it's going to be  
22 nearly enough population to sort of get all of the  
23 Gateway Cities back into more of a San Gabriel Valley  
24 senate district.

25 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. Yeah. I don't think

1 so either. I was thinking that at least maybe Commerce  
2 could be swapped out possibly to be that bridge between  
3 the two districts. Do you see where -- do you see where  
4 that might be to create that bridge between the Gateway  
5 Cities and -- and then the Downey, Norwalk, Santa Fe  
6 Springs?

7 MS. CLARK: Yeah. I mean, I'm into -- let's play  
8 this out. That's just something that's on my mind is how  
9 this may impact the NELA district, even though it's not a  
10 Voting Rights Act district.

11 CHAIR TURNER: So Commissioner Sinay, before we push  
12 buttons, are you in the same area or you're in -- okay.  
13 Commissioner Sinay.

14 COMMISSIONER SINAY: We're not -- we'll be working  
15 in San Diego -- I mean -- San Diego -- sorry -- senate  
16 district NELA district tomorrow, but I do want to  
17 highlight that in this district, if we move Eagle Rock  
18 in, we do have an opportunity to unite the LGBT  
19 community, 'cause right now, it is split. And so -- and  
20 that would I think -- for tomorrow, but I think when  
21 you're looking at CVAP and all that type of, you know,  
22 that that's a good way to go.

23 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

24 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Are --

25 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Akutagawa.

1 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Oh. I was going to asking  
2 are you thinking about bringing West Hollywood into the  
3 NELA district so it would be with the East Hollywood and  
4 the -- I guess the other parts of Hollywood except the  
5 Hollywood Hills?

6 COMMISSIONER SINAY: No. The other way around. I  
7 would put Eagle Rock, even though this conversation is  
8 for tomorrow, I would --

9 CHAIR TURNER: Okay, but we're having it tonight.  
10 So what we doing?

11 COMMISSIONER SINAY: No. My thought was move Eagle  
12 Rock into NELA. And then Silver Lake, East Hollywood  
13 into --

14 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Oh. I see what you're  
15 saying. We were talking about moving in Eagle Rock so  
16 that we can move out either ver -- well, in this  
17 particular case, either Vernon or Commerce so that it  
18 could be part of the VRA district.

19 CHAIR TURNER: Let me just for a quick process  
20 because we have the building, and we certainly have the  
21 time. I just want to poll the commissioners. Are we  
22 going to go through all of senate areas tonight, or do we  
23 just want to do the VRA areas? Because we can do either.  
24 We just need to know how we're going to plan our time.

25 Commissioners Akutagawa, Sinay, Ahmad, Fernandez,

1 Toledo.

2 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I was just thinking that we  
3 would do VRH and I -- is reasonable. My -- most likely.

4 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Sinay.

5 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I just wanted to bring that up  
6 because I think if you just do VRA, you miss -- you may  
7 miss opportunities -- other opportunities if you're -- if  
8 you're staying too narrow.

9 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. So you're thinking all -- all  
10 of the senate.

11 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I was thinking in one region,  
12 yeah, just because of the -- but I can all go either way,  
13 you know.

14 CHAIR TURNER: But what you're suggesting is is  
15 completing one area.

16 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah. I would say yes --

17 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

18 COMMISSIONER SINAY: -- because in this case --

19 CHAIR TURNER: Let me just check a --

20 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah.

21 CHAIR TURNER: -- couple others. I hear you.

22 Commissioner Ahmad.

23 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: VRA only.

24 CHAIR TURNER: VRA only.

25 Commissioner Toledo.

1 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: VRA.

2 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. So --

3 Oh. Commissioner Andersen.

4 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: VRA, but the adjacent,  
5 'cause if you mess with VRA, you are talking about  
6 directly next to it. I don't mean the entire area, but,  
7 you know, like -- like, you know, if you want to switch a  
8 little bit, you are working with the area next to it. So  
9 you have to look at that next adjacent next to it. It  
10 doesn't mean then -- and then go on, but I'm -- if we're  
11 only looking inside of the area district itself period,  
12 sometimes you're not quite -- you know, you're trying to  
13 get something from outside. So you have to look at the  
14 next -- the next neighbor.

15 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Yeah. I hear that.

16 Jamie.

17 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Can I -- can I give my  
18 opinion? I would -- VRA is fine. I was going to ask  
19 about the BOE because that's going to be pretty quick,  
20 but do we need to finish the senate before we do -- we  
21 do? Oh, I was thinking we might be able to get that one.  
22 All right. All right. I'm going to go --

23 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Toledo, did you want to  
24 weigh in it before Jamie as well?

25 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: No, I'm done.

