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P R O C E E D I N G S

Wednesday, December 8, 2021 11:02 a.m.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Good morning, California, and welcome to the California Citizens Redistricting Commission Meeting. Today, we are going to continue what we were up to yesterday. We were working on the Congressional maps. We started in Imperial and San Diego, and we're going to finish that up and finish the Riverside and Orange County.

I am the Chair today, Jane Andersen. And along with my Vice Chair, Ray Kennedy, we are trying to usher the group through this.

At this time, could you please take roll?

MR. SINGH: Yes, Madam Chair. Thank you.

CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Fernandez.

COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Presente.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Fornaciari.

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Here.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Kennedy.

VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Here.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Le Mons.

Commissioner Sadhwani.

COMMISSIONER LE MONS: Here.

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Present.



1 MR. SINGH: I have both of you, thank you.

2 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Thank you.

3 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Sinay.

4 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Aquí.

5 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Taylor.

6 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: I am present.

7 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Toledo.

8 Commissioner Turner.

9 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Here.

10 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Vazquez.

11 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Here.

12 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Yee.

13 COMMISSIONER YEE: Here.

14 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Ahmad.

15 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Here.

16 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Akutagawa.

17 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Here.

18 MR. SINGH: And Commissioner Andersen.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: And I'm here. Thank you, Ravi.

20 MR. SINGH: You're welcome.

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So a few things before we jump  
22 right into our work. In our handouts today, there's a  
23 post of a Run of Show for today where it gives you what  
24 we are planning on doing today, which as I said a little  
25 bit earlier, we're going to finish up where we were

1 yesterday, going on San Diego, Riverside, and Orange  
2 County. We'll do that and then jump into Los Angeles  
3 County today.

4 And as far as public comment, we are going to  
5 take -- the lines will close at 6. So as long as you  
6 call before 6, you can get in the queue. Now, we won't  
7 be taking public comment until probably 7:45.

8 If we finish our work and come to a good breaking  
9 point before that, we will move that up, possibly to  
10 7:30. So that will give us another ninety-minute session  
11 towards the end of the day to work on maps.

12 So please be in the line by 6. You can go off and  
13 eat something, then come back at 7:15, and then join us  
14 in public comment. And I will make that announcement  
15 throughout the day.

16 So at this time, we want to get a refresh on where  
17 we were yesterday, how we ended up, and we're going to  
18 jump into the work. But I would like all Commissioners  
19 to really focus on being precise and as concise as we  
20 possibly can. We'll look at architecture first, make  
21 sure we like the general shape of the districts, and then  
22 work on balancing them.

23 So with that, are there any questions or any  
24 announcements of other Commissioners? Not seeing any  
25 hands.

1 I turn it over to our line drawers, Sivan and  
2 Andrew.

3 MS. TRATT: Thank you, Chair.

4 Just to give a brief overview of what we did  
5 yesterday, we balanced out the SECA VRA District. We  
6 also balanced out the SESDELC VRA District. We  
7 reorganized the orientation of our districts in San Diego  
8 County to create this East County District that also goes  
9 up into Riverside.

10 The only thing I did off-line was just to clean up  
11 the deviations as well as clean up some of the splits in  
12 Escondido and Carlsbad, trying to keep to major roads as  
13 much as possible.

14 So now, we are continuing to move up the Coast into  
15 SOCNSD.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Sivan. Could we go in  
17 and see just where -- have a look at those edges of the  
18 districts to see where the cuts were finally made? Yeah,  
19 and thinking -- exactly. Thank you very much.

20 Any questions by Commissioners? Oh, thank you.

21 Andrew.

22 MR. DRESCHLER: Thank you, Chair.

23 I just want to remind -- the task here, unlike the  
24 Assembly and the Senate where we do have more flexibility  
25 getting down to plus or minus one individual is often



1 hard, but in this, as Sivan said, she painstakingly went  
2 through to the best of our ability, avoided any major  
3 splits. We, of course, want to avoid splitting cities  
4 where we don't have to, reservations where we don't have  
5 to, but it's not any easy task. But this is something we  
6 felt really good about doing. So just wanted to give  
7 kudos to Sivan for getting these lines pretty good. And  
8 we're looking forward to moving on today.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Wonderful. Thank you very much.

10 And yes, by the way, I'm not sure how much time that  
11 took, but the full Commission really appreciates the work  
12 the line drawers do on our behalf, both online and off-  
13 line.

14 I have another question from Commissioner Akutagawa.

15 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, Sivan, could you just  
16 let us know if we should be aware of any other -- besides  
17 just the city splits which we can see, are there any  
18 other splits of other major institutions or anything like  
19 that, that we should just be aware of?

20 And it looks like Harmony Grove is split in half as  
21 well, too.

22 And then, can you just also show us where you did  
23 the split in Carlsbad?

24 MS. TRATT: Yeah. So to address your first  
25 question, I didn't touch Harmony Grove. As I was

1 instructed by the Commission not to create new city  
2 splits, all of the balancing was done in areas that were  
3 already split. So balancing of Escondido and the SDCOAST  
4 District took place in Escondido and in Carlsbad, which  
5 were already existing city splits.

6 Let me zoom into Carlsbad so you can see where that  
7 population split occurred as well.

8 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Can I just ask one  
9 question? It looks like a portion of the lagoon is split  
10 up near the -- towards the 5 and between the ocean?

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Sinay, do you also  
12 have an issue, or you want to talk about the same area?

13 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Well, I saw that too. And the  
14 communities are really protective of their lagoon. But  
15 in a way, this allows all of Carlsbad to have a piece of  
16 the lagoon because it's split. So it's not split between  
17 two cities. It's split between the same city in two  
18 different districts, so it may not be the worst thing.  
19 But they are protective of the lagoon and that is  
20 considered a Carlsbad lagoon.

21 My question was about Vista. It looked like Vista  
22 had been split, and I thought we had set it all whole.  
23 But I don't want to change anything; don't worry.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, we need to have a look at  
25 where these lines are drawn. So thank you very much. It

1 does have a split; you are correct.

2 MS. TRATT: So I can go back and readdress these and  
3 take a look at them during breaks as well, if  
4 Commissioners would like to put in input.

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Is that a yes?

6 Commissioner Sinay?

7 Commissioner Akutagawa?

8 COMMISSIONER SINAY: It would be great if Vista  
9 could be whole and we just have a split in Escondido. I  
10 just feel like we're splitting so many different cities,  
11 but this is such a small sliver. And I don't know if it  
12 helps; there's some unincorporated areas up above. But I  
13 don't want to -- honestly, I don't want big ripples, so I  
14 think it's -- if it can be done. And if it can't, great.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, thank you.

16 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I would agree.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. That's definitely the  
18 policy. If we have to split, just do two cities rather  
19 than three or four. But again, I'm assuming that some of  
20 it is just because you need the population. So I thank  
21 you very much.

22 Andrew.

23 MR. DRESCHLER: This is a really good example, when  
24 we see something like this, as we're getting more eyes on  
25 it, that we can, between two districts, keep a city whole

1 and then grab from the unincorporated areas.

2 So Commissioner Sinay, I think this is a good  
3 example of being able to take and give between two  
4 districts. And I know that the SOC-Northern San Diego  
5 District isn't done yet, but this is a good example of  
6 something at the break where we can keep this still whole  
7 and then grab from unincorporated areas. So we'll add  
8 this to our list as well.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Andrew.

10 And I think Commissioner Akutagawa was looking back  
11 at the Hidden -- what was the little town that also  
12 seemed to be cut in half? Hidden something or other?

13 MR. DRESCHLER: I think that was Harbor --

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, sorry. Harmony Grove.

15 MR. DRESCHLER: Harmony Grove.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah, if that works. Thank you.

17 MR. DRESCHLER: Yep, no problem. Thank you.

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So any other questions with the  
19 lines?

20 Commissioner Akutagawa, you still have your hand up.

21 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Oh, sorry. I didn't mean  
22 to, but I am wondering if you're going to -- if in the  
23 work that you're doing -- it just seems weird that you  
24 have this little sliver of the lagoon. I hear what  
25 Commissioner Sinay said but it just -- I don't know.

1 Maybe this is the OCD in me but it just seems like that  
2 little sliver of the lagoon should just be together all.  
3 So if you're going to end up having to touch the SDCOAST,  
4 great. If not, it's not -- you're at a zero.

5 And maybe it's on the screen -- Harmony Grove does  
6 look like it's split, but Sivan, I think you said it  
7 wasn't. But just the way it looks on the screen, it  
8 looks like it's split. That's why I think we're just  
9 bringing it up.

10 MS. TRATT: Yeah, absolutely. I think Commissioners  
11 have been clear in saying that they didn't want  
12 additional city splits, so it's possible that in a bit of  
13 sleep deprivation after the meeting last night, I might  
14 have grabbed by accident. I don't remember splitting it.  
15 But I will definitely keep all of those things in mind  
16 when I readdress this balancing act.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Great. Thank you very much.  
18 Commissioner Vazquez.

19 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I was just going to say that  
20 I'm not sure that the lagoon is a particular priority.  
21 It feels like, if we're going to split something,  
22 splitting it in the middle of the water feels like we're  
23 doing less. I don't know.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Um-hum.

25 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: For me, it feels like less of

1 a priority, and I feel like I agree, generally, with  
2 Commissioner Sinay. The structure looks right. And to  
3 the extent we could minimize splitting cities, that would  
4 be great. But I feel like, for me, this structure seems  
5 to work.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

7 Commissioner Fernandez.

8 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Chair.

9 If we're going to move on to SOCNSD and part of  
10 Harmony Grove is in there, if that's going to change,  
11 it's obviously going to impact how we get the deviation  
12 down to zero. So I don't know -- what's the population  
13 there?

14 Thank you. You were reading my mind. Thank you,  
15 Sivan.

16 MS. TRATT: So it looks like there's seventy --

17 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Seventy? Okay. So that's  
18 not -- we can just keep that in the back of our mind  
19 then. Thank you.

20 MS. TRATT: And I can go ahead and just add that now  
21 and balance it later.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, Sivan, you might actually  
23 balance it with Carlsbad. There might be a -- if you put  
24 more in but take more out, it might be a straight change,  
25 correct?

1 MS. TRATT: Yes.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. It may be, at most, a  
3 person.

4 MR. DRESCHLER: This is a good one that we can do at  
5 break to just pick up the remains and swap it out between  
6 Carlsbad --

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah, great.

8 MR. DRESCHLER: Thank you.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, thank you very much. It's  
10 looking good. It appears that we definitely have  
11 consensus on this. And I already see people are loving  
12 seeing those zeros and ones, so that's what we want to  
13 see.

14 Well, then, let's continue on. Can you pan out just  
15 a little bit, Sivan?

16 So at this time, what I would recommend is we leave  
17 this one here and go and do the VRA Districts. Does that  
18 seem like that's a reasonable plan of attack? We have  
19 the three VRA Districts. So we did Riverside and one in  
20 Orange. We have to lock those in.

21 Oh, I'm sorry. Commissioner Taylor, you have your  
22 hand up.

23 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Yeah, I did. Just briefly,  
24 did we land on the lagoon? Are we leaving that lagoon in  
25 one district or two?

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, I believe that might end up  
2 being the seventy people in that little bit and draw the  
3 Carlsbad line. Oh no, wait, we have to --

4 MS. TRATT: Would Commissioners feel more  
5 comfortable if I went ahead and fixed the deviation now?

6 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: I know I would. Again, we're  
7 dealing with such finite numbers that I think it's more  
8 ideal to fix something now instead of saying -- to come  
9 back. My opinion, thank you.

10 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Since the lagoon is -- do we  
11 want to pull that line so there's a few people? I think  
12 there's ten -- no, four in that little bit.

13 MS. TRATT: So you wanted me to bring the line up to  
14 just grab the rest of the water? I can do that.

15 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: That makes --

16 MS. TRATT: There's not going to -- it's not going  
17 to add any population, but then all of the lagoon will be  
18 in this NOCCOAST -- or this SDCOAST. And then there's a  
19 block with seventy-one people here that I can give to  
20 SOCNSD, and then that will be balanced again.

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, so you could leave that line  
22 and just do the balance?

23 MS. TRATT: Yes, because no one lives in the lagoon.  
24 But if Commissioners would like the lagoon to be kept  
25 whole, I can just move that last portion that looks like



1 it's connected to it. And I will just move this back,  
2 and we're back at negative one deviation for the SDCOAST.

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. I'm sorry. I believe what  
4 Commissioner Sinay was saying, Carlsbad considers it  
5 their lagoon. So it would be better to move the line all  
6 the way to the Encinitas line.

7 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I think this is fine.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Or we'll just have it go back to  
9 right in the middle?

10 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I think this is fine.

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Because that's a zero population.

12 MS. TRATT: Yeah, if I'm given direction, I can move  
13 the line to the Encinitas city border and then take the  
14 population from --

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I'm sorry, but if we just don't do  
16 that little zero block, put it back so -- yeah. That was  
17 just a zero, correct? Restore the line where it was.

18 MS. TRATT: You want me to split the lagoon again?  
19 These are zero population areas so it doesn't really  
20 matter for the sake of the district shape.

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. No, I -- go ahead.

22 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: That seems appropriate right  
23 there, Sivan. The lagoon is not split, correct?

24 MS. TRATT: No, the lagoon is --

25 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Yeah. Thank you.

1 MS. TRATT: -- as I'm seeing it here, is not split.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Vazquez.

3 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I was just going to say, the  
4 lagoon is still with Carlsbad because part of Carlsbad is  
5 still is SDCOAST, no? Right. Okay.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Mr. Larson.

7 MR. LARSON: This is very minor, but Sivan, where  
8 you just took out that census block of 71, if those  
9 blocks are otherwise pretty much all the same, there's a  
10 census block to the left, also of 71, that might make it  
11 look a little bit more compact.

12 MS. TRATT: Thank you, Dale. Yeah, let me switch  
13 that out.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Good eyes.

15 Commissioner Sinay.

16 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I was just going to ask, Sivan,  
17 I know we're driving you crazy on this lagoon thing, but  
18 if we could take that -- you had that one zero block. If  
19 you can add that one zero block again, because that's on  
20 the lagoon side, not the Coast side.

21 MS. TRATT: This block?

22 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah, because I think that's  
23 part of the lagoon. So that would be great. Thank you.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right. So we have negative  
25 one. So I say we move on, correct? Any other

1 objections?

2 Thank you very much, Sivan.

3 MS. TRATT: So would the Chair like to move to the  
4 Inland Empire or continue North along the Coast?

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: At this point, we should go ahead  
6 and balance the three VRA Districts, please. Actually,  
7 four, because we know where we're headed. Yes, so which  
8 ones -- we did -- yes. So I'm considering doing the  
9 three would be the RIVMORPER, RIASB, and POMONTFON. And  
10 then also the one in Orange.

11 MR. LARSON: Could I request that we also put up the  
12 CVAP percentages while we're doing the VRAs?

13 MS. TRATT: Yes. One moment, please.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Could we also get the heat map,  
15 please, because these are Latino Districts?

16 MS. TRATT: I'm going to take the yellow shading off  
17 as well, so it's more reflective of the heat map  
18 underneath.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Great. Okay. So lead us through  
20 this. Oh, we have quite a few people to --

21 MS. TRATT: So just looking at these districts, they  
22 each need about 5,000 people. If Commissioners are  
23 generally happy with the contents of these districts, we  
24 can look at adding that population from existing city  
25 splits while being cognizant of not trying to lower the

1 Latino CVAP. But if Commissioners have larger  
2 architectural changes, then I would wait for their  
3 direction there.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Do we have any architectural  
5 changes in this?

6 Commissioner Akutagawa.

7 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I think it's just more of a  
8 process-where-we-start question. Sivan, is it better to  
9 start with the -- I guess it's the Riverside-Moreno  
10 Valley-Perris District, since it's further down? And  
11 then as you move up, you could then move to the Rialto-  
12 San Bernadino?

13 MS. TRATT: Yeah, that works. I think, however,  
14 Commissioners want to tackle it, just being cognizant --  
15 if you want to get population from -- if you're trying to  
16 adjust the splits that are shared by the districts, then  
17 that would just be something to keep in mind in terms of  
18 order, not going back and forth. But I think whichever  
19 way the Commission would like to balance these out, we  
20 can figure out a way to do that.

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right. Thank you.  
22 Commissioner Sinay.

23 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I would like -- we spent a lot  
24 of time on the architecture for this, so I would like to  
25 propose that we look at small cities that have been split

1 and try to make them whole, and that that's how we  
2 balance it.

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

4 That certainly seems like a logical place. And  
5 that's I think where you were leading us, Sivan. So it's  
6 your suggestion.

7 Does someone have an idea? Can you see an idea?

8 MS. TRATT: So if Commissioners are going along with  
9 trying to fix population, from existing splits, we could  
10 potentially look at the City of Riverside which is  
11 already split, and grab 4,463 people from Riverside as an  
12 option.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: That seems very reasonable to me.

14 Any objections? Thumbs up?

15 Commissioner Vazquez.

16 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I'd keep a real close watch  
17 on the Latino CVAP for that change. Let's look at it,  
18 but I suspect we might lose some percentage.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right. Thank you. Yes,  
20 obviously, that's what we want to be looking at. Thank  
21 you.

22 Commissioner Sadhwani.

23 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, I agree with that.  
24 And we just zoomed in, but it looks like it's a fairly  
25 mountainous area on the other side of this district

1 that's currently in BEAVICAL, but it does create an odd  
2 shape. I'm wondering how much population is in that area  
3 and if it might make sense to smooth out some of that so  
4 that it's -- sorry. The colors on this are really hard  
5 for me to distinguish one district from another.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh.

7 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, some of these areas,  
8 they're mountainous here, between Beaumont and Moreno  
9 Valley. Again, I'm not sure what the population there  
10 is, but it's definitely part of a very long neck and I'm  
11 curious if it can be moved into any one of these  
12 districts without impacting CVAPs or VRAs.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. So you're saying, don't try  
14 the Riverside. Try it somewhere else?

15 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: No, I support the Riverside  
16 change as well.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, okay.

18 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Since we have some  
19 population to pick up, I agree with Commissioner Vazquez  
20 completely, but --

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

22 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- on that, let's keep a  
23 close eye on the Latino CVAP.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Could you do that one first,  
25 Sivan?

1 MS. TRATT: Riverside first or --

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

3 MS. TRATT: Okay, yes.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Let's see what population is.

5 MS. TRATT: So perhaps starting in the Southern,  
6 Southwestern part of the city?

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, please.

8 Commissioner Sadhwani, you had another -- okay.

9 Commissioner Fernandez.

10 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Sivan, is it also possible  
11 to see the street names on there, because I know we're  
12 picking up population, but if it makes more sense that we  
13 can do it on a street versus in and out and jagged?  
14 Thank you.

15 MS. TRATT: Yeah, are you able to see it -- I know  
16 there's a lot of the stuff on the map right now, but is  
17 this clear enough?

18 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: It is for me. I'm not sure  
19 for my fellow Commissioners.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Taylor.

21 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Sorry. If we are trying to  
22 maintain our Latino CVAP in these VRA Districts, can we  
23 turn on the Latino CVAP heat map, please?

24 MS. TRATT: That map is on.

25 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Okay, thank you.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Go ahead, Sivan, yeah, to the  
2 border or -- oh, I see. Then you're jumping into a  
3 little city?

4 MS. TRATT: Yeah. So just with the process of  
5 mapping, there might be a little bit of back and forth.  
6 So I'll just let you know when I have that selection  
7 ready --

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

9 MS. TRATT: -- just so people aren't thinking that  
10 I'm adding things that won't be added in the final  
11 selection.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah, Sivan, could you say -- let's  
13 see. We are grabbing population from BEAVICAL and adding  
14 it to RIVMORPER?

15 MS. TRATT: Yeah. So --

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: If you can say that, just that's  
17 what we're doing right now.

18 MS. TRATT: Yes. So moving population from the City  
19 of Riverside, which is currently split between BEAVICAL  
20 and RIVMORPER, I'm grabbing population to about 4,463  
21 people. So just in this small selection that I've added,  
22 it's already too many people. So I'll need to get rid of  
23 then 579 people from this red area that is selected.

24 MR. LARSON: Just so you all know; I'm looking to  
25 keep this CVAP here fifty-one or above. That's a goal



1 for now.

2 MS. TRATT: One moment please while I clean this up  
3 further. So now we need 332. We're not going to be able  
4 to get it from this area, so that is potentially  
5 something I can clean up off-line. But how is looking to  
6 Commissioners?

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Fernandez.

8 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Chair.

9 Sivan, did you cut into Home Gardens?

10 MS. TRATT: I did not.

11 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Oh, okay. That looks like  
12 it. Thank you.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Akutagawa.

14 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Since we're at the level  
15 we're going almost block by block, I'm just wondering,  
16 Sivan, if you look a little bit further up the Riverside  
17 City borders, is there other areas where you can pick up  
18 maybe areas or blocks where it can either increase or  
19 maintain the Latino CVAP since that's something that we  
20 need to be mindful of? I'm looking at -- yeah, right  
21 around there, there looks to be a little red. Since  
22 that's the level at which we're going now.

23 MS. TRATT: Are you talking about this red block?  
24 So this is already in the district.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No, there's a little tiny one it

1 looked like --

2 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, there was a little  
3 tiny bit down below.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right there.

5 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, right there.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: That has 320. That might do it.  
7 That 326 -- oh, no. Then there's 44 in the middle of it.

8 MS. TRATT: I can add this block if you would like.

9 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yes. Maybe you could just  
10 take the rest of that block so that it's a little bit  
11 more even, and then take away from the other block since  
12 it's not really adding much to the CVAP.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, switch. Take the 104 and the  
14 96?

15 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, so then at least it  
16 looks a little -- you just don't have that little piece  
17 sticking out.

18 MS. TRATT: So this is the game of balancing these  
19 huge districts down to the single person is there are  
20 going to be a little bit of anomalies like this. I can  
21 continue to play around with this, if folks are not  
22 getting impatient with this.

23 MR. LARSON: For compactness reasons, might it not  
24 make sense to take back away that 242 block at the bottom  
25 of the screen that juts out, and replace it with some

1 population around where you just grabbed?

2 MS. TRATT: That would create a contiguity issue.

3 MR. LARSON: Oh, okay.

4 MS. TRATT: This would be a hole.

5 MR. LARSON: Got it. Got it. Thanks, never mind.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Sivan, at this point, we're  
7 negative 210 -- no, I see. Sorry, yeah, put that back.  
8 That was a little bit -- why don't you have a look -- I  
9 suggest that once we're below fifty, we let Sivan do  
10 that, and we move to the next district and get that also  
11 low, because then she can do this much faster than we  
12 can. We'll take a couple minutes or something, because  
13 we've got to do three other districts. So I'm  
14 recommending that.

15 Commissioner Akutagawa. No?

16 Commissioner Toledo.

17 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I'm also interested in looking  
18 at the African-American CVAP, given that there's some  
19 crossover voting in this area. So if you could turn on  
20 the African-American CVAP in this area to see if it can  
21 pick up potential minority voters.

22 MS. TRATT: One moment, please.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Could you back out a little bit so  
24 we can see the entire area?

25 Commissioner Turner.

1           COMMISSIONER TURNER: In looking to increase -- I  
2 think Commissioner Toledo was asking about the Black CVAP  
3 area. So that would be the Home Gardens. If we were  
4 able to do anything around Coronita, El Cerrito, and  
5 maybe even around Coronado -- Corona, excuse me.

6           MS. TRATT: So at this point, where we're balancing  
7 5,000 people in cities that are fairly densely populated,  
8 you can see this area in red is basically all we were  
9 able to add to Riverside. So I would just need more  
10 specific direction about where you would like to get that  
11 population from, because in the scale of this district,  
12 it's not very many people.

13           COMMISSIONER TURNER: Is it possible to move out  
14 more of Riverside to allow the area of Home Gardens to  
15 come in? Can you do a swap there?

16           MS. TRATT: Home Gardens is currently in --

17           COMMISSIONER TURNER: It's up by where you have it  
18 highlighted now.

19           MS. TRATT: (Indiscernible, simultaneous speech) --

20           COMMISSIONER TURNER: Next to El Sobrante, down,  
21 right there.

22           MS. TRATT: Oh, yes. Yeah, I can explore doing a  
23 swap. Would you like me to explore that adding all of  
24 Home Gardens and changing where the line is in Riverside?

25           COMMISSIONER TURNER: Yes.

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

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Do you have an idea of where you're  
3 trying to take the population out?

4 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Well, we would need it to be  
5 contiguous, so wherever she would find it.

6 MS. TRATT: It would involve moving the line farther  
7 East, somewhere here. Would you like me to accept this  
8 change?

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So that you can move more out? Is  
10 that what it is?

11 MS. TRATT: Yeah.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: We're adding population.

13 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Right, and when she adds that,  
14 it's over, so then she'd have to take some more out from  
15 Riverside. Is that right?

16 MS. TRATT: Yes, that is correct, Commissioner  
17 Turner.

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh yes, Sivan, before you lock that  
19 in, could you please outline what we did right there? We  
20 took -- was it Home Gardens?

21 MS. TRATT: We extended -- yeah, we extended the  
22 selection in the City of Riverside to grab all of Home  
23 Gardens. And we also grabbed some population from  
24 Riverside to make it contiguous.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Sivan.

1 MS. TRATT: Commissioner Turner, do you have a  
2 preference of where in Riverside I --

3 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Yes, but before we do that,  
4 the March Air Force Base; is it included in this district  
5 already?

6 MS. TRATT: Yes, it is.

7 COMMISSIONER TURNER: And Commissioners from other  
8 COI, is there a problem with removing the Air Force Base  
9 out? So let's take out the --

10 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Could we have a -- well, let's see  
11 what that does with the CVAP, please.

12 MS. TRATT: One moment, please. So the Latino CVAP  
13 would remain above fifty-one percent for the Riverside-  
14 Moreno-Perris District. And it looks like they would  
15 still need to get rid of 10,000 people. Would you like  
16 me to commit to this change?

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Let's see what else we would take  
18 out, because we're doing architectural changes in this  
19 one now. There's Lakeview and Nuevo -- actually, could  
20 you please put on the Latino CVAP?

21 MS. TRATT: One moment, please.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Turner, do you have  
23 any idea?

24 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Now, we're looking -- this is  
25 to remove the Air Force Base, Meadowbrook, and Lakeview

1 maybe, to strengthen the Latino CVAP?

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Lakeview is 2,000 people.

3 Meadowbrook is thirty-four.

4 COMMISSIONER TURNER: And we need how many more?

5 MS. TRATT: Still need to get rid of 8,000 people.

6 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Okay. What about Nuevo?

7 MS. TRATT: 1,375 people over.

8 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Romoland? Too many?

9 MS. TRATT: Yeah, so now, we would just need to add  
10 in 636 people back --

11 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Beautiful.

12 MS. TRATT: -- which we could do in Riverside or --

13 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Yes, in Riverside.

14 MS. TRATT: All right. Is the Chair okay if I  
15 accept these changes?

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I believe -- yes, is that agreeable  
17 to -- we have one.

18 Commissioner Fernandez.

19 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Sivan, I was looking at the  
20 prior CVAP Latino was 51.10 and Black was 11.52. And so  
21 it's going to be, the Black will be able the same, but  
22 what will the Latino be? It will be a little bit higher?  
23 Okay.

24 MS. TRATT: 51.21.

25 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes, thank you. Yes, it

1 changed from a couple seconds ago. Thank you.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Mr. Larson.

3 MR. LARSON: Just so I'm clear, is the plan here to  
4 move that March ARBCA area into the BEAVICAL District?

5 MS. TRATT: Yes.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

7 MR. LARSON: And that's only 809 people?

8 MS. TRATT: Approximately. The change in population  
9 for all of these highlighted red areas is 11,563 people  
10 total.

11 MR. LARSON: It might be -- it's a fairly big hit to  
12 compact this for the 800 people. And if there's a way to  
13 do this without that, that would be my recommendation.

14 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah. I would say, just  
15 leave it in, because we're going to be 636 under. Yeah.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Remember, everyone, when you have a  
17 change, you do need to say -- is it just population?  
18 Usually, there's COI involved. Please --

19 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I'm sorry. For me, leaving  
20 March in is more for compactness. Thank you. And  
21 population, but --

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you very much.

23 And removing Lakeview, Nuevo, and --

24 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Just COI testimony.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: COI testimony, okay. Thank you



1 very much.

2 Sivan.

3 MS. TRATT: So would you like me to clean up the 175  
4 people off-line, or would you like me to do it now?

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, I'm quite content having that  
6 done off-line. But what's the rest of the Commission?

7 Commissioner Toledo, or did you have something else  
8 to say?

9 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: No, I'm still thinking about  
10 this March area. I was thinking about -- I'm still  
11 thinking about potentially taking that out, but adding  
12 the area around it, next to it to the West, so that it is  
13 more compact to that whole area. And just for -- well,  
14 one, it address compactness, but also to see what that  
15 would do to the Latino CVAP and to the African-American  
16 CVAP.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So should we accept what we have  
18 here in taking that out, and then work on that?

19 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I'm fine with that.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Then please do that, Sivan.

21 MS. TRATT: So I'm sorry, I don't believe -- I think  
22 that the City of Riverside is fairly densely populated,  
23 so I think if we remove March Air Force Base and this  
24 portion of Riverside, we're not also going to be able to  
25 remove this population here. Would you like me to try

1 removing both, or is it one or the other?

2 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Can we see what -- if we  
3 highlight the areas that I was suggesting, what that does  
4 to the CVAPS?

5 MS. TRATT: Yes.

6 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Both the Latino and the Black,  
7 and then we can -- if that isn't a good change, then  
8 we'll go back to the area that we just highlighted.

9 MS. TRATT: One moment, please. Is this more or  
10 less what you were thinking?

11 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: It approves the Latino and I  
12 believe also the African-American CVAP, but the numbers  
13 are -- we're taking up too many people at this point.  
14 But maybe if we cut from the top down? This area seems  
15 to be not as diverse.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

17 MR. DRESCHLER: We do also have the three cities  
18 that Commissioner Turner selected, so those are in this  
19 as well.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, right. Okay.

21 MR. DRESCHLER: Wanted to remind you of --

22 MS. TRATT: No, I deselected them, Andrew.

23 MR. DRESCHLER: Oh, you did? Okay, sorry.

24 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I'm fine with the other  
25 option, if this is -- there's just too many people here.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. So if we take those out,  
2 then what was our deviation?

3 MS. TRATT: 175 people.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Sivan, at this point,  
5 because this is going to be tricky, it'll be a trial and  
6 error all over here, could you go ahead and take care of  
7 that one off-line and we can move to the next district?

8 Commissioner Fernandez.

9 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I'm sorry. It did  
10 increase -- what Commissioner Toledo was doing, it did  
11 increase the Latino but what increased the Latino was  
12 taking out more of the Riverside, not necessarily the Air  
13 Force Base. So that's an option -- sorry, I know we were  
14 going to move on. But it did actually increase the  
15 Latino CVAP by taking out some of the Riverside next to  
16 March.

17 Does that make sense, Sivan, in terms of maybe we  
18 should look to that area to reduce --

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Move more of Riverside out?

20 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: But in that area.

21 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah, the area right around  
22 the Naval -- the military base.

23 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Right, right.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: It could be almost any area that is  
25 very, very low in Latino.

1 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Right, right. Thank you.

2 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: And maybe the direction is  
3 that we ask Sivan to --

4 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

5 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- take out as much as  
6 necessary --

7 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Um-hum.

8 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- while increasing the Latino  
9 and the African-American CVAP to --

10 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

11 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- get the deviation there.

12 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

13 MS. TRATT: So 175 people is going to be a matter of  
14 a single block at this point.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay, great.

16 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Works for me, thanks.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Exactly. So yes --

18 MS. TRATT: Would you like me to create a second  
19 city split in this area to take the population out of  
20 this area of Riverside, or take it out of the existing  
21 split in the City of Riverside?

22 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: A new split, please.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, actually, I'm sorry. Could we  
24 look at not a new split, because I believe it's going to  
25 be the same? Could we just have a look and see if we

1 have 175 on the other area of Riverside?

2 MS. TRATT: Yes, I can look at that. I would just  
3 remind Commissioners that 175 is not going to have a very  
4 major impact on deviations, except for the population  
5 deviation. But for the Latino CVAP and the Black CVAP,  
6 it'll increase or decrease by a tenth of a percent if  
7 anything.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, we definitely want it to  
9 increase a little bit. So if you could take a block of  
10 175 that has virtually no Hispanic population, that's  
11 what we would really like. And stay in line with our  
12 trying to keep cities not split if they don't have to,  
13 please see if there's an area possibly still in Riverside  
14 that we can take out.

15 MS. TRATT: Absolutely, Chair. Thanks for that  
16 direction.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

18 Okay. And now -- sorry, Commissioner Toledo, do you  
19 have another --

20 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: No, I'm fine to move on.

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you very much.  
22 Commissioner Akutagawa.

23 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I guess I was just going to  
24 ask; is taking out that 175 people or so really going to  
25 make a difference to the Latino CVAP, because when we saw

1 the Latino CVAP go up, it was to take out a pretty large  
2 portion of that Riverside plus March Air Force Base? And  
3 then there may be other areas in which we could bring  
4 population back in that may enable that higher Latino  
5 CVAP. I guess that's why I'm just now asking; can we  
6 just see it happen, because if it doesn't affect the  
7 Latino CVAP that much more, then I think that will  
8 determine what next steps the Commissioners would want to  
9 do. If it's marginal or nominal, then it may not -- it  
10 may still defeat the purpose of what we're trying to move  
11 towards.

12 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Are you saying for the 175?

13 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, how much of a  
14 difference will the 175 really make to the Latino CVAP,  
15 because I think that was the hope, right, is to increase  
16 it. But when we saw the higher Latino CVAP, it was with  
17 a significant portion of that March and the area next to  
18 it. So we could do that, but it just means we'll just  
19 have to pick up some other population elsewhere to ensure  
20 that maintains.

21 MS. TRATT: So Commissioner Akutagawa, just to  
22 answer your question, I just selected a single census  
23 block that has 170 people. So just for explanation's  
24 sake, let's say that that fixed the deviation to -- it's  
25 five people, but it's very close. And as you can see,

1 the Latino CVAP is still at 51.17 percent and the Black  
2 CVAP is still at 11.51 percent.

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah, something like this is --  
4 it's perfect. In that area, if you could just bring it  
5 down to plus or minus one, because we know that we're in  
6 the right area. So if you could work on that a little  
7 bit, and let's move on to the next district, please.  
8 Unless, Sivan, you're just going to do it right then.

9 MS. TRATT: I can fix the five later if the --

10 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, please do.

11 MS. TRATT: -- Commissioners are comfortable --  
12 okay.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. And our next district is --  
14 which one?

15 MS. TRATT: Would you like to look at the Pomona-  
16 Ontario-Fontana District?

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Any ideas here?

18 Please turn on the Latino CVAP.

19 MS. TRATT: Yeah. I would also point out that the  
20 district to the North is CD 210 and is over by almost  
21 equal number of people. So if we're looking to draw in  
22 population, that might be a good place to get population  
23 from.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

25 Commissioner Sadhwani.

1           COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: That was going to be my  
2 suggestion. In this district, possibly moving further up  
3 into Upland. And then the one right next door, I know  
4 we've definitely heard testimony about trying to keep  
5 Rancho Cucamonga whole. So it might be some combination  
6 of the two as we dig further in here.

7           CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.  
8           Commissioner Fernandez.

9           COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I was going to suggest the  
10 same thing. I was thinking more Rancho Cucamonga, but  
11 either way is fine.

12          MS. TRATT: So Rancho Cucamonga --

13          COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: As long as we maintain the  
14 CVAP.

15          MS. TRATT: Rancho Cucamonga is currently in the  
16 Rialto-San Bernadino District and the CB 210 District.  
17 I'm happy to put it in a third district, if you'd like to  
18 see it in the Pomona-Ontario-Fontana District. I just  
19 wanted to let Commissioners know that I think we're  
20 talking about pulling population from two different  
21 districts.

22          CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. Let's go ahead and stick  
23 with the first idea. We're trying to get more in that  
24 Latino CVAP over there -- well, never mind, that one's  
25 zero. Do we see any other areas that might have more



1 Latino CVAP?

2 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I think, in this district,  
3 we're probably on pretty safe grounds.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Great.

5 Well, please try this, Sivan.

6 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I don't know.

7 MS. TRATT: One moment, please.

8 (Pause)

9 MS. TRATT: So you can see how quickly the numbers  
10 go up or down. So we're already at thirty-nine people  
11 away from being a balanced district, just by adding this  
12 selected portion here.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Great. I think I see a thirty-nine  
14 block on the border. I'm sorry, what happened with CVAP?

15 MS. TRATT: The Latino CVAP is at 58.27 percent. So  
16 it did decrease slightly. It was at 58.56 when we  
17 started.

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right.

19 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Where were we with the  
20 African-American CVAP when we started, and now?

21 MS. TRATT: 7.3, 7.3.

22 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Okay.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Fernandez.

24 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I was just going to ask,  
25 Sivan, can you back up just -- unzoom just a little bit?

1 I just wanted to see what the other district next to it  
2 looks like. Is that a little neck again that we're going  
3 to create? I just had to get it in to today's session at  
4 some point.

5 MS. TRATT: That was what I originally raised. I  
6 think --

7 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah.

8 MS. TRATT: -- in that other Rialto-San Bernadino  
9 District, even that out in Rancho Cucamonga, because  
10 we're already populated there to get rid of that.

11 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Oh, okay. Yeah, that would  
12 work.

13 MS. TRATT: Yeah. I could take population from this  
14 bottleneck area of Rancho Cucamonga instead.

15 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah, that --

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No, no. Leave it, and then that  
17 bottleneck is going to go into the --

18 MS. TRATT: Oh, okay.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right. Is that what you were  
20 saying, Commissioner Sadhwani? I lost her.

21 MS. TRATT: And again, I can refine this off-line.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Great. And our CVAP has --

23 MS. TRATT: Latino CVAP is at 58.29 if the areas in  
24 red are added to this district.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Akutagawa.

1 Or Commissioner Toledo.

2 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah, can you zoom out so we  
3 can take a look? And also, these CVAPs look good to me,  
4 and the location also. There is a little neck that we're  
5 creating, but I know that's something that we'll address  
6 as you're refining, I think.

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, please.

8 Okay. At this point, Commissioners like this? Is  
9 this a yes, with a little bit of cleanup? I'm not  
10 hearing any -- I think that's a yes.

11 Oh, Commissioner Fernandez.

12 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I want to say yes, it just  
13 looks really odd-shaped. But I guess that's how it's  
14 going to look. I was thinking of going more towards that  
15 road that you have to your left -- yeah, instead of  
16 taking that oddly shaped thing to the right. But that's  
17 okay. That's fine. I'm done. We're good.

18 MS. TRATT: Yeah, I was more just trying to draw  
19 population to --

20 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: You can just fix it, Sivan.

21 MS. TRATT: -- to balance the deviation, but I can  
22 fix it right now if you'd --

23 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Nope. That's good.

24 MS. TRATT: Okay.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I think it would be better, looking

1 at -- if you could please do that a little bit later and  
2 have it down so we could balance it. We don't have to --  
3 unless we're going to take in that same area for next  
4 district.

5 MR. LARSON: If there's no other rationale for  
6 grabbing that part that extends up North there, versus  
7 going farther West in the Upland area, my advice would be  
8 to not do it that way.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right. To not --

10 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: So to not have that piece,  
11 right? Just go straight -- maybe go straight to the --

12 MR. LARSON: If there's no other basis for taking it  
13 there, as opposed to going just father West.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Exactly, thank you.

15 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Thank you. And I did that  
16 in that comment for you, Dale. You like those neck  
17 comments.

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Great. Oh, we're almost there.

19 All right, Sivan. That looks good. We're going to  
20 trust you to maybe take that little weird hook on the  
21 right out and add a little more evenly on the left.

22 MS. TRATT: Yeah, so this is the shape of the city  
23 border.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, I'm sorry then.

25 MS. TRATT: Would you like me to -- yeah.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I'm sorry. That's the city border.

2 MS. TRATT: Yeah, sometimes it looks funky but it's  
3 because of the shape of the underlying census geography.  
4 But I will do what I can to clean that up. And if we're  
5 adding this portion of Rancho Cucamonga into the  
6 neighboring district, I think the final outcome will look  
7 a lot less bottlenecked than it does currently.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Perfect. Thank you.

9 Commissioner Akutagawa.

10 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I have a question. I know  
11 that we received some COI testimony that separating  
12 Rancho Cucamonga more from this Pomona, I guess,  
13 Montclair-Fontana area would separate at least a Black  
14 COI. And I know that we generally have this, but just  
15 wanted to raise that question about that since we just  
16 randomly took 5,000 people. Would there be a desire or  
17 interest in trying to unite more of that COI together?  
18 It would mean some other changes, but I wanted to just  
19 raise that and ask this question.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I'm sorry, the COI you're talking  
21 about is to put Rancho Cucamonga with --

22 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Rancho -- yeah, with the  
23 Pom-Ontario -- sorry, I thought it was Montclair --  
24 Pomona-Ontario-Fontana.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, but they're both -- they're

1 in different districts but they're both negative; is that  
2 correct?

3 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yes. Since we're having to  
4 do a lot of rebalancing anyways, it was just a question  
5 in terms of moving in Rancho Cucamonga to this district  
6 so that we could unite a COI and then also make space to  
7 also unite other COIs in the Rialto-San Bernadino  
8 District.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Sinay.

10 MS. TRATT: So Commissioner Akutagawa, that would be  
11 more on the tune of 43,000 people. So that would be a  
12 more major swap that you're talking about here, than  
13 5,000 people from the border areas of an existing split.

14 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: If we did that then -- I  
15 think there's been significant COI testimony, especially  
16 about Grand Terrace and bringing that in with Rialto and  
17 more Fontana.

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Sinay.

19 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I just want to remind us that  
20 we're on the second day. And where we started this  
21 process, we said if we think that the --

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Architecture.

23 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah, the architecture is good.  
24 We've gotten a lot of comments locally saying that these  
25 maps are good. I really think, as much as we want to

1 make changes, we need to just -- it's not time to make  
2 big changes anymore. I thought that we had agreed,  
3 unless there was be architectural changes -- and we've  
4 worked a long time to get this area done.

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. Thank you.

6 And I will say, I distinctly remember some community  
7 testimony specifically asking for that portion of Rancho  
8 Cucamonga to be with the Angeles Forest. That was early  
9 on, which is where I believe that line originally came  
10 from. It was literally a portion North of whatever it  
11 was, and that's how we ended up drawing that. So at this  
12 point, we have that down to plus or minus how many  
13 people?

14 MS. TRATT: Deviation is at fourteen people.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. If we go --

16 MS. TRATT: Can I accept this change, which will  
17 make the deviation actually 14 people instead of negative  
18 5,000?

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. I would prefer that -- now,  
20 are those no, Commissioner Akutagawa and Commissioner  
21 Turner?

22 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I just want to -- we've  
23 gotten conflicting testimony, as we have in a lot of  
24 places, about Rancho Cucamonga, including keeping Rancho  
25 Cucamonga whole. I also want to remind Commissioner

1 Sinay that we did a major architectural change to San  
2 Diego yesterday as well too.

3 And while we have tried to -- and I think I very  
4 much agree that population first. Where there may be  
5 population options to keep COIs together and also  
6 maintain the Latino CVAP, I know for me, I've heard a lot  
7 about Grand Terrace. And I think also just keeping it  
8 together, there's been a lot of growth both in the Latino  
9 and also the Black community in the inland Empire.