1 CHAIR TURNER: Jamie.

2 Commissioner --

3 Jamie.

4 MS. CLARK: Sure. Thank you. For a major -- so the  
5 changes that are being talked about right now is a major  
6 restructuring of the areas that may have VRA  
7 considerations in Los Angeles County and also other areas  
8 just based on right now what cities we're talking about  
9 pulling out of visualizations that are not under VRA  
10 consideration in the same way. And so it would require  
11 to leave tonight with balanced districts. Even just in  
12 one region, it would require a more regional thing than  
13 VRA only.

14 And it does -- I do have a hunch that just kind of  
15 what's on the table right now would be more than just  
16 areas where there are VRA considerations and, like, one  
17 or two adjacent -- one or two adjacent districts.

18 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you for weighing in with that.  
19 Commissioner Toledo.

20 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. So when I say VRA, I  
21 mean VRA if we can make it -- if we can op -- increase  
22 the CVAP or make the VRA stronger, but if we're just  
23 working through the VRA to keep it the same about, I -- I  
24 think -- I'd be supportive of just --

25 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah. And I'd like to remind us. So

1 initially, kind of the runasho we laid out was for senate  
2 tomorrow. We're just trying to get a jump on that so  
3 that we actually will have a good chance of getting  
4 through senate and our board of equalization tomorrow.  
5 So I'm hopeful that we will be able to just look at the  
6 VRA for those exact reasons, Commissioner Toledo.

7 Commissioner Vazquez.

8 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yeah. I'm sort of -- I -- I  
9 -- I feel like I'm walking myself back from trying to  
10 play this out mostly because I do think this is a solid  
11 first pass given where Voting Rights Act considerations  
12 are in play. It's almost certainly not perfect, and it  
13 will probably need to be reworked, but I feel like again,  
14 as in some of the other areas, I think the -- the best  
15 way -- may -- not the most efficient, maybe the most  
16 efficient, but I think the best way is to get community  
17 feedback on this map and how it can be adjusted with  
18 community input.

19 I -- I am concerned with again just how big these  
20 districts are and how narrow all of the CVAP numbers are  
21 that -- that we are going to be here a really long time  
22 and twisting ourselves in a knot for I'm not sure a whole  
23 lot of gain.

24 Commissioner Akutagawa, again, I hear you, see your  
25 vision, and totally agree that there's a community of

1 interest here that in an ideal world would be -- would --  
2 would be with sort of the rest of the west San Gabriel  
3 Valley. I'm just -- I'm -- I think with to bring -- to  
4 resurrect Commissioner Fornaciari's point about VRA  
5 needing to be our primary concern in these areas, I think  
6 we might have to, at least for the draft map, sort of  
7 deprioritize this community of interest that I think, I  
8 agree with you, means a lot, but I don't see a way  
9 tonight to make it work with VRA.

10 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

11 Commissioner Akutagawa and Commissioner Sadhwani  
12 after that.

13 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. Well, one, I hear  
14 what you're saying, Commissioner Vazquez. My concern is  
15 I think we are hearing from the community already. And  
16 they have been speaking that they are very concerned,  
17 they're very disappointed, and they're very unhappy with  
18 the way the current visualization looks. We've seen  
19 several, you know, different -- I mean, my email box, I'm  
20 getting a lot.

21 And so I think that I feel like the community is  
22 speaking. I think to leave it off to the next one I  
23 think is just punting it down to a -- to a timeframe  
24 where we're just going to run out of time, and then we're  
25 not going to be able to really meet what we need to.

1 I would like to ask the line drawers if you could  
2 put up the Latino CVAP so that we can see the entirety of  
3 these regions, because I think we've seen from the  
4 assembly district visualizations that we did that the  
5 Latino CVAP is very high, and that it could be possible  
6 to do it. I'm not going to ask that we spend two hours  
7 doing this, but I would like to at least make an effort  
8 if we can to try to honor the feedback that we have been  
9 getting.

10 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Sadhwani.

11 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. I -- I've been  
12 getting the emails too, and I definitely agree with you  
13 on that, Commissioner Akutagawa. Like, we're not there  
14 yet for Los Angeles. We've got our work cut out for us.

15 I'm trying to think about this though from a process  
16 perspective. We have set ourselves the target date of  
17 November 10th to approve largely because we said we don't  
18 want to have to have the communities weighing in during  
19 the holidays. And I want -- I do want to do my best to  
20 honor that because we have heard loud and clear that the  
21 holidays were a no go for line drawing. And so because  
22 of that, I'm curious to think more about our approach to  
23 the senate maps.