10 So as best as we can, if we could make these even a  
11 little bit better -- I feel like since we spent quite a  
12 bit of time yesterday, I'm not asking for a lot of time.  
13 But can we try an exploration that could possibly satisfy  
14 multiple goals of trying to maintain the higher Latino  
15 CVAP but also bringing together a community that has been  
16 growing quite rapidly in the Inland Empire as well too.  
17 Thank you.

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Akutagawa, if we  
19 accept these changes, we could then move on to the RIASB  
20 and see if we -- because remember, that's negative as  
21 well. And so we could actually see, if we grab Grand  
22 Terrace, how that will work, and then balance that one.

23 Commissioner Turner.

24 COMMISSIONER TURNER: I think I want to support  
25 Commissioner Akutagawa and what she's talking about for



1 the COIs. I think, in accepting it, it means that we  
2 would then need to reverse it. I think that is to not  
3 accept the current moving people from out of Rancho  
4 Cucamonga and splitting that further. So I don't want to  
5 split Rancho Cucamonga any further or take away from  
6 Rancho Cucamonga.

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. But if we accept this right  
8 now, we're not touching Rancho Cucamonga. I'm pretty  
9 sure -- I'm sorry. Yeah, that's all in Upland that we're  
10 doing this. So Rancho Cucamonga will not change. And  
11 then we can go over to the other side, on Grand Terrace,  
12 and put that in. And then maybe see any other area where  
13 we can -- if we need more people or need to get rid of  
14 some people. Does that answer your question,  
15 Commissioner Turner?

16 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Maybe. Can we back out so I  
17 can see it?

18 MS. TRATT: I think it would overpopulated then.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, a little bit. Could you  
20 see -- do you need to zoom in so we can see what we're  
21 talking about accepting?

22 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Yes, please.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: That area there. We're talking  
24 about taking that area of Upland and adding that to  
25 POMONTFON to balance the population.

1 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah, we just moved the line  
2 North.

3 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Okay. Okay, thank you.

4 MS. TRATT: So the pending changes, this selected  
5 area in Upland, is 5,206 people. If this was added to  
6 the Pomona-Ontario-Fontana District, we would be at a  
7 deviation of fourteen people. And my understanding of  
8 Commissioners' discussion was that they were going to  
9 take more population from this area of Rancho Cucamonga  
10 and add it to the neighboring district, which is the  
11 RIASB District, to flatten out that line a little bit  
12 more and not create a bottleneck here in Rancho  
13 Cucamonga.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, that's what -- I'm sorry.  
15 Commissioner Vazquez, the same?

16 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I'm not in favor of making  
17 this change just yet, and I would very much prefer that  
18 we try to unify the communities of interest that  
19 Commissioner Akutagawa noted before we continue to do the  
20 balancing piece, because I'm afraid -- I do think the  
21 changes, if I'm interpreting some of the potential  
22 direction, we're going to be changing population in both  
23 Pomona-Ontario-Fontana as well RIASB. So I would like us  
24 to hold on the balancing of population first. I would  
25 like to try to see if we can make some structural changes

1 to preserve the communities of interest, particularly  
2 Black and Latino communities of interest in this area,  
3 and then do the balancing act.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. So let me just summarize.  
5 What you're believing is we're going to add Grand Terrace  
6 to RIASB.

7 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: No adding of anything right  
8 now. Do not move the Upland line. Do not move the Grand  
9 Terrace line. Let's pause on the balancing of  
10 populations. Let's figure out how -- if it's possible,  
11 let's spend thirty minutes, not discussing it, but thirty  
12 minutes actually drawing lines to try to unify COIs. And  
13 then we can fuss around with the lines.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay, great. But what COIs are  
15 you -- to add, which COI are you talking about? Keeping  
16 Rancho Cucamonga whole?

17 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: No, based on community of  
18 interest testimony, I think if we can both move more of  
19 Fontana into this Rancho Cucamonga-San Bernadino  
20 community of interest, that's a lot of what we did in the  
21 Assembly. All of Fontana can't be in that Riverside-San  
22 Bernadino area, but there are significant Black  
23 populations that I think more of Fontana could be moved  
24 into Riverside SB. And I think -- I'm trying --

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I see.

1           COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I think we need to explore  
2 it, so I just want to pause on this change so that we can  
3 think through which communities we want to put together.

4           CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

5           COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: That's what I'm asking, is  
6 that we pause the balancing.

7           CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, we can certainly pause on  
8 that. And that's an absolutely wonderful plan. And  
9 remember, we're sticking with our, what I'd like to do is  
10 this, and this is how I think we can get there. And if  
11 you need help saying, this is what I'd like to get,  
12 great. And then say, now, can someone see a vision of  
13 getting there? So we aren't just -- we're really trying  
14 to focus in.

15           The idea here now -- this is my understanding. I'm  
16 trying to summarize this, and correct me if I'm wrong, is  
17 where trying to take some of Fontana out of POMONTFON and  
18 add it to RIASB. And to do that, we will go even more  
19 negative on POMONTFON. So where would we get the  
20 population for POMONTFON?

21           COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I would say Rancho Cucamonga  
22 and potentially, again, more of Upland.

23           CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, okay. And what about the Grand  
24 Terrace on the other side? Is that a --

25           COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I think that's in play,

1 potentially. If we moved all of Rancho Cucamonga and all  
2 of Upland into POMONTFON, we could get a big portion of  
3 Fontana in. We could also move, potentially, Grand  
4 Terrace into RIASB as well.

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. Sivan's going to look  
6 at this and see -- we'll give this half an hour, as we so  
7 did for the Assembly, which is certainly a great idea.  
8 Since we have an idea of what we're trying to do here, it  
9 should go rather quickly. And Sivan can help us with the  
10 numbers.

11 Commissioner Sadhwani -- or does anyone here say,  
12 no, they do not want to do this? I see hands up. Are  
13 you talking about something else?

14 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: No, I was actually just  
15 going to support it. I know we had originally suggested  
16 that Upland piece, and I think Upland might still be in  
17 play as we think about this, but I really wanted to  
18 appreciate Commissioners Akutagawa, Turner, and Vazquez  
19 for raising this COI that we might be potentially cutting  
20 off. And I think it's worth the time to explore.

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.  
22 Commissioner Taylor.

23 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: It's the same. It's really  
24 not that difficult, at least I don't see it is. How far  
25 North we go in POMONTFON is contingent on what we do on

1 the other side.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

3 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: I think, yes, that's it. So  
4 if we're exploring the other side, it will be contingent  
5 on POMONTFON. So let's go.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I know we're breaking up the other  
7 COI that did want to be with the forest. I want to  
8 mention the other. As Commissioner Akutagawa said, there  
9 are opposing COIs here, and that one is the -- that one,  
10 we are going against. But if the Commission wants to do  
11 that --

12 Commissioner Akutagawa, are you in this -- do you  
13 like this idea?

14 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I do.

15 And thank you, Commissioner Vazquez. I think you  
16 just said something similar, much, much more eloquently.  
17 So thank you.

18 I also want to just really note again, before we tr  
19 to get most of Fontana -- or actually, I should say all  
20 of Fontana or most of Fontana, I'd also like us to try to  
21 put Grand Terrace in first because there's been lots of  
22 COI testimony linking Grand Terrace with Colton and  
23 Rialto and that they should be, as well as other  
24 testimony saying that they should not be in a Riverside  
25 district as well too.

1           So I know that we're not going to be able to take in  
2 all of Fontana, so if we could balance that by just  
3 putting Grand Terrace in first, so then that way, then  
4 we'll know how much of Fontana is in play, that may also  
5 help as well too. Thank you.

6           CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

7           Commissioner Toledo.

8           COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I'm fine with moving in this  
9 direction, or at least exploring in this direction.

10          CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

11          COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I do think that VRA is second,  
12 and we do need to prioritize that. So if the Latino CVAP  
13 is going down, I'm less supportive of this. So I don't  
14 want to see it go down too much more. COIs are a fourth  
15 criteria, right? In a VRA District, we try our best, but  
16 we have to ensure that we are in compliance with the VRA  
17 above that. And of course, we have to get to the  
18 deviation numbers. So I just wanted to chime in on that.  
19 Thank you.

20          CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

21          Commissioner Yee, were you saying a similar thing?

22          COMMISSIONER YEE: No, actually I was going to  
23 suggest, if you do want to keep the forest COI together,  
24 why not take the forest also? Go North, you don't have  
25 to stop at the city limit because there's not many people

1 there, right?

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, that's an interesting idea.

3 Thank you.

4 Let's just look at the population of where we are  
5 here. Now, that does drop our -- it significantly drops  
6 Latino CVAP.

7 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Chair, can I -- I have a  
8 first step, if we could start --

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Certainly.

10 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I don't think it's this  
11 Rancho and Upland. For me, my priority is at least a  
12 portion of Fontana, and COI testimony has suggested  
13 taking in Fontana from North of the 66, which is Foothill  
14 Boulevard in some places, and East of Citrus.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I'm sorry, you did not mean to do  
16 what we -- the other -- okay.

17 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: No, I'd like to capture the  
18 area of Fontana that we want to capture, and then we can  
19 talk about where else in the map --

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Wonderful.

21 Sivan, you've got those directions?

22 MS. TRATT: Commissioner Vazquez, would you repeat  
23 the area that you wanted to add again?

24 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yes. I think actually what  
25 is going to happen is if you could take that line right



1 there and lower it to --

2 MS. TRATT: To the 66?

3 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yes.

4 MS. TRATT: I can do that. One moment, please.

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So just for our staff, we're taking  
6 a portion of POMONTFON and adding it to RIASB.

7 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: And actually, Sivan, it may  
8 be helpful going forward for us to have the Latino heat  
9 map on as we're adjusting these districts.

10 MS. TRATT: Would you like me to add this selection  
11 to the district?

12 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I would, yes. And noting  
13 that I am keeping my eye on the Rialto SB, Latino CVAP,  
14 I'm wondering if we can -- if we then add Grand Terrace,  
15 what that would do. So yes, accept this change and then  
16 maybe we can move to Grand Terrace.

17 MS. TRATT: Grand Terrace is selected, and those  
18 changes are reflected in this box.

19 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Got it. That didn't do much  
20 for the Latino CVAP, but --

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: It didn't go down, it's still  
22 higher.

23 MS. TRATT: Right.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: It's 2.3.

25 MS. TRATT: Right.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Actually, it is a little lower.

2 MS. TRATT: It would be 52.15.

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah, instead of 50 --

4 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: So I have --

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Instead of 52, yeah.

6 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I have an option as well to,  
7 maybe first if we go back to the area we were looking at  
8 in Fontana. And taking that line to the 66, that line of  
9 the 66 and extending it to the 15. I think that means  
10 we're making change -- we'll be adding --

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah, but --

12 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: -- adding Pomona/Fontana,  
13 right?

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So I'm sorry --

15 MS. TRATT: So yes, this is also Rancho Cucamonga  
16 now. This is outside of the City of Fontana.

17 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I see. I'm okay with that  
18 for VRA purposes.

19 MS. TRATT: And this is already in the RIASB  
20 District.

21 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I see. Okay.

22 MS. TRATT: So we could move it down to the 10, if  
23 you'd like.

24 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I think that makes sense. Do  
25 other Commissioners have -- maybe let's do Grand Terrace

1 first, and then we can work on getting up the Latino  
2 population in this district overall.

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh. In five minutes it's -- we  
4 have to take a break, 12:30. So let's try to give as  
5 much direction as possible and maybe, we'll ask Sivan to  
6 give us five minutes of her break.

7 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: All right, so --

8 MS. TRATT: And this district we'll need to remove  
9 43,000 people; got it.

10 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: And Pomona Fontana is looking  
11 about-ish the same, in terms of the population that it  
12 needs. So my recommendation would be to move all of  
13 Rancho Cucamonga out of Rialto SB, and into  
14 Pomona/Fontana, or potentially using the current split.  
15 So what is that? Oh, that is a lot.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah, it is.

17 MS. TRATT: Would you like me to -- if I only put  
18 the portion that is in the RIASB -- one moment please --  
19 it will -- yeah.

20 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: What if -- what if we just  
21 pull in Rancho from East of -- sorry -- yeah, East of the  
22 15, that little corner. Yeah.

23 MS. TRATT: One moment, please.

24 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I think we're doing opposite.  
25 I was suggesting, sorry, that the portion you're

1 unselecting --

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah, don't take --

3 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: -- I was suggesting that that  
4 be the only portion that goes into Pomona --

5 MS. TRATT: Oh. The only portion -- okay, yeah, I  
6 misunderstood. One moment, please.

7 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Oh. That's not many people  
8 either. But I think this is the right direction. It may  
9 just be that Rancho is split in a different -- along a  
10 different line.

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So it still needs 30,000 people.  
12 So are you saying move it up. Move the line at right to  
13 Ontario move that up?

14 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yeah, yeah.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Are you trying to take that out  
16 of -- yeah, because right now that one's --

17 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yeah.

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- about a 30,000 switch.

19 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Right.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Of RIASB, and put it into  
21 POMONTFON?

22 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yeah. Yeah, and that does  
23 raise the Latino CVAP a little more, and then --

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: You could go for that, yeah, that  
25 little chunk over to the West.

1 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yeah.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: That little square. Oh, okay,  
3 we'll make it -- that bigger.

4 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yeah. I would accept this  
5 change, and then let's see where else we can pull in  
6 population to Pomona/Fontana. I think that little corner  
7 is important for the Black community.

8 MS. TRATT: This corner here?

9 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Sorry, no; the one that goes  
10 up from the 66 and the 15 that we just made. Sorry about  
11 that. I think -- yeah, that one, I think needs to stay  
12 in Rialto SB.

13 MS. TRATT: Okay.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. We have a minute. So would  
15 you want to -- is there any --

16 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Could we spend another twenty  
17 minutes after our break doing this, since we only have  
18 had ten minutes of line drawing?

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. Oh, no, yeah, we can spend a  
20 bit more time.

21 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Okay.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So we definitely have to take a  
23 break because our wonderful staff, and court reporters,  
24 and sign language, definitely need that break. So  
25 Andrew?

1 MR. DRECHSLER: Yeah. Thank you, thank you, Chair.  
2 And I was just wondering, is there any big-picture  
3 direction that you wanted us to look at during break that  
4 we wanted to --

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah.

6 MR. DRECHSLER: Fine, it's a break, but if there's  
7 anything like going across the highway -- yeah, thank  
8 you.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

10 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yeah. I would look at the  
11 testimony most recently submitted, I think it was  
12 yesterday, by the Black Hub. They have some suggestions  
13 to sort of keep this Black COI together, which is what  
14 we're trying to attempt. And they have some suggestions  
15 about what else can go into Pomona/Fontana. I do think  
16 it's probably more of the Rancho portion, and maybe  
17 shortening -- bringing the Western edge more East, and  
18 pulling some of that into Pomona/Fontana.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. So you're saying, basically,  
20 work with -- starting from the West and take Rancho  
21 Cucamonga areas and put it in POMONTFON?

22 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yes.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, if they're not -- it would be  
24 the section below because it has come out of RIASB.

25 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Right, yeah.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: And then sort of move  
2 systematically further East until we have the number?

3 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Right, that that would be my  
4 recommendation.

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So I guess that -- yeah, if that is  
6 an easy thing to do, or if it's just going to take a few  
7 minutes and have -- to pursue that further, that would be  
8 great.

9 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Right.

10 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I know Sivan also needs a bit of a  
11 break. All right, that's a --

12 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: We're on break?

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. So at this point, we are  
14 going to go on break, and we'll be back at 12:45. And I  
15 do want seven to get -- to also get a break. So take  
16 care of yourself first, and then if you come back, and  
17 you then have a chance to do that, wonderful. But  
18 otherwise we'll jump back into this when get back at  
19 12:45.

20 MS. TRATT: Thank you, Chair.

21 (Whereupon, a recess was held from 12:32 a.m.  
22 until 12:46 a.m.)

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Welcome back, everyone, to the  
24 California Citizens Redistricting Commission. We are  
25 currently working on Congressional districts. We are in

1 the Riverside area, and we're working on some VRA  
2 districts. We're doing a little work here. And so we'll  
3 continue on where we just left off.

4 Sivan, if you could give us an update, please.

5 MS. TRATT: Yes, Chair. So over the break I took a  
6 look at the map that had been submitted by the Black  
7 Census Hub, and what it looked like from their maps, so  
8 the areas South of the 66 in Rancho Cucamonga were kept  
9 together with Ontario. So figuring that that would be an  
10 area we could draw population from. I have selected it  
11 here, and if this were added to the Pomona, Ontario  
12 District, it would still need about 3,500 people, and  
13 RIASB would still be over by 6,000 people, but it would  
14 be a lot closer to deviation.

15 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: That sounds great.

16 MS. TRATT: Chair, you're muted.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Sorry. Thank you very much.

18 Commissioner Yee?

19 COMMISSIONER YEE: I just want to make a quick  
20 general comment about language. Can we avoid the phrase,  
21 not used recently, but in general, "get rid of", it comes  
22 up now and then in our -- in our discussions. And I  
23 don't think anyone wants to be gotten rid of, right? So  
24 we can move people, you shift people, but not get rid of  
25 people. Thank you.



1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. Yes. You're absolutely  
2 right. This is great. Thank you very much.

3 And I'm hearing that, yes. That is along the lines  
4 of this exploration. So let's accept it, please.

5 MS. TRATT: One moment while I update.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: And then what's -- where are we  
7 going again? We still have the -- and which one are we  
8 working on now? We're actually working on the RIASB,  
9 correct?

10 MS. TRATT: Yes, so --

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: And that's for Commissioner  
12 Vazquez, actually. So we need to remove population. And  
13 what was the thought?

14 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I think we -- in order to  
15 minimize splits, we could probably take more, more  
16 population -- wait, what happened to DBCAL (ph.) be  
17 called, did we not fix that? Because I've noticed -- I  
18 was going to propose taking more Redlands of DBCAL but --

19 MS. TRATT: We have not worked on --

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: We have not worked on it.

21 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Okay. Okay, actually --

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Before you give direction there.

23 Sivan, do you happen to remember -- and I thought  
24 I'd written it down but I don't have -- what was the  
25 original CVAP in the RIASB?

1 MS. TRATT: Andrew has those numbers.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh. Thank you.

3 MR. DRECHSLER: Chair, it was -- RIASB was 51.59.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. And the Black -- the Black?

5 MR. DRECHSLER: 14.11.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Sorry, 14-point?

7 MR. DRECHSLER: 11.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: 11, okay, thank you. And so now we  
9 need to remove people and we are, Latino CVAP's gone up,  
10 and Black CVAP's gone down.

11 Commissioner Vazquez?

12 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yeah. I'm actually wondering  
13 now, since we're getting closer, I'm wondering now if we  
14 just drop this Southern boundary only in Fontana, if we  
15 just start moving the Fontana portion of this line South  
16 so -- right? Am I doing -- am I?

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: That's the opposite way. Yeah.

18 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Oh, I see. That's the wrong  
19 way. Okay.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. Oh yeah, you need to get  
21 something -- remove some people from -- move some people  
22 from RIASB.

23 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I'm wondering if that. And  
24 we need to add the same to Pomona/Fontana.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: You know, Pomona/Fontana is

1 negative 3 -- negative 3,000.

2 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Right.

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Where the RIASB is a positive six.

4 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Any suggestions?

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: We have several (audio  
6 interference). We have Commissioner Turner, and also  
7 Andrew.

8 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Commissioner Vazquez, what  
9 about -- is that Redlands? What's there, right there at  
10 the line, where we see the population?

11 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Redlands.

12 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Redlands?

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: That is Redlands.

14 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yeah, that was my first  
15 thought, if folks are okay, since DBCAL still needs to be  
16 worked on, if we could -- if we could take some portion  
17 of Redlands, move that boundary within Redlands, South.

18 MS. TRATT: So Commissioner Vazquez?

19 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yes.

20 MS. TRATT: Just so we're not getting confused, it's  
21 actually in the MORCOA District.

22 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Oh. Okay.

23 MS. TRATT: This is the Northernmost line of the  
24 BEAVIC, the Victor/Raleigh District.

25 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Oh. I see it.

1 MS. TRATT: Oh. And we need to move that line up,  
2 right there.

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, either way, yes, sure -- no,  
4 I'm sorry. Yes, you're right. You need to remove  
5 population. Sorry, there was a -- Andrew had an idea, I  
6 believe, and also did Commissioner Fernandez.

7 MR. DRECHSLER: Thank you, Chair. And in the Black  
8 Census and the Redistricting Hub, they did have the line  
9 just go a little bit North of 66, if you wanted to  
10 continue adding a little population. That way we could  
11 maybe first even out the population of the Pomona/Fontana  
12 district, and then continue to look at Redlands, or  
13 elsewhere to get the rest of it, is one suggestion.

14 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: That sounds right, unless  
15 Commissioner Akutagawa has something, another suggestion.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Or Commissioner Fernandez also had  
17 a hand up.

18 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, I would be in support  
19 of what was just suggested. At least we can then look at  
20 that. And I think also, instead of going into Redlands,  
21 maybe, you know, taking a look at moving, again, more of  
22 Redlands -- Rancho Cucamonga out of the -- out of this  
23 district too.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. So which, or where -- which  
25 way, what are going with? We're going with removing some

1 of Fontana? Or removing some of Rancho Cucamonga?

2 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Can we do that first?

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Which one first?

4 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Your question, Fontana, you  
5 just asked about?

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. Well, that one, that was an  
7 either/or but yes, we will explore Fontana that --  
8 Commissioner Vazquez, removing -- I thought, though, you  
9 were -- the ideas you were trying to put more of Fontana  
10 into (indiscernible, simultaneous speech) --

11 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: No. I'm confused. I think  
12 we should go with Andrew's suggestion, which is to take  
13 that -- if I'm understanding right; take that line  
14 currently at the 66 and move it up just barely. And I  
15 think that will get -- that will at least balance between  
16 Pomona/Fontana and Rialto SB, and then we can look to  
17 other areas to get -- to remove the additional 3,000 or  
18 so.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Perfect.

20 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: That will be, right. Yeah.

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Great. Okay, thank you. Let's do  
22 that. Please, yeah. And we're talking about 3,000  
23 people, so it might not be that much, and the --

24 MS. TRATT: (Indiscernible, simultaneous speech) --

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Certainly.

1 MR. DRECHSLER: Sivan, if you start in the -- I'm  
2 sorry, per the map, it was Rancho Cucamonga that they  
3 wanted to move the line up, so maybe start over there.

4 MS. TRATT: So I instructed specifically to leave  
5 this triangle in is that --

6 MR. DRECHSLER: Over, over to the West, over to the  
7 West.

8 MS. TRATT: Over here? Okay.

9 MR. DRECHSLER: Yeah.

10 MS. TRATT: One moment.

11 MR. DRECHSLER: Thank you.

12 MS. TRATT: Yeah.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Moving 3,000 people. No, and that  
14 was way too many.

15 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I was actually thinking the  
16 lower --

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, the lower area.

18 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Moving the Southern boundary  
19 North. Is that as big as the census?

20 MS. TRATT: So just evenly, evenly along the 66?  
21 Okay.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: But it is -- yeah.

23 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: -- a question.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh. Commissioner Taylor.

25 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Yeah. Just to Commissioner

1 Vazquez. The Route 66 is such a natural boundary, why  
2 wouldn't it be more advisable to move out West as opposed  
3 to moving that North? Just out of curiosity?

4 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I wasn't fully opposed to the  
5 revised change out West, this was just what was suggested  
6 by the Black Hub, but I think also moving, we might not  
7 be able to get it just a little bit. And I think we  
8 might actually also be --

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: How is our CVAP though? This was  
10 the fifty-eight -- it was originally 58.56 -- oh, no,  
11 it's gone up. Is that -- is that correct? I'm sorry,  
12 which --

13 MS. TRATT: So RIASB is 1,260 people over, and  
14 POMONTFON would be 1,629 people over deviation.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right, so --

16 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Maybe we should do, Sivan,  
17 what you were originally going to do, and take from the  
18 West.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: The CVAPs, we're going up.

20 MS. TRATT: So again, just knowing that this line  
21 will not be final, and will be cleaned up in the final  
22 version before it's voted on, we're now at twelve people  
23 over deviation.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Actually, I thought we were  
25 balancing POMONTFON, no.

1 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: No.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: With this one, we were trying to  
3 do. But moreover, doing the --

4 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: The RIASB? I think we may  
5 have overcorrected, Sivan, because my -- at least my  
6 vision was to only do about 3,000 from POMONTFON, and  
7 then find another 3,000 to remove from RIASB somewhere  
8 else.

9 MS. TRATT: Got you. I thought the goal was just to  
10 balance RIASB. I will clear this selection, and try  
11 again.

12 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Okay.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh.

14 MS. TRATT: Did I do something wrong, Chair?

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No. I'm just wondering, could you  
16 just move the map a little bit further West, so we can  
17 see further West? Yeah, that's. Unless you grab that --

18 MS. TRATT: So did you want me to take this portion  
19 that's in the 210 District as well? This is -- what's  
20 highlighted in red is the selection -- or the outline in  
21 red is the selected -- the districts we're selecting  
22 from, which I was going to leave it to the RIASB.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

24 MS. TRATT: But I can take out of 210 as well.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right. No, I'm just if we -- you



1 have to connect it to get it down there. That would be  
2 what I'm saying, it's just -- because the area right  
3 there to the West is the other district. Oh, wait, no.  
4 Okay, so we're balancing POMONTFON on this, correct?

5 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I think the problem is we  
6 can't balance POMONAFONT (sic throughout) in one fell  
7 swoop without pulling from the West.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, because we'll have this --

9 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: We will be actually moving  
10 population out of 210 first, and then we can add the same  
11 population to POMONAFONT, I think is how we have to do  
12 it.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Well, okay, but right now --

14 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Sivan, can you zoom out one  
15 click so that they can see both of the districts? Right,  
16 thank you.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. Okay.

18 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: So earlier we had balanced had  
19 balanced POMONAFONT with the Northern transition --

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Correct.

21 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: And so we did not use any of  
22 the RIASB to balance that earlier -- that earlier change.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: That's correct. Yeah, originally,  
24 and now we are -- my understanding is -- Commissioner  
25 Vazquez, which one are you -- what are you trying to do

1 right now? You're just trying to balance POMONTFON, and  
2 get more of San -- Rancho Cucamonga into the POMONTFON?

3 MS. TRATT: That's true. That's why I thought you  
4 wanted to balance RIASB first. That's why I had made  
5 that initial selection. I think it makes more sense to  
6 decide which district you want to balance, and maybe do  
7 one at a time.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, exactly, and if your --

9 MS. TRATT: If you're happy with what's in RIASB.

10 MR. DRECHSLER: And with the -- with what Sivan just  
11 selected, POMONTFON is down to just 325 people over. So  
12 I think we are very close to getting this balanced, and  
13 we can probably clean up right around the edges there to  
14 move those 325 people to RIA and then turn to RIASB.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Commissioner Vazquez, is  
16 this sort of what you had in mind?

17 Or actually, Commissioner Fernandez?

18 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: No. I was just getting  
19 confused, because I thought -- I mean, logically it makes  
20 sense to work on one at a time, so I was trying to figure  
21 out where the shifts were going to be between,  
22 apparently, two or three districts. Thanks.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. That's fine. We kind of  
24 jumped around. Commissioner Vazquez?

25 MS. TRATT: Chair, if I may also add something?

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

2 MS. TRATT: I just got a message from Jaime, saying,  
3 just to keep in mind that 210 will, potentially, impact  
4 dealing with VRA districts in the L.A. area.

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Ah. Okay.

6 MS. TRATT: Because 210 is not a VRA district, but  
7 does include part of the AAPI community in WESTSGV, that  
8 the CRC identified --

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Great.

10 MS. TRATT: -- yesterday as wanting to make whole in  
11 a district.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

13 MS. TRATT: So just thinking ahead with that as  
14 well. I just wanted to flag since you mentioned.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

16 MS. TRATT: Although we're not taking significant  
17 population, just something to keep in mind.

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you very much for  
19 that.

20 Commissioner Fernandez?

21 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: No, I was just going to ask  
22 Sivan if she could, just for my own purposes, although I  
23 can tell based on the CVAP, if she can just put the VRA  
24 districts in, like the yellow color, it kind of helps to  
25 focus sometimes. Thank you.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right. And we're still working on  
2 architectural changes in here. So I'm trying to -- I'm  
3 trying to -- Commissioner Turner, thank you.

4 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Sivan, the message that you  
5 referenced from Jaime, was that a thought to not mess  
6 with 210 right now? I'm trying to read what was -- what  
7 was the intent?

8 MS. TRATT: No. I don't think she was saying that.  
9 I think she was just -- I mean, as you have seen, when  
10 you are making changes to multiple districts, oftentimes  
11 the effect of that isn't seen until later down the road.  
12 So I think if the Commission would like to make  
13 adjustments on 210 later on in L.A. County, it might  
14 leave more room if the balancing occurred between -- the  
15 majority of the balancing occurred between these two  
16 districts to internalize it. And then that would  
17 minimize the amount of population that we would need to  
18 take from the CD 210.

19 If it's all the same to the Commission, because it  
20 seems like at this point we are just trying to balance  
21 the districts. Unless I'm missing an additional  
22 community of interest that we're trying to accommodate  
23 here, I think that was the intention of -- just trying to  
24 think a couple steps ahead as well.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Uh-huh.

1 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Audio interference) --

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So if this area was selected, we  
3 would be moving this population where?

4 MS. TRATT: So currently this population is in two  
5 different districts in red.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Uh-huh.

7 MS. TRATT: It's in -- part of it is in -- it's  
8 2000 --

9 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: The CD 10?

10 MS. TRATT: -- 2,000, about 2,000 people are in this  
11 area from the 210 District, and about 1,000 people are in  
12 it from the RIASB. So I think the line of reasoning  
13 would be if you can take 2,000 from the RIASB and only a  
14 1,000 from the 210, that'll give you a one thousand  
15 people to have wiggle room with later on in L.A.

16 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Are you able to go up to I  
17 can't see what the freeway is, is it 210? That little,  
18 just a little rectangle there, how much population?

19 MS. TRATT: Yeah, so that would be moving population  
20 again out of 210 into RIASB, which we're trying to remove  
21 population from.

22 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Yeah.

23 MS. TRATT: So it would be more on the line of  
24 adjusting the border to be slightly North of the 66.

25 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Yeah. Okay. And then on the

1 66 going East where there is population -- see, right  
2 where your hand is, a little bit more, underneath the box  
3 there, that space, if we break the 66 and gather -- what  
4 is that, the City boundary of Fontana?

5 MS. TRATT: I believe this is an unincorporated area  
6 up here.

7 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Okay. So that's presented as  
8 the --

9 MS. TRATT: Between the Cities of Fontana, Rancho,  
10 and Ontario.

11 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Okay.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So I'm sorry. Commissioner Turner,  
13 are you trying to make sure that we get as much of  
14 Fontana, from Pomona/Fontana into RIASB?

15 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Yeah. Actually, I was trying  
16 to just see was where else can we move population without  
17 touching so much of 210?

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. Well, it was not, but just  
19 delete what we're doing right there and take it all along  
20 the 66, that's (indiscernible, simultaneous speech)  
21 Rancho Cucamonga.

22 MS. TRATT: We could also see about extending the  
23 cut to be here --

24 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Yeah.

25 MS. TRATT: -- if the Commission is uncomfortable,

1 moving the line around the 66.

2 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Can we try that before, Chair.

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Certainly. Let's give that a go,  
4 Sivan.

5 MS. TRATT: Okay. One moment please.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: And Commissioner Akutagawa, do you  
7 have another idea as well?

8 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: It was actually similar to  
9 that, just going away from Rancho Cucamonga and looking  
10 elsewhere to pick up that, roughly, 1,300 people. Thank  
11 you.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No. Thank you. I can't quite see  
13 what that -- and Um-hum. I can't quite see if that's  
14 a -- and ho-ho, that brings us to 84. We like that.

15 Sivan, can you just pick up 84 people to get -- oh,  
16 that's right --

17 MS. TRATT: To get --

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- get rid of. Or not quite --

19 MS. TRATT: We're not getting rid of anything, we  
20 are --

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- removing, removing. Thank you,  
22 Commissioner Yee. Move 84 people from Pomona/Fontana to  
23 wherever we need to.

24 MS. TRATT: Yes.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: At this point to balance.

1 MS. TRATT: Yes. Should I go ahead and accept this  
2 change?

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Please.

4 MS. TRATT: So now the next task would be to balance  
5 the RIASB Districts.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Exactly. Commissioner Akutagawa,  
7 did you have an idea for this one?

8 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: (No audible response).

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No. Okay. So here we need to move  
10 2,800, and any ideas to the COI base. Or we can have a  
11 look at the -- look at the Latino heat map and make sure  
12 there are areas that are not -- you know, areas that do  
13 not have a high population?

14 Commissioner Sinay?

15 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I don't have any -- well, the  
16 only idea I have is if we were to look at the Northeast  
17 boundary, that MORCOA is negative 19,000.

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right. Thank you. Let's zoom  
19 in there, and see if there are areas -- people that would  
20 make sense.

21 MS. TRATT: I could try grabbing some of these  
22 portions of the City of San Bernardino that were split.

23 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yes, that and make it less of  
24 a split. Is that a good idea, Commissioner Akutagawa?

25 MS. TRATT: Or it's good -- or it would be -- sorry,



1 it would be moving the line back. So existing splits  
2 just continuing.

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I'm sorry. You're going to clean  
4 it up. You're going to -- the little areas that extend  
5 now into San Bernardino, you were going to smooth that  
6 out and leave them -- yeah, that area, essentially, you  
7 were going to get back -- move back into San Bernardino?

8 MS. TRATT: So --

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, in the MORCOA?

10 MS. TRATT: Yeah. So we need to remove population  
11 from this district. So the recommend -- or my suggestion  
12 for a starting point for removing that population would  
13 be to change where these splits are.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. I'm sorry.

15 Commissioner Sinay, is that a, no. Yes, that's what  
16 she's holding. Okay, great.

17 And Commissioner Akutagawa? No. All right.

18 Yes. Please start there, Sivan. Actually, if  
19 you -- took that one, meaning this would clean -- oh, I'm  
20 sorry. Is this still -- this is the San Bernardino line?

21 MS. TRATT: So yes. So we want to look at -- or  
22 excuse me -- yeah, so we still have 240.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. And I'm saying, instead of  
24 making a big -- a sort of a dip into it, making more  
25 irregular shapes, could you grab that -- is that 275, or

1 375? Yes, that one. So even that -- bring the line so  
2 it's more level.

3 MS. TRATT: I will do my best with the census  
4 geography.

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. Grab that 625 -- oh, no, I'm  
6 sorry, I'm sorry. I see what you're doing.

7 MS. TRATT: Is this -- is this what you meant?

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. But then, and then actually,  
9 you see if -- if you were going across, you would have  
10 the 682. And basically I'm trying that ends up, the  
11 finish line being a little more level instead of not --  
12 extremely zigzag. But I see that 625 passed that hook,  
13 was all the way around.

14 MS. TRATT: Yeah. If I can -- I'm happy to -- did  
15 you want me to select this look?

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Not really, because then we're --  
17 we're putting -- we're making it. Or no, no, go ahead,  
18 because we're supposed -- no, we know we only want to now  
19 remove -- yeah, so we're still going -- yeah, we're still  
20 going, and that's in the right direction. And then,  
21 yeah, perfect, throw that in. And then next, go back up  
22 to the -- right, kind of go across that little line.  
23 Oops. It doesn't work easily, does it?

24 MR. DRECHSLER: Too much, too much.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah, too much, too much.

1 MR. DRECHSLER: Let's go back a little bit. You're  
2 close. Nice.

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: There we go, 91. So you know what?  
4 Can you grab also that 16 up in the corner, that little  
5 pocket? Yes. Okay. And then we can clean -- yeah,  
6 great. Sivan, you're on the right track, and I think we  
7 can -- do you want to -- I'm sorry. Commissioner Taylor?  
8 Oh, there we go.

9 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Just note that, note it is a  
10 27 in a 15, that looks like it's part of that housing  
11 track, at least that housing tract will remain the same.  
12 Oh, up, up, up, to the left, to the left, to the left, to  
13 the left. To when you see the --

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh. Yeah, that little piece, too?

15 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Yeah. Yeah.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, thank you, Commissioner  
17 Taylor.

18 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Yeah. Ooh, ah-ah, so --

19 MS. TRATT: Should I continue to clean this up off-  
20 line?

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, please. And that's wonderful.  
22 Thank you very much, Mr. Taylor. And then, can we back  
23 out and see where we are?

24 Commissioner Taylor and Commissioner Ahmad; and  
25 Commissioner Taylor do you have another? No.

1 Commissioner Ahmad.

2 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Thank you. I'm just wondering  
3 if we could, when it's appropriate, to zoom in on the  
4 RIASB, that top-left corner. Is that part of the city  
5 lines? It seems like it goes up. Yeah, that little  
6 strip. Oh, okay. It's part of the city line. Thank  
7 you.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Kennedy?

9 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair. If Sivan  
10 could pull up (audio interference) kind of the entire  
11 region? Thank you. I just want to point out we have  
12 significant negative population numbers in BEAVICAL, in  
13 South Orange County, North San Diego. We've got some  
14 others, I think, and we have very little way to get  
15 additional population to them without disturbing the  
16 districts that we just did. So we really need to be  
17 careful about the sequencing of this so that we don't  
18 lock ourselves into corners that are going to be very  
19 difficult to get out of. Thank you.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. You're absolutely correct,  
21 Commissioner Kennedy. But these are VRA districts which  
22 we need to -- we need to firm up. Commissioner Toledo?

23 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I'm just wondering with that.  
24 It seems the only way to get population at this point,  
25 just looking up the map, to the San Diego area where we

1 need it, and the border would be to shift population  
2 through. And even that -- that would be difficult  
3 because we see a lot of negative through Los Angeles.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Correct.

5 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Or through to Los Angeles,  
6 right, that'd be the only way to get population through,  
7 and that would be impacting Orange County and San Diego.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No. You're absolutely right. And  
9 we basically have -- we only have two ways out of the  
10 situation, and it's through the Morongo pass area or in  
11 through Los Angeles.

12 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: So if we look at how many  
13 people we need, by my number, I'm just trying to --  
14 twenty -- about 26,000 people would have to come through,  
15 if I'm looking at these numbers correctly, and probably a  
16 little bit more than that, actually.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

18 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: And I don't see that in the  
19 Los Angeles -- I don't see that being easy in the Los  
20 Angeles area bringing -- I don't see it being easy  
21 bringing down the population through Los Angeles at this  
22 point.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, I agree.

24 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Not impossible, but it's just,  
25 I think that's going to be a challenge.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

2 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Given the VRA districts in Los  
3 Angeles as well.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Exactly. Well, it's a -- it's a  
5 very good point. And we can stop now and kind of do a  
6 quick overview, but basically, we kind of need to --  
7 like, if we know how much Los Angeles is short or long,  
8 actually looks like how much Los Angeles will be long, we  
9 can leave a little bit that amount, sort of in around the  
10 border in Orange. And move the rest -- leaving the rest  
11 of the negatives, essentially, to be worked down through  
12 the Morongo Valley. Does that make sense?

13 I think it's -- basically, and what we should be  
14 doing now is let's continue to balance that other VRA  
15 district, because that has to be there and has to be set.  
16 And then we will sort of address and adjust -- we might  
17 have even -- Jaime might come through and say, you know,  
18 give us the numbers of how much we need to lead in that  
19 area, how much negative so we don't completely disturb  
20 Los Angeles architecture.

21 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I'm just wondering if we -- if  
22 by doing that we'll be prioritizing one region over the  
23 other, the VRA districts in the Southern California  
24 versus VRA districts in L.A. And I don't -- I'm just  
25 wondering, maybe, perhaps at this time we might want to

1 bring in Jaime and Sivan to help us think through our  
2 options, our viable options. And of course, I'm fine  
3 with moving into the VRA districts, everyone knows that  
4 VRA is very important to all of us, and so.

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah.

6 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: But I just think the more we  
7 don't figure out the population, the more difficult it  
8 will be. We have to have a strategy to bring down  
9 population and as well as fixing, because population is  
10 the number 1 priority. Number 2 is VRA.

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right.

12 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: And so I just worry about not  
13 being in compliance with number 1, getting ourselves, you  
14 know, to a place where we have a bubble and cannot get  
15 out of.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Correct. No, thank you very much,  
17 Commissioner Toledo. I'm going to jump back. Andrew,  
18 jump in on this one?

19 MR. DRECHSLER: Yeah. Thank you, Chair. And maybe  
20 we focus on this VRA district because -- I don't know if  
21 David wants to weigh in on the percentage CVAP, because  
22 we are very close to that fifty percent. And we might  
23 need to do a little work of getting that up to fifty  
24 percent first before we look at anything else, in case  
25 there's any bigger things that we have to do here.

1 MR. BECKER: Okay. I am concerned about this, the  
2 demographic makeup of this district. It is a VRA area.  
3 Not only is Latino percentage below fifty, and relatively  
4 low, the Black percentage is particularly low. There is  
5 some cohesion there, but it doesn't provide much  
6 assistance for Latinos in this district who are protected  
7 under the VRA. I would advise that it would be, if  
8 possible, which again, I don't know the answer to that,  
9 but if possible, I would attempt to get the Latino CVAP  
10 number up somewhat higher.

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. And Commissioner  
12 Kennedy?

13 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair. Just a quick  
14 look, when the map was zoomed out, it looked like from  
15 the -- from the Los Angeles County, Orange County Line,  
16 South and East, we needed something in the neighborhood  
17 of 35- to 38,000 people. That's a lot of people. You  
18 know, we keep looking at neighboring districts, pair-  
19 wise, without looking more broadly.

20 And we really need to be, you know, thinking  
21 strategically and broadly. Yes, we may have to move  
22 population from A to B, but we need to be looking at  
23 whether we need to move population from A to B, and then  
24 from B to C, and then from C to D. And I don't get the  
25 sense that we're doing that adequately. Thank you.



1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. I might jump in here  
2 and say. Yes, you're absolutely right, and what -- and  
3 that's how when we -- when we work with Orange County,  
4 and once we get this, if we do this, the VRA district is  
5 in balance, because we know it has to be there. And we  
6 have to -- and so we have to make our VRAs negative if we  
7 need to, or on this one, make that one set.

8 And then we can do -- have Jaime come in and do the  
9 whole population block for us. And she expresses it very  
10 well, and in terms of how it will be an A, B, C and D,  
11 and there will be an A to B, but back over to C, an F on  
12 the side, there will be that. And that is the time at  
13 that point was when I would like to stop and sort of back  
14 off a little bit, a little bit and talk about how we're  
15 actually going to be moving population from where and to  
16 where. So since it's VRA -- I might ask; Mr. Becker?

17 MR. BECKER: So I just want to say, and this is just  
18 this is a -- this is just a thought that you might want  
19 to consider. I think the challenge is with the  
20 underpopulation down the coast through Orange County, is  
21 a pretty significant challenge to grab that population.  
22 So what I would suggest is, and my advice is that it's  
23 like you're going to have to likely go up into L.A. to  
24 grab that population; so Northwest rather than Northeast  
25 for a variety of reasons, including compactness.

1           So I'd suggest starting here on the Santa Ana  
2 District as was recommended, but after that, going down  
3 South and working up to at least the Orange County line,  
4 getting -- getting that squared away as much as possible  
5 from an equal population perspective.

6           CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you. Commissioner  
7 Akutagawa?

8           COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I was just going to comment  
9 on perhaps some ideas on -- on the Santa Ana District,  
10 but I think whichever way you want to go, Chair.

11          CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you. Commissioner  
12 Sadhwani?

13          COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: I'm sorry. Yeah, I think  
14 it's a quick fix here in Santa Ana, just pulling out that  
15 we've had a ton of COI testimony on this, pulling up that  
16 line and including more South Fullerton, I believe, will  
17 probably help us cross that fifty percent mark. And then  
18 I definitely agree, going back and then -- going back and  
19 working our way upwards from those districts we left in  
20 San Diego means a whole lot.

21          CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right. Commissioner Toledo?

22          COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I support starting at Santa  
23 Ana, then looking for population to bring down from Los  
24 Angeles. So I'd guess, let's just start here.

25          CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. Yes, great point. So could

1 we go ahead and turn on that chart? I believe Sivan  
2 already has. We have the -- so the heat map on the area  
3 and we need -- so Sivan, can you take us over and see  
4 where areas might be that we can grab some population,  
5 lose some population in and increase the Latino CVAP.

6 MS. TRATT: Yeah. I just wanted to confirm that we  
7 are going to make larger changes to this district, and if  
8 so I'm happy to start grabbing some population blocks  
9 from this neighboring district to balance out that 1,000  
10 people.

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. And that's you -- actually,  
12 that's a very good point. Thank you, Sivan. We do need  
13 to -- you know, is this the architecture in -- at least  
14 in this VRA district, that we like, and is there -- or is  
15 it going to be extensive architectural changes in Orange  
16 County?

17 And if so, we really we do need to address that,  
18 because, you know, if we're -- if you're planning on  
19 doing something completely different, and then going back  
20 to the VRA district, like you know, it's different COI.  
21 Well, no, we're taking from one area to another area,  
22 please say so now.

23 Commissioner Akutagawa?

24 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: So some of the COI  
25 testimony we did hear is to take South Fullerton from

1 Chapman going South, and then West of Richmond. And I  
2 believe they I also heard quite a bit of taking out part  
3 of West Orange. So maybe taking that West Orange line in  
4 that Santa Ana District and moving it a little bit more  
5 Westwardly. Right now it's splitting Orange in half, and  
6 the suggestion from the COI testimony we heard was moving  
7 it a little bit more West.

8 They did not state how far West actually, the way  
9 they -- I heard it was to just remove all of West Orange.  
10 But perhaps one way to go about it is to include all of  
11 that South Fullerton area, that is South of Chapman and  
12 move it in.

13 I also want to just note that perhaps I don't know  
14 if it's apparent, if the heat map is on, or if I'm just  
15 looking at it wrong, but it did seem like the very edges  
16 of Placentia along the 57 Freeway that borders Fullerton  
17 also has similar populations to Fullerton, as well as to  
18 that South Fullerton area. So that may also be a place  
19 to help either balance out some additional population to  
20 raise that CVAP.

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay, wonderful. Thank you. And  
22 so should we -- Commissioner Toledo, did you have a  
23 different idea?

24 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: No. I support that idea of  
25 moving the frontline towards closer to the West in

1 Orange. The line -- when I look at the -- if we put on  
2 the heat map, I think -- there seems to be a demarcation  
3 of where the Latino community is, and it's --

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I believe the heat map is on.

5 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Oh, is it?

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

7 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: So I would look at the  
8 Glassell, Glassell Street is what I'm saying, Glassell  
9 Street, and the edges getting -- using that as the  
10 dividing line in Orange.

11 MR. BECKER: May I suggest? It might be easier to  
12 see the Latino CVAP heat map if we take out the color,  
13 the color -- the shading for the cities on this.

14 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah, let's take out the  
15 shading so we can see a little more -- try to see some of  
16 the lighter yellows.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Do we see the --

18 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Glassell Street.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, here it is.

20 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: So if we -- if we go down that  
21 street, I think that may help us with the -- with the  
22 Latino CVAP?

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

24 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: So move the line to the West.  
25 Is that right? To the East, North -- towards the North.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Now, we do need no we do need to  
2 gain population in Santa Ana. Are we saying we're going  
3 to remove populations from here, and add it from  
4 elsewhere?

5 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Did she add that Fullerton  
6 part?

7 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I would add the Fullerton  
8 part, and take out the -- what Commissioner -- I think it  
9 was Sadhwani suggested the Fullerton part.

10 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

11 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: But take out the portion which  
12 is a little bit less, less diverse.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay, right. So could we please  
14 add the Fullerton area, and it was South of Chapman; is  
15 that correct?

16 MS. TRATT: Uh-huh, Chapman.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, South of Chapman, West of  
18 Richmond.

19 MS. TRATT: So the line is at East Chapman up here,  
20 so would you -- you would like me to move the line South,  
21 or have the line be at Chapman, and the district with  
22 everything to the South. So Chapman will be the Northern  
23 border.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I believe it -- yeah, Chapman is  
25 the Northern border of the Santa Ana, correct? We're

1 adding -- we're grabbing.

2 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. So what I -- what I  
3 heard is to take that entire portion up to the Buena Park  
4 line. So they said, take, bring in the remainder of  
5 South Fullerton to the Santa Ana District, so they  
6 said -- what I heard on the various COI testimonies, was  
7 everything South of Chapman, up to the Buena Park line so  
8 that in the remainder of South Fullerton.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

10 MS. TRATT: One moment, please. So let me continue  
11 removing population, thank you for your patience,  
12 everyone.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. Thank you, Sivan. And  
14 we'll, of course, have to see the deviation box please.  
15 Thank you.

16 TRATT: So that would add -- or excuse me, so adding  
17 the population selected in red to the Santa Ana district  
18 would mean that it needs to add 3,795 people, and Latino  
19 CVAP would be at 50.01.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Sivan, you have an area that's  
21 already in it marked.

22 MS. TRATT: Oh. You are correct. I don't know how  
23 that got marked too. Okay. Yes, so we would need a  
24 little bit more. Well, and thank you for catching that.  
25 Sorry about that. Should I go ahead and start with this

1 alteration.

2 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Sure, real quick. We have  
3 a problem similar to yesterday with the naming. The  
4 SANANAANA is what is known as SEALBREA (ph.) on the map  
5 viewer.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh.

7 MS. TRATT: So staff was supposed to change those  
8 names to match. If that didn't happen, I can go ahead  
9 and change that name quickly for the public, if someone  
10 could confirm whether or not it matches on the district  
11 viewer now.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. And we need to make sure  
13 it's the same for the Shapefile as well.

14 MS. TRATT: It is. That was confirmed, it was just  
15 the names that were different.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: The names are -- so is this the  
17 short name and the long name? Or is that a different  
18 issue?

19 MS. TRATT: So yes, it's --

20 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: It's known as SEALBREA, so  
21 all of the material that we has the SANANAANA, but  
22 apparently on a -- and the map viewer has it, so we need  
23 to make sure the map viewer matches what our PDFs --

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Correct.

25 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- and draft, say. So if



1 someone --

2 MS. TRATT: Okay. So the map viewer is still  
3 displaying it as saying SEALBREA?

4 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yes.

5 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I'm looking at it right now,  
6 and it's saying SANANAANA.

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Let's refresh. And can I get a --  
8 so do we need -- do we need to pause. We're getting a --  
9 that the public -- getting calls from the public?

10 We are going to take a five-minute break here,  
11 please, and work this out.

12 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Now, it's showing up as  
13 SANANAANA, but yesterday we were getting calls SEALBREA,  
14 which is now the SANANAANA.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, that was -- we did have that  
16 problem. And I was under the impression that had been  
17 fixed. And so we're getting the -- that it is fixed now?  
18 Okay, great. Thank you very much.

19 Okay, sorry. We're back. We didn't actually leave.  
20 So Sivan, so at this point we are.

21 MS. TRATT: Yeah, so at this point, we're still  
22 needing 33,820 people in the -- oh excuse me, sorry. The  
23 names are --

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah, they're too similar, that the  
25 agreement, which is tough.

1 MS. TRATT: Yes, they're -- which is, yeah -- so  
2 yes, we would be 36,184 people over deviation, and those  
3 were the CVAP, yeah.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right, so we had way too much,  
5 right. So okay, yes, we only need to add 1,215, correct?

6 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes.

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So we need to get rid of quite a  
8 bit of that -- unless we do this, and then we'll be doing  
9 something else, and we --

10 MS. TRATT: Yeah. I thought that we were adding  
11 this to take away population in a different area. That  
12 was my understanding.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Where was that?

14 MS. TRATT: In the City of Orange.

15 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: In the City of Orange, yes.  
16 Thank you.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Is that the area that's all -- on  
18 the left is that -- are those the city lines for Buena  
19 Park?

20 MS. TRATT: Yes.

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right. Thank you. Okay. So  
22 we're accepting this and now we're moving to?

23 MS. TRATT: Now, we're moving to the City of Orange.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: And taking out 36,000.

25 MS. TRATT: I was under the impression that

1 Commissioners wanted to move the lines to a specific  
2 road, or are we just trying to balance at this point?

3 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I think we're trying to move  
4 the line towards the -- on my screen it looks -- it's  
5 left, but it was towards the City of --

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: West.

7 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- towards West, towards  
8 Garden Grove, yes. Thank you.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: But we'd like to sort of move the  
10 entire line; is that correct?

11 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yes. The entire line in  
12 Orange towards the West, and that which had population  
13 also improves Latino CVAP.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right. Yes, so Sivan, if we could,  
15 you know, take a thin sliver, and then to move, because  
16 otherwise, a lot of people. This is already way more  
17 than -- or we're going to try to move the whole --

18 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I would also suggest maybe  
19 taking in Children's Hospital as well too.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: But moving Children's Hospital back  
21 into Tustin?

22 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes, yes, so moving it out of  
23 the Santa Ana District.

24 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Okay, now we're saying  
25 (indiscernible, simultaneous speech) --

1 MS. TRATT: So that would require taking all of this  
2 population as well, because the line is down here for the  
3 border.

4 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I think at this point we just  
5 need to start looking -- looking at, with just balancing  
6 population. So let's just go towards the left, let's  
7 just keep going until we hit the number that we need.

8 MS. TRATT: Okay. So at this point -- okay. Thank  
9 you.

10 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you.

11 MS. TRATT: So I'm going to do that, I'm going to  
12 walk back that selection that I made. Or is that the  
13 direction of the Commission?

14 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yes.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No, that's the direction.

16 MS. TRATT: Okay. Thank you.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. Yeah. You're doing great.

18 MR. DRECHSLER: Sivan, I think you --

19 MS. TRATT: Yeah.

20 MR. DRECHSLER: Okay.

21 MS. TRATT: Sorry, I keep my eyes are starting to --  
22 okay.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So you actually need -- yeah,  
24 right, need a bit more of that area?

25 MS. TRATT: Yeah.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So can we walk the lines --

2 MS. TRATT: So this is the city border of Orange.

3 Oops --

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I can't tell where the city border  
5 is.

6 MS. TRATT: Yeah, I just also turned the shading  
7 off, so I think it's great here.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, yes.

9 MS. TRATT: Should I extend -- continue extending  
10 South into Santa Ana, or is that --

11 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Sivan, no. Just stay in  
12 Orange and now just move Westward and take in some of  
13 that -- the City of Orange, the Southern border. But if  
14 you're capturing parts of Santa Ana, that defeats the  
15 purpose, too.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah -- no, no. Right now she's  
17 just going to the -- to the border of Orange.

18 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, stay in Orange.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, that's tricky.

20 MS. TRATT: I can -- I'll turn it back.

21 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Now, then you go, go up.

22 MS. TRATT: So continue along North?

23 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, is it -- do you want  
24 to just do a little bit of that line.

25 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Sivan, I'm sorry. Before you

1 do that, too, could you show the university, the Chapman  
2 University is just a little bit above that Southern area  
3 that you just took in, and I just want to see where it is  
4 in the context of what you've taken in.

5 And Commissioner Sadhwani, I think, knows this  
6 university area, I think you taught at Chapman, and so  
7 maybe you might have an opinion about that area.

8 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: No. I've never, I've never  
9 taught there actually. I have friends who have though,  
10 but I have not myself.

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I was just thinking that Chapman is  
12 better off going towards the Yorba, Linda, Tustin area.

13 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, I could see that, but  
14 I think maybe one can -- am I reading this correctly?  
15 That as we're making these changes, the Latino CVAP has  
16 not boosted? So I think that that needs to be the key  
17 piece that we are --

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: It does.

19 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- thinking about when  
20 we're -- when we're making these changes is trying to  
21 improve that.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah, we've -- we've got a lot of  
23 people.

24 MS. TRATT: Should I accept this change and look  
25 elsewhere? Or continue adding population?

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, the idea was to move, move  
2 the entire line, West.

3 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So I'd sort of go up the line  
5 taking little bits.

6 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Uh-huh.

7 MS. TRATT: Okay, so continue North to 50.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Correct. Continue, yes continue --  
9 well, with the little tab that's going North, make that a  
10 wider tab.

11 MS. TRATT: Okay.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So pick things as you -- pick  
13 things as you're going up. Maybe just from that, yeah,  
14 where it's free, you can still have a straight line.  
15 We're getting very close. Oops, one too far, and then  
16 that to 50.7, versus it was forty-nine.

17 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: If we can take out the bottom  
18 that we put in, and just keep going left instead of this  
19 Southern red.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

21 MS. TRATT: Take out which portion? Take out this  
22 portion here?

23 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah, take out that portion,  
24 instead, keep going West.

25 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, I could see leaving

1 the Children's Hospital area with the -- within the VRA  
2 district, and instead just taking a longer piece.

3 MS. TRATT: This looks like it's at Main Street.

4 Should I continue walking the line back?

5 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I would walk it --

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

7 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- all the way back and  
8 then -- and then you could --

9 MS. TRATT: All the way back?

10 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah.

11 MS. TRATT: Okay.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah.

13 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: And what was the street name  
14 that you were -- Commissioner Toledo, that you were  
15 saying?

16 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I think it was Glass --

17 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Glassell?

18 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Glassell, thank you.

19 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: It's (indiscernible,  
20 simultaneous speech) --

21 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I wanted to pronounce it  
22 correctly.

23 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Oh, right. Yeah.

24 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: If you could just bring it to  
25 Glassell and see where we are with population.



1 MS. TRATT: Thank you. So continue North along  
2 Glassell?

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

4 MS. TRATT: Okay.

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Correct.

6 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: We have three people. We're  
7 at a percentage, fifty/fifty.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh. There we go, three. And did  
9 we -- 50.54 it was -- it's gone up.

10 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: What's the African-American  
11 CVAP, the Black CVAP?

12 MS. TRATT: 2.74 percent.

13 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Did that go up as well?

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: That did. From 2.64, that also  
15 went up.

16 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: So that's fifty.

17 MR. DRECHSLER: Yeah. We started with Latino CVAP  
18 at 49.87, so with these changes, it increased just almost  
19 0.7, and then we started -- the Black CVAP was 2.58, and  
20 now we're at 2.74. So we accomplished a lot with what we  
21 wanted to do as balance, and get this district over fifty  
22 percent.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay, we in general agreement, to  
24 accept this change? I've seeing some head nods, very  
25 positive. Any noes?. The positives have it.

1 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: We have general consensus.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Now, are we happy with this? We're  
3 down to three people, or --

4 MS. TRATT: Does Mr. Becker want to comment on the  
5 Latino CVAP as it is currently?

6 MR. BECKER: I think it was a nice job getting it to  
7 where it is. I would definitely not want to go lower  
8 from here. This is probably on the lower end. But given  
9 the overall percentages, you've probably done a nice job  
10 of achieving compliance with the Voting Rights Act to the  
11 degree possible here.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right. So then we have this  
13 one.

14 MS. TRATT: Can I --

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: We have this one done. Sivan, you  
16 can click up the -- move those two people -- well, three  
17 people, or you know from two to four people, please.

18 MS. TRATT: Yes.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: At the time -- great. And what  
20 time do you have?

21 MS. TRATT: 2.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Our next break is at?

23 MR. MANOFF: 2:17, Chair.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: 2:17. Thank you. So in this --  
25 let's, since we were all talking about this before -- oh,

1 I'm sorry. We have a lot of hands.

2 Commissioner Toledo?

3 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I'll defer.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Commissioner Sadhwani?

5 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Oh. I had raised it quite a  
6 while ago -- a while ago you had asked if people had  
7 architectural changes in Orange County, and I just wanted  
8 to lift up that I do.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

10 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: There's the COI of Irvine,  
11 Costa Mesa, Tustin, that I'd really like to attempt to  
12 try and get back together in this map. I think we  
13 certainly need to go and work on the population  
14 deviations. But I just wanted a name that, so that we  
15 can have that on the table as something to discuss.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. So thank you. Actually,  
17 yes, let's get all of the architectural changes that  
18 people would like and -- because it really doesn't do us  
19 any good to do any balancing until we sort of have a  
20 general, where things want to be with the general -- you  
21 know, within the general population.

22 So Commissioner Sinay?

23 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Mine is the same as  
24 Commissioner Sadhwani. You had asked about architectural  
25 changes, and then you all dived in to balancing the VRA

1 districts.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay, great. Thank you. So it's  
3 a -- and Commissioner Turner?

4 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Thank you, Chair. I just,  
5 from a process question -- standpoint, wanted to question  
6 the opportunity. When we worked a little bit around the  
7 Chapman area, and then the college there, et cetera, it  
8 seemed like a lot of that was work that was done when we  
9 were working on Assembly district as well.

10 I understand the different sides, I understand they  
11 don't have to nest, but where we can utilize work we've  
12 done in the Assembly to begin a change in the work that  
13 we're doing now for the Congressional district would  
14 be -- may be helpful. So we don't have to go back and  
15 say: Is it this line? Is it this line? Maybe that can  
16 kind of direct us.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Turner.  
18 That's a very handy idea. And I believe Sivan has put  
19 the Assembly maps -- lines on our -- on here so we could  
20 see what's what. So can you -- could you zoom out just a  
21 little bit, please, Sivan?

22 MS. TRATT: Do Commissioners still want the Latino  
23 heat map on? Or can I turn it off? And would they like  
24 the colors in the cities back on?

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, please. But right now, we're

1 trying to decide the -- if there are architectural  
2 changes and where -- where we're going here. So yes, I  
3 think that the colors of the cities, really does help.  
4 Okay. So at this point we have, here's our negative  
5 19,000 people, and the other area in Orange County.

6 At this time, I'd say let's work on just the  
7 architectural changes here, realizing that it will keep  
8 those areas that we kind of come up with, try to keep  
9 those reasonable, but we're not going to try to clear  
10 anything in this area.

11 Does that sound appropriate? Any yeses? Because  
12 once we try to balance everything it's much easier if we  
13 like the architecture, we can't really do both. So we  
14 have to do one at a time. Okay.

15 Commissioner Akutagawa?

16 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. I think -- a thought  
17 I have is, let's try to -- I'd like to fix Irvine. Once  
18 we, perhaps, can look at a tentative plan to, perhaps,  
19 unite them. My suggestion is that maybe we go back to  
20 the Inland Empire because my thought is, since there's  
21 going to be maybe limited pass to ensure that we could  
22 create balanced districts that get to the zero, or plus  
23 or minus one.

24 Then as we move into that, I suspect that we're  
25 going to have impacts to that North OC area, potentially,

1 which can then also impact other parts of Orange County.  
2 And then, you know, as much as, you know, I feel like I  
3 tried to see if we could have a path to a coastal  
4 district, I think right now we just have to see what all  
5 these other changes are going to bring about before we  
6 could figure out those kinds of areas. And then, you  
7 know, what the impacts to the borders with L.A.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Yes, David Becker?

9 MR. BECKER: Yeah. I'd just strongly advise you to  
10 stay on the coastal districts and equalize the  
11 populations there. If you don't have anywhere else to  
12 go, you can't find population in the Pacific, so I  
13 strongly advise that there's a significant population  
14 issue going up the coast that's going to be very  
15 difficult to resolve. And if you start somewhere else,  
16 you're likely to find yourself with a cascading, rippling  
17 problem that you can't fix.

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Correct. So now at this point what  
19 we could do -- sorry.

20 Commissioner Toledo?

21 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I was going to -- I was going  
22 to say the same thing that Mr. Becker did. I think we  
23 just need a strategy for how do we populate the coastal  
24 areas that need population in the areas, and especially  
25 in San Diego --

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Correct.

2 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- that need population across  
3 Orange County. And the only way to do that, from my  
4 perspective, looking at this, would be by pushing  
5 population down from Los Angeles, at this point, if we're  
6 keeping this kind of architectural --

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right.

8 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- move. So I mean, at this  
9 point, we just need to come up with a strategy, what's  
10 our strategy? And to get to the first priority, being  
11 equal population, and then --

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Correct.

13 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: And then VRA, then you know --  
14 then the others. But the COI, and the communities,  
15 keeping communities whole is at number 4.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right. Okay. Then I think the  
17 roles of being a, that's right -- Commissioner Turner,  
18 Did you want to say something else.

19 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Uh-huh. I did.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

21 COMMISSIONER TURNER: I just wanted to, because  
22 we're thinking about how to do this, and we've received  
23 testimony that is making suggestions. So I just wanted  
24 to read it, and we can have that in the back of our minds  
25 as to something, whether it will or will not work, but at

1 least let's -- let it be stated out loud.

2       So for this one from Coalition Members, and they're  
3 responding to the Congressional draft maps that we had  
4 and showing appreciation for Orange County, with the  
5 exception being the division of Irvine. They said, "To  
6 address this problem, the alliance is recommending the  
7 attached fix, which brings the portion of Irvine North of  
8 the I -- North of 5 Freeway, into district NOCCOAST,  
9 unifying the City of Irvine, drawing it together with  
10 Costa Mesa.

11       "It achieves population balance by shifting South  
12 County population between districts, Inland OC, NOCCOAST  
13 and SOCNSD. This fix also includes adjustments to the  
14 Federal Voting Rights Act district in and around Santa  
15 Ana, which brings in the portion of South Fullerton,  
16 South of Chapman; and West of Richmond Avenue to increase  
17 the district's Latinx CVAP to above the fifty percent."

18       So that's a shift, but it's kind of how they're  
19 thinking about moving things to impact the coast that  
20 will bring Irvine together.

21       MR. BECKER: I think you're on mute, Madam Chair.

22       CHAIR ANDERSEN: Sorry. Thank you. Thank you for  
23 reading that, Commissioner Turner.

24       And Mr. Becker?

25       MR. BECKER: What I'd suggest I think it was good



1 that that was read out. I think some of those changes  
2 were just made in the attention that we just paid to the  
3 Santa Ana district. I'd suggest really focusing on  
4 SOCNSD right now, getting that up to population.

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Correct.

6 MR. BECKER: And then keeping in mind the good  
7 direction on Irvine that we can then address when we get  
8 up that that far North. But yes, we have to start down  
9 at the Southernmost place right now, in order to equalize  
10 population, because there's literally no place to go here  
11 except North.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Yes, that's correct. And we  
13 have about fifteen minutes to work on this, and then it's  
14 time for a break and we might -- actually it's time for  
15 lunch, sorry. And we will have, when we get back, we'll  
16 have some Jaime sort of give us -- help us walk through  
17 in terms of looking at the entire population, and you  
18 know, where we should leave some so we could use it in  
19 certain areas, and where other areas will stay. So okay,  
20 I wasn't --

21 MS. TRATT: Chair?

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

23 MS. TRATT: I just had a suggestion. If  
24 Commissioners are generally happy with the configuration  
25 of this district and didn't want to make too many tweaks,

1 but just balance the population, it would roughly equal  
2 out if the split in Laguna Niguel was removed, and all of  
3 Rancho Santa Margarita was added back in, just as like a  
4 minor tweak. Otherwise, if you wanted to pull more  
5 population from the OCSBLA District, that's 30,000 over,  
6 that would be another option to exclusively pull from  
7 there.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. And I'm seeing some -- a  
9 couple of nods. Commissioner Akutagawa?

10 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Just, at first I -- Sivan,  
11 can I just ask you a question? If you were to, instead  
12 of taking Laguna Niguel because I know that there are  
13 semi-coastal districts, and what, besides Rancho Santa  
14 Margarita, would it then entail of splitting Mission  
15 Viejo -- I can't see the numbers that clearly from either  
16 screens, for it --

17 MS. TRATT: As I had worked it out, Mission Viejo  
18 was not touched. But I can put up whatever you're  
19 envisioning on the board so everyone can see it.

20 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I think what I was just  
21 thinking is that --

22 MS. TRATT: That was the idea.

23 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- taking in more --  
24 keeping it more Inland OC, instead of taking Laguna  
25 Niguel, that's just -- I'm just asking that. Otherwise,

1 I would agree with your suggestion.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Sadhwani?

3 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, I was going to -- I  
4 think Sivan makes a great point, because Laguna Niguel  
5 and Rancho Santa Margarita are already in this district.  
6 It's just that the cities are cut. So this is an  
7 opportunity to both balance the -- hopefully get really  
8 close to balancing the districts, and keep them more  
9 whole. So to me, this seems like a really, a really  
10 reasonable and great suggestion because they're already  
11 in the district.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. It's Commissioner Akutagawa?

13 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I would still say in the  
14 coastal area, it would just be a slightly different  
15 coastal area. It would not be in the coastal area of San  
16 Diego proper, but partially.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So it looks -- should we have a  
18 look at that? If we want to take the Rancho --

19 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- just go --

21 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I think you should just  
22 ahead and go with it.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

24 MS. TRATT: Okay, perfect. Yeah, so to play, to  
25 play out this situation, I'll have to add this population

1 and then I'll -- and then I'll remove the rest.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Please.

3 MS. TRATT: Okay, perfect. One moment, please. So  
4 it wasn't -- it doesn't perfectly balance, but it gets us  
5 a lot closer and (indiscernible, simultaneous speech) --

6 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I thought you were adding  
7 Laguna -- I thought you were adding Laguna Niguel to the  
8 OCNSD one, not removing population because you need to  
9 add population to SOCNSD.

10 MS. TRATT: So what I did was I reunited the City of  
11 Rancho Santa Margarita, and now I'm removing the split  
12 portions of Laguna Niguel, and Laguna Hills.

13 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: But you're putting that into  
14 the -- you're taking more out of it SOCNCD -- SD. So  
15 what works -- what --

16 MS. TRATT: Right, because now they have 24,000  
17 people. I can't add and take away from a district at the  
18 same time, so I needed to accept one change in order to  
19 make a second change. But if this swap is completed,  
20 then SOCNSD will only need 2,405 people --

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, I'm sorry. Okay.

22 MS. TRATT: Sorry, I'm looking at the wrong one.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I thought --

24 MS. TRATT: -- versus the 19,000 people that it  
25 needed originally.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I thought that was just for the 1st  
2 one, so.

3 MS. TRATT: Yes.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Please do that.

5 MS. TRATT: Are -- is everyone on the -- are we on  
6 the same page?

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

8 MS. TRATT: Okay, so I'm going to go ahead and  
9 accept this. And just clear this up a little bit.

10 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Mr. Drechsler?

11 MR. DRECHSLER: Yes. And as we -- and I think by  
12 doing this, we don't have any more city splits in this  
13 area. So to gain the remaining 2,539, we would need a  
14 suggestion of where we should split one of these  
15 communities.

16 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Can you go up into Trabuco  
17 Canyon?

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: And is there any population in the  
19 empty forested region? Thirty-one people. No, forty-  
20 one -- forty-four.

21 MS. TRATT: Probably not enough to get us to where  
22 we want to be quickly.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No, certainly can't.

24 MS. TRATT: I can probably add all of Trabuco Canyon  
25 in; should I go ahead and add the whole city?

1 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Can I also suggest, just  
2 for contiguity, can you just add in the entirety of that  
3 Cleveland National Forest, so it's all in one district?

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Akutagawa.

5 MS. TRATT: So you would --

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No.

7 MS. TRATT: You would like for all of this to be --

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: We're looking for 2,000 people.

9 MS. TRATT: So this would mean that they're all --  
10 they would all be in the district with Northern San Diego  
11 County. So you still wanted to make that selection?

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No. I don't need all that. No.  
13 It's just that one out of triangular area. So we don't  
14 have the big dip into -- essentially it'll move that line  
15 up. Yes.

16 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: And I think if you actually  
17 move up into Silverado, Williams Canyon, and Modjeska,  
18 you may be able to pick up the additional thousand that  
19 you might need.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Wait. Sorry.

21 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: So we want to take the --

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Sadhwani?

23 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. I just wanted to  
24 remind us of the conversation we had yesterday about the  
25 same district, but on the San Diego side. So we had

1 looked at the possibility of putting Escondido in. And  
2 we didn't because we said this is a more coastal district  
3 in nature. When we said we were going to include all of  
4 Rancho Santa Margarita, that made sense to me because  
5 that city's already in the District or portion of it was  
6 already in the District.

7 Here if we're starting to grab more, my preference  
8 would actually be to grab more from Laguna Niguel because  
9 I think it's still closer to that coastal piece. And  
10 remember, this is going down to Oceanside and other  
11 areas. I'm just trying to think about, like, what makes  
12 sense in terms of the interests of the people that we're  
13 pairing together. We've heard a lot actually from these  
14 areas that their bigger concerns are fires in the in the  
15 hills. And so my sense is actually taking more from  
16 Laguna Niguel might make more sense if this is a more  
17 coastal based district.

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: And Commissioner Ahmad?

19 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Thank you, Chair. I had the  
20 same thought, but from the population perspective, so  
21 OCSBLA is already underpopulated and we would be pulling  
22 more out. However, North coast, which is where Laguna  
23 Niguel currently sits, is overpopulated. So we can  
24 perhaps address two concerns with one move.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: And yes, Commissioner Akutagawa,

1 you agree with that one?

2 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Well, there's two options.  
3 One, I know that the -- those cities, based on the  
4 testimony that I've seen, do consider themselves part of  
5 the larger South OC area. Another option is to remove  
6 all of Irvine and put it into that OCSBLA, which is what  
7 they did describe themselves as wanting to be, not  
8 wanting to be part of the coastal district, whereas  
9 Laguna Niguel wants to be part of the Orange County  
10 coast, not the San Diego coast.

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

12 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: And also, you do have  
13 options to take at some point, I believe it includes  
14 Chino Hills perhaps taking more of Chino at the top part  
15 for the OCSBLA.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. So you're saying you  
17 don't -- you already have an area where you want the  
18 21,000 and the North coast, you already -- that's your  
19 Irvine Costa Mesa change. You want to grab that and put  
20 it up into OC -- yes, OC -- is that correct?

21 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: My thought is, can we fix  
22 this OCNSD first. And my -- to me, this is the simpler  
23 solution because I think it gets us closer to the  
24 standard deviation versus splitting Laguna Niguel again.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. But we still need 2,000



1 people from SO -- into the Southern -- you know, Southern  
2 OC, Northern San Diego, so. And we know that that's a  
3 lot more than 2,000 people. Right? I see what you're  
4 saying. So sorry, Andrew, I'm going to jump over or --  
5 Commissioner Sadhwani, do you have a --

6 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Well, I think this is a  
7 matter of priorities here, right. So we did create a  
8 coastal district in the Assembly district. I do not -- I  
9 hear that testimony, I'm just not certain it's going to  
10 happen in the Congressional map. I mean, I'm happy to  
11 explore a little bit, but it's not in the current  
12 architecture. So I'm just not -- I don't see that path  
13 forward, given what we're working with right now. That  
14 being said, I mean, we had the same conversation  
15 yesterday around Escondido in in San Diego, and we said  
16 this is a more coastal oriented district. But to me,  
17 another alternative could be taking removing Rancho Santa  
18 Margarita and swapping it for most of Laguna Niguel,  
19 potentially, so that those areas that are more coastal in  
20 nature could stay together. I don't think that we can  
21 achieve all of the different goals here. I hear many  
22 people mentioning Irvine as a priority and keeping that  
23 COI that we've heard a whole lot about of Irvine, Costa  
24 Mesa. I'm just not sure, Commissioner Akutagawa, that  
25 we're going to be able to get all of the other all of the

1 other priorities that you're mentioning and have them  
2 reflected in this map. But that being said, we've said  
3 from the get go, right, that share the pain is a piece,  
4 right? And we were able to accomplish it in the Assembly  
5 map.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. So right now -- well,  
7 actually, Commissioner Sinay, very conflicting ideas  
8 here.

9 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah, I am -- you know, I  
10 was -- I really wanted -- I really thought -- okay.  
11 Escondido yesterday was not put in either of its  
12 requested COIs. And we all said that this was the reason  
13 why, was because we were creating a coastal district. So  
14 I don't think what happened yesterday is necessarily  
15 appropriate if we're not following through. And --

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

17 COMMISSIONER SINAY: And I just want to see -- the  
18 pairings aren't making sense --

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, correct.

20 COMMISSIONER SINAY: -- as we're going up higher  
21 into the hills.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Got it. Thank you very much. And  
23 Commissioner Fornaciari? Commissioner Fornaciari?

24 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Kristian turned my mic  
25 off. Sending me a message, I guess.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. We got two minutes, so  
2 that's what the message was.

3 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah, I guess I'm kind of  
4 in support of the direction that Commissioner Sadhwani  
5 and Sinay were going. And I'm wondering if we could --  
6 if you could zoom back in. I can't see the names of the  
7 towns. I mean, you know, perhaps -- okay, now I can't  
8 see the name of the town I really want to see right next  
9 to Rancho Santa Mar -- if we kind of swap Rancho Santa  
10 Margarita and Coto de Caza for Laguna Niguel, that would  
11 probably get us pretty close. If that makes sense, I'm  
12 not familiar with the area.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Akutagawa?

14 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I was just looking just  
15 double-check the COI testimony because it's -- with South  
16 OC, they see themselves as more South OC. But if that  
17 makes it easier, then yeah, let's go ahead and go with  
18 that. Just to make it -- yeah, just to make it a clean  
19 swap.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right. And what is that  
21 little, that -- yeah, that thin one around five. Is that  
22 also -- yes, that area, yeah. That'll be very close.  
23 Okay, let's try that. And then add the Laguna Niguel.

24 MS. TRATT: So with that swap, you would only need  
25 845 more people in SOCNSD.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: That's pretty good. And now we're  
2 on the -- we're on lunch. Unless does someone have a  
3 quick --

4 MS. TRATT: Yeah.

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- 845 people, they want to do? I  
6 see Commissioner Sadhwani and -- actually the three  
7 different hands. Quick.

8 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Quick. It looks like Mission  
9 Viejo might have a little split in it. And I'm wondering  
10 if we start backing that line closer to Las Flores, if  
11 that might get us closer to that 800. Is that correct?  
12 Is that line here, Mission Viejo?

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Is that -- yeah, is that little bit  
14 between Las Flores and Ladera Ranch. That other -- is  
15 that part of Mission Viejo?

16 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Or is it unincorporated,  
17 maybe? But I would maybe say --

18 MS. TRATT: So you're talking about this part right  
19 here.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah.

21 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah.

22 MS. TRATT: This looks like it's unincorporated.  
23 Can I pull from there?

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: There's also a little piece right  
25 above Laguna Niguel too.

1 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: This piece.

2 MR. DRECHSLER: Yeah.

3 MS. TRATT: This is in Mission Viejo, it looks like.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. So the -- does the  
5 unincorporated have any people?

6 MS. TRATT: So this is the unincorporated, this is  
7 part of Mission Viejo. So I can remove that split in the  
8 OCSB district, if you would like?

9 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, we're just trying to  
10 balance the population.

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah, we're just trying to balance  
12 population here and we're just trying to get 845 people.

13 MS. TRATT: So this area that you're talking about  
14 here is already in the District, so.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, yes, yes. Yes.

16 MS. TRATT: So yeah, we could grab some population  
17 from this unincorporated area here, potentially.

18 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Sivan, is there any  
19 population in that Cleveland National Forest because the  
20 other unincorporated area is basically wilderness there  
21 too.

22 MS. TRATT: So there is not a significant population  
23 up here, no.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, we only need 845 people. Or  
25 are there only like hundred.

1 MS. TRATT: If I can accept this --

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Because that's -- no, you're right.

3 That's --

4 MS. TRATT: -- I can put other (indiscernible).

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. Please accept that. And  
6 then, now we are into our lunch period everybody. We're  
7 trying to stick to it so we can get as much linework  
8 done. So 2:15 to 2:45. So I think we're going to hold  
9 right there and then we're going to come back to this  
10 after lunch.

11 MR. MANOFF: All right.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So Kristian, are we -- we're  
13 breaking now?

14 MR. MANOFF: You're at break, Chair. So I had  
15 return time at 3 o'clock. Did you want to try to get  
16 back before then? Maybe at 2:50.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, okay, I have it as 2:45.

18 MR. MANOFF: What would you like to do?

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well --

20 MR. MANOFF: We are breaking == we are breaking  
21 late, so.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah, a couple of minutes late.  
23 Yes. Well, let's go ahead and have at least have half an  
24 hour. So it's 2:20, so 2:50?

25 MR. MANOFF: 2:50, sounds good, Chair. Thank you.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay, thank you.

2 (Whereupon, a recess was held from 2:18 p.m.  
3 until 2:51 p.m.)

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Welcome back, California, to the  
5 California Citizen's Redistricting Commission. We are  
6 having a wonderful meeting today, we're getting lots done  
7 and we're working on the Congressional districts. At  
8 this time, we might have Sivan do just a little wrap up  
9 of where we are. And then we might delve into the issue  
10 of all the large populations where they're shifting from  
11 and to. So if you could just kind of give us where we  
12 are, what we've kind of accomplished, what's balanced,  
13 that sort of thing, please.

14 MS. TRATT: Yeah. Thank you so much, Chair. So  
15 we're still looking for 845 people to add into the South  
16 Orange County, North San Diego County district.  
17 Unfortunately, there isn't a lot of population in these  
18 unincorporated areas between cities. So we will likely  
19 have to create a city split in order to most effectively  
20 balance out this district.

21 Based on the direction that the Commission is  
22 heading in or was heading in with kind of keeping coastal  
23 cities, perhaps a split in Laguna Beach, but I will leave  
24 that to the discretion of the Commission.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: And so I see we have Commissioner

1 Akutagawa.

2 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I would prefer to see about  
3 taking that little bit of Mission Viejo, since you  
4 already have Ladera Ranch and Laguna Niguel; and then  
5 that way then it just keeps it all kind of a little bit  
6 more compact.

7 MS. TRATT: Are you talking about this this portion  
8 of the --

9 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yes. It seems like you're  
10 only looking for just a little bit more population,  
11 right?

12 MS. TRATT: 845 people.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Toledo?

14 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah, I think that's a great  
15 suggestion. It keeps the District as compact as we can,  
16 and it's only -- it's less than 1,000 people. Thank you.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right. So could you let us see  
18 what that would look like, please?

19 MS. TRATT: Yes, one moment, please, while I select  
20 that area. So I can clean this up later, but we're at  
21 forty-six people over. Should I continue to do this  
22 live, or would the Commission feel comfortable with me  
23 doing this off-line?

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, I think what we could do  
25 right now is you could do this and balance the others and



1 we might actually ask our wonderful mapper, Jaime, to  
2 come in and let's step back and sort of do a whole  
3 discussion about the population.

4 If Jaime is available? That's just all it is?

5 MS. TRATT: And did you want me to stop sharing  
6 screen so you can share screen?

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, go ahead and just -- I'm  
8 sorry, go ahead.

9 MS. CLARK: At this point, I'm -- what's on my map  
10 is the draft, so it wouldn't reflect the changes that  
11 you've made. So you know, I think that Sivan, you could  
12 if you would just zoom out a little bit and we can kind  
13 of look at the big picture. So with the draft kind of  
14 like from where you're working right now in the draft  
15 Orange -- the districts that are in Orange County for the  
16 NORCOAST, the Santa Ana district, OCSBLA, SANANAANA,  
17 those districts are under populated by a little over  
18 10,000 people. I think it might have been 12 or 1,300  
19 people. And I know that you just pulled the population  
20 up from the SOCNSD district, that population I think was  
21 about 40,000 people.

22 So at this point, basically, if you wish, then, you  
23 know, basically the VRA districts are highlighted there  
24 and also SP710, which is kind of Carson and some of those  
25 gateway cities is also a VRA district. So at this point,

1 if you wanted to do big changes including, you know,  
2 pulling 50,000 people from Los Angeles, then you could go  
3 through that LB North District. Or if you kind of  
4 rotated in a clockwise direction through Orange County  
5 and then get to the BEAVICAL district, and then you would  
6 rotate through there and move population North in between  
7 the Riv-More-Per (ph.) district and SECA.

8       So those are -- that's -- those are ways to  
9 accomplish this without touching your VRA districts, so  
10 you would be safe and fine in that perspective. And then  
11 when we get to LA, we'll start balancing population there  
12 and then we can move population further North from there.  
13 The population discrepancy between Sivan's area and L.A.,  
14 you could have it kind of neat in the middle in the high  
15 desert area. And that is one way that then the  
16 population will be able to kind of flow from North to  
17 South. And that's just a big picture overview.

18       CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay, thank you. I have -- I think  
19 a couple of Mr. Becker has a few things to say. And then  
20 we'll push it for assuring.

21       MR. BECKER: I have a very quick thing to say. My  
22 very rough math suggests that the net population  
23 deviation between the three districts, No Coast, OCSBLA,  
24 and BEAVICAL, which I believe are all adjacent to each  
25 other. That net population deviation is pretty darn

1 close to zero. It's probably 1,000 or 2,000 off; Jaime,  
2 am I wrong?

3 MS. CLARK: There's a label that is not appearing on  
4 the screen right now. And when we were looking at it  
5 with Sivan, the Savanna Ana is also significantly  
6 underpopulated.

7 MR. BECKER: Hold on, let me --

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So would we -- yes, yes.

9 MS. CLARK: So it would be rippling population  
10 through all of those, balancing them as you go, moving in  
11 to BEAVICAL, and then to balance that population pulling  
12 population from the MORCOA district.

13 MR. BECKER: Well, wait, wait. But before we go  
14 there, am I just looking -- can you scroll out a little  
15 bit or zoom out a little bit, rather. Just looking at  
16 the three adjacent districts, No Coast, OCSBLA which is  
17 overpopulated, and BEAVICAL which is slightly  
18 underpopulated. Am I wrong that we could equalize  
19 population between those three to pretty close to zero,  
20 which I do -- the District's name I'm forgetting, but  
21 it's Northwest of Santa Ana, SANANAANA or something like  
22 that, that will need to be -- we'll need to address that  
23 with population from Los Angeles County. And then the  
24 MORCOA, or MOCO, I forget what the name is up in the  
25 desert, that's going to have to be addressed as well

1 separately. But at least we could resolve those three  
2 districts on the Southern edge, pretty close to zero just  
3 between those three.