24 We also didn't really touch much of LA County in the  
25 assembly or congressional maps. We're holding them. We

1 have -- I have suggested previously we dedicate a minimum  
2 of two days of line drawing, probably with some major  
3 architectural shifts in advance of that to those maps.  
4 The senate map, to me, is a really interesting one. And  
5 I would -- I'd really love to hear more about a possible  
6 approach from our line drawers. I know Karin, of course,  
7 has been through this process before, or even I know  
8 counsel has weighed in on this notion of nesting.

9       To me, in some ways, getting the assembly map in Los  
10 Angeles County right first might help us answer a lot  
11 more of the senate questions because we could utilize the  
12 nesting. Not that we have to necessarily, but that we  
13 could use it, right. If we can get the communities of  
14 interest testimony and VRA considerations right at the  
15 assembly level, and that's not today, then maybe it'll  
16 help inform our approach to this -- the senate maps. And  
17 so I would really strongly recommend that -- we haven't  
18 touched assembly, we haven't touched congress or senate  
19 for Los Angeles, but that should be our first priority  
20 when we come back to this after that fourteen-day waiting  
21 period. Thank you.

22       MR. LARSON: I'll just weigh in that, and  
23 Commissioner Vazquez noted this very eloquently, that  
24 these VRA districts are particularly tricky because there  
25 are VRA obligations here, but yet the CVAP percentages

1 are not as high as other areas where we have some VRA  
2 considerations. And it's been extremely difficult to get  
3 to these percentages that we're comfortable with. It's a  
4 lot of work to get there.

5 I do think it be very difficult in the matter of  
6 even hours to make significant moves here and maintain  
7 the VRA compliance. And certainly, the VRA  
8 considerations are complex enough in this area that it's  
9 just not going to work with a nesting approach here. And  
10 we just need to draw the senate districts to be VRA  
11 compliant on their own. And as far as -- you know,  
12 generally speaking with nesting, it's something we look  
13 at at the very end after we've checked off all the other  
14 boxes above it and see are there some places we can make  
15 some minor tweaks to get some nesting to work out towards  
16 the end of the process, but this is -- it's very delicate  
17 VRA area.

18 CHAIR TURNER: One of the -- so number one, I would  
19 imagine all of our emails is full of feedback from the  
20 community from people that feel they can personally reach  
21 out and we refer it on to where it needs to go and all of  
22 that. So I don't think that's anything unique to any of  
23 us as commissioners. And I think that because of the  
24 large size of our senate districts, almost a million  
25 people, I think that we are trying to have certain

1 priorities, but from the beginning, even with our Central  
2 Valley, we've gotten tons -- they don't like it either,  
3 you know.

4       So we can -- we can again say that -- and I don't  
5 know how I can feel good about thinking one area is a  
6 greater priority than the other. It may be more of a  
7 challenge, or more complex, or more people, but the  
8 Central Valley is no less a priority than any other area.  
9 And we are continuing to make adjustments and et cetera  
10 for that area as well. So I want to state that all of  
11 these areas are important. And if we are -- we're going  
12 to have to either dig in and be here and get it done,  
13 because it does -- or maybe we need to, like, call it  
14 tonight, and start tomorrow with the full, you know.

15       What -- what are we going to do because we -- we're  
16 going to have to either just look at the VRA districts,  
17 determine if there's something that we need to fix about  
18 the VRA district understanding that it may have, you  
19 know, implications around it, or we're going to have to -  
20 - because we heard one area is not going to help from our  
21 line drawers, or we'll have to then stay and try and work  
22 all of it, but making a plan and then shifting it just  
23 for this one specialty area is not going to work. And so  
24 I just want us to say what exactly is it we're trying to  
25 do, and let's then move in that, because all of the areas

1 -- Long Beach is special, but no more special to me than  
2 Fresno. Fresno is special, no more special to me than  
3 North Coast.

4 And so from that perspective, yes, we have VRA  
5 districts that's going -- our population and our VRA is  
6 going to be priority, but areas? Nobody is the priority  
7 over the guidelines that we have.

8 Commissioner Vazquez, then Commissioner Akutagawa.

9 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yeah. Thank you. I mean,  
10 I'm just -- I'm looking at this app, which is actually  
11 super helpful in eliminating the challenge that we have  
12 before us, again particularly with the senate map. It --  
13 it's, at least for me, I'm thinking about sort of  
14 population where there -- you know, we have this huge  
15 concentration very densely packed Latino community of  
16 interest, you know, right there in where we're looking to  
17 try to put people together.

18 And at the same time, we -- like, we have to also  
19 consider the voting rights of the Latino folks in the  
20 east San Gabriel Valley for example. And I think we  
21 can't meet our VRA obligations without, like, associating  
22 folks in the east San Gabriel Valley with Montebello  
23 because that's just where -- that's just where the  
24 population of Latinos are distributed.

25 So yeah. I just -- I'm -- I'm feeling really,

1 really compelled to leave these maps there they are  
2 because I don't see -- I don't see another path forward,  
3 and I think we're going to get community of interest  
4 testimony saying that they hate this. And again, like,  
5 voting rights is are -- voting rights has to be our  
6 priority for these maps. And I feel like if we had -- we  
7 had found that the rearchitecture to put these three  
8 areas to keep them Voting Rights Act compliant that  
9 looked vastly different, I don't know that we've seen it  
10 yet. Again, given how large these districts have to be.

11 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

12 Commissioner Akutagawa, please, and then  
13 Commissioner Toledo.

14 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. I think this speaks  
15 to how -- why LA County Los Angeles is so complex,  
16 because, you know, while, you know, the Latino CVAP you  
17 could see is very concentrated in certain areas, there  
18 are very significant sizeable and historically, you know  
19 -- I guess, historic communities that have built up, you  
20 know, their community interest through economics, through  
21 services of -- you know, social services through, you  
22 know, just a whole host of different kind of -- also  
23 cultural kind of ties as well too.

24 And I think -- I think my concern, given the size,  
25 but also the structure of the current districts is that

1 we are going to be pitting COIs against another. And I  
2 would like -- for this particular case, I --

3 I don't know if it's possible, Jamie, for us to get  
4 just a screenshot of just this 'cause this is helpful.  
5 I'd like to just study it a little bit more. I'm -- I  
6 have some ideas that I'd like to come back with to try to  
7 be able to, I think, build what we need, which is right  
8 now -- yeah -- build what we need, and see what we can  
9 do, but that's at least where I -- I -- I don't -- I  
10 agree. I don't think we can rebuild this tonight, but  
11 I'd like to be able to just study it and just kind of see  
12 if there's any other ideas that I can come back with and  
13 suggest tomorrow.

14 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you.

15 Commissioner Toledo.

16 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: So at this point, we have  
17 about thirty-five minutes before our break. It may make  
18 sense. I think the goal should still be to go through  
19 all of the VRA districts. There aren't that many for the  
20 senate. There's not as many as assembly or even  
21 congress, I believe. And so if we can at least take a  
22 look at them, make sure that they're roughly -- that they  
23 meet the deviation requirements, meet the -- you know,  
24 the CVAP requirements that we have. If there's any minor  
25 tweaks to them, we note them, and maybe may try to get

1 through some of them so that we can get -- so we can try  
2 to get through the VRA districts tonight because we are  
3 getting close to (indiscernible).

4 CHAIR TURNER: Jamie, can you walk us through the  
5 VRA districts?

6 MS. CLARK: Yes. So those were the VRA district --  
7 or areas under consideration in Los Angeles County. And  
8 we can move on to the Central Valley.

9 CHAIR TURNER: And what I'm thinking, Commissioner  
10 Akutagawa, I heard what you said. Let's hear them, and  
11 then we'll make a -- probably will go to break, and then  
12 we'll see what we're doing, but that was it for Los  
13 Angeles?

14 MS. CLARK: Yes.

15 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

16 MS. CLARK: Thank you so much.

17 MS. WILSON: Hello. Now we will move to the Central  
18 Valley. I'm here.

19 CHAIR TURNER: Kennedy, welcome back.

20 MS. WILSON: Hello. So we will start off with some  
21 familiar shapes we've seen before with this Kings and  
22 Kern, this delop as you will. I will note it does have  
23 that wider shape that Commissioner Yee requested in the  
24 commission -- in the assembly visualizations. It also  
25 does take out Olde Stockdale as well, not that part in

1 between Olde Stockdale and this city here, Olde Stine.

2 So Olde Stockdale is taken out. And Bakersfield Country  
3 Club is also taken out.

4 Shafter is whole, McFarland, Delano, Wasco, and then  
5 we have the entirety Kings not split. Visalia is not a  
6 part of this VRA dis -- VRA consideration at all, so it's  
7 kept whole outside of it. We do have Farmersville to the  
8 side that's taken in and kept apart. Porterville, Terra  
9 Bella, Pixley, Lemoore, Hanford are all a part of this  
10 visualization as well.

11 Then we move north into some of the cities in Fresno  
12 County, which include Kingsburg, Selma, Fowler, Parlier,  
13 Reedley, and Orange Cove. This has a deviation of 0.55,  
14 Latino CVAP of 58.09, black CVAP of 4.88, Asian CVAP  
15 4.41, and -- sorry. I'm not saying percent. This is all  
16 percent at the end of those -- indigenous CVAP at 1.1  
17 percent, and white CVAP at 30.68 percent. And that is  
18 our first one.