4 MS. CLARK: I think that that is true, and if the  
5 Commission wanted to go in that direction, then that  
6 would be significantly changing the architecture of  
7 districts in Los Angeles County. So that choice would be  
8 up to the Commission.

9 MR. BECKER: Yeah, I mean, I'm just suggesting  
10 options, I don't know that there's a way around that at  
11 this point, given the architecture, because North -- No  
12 Coast is going to have to grab population from either  
13 OCSBLA or from Savanna Ana. And Savanna Ana is then  
14 going to need to -- I mean, that's really the only  
15 option. Savanna Ana has only one direction to go to grab  
16 population, that's LA County. So I mean, I think that's  
17 right. I just don't think there's an option there that  
18 doesn't involve that. Given the architecture that's  
19 below No Coast. I'll just stop at that because these are  
20 all just suggestions given where we are. But when I see  
21 three districts that are close to a net zero between the  
22 three of them, I think that's a generally easy fix  
23 between those three districts.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay, I appreciate that, but let's  
25 just do some addition. We have negative thirty-three,

1 negative forty-two -- this is thousands -- positive  
2 forty-eight, and negative six. So that doesn't get  
3 you -- that's --

4 MS. CLARK: Well, closer to negative seven,  
5 actually.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah, negative seven. So we have a  
7 total of positive forty forty-eight and then negative  
8 seventy, almost eighty. So you have a total of negative  
9 twenty, ballpark. Is that correct?

10 Oh. You were -- oh David you said including Savanna  
11 Ana -- Savanna Ana.

12 MR. BECKER: Yeah.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I guess. But Jaime, can you give  
14 us the total of LA County in terms of it -- does it -- it  
15 is how much over?

16 MS. CLARK: Right now, LA County is -- I have my  
17 little spreadsheet, one second. In total, LA County is  
18 about 33,000 people over. The total SoCal area is  
19 something like 50- -- let me see. My mental math is not  
20 great, but it's fifty-something-thousand people under.  
21 And that is, you know, add those two together. And  
22 that's the 17,000 people that need to come from the  
23 Northern part of the state to the Southern part of the  
24 state.

25 MS. TRATT: And I believe what Jaime -- the end part

1 of Jaime's plan that was not expressly stated was that  
2 once that population is in the MORCOA district, the  
3 population would meet with the Central Valley districts  
4 that have excess population. So that's the big picture.

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. So the idea is we don't want  
6 to -- the whole coastal area to the West of LA, it's  
7 basically all balanced. So we don't really -- we don't  
8 want to have more -- we want to drag through L.A. unless  
9 it goes North to meet the other difference on the San  
10 Diego side, that also goes North to make those one number  
11 that we can then grab to essentially take North. Or  
12 actually, it's the other way around.

13 Bringing population from the North down, but to get  
14 to zero. Commissioner Fornaciari, you probably have  
15 worked this out very nicely and I know you make -- having  
16 said something multiple different ways, I think it will  
17 eventually get there.

18 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah, that's kind of  
19 funny, because we were just talking about this at lunch.  
20 If you can zoom way out. There -- so yeah, way out, the  
21 whole state. So there are a couple of options for  
22 bringing population down, but as so one, because the  
23 Central Valley is our VRA districts and you know, we  
24 haven't finalized on what our very districts look like,  
25 but we can't push population through there, they're

1 already basically balanced. The choice is to bring that  
2 population down through Inyo, so basically that's moving  
3 Inyo with San Bernardino is where that's about, not  
4 quite, it's a little over 17,000 or down the coast. And  
5 as Jaime just -- or I guess Commissioner Andersen said,  
6 the coast is pretty well balanced. And so for us to move  
7 down the coast is going to be a lot more challenging.  
8 But there's some basic, I think, big picture  
9 architectural decisions that need to be made about the  
10 North state that we want to do. And if we can get to a  
11 point where we make those decisions in a rough sense.  
12 Then we can refine the North state, I think, much more  
13 quickly and get to balance, but I think the big decision  
14 needs to be made if we're going to move Inyo to the  
15 South.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Sorry. Commissioner Sadhwani, you  
17 also have a hand up.

18 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Looks like Jaime wanted to  
19 jump in and just go ahead and say something.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, yes.

21 MS. CLARK: I think --

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Jaime, you're not on my screen.  
23 Please?

24 MS. CLARK: No problem. Sorry, I didn't raise my  
25 hand. I owe you guys \$5.

1 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: We can't hear you, Jaime.  
2 Or I can't.

3 MS. CLARK: Okay. I was saying I didn't raise my  
4 hand, my apologies. I think that another option for --  
5 and Commissioner Fornaciari, thank you so much. That was  
6 a really, I think, helpful framing and a great overview.  
7 I also -- just a note that, yes, Inyo County does have  
8 about the same population as the total number of people  
9 that need to be moved from the Northern California  
10 Central Valley, Central Coast into Southern California.  
11 That is an option. I think there's also options to look  
12 in areas like the California city area, where there also  
13 is public comment to keep that with high desert  
14 communities. So wherever that comes into play, I think  
15 that -- I think there are other options and it's not  
16 necessarily just Inyo. And of course, this is all up to  
17 the up to the Commission, and I think there are options.  
18 So it's not necessarily right now you need to decide  
19 about Inyo specifically.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, thank you, Jaime. I  
21 completely agree, because there are it may not look like  
22 there are other paths, but there actually are. But the  
23 idea being is essentially, how much people do we need to  
24 leave in the San Diego area. Or essentially, like, are  
25 we going to zero -- balance all this and move everything



1 directly up into MORCOA or we leaving a certain amount in  
2 that area for L.A. to work with? Like, essentially a  
3 certain negative, I should say. So L.A. can work with  
4 that? Could you --

5 MS. CLARK: Yeah.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

7 MS. CLARK: So I would I would suggest that unless  
8 you would like to do a whole redraw of everything in L.A.  
9 to work with what you have now, balance the districts in  
10 Orange County sort of going in that clockwise rotation  
11 like I described, and then out through BEAVICAL and then  
12 into MORCOA. And then that way when we look at LA, then  
13 we know we just have to move population basically from  
14 South to North somewhere instead of having instead of  
15 then maybe potentially needing to go back into Orange  
16 County or anything like that, you know where the  
17 boundaries are. You'll know exactly how much population  
18 you're working with and it will be less fuzzy, less  
19 wiggle room.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Great, thank you very much, Jaime.  
21 Before I take more, David, let's see. I think we might  
22 need to there's a couple of other issues that have come  
23 up, that I was just notified of and at this point I'd  
24 like to go into a closed session, please, (audio  
25 interference) for -- its litigation matters.

1 MR. MANOFF: Sounds good, Chair. You all should  
2 have that link now. Stand by.

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Great, thank you very much,  
4 Kristian.

5 MS. TRATT: Did Commissioners want Jaime and I in  
6 the closed session as well?

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, Jaime, please. And Sivan, if  
8 you could clean up the other areas that you were going to  
9 get to, that would be wonderful.

10 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Absolutely.

11 MS. RAMOS ALON: Okay. So none of the line drawing  
12 team in the in the closed session; you're good?

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No, Karin, you and Jaime, please.

14 MS. CLARK: Okay, thank you.

15 MR. MANOFF: And one more question for you, Chair.  
16 How long do you anticipate for the closed session?

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Not a not very long actually, at  
18 all. I would say one hour. If that, yes.

19 MS. TRATT: Always estimate more one.

20 MR. MANOFF: One hour, okay. So if everybody could  
21 be back at 4:10, please. 4:10.

22 (Whereupon, a recess was held from 3:11 p.m.  
23 until 4:08 p.m.)

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Welcome back to the California  
25 Citizens Redistricting Commission. We're continuing on

1 with our work. It is -- we're working on the  
2 Congressional districts and we're coming out of finishing  
3 up with San Diego, working on Orange County. So if we  
4 could go back to -- Sivan, I see you might have -- you  
5 did a little work while we were gone. And if you could  
6 please walk us through that.

7 MS. TRATT: I did. Yeah, absolutely, Chair.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

9 MS. TRATT: Thank you so much. So really quickly,  
10 while the Commission was in closed session, I zeroed out  
11 several of these districts, just a high level of what  
12 those changes were. I added in the portion of -- where  
13 is it -- Vista. Oh, here it is. So I added in the small  
14 portion of Vista that had been split. And then -- so  
15 that evened out there, just to let everyone know that we  
16 did not forget. And then I rebalanced this Escondido  
17 highway district and then to balance SOCNSD, I did try  
18 Commissioners' directions of pulling in population from  
19 this little peninsula in Mission Viejo. Unfortunately, I  
20 was not going to be able to get the population balanced  
21 from this portion of the city. So instead, I split a  
22 small pocket of population from Laguna Beach. Keeping in  
23 mind that it is a coastal or a mostly coastal oriented  
24 district. I thought that this might be acceptable to the  
25 Commission, and it also goes mostly along the one. So

1 yeah, I'm happy to undo those changes if the Commission  
2 isn't happy with where that split was made, but I think  
3 that this was the best solution with the most minimal  
4 disruption to the map.

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Wonderful. Thank you, Sivan.  
6 Commissioner Yee?

7 COMMISSIONER YEE: Just want to say I really like  
8 these changes. Great work, Sivan. I support making  
9 this.

10 MS. TRATT: Thank you. Also, I forgot we also had  
11 an outstanding balance of three people in Santa Ana, so  
12 there were there was one block that was moved out in this  
13 portion of Anaheim, which was already included in the  
14 District.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Wonderful. Thank you very much.  
16 Oh, sorry, we have a -- Commissioner Yee, do you have  
17 another. No?

18 All right. Commissioner Toledo?

19 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Can we see the changes in  
20 Laguna Beach area a little bit closer? Okay. And how  
21 many people are in there?

22 MS. TRATT: One moment, please. I will bring you  
23 up -- bring up the exact number. 847 people.

24 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Okay. Thank you.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

1 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah, I'm just -- yeah. It's  
2 only 847 people but it is on the coast and I'm not sure  
3 if it should go with the Northern part of the Southern  
4 part; but that being said, it looks reasonable. Thank  
5 you. And thank you, Sivan, for the work and making all  
6 these deviations happen.

7 MS. TRATT: Thank you.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you, Commissioner  
9 Toledo.

10 Commissioner Akutagawa.

11 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, thank you, Sivan.  
12 The changes look good. I guess, since Commissioner  
13 Toledo did open it up, could we just see a little bit  
14 more closer up that Northern portion of that area where  
15 you split Laguna Beach. No, just Laguna Beach. Just --  
16 yeah. Just above the one I just wanted to just see it a  
17 little bit more closely.

18 MS. TRATT: I was trying to keep in mind  
19 Commissioner instruction from earlier, to where possible  
20 make those balancing trade off blocks where it is going  
21 to be jagged just by the nature of getting down to a  
22 deviation of a single person in these districts with over  
23 half a million people in them. So that being said, I  
24 figure that keeping closer to -- is that still Pacific  
25 Coast Highway, the one is would be less disruptive

1 overall. And just considering the Southern part of the  
2 district's coastal affiliations, it made sense to me.

3 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. I think -- generally  
4 speaking, I think that that's correct. Just a quick  
5 question. I know it's a little small, but it looks like,  
6 do you have like a small portion of the hospital in that  
7 very Northernmost tip there?

8 MS. TRATT: It doesn't look like it, no.

9 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Okay. Looks good, thanks.

10 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No, thank you, Sivan.

11 MS. TRATT: Thank you, Chair.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Well, let's -- can you then  
13 zoom us out again, please, so we can have a look at the  
14 whole area? And yes, great work. Really appreciate that  
15 while we were doing something else.

16 Okay. So now it's time to have a look at -- we were  
17 talking about, architectural changes. We were also  
18 talking about the overall population. Looking right now,  
19 we have a lot of zeros. So in this area, we are  
20 definitely -- let's see. Thank you very much. Zero,  
21 zero, seven. Okay, we are still under. So the -- oh,  
22 sorry, Commissioner Akutagawa

23 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I don't know if this is the  
24 right time to revisit Irvine and the question of the  
25 split.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, it is actually. This is --  
2 because before we start balancing things, regardless of,  
3 you know, we have to grab population, or move population.  
4 But we have to do architectural changes because we can't  
5 balance the districts if we don't know exactly where the  
6 districts are. So yes, if you want to have us in here  
7 and what I -- again, remember what we're going to try to  
8 do. The way we make any kind of change, we're going to  
9 say what we're trying to do and how we're -- go through  
10 the steps of what we think we could do. In terms of, you  
11 know, if we want I'm adding -- making the city whole,  
12 putting the city with this city. And then, so that will  
13 result in -- and we need to do that kind of stuff. So  
14 walk us through the whole idea so we can all help.

15 Commissioner Toledo?

16 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah, I'm just going to  
17 propose potentially looking at Irvine and Costa Mesa as  
18 potential places to -- just before we get into balancing  
19 potential COIs that we have heard that we want to take a  
20 look at. And then go into balancing a little bit.

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, I believe that's -- when we  
22 first looked at this area, that is -- my understanding  
23 was that was our architectural change. Is there any  
24 other in this area?

25 Commissioner Sadhwani.

1           COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, I believe the COI  
2 input that we had received was Irvine Costa Mese, and  
3 Tustin together, if possible.

4           CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

5           COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: So the entirety of Irvine  
6 with customers and Tustin. And if we can figure out  
7 pulling those three together, then we can start thinking  
8 about the shifts that are going to need to take place  
9 around it.

10          CHAIR ANDERSEN: Correct.

11          COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Assuming general consensus  
12 on that, of course.

13          CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. Let's see, can we get the --  
14 can we move out just a little bit, please? In terms of  
15 our -- trying to see the numbers and the -- okay.

16          COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: I would also ask the  
17 Commission to think about if they would prefer the  
18 Irvine, Tustin, Costa Mesa COI to be in the coastal  
19 district or be in the inland district; and how that would  
20 inform your population shifts, because it will definitely  
21 change.

22          CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, I think I see something that  
23 we did in the Assembly, we added Seal Beach in, and then  
24 that would help in terms of moving into the North coast  
25 and the sea coast, and moving Irvine and Costa Mesa with



1 OCSBLA. Is that -- I'll say, but that was what I  
2 remembered we did in the first Assembly.

3 Commissioner Toledo or Commissioner Akutagawa?

4 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah, I'm almost thinking  
5 Irvine with Newport and Laguna. Just because of the  
6 population issues and trying to address those. And we've  
7 had the testimony linking those areas, especially Newport  
8 with Irvine and Irvine with Costa Mesa. So it may be a  
9 good -- I mean, I don't think there's a perfect place to  
10 put them, but I think the COI testimony certainly was in  
11 support of Irvine with Newport and Tustin.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. That certainly looks -- for  
13 population wise is a -- and Commissioner Akutagawa.

14 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, I'd be curious how  
15 much more adding just Irvine would be, would it be the  
16 43,000 or would we be able to add Tustin? That's one  
17 question is, yeah, I would say it can go both ways. The  
18 easiest is to just bring the rest of Irvine into this  
19 North coast district.

20 The other alternative, based on other testimony that  
21 we've heard, is that, you know, Irvine could do a swap  
22 and go into the OCSBLA because there are some who feel  
23 like they belong more with those inland cities. But I  
24 would just support let's just bring Irvine in, because at  
25 this point it would have the least architectural impacts

1 for right now.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. And that's -- Commissioner  
3 Sadhwani, is that --

4 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, I agree with that.  
5 Let's bring in Irvine and I would even argue let's bring  
6 in Tustin as well, because that was the full COI that I  
7 think we're trying to uplift here. And I know throughout  
8 Orange County we've had a lot of conflicting testimony  
9 around these coastal areas. We most certainly, though,  
10 have had testimony linking Irvine to Newport Beach. And  
11 so I think, while it would have been amazing to get a  
12 full coastal district, I think if we can't do that, we  
13 could at least be respecting other COIs in this area.  
14 And I do feel good about the fact that we were able to  
15 get a more coastal district in those Assembly maps. I  
16 think that this is a reasonable swap. So once we put  
17 that in, we might need to lower the line from Huntington  
18 Beach further down to Costa Mesa, is my guess.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right. That's a -- and  
20 Commissioner Akutagawa, are you agreeable with this?

21 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I guess if we are trying to  
22 make it more coastal, I would prefer to try to see if we  
23 could keep the split of a city, if it meant taking in  
24 Tustin and then splitting Huntington Beach. I understand  
25 the COI, but we also split Tustin and North Tustin and

1 they've also been affiliated or noted as a COI with  
2 Orange and Villa Park and Anaheim Hills as well, too, if  
3 it needed to be.

4 MS. TRATT: Chair, just looking at numbers here, I  
5 think the Commissioner Sadhwani is on to something when  
6 she said that we'll probably end up taking out Huntington  
7 Beach entirely because it's about 200,000 people, and  
8 that's about what we're moving with, adding the rest of  
9 Irvine and Tustin in. And then also just looking at how  
10 that's going to impact the other districts that will kind  
11 of shorten this long leaning district, which will help  
12 compactness. And then parts of Fullerton and Brea can go  
13 in with Yorba Linda in Placentia. So I think this  
14 actually will have a bigger positive effect if we did  
15 that.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Sorry, I misunderstood her then I  
17 heard differently, but okay. Yeah, that that would be  
18 great if that can all work like that together.

19 MS. TRATT: Chair, can I go ahead and accept this  
20 change and play this out, or is there more discussion?

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Sorry about that. So have we come  
22 to the consensus on this, both areas, or is it just the  
23 Irvine? No, we have the two. Commissioner Sinay?

24 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I would vote for the two, and I  
25 also wanted to say that we've heard plenty of COI

1 testimony that Costa Mesa and Newport, I know that  
2 Commissioner Sadhwani had brought up Newport and Irvine,  
3 but I also wanted to affirm that there was also Costa  
4 Mesa and Newport. And then, as we were saying, Irvine  
5 worked with Tustin and Costa Mesa. So this this is  
6 listening to a lot of different input we've received.

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Commissioner Kennedy?

8 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair. I just want  
9 to make sure that we don't strand BEAVICAL with needing  
10 almost 7,000 people as we're thinking of this. So before  
11 we get too locked in, I want to make sure that we are  
12 looking at the entire area. Thank you.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. That's a very good  
14 point.

15 Commissioner Akutagawa?

16 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I think just -- I'm in  
17 support of this move, I do want to just note, though,  
18 that Newport Beach is pretty different. I know that  
19 Newport Beach and Costa Mesa have an affinity, as --  
20 depends on who you ask. Some will say Irvine, although  
21 less so. But there is quite a bit of a difference  
22 between Newport Beach and the Irvine, Tustin portions,  
23 and even parts of Costa Mesa, so I just want to note  
24 that. But I'm in support of this because it seems like  
25 it's going to work.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Yeah, Commissioner Yee.

2 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah, I'm in support of this and  
3 also want to echo Commissioner Kennedy's remarks. So my  
4 suggestion is that we accept this and then we can look at  
5 BEAVICAL to get it zeroed out, and then come back to  
6 Orange County.

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay, thank you very much. Then  
8 any -- seems like everyone's on board with this, general  
9 consensus? I'm getting some nods. Okay. Sivan, please  
10 ad this.

11 MS. TRATT: And then should I go ahead and add  
12 Huntington Beach into the Savannah Ana district?

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: And is that -- oops. Yes, if  
14 that's the consensus.

15 MS. TRATT: Great. So once we have those folks from  
16 Huntington Beach added in, we will still need to find  
17 36,140 people. We could potentially look at adding North  
18 Tustin in as well for those.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, please.

20 MS. TRATT: Sorry, different districts. Can I  
21 accept this Huntington Beach change and then -- okay,  
22 thank you. Sorry, got ahead of myself there for a  
23 second.

24 Perfect. So we can add all of North Tustin in and  
25 then we will only need to find 10,391 people. And I will

1 defer to the Commission on where that should be. I would  
2 note, though, that Lake Forest is already split if we  
3 want to look there.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I guess, I was off. Do we have the  
5 thoughts on this one, Commissioner Yee?

6 COMMISSIONER YEE: This is all good, but I think --  
7 it would really help us if we go to BEAVICAL first, so we  
8 don't strand that district.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Toledo.

10 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Can you zoom out a little bit?  
11 I'm just wondering if maybe -- if we go up to the -- more  
12 COA, up in that area, and maybe we can push down some  
13 population from that area just to bring it down to  
14 this -- yeah, from that area. Can you zoom in, so I can  
15 take a look -- closer look and see what out -- what's out  
16 there? What's the red line? Is that the county border?

17 MS. TRATT: Yes. This is the county border between  
18 Riverside and San Bernardino County.

19 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Do you know how many people  
20 are in that border?

21 MS. TRATT: One moment, please.

22 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I meant below the border, not  
23 above it. Okay. That's good.

24 MS. TRATT: Yes. Sorry. I was just --

25 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: And then --

1 MS. TRATT: -- getting --

2 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- just wanted to be clear.

3 MS. TRATT: So that portion below the Riverside  
4 border, which would include Calimesa and Cherry Valley  
5 has about 17,908 people living there.

6 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Um-hum. So I think this  
7 brings some population down and also helps us -- helps us  
8 with the -- with the border situation, just keeping the  
9 border, which is a priority as well, contiguous.

10 MS. TRATT: Perfect. Should we move back to --

11 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. Let's move down to see  
12 if we can address the issue now that we have a little  
13 more population. And of course, we're going to have to  
14 fix that deviation later, but in terms of drawing down  
15 population to -- I don't have as man --

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No.

17 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- as much of a suggestion  
18 down here, but I think --

19 MS. TRATT: Did you still want to explore the North  
20 Tustin plus a portion of Lake Forest, or are we going a  
21 different direction?

22 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. I think the North  
23 Tustin is a good idea. Then after North Tustin, I think  
24 we need to still -- we may want to consider bringing some  
25 population from BEAVICAL to this OCSBLA district. That's

1 a possibility. But let's start with the North Tust --  
2 North Tustin so we can try to get closer to balance.

3 MS. TRATT: Should I go ahead and accept this  
4 change?

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. A general consensus.  
6 Commissioner Turner.

7 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Thank you, Chair. I'm looking  
8 also -- I know North Tustin wanted to be with Villa Park,  
9 and Anaheim, and some of those other areas, so before we  
10 commit to that, I'm wondering, since we have a slight  
11 split in Lake Forest, Commissioner Toledo, is there any  
12 way we can pull that population from Lake Forest as  
13 opposed to -- or before we bring North Tustin in, bring  
14 in more of Lake Forest?

15 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Well, let's zoom into the Lake  
16 Forest and just take a look.

17 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Can we explore the Tra -- what  
18 is that, the Trabuco Road, or maybe even Toledo Way?

19 MS. TRATT: I was going to say, I think Commissioner  
20 Toledo might have a preference.

21 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Toledo Way sounds good.

22 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: No way.

23 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: No way, Toledo Way.

24 MS. TRATT: Okay. So let me -- let me unselect  
25 what's currently selected. So -- and then I'll see how



1 many people are living in this area. One moment, please.

2 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Yeah. Maybe not Saddleback.

3 MS. TRATT: So adding this split -- excuse me, let  
4 me zoom out a little bit. Adding this population in from  
5 Lake Forest -- let me grab this little noncontiguous area  
6 as well. So if we added this, I could refine it; we're  
7 about 3,000 people over currently. But I think I could  
8 do some refining and try and get it as close to the 241  
9 as possible if this is a direction Commissioners are  
10 liking.

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Are we liking that or --  
12 Commissioner Akutagawa?

13 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: No. I'm not liking it very  
14 much. It seems like a random split. And then it --  
15 it's -- I think in BEAVICAL -- I just want to go back up  
16 to BEAVICAL. Are we -- it looks like we're  
17 overpopulation now; is that correct?

18 MS. TRATT: Yes. It is overpopulated by almost  
19 11,000 people.

20 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Okay. So I know that  
21 SOCNSD you know, district is -- I guess, what I'm  
22 thinking is that you push down some of that popu -- that  
23 whatever, 10,000 population down to San Diego and then up  
24 through SOCNSD to maybe you know, pick up some of that  
25 and push a little bit North. That's one thought.

1           The other thought is that you push the 10,000 up  
2 towards Chino Hills and then you pick it up into North  
3 Orange County. North Tustin, I hear what Commissioner  
4 Turner just said, but I did also see testimony that  
5 Tustin -- North Tustin and Tustin you know, could also be  
6 put together. And since that keeps cities a little bit  
7 more whole, and then you know, maybe that might be the --  
8 that might be a better route.

9           And then did we split Laguna Niguel?

10          MS. TRATT: Laguna Niguel is kept whole.

11          COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Okay.

12          MS. TRATT: Is the chair muted?

13          CHAIR ANDERSEN: Sorry. Yes, I was. So could we --  
14 do we want to try that one?

15          Oh, Commissioner Turner.

16          COMMISSIONER TURNER: Thank you, Chair. Yes, I  
17 agree. Lake Forest that's split there, there's a really  
18 large church in that area and I think they own a lot of  
19 that property, so it probably doesn't make sense to split  
20 Saddleback and Tra -- that Trabuco Road, and bridge, and  
21 all that stuff that's out there. But I still would hope  
22 to -- I believe Tustin and North Tustin is different,  
23 pretty different. And I would like perhaps to explore  
24 going up towards the Chino -- up that direction as  
25 opposed to bringing in North Tustin with Tustin.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I'm sorry. And vote for that one.  
2 And it's -- sorry, you have Commissioner Fornaciari and  
3 then Commissioner Sadhwani.

4 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: I kind of forgot what I  
5 was going to say, but I imagine what I was going to say  
6 is we need to do BEAVICAL first before we get stuck. And  
7 I support exploring going through San Diego, I guess. I  
8 mean, it looks like -- I guess we have two options. We  
9 can just split Chino Hills or go through -- well, we can  
10 go over the mountain, we can split Chino Hills, or we can  
11 go through San Diego. And since we already have splits  
12 in San Diego, maybe that makes sense to me.

13 MS. TRATT: Commissioner Fornaciari, we do also have  
14 a split in Chino Hills.

15 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Oh, okay. Well, I'll  
16 leave it to my colleagues to hear their input.

17 MS. TRATT: Just so we have all the information.

18 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. Thank you.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you very much.  
20 Commissioner Sadhwani.

21 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. I'm concerned about  
22 going back to San Diego. We spent a whole lot of time  
23 yesterday in that area that we made a lot of great  
24 refinements. We're at the zero deviation or one percent  
25 in some places. I'm really concerned about going back

1 and having to redo all of that. I think it's reasonable  
2 to look for some other options within this region because  
3 there's a lot of this map that we haven't worked on yet.  
4 And I think we can -- we can think creatively about it.

5       It looks like -- and maybe we can -- we can zoom in  
6 a little bit. And I agree, balancing out BEAVICAL might  
7 make sense. And my understanding is Corona might be a  
8 reasonable place to do so. I -- you know, I think  
9 there's a lot of affinity between Yorba Linda, and  
10 Corona. I believe, and someone can correct me if I'm  
11 wrong, that the 91 runs through that area, freeway, so  
12 you know, and that corridor. And maybe I don't know if  
13 the streets are on and such, but it's a highly trafficked  
14 area weekdays and weekends. And maybe -- I think that  
15 there's some affinity there if we could pull a part of  
16 Corona out of BEAVICAL and putting it with the OCSBLA in  
17 order to balance out BEAVICAL. And then we can figure  
18 out what we're going to do in Orange County. And that  
19 would preserve all of that good work that we've done in  
20 San Diego already from -- yeah.

21       CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you, Commissioner  
22 Sadhwani.

23       Commissioner -- let's see, Akutagawa, you're on this  
24 one or the next one, the one before?

25       COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yes, on this one, too. I

1 think it was --

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Um-hum.

3 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- already stated prior to  
4 Commissioner Sadhwani speaking that Chino Hills was split  
5 also. And perhaps we should try to first see what it  
6 would bring in to make Chino Hills whole before we start  
7 splitting another city.

8 MS. TRATT: So Chino Hills is split, and it is a VRA  
9 district that the Commission has already balanced. So  
10 that would require revisiting the VRA districts in the  
11 Inland Empire.

12 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I -- it looks like it's  
13 Chino is all in there. Are you talking about Chino?

14 MS. TRATT: One moment, while I show which area I'm  
15 talking about. It's this area here and it's part of the  
16 POMONTFON district.

17 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Could we -- could we --

18 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Linda, I was going the  
19 wrong way with population?

20 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Okay.

21 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Meaning, we don't have to  
22 take population --

23 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Oh, oh, okay.

24 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: -- in Chino Hills.

25 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: That's not in the --

1 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: We have to go the other  
2 way --

3 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- that's not in BEAVICAL.

4 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: -- so I had it wrong.

5 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Got it. Okay. It's not in  
6 BEAVICAL. Got it. Okay.

7 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: We did it, Fernandez.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Fornaciari.  
9 Commissioner Toledo.

10 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. I was just thinking --  
11 switching that piece of Corona till we get the 10,000 or  
12 so, get to pushout to the BEAVICAL --

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. I think that's --

14 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- maybe following like --

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- the idea here.

16 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. Maybe following the  
17 unincorporated areas and then also trying to follow  
18 the -- I believe, it's the 91.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Correct. So -- sorry. So we're  
20 just looking for 10,900.

21 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. We --

22 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Maybe try both sides of the  
23 91 instead of going so far down.

24 MS. TRATT: So -- okay. So you would -- you would  
25 rather -- I -- that's what I was going to ask is where

1 you would like me to pull population. I just -- we have  
2 another neck, so I was just wondering if you'd rather  
3 grab on the -- this side of the 91 which would make a  
4 neck here or along the 15 more?

5 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I don't think -- I think it's  
6 fine. I don't see a big neck there. So I think along  
7 that -- along that -- the other side of 91 might be -- if  
8 there's -- if there's more population out there. We just  
9 need, I think, it's 10,000 people if I remember.  
10 Wherever we can find the 10,000, and keep it compact.

11 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Perhaps you could zoom in a  
12 little bit more, and you could see where the housing  
13 tracks are as well, too, because some of it may be  
14 businesses, I realize, along the 91. So that might help  
15 you figure out where to pick up those populations.

16 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. The chair is stepping  
17 away and has asked that I step in. I was also going to  
18 ask Sivan if she could put on the terrain layer here  
19 because terrain is an important factor in this area. I  
20 think we're better taking from the hills.

21 Commissioner Akutagawa. Okay.

22 Commissioner Turner.

23 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Thank you. I wanted to, as we  
24 were selecting this, right when we shifted over, it  
25 looked like North Tustin was still selected and I wanted

1 to make sure it was unselected before we selected it.  
2 And so we're counting -- using numbers based on that not  
3 being included.

4 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Sivan, can you just  
5 confirm that North Tustin is not selected at this point?

6 MS. TRATT: Yes. So it looks like I can more or  
7 less grab all of Coronita. Is this the direction  
8 Commissioners were thinking, or would you like me to grab  
9 more from in here? Because while it doesn't look  
10 compact, it is keeping intact a census designated place.

11 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right. And so it -- you know,  
12 we were talking about the hills, I would say go for the  
13 hills first, there South of Coronita, before we go any  
14 further into Corona itself. I mean, to the -- to the  
15 flatland part of Corona. Um-hum.

16 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Um-hum. I don't think there's  
17 that many people in the hills.

18 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. So we're at seven right  
19 now. Are we happy with this or we want to exchange?

20 COMMISSIONER YEE: Trade out Coronita for the rest  
21 of it above that road.

22 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. So Sivan, if you could  
23 deselect Coronita and then continue in the direction that  
24 you are going up the hills.

25 MS. TRATT: So that is going to create some



1 noncontiguous areas but let me see -- but I'll just  
2 deselect them. So it looks like that was the -- that's  
3 where Coronita is. So --

4 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right.

5 MS. TRATT: -- is that -- that's -- okay. Just  
6 wanted to make sure so.

7 MR. DRECHSLER: Sivan, can you look at the block  
8 just to the North that looks like there's a weird-shaped  
9 census block?

10 MS. TRATT: Is that what you were talking about,  
11 Andrew?

12 MR. DRECHSLER: Yeah. Can you zoom out just a  
13 little bit? And I think that was -- I think that was it.  
14 Great. I wanted to make sure -- oh, yes, there's --

15 MS. TRATT: Yeah. There were no --

16 MR. DRECHSLER: -- connect --

17 MS. TRATT: -- there are no people there. And it's  
18 adding -- it's adding to the same district, so I don't  
19 think it mattered but.

20 MR. DRECHSLER: Okay. Great.

21 MS. TRATT: Would Commissioners feel comfortable  
22 leaving it here for now and having me balance of off --  
23 off-line now that we're in hundred people.

24 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Let me -- let me get  
25 these two hands.

1 Commissioner Fernandez.

2 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: No, I'm good. I was  
3 actually going to recommend doing but excluding Coronita  
4 so.

5 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay.

6 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I think you --

7 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you. Commissioner  
8 Fornaciari.

9 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: I guess my question is,  
10 did we intentionally grab that red piece up there?

11 MS. TRATT: Oh, this piece. Okay. I didn't --  
12 thank you for bringing that up. I did not see that.  
13 That was a -- thank you.

14 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: And then -- and then all  
15 that white area was all zeroes. So maybe we can grab  
16 that to kind of make less of a neck.

17 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Did she also select that area  
18 above Coronita?

19 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yeah.

20 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: The red pieces.

21 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: It looks like it's a different  
22 color. Sivan, just to the East of where you are along  
23 the 91, those red blocks, are those selected or why are  
24 they red?

25 MS. TRATT: I have the Latino heat map on. I can

1 turn it off.

2 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Very good.

3 MS. TRATT: That was just the layer that had the  
4 labels with population so.

5 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay.

6 MS. TRATT: One moment, please.

7 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you.

8 MS. TRATT: Sorry about that.

9 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: It was just a little confusing.

10 MS. TRATT: Yes. I can understand that. Thank you  
11 for waiting.

12 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. So we're still looking  
13 for about 2,400 people. Okay. Now we've got 1,000 over.  
14 Well, now we're at 16 people. Okay. So let's stop here.  
15 Let's allow you to finish smoothing this out and reaching  
16 the population target. But at 16 people, we're happy  
17 with this? Okay.

18 Commissioner Turner.

19 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Thank you. Just if we can  
20 zoom out, so we can see the full district.

21 MS. TRATT: Absolutely. One moment, please.

22 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Very good. Commissioner  
23 Akutagawa, did you have something further? Okay. Very  
24 good. Okay.

25 Thank you, Sivan. Commit that.

1 MS. TRATT: Chair, would you like to return to the  
2 Irvine district?

3 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yes, please. Okay. So we are  
4 short 140, almost 146 in OCSBLA, short 36 in North Orange  
5 Coast, and our overpopulation right now is in the  
6 SANANAANA district. Okay. Suggestions.

7 Yep, Commissioner Sinay.

8 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Can we go down to -- scroll  
9 down just a little bit? The district -- I just wanted to  
10 kind of see. Okay. So we have two that are short here,  
11 I thought. Darn, I thought one was over.

12 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: We've got -- we've got two that  
13 are under and one that is over.

14 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Right.

15 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. So Commissioner  
16 Akutagawa, and then Commissioner Sadhwani.

17 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I just want to ask a  
18 question because this is now another long district and  
19 we've heard lots of COI testimony that a preference to  
20 not extend it so far North and that North OC and South OC  
21 in the Inland areas are different from each other. And  
22 that Irvine -- in this case, Irvine, Tustin would prefer  
23 to be with the more inland OC cities. So I'd like to  
24 explore if this is okay, perhaps bringing Irvine, Costa  
25 Mesa, and Tustin into a more South OC district. And then

1 moving the other cities to include more of the North OC  
2 cities, so that then it'll eventually mean that  
3 SANANAANA, the lower part of SANANAANA.

4 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. So your idea is to  
5 essentially unassign and start building a new district  
6 here?

7 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: It's not building a new  
8 district; it's just moving -- because we're going to be  
9 moving cities one way or the other. My suggestion is to  
10 move, in this case, Costa Mesa, Tustin, and Irvine into  
11 the North, so that then they will be with some of the  
12 Inland OC cities that is currently known as OCSBLA.

13 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right.

14 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: And then separate --  
15 cutting the Northern parts of that district so that  
16 they'll be with the more Northern parts of those cities.  
17 That would be, right now, at least Chino, and Corona, and  
18 some of those, so that it's not such a long district.  
19 I -- we -- I read quite a bit of COI testimony just  
20 stating that they just didn't feel that this was really,  
21 truly representative of the -- of the -- of the -- both  
22 regions, actually. It was doing a --

23 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Got it.

24 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- disservice to both  
25 regions.

1 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yep. Okay. Thank you.

2 Commissioner Sadhwani.

3 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. I mean -- we actually  
4 just moved Irvine and Tustin because we said -- to this  
5 other district from that one. I mean, I think an obvious  
6 choice -- and I mean, I know Commissioner Akutagawa, you  
7 live in Huntington Beach, but right now, the NOCCOAST  
8 district is underpopulation by only 36,000. If we start  
9 taking from the OCSBLA, which is already way  
10 underpopulated, it continues to be more underpopulated.  
11 I think a very -- you know, an -- to me what seems like  
12 an obvious solution, given that there's this coastal  
13 nature, it's both coastal and inland, right. I mean,  
14 Irvine is a large city that is attached to many of these  
15 coastal areas.

16 And so I -- to me, I think there's two possible  
17 choices. One is possibly North Tustin, right, but  
18 that's -- that would continue to under populate OCSBLA.  
19 The other is taking 36,140 people from Huntington Beach.  
20 And pulling it into to the NOCCOAST.

21 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay.

22 Commissioner Toledo.

23 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Unfortunately, we don't have  
24 that many options at this -- from this area unless we  
25 want to go back the way that Commissioner Akutagawa

1 suggested. We just moved Irvine in. I mean, it's  
2 possible. It's just we either move North, or we move  
3 East. So at this point, it may make more sense to move  
4 East into maybe Fountain Valley or Huntington Beach area.

5 MS. TRATT: Chair, can I offer a suggest -- an  
6 alternate suggestion?

7 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yes. Go ahead, Sivan.

8 MS. TRATT: We have not explored this, but we could  
9 instead of trading population here, we could look at  
10 making Lake Forest whole, and then trading some of these  
11 smaller cities South of Lake Forest into this other  
12 district, which would keep it with the Mission Viejo,  
13 Coto de Caza, San -- Rancho Santa Margarita kind of COI.

14 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Thank you for that.

15 Commissioner Toledo, had you spoken?

16 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I have. Thank you so much,  
17 Chair.

18 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Commissioner Akutagawa.

19 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I think what Sivan has  
20 suggested could work. My only concern still is again,  
21 you have an extra-long district. We have talked about  
22 concerns about districts being really long. And in this  
23 particular case, it is really long. And there's a clear  
24 division. And I'm not saying this because I don't want  
25 Huntington Beach split. I'm not really thinking about

1 that. I am trying to really think about what we've read  
2 in COI testimony and that there is a clear division  
3 between South OC and North OC. I've heard that both from  
4 living in the Orange County area, but also just in terms  
5 of what the COI testimony says as well, too. Yes, we did  
6 some of these moves, but I feel like there are some other  
7 moves that we've made in some ways. I think that, to me,  
8 I think this -- there -- this is all part of a larger  
9 kind of series of movements that we're making.

10 Again, I also want to reiterate that Newport Beach  
11 is in a -- in a district in a sense -- yeah, with Laguna  
12 Beach, but it -- it's kind of an odd pairing here. Now,  
13 you have a COI, but I'm sure we're going to hear quite a  
14 bit from the Newport Beach residents about what we've  
15 done here. And so as well as the North OC and South OC  
16 people who have been very clear about their desire to  
17 keep more of a clear distinction and that Irvine would  
18 fit within a South OC district, not as much with the  
19 North OC district.

20 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. And when you say "South  
21 OC", you're talking about taking Irvine, Tustin and  
22 grouping with Lake Forest, Mission Viejo, and that area,  
23 and reaching population primarily in that direction?

24 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yes. And it's already  
25 under 145,000 right here, too. And then there's the



1 possibilities of -- yeah. I'm just -- anyways.

2 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right. But if we -- if we move  
3 Irvine and Tustin in, that's going to blow the population  
4 way over. And then our underpopulation is going to be --  
5 we'll have Newport Beach to put with SANANAANA. And then  
6 we have to look at the North county area up there.

7 MS. TRATT: Yeah. Chair, I believe --

8 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: But I'm just trying to  
9 understand --

10 MS. TRATT: -- when we first --

11 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: -- where you want to go with  
12 this. Overpopulation is going to be -- we'll have  
13 Newport Beach to put with Santa Ana, and then we have to  
14 look at the North county area right there.

15 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. Chair, I believe  
16 when we first --

17 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: I'm just trying to understand  
18 where you want to go with this.

19 Sivan, go ahead.

20 MS. TRATT: Oh, sorry. When I kind of gave the big  
21 picture of, like, how these shifts would work looking at  
22 the whole district, I think the Commission was in  
23 agreement that they were interested in exploring adding  
24 Brea and potentially this part of Fullerton, and that is  
25 how the OCSBLA and the SANANAANA would balance out

1 because they're meeting at that point, which has  
2 compatible communities anyways, and they're almost the  
3 same number of population.

4 We do have a population bubble, like, of 20- to  
5 30,000 people, but that would be centering around here,  
6 which is already in LA County, so it would be a natural  
7 place to absorb that population bubble when we zeroed out  
8 the BEAVICAL District.

9 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. But given the  
10 constraints, we can't start with balancing OCSBLA and  
11 SANANAANA and then leaving North Orange Coast not  
12 balanced because then we --

13 MS. TRATT: Yeah.

14 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: -- no way to -- nowhere to pull  
15 the population from.

16 MS. TRATT: Correct, Chair. Yeah. Correct. That  
17 was more just to remind Commissioners what the bigger  
18 picture in making these swaps and that even though a  
19 deviation looks like it's getting bigger and bigger and  
20 scarier and scarier just to look and see that we have  
21 even more of that population in the positive right next  
22 door. So just to -- if we want to play out these  
23 changes, to trust the process and see the bigger picture  
24 in the in these --

25 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right.

1 MS. TRATT: -- district changes.

2 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right. Okay. Commissioner  
3 Fornaciari?

4 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yes. So I'm just kind of  
5 pulling the same thread you are, Commissioner Kennedy.

6 Commissioner Akutagawa, I thought you said Irvine,  
7 Tustin, and Costa Mesa, or is it just Irvine and Tustin?

8 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: That -- I mean, that's what  
9 they want, or that's what has been requested as a COI.  
10 We also know that Newport Beach and Costa Mesa couldn't  
11 be a COI. I think my concern is that if we add Fullerton  
12 and Brea -- I mean, basically, we're going to have a  
13 North-to-South very long district.

14 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right. And so if we do --  
15 let's just say it's Irvine and Tustin. That's 400,000  
16 people in round numbers, so we wind up 250,000 over, so  
17 we've got to move 250,000. So we've got Yorba Linda.  
18 And Placentia is, you know, 110. And then we've got to  
19 grab part of Anaheim to balance that out, right?

20 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I think that part of  
21 Anaheim is including both the East and --

22 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Oh. Anaheim, though, is at  
23 264.

24 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: That's the Anaheim Hills.  
25 Yeah. That's the Anaheim --

1 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Oh. Is the whole and I'm  
2 right?

3 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah.