19 Do I move on to the next? Okay. And then we have a  
20 second one here, which previously I was told to  
21 experiment with San Benito. So we brought in the entire  
22 county of San Benito and the Salinas Valley from Salinas  
23 down to Kings City in with Fresno. This includes Sanger  
24 and Sunnyside together, Old Fig Garden is part of this we  
25 well, West Park, Southwest Fresno. This line cuts at

1 Shaw Avenue. And Fresno is only split once. And then we  
2 have a similar configuration in Madera. Can -- Madera,  
3 Madera Acres, Parkwood, Fairmead, Chowchilla are a part  
4 of this visualization. And then we go and we have one  
5 split in Merced, which includes Dos Palos, Los Banos,  
6 Santa Nella as well.

7 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Kennedy.

8 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair.

9 Can you just take us back and zoom in on Porterville  
10 for a moment? Thank you.

11 Okay. So it is split.

12 MS. WILSON: And I can make that whole right now if  
13 we got to do that.

14 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Thank you.

15 MS. WILSON: So committing this change would bring  
16 the deviate --

17 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: We lost the --

18 CHAIR TURNER: Kennedy, we lost --

19 MS. WILSON: Oh.

20 CHAIR TURNER: -- the map.

21 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Stop sharing.

22 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: You have to share again.

23 MS. WILSON: Thank you. I didn't see it there.

24 So now can we see it? It's returned. We have a  
25 deviation in Kings-Kern from 0.55 to 0.7 and Fresno-Kern

1 from -0.77 to a -0.93. Hispanic CVAP stays at fifty-  
2 eight percent. It drops .03 percent.

3 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Thank you. You've done that,  
4 so we'll commit the change.

5 MS. WILSON: Okie dokey. Oh. Those were the two  
6 that I had. I only had two in this area.

7 CHAIR TURNER: Okay. Beautiful.

8 Can we move to Tamina?

9 You have no more VRA districts, right?

10 MS. WILSON: Yes. They're --

11 CHAIR TURNER: And Tamina, you don't have any?

12 MS. ALON: There's none because I took in the San  
13 Benito and put it apart of the Fresno-Merced area.

14 MR. CHAVEZ: Commissioner and Chair, do you mind  
15 just repeating or clarifying what changes were made for  
16 note purposes? I apologize.

17 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Kennedy. The change --  
18 the staff is asking for note purposes the change that we  
19 made for a reason, and it -- was it to make Porterville  
20 whole?

21 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Yes. It was to make  
22 Porterville whole.

23 MS. WILSON: And east Porterville as well. What had  
24 a tiny little split there, but I added it back in.

25 CHAIR TURNER: Thank you, Jose.

1 Commissioner Toledo.

2 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: So if we can just look at the  
3 San Benito area where it's now been connected with Lee-  
4 Fresno. Is there a way to look at the previous version  
5 just to see what the changes -- how the districts were  
6 changed? Is that possible, or no?

7 MS. WILSON: I would have to look for that layer.  
8 So just give me a moment to pull that up.

9 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Appreciate it. Thank you.

10 CHAIR TURNER: While she's looking for that,  
11 Commissioner Fernandez and Commissioner Andersen.

12 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes. I'm sorry. I think -  
13 - I think the version I have, but it might've changed for  
14 the senate for the Fresno-Kern visualization. I don't  
15 know why mine has, like, a Latino CVAP of fifty-eight  
16 percent. So I'm going to compare it to what's online.  
17 I'll be back.

18 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Andersen.

19 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Oh, thank you, Chair. I'm  
20 just noting that -- and I'd sort of like to know what  
21 happened. In the San Benito, we've lost Gilroy and  
22 Watsonville. And I'd sort of like to -- I'm sure there's  
23 a reason. Just --

24 MS. WILSON: Yes. And that was population and CVAP,  
25 because on its own, having those in Tamina's area, you

1 would grab from different areas, but I have to put it in  
2 with Fresno and Merced to bring it in to my area. So we  
3 can take a look at that as well if you would like, if  
4 you'd like to see what that looks like. I would also  
5 like to mention from last week my senate district also  
6 included San Benito and the Salinas Valley, the Kings  
7 city.

8 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Did it include Gilroy and  
9 Watsonville at that time?

10 MS. WILSON: No, it did not.

11 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Oh. Yeah, I would be  
12 interested in -- you know, I see the population is  
13 already one percent. I guess that -- it's just too many  
14 people.

15 MS. WILSON: And I'll do that right now.

16 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Just quickly. Thank you.

17 MS. WILSON: Yes. And it was also due in part to  
18 Tamina being able to balance her districts as well with  
19 me taking out San Benito from her area.

20 CHAIR TURNER: Was there something we were waiting  
21 for right prior to that direction? Was it Commissioner  
22 Fernandez?

23 No, not you. It was someone --

24 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah. Yes, I'm -- whenever  
25 -- whenever Kennedy is --

1 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah. You were comparing districts.

2 I thought we were waiting on some other --

3 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Oh, we lost you again.

4 MS. WILSON: That is my mistake. There we go. I  
5 don't know how to --

6 CHAIR TURNER: I recall saying while it is getting  
7 late, while you're bringing that up, Commissioner  
8 Fernandez, you want to ask a question, and you did.

9 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Okay.

10 CHAIR TURNER: And you're looking for yours. And  
11 then we went with someone else, but I said while you were  
12 -- and I -- I'm trying to backtrack now and see what --  
13 who was it? Someone was --

14 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I think it was me.

15 CHAIR TURNER: -- waiting for --

16 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I think it was me.

17 CHAIR TURNER: -- something.

18 It was you?

19 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I was trying to compare -- and  
20 I think the question I --

21 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: He wanted the prior  
22 visualization, right?

23 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah, I wanted to look at the  
24 prior visualization.

25 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Well, thank you. I knew it

1 was --

2 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: But I think -- thank you.  
3 Appreciate it. And I guess the question I'm asking is  
4 did we go from three VRA districts to two in trying -- or  
5 do we -- did we always have two in this area?

6 MS. WILSON: There were always two in this area.

7 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: And so it's just the direction  
8 that changed. And so we went from more of a -- can you  
9 just tell us how the direction changed? And I think  
10 that's --

11 MS. WILSON: Yeah. I was told to explore with  
12 putting San Benito in because it didn't have a place in  
13 Tamina's side to be VRA considered for senate. So I was  
14 told to bring it in and experience with that, and I was  
15 told to be making my districts less long and making them  
16 more compact. And that is the reason for pulling them  
17 in. And exploring with San Benito is what I was told to  
18 do.

19 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you.

20 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Fernandez.

21 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

22 Kennedy, the -- the visualization for the Fresno-  
23 Kern -- or maybe I don't -- the one that's online shows  
24 it -- it still has that 11-02 on it. Maybe that's what I  
25 think might've -- 'cause that one is showing it's a

1 58.56, which is odd because the one that is posted,  
2 that's the only visualization that has the 11-02, so it  
3 would've been the prior one. So I guess I'm miss -- I  
4 guess I didn't get the updated one.

5 MS. WILSON: Yes. I'm looking --

6 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Okay.

7 MS. WILSON: -- at the pdf. That is an error. This  
8 is -- yeah. Not your mistake.

9 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Andersen. I think you  
10 were --

11 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah. Thank you. It was --  
12 we're looking at the -- just Gilroy and Hollister. I  
13 mean -- sorry. We have Hollister in there.

14 MS. WILSON: Oh. Sorry.

15 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Gilroy and Watsonville.

16 MS. WILSON: Yes. Would you like me to read off  
17 what the deviation changes to?

18 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: But not San Martin and  
19 Morgan Hill. Just Gilroy --

20 MS. WILSON: Okay.

21 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: -- and then Watsonville.

22 CHAIR TURNER: And again, for process, this was the  
23 VRA areas, right?

24 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yes.

25 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

1           While she's mapping that, Commissioner Fornaciari,  
2 are you in this area? You want to -- you're next in  
3 queue.

4           COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yes. I'm having a lot of  
5 mixed emotions, and I'm trying to work through my  
6 emotions.

7           CHAIR TURNER: I'm giving you space.

8           COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Give me a minute.

9           CHAIR TURNER: And with that area, bringing all of  
10 that san ben -- yes.

11           COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: So yeah. That's what I'm  
12 thinking. I'm wondering -- we're getting a lot of  
13 feedback from San Benito that they -- they're not digging  
14 this idea. So if we put it back, I mean, we've been able  
15 to grab from -- some population from Stanislaus County to  
16 make a assembly district, but then I'm just -- the  
17 emotions I'm having is for our mappers and the ripple  
18 effect that we're going to cause them. So I'm just  
19 trying to -- I don't have a good thought about how to go  
20 about doing that.

21           COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Thank you, Kennedy. I see  
22 the population -- put the population in would put it over  
23 five percent. Thank you.