4 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. So maybe all of Anaheim  
5 Hills. And so then we wind up with a district that goes  
6 Brea, Yorba Linda, Anaheim Hills, Placentia, Fullerton,  
7 and Buena Park or something, or --

8 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Possi -- yeah.

9 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. And La Habra is in  
10 the --

11 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Is in the VRA district.

12 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: In the VRA district? And then,  
13 say, Costa Mesa, Newport Beach, Huntington Beach,  
14 Fountain Valley, and all those guys are together, and it  
15 meets in the middle somewhere.

16 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Something like that.

17 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. I just wanted to make  
18 sure I understood. Okay. Thank you.

19 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Very good. Commissioner Sinay?

20 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Commissioner Akutagawa, I hear  
21 your pain. I was there about twenty-four hours ago, and  
22 we created a very long district, ignoring COIs with  
23 communities that absolutely have nothing in common in San  
24 Diego. Escondido could not be more different than  
25 Encinitas or downtown, but we put them all together and I

1 understood because we were working collectively and we  
2 were working for the greater good.

3       So there are going to be long districts, and we're  
4 all going to feel this pain at different times, so that's  
5 why I'm bringing it up right now. I felt it first, and  
6 we're all going to feel it. And things are going to get  
7 not-comfortable anymore, and we've just got to be  
8 comfortable with being uncomfortable.

9       And you know -- and yesterday, it was really hard  
10 for me and I did take a step back because others said,  
11 hey, that is the right way to do it. And so we really  
12 need to all just kind of share what we're thinking and  
13 then take a step back and see where the collective  
14 process goes.

15       VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Commissioner Sinay.  
16       Commissioner Fernandez?

17       COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Chair. Long  
18 district, I guess in my opinion. Being from the North, a  
19 long-distance district is from Inyo to Siskiyou. But  
20 with that said -- I mean, we've been talking for, like,  
21 ten or fifteen minutes and nothing has been done or  
22 proposed, so I would really like to see something  
23 proposed so that we can just start looking at the numbers  
24 and seeing where everything is going to fall out. And  
25 I'm happy to go on this journey; I just want to see a

1 little bit more red areas being highlighted and moved  
2 around so we could see where the numbers are. Thank you.

3 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Commissioner  
4 Fernandez.

5 Commissioner Akutagawa?

6 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Commissioner Sinay, I hear  
7 what you're saying. It's not so much my pain. I think  
8 I'm trying to just make sense -- make this area make  
9 sense. We're not like a large rural district with no  
10 population. What I'm hearing is that there's just the  
11 desire not to undo the work, which I understand. But at  
12 the same time, at the cost of what? And it's not about  
13 us living with it; it's about the people who live in this  
14 area that live with it, too.

15 So I'm just asking, can we just give this a try? If  
16 not, then, you know, okay. I will just move on. I could  
17 live with it. But again, you know, these are the people  
18 who are living with it, and so I just want to make sure  
19 that if it's possible -- and I feel like there is some  
20 possibilities to make it work -- we try to make it work.

21 And then also, we have talked about crossing into  
22 Orange County -- I mean, into LA. I know that there are  
23 lots of testimony from the Orange County folks. Not to,  
24 but there's also testimony where it could make sense that  
25 if we needed to, you know, cross over into the LA-OC, you

1 know, county lines there too, so --

2 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Thank you. Thank you,  
3 Commissioner Akutagawa.

4 Commissioner Sadhwani?

5 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yes. Oh. Was Commissioner  
6 Fornaciari before me? I --

7 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: He's finished.

8 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: He's finished? Oh, sorry.  
9 Yeah. I mean, just at Commissioner Fernandez' point of  
10 we are on a -- we have a deadline to meet. Can we just  
11 try Sivan's option of putting in Fullerton and Brea and  
12 just see what that looks like? I think that that's a  
13 reasonable solution to take a look at as a way of  
14 balancing out OCSVOA.

15 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Well, we may explore  
16 both options.

17 Commissioner Yee?

18 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yes. We're just going to explore  
19 options. Commissioner Akutagawa, if you could, let me  
20 know. So either we end up with a long, you know,  
21 Northeastern half of Orange County in a district from  
22 Brea all the way down to the San Diego coast border, or  
23 we end up Anaheim and Huntington Beach, a big C,  
24 backwards C. Both of those seem painful. I just want to  
25 know which one is less painful for you. I want to hear

1 you say it.

2 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I think the latter is less  
3 painful, where we put North OC and South OC together and  
4 then make more of that -- I think you said a C, so --

5 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah. All right.

6 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay.

7 COMMISSIONER YEE: And it's only Anaheim Hills,  
8 actually. Yeah.

9 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. So we're talking about  
10 taking Costa Mesa, Irvine, Tustin, putting them into  
11 OCSBLA? Okay. Let's do that. We're exploring.

12 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: How many is that just right  
13 there?

14 MS. TRATT: That is --

15 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Half a million people.

16 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: So could you take out Costa  
17 Mesa? Because I think if you remove Costa Mesa, it could  
18 make it a little bit more doable. I know that there is  
19 COI for having it with Irvine, but there's also quite a  
20 bit having it with Newport Beach as well, too.

21 MS. TRATT: That is 388,000 people.

22 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Let's go ahead and put  
23 that into OCSBLA for now. OCSBLA is now 242,571  
24 overpopulated. What are we moving to SANANAANA?

25 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Let's move Yorba Linda,



1 Anaheim Hills, and Placentia.

2 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Yorba Linda, Placentia,  
3 and Anaheim Hills. What is the total on that?

4 MS. TRATT: One moment, please.

5 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: And the unincorporated area  
6 North of Yorba Linda?

7 MS. TRATT: Yes. And then would we also want to add  
8 Chino Hills to avoid a neck situation?

9 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yes, so it will remain  
10 contiguous.

11 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. So let's --

12 MS. TRATT: One moment, please.

13 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yup.

14 MS. TRATT: Is that the --

15 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: 249, 250,000, and we needed  
16 242,000. So we're a little bit -- we've taken a little  
17 bit too many. Where would we trim 7,000 people? Okay.

18 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Anaheim Hills, prob -- or  
19 Anaheim.

20 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. So the lower part of  
21 Anaheim bordering on the Northern part of Orange. We  
22 would need to trim approximately 7,000 people.

23 MS. TRATT: Great. I'm sorry. For visualization  
24 purposes, is it okay if we stop here and then we'll clean  
25 up just because we're moving big populations, and then go

1 back and trim once things are balanced?

2 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yes.

3 MS. TRATT: Okay. Should I go ahead and commit this  
4 change?

5 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yes. Okay. So OSCBLA -- we're  
6 now down to a deviation less than 5,000. That's what  
7 that would look like broadly. And then we have -- we  
8 have to balance -- we have to bring 424,000 from  
9 SANANAANA into North Orange Coast. So how do we do that?

10 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Costa Mesa.

11 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Costa Mesa is still in North  
12 Orange Coast.

13 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. I would bring in --  
14 and then can we also bring in Newport Beach. Wait.

15 MS. TRATT: Newport Beach is already in this  
16 district. Would you like me to add Seal Beach? Is it --

17 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Is it --

18 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Not yet. We would need to add  
19 Garden Grove and Westminster next.

20 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I think you should add Seal  
21 Beach before you -- yeah. Seal Beach before you add --  
22 otherwise, you're splitting a big COI.

23 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Well, we can't strand Garden  
24 Grove. So we're not -- okay. We're now 103,000 over in  
25 North Orange Coast.

1 MS. TRATT: And we're going to have to split a city  
2 as well because this isn't going to even out.

3 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Commissioner Toledo?

4 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. And I'm all for  
5 exploration. I think this is important to explore and to  
6 see options. I also do have a concern that we will end  
7 up with a bubble in North Orange County in the VRA areas,  
8 but we may need to potentially shift populations as we go  
9 up to Los Angeles. And so I just worry about creating  
10 that bubble and potentially impacting VRA areas. I just  
11 wanted to raise that as a potential issue with the bubble  
12 being so close to the VRA area, then potentially having  
13 populations that are -- while they may not reach those  
14 Section 2 Voting Rights Area, have, certainly, voting  
15 rights considerations.

16 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Commissioner Fernandez?

17 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Can we just zoom out a  
18 little bit? Because I want to see what all of the  
19 deviations are to see it eventually has to be pushed.  
20 Thank you.

21 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: So the area currently  
22 highlighted is very densely populated. We now have  
23 105,000 too many people in North Orange Coast, and we  
24 would have to find where to take those 105,000 people  
25 from.

1           COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: It looks like Long Beach is  
2 overpopulated. And so is that an option to go into Long  
3 Beach and take Seal Beach along with it? Because there  
4 is a marina portion of Seal Beach that -- I mean, not  
5 Seal Beach -- Long Beach that could possibly help balance  
6 out. Also, yeah. Since it's over by about 5,000 people  
7 in that district.

8           VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: But 5,000 isn't going to get us  
9 anywhere near 105,000, so -- I mean, if we want to keep  
10 the selected area where it is for now, it looks like the  
11 only option is really to move Costa Mesa into that OCSBLA  
12 with Irvine and Tustin.

13           COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Okay. Yeah. Okay.

14           VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay.

15           COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: And then make it all -- and  
16 then fit everything else? Yeah.

17           VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. So Sivan, can we -- can  
18 we commit this and then move Costa Mesa out into the  
19 OCSBLA? And then we'll come around the other side.

20           MS. TRATT: One moment, please. So that is 112,000  
21 people.

22           VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right.

23           MS. TRATT: And we would need about 7,000 more.

24           VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: No, we'd need to bring 7,000  
25 back into North Orange Coast at that point.

1 MS. TRATT: Yeah. Yes. Sorry. Yes, 7,000 more  
2 people into -- yes, into OC Coast.

3 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right. Okay.

4 MS. TRATT: Which --

5 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: So go ahead and commit this.

6 And then Commissioner Fernandez, Commissioner  
7 Akutagawa, or Commissioner Sadhwani?

8 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA:

9 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah. It looks to me --  
10 let's see how this all plays out because is my memory is  
11 correct, we're still going to have to -- see, we're going  
12 to be under by almost 17,000, right?

13 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: 7,000 right now.

14 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: If you zoom -- I need to  
15 zoom out. I guess my numbering is wrong. I was coming  
16 up with almost 17,000.

17 MS. TRATT: Yeah.

18 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay.

19 MS. TRATT: If we don't want to introduce a city  
20 split just yet in Newport Beach, that would -- let's see.  
21 That's about -- adding to OCSBLA -- yes. That would  
22 be -- we would have 108-1/2 thousand people.

23 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right. So then we're going to  
24 need to take population and move it back up into the  
25 Northwestern corner of the county.

1 Commissioner Akutagawa?

2 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: So we're moving North,  
3 right? So could we move Orange and Villa Park? Would  
4 that be enough, that portion of Orange that's above North  
5 Tustin and even Tustin -- North Tustin, I'm sorry.

6 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. So Sivan, if we can,  
7 move the rest of Orange and Villa Park.

8 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: And then put back the rest  
9 of that Anaheim Hills area that we took.

10 MS. TRATT: Yeah. Can I -- did you want to add this  
11 unincorporated area as well?

12 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: If it's unincorporated, yes.

13 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yes.

14 MS. TRATT: Okay. And to the SANANAANA district?

15 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: We're going to add the rest of  
16 Orange --

17 MS. TRATT: The rest of Orange --

18 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: -- and Villa Park --

19 MS. TRATT: -- and Villa Park. Okay.

20 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: -- and the segment of Anaheim  
21 Hills that we've removed.

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

23 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: In the meantime, Commissioner  
24 Fornaciari?

25 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. I was kind of

1 thinking that, perhaps, you know, we should focus on  
2 getting OCSBLA balanced. And then I think the other two  
3 can kind of float for the time being --

4 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Um-hum.

5 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: -- until we figure out  
6 what's going on with LA and then head on in to LA.

7 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Okay. So OCSBLA is  
8 overpopulated, but by less than 3,000 people at this  
9 point.

10 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Commissioner Kennedy, can  
11 I make one more comment?

12 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yes. Yes.

13 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Better yet, could we kind  
14 of get it close and then give Sivan direction --

15 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yes.

16 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: -

17 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: -- to balance it out and  
18 then --

19 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yes.

20 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: -- and then move on?

21 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yes.

22 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Thank you.

23 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Commissioner Sadhwani?

24 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: I am not one to continue the  
25 hours that we are spending in Orange County. But as a

1 question of process, Chair, are we continuing to work off  
2 of general consensus? Because I don't support this map.  
3 We have not heard a COI that suggests linking Chino Hills  
4 to Seal Beach. And we have just created -- I thought  
5 this started because we didn't want to have a long  
6 district, and now we have this very long district all the  
7 way across North OC that is not reflecting COIs. It's  
8 not reflecting testimony that we've received. I don't  
9 support this moving forward.

10 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. No. This was just an  
11 exploration.

12 Commissioner Akutagawa?

13 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: One of the recommendations  
14 that I would make and I would like to, perhaps, see that  
15 we need to do is to not include Seal Beach in this one  
16 and perhaps -- again, I guess for me, I'm just looking at  
17 other alternatives of crossing over into LA at this  
18 point, so then it's not going to be so long, but it would  
19 preserve more of the COIs together. So my intent was not  
20 that Seal Beach would remain in this district. It would  
21 be, then, equally as odd, but I wasn't envisioning that  
22 it would end at Seal Beach.

23 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Well, this is where this comes  
24 to in rough numbers. There's some cleanup to be done,  
25 but this is roughly where this comes to. So we can



1 unwind this and we can go the other way.

2 Commissioner Sadhwani, did you have further comment?

3 Commissioner Toledo?

4 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. I'm just a little bit  
5 concerned about the VRA implications given that we're  
6 going to go through Los Angeles. We're going to have  
7 to -- potentially have the -- it's going to have  
8 potential effects on the VRA districts. And this is so  
9 close, the area -- the SANANAANA and the -- all of this  
10 is so close to VRA districts. It's surrounded by VRA  
11 districts that I -- I'm feeling uncomfortable with this,  
12 so I'm leaning more with Commissioner Sadhwani here. But  
13 you know, I'll continue to think about it.

14 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Commissioner Fernandez?

15 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah. I was trying to  
16 figure out how we could get this to work. I was thinking  
17 a little bit of Seal Beach, the beach part of it, maybe,  
18 brings 7,800 of it in. I was -- you know, just at least  
19 part of the beach is with the beach cities. But yeah.  
20 It is kind of like a roundabout -- yeah.

21 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Mr. Becker?

22 MR. BECKER: Yeah. I just wanted to comment on  
23 Commissioner Toledo's question or point, which I think is  
24 important one, that -- is it STS60 -- district, which is  
25 a VRA district and is still needs to be adjusted slightly

1 for population, but it's in pretty darn good shape. You  
2 don't -- right now, SANANAANA has been rotated around  
3 closer to that.

4 What I think you probably want to do to avoid  
5 implicating that district is to keep the population that  
6 you're picking up on the no-coast district rather than  
7 rotating around the districts and the changes you've made  
8 so far is to pick them -- you're probably -- I would  
9 probably suggest -- it's not -- it's really up to you.  
10 But probably, the safest thing to do is to move into Long  
11 Beach, which will mean you don't have to touch that South  
12 60 district.

13 And I'd also point out in the SP710 district, it is  
14 a VRA district, but that mainly relates to the part at  
15 the North of that. So you could probably -- you could  
16 probably move into the South part of that district and  
17 still maintain the VRA considerations. But the farther  
18 North you get up into the area that currently includes La  
19 Mirada, La Habra, et cetera -- you're starting to  
20 implicate VRA concerns. And so you need to grab  
21 population the more you box yourself in to having to grab  
22 population. That might have a very big rippling effect  
23 that has vast VRA concerns.

24 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you for that.

25 Commissioner Turner?

1 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Thank you. So yes. I watched  
2 the exploration, but I think I'd be more in favor of  
3 unwinding and trying to go a different direction.

4 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Sivan, can you take a  
5 snapshot just in case we want to come back to this? And  
6 then we'll unwind this and we'll explore in the other  
7 direction.

8 MS. TRATT: One moment, please, for the map resets.  
9 So are we returning to adding North Tustin and extending  
10 the Lake Forest split slightly North?

11 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. I've forgotten who was  
12 going to drive this one. Was that Commissioner Sadhwani?

13 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: I don't think that we had  
14 reached consensus on which direction to go. I think that  
15 there had been conversation about the possibility of  
16 North Tustin, the possibility of Lake Forest, and the  
17 possibility of Huntington Beach. But it would be helpful  
18 to hear where others fall on that topic --

19 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay.

20 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: There is 36,000.

21 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Commissioner Toledo?

22 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I think we've heard from other  
23 Commissioners that North Tustin isn't really an option.  
24 I mean, of course, we -- everything is an option. But  
25 that the preference would be since we're trying to get to

1 population closer to los Angeles to go through Huntington  
2 Beach. I mean, it's not preferable, but --

3 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Huntington Beach, which I'm not  
4 even -- there we are. Huntington Beach or balancing  
5 North Orange Coast since Lake Forest is already split,  
6 just extending that split in Lake Forest.

7 MS. TRATT: Well, Chair, I believe it would be  
8 possible to add in all of Lake Forest and then add Laguna  
9 Hills back in if needed for that population or tradeoff  
10 in these smaller cities right here.

11 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Commissioner Akutagawa?

12 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. At least it would be  
13 kept whole.

14 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Let's try that, then.  
15 Bring in Lake Forest and take out Laguna Hills.

16 MS. TRATT: So with this population swap, NO Coast  
17 would be overpopulated by 5,865 people.

18 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Right. Is there anything else  
19 in the neighborhood of Laguna Hills that we would want to  
20 switch out? Can you zoom in some?

21 MS. TRATT: Yeah. It looks like this is the only  
22 option that would keep the district contiguous unless we  
23 wanted to go back and rebalance the South Orange County  
24 North San Diego district.

25 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Well, but could we -- all

1 right.

2 MS. TRATT: But we could potentially split the City  
3 of Laguna Hills and remove around 6,000 people from  
4 Laguna Hills.

5 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Let's try that.

6 MS. TRATT: One moment, please.

7 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Commissioner Turner?

8 COMMISSIONER TURNER: I was going to ask to look at  
9 a split. That's all.

10 MS. TRATT: One minute.

11 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: No. No. Okay. Kristian,  
12 could you read the public input instructions?

13 MR. MANOFF: You got it, Chair.

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15 participation in our process, the Commissioners will be  
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10 Back to you, Chair.

11 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Christian. So those  
12 lines will close at 6 o'clock. We look forward to  
13 hearing from folks. In the meantime, we are exploring  
14 some options in Orange County.

15 Sivan, we are down to a 130-person difference in  
16 North Orange Coast; is that correct?

17 MS. TRATT: Yes, and we achieved that by shaving a  
18 few census blocks in the City of Laguna Woods. And this  
19 would also widen this -- it is the city border of Laguna  
20 Hills, but it would add more to the neck.

21 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Very good. Okay. Let's go  
22 ahead and commit this.

23 Commissioners, can we ask Sivan to continue working  
24 on reducing that deviation off-line? 130. She needs to  
25 remove 130 people from North Orange Coast.

1 MS. TRATT: Chair, would you like to move to  
2 balancing between SANANAANA and the OCSBLA district?

3 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: I would. I was hoping we could  
4 resolve the instructions to you on North Orange Coast  
5 before we went there.

6 Commissioner Akutagawa?

7 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Sivan, just a question on  
8 Laguna Woods versus that kind of piece that's up at the  
9 top that borders Irvine and Lake Forrest and Laguna Hills  
10 portion -- if you were to take all of Laguna Woods, would  
11 you be able to then balance that out by removing, you  
12 know, that kind of top portion of Laguna Hills?

13 MS. TRATT: It would be noncontiguous if we just  
14 added -- or wait. I'm sorry. I think I'm  
15 misunderstanding what you're asking.

16 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. Because I see that  
17 you've taken, like, a small portion of Laguna Woods into  
18 the OCSBLA; is that correct? Am I looking at --

19 MS. TRATT: Yes. That was to balance the population  
20 deviation as close to zero as possible.

21 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yes. I understand. So if  
22 you were to take all of Laguna Woods and then start  
23 trimming away from Laguna Hills, would that help you to  
24 achieve the balance, or is that too much?

25 MS. TRATT: That is an exploration -- excuse me --

1 that I'm happy to explore either right now or off-line as  
2 an attempt to better smooth out this final border here.

3 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. We'll ask you to do that  
4 off-line and for now, take us to balancing OCSBLA from  
5 SANANAANA. Okay. So we need to bring back 182,000 and  
6 change into OCSBLA, so we would start with Placentia and  
7 Yorba Linda.

8 MS. TRATT: I would actually be going in the other  
9 direction, so adding (indiscernible) and Fullerton.

10 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: (Indiscernible) in the other  
11 direction. Okay.

12 MS. TRATT: Yeah.

13 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: So we need to --

14 MS. TRATT: Yeah.

15 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: -- bring in those  
16 unincorporated areas and Brea and see how much of  
17 Fullerton we are able to bring into this.

18 MS. TRATT: One moment, please.

19 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: May I just make a quick  
20 comment, Chair?

21 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. At this point, we've got  
22 OCSBLA, 51,000, almost 52,000 under. Go ahead and commit  
23 that, Sivan.

24 Commissioner Akutagawa and then Commissioner  
25 Fernandez? Commissioner Fernandez?



1           COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah. Can you zoom out,  
2 please, Sivan? Because I believe what this is going to  
3 lead to, potentially, is Fullerton will probably be split  
4 into three districts. Is that what I am seeing? Because  
5 we'll have to take some out, right? Because we can't  
6 touch the Santana. And so it looks like the balance will  
7 go from Fullerton into SANANAANA. I just want to say  
8 that name, SANANAANA, nana, banana, anna.

9           MS. TRATT: Yeah. We could pull from South  
10 Fullerton. And then that would require revisiting Santa  
11 Ana, the VRA district. But we could also pull from Buena  
12 Park.

13          VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: If we pulled -- well, that goes  
14 into -- I mean, we've already split communities of  
15 interest here that we really did not want to have to  
16 split. Yeah. Can you zoom out and then Commissioner  
17 Yee?

18          COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah. I just wanted to mention  
19 for any members of the public, we're noticing La Habra  
20 shaded there and confused. That is a computer glitch, I  
21 believe. Maybe --

22          MS. TRATT: Oh, thank you. Yes. Yes. Thank you,  
23 Commissioner Lee. Yes.

24          COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah. Yes.

25          MS. TRATT: Or Yee, yeah.

1 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Commissioner Yee.  
2 Mr. Becker?

3 MR. BECKER: I just wanted to clarify something I  
4 think there might have been confusion on. I believe  
5 OCSBLA is still underpopulated --

6 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yes.

7 MR. BECKER: -- so it is -- there's additional  
8 population that needs to be put in OCSBLA. So right now,  
9 Fullerton is split into two different districts. It is  
10 very unlikely to be split into three, unless you change  
11 the configuration, which I don't recommend for VRA  
12 considerations.

13 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yeah. Our other option --

14 MS. TRATT: Sorry. I'm just cleaning up some.

15 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Our other -- we've got a  
16 break in three minutes. Our other option is to leave  
17 this portion of the county as it is and see if we can  
18 find a way to bring in 51,834 people approximately  
19 because we still have to balance out North Orange Coast.  
20 But bring in another 51,000 and change from North Orange  
21 Coast and then pull from SANANAANA on the other -- on the  
22 East or -- sorry, yeah -- the Eastern side South -- the  
23 Southern end of SANANAANA.

24 Commissioner Vazquez?

25 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I'm good with that. I also

1 am just thinking that things in LA may shift appreciably  
2 because I know one of the priorities that I listed was  
3 trying to unify the COI in the (indiscernible) valley,  
4 which is not a VRA -- which is currently not in a VRA  
5 district, or those communities are split across, I  
6 believe, a VRA district and a non-VRA district. So just  
7 wanted to flag that, that again, that was one of my  
8 stated priorities at the beginning. So yeah. I just  
9 wanted to flag that for folks thinking about how far into  
10 this balancing act we go.

11 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. Very good. Thank you,  
12 Commissioner Vazquez.

13 Commissioner Akutagawa? And then we break for  
14 fifteen minutes.

15 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Sivan, could you just  
16 zoom -- I think it's outwards so we see the whole -- the  
17 LA area too? Because I'm just kind of trying to see that  
18 Northern OC border with LA. Can you now zoom in a little  
19 bit more so we see a little bit more of that kind of OCLA  
20 borders? Okay. Thank you.

21 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. And this is a good place  
22 to leave the map. We are on break for fifteen minutes.  
23 Thank you.

24 (Whereupon, a recess was held from 5:40 p.m.  
25 until 5:55 p.m.)

1 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Vice Chair Kennedy? Oh,  
2 wait. Jane is back.

3 Okay. Chair Andersen, are you ready to return to  
4 open session? We have read the instructions for public  
5 comment. The callers are calling in. We'll be closing  
6 the lines at 6. Are you ready to go?

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, I am, thank you very much.

8 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: All right. Stand by to go  
9 live.

10 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Great. Thank you.

11 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: You're live.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Welcome back to the California  
13 Citizens Redistricting Commission. We are working in our  
14 Congressional areas, and we are working right here in  
15 Orange County.

16 So Sivan, could you give us an update with the --  
17 where we are now?

18 MS. TRATT: Yeah. Absolutely. So over the break, I  
19 just worked to clean up some splits. I also went ahead  
20 and selected just a rough approximation of the people  
21 that you could continue to move into the OCSBLA district  
22 from the SANANAANA District to get it closer to  
23 developers. So if this part of Buena Park was added, you  
24 would only need 2,030 more people.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right. Thank you very much.

1 So we'd really have to get more out of Buena Park, or --  
2 we're not touching all the portions we've added to NC  
3 Coast.

4 Mr. Kennedy?

5 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair. If I may,  
6 the other way to resolve this would, indeed, be to pull  
7 some population -- pull the necessary population from  
8 North Orange Coast and then pull from that area that  
9 Sivan is waving over right now, so there are two options.  
10 Thank you.

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you very much,  
12 Commissioner Kennedy.

13 Commissioner Toledo?

14 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. I think that the other  
15 option may make more sense -- additional population  
16 standpoint. I'm looking at it purely from  
17 (indiscernible, simultaneous speech) --

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. And it would it make sense --  
19 rather than cutting two cities, would it make sense to  
20 leave Buena Park and take the total amount from  
21 Huntington Beach? I did see a nod.

22 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Just a quick -- just -- we may  
23 need to cut Buena Park or one of the areas around the  
24 Brea or Fullerton in order to achieve the population  
25 numbers for one of the VRA districts -- for the VRA

1 district right above it, or next to it, the ones with  
2 negative numbers because they do have spillover  
3 population in terms of -- there is --

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I'm sorry?

5 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: There is Latino populations in  
6 that area, and we'll need to complete the -- get those  
7 deviations down to zero or one up in the VRA districts on  
8 the border. So we may need to split --

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I see.

10 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- Buena Park or Fullerton or  
11 Brea eventually, but we don't have to do that now. I  
12 think, at this point, it --

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right.

14 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- probably makes more sense  
15 to go through Huntington Park, or -- I mean,  
16 (indiscernible, simultaneous speech) --

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Huntington Beach?

18 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Huntington Beach, sorry.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. Yes. So Commissioner  
20 Akutagawa?

21 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. I just want to  
22 understand this. So we're minus 51,000 and some change,  
23 it looks like. One option is to go -- we can't really go  
24 North. We have to go South. And if you go South, that  
25 means you're going to, I guess, take away Tustin -- split

1 Tustin, split Lake Forrest. Is that, like, for that  
2 option, or split Buena Park, which --

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

4 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- doesn't seem to make  
5 sense either?

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right.

7 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: And then we've got to  
8 balance out SANANAANA because we're over by 34,000.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right. But if you took that --  
10 well, we still -- we're still going to have to get some  
11 population from LA. Well, sorry.

12 Mr. Dreschler?

13 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Well, can I -- okay. So --

14 MR. DRECHSLER: (Indiscernible, simultaneous  
15 speech) --

16 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: So if I can just make,  
17 maybe, another suggestion and take it for what it is.  
18 Perhaps we should be trying to visit or look at some of  
19 those LA VRA districts that border Orange County first?  
20 Because I think we know we have some options. And then  
21 there's going to be somewhat of a ripple effect. Maybe  
22 we need to just try to deal with those VRA districts  
23 first to know what our options are for the remainder of  
24 Orange County. That's just a thought, so --

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh. Thank you, for Commissioner

1 Akutagawa.

2 Commissioner -- sorry. Mr. Dreschler?

3 MR. DRECHSLER: I just wanted to point to  
4 Commissioner Akutagawa, you're right now. Santa Ana is  
5 overpopulated. But if we're taking from Buena Park, the  
6 population then would be under 14,000, so I just wanted  
7 to make that clear that by taking some of Buena Park,  
8 we're adding it to OCSBLA, but then we'll be -- we'll be  
9 under in Santa Ana.

10 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I see. And so that way, we could  
11 balance that one with some Huntington Beach?

12 Sorry. Go ahead, Commissioner Kennedy.

13 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair. The bottom  
14 line is the balance between OCSBLA and SANANAANA is right  
15 now roughly 17,000. That's the population that we're  
16 going to need to bring in from Los Angeles County. Now,  
17 right now, we have two options of bringing in population  
18 from LA County because we have both of these districts  
19 that are still in play. If we balance, say, OCSBLA and  
20 we only have SANANAANA as the only place to bring in  
21 population, then we only have option. So I see that as  
22 something we need to consider at this point.

23 But I do agree that the idea of beginning to look at  
24 the other side of the Los Angeles County line and seeing  
25 what we need and where we can get it from is probably --



1 this is probably a good point in the discussion to open  
2 that question. Thank you.

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. Thank you. This is -- I see  
4 this exactly as a time to possibly let Sivan have a break  
5 and bring Jamie in since she has ideas and she'll be  
6 working with Los Angeles. And then we could know -- and  
7 they actually would -- Sivan and Jamie work a little bit  
8 together there and kind of work things out so they know,  
9 you know, where they're headed with Los Angeles. So that  
10 is what I would recommend at this point.

11 Commissioner Sadhwani?

12 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. And maybe  
13 Commissioner Toledo can clarify, because my thought  
14 was -- my sense was he was going in a slightly different  
15 direction, Chair, that there is some additional swaps  
16 that can be made within Orange County. We're definitely  
17 going to need to pull from Los Angeles, but we could be  
18 making some swaps here in OC first before we go to that.  
19 And I'll just caution. I get it. Equal population is  
20 our first criteria, and we will have to pull some  
21 population down from Los Angeles County. I just want to  
22 be really clear that that -- that we're not -- what we're  
23 not talking about is disrupting the VRA districts that  
24 are just North of here because that's what I thought I  
25 was hearing, and that --

1 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Um-hum.

2 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- definitely gives me  
3 pause.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. And Commissioner Toledo, did  
5 you want to continue, or was that --

6 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. My concern was more of  
7 the Buena Park area -- Fullerton-Brea, and all of -- and  
8 those areas around the VRA districts, just moving in that  
9 direct. So I honestly think the best direction would be  
10 at this point -- we may need to come back to it later  
11 if --

12 MS. TRATT: Chair?

13 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- if we are able to address  
14 some of the Los Angeles area --

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes?

16 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- but it would be to take  
17 some of the Huntington to NO Coasts.

18 MS. TRATT: Chair?

19 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- which gave off parts of  
20 Lakewood, potentially, to get to do that.

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you. Sorry. Sivan?

22 MS. TRATT: Yeah. If I could just quickly also add  
23 that I did speak to Jamie, and she had said that Hawaiian  
24 Gardens would potentially be a swap for that around  
25 negative 14- or 15,000 people that we would be then

1 meeting up with NLA if this Buena Park change was  
2 accepted. And that would be kind of a logical direction  
3 in -- and -- through this LB North district, which would  
4 not touch any VRA districts in LA. So I just wanted to  
5 play out that population trade completely so  
6 Commissioners had a better sense of what the picture  
7 might look like that.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right. That certainly sounds  
9 reasonable. Is that a yes from people, or a no? I'm  
10 pretty sure we're getting some nods. Any shakes? Oh,  
11 okay. I'm getting some shakes no.

12 I was going to say, Commissioner -- I see we have a  
13 lot of hands up now. Commissioner Yee?

14 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah. I just wanted to mention  
15 that I believe the only point of looking at the South 60  
16 VRA district was to make up the population shortfall  
17 there, which might come -- may come from Buena Park, but  
18 not otherwise to start revisiting VRA districts.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. Going to Los Angeles.  
20 Commissioner Akutagawa?

21 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. I am in favor of  
22 just making sure that we have those population deviations  
23 in some of the VRA districts evened out and just leaving  
24 ourselves a little bit more flexibility because I believe  
25 that, you know, we have really locked ourselves in with

1 San Diego.

2 And I think, at this point, if we get all of Orange  
3 County down to zero, it leaves us a lot less wiggle room  
4 and a lot less willingness to really kind of revisit  
5 things. So I think, for right now, since there are so  
6 many VRA districts, that we've got to make sure we do  
7 even out those populations.

8 It's not about major city changes, but making --  
9 well, I take that back. There is a fix in the West Inyo  
10 Valley that I really want to make sure we address. And  
11 so that's why I'm just saying that I think we just need  
12 to make sure that we're comfortable with where we are  
13 with the deviations, but also making sure that the  
14 current VRA districts, as they stand, are also  
15 satisfactory as well too, to the degree possible. I also  
16 understand there's lot of choices. Thank you.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you. Commissioner  
18 Fornaciari?

19 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Pass. Pass.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh. Commissioner Kennedy?

21 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair. The numbers  
22 that I'm seeing on the screen tell me that we're going to  
23 need to take more of Buena Park to get OCSBLA to zero. I  
24 don't know whether we want to take even a little bit  
25 more. I forget what we need in North Orange Coast to

1 zero that out or whether we have surplus down there. But  
2 yes. Wine Gardens would make up most of the 17,000 that  
3 we need, but we're going to need, probably, far Eastern  
4 Lakewood to make up the rest of the 17,000. Thank you.

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you. So that's a --  
6 let's go ahead and accept these changes and move over to  
7 Los Angeles. Or was that not -- nonacceptance? Oh.

8 MS. TRATT: Sorry. Chair, what was the direction  
9 there that you want me to accept?

10 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, that's what I was asking, and  
11 I wasn't clear if that was, yes, accept.

12 Commissioner Kennedy, could you -- like -- could  
13 you --

14 MS. TRATT: I can add more to the selection. I  
15 just -- this is just what I did quickly during break  
16 to --

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right.

18 MS. TRATT: -- give Commissioners a sense of how  
19 many people -- or how much it would take from Buena Park.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. And it would be -- yeah, at  
21 negative 2,000.

22 Commissioner Toledo?

23 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I'm almost thinking that --  
24 I'm almost thinking that we should probably follow --  
25 it's harder to follow Commissioner Akutagawa's

1 suggestions and address the deviation issues in the VRA  
2 districts and then come back to this a little bit more  
3 once we know the constraints. But that also may end up  
4 with us having bubbles, so I have concerns about that,  
5 too. So it's difficult -- I mean --

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So well, I do -- I appreciate --

7 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I'm trying to balance  
8 (indiscernible). So thank you. I was just thinking  
9 through that, and I thank you for listening.

10 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you, Commissioner  
11 Toledo.

12 Commissioner Sinay?

13 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Okay. I'm going to do a  
14 compromise here and see if this direction at least helps  
15 us gets moving. I think one of the concerns I've heard  
16 and I agree with is that for STH60, we are going to need  
17 to get some Latino population because that is a VRA  
18 district. So could we please see the heatmap in Buena  
19 Park -- the Latino Heatmap in --

20 MS. TRATT: One -- yes.

21 COMMISSIONER SINAY: -- Buena Park so that we can  
22 get that one -- and I may be off, but I think this is  
23 where we need it just to get us moving. So anyone can  
24 correct me if I'm wrong.

25 MS. TRATT: Commissioner Sinay, where did you want

1 me to zoom in on again?

2 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Buena Park, please. Can we  
3 take that red off?

4 MS. TRATT: Yes.

5 COMMISSIONER SINAY: All right. So it's hard to  
6 really tell. Any ideas from my colleagues on where we  
7 would want to find the 2,088? I see a big hand in  
8 yellow.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Fornaciari, please?

10 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yeah. The VRA district above  
11 it is 7,000 over.

12 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Exactly.

13 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: So let's take a look at  
14 there.

15 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: But I think that -- I mean --

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: (Indiscernible, simultaneous  
17 speech) --

18 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: I think we're spinning our  
19 wheels at this point. I think we will need --

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Correct.

21 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: I would propose we move on,  
22 look at the VRA districts in LA, get them resolved --

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

24 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: And come back and finalize  
25 this. I mean --

1 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yes.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. That's why --

3 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: -- because it doesn't seem like  
4 we're getting any traction to finalize this.

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: And this is exactly what the line-  
6 drawers are going to be good at and working back and  
7 forth and getting us some options. So at this point, I'd  
8 say, Sivan, can we get Jamie on board? And he'll do  
9 what?

10 MS. TRATT: Yes. Chair, we will need to break for  
11 about twenty minutes to get the plan exported from my  
12 computer and loaded into Jamie's computer.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Great. Jamie?

14 MS. CLARK: Hi. Thanks so much. I was just going  
15 to say that I could start sharing my screen. We could  
16 look at options here. And then when the Commission has  
17 some decision or direction, then we would maybe need to  
18 pause and we could merge plans so that we're all working  
19 with the same numbers. But if you think there will be a  
20 larger conversation around this area of Los Angeles, then  
21 we wouldn't need to necessarily break right now.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. That certainly sounds  
23 like -- because yes, we will be getting into Los Angeles,  
24 so that sounds like a very precise way of doing that. We  
25 can sort of start where we want to -- excuse me --



1 continue looking at what we're doing. The possibility is  
2 here, and then come back. So please do so.

3 We have Commissioner Akutagawa and Commissioner  
4 Fornaciari.

5 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I would like to suggest  
6 that we start with the CDCOV district because that is a  
7 priority area for myself. I know that Commissioner  
8 Vazquez has also mentioned that, as has Commissioner  
9 Sadhwani. We've also received now a lot of COI testimony  
10 around this particular district. And if we could look at  
11 it and you know, see how it might have impacts on,  
12 particularly, the one below it. Thank you.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Great. Sorry. Jamie, could you go  
14 ahead -- can we have a look at these?

15 MS. CLARK: Yes. So what's on the screen now is  
16 CDCOV. This is the district that Commissioner Akutagawa  
17 was referring to. Right now, it includes Alhambra,  
18 Monterey Park, Rosemead, South El Monte, El Monte, North  
19 El Monte, Azusa, Irwindale, Baldwin Park, Covina, West  
20 Covina, La Puente, and other cities in this area.

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right. Thank you.  
22 Commissioner Toledo?

23 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. I think I would be  
24 concerned (indiscernible) any further. So if we're going  
25 to cutting from this -- or I'm just a little confused of

1 what we're thinking here. Are we thinking architectural  
2 changes to this district, or are we thinking just getting  
3 this district to deviation? Because if we're getting  
4 this district to deviation, that would be -- that's not  
5 so hard. But if we're thinking about architectural  
6 changes, then that's a little bit harder but possible.  
7 So I'm just posing a question to the group of, what are  
8 we thinking here?

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So who has architectural changes in  
10 this area? I see one, two -- it looks like architectural  
11 changes.

12 Commissioner Akutagawa?

13 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: So two things. One, I'd  
14 like to -- my starting point is I'd like to, perhaps, go  
15 back to the maps or the visualizations that we had for  
16 this area -- that was November 2nd -- which kept  
17 Alhambra, Monterey Park, Rosemead, San Gabriel, and at  
18 least Temple City, San Marino, and Arcadia, which is the  
19 COI, pretty much all intact in one district. It was the  
20 210 district. We still have the VRA district around it,  
21 but it didn't seem like those cities were critical to it  
22 being the VRA district.

23 I also want to note that Commerce, Vernon, Downey,  
24 even East LA are currently not -- or in the current  
25 iteration of the maps that we're using, do not seem to be

1 in a VRA district, and that, perhaps -- those could be  
2 drawn into a VRA district and ensure that the Latino CVAP  
3 stay at the level that is appropriate to ensure that  
4 Latinos can elect candidates of their choice.

5 And if Commissioner Vazquez or Commissioner Sadhwani  
6 has a different idea about starting with the November 2nd  
7 maps, I'm definitely open to other ideas. Thank you.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Commissioner Vazquez?

9 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yeah. I think that's a great  
10 place to start unless, Jamie, you have strong objections  
11 or are seeing things that maybe we don't.

12 MS. CLARK: No, that's a good place to start. And  
13 what is on the map is now is that version of the 210  
14 district, which does include this COI that Commissioner  
15 Akutagawa spoke of, and the CDCOV, which Commissioner  
16 Toledo identified not wanting to reduce the Latino CVAP  
17 in the current district and just nothing that in the  
18 CDCOV from before, that Latino CVAP is higher. The  
19 population is -- the total deviation is larger than it  
20 was in the draft, so just nothing that, but not  
21 foreseeing any major issues.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. So Commissioner Vazquez?  
23 And there was also -- who else had their hand up?  
24 (Indiscernible).

25 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I mean, my direction --

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, go ahead.

2 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Oh, sorry. Commissioner  
3 Sadhwani, you should go first.

4 I was going to say, my direction to Jamie would be  
5 start adjusting our current iteration to reflect -- yeah,  
6 I think especially that Alhambra, Monterey Park, Rosemead  
7 portion, and then Laverne, San Dimas areas. Yeah. That  
8 would be my direction.

9 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: And San Gabriel should be  
10 included with that Alhambra, Monterey Park, Rosemead --

11 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yes.

12 MS. CLARK: One moment, please.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you. So to summarize  
14 so I know what you were saying, that you would take  
15 Alhambra, Monterey Park, Rosemead out of CDCOV?

16 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yes, and put it with CD210.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Great. If you could put --  
18 so that (indiscernible).

19 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yes. And that would join --  
20 that would join that COI back up with San Gabriel, East  
21 San Gabriel, and Temple City, which is the COI that --  
22 the COI in question. Or not in question, the COI that we  
23 are considering.

24 MS. CLARK: So I made those changes.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Um-hum.

1 MS. CLARK: CDCOV is, again, negative 20,000 people.  
2 CD210 is 53,000 people over. I know, also, that maybe  
3 there were some small adjustments to that, which Sivan  
4 was working on. So perhaps for now, we can just focus  
5 kind of on the VRA areas and get those adjusted and then  
6 deal with the non-VRA areas next once I have Sivan's plan  
7 loaded in.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: That sounds perfect. Thank you.

9 MS. CLARK: Thank you. So also, just noting that it  
10 did move parts here on the Southern border between CDCOV  
11 and STH60. So STH60 is also underpopulated by negative  
12 15,737.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right. So who has -- what's  
14 the next vision?

15 Commissioner Vazquez?

16 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yeah. I think --

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Should we put the heatmap on?

18 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yes. That would be helpful.

19 MS. CLARK: Oh. Thank you, Jamie.

20 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: So I'm sorry. Actually, I  
21 will cede the space to my other colleagues because they  
22 may have some ideas, and I'll continue to think.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you.