24           CHAIR TURNER: Goodnight. The intended party knows  
25 who that's for. Yeah. That -- okay. I know we were

1 exploring San Benito, but it's not working, but -- and  
2 this is a VRA area.

3 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: So Chair?

4 CHAIR TURNER: Yes.

5 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Can I ask a question?

6 CHAIR TURNER: Sure.

7 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Can I just -- just to help  
8 me kind of think through this, can you just grab San  
9 Benito and the part of Monterrey County and tell me how  
10 many people are in that area, please?

11 MR. LARSON: Commissioner, could you repeat the  
12 request, please?

13 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. I was just hoping  
14 we could find out how many people are in San Benito  
15 County and the part of Monterrey County that is in this  
16 district. See what the impact if we thought about moving  
17 -- moving them.

18 MS. WILSON: Yes. I will do that right now.

19 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Thank you.

20 (Pause)

21 MS. WILSON: There are 294,879 people in San Benito  
22 and this Salinas to King City area.

23 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Okay. Thank you. I need  
24 to think.

25 CHAIR TURNER: Jamie.

1 MS. DONALD: Karin, the other Jamie. Yeah.

2 I wanted to just point something out if I may. So  
3 the configuration that you have right now, and I just  
4 want to backpedal on something that we said earlier about  
5 how many senate districts that we had that met the area  
6 concerns. I think actually the end of October, we only  
7 had one in that area, and now we have two. And that -- I  
8 think that came about with this rotation in -- around  
9 11/2.

10 So we now have to end this San Benito configuration,  
11 which, if you are interested in nesting later on, it  
12 would lend itself to actually nesting. So they would  
13 have to be a little bit of work, and, you know, it's too  
14 much work for right now just highlighting that also  
15 perhaps, but just to point that out so you can keep it in  
16 mind. Thank you.

17 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Toledo.

18 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you. I am also having  
19 the same reaction as Commissioner Fornaciari because of  
20 San Benito and the input we're getting from the Monterrey  
21 and San Benito area, but this is a VRA area and a high  
22 likelihood of VRA. And the population is protected. And  
23 so we need to make sure that it's with a community that  
24 can elect individuals of -- who are -- reflect the values  
25 of that community. So, I mean, does that -- that's what

1 we have right now is what I'm hearing from our line  
2 drawers and what I'm seeing on the map. So I'm thinking  
3 we should at this point move forward the next VRA area if  
4 there are any more.

5 CHAIR TURNER: I'm -- I think that was it. And  
6 we'll go to Commissioner Andersen. I'm just wondering if  
7 the VRA consideration is in this area of -- which area is  
8 the concern in? We were adding it in to population, but  
9 it just is still very different than the testimony that  
10 we're receiving and the response to seeing this  
11 visualization.

12 Commissioner Andersen, Commissioner Akutagawa.

13 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah. I also agree because,  
14 you know, the mountains, you know, they don't want to be  
15 -- how do you get there, but I believe in both the  
16 assembly and the congressional, they're not together.

17 CHAIR TURNER: Right.

18 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: So it's just that the senate  
19 is so big, and you don't get -- you either -- if you want  
20 two VRA districts for the senate level in this general  
21 portion of the state, this is the way you get it. I  
22 think is a simple thing, and there's a lot to be said for  
23 that.

24 The nice thing is, well, you do have Fresno in  
25 there. And I don't see a way around it, unfortunately.

1 I -- but two out of three, you know, those are pretty  
2 good odds.

3 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Akutagawa, and then  
4 Commissioner Toledo.

5 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. You know, I think it  
6 would just be helpful to see the Hispanic CVAP again.  
7 Just I think that visualization may be helpful here.  
8 Thank you.

9 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: And that -- and to follow up  
10 on that, I was just curious if maybe Dale has any  
11 feedback in terms of the -- our obligations in this area  
12 and whether they're -- throughout the whole district or  
13 focused on a particular part of the district.

14 MR. LARSON: It really runs throughout that whole  
15 district there. It's not a localized compact area, but  
16 it's a -- it's more of a -- well, it's the -- it's the  
17 whole area.

18 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. That's what -- that's  
19 what I remember as well. Thank you.

20 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Akutagawa.

21 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I just want to observe that  
22 looking at this, it looks like there is a -- almost kind  
23 of like a trough in that middle, right.

24 CHAIR TURNER: Yes.

25 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: There's the coastal, you

1 know -- San Benito, Monterrey, and maybe that's why the  
2 testimony we're getting is that they see themselves as a  
3 very distinct Latino farm-working community that is more  
4 coastal based. And then you have this other, you know --  
5 on the other side of the trough, you know, that very  
6 intense, you know, kind of strip right there from -- I  
7 guess, I don't know what counties those are. Probably  
8 Merced, Fresno --

9 CHAIR TURNER: Merced County and Fresno.

10 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. That goes down into  
11 looks like Kings even. I know it'll blow up the rest of  
12 the Central Valley, but if that's -- I -- I mean, I'm --  
13 I don't know if just seeing this helps to give some other  
14 ideas for, you know, the district. Thank you.