24 Commissioner Akutagawa?

25 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. Can we get the city

1 names up again? I'm thinking about to the West side of  
2 that district because in the Assembly map -- so for  
3 example -- I'm thinking there's one of two options.  
4 Either Bell Gardens, it looks like, could be a  
5 possibility. Although, personally, I think they belong  
6 more with the SP710. But perhaps Commerce or East LA,  
7 you know, could -- a portion of it could be brought into  
8 that district where you see that there's a pretty high  
9 Latino CVAP in those two cities there. And so perhaps  
10 one of them could be a portion -- could be an option to  
11 bring it to zero deviation.

12 And it looks like NELA might be a little bit --  
13 quite a bit over, actually, because it's --

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So --

15 MS. CLARK: You're talking about moving Commerce  
16 into South 60; is that correct?

17 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I mean, you're about 15,000  
18 under, right? I don't know if you can move the whole  
19 entire city, but perhaps even a portion of East LA  
20 because it looks like that NELA district is at least  
21 6,000 over.

22 MS. CLARK: One moment, please. I would do my best  
23 to not split East LA.

24 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. Then if you can move  
25 Commerce, and then that might -- 12,000?

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Turner? Yeah.

2 Commissioner Turner, do you have something on this one?

3 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Yes. That's what I was going  
4 to say, not to move East LA, but Commerce in.

5 MS. CLARK: Really quickly --

6 COMMISSIONER TURNER: (Indiscernible) .

7 MS. CLARK: -- I'm going to take the heatmap off and  
8 just zoom out a little bit. And just noting that  
9 since -- and of course, there's room to change all of  
10 this. But since we haven't all the way addressed  
11 everything in Los Angeles, that this is -- the VRA  
12 district would be moving up. Commerce spans the entire  
13 Northern wood span, the entire Northern boundary, so  
14 there would maybe be, like, a hard line there. So just  
15 kind of noting that for you to consider while you are  
16 making this decision.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Jamie. That's a very  
18 important thought. Oh. Any other ideas along these same  
19 lines, or -- I see Commissioner Sadhwani, but I don't  
20 want to skip over too many people. We have Commissioner  
21 Fernandez.

22 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Thank you. And thank you  
23 for that, Jaime, because you could also in that NBNORTH  
24 you could potentially go into the South 60 because that  
25 one's under. Because if you brought Commerce in, which

1 was fourteen. What was it? 12,000 or something? Right.  
2 Yeah. But I'm saying you can also go into the South 60,  
3 but that's not why I raised my hand.

4 In the prior VRA district, it looks like there was a  
5 section that was not added. It wasn't contiguous, so  
6 when you get back up to the North a little, Jaime.

7 MS. CLARK: Sorry. I'm downloading the file that  
8 Sivan just sent.

9 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: You see that little piece  
10 right there by El -- between El Monte and -- right above  
11 El Monte? Above, up. Higher. Right --

12 MS. CLARK: Yes.

13 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: -- there, yeah.

14 MS. CLARK: So this is the -- I think it's the  
15 census designated place of North El Monte.

16 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Shouldn't it be included in  
17 the district, though? What's not highlighted in yellow?

18 MS. CLARK: This area?

19 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: No. Right there on your --  
20 on your right. Right there.

21 MS. CLARK: Oh. I'm so sorry. Yeah. So this is  
22 part of the City of Arcadia.

23 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Oh. Now, talk about a  
24 neck. Oh. Okay. Might want to deal with that neck,  
25 then, I'm thinking.



1 MR. LARSON: I will say that as a city border,  
2 that's going to be a higher criterion than the  
3 compactness, so I think you'd be fine if you left it.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. So we have different  
5 ideas, Commissioner Sadhwani?

6 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Just a couple thoughts. I  
7 generally like the direction that we're going in here.  
8 When we look at the -- what is it -- SP710? I just want  
9 to remind us what Mr. Becker had said earlier today that  
10 the VRA considerations in that district are in the  
11 Northern parts in Florence-Graham, Huntington Park,  
12 Maywood, Cudahy, South Gate, not so much going down into  
13 Carson and those other areas.

14 So in earlier iterations of the -- or visualizations  
15 that we had done, we have done different things in that  
16 area, right? So if we end up needing to pull population  
17 into Orange County from Hawaiian Gardens, Lakewood, even  
18 Long Beach, we could potentially rethink our approach in  
19 this area and have those regions maybe going with  
20 something like Downey. Downey is in one of our very  
21 districts in our VRA districts in the Assembly. And  
22 Bellflower, right? And I think that we've looked at  
23 those areas before.

24 The other piece, and I know we had a lengthy  
25 discussion about it in the -- when we were working on the

1 Assembly maps, I am not wedded to keeping East L.A. with  
2 Boyle Heights. I mean, I think they are neighborhoods  
3 that do have a lot in common. That being said, I think  
4 that CDNELA, we've gotten other testimony there around  
5 bringing -- the ability to bring in Eagle Rock. I think  
6 that for me, it's not a hard and fast rule that Boyle  
7 Heights and East L.A. necessarily have to be together in  
8 a district, certainly not if it can help us figure out  
9 our VRA obligations because certainly both have a strong  
10 Latino population there. Thank you.

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. Commissioner  
12 Fornaciari.

13 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. So I would have to  
14 defer to my colleagues, but a couple -- I'm just going to  
15 throw out a couple of things that occurred to me. If you  
16 could go East on the map and zoom out just a little bit.  
17 When the heat map was on, it looked like Southern --  
18 there was some population in Southern Glendora. Could we  
19 bring that down and then maybe through? Like, Industry  
20 down.

21 Or the other option, we had been talking about Brea.  
22 Would it be possible to bring some of Brea up? I don't  
23 know what that would do to CVAP or if that makes any  
24 sense, but just occurred to me.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Akutagawa.

1           COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. Actually, that  
2 Glendora idea might be a good one. It looks like there's  
3 that as well as I'm looking at the CD210. It's over by  
4 53,000 and -- maybe almost 54,000. There's also maybe  
5 Claremont or a portion of Claremont, because I know that  
6 especially that Southern portion that I think is bisected  
7 by the 210 freeway, there's a lot of closeness with  
8 Pomona. That may be an option.

9           I'm just concerned about -- I'm not opposed to Brea,  
10 but I'm just concerned about taking Brea out because then  
11 I think we are going to get a neck between -- and it's  
12 also going to connect Fullerton to some very, very, very,  
13 very different communities. So that would be my other  
14 concern.

15           I wanted to actually comment more on the VRA  
16 district SP710 and the South 60 and that Long Beach one.  
17 Building upon something that Commissioner Sadhwani said,  
18 I just also want to note that Florence-Graham, Huntington  
19 Park, and Walnut Park are together in this district. But  
20 perhaps since Mr. Becker had said that the VRA  
21 obligations are more to the North, if we were to combine  
22 or bring in Vernon, I think Vernon should be with this  
23 district because they have a lot in common, again, with  
24 Maywood, Bell, Cudahy, Huntington Park, Florence-Graham.  
25           Bell Gardens could also be brought into this

1 district as well, too. I think that that would make  
2 sense. Commerce, with that said, could then go into the  
3 South 60 district or it could stay with that more Gateway  
4 cities area. Downey, Bellflower could maybe actually be  
5 a better combination to go to the South 60 because there  
6 would be a lot of commonalities with Norwalk. And then  
7 as we were talking earlier about some of the things that  
8 we might have to do now in Orange County, combining  
9 Lakewood, Hawaiian Gardens, Long Beach with this area, so  
10 that's maybe just some general ideas to just share here.

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you. Commissioner  
12 Toledo.

13 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. Just as Commissioner  
14 Akutagawa was just talking, potentially the Commerce  
15 area, there could be a portion of Commerce that could go  
16 towards the -- I believe it's the district to the East.  
17 Just a little portion of it to get us to the deviation of  
18 the Thai/Latino area in Commerce, especially if we do a  
19 little bit of the tip. I hate cutting population, but  
20 that may be an area.

21 In terms of the -- I think SP710, I think. My eyes  
22 are failing me, but I think Vernon would be a good  
23 addition to that with Bell if we could, especially if we  
24 could move the -- that district up a little bit,  
25 potentially also hitting the rest of Commerce, maybe

1 Cudahy area, which we already have. The Downey area,  
2 Huntington. Connecting some of these historically Latino  
3 areas like the East L.A. that have strong Latino  
4 population. So potentially lifting -- shifting this up  
5 rather than where it is right now. Thank you. Chair, I  
6 think you're on mute.

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. So just to summarize,  
8 we're thinking of taking areas in here. Now, that would  
9 cut the neck -- cut off our avenue of population that  
10 we're getting. Are we opening up another venue? So  
11 wondering which -- maybe Commissioner Sinay, do you --  
12 are you also have a different idea?

13 COMMISSIONER SINAY: No. I was just wondering at  
14 what point do we start trying these? One of the  
15 recommendations we have received from the community, that  
16 Hispanas Organized for Political Equity, started with  
17 Downey and then moved to Bell Gardens, Cudahy, and all  
18 that. And if we need parts of Commerce to fill up the  
19 ST60 (sic), we can take the rest of the Commerce and put  
20 it -- make sure that it is in a VRA district as well.  
21 And so I'm just wondering when do we start playing --  
22 when do we start moving and when do we stop talking?

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Sinay.  
24 That's exactly what I'm trying to get an idea of. Lots  
25 of things are being tossed around here. Does anyone have

1 an actual -- a plan of where and which one we want to  
2 work on first? Oh.

3 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I can start.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh. Actually, I'm going to go to  
5 Ms. Clark -- or actually, I'm going to go to Ms. Jaime  
6 first, please.

7 MS. CLARK: Yeah. Thank you. I think we could  
8 start moving at any time. I would request that when --  
9 before we start moving, we take that pause so that I can  
10 create a new plan based off of all of the changes you  
11 made in Southern California and then can implement the  
12 really quick change. You saw how quick it was to make  
13 that change in the 210 and Northern San Gabriel Valley  
14 area. And then we will be ready to go and we'll have all  
15 of the information that is needed to balance these to one  
16 person, or close. Chair Andersen --

17 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: You're on --

18 MS. CLARK: -- you're muted.

19 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- on mute again.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. So how about everyone  
21 have a look at the map now, get your ideas in --  
22 formulated in your head so when we come back that you  
23 can -- we can start right in with the line drawing. And  
24 at this time, so -- sorry. Jaime, how long would we -- a  
25 break would be?

1 MS. CLARK: I think fifteen minutes would be good.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Great.

3 MS. CLARK: Please.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. So thank you. So at this  
5 point, we'll take our fifteen minute break, which will  
6 be -- so brings us back just a little bit before 7. For  
7 the public, we will then go -- we will have a ninety-  
8 minute drawing session. So we'll be taking public  
9 comment starting at 8:30. So that's our -- that's what  
10 we will be working until then. So at 8:30 we will be  
11 taking -- opening the lines and listening to all the  
12 public comment. So please, those of you who are in the  
13 queue, please stay there. We will start taking the queue  
14 at 8:30. Thank you very much.

15 (Whereupon, a recess was held from 6:37 p.m.  
16 until 6:55 p.m.)

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Welcome back to the California  
18 Citizens Redistricting Commission. We are working on the  
19 sections in Los Angeles at the Orange County border and  
20 looking at some VRA districts. We've done a little bit  
21 of thinking on our break, and so I'd like to ask do any  
22 of the Commissioners -- are there all different ideas or  
23 have we come up with some good ideas that we want to go  
24 through? I'm sorry. Just before we jump to that, Ms.  
25 Clark, did you want to walk through anything first?

1 MS. CLARK: Nothing to walk through. Just noting  
2 that you still do have some underpopulated districts in  
3 Orange -- or districts that are not within deviation in  
4 Orange County. So I believe when I started, the goal was  
5 to kind of talk about, look at VRA districts, get those  
6 nailed down in Los Angeles, and then maybe look at some  
7 of the Orange County deviations. So just noting that  
8 those are still there.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. No, thank you very much.  
10 That's exactly the plan. We'd like to consider that this  
11 VRA district is on the border. We want to get that sort  
12 of -- and that's -- after population, that's our number  
13 two priority. So we'd like to get that balanced and  
14 working first. And since there -- it's hand in hand with  
15 the CDCOV, it sort of makes sense to do both of those.

16 So thank you very much. And with that, who has a  
17 lovely, precise, concrete idea that they want to have Ms.  
18 Clark draw? And I see Commissioner Akutagawa.

19 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I guess I know I heard one  
20 suggestion was to perhaps put a portion of Commerce into  
21 the South 60 corridor. That's about 15,000. Before that  
22 happens, I am wondering if perhaps we might look at  
23 instead -- I'd like to suggest one of two options.  
24 Either taking the 15,000 from Downey instead because  
25 they -- there's testimony that speaks to them having more



1 connections and affinity as a COI with Norwalk and Santa  
2 Fe Springs and West Whittier.

3 Another thought that just struck me that may make --  
4 could make this work is to bring Montebello out and then  
5 put Downey in its entirety into this district and then  
6 add Vernon, Commerce, and Montebello to the Gateway  
7 cities because that, too, can also work. I'm just really  
8 thinking that Commerce and Vernon belong more with -- and  
9 then also bring in then Bell Gardens to that district as  
10 well, too. They really are a connected kind of grouping  
11 of cities in that area, and it's intersected by the 710  
12 and the 5 there. So I'd like to -- if we could start, I  
13 mean, that's where I would start and would like to --

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

15 MS. CLARK: -- and see if something happens.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So you're saying essentially  
17 connect part of the SP710 to the TH -- no. Yeah.

18 MS. CLARK: No, not connect, but it would be  
19 bringing in Vernon and Commerce, and then an option to  
20 then place Downey with the South 60 district is to  
21 possibly bring out Montebello and see if that would help  
22 balance -- enable that, and then maybe look at some of  
23 the other cities. But it --

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

25 MS. CLARK: -- looks like Commissioner Vazquez has a

1 comment, too.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. Okay. Commissioner Toledo?  
3 He's --

4 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you, Commissioner  
5 Andersen. So I think if we could balance this -- I still  
6 think either Downey or Commerce but getting some -- the  
7 15,000 -- so 150 -- and thirty-seven people that we need  
8 from either of those might be the easiest option. But  
9 certainly I'm always willing to go on a journey.

10 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. Commissioner Vazquez.

11 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yeah. I was thinking maybe  
12 we could start with the easy lift and do Commerce right  
13 now sort of keeping in the back of our minds that  
14 especially as we try to balance SP710 that Commerce --  
15 that switch that you're talking about, Commissioner  
16 Akutagawa, that that could still potentially happen. But  
17 yeah. I feel like maybe it's a good strategy to try to  
18 just balance things in the San Gabriel Valley first.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. So everyone's sort of  
20 talking about Commerce at this point. Jaime, could you  
21 look at Commerce and see how much of that we would need  
22 to take and if we're sealing off our opening between  
23 them?

24 MS. CLARK: Yep. So the City of Commerce is  
25 highlighted on the map and it would be moving into the

1 South 60 district. The South 60 district would still be  
2 under populated by 3,292 people. And this does span the  
3 border of the very top of this LBNORTH district. And  
4 just again, remembering that there is population that's  
5 going to need to come into Orange County from L.A. from  
6 somewhere -- from L.A. County from somewhere. So just  
7 something to keep in mind as you move forward.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So yes. Along those lines, do we  
9 see a path that would open up -- are we talking about --  
10 in that SP710, if we're talking about adding quite a bit  
11 to the 60, and I don't see where we're -- at this point,  
12 we'll be cutting -- they'll be North short, and we'll  
13 be -- oh no. I'm sorry. I take that back. No, we're  
14 not affecting that one yet. Okay. But we still, in  
15 terms of our population --

16 MS. CLARK: So it would be coming from the NELA  
17 district, and then it would be making sort of a cut off  
18 where you couldn't go further North from LBNORTH. And  
19 there's population that needs to come from Los Angeles  
20 County into Orange County, and because of the VRA  
21 districts, the only avenue for that to come from right  
22 now is through LBNORTH.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Correct. And the 5,000 won't do  
24 it, so --

25 MS. CLARK: So well, this 5,000 is talking about

1 going to the South 60.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Correct.

3 MS. CLARK: So you may wish to deal with some of the  
4 deviations down here before you start trying to do too  
5 much in Los Angeles County.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: In that section? Do we have a  
7 different idea, or is this where everyone wants to work  
8 on, the South 60? Commissioner Vazquez?

9 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I think the intent of us  
10 moving North was to try to allow some things in Orange  
11 County to sort of settle mentally. I'm not sure that --  
12 I'm not sure that we can do much in L.A. until we fully  
13 address Orange County.

14 That being said, question for Jaime. Given what  
15 Commissioner Akutagawa had floated as a potential sort of  
16 rotation of some population which would -- moving Vernon  
17 and Commerce into SP710, and then, I believe, moving  
18 Downey into that STH60, and then moving out Montebello  
19 from STH60. Does that present -- can you envision that  
20 presenting similar sort of lock up?

21 MS. CLARK: Yeah. I think that it --

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

23 MS. CLARK: -- would because the boundary would  
24 still be around here --

25 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Not good.

1 MS. CLARK: -- and then it would -- yeah, because  
2 this is all kind of like A cluster of adjacent cities.  
3 There wouldn't be an avenue for population --

4 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Right.

5 MS. CLARK: -- to move from Los Angeles County to  
6 Orange County.

7 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Got it. Okay.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, Commissioner Kennedy.

9 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair. Two things.  
10 One, the idea behind leaving Orange County somewhat  
11 unfinished was that we didn't know whether it would be  
12 necessary to pull population, for example, from Brea into  
13 STH60, so we didn't want to completely lock down Orange  
14 County and preclude that option because STH60 was short  
15 on population.

16 I would like to get from Jaime just a population  
17 figure for the -- for Hawaiian Gardens and the portion of  
18 Lakewood. And I don't know whether -- I guess if you can  
19 zoom in a little bit. I'm looking for to see what the  
20 population is of Hawaiian Gardens and the portion of  
21 Lakewood East of the 605. And I guess, yeah, that's it.

22 MS. CLARK: This is 32,042 people.

23 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. So that's a lot more  
24 than we need. Okay. And Hawaiian Gardens alone was in  
25 the neighborhood of thirteen, thirteen or fourteen?

1 Okay.

2 MS. CLARK: Hawaiian Gardens is 14,231.

3 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. I mean, yeah, at this  
4 point, I'm looking at Hawaiian Gardens and a -- some  
5 portion of far Eastern Lakewood as the most reasonable  
6 place to obtain the 17,000-something people that we would  
7 need to fill out the districts in Orange County. Thank  
8 you.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Kennedy.  
10 Yeah, so that sort of shows us if we pull that out of  
11 there we have to get that population from somewhere else.  
12 And so if we seal off that opening, then we have created  
13 a bubble. So I believe, though, that was -- is there --  
14 put the heat map on. You know how we were talking  
15 about -- do we want to get any of the population from the  
16 Fullerton and La Brea -- I guess it was La Brea -- to  
17 move that into -- let's see. Is it the 60?. Just  
18 somewhat of that? And that --

19 MS. CLARK: Would you like to see that?

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Toledo. Well, this  
21 is -- I'm repeating what people were saying as why we are  
22 looking here, and so I'm looking for other concrete  
23 ideas. So Commissioner Toledo?

24 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I think that's a possibility  
25 if we just shifted some a little. I don't think -- it

1 shifts it enough to get some of the 15,237 people. The  
2 other option would be a portion of Downey. It's  
3 pretty -- Downey, Bellflower although that would cut off  
4 the -- as you say, it would cut off the path to Orange  
5 County. So a little bit conflicted here because there's  
6 two ways to get population out there. It's through that  
7 path in Downey and Bellflower. Potentially we could get  
8 some of Brea in there as well.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you. So okay.  
10 Commissioner Fornaciari. Because what I think what we  
11 need here, guys, is a -- settle on an idea that we can  
12 try. So let's do that, please. Commissioner Fornaciari.

13 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Okay. I agree with  
14 Commissioner Vazquez -- Vazquez, sorry -- and where  
15 Commissioner Kennedy was going. I think we need to  
16 finish Orange County. I think we need to move -- so I'll  
17 give you a concrete recommendation. Move 51,211 people  
18 out of Buena Park into OCSBLA, and then grab Hawaiian  
19 Gardens and enough of Lakewood to balance SANANAANA, and  
20 then we will know where we're at in L.A. County and can  
21 move from there.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Fornaciari.  
23 I'm just looking, though, SANANAANA is positive 34,000.

24 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Oh. Where'd the -- oh  
25 yeah. But when we take Buena Park and put it in OCSBLA,

1 it'll be only --

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Negative.

3 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: It'll be negative what did  
4 you say, Commissioner Kennedy, 17,000-ish?

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Something like that. All right.  
6 There's a concrete idea. Why don't we try that and  
7 then -- unless someone has a -- really does not want to  
8 do this, has some other idea, let's give that a go.  
9 Commissioner Kennedy?

10 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair. Just so that  
11 we don't need to go back, can we zoom out and see the  
12 deviations on North Orange Coast as well? Because as I  
13 recall, yes, we have 130-some -- 130 extra people there.  
14 So we need to get that deviation down in this process.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right. We do, and I see you're  
16 probably thinking about all the -- we don't have any  
17 cities that. All the cities right now -- look at the  
18 connection lines -- look with no interruption.  
19 Commissioner Akutagawa, did you have something you were  
20 going to say?

21 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh. Except there.

23 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Gosh. I'm going to just  
24 say that I am still trying to figure out how to -- a way  
25 forward, but I do want to point to some -- again, some



1 additional COI testimony that has been received and has  
2 been brought up before. And this is about the SANANAANA  
3 district as it stands. And I'll just say I'm still  
4 trying to figure out what might be the best path forward.

5 But there has been now, in addition to the COI  
6 testimony that spoke of certain communities that shared  
7 commonalities in terms of low income -- low wage workers,  
8 essential families, others that span beyond the  
9 Vietnamese community, which is the majority in the  
10 Westminster, Fountain Valley, Garden Grove area, but is  
11 also joined by small business owners that tend to be  
12 pretty low -- they're not wealthy small business owners.  
13 And there's also very much an immigrant and refugee  
14 community in this area. There are also Pacific  
15 Islanders.

16 Anyways, there is some concern -- or actually not  
17 some. There's quite a bit of concern about being paired  
18 with Huntington Beach in particular. Specifically, some  
19 concerns have been raised about some anti-immigrant  
20 advocacy that has gone on. I'm just repeating what is in  
21 the COI testimony. And so I am a little concerned,  
22 though, in terms of the economics of the areas. I just  
23 don't have a better way right now. I think I just need  
24 some time to sit with this. But I wanted to just say  
25 this out loud so that we're all aware because I think

1 we've really tried to ensure that marginalized  
2 communities are with other like communities to ensure  
3 that they can all elect candidates of their choice. So  
4 I'm still thinking. So thank you.

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Akutagawa.  
6 Commissioner Toledo?

7 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. Thank you. This is  
8 clearly a difficult. And whether we shift people up or  
9 around, we're going to be -- we're breaking COIs left and  
10 right, and so --

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

12 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- there's -- at this point,  
13 we have to get to population numbers. And so I would  
14 support Commissioner Fernandez -- Commissioner  
15 Fornaciari's suggestion that we just move forward with  
16 testing the option and trying to move forward in that  
17 direction just so that we can at least --

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

19 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- try to test things. It may  
20 not work out, but at least we're testing different  
21 options.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right. Yes. The Commission  
23 has clearly made a choice that they are not -- expanding  
24 the beach areas is not what they want -- want we want to  
25 do. We're really going to work up here, so can we go

1 ahead and try this, please? So all 51,000 out of Buena  
2 Park, please. That's amazing. And while this is  
3 happening, Commissioner Sadhwani?

4       COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. Thank you,  
5 Commissioner Akutagawa, for raising that COI testimony.  
6 And we've been stuck in this area for quite a while.  
7 Quite some time ago, we were at a place where we could  
8 have balanced OCSBLA and the NOCCOAST district by pulling  
9 in about 36,000 people from Huntington Beach, and that  
10 was a nonstarter.

11       And so I think because of that, then we're now  
12 pulling into Buena Park. So the population is what it  
13 is. We're not going to be able to respect all of the  
14 COIs. We're going to do our best to do that, but we  
15 can't have -- yeah. I mean, something's got to give,  
16 right? We're at that point, and so I think that those  
17 are some of the options in front of us.

18       CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Sadhwani.  
19 Commissioner Yee.

20       COMMISSIONER YEE: Yes. Just to repeat the COI  
21 testimony that we heard quite a few times, if Huntington  
22 Beach were to be split that Garfield would be one street  
23 to split it at, splitting the Northern part from the most  
24 Southerly and coastal part.

25       CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, I believe that is where we did

1 have a split. Is that correct?

2 COMMISSIONER YEE: I don't believe we had it fully  
3 split the whole way on Garfield at any time.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh. Thank you. So Commissioner  
5 Toledo.

6 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. I would concur. I  
7 think it's really about which COIs we're going to  
8 prioritize, whether we're prioritizing the COIs that are  
9 underserved with the refugee community and underserved  
10 communities through Buena Park and up through Brea up  
11 there, or are we preserving the COIs that are closer to  
12 the coast? At this point, though, we're having to make  
13 these really, really difficult decisions. None of us  
14 like it. And that's what we are. I don't really have a  
15 solution. I wish I did. But that's where we are.  
16 That's where we're kind of -- that's where we're  
17 conflicted, right?

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Vazquez. Or sorry.  
19 Commissioner Akutagawa.

20 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. Huntington Beach,  
21 splitting that was not a nonstarter. I was just looking  
22 for other ways. But I will say that I would prefer to  
23 split Huntington Beach. I also want to say, then, if  
24 we're going to prioritize marginalized communities then  
25 we do need to look at this combination of Huntington

1 Beach with Westminster, Fountain Valley, Garden Grove,  
2 and these other cities because I think while the -- I  
3 think that that is the same -- on the same par as what  
4 you -- what Commissioner Toledo said earlier and has a  
5 similar effect to Buena Park. And perhaps this is where  
6 we have to fix first, and then let's see what everything  
7 else kind of shapes up to be. So anyways, I'll just stop  
8 there.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Akutagawa.  
10 Commissioner Vazquez.

11 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yeah. I just also want to  
12 note that it's not -- often where we're going to have to  
13 not just split up COIs, but also prioritize -- we have to  
14 prioritize COIs that may be equally marginalized, so  
15 I'll -- reflecting back on the Assembly choices that we  
16 made, I'm still very concerned about NELA, but that --  
17 there was not a way forward to keep NELA the way I think  
18 a community would maintain its power and also have South  
19 L.A. sort of give opportunities to historically --  
20 equally historically marginalized communities.

21 And so it was a difficult choice, but I think in  
22 taking a zoom -- zooming out to look at the region, I  
23 think it was, unfortunately, a trade-off that had to be  
24 made. So I also just want to acknowledge, Commissioner  
25 Akutagawa, that we're not always going to be able to just

1 say we're going to prioritize this COI because it's a  
2 marginalized group because oftentimes those decisions are  
3 going to be in conflict.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you, Commissioner  
5 Vazquez. Commissioner Sadhwani. And we have right up  
6 here, we have taken this all out. If we want to have a  
7 look and see what's going on and then --

8 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. So I would say let's  
9 take a look. And then I think the other option that I  
10 was trying to just point out is the alternative is if  
11 we're keeping -- we can sweep back around underneath if  
12 North -- NOCCOAST takes up a small population from  
13 Huntington Beach, it would put potentially something like  
14 Lakewood back into the OCSBLA, which we had kind of been  
15 going back and forth about the placement of that in any  
16 case. And then it creates an opportunity to create a  
17 coastal district, and I know it's not the exact coastal  
18 district that the OC folks wanted, but Long Beach is a  
19 coastal area, right?

20 So we could have Long Beach, Seal Beach, parts of  
21 Huntington Beach potentially left together. We've  
22 actually had COI testimony about such a district. And  
23 then having that piece from Little Saigon to incorporate  
24 some of these other areas, including Buena Park, that  
25 could potentially be together. And so many of those

1 Asian American COIs might be able to actually stay  
2 together, potentially picking up some of these pieces  
3 from Hawaiian Gardens and Lakewood if need be for  
4 population.

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Sadhwani.  
6 Okay. At this point, we're just sort of going back and  
7 forth. Let's try this and then see what it looks like.  
8 Yes. Jaime, could you go ahead and -- all right. We  
9 have zero and then SANANAANA is at negative 16,000. And  
10 how about can we have a look at the North coast? That  
11 has what, the positive 130? And that's the only --  
12 that's our only one in here that is not balanced. Is  
13 that correct at this point?

14 MS. CLARK: Yes.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. So if we want to get -- so  
16 are we going to sort of go ahead and actually balance  
17 North Coast and then grab everything else from, say,  
18 Hawaiian Gardens and start in that way? Commissioner  
19 Yee.

20 COMMISSIONER YEE: I feel like we should snapshot  
21 this, but I don't think we got any COI testimony to split  
22 Buena Park, right, whereas we did take COI testimony to  
23 split Huntington Beach. So I'd like to try splitting  
24 Huntington Beach at Garfield and working it around the  
25 way Commissioner Sadhwani suggested. I know we've gone

1 back and forth along a lot of those lines, but we know  
2 them well. It should go quickly.

3 MS. CLARK: Thank you. Commissioner Yee, could  
4 you -- since I'm a little less familiar with this area,  
5 could you guide me through that, please?

6 COMMISSIONER YEE: So Garfield is an East-West  
7 street in Huntington Beach.

8 MS. CLARK: In this general area?

9 COMMISSIONER YEE: Go ahead.

10 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: If I can perhaps just -- do  
11 you see where the Fountain Valley border is, Jaime? And  
12 then if you go West, you'll see that that line, that  
13 Fountain Valley border street is Garfield to the East-  
14 West.

15 MS. CLARK: I see. Thank you. And the direction is  
16 to add this area?

17 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: No. It's to go more North  
18 and keep -- take in more of the -- we're going --

19 COMMISSIONER YEE: Well, we split at Garfield, then  
20 we push -- we're going to push the population --

21 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: To SANANAANA --

22 COMMISSIONER YEE: -- counterclockwise.

23 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- right? We're going to  
24 go up.

25 COMMISSIONER YEE: Oh, I see. I see. Yes, yes.



1 Yeah.

2 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah.

3 MS. CLARK: So --

4 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: To capture more the inland,  
5 I think if at all possible, to keep the coastal stretch  
6 intact but to capture population from inland and add it  
7 to the SANANAANA. I think at least then that could make  
8 more sense in terms of the split.

9 MS. CLARK: So Huntington Beach is all the way in  
10 SANANAANA. Splitting it at Garfield, where would this  
11 population go to?

12 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Oh. So my initial  
13 suggestion, if I may --

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Sadhwani.

15 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- step in here, yeah.  
16 My --

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Sorry.

18 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- suggestion was that that  
19 lower portion of Huntington Beach can help -- at this  
20 point, we would actually be overpopulating the NOCCOAST  
21 district and then removing probably Lakewood because we  
22 had kind of gone back and forth about Lakewood and I  
23 know -- I remember Commissioner Turner had mentioned  
24 Saddleback Church and other areas in there and putting  
25 Lakewood into --

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Lake Forest.

2 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Oh. I'm sorry. Yeah. Lake  
3 Forest. So sorry, sorry. In Orange County. Thank you.  
4 Lake Forest -- thank you -- into this district with Yorba  
5 Linda and Chino Hills and other areas so that the two can  
6 hopefully balance out. Then we can figure out -- so that  
7 could balance those two districts potentially even  
8 without taking Buena Park. Then we can figure out what's  
9 left between the Long Beach district and SANANAANA --

10 COMMISSIONER YEE: Perfect. Thank you.

11 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- and balance between those  
12 two. And that could include Garfield. It opens up  
13 options for how we want to keep some of those COIs  
14 together, which may or may not include Huntington Beach.  
15 We can figure that part out, but at least it could  
16 balance the NOCCOAST and the OCSBLA by making that swap  
17 between -- like cutting that Southern portion of  
18 Huntington Beach into the NOCCOAST and putting Lake  
19 Forest back into OCSBLA to balance.

20 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: So I think what you're  
21 saying is --

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah.

23 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- to start with Lake  
24 Forest first.

25 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: You can. And I think the

1 question also I would just pose is, do we want to keep  
2 that little chunk of Buena Park in there? Or it was  
3 sounding like we want to take it out, actually. And I  
4 defer to the general consensus, of course, but I think  
5 those are some of the options.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. I think that is a plan. Now,  
7 Commissioner Toledo, we were talking about this one or a  
8 slightly different version?

9 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: This one. I just think we  
10 should accept this change, Lake Forest to the OCSBLA.

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. And Commissioner Yee,  
12 you're the same?

13 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yes, yes.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So please do that, Jaime. Thank  
15 you. And then --

16 COMMISSIONER YEE: I mean, we can walk back Buena  
17 Park after we do the other things or whatever's easiest.

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I would say if we're trying to  
19 balance OCSBLA, it would be walk back Buena Park now,  
20 correct? Or no. We're trying to balance it the other  
21 way. Yes. I think we're trying to balance it -- is that  
22 correct?

23 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: I thought that --

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: (Indiscernible, simultaneous  
25 speech) --

1 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- we were doing this in  
2 order --

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- for Huntington Beach.

4 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- to have Buena Park stay  
5 with La Palma and Cypress and the COI that was there.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I see.

7 COMMISSIONER YEE: Right. So maybe go to --

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So take the fifteen. Yes, walk  
9 that --

10 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Take back --

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- one back, then.

12 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Take back Buena Park is the  
13 first piece.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: And then --

15 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: And then go get Lake Forest.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No. You mean Huntington?

17 COMMISSIONER YEE: Okay. We already took Lake  
18 Forest.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right.

20 MS. CLARK: I already moved Lake Forest in.

21 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Got it. Did we walk back  
22 Buena Park yet?

23 MS. CLARK: Yes.

24 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: I'm just trying to see that.

25 MS. CLARK: We did.

1           COMMISSIONER YEE:   So now we Huntington Beach to  
2 Garfield.

3           CHAIR ANDERSEN:   I also want to mention I think we  
4 might have --

5           COMMISSIONER YEE:   Yes.

6           CHAIR ANDERSEN:   -- done some swaps with Laguna  
7 Hills and Laguna Woods, so you may want to take a look at  
8 that, too.

9           COMMISSIONER SADHWANI:   Oh. Oh, that's right. So  
10 we need --

11          CHAIR ANDERSEN:   Right.

12          COMMISSIONER SADHWANI:   -- to walk some of that back  
13 to get OCSBLA. We need to pull some from NOCCOAST back  
14 into OCSBLA. And then --

15          CHAIR ANDERSEN:   Okay. It's --

16          COMMISSIONER SADHWANI:   -- so we're at 35,000, so if  
17 we pull 35,000 from NOCCOAST and then the remainder  
18 that's missing in NOCCOAST can come from Huntington  
19 Beach.

20          MS. CLARK:   So to clarify -- one moment, please. To  
21 clarify, OCBLA (sic) is 35,000 people overpopulated right  
22 now. So would the direction be to move more population  
23 that way, or to move population from OCSBLA?

24          COMMISSIONER SADHWANI:   Sorry.

25          CHAIR ANDERSEN:   Yeah. Yeah. You got to take

1 Laguna Woods back into the North OC coast. And then I  
2 believe Laguna Hills also came from there, too.

3 MS. CLARK: So just moving Laguna Woods, making it  
4 whole in NOCCOAST would make the deviation -- oh, that is  
5 all well. I'm going to add this, too. So you would  
6 still need -- you would need to remove 1,980 people from  
7 OCSBLA. Should I make this change and we could find a  
8 thousand people?

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, please.

10 MS. CLARK: I'll zoom the map out. Where would you  
11 like to move population from, from OCSBLA anywhere along  
12 this border?

13 COMMISSIONER YEE: Are we going all the way to the 5  
14 in Mission Viejo there between Mission Viejo and Laguna  
15 Hills, that little bit?

16 MS. CLARK: Thank you.

17 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah, I remember.

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, wait a minute. OCSLB (sic)  
19 is --

20 MS. CLARK: Oh. It's --

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- is negative.

22 MS. CLARK: -- underpopulated.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

24 MS. CLARK: That's right.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. It would be where are we

1 grabbing a little bit of NOCCOAST from.

2 MS. CLARK: Yes, thank you.

3 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Sivan, you had grabbed from  
4 Laguna Beach. Is that still there or did that get  
5 undone? Not Laguna --

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh.

7 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- Woods or Laguna Hills,  
8 Laguna Beach.

9 MS. CLARK: Laguna Woods and Laguna Hills are both  
10 full in NOCCOAST.

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: And then she's talking about Laguna  
12 Beach a little further South.

13 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Down South. Did that --

14 COMMISSIONER YEE: I think Sivan --

15 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- change -- restate -- oh  
16 yeah. It's still there.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. Well, that is a -- that's a  
18 different area, though.

19 COMMISSIONER YEE: That's the wrong district.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Wrong district. Okay. What is  
21 that little -- let's see. What about that little piece  
22 of I guess it would be Lake Forest that sort of goes up  
23 on the 405?

24 MS. CLARK: This?

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Did we have any --

1 MS. CLARK: Would you like to move this area?

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, it's probably only -- I  
3 wouldn't think it would be that many. It would kind  
4 of --

5 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. I don't think it's --

6 MS. CLARK: There was zero people.

7 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: There was an unincorporated  
8 area.

9 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Maybe just along the 5 so  
10 that we're pulling just on the other side of the 5  
11 freeway, right? In many places, we've used freeways as  
12 kind of a natural boundary when we've had to make splits.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you Commissioner Yee, did  
14 you see a different spot? Or Commissioner Toledo? Oh.  
15 Commissioner Akutagawa has a hand also. Commissioner  
16 Yee, though?

17 COMMISSIONER YEE: I defer to Commissioner  
18 Akutagawa.

19 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I thought I saw an  
20 unincorporated area between Mission Viejo and Lake  
21 Forest. It looked like it was a -- there was just a  
22 little bit up above from where you are if you --

23 MS. CLARK: So we need to move population from the  
24 coast --

25 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Oh. I'm sorry.



1 MS. CLARK: -- to OCBLA (sic).

2 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Okay. I thought --

3 MS. CLARK: So along the 5 here?

4 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Or then maybe it was next  
5 to Lake Forest. Can you just zoom out a little bit?  
6 It's so far in.

7 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: More.

8 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah. A little bit.

9 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Oh no. No, there it is.  
10 Down below Los Flores and Ladera Ranch. Is that an  
11 unincorporated area there?

12 MS. CLARK: This is in a different --

13 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Oh.

14 COMMISSIONER YEE: Different district.

15 MS. CLARK: -- district.

16 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yep. Okay. Sorry. Forget  
17 about that one.

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. So we're looking for along  
19 the border. Oh. That's where we're --

20 MS. CLARK: And we're looking to move --

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- unincorporated.

22 MS. CLARK: -- population from the one on the left  
23 into the one on the right.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Correct.

25 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: What about that little spit

1 of land that's on the other side of the 241 freeway in  
2 Irvine? I mean, just that little bit. Yeah, right  
3 there.

4 MS. CLARK: That would make the deviation -- let me  
5 see about that -- pretty close, and we can refine from  
6 there unless you would really like to explore, instead,  
7 including this area.

8 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. Just that little,  
9 teeny tiny that's on --

10 MS. CLARK: The other side of the freeway?

11 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- the other side of the  
12 freeway, yeah. Not the whole thing. It's too much.

13 MS. CLARK: So if we added this entire part, which  
14 is in red, we would still need to remove 146 people from  
15 the part that is in red to balance the deviation.

16 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Was the Lake Forest along  
17 the 5 not an -- was that not working, Jaime?

18 MS. CLARK: Lake Forest is currently in OCBLA (sic),  
19 and we need to move population from NOCCOAST into OCBLA  
20 (sic).

21 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Right. The part along  
22 the -- oh, is the part along the 5 --

23 MS. CLARK: Lake Forest right now is whole in OCBLA  
24 (sic).

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah.

1 COMMISSIONER YEE: What is a little bit --

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. That little triangle?

3 COMMISSIONER YEE: -- a little Western --

4 MS. CLARK: This? This --

5 COMMISSIONER YEE: Above that.

6 MS. CLARK: -- is --

7 COMMISSIONER YEE: That one. Yeah. What is that?

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah.

9 MS. CLARK: This is James A. Musick Facility. And  
10 it looks like this is a zero population area.

11 COMMISSIONER YEE: Oh.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Good try, Commissioner Yee. Okay.  
13 Do we have any other --

14 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Jaime, how about --

15 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: (Indiscernible, simultaneous  
16 speech) --

17 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- that little piece of  
18 Laguna Hills that's on the other side of Laguna Woods  
19 that's up next to Lake Forest and Irvine? Right up  
20 above -- yeah. Yeah. Right --

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: That --

22 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. That portion. Yeah.  
23 Because that's that weird -- there's that really skinny  
24 part, but it's all of Laguna Hills, but that part is  
25 separate from the main part.

1 MS. CLARK: So with this area, it's still 345 people  
2 over. Let me see. Grabbing a couple census blocks. And  
3 if this seems like an area that would be good to include,  
4 then I can just zoom in and try and balance that really  
5 quickly.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I would say that looks the best  
7 we've seen, but general consensus, other -- different  
8 ideas? I'm getting a couple of nods. Commissioner  
9 Toledo?

10 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. This looks like the  
11 best idea we've had thus far that's actually working out.  
12 And then once we're done with this, can we take a look at  
13 Fullerton area just to see how that's looking once we're  
14 done with balancing this out?

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So this is negative eleven. So  
16 Jaime, do you want to play around --

17 MS. CLARK: Is this something you -- is this  
18 something you'd like us to work on off-line maybe?

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. I'm thinking this is the area  
20 that we'd like to sort of take from, and so Jaime can  
21 play with this. Does that sound reasonable? I'm not  
22 seeing any, no, forget it, so yes, please, Jaime. And  
23 let's go back up. So we'll say, okay, that looks  
24 balanced and Jaime is going to work out the details in  
25 this particular area. And can we go then up to what

1 Commissioner Toledo was asking?

2 MS. CLARK: So from here, the direction is to add  
3 areas South of Garfield and Huntington Beach into the  
4 North coast district.

5 COMMISSIONER YEE: Correct.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, please.

7 MS. CLARK: One moment while I get the map ready to  
8 do that.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

10 MS. CLARK: Oh.

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: And now for the public that's in  
12 queue, we are going to be coming -- taking your calls at  
13 8:30. Thank you for staying with us. Commissioner  
14 Akutagawa.

15 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. Jaime, could you  
16 instead of just taking just a whole entire portion, could  
17 you try to maybe just bring in the entire -- well, I  
18 don't know. Commissioner Sadhwani, are you thinking  
19 about just split it in half? Because I was just  
20 thinking, let's just keep the coast in the coast and  
21 then --

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

23 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- put the inland parts  
24 into the, I guess -- I don't know. I mean, I guess it  
25 depends on what's going to happen with Long Beach, but I

1 mean, if we're going to just split it, it would be better  
2 to take the portion of the coast and put it into the  
3 district with the coast, the Newport Beach --

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

5 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- at least.

6 MS. CLARK: I --

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. So --

8 MS. CLARK: Oh. Sorry.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I'm sorry. Go ahead.

10 MS. CLARK: So this change would be moving the  
11 highlighted area into the district with Newport Beach.  
12 This entire highlighted area would need to -- we would  
13 need to remove 192 people or so from this area to be able  
14 to balance that. Does that sound okay to everybody?

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I think that's a yes. Is that a  
16 thumbs up?

17 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: No. I --

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner --

19 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- would disagree.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh.

21 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: We have a no.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: We have no. I'm sorry. Then  
23 Commissioner --

24 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Can you --

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- Akutagawa?

1 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- just zoom in more and  
2 I'll try to guide you as to where you could take, at  
3 least in that way, the coastal portion will be in  
4 coast -- in a coastal area.

5 MS. CLARK: So this coastal portion --

6 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: That's PCH.

7 MS. CLARK: This coastal portion would be going with  
8 the North coast. So do you have different direction  
9 other than split it at Garfield?

10 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yes.

11 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah. Do it --

12 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: What I'm what I'm saying is  
13 let's split it above -- just slightly above PCH and then  
14 try to retain as much of the coast at least with Newport  
15 Beach.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, I see. So rather than -- don't  
17 take that triangle. Just run it along the coastline. Is  
18 that correct --

19 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- Commissioner Akutagawa?

21 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: So then at least it's in a  
22 more coastal district and you'll have more similar  
23 populations at least with Newport Beach. The further  
24 inland you go, you will get obviously more various kinds  
25 of populations, not only ethnically but also economically

1 as well, too, here and there. Huntington Beach is still  
2 a fairly affluent area, generally speaking, but there are  
3 areas in which there are essential workers and other low  
4 income families that live closer to the inland and closer  
5 to the freeway, so.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. So we're going to go, and  
7 we're going up along -- in this area along the coast for  
8 how long? Until we've reached the population?

9 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Commissioner --

10 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Go all the way up to --  
11 Commissioner Toledo or Commissioner Yee.

12 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I'm just worried about a neck  
13 because this looks like a -- this looks like to me to be  
14 a very, very long and not compact neck in a non-VRA area.  
15 So I mean, I would just get legal advice on this if we're  
16 going to move forward with something like this because it  
17 does look to me to be a very long and not compact area.  
18 So we'd have to figure out -- we'd have to widen it a  
19 little bit more, I think.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

21 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: If I can also suggest, you  
22 can -- I mean, I don't know. I mean, I was told that  
23 long is not necessarily bad. You could take in -- again,  
24 you keep the coastal district, which was -- or the  
25 coastal areas of Huntington Beach, which was -- or is a



1 COI in which it does make sense to have federal  
2 representation that would be united. So that would be  
3 the only reason why I'm suggesting this --

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

5 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- instead of going further  
6 inland. And yes, it will make for a long district, but  
7 we have already discovered that we have to be okay with  
8 that.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. (Audio interference) --

10 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Jaime, I don't know if you  
11 could get all the way up to Huntington Harbor because,  
12 again, Huntington Harbor is not unlike Newport Beach in  
13 some ways.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. So our community of interest  
15 here that we're talking about is the beach community.

16 MS. CLARK: Okay. One moment, please.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: And Commissioner Sadhwani.

18 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. I think I'm sharing  
19 some of Commissioner Toledo's thoughts here. The  
20 entirety of Huntington Beach is a coastal city. So to  
21 me, we're making this cut -- yeah, this long neck I find  
22 concerning. We've actually had testimony, as  
23 Commissioner Yee had pointed out, around Garfield in  
24 order to help maintain the Little Saigon area. I'm not  
25 sure what -- I will go back and look around Huntington

1 Harbor and if there's something specific there, but I  
2 think having this more compact would be okay with me.

3 I don't have as -- I don't have any skin in the game  
4 on this. I think that we're making this cut in order to  
5 help balance out the district. So here, I feel like --  
6 yeah. I think the shape on this is definitely just  
7 giving a little bit of pause.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. I thought it was actually  
9 for community of interest as well. But let's see.  
10 Commissioner Taylor.

11 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Yeah. Just real briefly to  
12 address some of these issues as well. I think those  
13 people that are inland are a little more inland mainly  
14 from where we have the COI testimony at Garfield to make  
15 the division. They're invested in this coastline as  
16 well. And those are the people that are using and  
17 recreating on the beach as well, on that coast as well.  
18 So I don't want to feel like we have to draw them out  
19 just because they don't live two blocks from the coast.  
20 I think they're part of that community, that they're  
21 invested in that community as well, and I would probably  
22 prefer to compact that more. Thank you.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So I must admit, I remember they're  
24 talking about North of Garfield, but Garfield runs North  
25 and South, so that always confused me.

1 COMMISSIONER YEE: No, no. East-West.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh. I'm sorry.

3 COMMISSIONER YEE: West. Yeah.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. So they only wanted the  
5 stuff that was North of Garfield.

6 COMMISSIONER YEE: That's right.

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So --

8 COMMISSIONER YEE: But it's too many people, we're  
9 finding out, so we can either go with something like this  
10 or we could take just a smaller portion, just the part  
11 underneath Fountain Valley perhaps, or coming up from the  
12 Southeastern corner there and start coming up in a  
13 triangle until we get the population, maybe.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. And Commissioner Akutagawa,  
15 did you have -- and also, do we have is it Dale here to  
16 say on this?

17 MR. LARSON: Yeah, I'm here. If you guys had COI  
18 testimony that said keep all of us right on the coast  
19 together, then this would be justified. But it sounds  
20 like there's a little bit of disagreement about what  
21 exactly the COI testimony says and where it applies.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Commissioner Akutagawa.

23 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. So I'm trying to  
24 honor two COIs here. I mean, we've heard from segments  
25 of the Little Saigon community, but I also want to remind

1 everybody that there is also additional -- from various  
2 communities, and even early on when the initial  
3 testimonies about Little Saigon came in, they spoke  
4 specifically about Westminster, Garden Grove, and  
5 Fountain Valley.

6       And so there is also the COI for the coastal  
7 districts to be together as well, too. And there's  
8 concerns about being able to have representation that  
9 would impact the coastal areas. I think it looks like  
10 we're still 654 short. We could fill it in more on that  
11 Southern end. I mean, I think I'm fine whichever way you  
12 want to go. That big, long line that intersects from  
13 North to South is Beach Boulevard.

14       CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh right.

15       COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I mean, you could use that,  
16 too. That's another option. But again, I think -- I  
17 mean, yeah. I mean, either way -- I mean, the coast is  
18 going to get representation. I think it was just -- it  
19 just seemed like given the COI testimony about -- it says  
20 having Little Saigon area included in Huntington Beach  
21 will challenge many small businesses, low wage workers,  
22 and families living outside of Huntington Beach. And  
23 then it does say many of our community members have  
24 concerns about some of the anti-immigrant advocacy that  
25 is coming out of the Huntington Beach area will lessen

1 their voices. It also says that, in contrast,  
2 communities on the coastal regions are native born and  
3 higher income.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. So all right. So we have  
5 the idea of sort of leaving this or -- and now taking the  
6 rest in this area or pulling it all back or just part of  
7 it back. I mean, what are our options here? Because we  
8 do -- we have COI basically for either one. So  
9 Commissioner Sinay, how do we -- yeah. We got hands  
10 everywhere. Commissioner Sinay?

11 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Jaime, where are we right now?  
12 We're 654 short.

13 MS. CLARK: Yep.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Correct. 654.

15 MS. CLARK: And when you were looking at this  
16 Garfield Park and Beach split --

17 MS. CLARK: Right.

18 MS. CLARK: -- we were also pretty close.

19 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Okay. Because Beach  
20 Boulevard's there, I mean, there's natural ways that  
21 people look at the city. I would look at that square.  
22 Yeah, that original triangle that underneath Fountain  
23 Valley and keeping it compact. That would be my  
24 recommendation.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. One for compact.

1 Commissioner Toledo?

2 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I'm just wondering if we  
3 ask -- if we can ask legal for whether the COI that was  
4 shared, whether that would be justification for a  
5 district this long and uncompact because it is -- it does  
6 look to me like a neck, and it does look to me to be --  
7 to lack compactness. But of course, COI, community of  
8 interest, are number four, so I'm just wondering --

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Correct.

10 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- what his thoughts are  
11 around this just to make sure if we move in this  
12 direction, we have -- we're doing so appropriately.  
13 Thank you.

14 MR. LARSON: I don't frankly know exactly -- I don't  
15 know the details of the COI you received. I think you  
16 all know better than I do. I would simply say that if  
17 you're going to deviate in this way in this area, the  
18 only basis I've heard to do so is the COI testimony. And  
19 so I think there should be some agreement among you all  
20 about whether or not there is COI testimony supporting  
21 this. And if not, you might want to err on the side of a  
22 more compact area.

23 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Okay. Thank you. I  
24 appreciate that.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. So Commissioner Toledo, does

1 that have you lean one way or the other?

2 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: So I guess the question is  
3 also if we were doing this for population purposes, which  
4 is number one criteria, would that justify this as well?  
5 So just to clarify that.

6 MR. LARSON: One might respond that there are  
7 different ways to meet that criteria in this situation.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. Okay. Thank you. So I  
9 believe it's -- they're both justifiable by communities  
10 of interest. It's a question of which one do we feel  
11 more comfortable with? So we have Commissioner Sadhwani.

12 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. There's no easy  
13 answer here, but for me, I would lean towards  
14 compactness. And I think in the -- in other cities where  
15 we have cut and have had to make cuts -- and that's never  
16 an easy thing. I don't think there's any of us who want  
17 to cut cities in half. But when we do, we are often  
18 trying to look for major thoroughfares. And we can  
19 see -- I believe this is Beach Boulevard, I believe. Is  
20 that correct? The one that comes down and creates that  
21 corner? Yep.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: That's my understanding, yes.

23 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: That, to me, makes -- it  
24 would be consistent with how we have approached cuts in  
25 other areas, so that would be my preference.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. And Commissioner Vazquez?

2 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yeah. I just want to also --  
3 I acknowledge and hear the testimony that we received  
4 today about sort of the anti-immigrant area -- anti-  
5 immigrant sentiment on the coast. And I think how  
6 that -- I am in favor of actually moving the -- this to  
7 be more in line with the Beach Boulevard/Garfield option.

8 And I say that because I'm not sure that they're  
9 honestly -- that that sentiment will sort of permeate  
10 throughout this district necessarily as it's currently  
11 conceived. And so, yeah. And I also, to Commissioner  
12 Taylor's point, I do think folks on -- in this sort of  
13 corner of Huntington Beach are likewise invested in  
14 coastal issues, et cetera. So I'm not in favor of this  
15 sort of coastal visualization, and I --

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

17 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: -- would like to see the  
18 Huntington -- the corner of Huntington Beach included.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you. Commissioner  
20 Ahmad.

21 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Thank you. I thought I'd jump  
22 in here. So I do see COI testimony reflecting both of  
23 these options. So I saw COI testimony that has this sort  
24 of coastline type of district, but then I also see COI  
25 testimony going more inland. So where my mind goes is



1 back to our six criteria. And since either option would  
2 satisfy and be supported by a COI, moving down the list,  
3 my mind goes to that compactness piece at the end. And I  
4 feel that the option of exploring the area under Fountain  
5 Valley would better satisfy that compactness criteria.  
6 Thank you.

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Ahmad.  
8 Commissioner Akutagawa.

9 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. That's fine. I'm  
10 totally then in favor of going with what everyone has  
11 said in light of the logic of the compactness. So I'm  
12 totally fine with that. I wanted to just make maybe an  
13 alternate recommendation then if -- depending, Jaime, on  
14 how -- as you're going from that kind of triangular  
15 corner up through that Fountain Valley area there, Golden  
16 West, I think, actually makes for a better split because  
17 then it would encompass -- I mean, either way, it would  
18 be fine.

19 I mean, but I'm just thinking that it would at least  
20 encompass the Huntington Beach pier area, and that's  
21 where kind of from Golden West going South is -- it's  
22 kind of more the Huntington Beach pier area. So if you  
23 needed to pick up or find more population, I would just  
24 have you look at from Golden West going South. As well  
25 as if you want to pick up that Northward portion up next

1 to Fountain Valley up Beach Boulevard because I think  
2 that's what I was also hearing, too, is to keep it  
3 compact.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Now we have to take some out.

5 MS. CLARK: Yeah. The area that's highlighted is  
6 454 people over. So I'm just going to --

7 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Wow.

8 MS. CLARK: -- go on a little scavenger hunt here.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: There's 452.

10 MS. CLARK: (Indiscernible, simultaneous speech)  
11 that one. That doesn't --

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh. Too bad.

13 MS. CLARK: -- help, though.

14 COMMISSIONER YEE: Darn.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Of course -- darn.

16 COMMISSIONER YEE: I go across the street and my  
17 neighbor --

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, yes. There ought to be, if you  
19 can't borrow sugar from me, you're in a different  
20 district.

21 COMMISSIONER YEE: Chair, can I just mention so one  
22 of our mapping playbook principles is indeed when we have  
23 conflicting COIs to favor the one that helps us meet  
24 other criteria, so.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. Thank you very much, Mr. Yee.

1 And that was -- thank you, Mr. Ahmad, for framing it like  
2 that. That's a very good way of looking at things.  
3 That's why it takes the whole group of us.

4 MS. CLARK: And is this something that you would  
5 like us to do off-line? This is --

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, please.

7 MS. CLARK: -- thirteen people.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, please. We've certainly spent  
9 a great deal of time here and we -- now we know where  
10 we're just finessing it. And so, Jaime, if you could do  
11 that off-line, that would be marvelous. Thank you very  
12 much. Commissioner Fernandez.

13 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: No, that was going to be my  
14 suggestion was to let Jaime go for it. She's great at  
15 that.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Great. Thank you. So as I see it  
17 now, we are at -- with a couple of exceptions -- we're  
18 talking about moving population from Long Beach area,  
19 this area, into SANANAANA.

20 MS. CLARK: And Chair Andersen, before we do that,  
21 just wanted to clarify that this version where Buena Park  
22 is not split is the version with which the Commission  
23 wants to move forward because we also had it screen shot  
24 with Buena Park split previously. We just made other  
25 changes, so I just wanted to verify that this is the one

1 you want to go with.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Toledo.

3 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yes, this is the version.

4 Buena Park would be whole.

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. So we'd only split one city  
6 to minimize -- if we can do that with one city split as  
7 opposed to two, that's been one of our other criteria.  
8 So thank you very much.

9 Now, just for the public who's in queue, we are  
10 talking about at 8:30. And Commissioner Akutagawa?

11 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: It's just more out of  
12 curiosity, how much is remaining in that Fullerton  
13 portion that we split off South Fullerton? I was just  
14 curious about that.

15 MS. CLARK: Before we look at that, would you like  
16 me to make this change? It's Hawaiian Gardens and  
17 part -- the Eastern edge of Lakewood. It's negative two  
18 people total deviation for SANANAANA. I could make this  
19 change and then go look at Fullerton.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, please. So now we have just a  
21 couple of little bits of homework for Jaime.

22 MS. CLARK: So the split is on Chapman.

23 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: How many people are left in  
24 Fullerton? Because I know we have a split, but how many  
25 people are left?

1 MS. CLARK: On which side?

2 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: On the Northern side.

3 MS. CLARK: One moment, please. So NOCB, OCSBLA,  
4 it's 82,000 people in Fullerton.

5 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you.

6 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Jaime, is there a little  
7 piece of Buena Park that's just hanging out up there,  
8 or --

9 MS. CLARK: It looks like --

10 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- am I looking at it wrong?

11 MS. CLARK: -- this is a --

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh yes.

13 MS. CLARK: It looks like that's an unincorporated  
14 place, or an unincorporated area. I'll just move that  
15 quickly. Oh. And there are people there, so that's  
16 something that also we can work on off-line, maybe.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. So how --

18 MS. CLARK: And --

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Go ahead, Jaime.

20 MS. CLARK: And if the direction is to move that  
21 through the coast areas in places where they are already  
22 splits, then we can make sure to do that.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I believe that would be so we  
24 all -- have all the population in one area and then we  
25 can know how much we grab from the Long Beach.

1 MS. CLARK: Okay. And that's something that we  
2 could do off-line. So if we remember --

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right.

4 MS. CLARK: -- this was negative two people. This  
5 one was very close. I think this one was negative  
6 eleven. This one was over thirteen. So there is a good  
7 number of people to balance out and we can maintain this  
8 split here.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you. Now, to take  
10 public comment at 8:30 which we've been saying, we will  
11 have to take a break at 8:15 which is a little over just  
12 ten minutes. So at this point, would we like to give  
13 sort of architectural ideas that we'd like to see for  
14 possibly tomorrow, give these ideas to Jaime at this  
15 point? Then we could -- they could work on some things  
16 and bring them back to us. Any ideas that are brewing in  
17 people's head and they can't wait to get them out right  
18 now? I see Commissioner Sadhwani's hand.

19 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: You're on mute. You're  
20 doing an Andersen.

21 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Oh. Sorry about that.  
22 Yeah. I think that we are going to need a plan for the  
23 Long Beach area because we're so underpopulated there. I  
24 think that we're in a good place with this SANANAANA, but  
25 I'm -- I just want us to -- yeah. I feel like we're good

1 there, but as we're making changes up above, there may  
2 need to be some swaps in this area. I'm just trying  
3 to -- I'm trying to think about as we move further up to  
4 places like Downey and elsewhere, how we're going to  
5 balance out this Long Beach District.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: That is the actual point --

7 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- because it has too many, it is  
9 not a VRA district. We have --

10 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah.

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- two VRA districts on either side  
12 and we're also talking about crossing over.

13 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, because we might --

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Basically, that's --

15 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- still need to be pushing  
16 more stuff downward, right?

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Correct.

18 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. Yeah.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So that really isn't -- the only  
20 other item could be if we wanted to do a little bit with  
21 La Brea/Fullerton or something, but otherwise it's --  
22 we're basically talking about doing something a little  
23 further North in Los Angeles or -- unless Paramount  
24 doesn't need to be in a VRA district, then we want to  
25 cross through there, but then we have a deep cut in that

1 VRA district.

2           COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. Yeah, because I think  
3 my initial thought was that Long Beach could populate  
4 downward with those coastal areas. I know it's not the  
5 coast folks wanted for Orange County, but it would still  
6 be coastal. And then potentially looking at some of  
7 those swaps in the Lakewood/Cerritos area for the -- to  
8 connect with Buena Park and other areas. But I think  
9 that we still need to be a little flexible here because  
10 we still have a lot of population deviations that we're  
11 going to need to think about as we continue to move  
12 forward.

13           I know that there had been COI testimony. We've had  
14 it on both sides, for sure, about whether or not Long  
15 Beach and Seal Beach have anything to do with one  
16 another. And for me, that would still be an open  
17 question about whether or not we're going to need to  
18 break through there. And I think I'll just put -- I  
19 don't have a problem if we need to do that in order to  
20 help balance out some of this population.

21           CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Now, if we do that, though,  
22 are you saying put Cerritos back into SANANAANA and take  
23 it out lower? Because remember, Long Beach is negative  
24 here, and we're almost at zero-ish in the Santa Ana --  
25 just a couple hundred people.



1           COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. I mean, I'm wondering  
2 about the interconnectedness between these two districts,  
3 and I mean, I think we've had a lot of conversation about  
4 Downey and what's going to happen with Downey because it  
5 looks like the STH60 is still underpopulated. So if  
6 Downey were to go in either one of those directions, and  
7 we've talked about also how South Gate is where the VRA  
8 consideration is, not necessarily Carson/Wilmington. So  
9 I think a lot is going to depend on what happens with  
10 Downey because it's going to -- if we move Downey, it's  
11 going to -- it might create a --

12           CHAIR ANDERSEN: Bubble.

13           COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- a bubble.

14           CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, it will.

15           COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah.

16           CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, because we have a VRA district  
17 there.

18           COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Right. And our VRA  
19 obligations are in that Northern part, not in Long Beach,  
20 not in Wilmington and Carson, right? So I think that,  
21 for me, it continues to be a bit of a puzzle that we need  
22 to work out and figure out because that's going to --

23           CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

24           COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- determine if we need to  
25 make additional changes in the SANANAANA, Long Beach

1 North, and that whole region.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So in terms of the direction we  
3 kind of give to Ms. Clark to work on overnight, do we  
4 have a -- I'm hearing maybe from this is break into --  
5 get population from Carson, say, and then add part of  
6 Downey and the other VRA districts, essentially add that  
7 into the other districts or -- because we don't -- we  
8 have a VRA district now. So we have, I guess, the three  
9 in this area. So how would we still keep three is my  
10 question. Commissioner Fernandez.

11 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah. As we go through and  
12 we're balancing, Commissioner Sadhwani mentioned Seal  
13 Beach, but we just spent a lot of time trying to equalize  
14 Long Beach. And if we continue to leave areas open, it's  
15 going to be difficult to move forward. So I almost feel  
16 like once we complete an area -- I mean, I guess, an  
17 extreme, you could go back, but then you have the ripple  
18 effect going back to all of them that you've balanced  
19 out. So that's my only concern at this point. Thank  
20 you.

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. Commissioner Toledo.

22 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. I'm almost thinking  
23 that we should regionalize -- localize the changes here,  
24 potentially add some population, just enough to get us to  
25 11,251, and then make -- and perhaps do some changes to

1 the Northern part, maybe move some of this. Maybe the  
2 population doesn't come from Bellflower. Maybe it comes  
3 from where Commissioner Sadhwani said, Carson. And then  
4 we move that district up because up is where the VRA  
5 considerations really are.

6 But I'm not -- I mean, this does have -- Long Beach  
7 has significant COIs. We've heard from that community.  
8 They want to be whole. We certainly have tried very hard  
9 to keep them whole. So again, I think we're making  
10 difficult choices, and the question becomes, do we -- how  
11 big are these architectural changes that we want to do  
12 and where are these? I know we have some in the Northern  
13 part of this -- of Los Angeles County and potentiality --

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, how about -- should we start  
15 there and then see if that actually helps us clean up our  
16 VRA districts in that area? And then we can still add  
17 population from, say, Commerce or something back into the  
18 Long Beach?

19 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Sure. I mean, I think the  
20 other discussion that I think we need to have is we did  
21 lose -- in the Assembly maps, we lost a Latino majority  
22 seat. I would hate to see any more of those lost, and I  
23 wouldn't be in support of losing any majority seats in  
24 the Congressional seat. Just throwing it out there  
25 because that is very difficult for me. But I think we

1 can explore. We can explore.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. And I see Ms. Clark has her  
3 hand up.

4 MS. CLARK: Yeah. I think it sounds like there's  
5 not necessarily consensus on whether the exterior  
6 boundaries of the districts that are currently L.A.  
7 County-based are going to change. Unless you know for  
8 sure that you don't want those to change, then I would  
9 strongly suggest against starting somewhere else. And  
10 also I would suggest that if you're going to start  
11 anywhere to kind of go in a circle or something like that  
12 and not to work on trying to meet in the middle or  
13 anything like that because we do know that we still will  
14 have to move some population out of L.A. County either  
15 way, right, just to balance to plus or minus one person,  
16 and yeah. And so that's just a --

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

18 MS. CLARK: -- note.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So in terms of giving us -- the  
20 Commission giving you some direction that you could be  
21 sort of moving ahead with over this evening for tomorrow  
22 morning, do you see any areas where -- we were talking  
23 about El Hombre and we sort of pulled that out. Are  
24 there other areas -- so we have -- both of our VRA  
25 districts are extremely negative, and then the one is

1 positive. But essentially we need population in these  
2 areas, so do people have ideas about where they could get  
3 this population, communities of interest in areas like  
4 this? I see Commissioner Vazquez.

5 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I think Commissioner Sadhwani  
6 was before me.

7 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Oh.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh yes, but I didn't know if you  
9 had a new idea.

10 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Oh sorry. Sorry.

11 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Oh. Thank you.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Sadhwani?

13 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. Thank you,  
14 Commissioner Vazquez. Mine was actually a process  
15 question. Can we zoom out just a smidge to see what's  
16 happening a little bit North of here? Because what I'm  
17 noticing is a lot of our districts in L.A. from San  
18 Fernando Valley, with the exception of AVSCV, Ventura's  
19 pretty well balanced at five.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

21 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: But everything else,  
22 especially the 210 one, is way over population. And I'm  
23 wondering, my question for Jaime is a process one. I  
24 know you said work in a circle. Would it almost make  
25 sense to kind of start from the top of -- Ventura may be

1 good, well-balanced, and start reworking all the way back  
2 down to here to some extent so that we can start thinking  
3 systematically about how to push all of this population  
4 further down? But I --

5 MS. CLARK: Yeah.

6 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: You're the expert here.

7 MS. CLARK: Thank you for that question. I think  
8 that it's six of one, half a dozen of the other because  
9 you know that you're going to need population down here,  
10 over here. I would maybe suggest balancing -- I think  
11 balancing the VRA district in San Gabriel Valley, and as  
12 you noted, CV210 it's overpopulated right now. And then  
13 kind of working from there.

14 I would say that it sounds like there are -- there's  
15 discussion about maybe some overarching architectural  
16 changes to certain areas. I think that coming away -- so  
17 I guess it's a question of do you want to prioritize  
18 balancing this or do you want to tell me tonight balance  
19 that and also look at these other things so then there's  
20 something more concrete to work off of tomorrow. And  
21 yeah.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah.

23 MS. CLARK: So I guess that's a good question just  
24 in terms of which do you want to do? Do you want to work  
25 on balancing districts right now or do you want to have a

1 discussion about what districts could look like and then  
2 I can work on that?

3 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: I think the latter would  
4 make more sense, and it sounds like -- Commissioner  
5 Toledo made a priority for him. I think when I'm looking  
6 in full at this map, I think things like taking Santa  
7 Monica out of that San Fernando Valley district would be  
8 generally a good direction to go in, especially if we're  
9 moving population downward.

10 And then, of course, I think we've had a lot of  
11 testimony maintaining some of the historic communities  
12 throughout Inglewood and other areas. So for me, those  
13 would be priorities as well, and I'd be curious to hear  
14 from other Commissioners. But I think the latter is  
15 going to be better because I think if we try to do this  
16 all live --

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. So that would be a good time  
18 to say -- and things like that, we could give Jaime some  
19 assignments to do the things we'd like to see because the  
20 architectural changes are going to affect everything. So  
21 we have a -- take Santa Monica from Malibu and add it to  
22 the shoreline district, I believe. And then Commissioner  
23 Sadhwani, what was your next --

24 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. So Santa Monica out.  
25 I'm looking at big terms. I heard Commissioner Toledo

1 and ensuring Latino representation within our map in  
2 general and that that doesn't get diminished --

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right.

4 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- particularly since it's a  
5 protected community. I also would just generally lift up  
6 some of the historic working class communities that we've  
7 heard from in the Inglewood area, Carson, and further  
8 down. So those would be some of my top priorities.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

10 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Look, if we go into it, I'm  
11 sure there's a ton of tinkering, but those would be top  
12 level considerations for when we're pushing population  
13 downward.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

15 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: What can --

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. No, thank you.

17 Commissioner Vazquez?

18 MS. CLARK: Oh. I'm sorry.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh. Sorry. Jaime.

20 MS. CLARK: I'm so sorry to interrupt. Just --

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Nope.

22 MS. CLARK: -- I'm taking notes right now, so I just  
23 want to make sure that I really understand. So it's  
24 moving Santa Monica out of the district with Malibu and  
25 into shoreline?



1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

2 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah.

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah.

4 MS. CLARK: Okay.

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, please.

6 MS. CLARK: And then for the South L.A., it is  
7 Inglewood with who, please?

8 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: I think there's potentially  
9 different kinds of configurations for this area, but  
10 we've heard loud and clear that there are a number of  
11 historic communities that want to make sure that their  
12 voices are still heard within districts. So I'm open to  
13 looking at different configurations, but I just wanted to  
14 note that that would be a priority for me.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

16 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: And then again, I'll just  
17 say, and I think I've said this now a couple times, but  
18 that Long Beach/Seal Beach border, to me, that's going to  
19 end up being in play as we continue to work through this  
20 because this population does have to shift down  
21 somewhere. So yeah. Thank you.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Commissioner Vazquez? And  
23 guys, we're already five minutes into our fifteen-minute  
24 break. So let's just list them right off.

25 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yes. I would like to protect

1 historic communities and immigrant communities in  
2 Northeast L.A., ideally including Boyle Heights and East  
3 L.A. Also potentially including Eagle Rock in that as  
4 well. And then I would -- I suspect that we're going to  
5 probably need to do some live line drawing in that South  
6 L.A. district. So I'll be honest, I personally would not  
7 invest a whole lot of time tonight doing that. So yeah.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. All right. So we do need to  
9 give them some -- a little bit more. We have one that is  
10 we know what we're talking about and the rest are a  
11 bit -- very nebulous. And if we could give them a little  
12 bit more direction, or if we need to stay nebulous, we  
13 can't get much done overnight. Commissioner Akutagawa?

14 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Can I --

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Or Commissioner Vazquez, yes.

16 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yeah. I was trying to be  
17 brief, but also to be really specific, I think you can  
18 add some -- that population in Glendora, Southern  
19 Glendora and Southern Claremont, to take that out of the  
20 210 district and add it to the VRA district below.

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

22 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Those are my specifics.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. So did you get that,  
24 Jaime?

25 MS. CLARK: Yes, I did.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Great. Thank you very much.

2 Commissioner Akutagawa.

3 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. Thank you,  
4 Commissioner Vazquez, for noting those -- that move from  
5 the 210 to at least balance that out. I don't think we  
6 talked about it, but I just wanted to lift up POSO. I  
7 think they said that on the Congressional district, I  
8 think that was the small change, so perhaps we could do  
9 that. I also want to -- if we can, can we also take a  
10 look at Koreatown? I know that we wanted -- we made for  
11 the Assembly to follow the community lines and would like  
12 to keep that consistency for the Congressional lines as  
13 well, too.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Great. Thank you, Commissioner  
15 Akutagawa. So those two items.

16 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. And yeah. I don't  
17 know if she could just show it real quick or if you just  
18 want to move on.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, yeah. Let's move on --

20 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Okay.

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- because we're already -- thank  
22 you. Commissioner Toledo.

23 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you. In addition to the  
24 maintaining of the Latino majority districts, also we did  
25 receive testimony from a community group, Hispanas

1 Organized for Political Equity -- Equality, rather --  
2 specifying historically Hispanic and Latino area that has  
3 VRA implications and VRA areas, and that includes Bell,  
4 Bell Gardens, Commerce, Downey, Huntington Park area.  
5 The letter has exactly the areas that they're looking at,  
6 and if we could include as much of that area -- so  
7 essentially moving the VRA district up, and that would be  
8 SF710.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: 710. Trying to move it -- yeah.

10 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: So if there's a possibility  
11 to do that. The population may not allow, but if we're  
12 able to move the --

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Move that up, yes.

14 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- (indiscernible,  
15 simultaneous speech) where we have more VRA  
16 considerations, I think that'd be ideal as long as we're  
17 also able to -- also being able to keep all the districts  
18 that are currently in play because I would hate to do it  
19 and lose --

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Great.

21 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- a district.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you. Commissioner  
23 Sinay, did you have just a -- because we're --

24 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Mine was exact -- was the hope  
25 of the same. It's their VRA district starts in

1 Bellflower/Downey and moves -- so --

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: North.

3 COMMISSIONER SINAY: -- we've all talked about --

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

5 COMMISSIONER SINAY: -- we were told by --

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Got it.

7 COMMISSIONER SINAY: -- Mr. Becker that we can start  
8 up there.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you very much.  
10 Commissioner Akutagawa and Commissioner Turner. Go  
11 ahead.

12 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. Just real quick one  
13 more thing. I noticed that the Hidden Hills there -- I  
14 think that was that five-city cog up there that we put  
15 together for the Assembly district, so I just wanted to  
16 just point that out.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. And Commissioner Turner.

18 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Thank you, Chair. Mines would  
19 be just -- the priority would be around the historical  
20 areas in the Los Angeles area, and then also the People's  
21 Redistricting Alliance sent along some Shapefiles that we  
22 already have. And if we can just keep those in mind as  
23 we're drawing, I would support the recommendations in  
24 their Shapefiles.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you very much. And

1 does Jaime -- yes. Jaime?

2 MS. CLARK: Just thinking about the -- thinking  
3 about all of the changes, and of course, we'll try and  
4 wave a magic wand and make all of them come true. For  
5 the thing about starting a VRA -- so I'm kind of hearing  
6 include all of this in a VRA district. And a question  
7 that I have is, is it okay to have San Pedro port with  
8 Long Beach Port?

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, no. I'm getting massive no,  
10 no, no, no, no. And that is a federal issue, too, so  
11 there's a lot of funding there, so we'd like to keep  
12 that, I believe, separate.

13 MS. CLARK: That's why I asked.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: And I understand with --

15 MS. CLARK: That's fine.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. Thank you very much. Okay.  
17 And I think we need to -- guys, we're supposed to be back  
18 in about five minutes to begin public comment, so unless  
19 someone has something really they have to say right  
20 now --

21 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Can I just say something?

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, please.

23 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I mean, we're talking about  
24 VRA areas. And so I think when we're talking about VRA  
25 areas, we have to keep all of the -- because it is the

1 second priority above COI, including counties. And I  
2 hate to say because it's unpopular, but even unifying  
3 ports would be secondary to maintaining VRA districts,  
4 and so -- and being able to achieve the VRA goals. So  
5 I'm just --

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No.

7 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: So I wouldn't say no. I  
8 wouldn't be -- that wouldn't be my -- I wouldn't want to  
9 unify them if they don't have to be, but if it's the only  
10 way to protect the VRA districts, then I think we have to  
11 do that, and I'm --

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah.

13 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- just throwing that out  
14 there.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No, thank you. I appreciate that.  
16 And I'm quite sure that Jaime, sort of realizing that,  
17 she will use her -- wave her magic wand and kind of give  
18 us -- these are under, under, under. Maybe we could do a  
19 rearrange, a little something or other and sort of see  
20 what a few options are. So Commissioner Turner.

21 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Absolutely. I wanted to say  
22 that I was not opposed to being able to -- having to  
23 combine the ports as well. So I just want to make sure  
24 that it's not a unified -- and in addition to that, I  
25 think historically there's been -- they've been talking

1 for years about merging anyway. And so maybe this will  
2 help them move down that path.

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. Okay. Thank you very much,  
4 everyone. We have to take a break. And the public, I'm  
5 terribly sorry. I know we've pushed you and pushed you.  
6 But our sign language people and our court reporters,  
7 they have to have a fifteen-minute break. So instead of  
8 coming at you at 6:30, it will be 6:40.

9 COMMISSIONER YEE: 8:40.

10 CHAIR ANDERSEN: 8. 8. I wish was 6. At 8 because  
11 we need the fifteen minutes for our staff and our  
12 contractors. So thank you very much, everyone, and we'll  
13 see you back here at --

14 MR. MANOFF: 8:40, Chair.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: 8:40. Great.

16 COMMISSIONER YEE: And that'll be --

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you very much.

18 COMMISSIONER YEE: -- public -- that'll be public  
19 comment?

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, for public comment. Great.  
21 Thank you.

22 COMMISSIONER YEE: Thank you, Chair.

23 (Whereupon, a recess was held from 8:27 p.m.  
24 until 8:41 p.m.)

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Welcome back to the public and



1 everyone who has been following us, which is us as well,  
2 and welcome to the California Citizens Redistricting  
3 Commission. We have wrapped up our work for the day and  
4 are anxiously waiting to hear those people who are  
5 intrepid souls who stayed with us this long and are  
6 willing to give us public comment. So Katy, could you  
7 lead us off, please?

8 MR. MANOFF: I'll be helping you with that tonight.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh. Thank you very much, Kristian.

10 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Again, we want to welcome  
11 those who have called in. The Commission will now take  
12 public comment. To give public comment, you've already  
13 called and you've already entered the meeting ID. You've  
14 dialed in. Please press star nine to enter the comment  
15 queue. The full call-in instructions are read at the  
16 beginning of the session and are provided on the  
17 livestream landing page.

18 We do have a plethora of public to give comment  
19 today. We will be enforcing a time limit of one minute  
20 and thirty seconds with a warning at thirty seconds and  
21 fifteen seconds remaining. First up, we've got caller  
22 7486, and after that will be caller 2751. Caller 7486,  
23 if you could please follow the prompts by pressing star  
24 six. Go ahead.

25 DR. FINE: Hi. My name is Dr. Julie Fine (ph.) from

1 Cal State L.A. I, along with 200 organizations,  
2 businesses, and individuals, have signed a joint  
3 statement urging the Commission to keep the Asian  
4 American community in the West San Gabriel Valley in a  
5 single Congressional district. I'm calling as a scholar  
6 of the West San Gabriel Valley and also as a community  
7 member that lives in San Diego but is from the sister  
8 cities of Monterey Park and Rosemead.

9 I wanted to call to thank the Commission for what I  
10 saw earlier for hopefully keeping the community of  
11 interest in the cities of Monterey Park, San Marino,  
12 Rosemead, San Gabriel, Alhambra, Arcadia, South Pasadena,  
13 and Temple City. Map CD210 based -- advanced by Asian  
14 Americans Advancing Justice Asian Law Caucus, plus the  
15 200 organizations, businesses, and individuals stand  
16 behind keeping our political representation and voting  
17 power intact.

18 What this does is that it recognizes us as a  
19 community of interest as an Asian-American community, one  
20 of the largest and most --

21 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thirty seconds.

22 DR. FINE: -- diverse in the country. We are united  
23 by culture, immigration, family values, shopping power,  
24 and as I mentioned jokingly before, our love of boba. I  
25 invite you to take up an offer to go boba -- to go get

1 boba in this area. We are a COI.

2 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Fifteen.

3 DR. FINE: Keeping this COI will push a CVAP  
4 percentage to 35.98, and research has shown that this  
5 would not impact the Latino community's ability to elect  
6 a candidate of their choice, which is protected under the  
7 VRA. I thank you for keeping this community together.

8 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
9 we've got caller 2751, and after that will be caller  
10 4201. Caller 2751, if you could please follow the  
11 prompts to unmute by pressing star six. Go ahead.

12 MX. VU: Hi. My name is Indigo. I'm a resident of  
13 Santa Ana, and I'm a staff member at VietRISE nonprofit  
14 organization based in Garden Grove. I implore you to  
15 keep West Santa Ana West of the Santa Ana River with the  
16 neighboring Little Saigon cities of Westminster, Garden  
17 Grove, and Fountain Valley in Congressional and State  
18 Senate draft maps similar to the layout of the Assembly  
19 draft map. West Santa Ana has a large concentration of  
20 Vietnamese people, mobile home residents, seniors, and  
21 working class communities who should be kept within the  
22 same district as similar communities in Garden Grove and  
23 Westminster. Doing so would respect the historical  
24 growth of Little Saigon which originated in West Santa  
25 Ana and later grew Westward to Garden Grove, Fountain

1 Valley, and Westminster. West Santa Ana continues to be  
2 an important gathering place for the Vietnamese community  
3 due to the large concentration of Vietnamese churches and  
4 temples, many of which were built early in the  
5 development of Little Saigon.

6 In particular, West Santa Ana and other parts of  
7 Little Saigon should not be grouped with the coastal  
8 cities like Huntington Beach and Newport Beach. The  
9 socioeconomic background and language accessibility needs  
10 of the residents in West Santa Ana are much more similar  
11 to those of the residents in Westminster and Garden  
12 Grove. Pairing them --

13 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thirty seconds.

14 MX. VU: -- with the coastal cities like Huntington  
15 Beach and Newport Beach which have a much higher median  
16 household income and which do not have a large percentage  
17 of residents who speak a language other than English at  
18 home will result in divergent interests and concerns.  
19 Please maintain the integrity of Little Saigon by keeping  
20 West Santa Ana together with neighboring cities of  
21 Westminster, Garden Grove, and Fountain Valley, and  
22 separated --

23 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Ten seconds.

24 MX. VU: -- from the coastal cities of Huntington  
25 Beach and Newport Beach in both the Congressional and

1 State Senate maps similar to the layout of the Assembly  
2 draft map. Thank you.

3 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. And as a  
4 reminder to our callers, your input is being interpreted  
5 by our ASL interpreters and by our live transcribers.  
6 Please speak at a steady pace and take your time with  
7 city, county names, and numbers. Up next, we've got  
8 caller 4201, and after that will be caller 5982. Caller  
9 4201, you know what to do. Go ahead. Ope. Almost. Go  
10 ahead.

11 MR. WALDMAN: Thank you, Commissioner. Stuart  
12 Waldman from VICA again. I want to thank the Commission  
13 for identifying the priority for tomorrow to remove Santa  
14 Monica from the San Fernando Valley. Both the Valley and  
15 Santa Monica support that idea and we thank you. This is  
16 a reminder that VICA has a plan to address the population  
17 swaps that make the move work and then actually improve  
18 the districts from the community's perspective.

19 We also appreciate the efforts of the Commission to  
20 try and keep the Malibu/Los Virgenes cog together. We  
21 think that that is very important. And I keep forgetting  
22 about POSO, and thank you, Commissioner Akutagawa, for  
23 remembering that. We've got to fix that or I'm going to  
24 hear about it from my neighbors. So thank you so much  
25 and look forward to seeing what happens tomorrow.

1 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
2 we've got caller 5982. And after that will be caller  
3 5667. Caller 5982. Go ahead.

4 MS. NGUYEN: Good evening, members of the  
5 Commission. My name is Nicki Nguyen, and I am a resident  
6 of the City of Westminster. First, thank you for your  
7 work and the opportunity to speak. I found the original  
8 draft map for Orange County to be sensical and respectful  
9 of various communities. However, the changes made today  
10 are shocking and disrupt districts and long-standing  
11 communities.

12 The Garden Grove and Westminster COI, the AMEMSA COI  
13 spanning South Buena Park, La Palma, and Cypress, and  
14 Orange County, and Cerritos, and Artesia, and Los Angeles  
15 County, and the Korean American COI in North Buena Park  
16 and Northwest Fullerton are all overwhelmingly made up of  
17 immigrant community members. In comparison, the  
18 communities along the coast are starkly different in  
19 demographics, namely being native born and comprising of  
20 high income households. This is reflected in the  
21 attitudes of cities like Huntington Beach that has  
22 notoriously exhibited anti-immigrant attitudes similar to  
23 other portions of OC.

24 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thirty seconds.

25 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thus, combining these groups

1 do not make sense. Please reverse the changes made  
2 today, return to the draft map, and additionally make  
3 Irvine whole by, one, bringing the portion of Irvine  
4 North of the 5 freeway into district North --

5 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Fifteen seconds.

6 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- OC Coast, unifying the  
7 City of Irvine and drawing it together with Costa Mesa.  
8 And two, achieving the population balance by shifting  
9 South county population between districts Inland OC,  
10 North OC Coast, and South OC/North San Diego.

11 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
12 we've got caller 5667. And after that will be caller  
13 1535. Caller 5667. Go ahead.

14 MR. DELONG: Good evening, Commissioners. First and  
15 foremost, thank you for the opportunity to address you  
16 this evening and thank you for your hard work on behalf  
17 of our state throughout this process. Having  
18 participated on a local redistricting committee ten years  
19 ago, I empathize with your dilemmas. My name is Gary  
20 DeLong, and I address you today as a thirty-plus year  
21 resident of Long Beach, a former Long Beach local elected  
22 official, and a current member of several local nonprofit  
23 boards.