15 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Ahmad.

16 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Just thinking out loud that  
17 trough is not in range. So that's probably why they're  
18 mostly uninhabitable. I just -- I think I need to hear  
19 it again from VRA counsel that San Benito and that little  
20 strip of Monterrey County also falls within the VRA  
21 considerations.

22 MR. LARSON: It does.

23 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Thank you.

24 MR. LARSON: I mean, we're nine minutes from the  
25 break. So I --

1 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah.

2 Kennedy, can you zoom out a bit so I can see that  
3 whole. Is it the red area? Is it just there? What's  
4 the entire senate district? Yeah. Portion down below is  
5 the other VRA district?

6 MS. WILSON: Correct.

7 CHAIR TURNER: Okay.

8 Commissioner Fornaciari.

9 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yes, Chair. Oh, I didn't  
10 have my hand up, did I?

11 CHAIR TURNER: No. I wish you had your hand up.

12 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: No. I -- I'm with  
13 everyone else. I think -- I mean, I think -- I think  
14 this is what we're got to do, we don't want to do it, you  
15 know, for COI reasons, but, you know, VRA district -- and  
16 I don't think we're going to get another VRA district in  
17 the valley just, you know, kind of looking at things.  
18 And this is, like, (indiscernible). I mean, it's almost  
19 -- it's a really close nesting that is this San Benito  
20 Monterrey is almost one assembly district nested with  
21 another one, so.

22 CHAIR TURNER: I guess I was looking at -- and we  
23 don't have to do it -- at the Los Banos, Dos Palos,  
24 Madera, Millerton, Blueberry Creek, up that way down  
25 through Reedley, Kingsbury, Riverdale, Coalinga as one.

1 And then a second VRA district following that line up to  
2 the county line back down into Wasco, Shafter, McFarland  
3 going that direction excluding. I would wonder if those  
4 were also a way to cut two VRA districts that did not  
5 include San Benito.

6 MR. LARSON: We do have VRA concerns for San Benito  
7 and the Salinas Valley area as well.

8 CHAIR TURNER: Oh, you couldn't leave it out. And  
9 it doesn't have enough to be on its own. Well, I think  
10 if you reach her out -- okay. My grandmother say wrench  
11 around. Okay.

12 Well, thank you very much. Do we have -- we have no  
13 other VRA districts anywhere, Sivan, Jamie, Kennedy,  
14 Tamina? Okay.

15 Well, community, we certainly will need you to  
16 respond. Particularly, if you have an idea, a different  
17 idea based on the same criteria that we're looking at and  
18 using.

19 Okay. Well, with that said, I think we'll call the  
20 VRA districts a wrap. And I think that'll be a wrap for  
21 us, too. What?

22 Commissioners, we're going to prepare to recess  
23 unless we have anything else pressing for tonight.

24 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Sorry.

25 CHAIR TURNER: Commissioner Sadhwani.

1 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Can you just walk us through  
2 what we anticipate the plan to be for tomorrow --

3 CHAIR TURNER: Yes.

4 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- if we know it.

5 CHAIR TURNER: So the plan we anticipate for  
6 tomorrow is we're going to walk in tomorrow morning with  
7 -- and we're going to complete our senate districts.  
8 We're going to be very content with what we've struggled  
9 with today, and we're going to finish our senate  
10 districts, at which time we're going to also finish our -  
11 - are we going to start and finish our board of  
12 equalization?

13 MR. LARSON: So for the business meeting, the  
14 business items could be taken up tomorrow. They are  
15 agendized for that. They are also agendized for the  
16 13th. They are also agendized for the 15th. So if -- if  
17 you -- if we --

18 CHAIR TURNER: Uh-huh.

19 MR. LARSON: -- just so choose, we can do them  
20 another day.

21 CHAIR TURNER: Yeah. And I will choose that we do  
22 them on the 13th so that we can get through our senate  
23 districts and our board of equalization, because at that  
24 time, we will be, I believe, voting on our draft maps,  
25 and we will then need to take public comment.

1 Yes. Okay. With that, we are adjourned. Thank  
2 you, all.

3 (Recessed at 10:12 p.m.)

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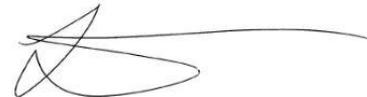
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