24 I urge you to not split up our community by merging  
25 a portion of us into Orange County. As some of you

1 likely already know, Los Angeles County residents have  
2 very different priorities than Orange County residents.  
3 And we are concerned that one of the approaches being  
4 considered would dilute our voices, particularly in our  
5 ethnic communities. We deserve to be represented by  
6 elected officials who understand our unique communities  
7 of interest. Please keep our community part of Los  
8 Angeles County. And I thank you for your consideration.

9 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
10 we've got caller 1535. And after that will be caller  
11 4500.

12 Caller 1535. Go ahead.

13 MR. MALDONADO: Hello, my name is Tony Maldonado.  
14 I'm a Latino first generation American. Regarding the  
15 Congressional map for the Santa Clarita and the Antelope  
16 Valleys, an important change must be made which is to  
17 remove Sylmar at the Southern portion and include Simi  
18 Valley and, if possible, Moorpark as well.

19 The rationale for this is the fact that, according  
20 to census records, Sylmar is a seventy-eight percent  
21 Latino majority working class sector of the San Fernando  
22 Valley. And more importantly, a core member of the  
23 deeply interrelated Latino COI of Sylmar, Olive View, San  
24 Fernando, Pacoima, Sun Valley, Arleta, and Mission Hills.

25 The intention removal of Sylmar from this particular



1 COI would be malicious and disastrous to the Latinos of  
2 this community as it would perversely erase all of their  
3 hard work and silence them forever. In comparison, Simi  
4 Valley, Moorpark, or both in Ventura County map that  
5 oddly excuse the City of Ventura are more in line to the  
6 Santa Clarita and Antelope Valley sharing common  
7 cultural, socioeconomic, historical, cultural, and  
8 geographic bonds, sharing similar demographics such as  
9 housing, age, education, and income. And share national  
10 forest --

11 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thirty seconds.

12 MR. MALDONADO: -- defense industry, employment,  
13 Southern California Edison Power shutouts, and PFD  
14 incidents. This realignment would better serve all of  
15 our communities as it would be the most equitable and  
16 fair in terms of Congressional representation, preserving  
17 Latino voices, and avoiding a possible VRA --

18 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Fifteen.

19 MR. MALDONADO: -- challenge. Thank you. Have a  
20 good night.

21 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
22 we've got 4500. And after that will be 2232.

23 Caller 4500. Go ahead. Hello?

24 MR. AFLANHAMIAN: Yeah, hi. My name is Greg  
25 Aflanhamian (ph.) and I live in Santa Clarita and we are

1 part of the California 25th Congressional District. I'm  
2 asking you that -- you do not remove Simi Valley from  
3 CA25. Santa Clarita and Simi Valley are very similar.  
4 Both -- the population that moved to Santa Clarita and  
5 Simi Valley are suburbs. And we -- the residents want to  
6 escape the City of Los Angeles. We want -- we don't want  
7 to be part of LA Unified School District, and that makes  
8 us very similar.

9       So I'm asking that you do not remove Simi Valley  
10 from CA25. We're very similar and the populations are  
11 very similar. Thank you.

12       PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
13 we've got 2232. And after that will be 7296. Caller  
14 2232, go ahead.

15       MS. ASATO: Hello. Kayla Asato again. I live in  
16 the City of Orange in the 46th Congressional district and  
17 I for Orange County Environmental Justice. Thank you for  
18 your hard work, including drafting the entire map,  
19 seemingly. While the original draft map in Orange County  
20 made a lot of sense to us, the changes that you made  
21 today were very shocking, completely out of nowhere,  
22 seemingly to us, and disrupted key districts. The Garden  
23 Grove and Westminster COI, a member COI spanning South  
24 Winter Park, La Palma, Cypress in Orange County and  
25 Cerritos, Artesia in LA County. The Korean American COI

1 in North Winter Park and in Northwest Fullerton are all  
2 overwhelmingly immigrant.

3 In contrast, communities on the coasts are native  
4 born and very high income. Indeed, Huntington Beach is  
5 home to some of the most anti-immigrant parts of the  
6 county. Yorba Linda, Anaheim Hills also very high  
7 income, some of the most racist parts of the county.  
8 These are risky changes, go back to the draft map and  
9 mark Irvine whole. Make Irvine goal by bringing the  
10 portion of Irvine North of the five freeway into district  
11 North OC coast, unifying the City of Irvine and drawing  
12 it together with Costa Mesa. And two, achieving --

13 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thirty seconds.

14 MS. ASATO -- population balance by shifting South 20  
15 population between District OC, SBLA, North OC Coast and  
16 South OC NSB. Please reference to the Shapefile sent  
17 earlier by the People's Redistricting Alliance, some of  
18 the other Commissioners have mentioned. Thank you very  
19 much and please keep our communities whole. Thank you.  
20 Bye-bye.

21 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
22 we've got caller 7296. And after that will be caller  
23 0682.

24 Caller 7296. Go ahead.

25 MS. KITAMURA: Good evening, Commissioners. This is

1 Deanna Kitamura tomorrow with Asian Americans Advancing  
2 Justice Asian Law Caucus. Thank you so much for making  
3 the changes to reunite the West Puente Valley. Please  
4 review our Congressional highlights document for other  
5 changes we are requesting regarding guarding -- Gardena,  
6 Torrance, and Koreatown.

7 I was dropped from the queue last night, so I didn't  
8 get a chance to talk about the changes that you've made  
9 to the Assembly map yet. Thank you for respecting many  
10 of the AAPI and AMEMSA COIs in that map. We are very  
11 disappointed, however, with their last minute change to  
12 Carson and West Carson. In order to give each COI an  
13 Assembly member, you cut Carson. And now, you're talking  
14 about cutting Carson at the Congressional level.

15 I sent you a link to the City of Carson's website  
16 regarding this year's celebration of the Philippines  
17 Independence Day in that city. Carson boasts that -- the  
18 City of Carson boasts that Carson has the largest  
19 concentration of Filipinos outside of the Philippines.  
20 The Filipino COI extends beyond Carson and includes West  
21 Carson. So dividing Carson --

22 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thirty seconds.

23 MS. KITAMURA: -- the Southern portion from  
24 neighboring West Carson reduces their voting power.  
25 Carson is also home to the largest Pacific Islander

1 community in Los Angeles. The Samoan community is  
2 concentrated in Carson and other Pacific Islanders, also  
3 called Carson home.

4 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Fifteen.

5 MS. KITAMURA: We are exploring ways to mitigate the  
6 damage caused by the latest Assembly iteration. And we  
7 hope that you will be open to adopting our suggestions  
8 when you make your final Assembly changes on December  
9 18th. And for Orange County Congressional, please revert  
10 back to your --

11 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
12 we've got caller 0682. And after that will be caller  
13 6776.

14 Caller 0682. Go ahead.

15 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello, Commissioners. I'm a  
16 near lifelong resident of the Antelope Valley. For ten  
17 years, we in the Antelope Valley, have had the misfortune  
18 of being drawn in with the same Congressional district as  
19 Simi Valley. The Commission has addressed this issue and  
20 released the draft where we are finally not  
21 disenfranchised and with proper communities of interest.

22 As someone who was born in Simi Valley and has  
23 family in Simi Valley, we couldn't be more different  
24 contrary to what a previous caller said. Are you aware  
25 that to even drive from Santa Clarita to Simi Valley, you

1 have to take two freeways and drive thirty-six miles?  
2 The similarities previous -- previously stated by callers  
3 are based on what they perceive to be similar politics.  
4 It's also no secret that many of these comments you hear  
5 from supposed Santa Clarita Valley residents have been  
6 largely impacted by the public attacks our current  
7 Congressman has lodged against the Commission.

8       Thousand Oaks would be a much better alternative for  
9 Simi Valley. They reside in the same county and border  
10 each other. They also have identical populations, racial  
11 demographics --

12       PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thirty seconds.

13       UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- annual incomes, and have  
14 students who both attend -- who attend Moorpark College.  
15 Please stop disenfranchising voters of color in the  
16 Antelope Valley in Santa Clarita for Simi Valley, a  
17 wealthy non-LA County community. Ventura's current draft  
18 also has a perfect 0.0 deviation --

19       PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Fifteen.

20       UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- which makes it strange that  
21 anyone would consider changing that. We in the Antelope  
22 Valley don't need a VRA district, we simply ask you to  
23 keep the current draft of ABSDV (ph.). Thank you so  
24 much. Have a good night.

25       PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,

1 we've got caller 6776, and after that will be caller  
2 6625.

3 Caller 7667. Go ahead.

4 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Hello. Hello,  
5 Commission. I am Matthew. I'll be clear, splitting  
6 Huntington Beach is a nonstarter. To quote Commissioners  
7 Sadhwani. If you spent the day arguing for Irvine to be  
8 kept whole, I think it's only fair to keep another anchor  
9 city like Huntington Beach as whole.

10 We are the heart of coastal Orange County and have  
11 had testimony from our community for months about  
12 protecting our cities. Yet you have decided to  
13 unilaterally ignore that today. I hope you reconsider  
14 this path.

15 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
16 we've got caller 6625. And after that will be caller  
17 1407. Caller 6625. The floor is yours.

18 MR. MARTINEZ: Hi, I'm Jerry Martinez (ph.). As a  
19 resident of San Bernadino County said desert, I'd like to  
20 give some input. You did a great job of increasing  
21 representation for communities in San Bernadino County.  
22 The only request is that you do not group us with Los  
23 Angeles County like it was done with the Assembly maps.  
24 The larger communities of Los Angeles County have drowned  
25 out the voices of our communities in years past.

1           So we please ask you not to dwindle our  
2 representation by grouping us with the Los Angeles  
3 County. With that said, I must point out changing the  
4 cutoff time to early queue only to reach those of us that  
5 work late and purposely schedule the time in. I was  
6 lucky I called in early. My next door neighbors were not

7           Changing the advertised cutoff time directly  
8 silences folks.

9           Madam Chair, you said you'd uphold transparency and  
10 public involvement. This is the basic minimum of public  
11 involvement. Thank you, Commission.

12           PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next, is  
13 caller 1407. And after that will be caller 5944.

14           Caller 1407. Go ahead.

15           UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: My name is Michelle  
16 (ph.) and I'm a Laguna Niguel resident. I first want to  
17 thank all of -- all of the Commissioners for their  
18 dedication to making these lines as fair as possible.  
19 But I'm alarmed with the move today to split up Orange  
20 County beaches in favor of the inland community of Irvine  
21 and the move of Laguna Niguel out of the Orange County  
22 coastal district. Before Laguna Niguel even a city, it  
23 was called Sea Country and remains tightly aligned with  
24 the Orange County beach communities.

25           Contrary to reasoning cited by Commissioner



1 Sadhwani, Laguna Niguel is not currently in that San  
2 Diego district, and I question the motive for these  
3 sudden moves. I commend Commissioner Akutagawa, who  
4 really listened to the COI testimony and has been trying  
5 to keep Laguna Niguel and Orange County beaches together  
6 in one Congressional district.

7 There was an easy way to make a coastal district  
8 around the VRA district, but it didn't happen simply  
9 because the conditions started in San Diego and blocked  
10 in a San Diego district --

11 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thirty seconds.

12 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: -- that had nowhere to  
13 go but up the Orange County coast. It's certainly  
14 disheartening to see my community treated like this.  
15 Please keep the Orange County Beach community together by  
16 moving Irvine inland. And please, redistrict Laguna  
17 Niguel to move it back with the Orange County beaches  
18 where it belongs. I hope it is not too late. Thanks for  
19 all you do.

20 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
21 we've got caller 5944. And after that we've got caller-  
22 in user3. No caller ID.

23 Up next will be caller 5944. Go ahead.

24 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi. Good evening. This is  
25 in regards to the Kings-Tulare/Kern VRA district. I'm

1 asking that the Commission remove the communities of  
2 Stockdale Estates, Stockdale Country Club, Sundale  
3 Country Club, Seven Oaks, Rosedale, Bakersfield Country  
4 Club, and the Westchester downtown Bakersfield from the  
5 Kings-Tulare/Kern VRA district.

6 These communities are all less than 25 percent  
7 Latino CVAP. These affluent neighborhoods have little in  
8 common with the rural agricultural communities of Delano,  
9 Wasco, and Arvin and have very few common interests with  
10 the working class Latino communities in East Bakersfield.

11 The current Congressional district that covers the  
12 proposed district, has only elected a Latino choice  
13 candidate one time in the past decade. The extremely low  
14 Latino CVAP communities that would be added in on the  
15 current draft would make it unlikely that they would be  
16 able to elect one for the next decade. The Commission  
17 has already acknowledged that these neighborhoods do not  
18 belong in a VRA district and has removed them from the  
19 corresponding Assembly map on December 1st.

20 Please be consistent and also remove them from the  
21 Congressional Kings-Tulare/Kern VRA district. Please see  
22 public comment 34265 for additional details, including --

23 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Twenty seconds.

24 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- specific census numbers  
25 that should not be included in any VRA district. Thank

1 you very much. Have a good evening.

2 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. And up next,  
3 we've got a caller with no caller ID. And after that  
4 would be caller 1610.

5 For callers without caller ID, please be alert for  
6 when it is your turn to speak.

7 Go ahead.

8 MS. O'CONNOR: Good evening, Commissioners. My name  
9 is Ann O'Connor and I am the team leader for POSO, Part  
10 Of Sherman Oaks. It looks like you're getting very close  
11 to Los Angeles tonight. And I'd like to request that you  
12 fix the North border of POSO, Part of Sherman Oaks in the  
13 Congressional map by drawing a straight line from 405  
14 Freeway East along Oxnard Street and then turn South on  
15 Hazeltine Avenue.

16 It looks like the deviation will indeed allow for  
17 this. We would like you to restore our businesses and  
18 residents who were arbitrarily cut out but were part of  
19 our official renaming by the City of Los Angeles in 2009.  
20 We fought very hard for our renaming, and it took almost  
21 two years to attain. Thank you Commissioners, for fixing  
22 the Assembly and the state Senate maps. Special thanks  
23 to Russell Yee and Linda Akutagawa for making it a  
24 priority last week and tonight. Please keep us whole  
25 with Sherman Oaks and do not split us as we have

1 submitted almost 700 public comments regarding our North  
2 border. Thank you, good night.

3 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next, will  
4 be caller 1610. And after that will be caller 1439.

5 1610. That's caller with the last four digits 1610,  
6 you can now unmuted by pressing star six, please. One  
7 more time, that's caller 1610. You can now unmuted by  
8 pressing star six to give your comment. Well, thank you  
9 for listening, caller 1610. We will retry you.

10 Up next, we've got caller 1439, and after that will  
11 be caller 1338. 1439. Go ahead.

12 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi, my name is Lynn and I  
13 work and I'm a resident of Westminster and I work for a  
14 local LGBTQ nonprofit located in Garden Grove. I want to  
15 first appreciate everyone for staying for such a late-  
16 night discussion.

17 I believe that the original adjust map in OC makes  
18 sense to me. And the changes today, they don't really  
19 make sense, especially for the immigrant communities who  
20 should stay together. Growing up in Orange County, you  
21 kind of know that the coastal communities Huntington  
22 Beach, Villa are completely different than other Orange  
23 County cities like Garden Grove and Westminster.

24 So I'm asking folks to please reverse these changes,  
25 go back to the draft map and reference the sheet files

1 that were sent earlier by the People's Redistricting  
2 Alliance. Thank you so much for your time.

3 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
4 we've got caller 1338. And after that will be caller  
5 7618. Caller 1338. Go ahead.

6 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello, I'm calling in  
7 reference to Laguna Niguel. And I see that you have  
8 changed the county line to make it a part of the voting  
9 district, to make it part of San Diego. And this is  
10 needs to be kept within the coastal region. You're going  
11 to make -- sure the same commonality as does Laguna  
12 Beach.

13 In addition to that Irvine should be kept inland and  
14 not be -- and not be a part of the coastal region. So I  
15 kindly request that you keep Laguna Niguel a part of  
16 Orange County and Irvine inland. Thank you.

17 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
18 we've got caller 7618. And after that'll be caller 7331.  
19 Caller 7168. Go ahead.

20 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi, good evening. Little  
21 Saigon community has been involved with the redistricting  
22 process from day one, and we appreciate the Commission's  
23 consideration. We are pleased to see that despite some  
24 confusion today, Little Saigon remained whole and with  
25 the strong Vietnamese population in Huntington Beach. I

1 know you will visit these maps Saturday, wo whatever you  
2 do, please don't make changes to this. Thank you.

3 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
4 we've got caller 7331, and after that will be caller  
5 4351.

6 Caller 7331. Go ahead.

7 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Hello, Commissioners.  
8 My name is Aaron (ph.) and I live in West Hollywood. I  
9 am calling to ask that you reunite West Hollywood and  
10 connect with Beverly Hills in the West side cities on  
11 your Congressional maps. West Hollywood is a beacon of  
12 rent control and the capital of the LGBTQ community in  
13 Los Angeles. West Hollywood is a special place that  
14 should not be drawn together with Burbank. I hope that  
15 the Commissioners will please consider the solution that  
16 Stuart Waldman and VICA submitted. I agree with Stuart.  
17 VICA has a plan that fixes West Hollywood and also put  
18 Santa Monica back in the shoreline district with Venice.

19 I'm aware that the Santa Monica City Council has  
20 unanimously voted to support this as well. The VICA plan  
21 also puts almost all the San Fernando Valley districts  
22 North of Mulholland Drive, which is what the Valley wants  
23 too. The population swap proposed that VICA has balance  
24 between four districts in North LA and prevents any  
25 population spillover that would hurt the rest of the

1 Commission's good work. Thank you so much. And thank  
2 you for this important service to our state.

3 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
4 we've got caller 4351, and after that is a caller with no  
5 caller ID. Caller 4351. Go ahead.

6 MR. EVAKERLY: Good evening, Commissioners. Thank  
7 you so much for all your hard work. My name is Michael  
8 Evakerly (ph.) and I'm calling from Yucaipa in San  
9 Bernadino County. I'm a lifelong resident of San  
10 Bernadino County and the third generation of lifelong  
11 residents here. Yucaipa is currently grouped into the  
12 MORCOA map. And I want to thank you for that. That is a  
13 good match.

14 Big Bear and Yucaipa both share similar wildfire  
15 concerns. That's a major concern for our state and a  
16 major concern for the area where we're at. This map will  
17 help us have a representative with a good understanding  
18 of our needs and the things that we have to take into  
19 consideration in order to keep our communities safe.  
20 However, Calimesa, Yucaipa are communities that are  
21 directly adjacent to each other and they share a water  
22 board and a school board.

23 I think Calimesa should be in the same district as  
24 Yucaipa, since the residents are the same, the businesses  
25 are the same, housing is the same. And again, the

1 demographics are the same. Again, thank you so much for  
2 your hard work. And I look forward to successful  
3 completion of the redistricting process.

4 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
5 we've got a caller with no caller ID and after that'll be  
6 caller 7592. For those without a caller ID, please be  
7 alert for when it is your turn to speak. Go ahead.

8 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening, Commissioners.  
9 Thank you for all your hard work, I know this is a  
10 daunting task. I am a wife of a twenty-year veteran and  
11 a resident of unincorporated -- unincorporated Rossmoor,  
12 which is on the Seal Beach, Los Alamitos map. We are a  
13 community of approximately 11,000 that needs to stay with  
14 Seal Beach and Los Alamitos.

15 We have two military bases, one in Los Alamitos and  
16 one in Seal Beach that we share. And we also have Seal  
17 Beach students that attend Los Alamitos Unified School  
18 District. We are definitely communities of interest.  
19 Also, I'm going to add that I'm a first generation  
20 immigrant.

21 We do not utilize any services from Long Beach.  
22 First responders get assistance from any -- any other  
23 entity in LA County. So I urge you to not lump us with  
24 Long Beach or LA County. We need to be a part of --

25 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thirty seconds.



1 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- Seal Beach, Los Alamitos,  
2 and Rossmoor needs to be kept whole. They are COI and  
3 also Huntington Beach needs to not be split up. This is  
4 a community of interest also. And the people that are  
5 saying --

6 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Fifteen.

7 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- that there's Asian. The  
8 sense in that community, I'm sorry, I disagree. So thank  
9 you very much.

10 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
11 we've got caller 7592. And after that will be caller  
12 2223.

13 Caller 7592. Caller with the last four digits,  
14 7592, you can now unmute your phone by pressing star six,  
15 please. One more time for caller with the last four  
16 7592, if you could please unmute by pressing star six.  
17 Go ahead.

18 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening, everybody. In  
19 regards to Congressional redistricting, thank you for  
20 transferring Alhambra, Monterey Park, Rosemead and South  
21 San Diego to CD\_210. Please also transfer North El  
22 Monte, which has a population of approximately 3,700 in  
23 an Asian in CD\_210. In regards to the very sunny  
24 district, it's Asian percentage is about four percentage  
25 points lower than the current CD\_17.

1 Please see Asian CVAP and Hispanic CVAP heat map for  
2 the proposed district in nearby areas. And the portion  
3 of the proposed district putting one on 280 and 880  
4 should not be part of this district. Instead, add more  
5 Fremont and more West San Jose, especially West of  
6 Saratoga Avenue. Perhaps Newark should not be part of  
7 this district.

8 My Congressional redistricting plan for San Jose in  
9 nearby areas can be viewed at public input number  
10 36542 -- public input number 36542. It's SMateo district  
11 would go from San Francisco to East Palo Alto. It's  
12 Clara Benito district would be complete within Santa  
13 Clara County.

14 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Twenty seconds.

15 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: San Benito County would be in  
16 the same Congressional district as Monterey County.  
17 Thank you and have a good evening.

18 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
19 we've got caller 2223. And after that, it'll be caller  
20 1539.

21 Caller 2223. Go ahead. Caller 222 --

22 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi, can you hear me?

23 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yep, I can hear you go  
24 ahead.

25 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Okay. Thank you. Good



1 evening, Commissioners. I am a resident of Brea. I have  
2 lived here for over twenty years and I want to offer my  
3 thanks and appreciation for the good work. And I  
4 appreciate all the changes that have been made today.

5 I have been following what's been going on  
6 throughout this entire redistricting process. And thanks  
7 for all your hard work to make sure the rights of VRA  
8 voters are protected while also keeping Northern Orange  
9 County residents together because our issues and our  
10 problems are unique. And looking at all the lines that  
11 you have drawn tonight, it seems like you've achieved  
12 this. Chino Hills, Hesperia, Placentia, Anaheim Hills,  
13 Yorba Linda.

14 All these are integral communities to each other and  
15 you've managed to keep us together. So thank you so  
16 much. I urge the Commission to keep this as is and I  
17 appreciate all you have done. Thank you.

18 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
19 we've got caller 1539, and after that, it'll be caller  
20 9869. Caller 1539. Go ahead.

21 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Yeah. Hey,  
22 Commissioners. Hi, I'm John from Redlands. And overall,  
23 I like the MORCOA draft because it keeps the military  
24 bases like Fort Irwin, Twentynine Palms, Barstow  
25 Veteran's Home, Loma Linda, VA, all those within CD

1 number 8. However, I got two concerns and I say this is  
2 a still serving thirty-eight-year Army Reserve veteran  
3 and a veteran of Iraq and Afghanistan.

4 My concerns are, if possible, please put more of  
5 Redlands into CD 3rd -- CD\_08 because Redlands have --  
6 Redlands is a military heavy community like Congressional  
7 District number 8. And CD\_8 really doesn't have anything  
8 to do with CD\_31. But most of all, whatever you do,  
9 please do not put any of CD\_8 into LA County because our  
10 two counties have absolutely nothing in common. I mean,  
11 LA County could be in its own time zone. I mean, it  
12 really is just so different. So hey, thanks for your  
13 input or my input.

14 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
15 we've got caller 9869. And after that will be caller  
16 2252. Caller 9869. Go ahead.

17 MS. NAWIN: Go ahead. Hello, Commission. My name  
18 is Dorothy Nawin (ph.) and I am a resident of Garden  
19 Grove. I want to thank you for your hard work during the  
20 process. However, I want to say that I am very  
21 disappointed by the decisions made by the Commission  
22 today.

23 For example, adding Huntington Beach to a district  
24 with Little Saigon doesn't make sense as you're adding a  
25 majority white and wealthy community with a working class

1 refugee and immigrant population district made up of  
2 Vietnamese and Korean communities. It doesn't -- you  
3 would want to bring related communities together, but  
4 you're not doing that. And instead, you're diluting the  
5 voice of working class immigrant communities who are  
6 overwhelmingly affected by housing and language  
7 accessibility needs.

8 I want to strongly object that the Vietnamese  
9 callers who are advocating for Huntington Beach to be  
10 included in Little Saigon. The argument is not based on  
11 any significant figure. There are just 8,000 Vietnamese  
12 in Huntington Beach, less than five percent of the city's  
13 population. If we are truly concerned about the  
14 Vietnamese community together, we should instead be  
15 bringing in West Santa Ana, which is a concentration of  
16 24,000 working class majority mobile home and apartment  
17 renters who should be kept together in Little Saigon.

18 Can you see the commonality between Huntington Beach  
19 and Little Saigon is superficial and being pushed by a  
20 very small amount of people who are only concerned with  
21 their own self economic interests rather than keeping  
22 Little Saigon together. Please maintain the integrity  
23 and the best interests of Little Saigon by keeping West  
24 Santa Ana together with Little Saigon and keep Huntington  
25 Beach out of the area. Thank you.

1 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
2 we've got caller 2252. And after that will be caller  
3 2889.

4 2252. Go ahead.

5 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (In Spanish, not translated.)

6 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Up next, we've got caller  
7 2889. And after that, it'll be caller 6917. 2889. Go  
8 ahead.

9 Caller 2889, if you could please check and see if  
10 your phone is on mute. We do not hear you in the  
11 meeting.

12 MS. CARHAS: Good evening, Commissioner. My name is  
13 Sandy Carhas (ph.). I am a proud resident of Long Beach  
14 along with my father, daughter, and granddaughter. I  
15 have being an advocate for Latino businesses for over  
16 twenty years and have had families for businesses, Long  
17 Beach City College.

18 I think that today everyone in business could  
19 benefit from knowing Spanish. I have the pleasure of  
20 serving as the president and CEO of the original Hispanic  
21 Chamber of Commerce. We do a lot of work with the Latino  
22 community in Long Beach in the surrounding cities. Long  
23 Beach is the epicenter for a lot of the economic  
24 activity.

25 Thank you all for your work and for giving me the

1 opportunity to speak tonight. Please keep Long Beach  
2 united in your maps. Don't take us backwards. From the  
3 days before we had an independent Commission, COI  
4 Sacramento politicians would create a (indiscernible).  
5 Please don't take us backwards. Thank you.

6 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
7 we've got caller 6917. And after that will be caller  
8 1217. 6917. Go ahead.

9 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening, Commissioners.  
10 I urge the Commission to keep the (indiscernible) draft  
11 the same. We're one of the few rural communities in  
12 South California and deal with particularly localized  
13 issues. Please leave this job the same and keep rural  
14 communities together. Thank you for your time. I really  
15 appreciate you listening to me.

16 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
17 we've got caller 1217. And after that will be caller  
18 7039.

19 1217. Go ahead.

20 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening, Commissioners.  
21 I'm a resident of Sylmar and I will ask you to keep  
22 Sylmar with the San Fernando Valley. As a Latino member  
23 of the Sylmar community, we don't have anything in common  
24 with Santa Clarita and neither with Simi Valley.

25 We would like to -- we do everything in the San

1 Fernando Valley. That's where the Latino community  
2 belongs. And we would like to really be heard. You  
3 know, these gerrymandering can hurt our community.  
4 Sylmar won't be represented if we end up being tied to  
5 Simi Valley or Santa Clarita. So please keep that in  
6 mind.

7 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
8 we've got caller 5699. And after that'll be caller 9379.  
9 Caller 5699.

10 Caller with the last four digits 5699, if you could  
11 please unmute by pressing star six. One more time for a  
12 caller with the last four digits 5699. I want to thank  
13 you for listening. We will try you again.

14 Up next, we've got caller 9379. And after that will  
15 be caller 1353. Caller 9379. Go ahead.

16 MR. SING: Hello, my name is Leon Sing (ph.), and  
17 I've been a resident of Orange County for all eighteen  
18 years of my life. I just wanted to bring up this whole  
19 issue with the border between some districts covering  
20 Tustin and another district that covers Santa Ana.

21 The district boundary determined by the Census  
22 Bureau is incorrect and doesn't reflect the actual  
23 municipal boundaries. Additionally, I'd like to thank  
24 the Commissioners for inviting Irvine into a single  
25 district. I hope this also occurs in the Senate -- the



1 Senate iteration of the new maps.

2 I also like to bring up the -- I'd also like to  
3 thank the Commission for uniting the West San Gabriel  
4 Valley. I think it's important to represent the  
5 Asian-American community there.

6 And finally, I'd like to comment on the Orange  
7 County coastline. Recently, we've had a major oil spill  
8 in the area. And I think the environmental interests of  
9 the coastal region of Orange County would be best  
10 represented by a single district, unlike the current  
11 iteration of the maps.

12 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thirty seconds.

13 MR. SING: Finally, yeah. I mean -- no, that's all  
14 I have to say. Thank you for your --

15 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
16 we've got caller 1353. And after that will be caller  
17 9419. 1353. That's caller with the last four digits  
18 1353. You can now -- go ahead.

19 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello Commission. I would  
20 like to address Commissioners Sadhwani and Toledo. They  
21 stated that they wanted to split up Huntington Beach  
22 today. I'm calling to voice my opinion that this is  
23 simply just a horrible idea. There's been no COI  
24 testimony for this. And in fact, there's been  
25 significant COI testimony in favor of making this an

1 anchor City of the OC coast.

2 So I mean, just that I -- I mean, it certainly makes  
3 me feel like the Commission is completely dismissing  
4 weeks of community testimony, COI testimony. So  
5 that's -- it's really absurd. So I know I know that the  
6 Commission is very against this revisioning that they  
7 consider a complete. But COI testimony basically refutes  
8 that.

9 So this is a chance to protect OC coast in the  
10 interests of OC coast. So please keep Huntington Beach  
11 whole. There's been no COI testimony --

12 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thirty seconds.

13 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- to support the idea of  
14 splitting up Huntington Beach. So I advocate and I -- I  
15 ask that you keep Huntington Beach whole. Thank you.

16 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
17 we've got caller 9419. And after that will be caller  
18 5736. Caller 9419. Go ahead.

19 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello, Commission. My name  
20 is Vincent. I'm the community engagement coordinator for  
21 Get Right (ph.) and also a resident of Sun Valley. I  
22 want to echo all the statements made by residents, say,  
23 from Little Saigon. I'm very concerned about the  
24 decisions at Huntington Beach into district with Little  
25 Saigon.

1 Any assertion that Huntington Beach has any  
2 commonality with Little Saigon is a major red flag, as it  
3 doesn't respect the stark differences between these two  
4 communities. Huntington Beach is majority white, vastly  
5 more wealthy than these other working class communities  
6 who are predominantly Vietnamese, AMEMSA, Korean. It  
7 doesn't bring communities together that are related but  
8 dilutes the voices of working class immigrant communities  
9 who are overwhelmingly affected by housing and language  
10 accessibility needs. In particular, the socioeconomic  
11 background and language accessibility needs and housing  
12 needs of these majority immigrant communities are vastly  
13 different from the wealthier communities --

14 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thirty seconds.

15 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- such as Huntington Beach.  
16 The Westminster, Garden Grove, the usage of another  
17 language at home is roughly around sixty percent.  
18 Whereas in Huntington Beach, it's only twenty percent.  
19 It doesn't make sense to keep the community together.  
20 And I hope the Commission keeps it apart from Little  
21 Saigon. Thank you.

22 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. And as a  
23 reminder to those who have called in tonight who have not  
24 yet -- not yet gotten a chance to speak, if you could  
25 please press star nine. That will raise your hand and



1 get you into the queue to give comment. Again, if you  
2 have not yet done so, and you haven't yet spoken tonight,  
3 please press star nine. It'll get you in the queue.

4 Up next, we've got caller 5736. And after that will  
5 be caller 8037.

6 5736. Go ahead.

7 MR. HOPE: Good evening, this is David Hope (ph.).  
8 I watches as you drew the lines to split Huntington  
9 Beach. I think it's the wrong choice, but I also wanted  
10 to call with solutions just not complaints. You move  
11 North Tustin in with Tustin, two cities that naturally  
12 belong together. Then can move those 50,000 voters of  
13 Huntington Beach back in with the rest of the city.

14 Finally, you can shift some of the Buena Park  
15 population back in with Fullerton, Brea, Orange County  
16 counterparts. Like you have mentioned many times, it may  
17 not be perfect and cities might not stay completely  
18 whole, but I think it's a better proposition for  
19 communities of interest in this area. Thank you very  
20 much.

21 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
22 we've got caller 8037. And after that will be caller  
23 8174.

24 8037. Go ahead.

25 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: All right. Can you all hear

1 me?

2 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

3 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi. Well, I guess I'm  
4 calling to really ask the Commission to take into account  
5 any community interest testimony. I just watched you  
6 dismantle Orange County district and admittedly ignore  
7 the testimony. At one point you even made up testimony  
8 that Newport Beach wanted to be in with Irvine. I'm  
9 watching live and could not be more confused.

10 I really hope the Commission knows that the goal is  
11 to keep communities of interest together and not move  
12 around random populations and protect San Diego simply  
13 because it was done first. I suppose I would say, please  
14 respect Orange County's coast, but I'm not even sure if  
15 that is an option anymore. Thank you.

16 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next is  
17 caller 8174. And after that'll be caller 9865. Caller  
18 8174. Go ahead.

19 MS. RODRIGUEZ: Hi, my name is Sonya Rodriguez. I  
20 am with the Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights,  
21 CHIRLA. We wanted to express our appreciation for the  
22 Commission's respect and commitment to take input from  
23 the community. While the original draft in Orange County  
24 made a lot of sense to us, the changes you made today  
25 have disrupted key districts.

1 The Garden Grove and Westminster COI, the Mission  
2 COI and spanning across Winter Park, La Palma, and Cyprus  
3 in Orange County. And the City of Artesia in Los Angeles  
4 County and the Korean American COI and North Winter Park  
5 in Northeast Fullerton are all overwhelmingly immigrant.

6 Immigrant community members share common challenges  
7 like rent control, access to low income affordable  
8 housing, mental and health care, access for health care  
9 and undocumented immigrants. Among them is a community  
10 member that used to be a teacher was (indiscernible) and  
11 got stopped by the police. During the time in which  
12 we -- he had a job, he was able to do things like teach  
13 ethnic dancing. However, it was hard for him to find a  
14 stable income because of his criminal record.

15 He was unable to actually keep a job. We know this  
16 story isn't unique to the community. These are very  
17 similar to Latino communities in our situation --

18 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thirty seconds.

19 MS. RODRIGUEZ: -- and costs us communities on the  
20 coast. And our native born and half our income in the  
21 country to purchase homes to one of the most anti-  
22 immigrant parts of Orange County. This two diverse  
23 distinctions make our line whole by bringing the portion  
24 of our line North decisively right into the district and  
25 OC coast, unifying the City of Irvine and drawing it

1 together with Costa Mesa, achieving the population  
2 balance by shifting South county populations between  
3 District of OCFCLA, and OC Coast, and SOCMSC. Please  
4 reference the Shapefile sent earlier --

5 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Up next, we've got caller  
6 9865. And after that will be caller 6659.

7 Caller 9865. Go ahead.

8 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi. I was just calling in --  
9 I'm a lifelong resident of Modesto, California. I'm  
10 calling in to say that I think Tracy needs to be  
11 separated from Stanislaus County as far as possible.  
12 They -- I think they should be put with -- with the Bay  
13 Area, and San Francisco, and all those Bay -- Bay Areas  
14 because they're closer to the Bay Area. So I think,  
15 Tracy, to be separated from Stanislaus County.

16 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
17 we've got caller 6659. And after that will be caller  
18 7039. Caller 6659. Go ahead.

19 MR. TRAN: Thank you. Can you guys hear me?

20 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can, the floor is  
21 yours.

22 MR. TRAN: Hi, my name is Hui Tran (ph.), and I'm  
23 calling in on behalf of the Little Saigon community. You  
24 all have spent quite the day in Orange County and I  
25 appreciate your time and consideration. We have

1 repeatedly asked for a Little Saigon to be with  
2 Huntington Beach, and your Commission did just that.

3 These maps protect the Vietnamese community of  
4 interest. And we want to thank you for making the Little  
5 Saigon with Huntington Beach Congressional district a  
6 reality. Thank you and have a good night.

7 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next, will  
8 be caller 7039. And after that will be caller 3970.

9 Caller 7039. Go ahead.

10 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello, my name is Heidi. I  
11 know a lot of callers are disappointed about the decision  
12 to split Huntington Beach tonight. I agree it is wrong  
13 and makes no sense. Winter park makes a lot of sense in  
14 a new North OC centric district. If we Winter park in  
15 the Savannah Ana district can grab the rest of Huntington  
16 Beach.

17 I think this is a better reflection of the  
18 communities of interest. I'd also note that the maps  
19 have Tustin and North Tustin separated, which is another  
20 area that could easily belong together and should be on  
21 the table for population as well. Thank you very much.

22 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. And again,  
23 for those who have called in tonight who have not yet  
24 done so, please press star nine. This will get you in  
25 the queue.





1 Up next, I've got caller 3970. And after that will  
2 be caller 0619.

3 Caller 3970. Go ahead.

4 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello Commissioners. Your  
5 proposal today to split Orange County beach cities even  
6 more makes no sense. The Commissioners keep  
7 acknowledging that no one wants this and that we are  
8 indeed a community of interest, yet they decide to do it.

9 You have created a false border with a non-VRA  
10 district in San Diego, which has completely  
11 disenfranchised Orange County. Splitting Huntington  
12 Beach and replacing it with inland cities such as Irvine  
13 and Tustin, cities which don't care about our coast that  
14 much is illogical and was not the only option. It was  
15 simply the only option the Commission created with an  
16 arbitrary schedule.

17 I hope this is the first place you are able to  
18 revisit starting Saturday so it can be a district that  
19 actually focuses on the coast and not Irvine.

20 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
21 we've got caller 0619. And after that will be caller  
22 7196.

23 Caller 0619. Go ahead.

24 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Hi, this is Richard, and  
25 I'm calling from the -- as a resident of the Santa

1 Clarita Valley. If you would look at a geographical map  
2 of the district, you will see that the Santa Cruz --  
3 Santa Susana mountains that run East and West, that  
4 separate the San Fernando Valley to the South from the  
5 Santa Clarita Valley to the North.

6 You go further West along the mountain range. You  
7 also see -- separate the San Fernando Valley to the South  
8 from the Simi Valley to the North. That mountain range  
9 creates a natural boundary that separates the San  
10 Fernando Valley area from the sister cities of Santa  
11 Clarita and Simi Valley that have many, many things in  
12 common which do not align with the San Fernando Valley.

13 At present, including any parts of the San Fernando  
14 Valley into the Simi and Santa Clarita Valley, that area  
15 does not keep our area whole, which is what we would  
16 really like. It makes no sense to separate any parts of  
17 the San Fernando Valley, which its residents don't want,  
18 but also have nothing in common with the communities to  
19 the North.

20 Furthermore, the San Fernando Valley is part of the  
21 City of Los Angeles and has its Council districts that  
22 belong to. To summarize, the San Fernando Valley needs  
23 to remain whole.

24 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
25 we've got caller 7196. And after that will be caller

1 6030.

2 Caller 7196. Go ahead.

3 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening. It has been a  
4 disappointing day for me, a thirty-year resident in  
5 Orange County. My name is Ana and we had to watch as the  
6 Commission acknowledged our months-long testimony, but  
7 collectively decided to ignore it. It was painful.

8 It's just because they decided to draw the line with  
9 San Diego districts who really we don't have anything in  
10 common with and determine these districts untouchable. I  
11 was stunned. I'm trying to work with the decisions you  
12 have made. So even though I do not agree, I'm at the  
13 point where all I ask is that you at least keep  
14 Huntington Beach whole. Our Surf City, where the  
15 children and I was the trustee for years, eight years at  
16 Capistrano Unified and worked with all the districts up  
17 and down the coast interactively. And the education  
18 there, the children are very deep centric and very  
19 focused on ocean protection.

20 It's a major coastal city in Orange County. And if  
21 you've chosen to dismantle our coast --

22 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thirty seconds.

23 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- please, at least our  
24 coastal cities whole. Thank you very much for your time.

25 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,

1 we've got caller 6030. And that is my last hand. If you  
2 have called in to give comment and you have not yet done  
3 so, please press star nine. That'll raise your hand and  
4 get you in the queue. Again, if you're calling in to  
5 give comment and you have not yet done so, please press  
6 star nine. That'll raise your hand. I see those hands.  
7 Thank you so much.

8 Up next, we've got caller 6030. And after that will  
9 be caller 9389.

10 6030. Go ahead.

11 MR. MOLINARO: My name is Samuel Molinaro (ph.) and  
12 I am a first generation Mexican-American. Regarding the  
13 Congressional map for Santa -- Santa Clarita, I would  
14 like to remove Selma from the map because Selma home to  
15 nearly eighty percent of Latinos in the area, most of  
16 whom are working class and immigrant households.

17 Selma is an important part of the Selma, Olive Vine  
18 View (ph.), San Fernando, Pacoima Latino community of  
19 interest. Their voices should not be silenced. If you  
20 don't remove Selma from this map, you will be responsible  
21 for destroying a working class Latino community of  
22 interest that has worked very hard to gain full  
23 representation. Simi Valley and Moorpark are similar to  
24 the Santa Clarita and Antelope Valley and share very  
25 little with Calabasas, Agoura Hills and the coastal

1 cities of Ventura County.

2 Simi Valley and Moorpark share much with the Santa  
3 Clarita and Antelope Valley, for example, a similar  
4 housing, population age, median income, employment,  
5 military industry, national forest management, and  
6 Southern California Edison Power Shop.

7 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thirty seconds.

8 MR. MOLINARO: I think this will be better as it  
9 will keep an important Latino community of interest  
10 together and will give them strong Congressional decision  
11 to address their needs. Thank you.

12 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. Up next,  
13 we've got caller 9389. And after that will be caller  
14 3175. 9389. Go ahead.

15 MS. GEORGE: Good evening. My name is Barbara  
16 George and I live in a coastal community in Orange  
17 County. And as I've been tracking this progress and  
18 process, I have always understood that VRA districts were  
19 top priority. Orange County coastal residents have been  
20 very honest that we wanted a coastal district to protect  
21 this community of interests building around the Santa Ana  
22 VRA district in our county.

23 Instead, we watched as the Commission dismantled the  
24 coast, prioritized Irvine's testimony over the coast and  
25 decided that San Diego districts were untouchable once

1 complete. The left of the -- that left the OC coast with  
2 no real district, even discussion of splitting up our  
3 beach cities. It was a frustrating day, but I suppose  
4 I -- I just hope that the Commission can consider what  
5 they did today and revisit the OC coast on Saturday.

6 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thirty seconds.

7 MS. GEORGE: When you see that we have had  
8 situations like oil spills and natural disasters, the  
9 coastal cities have bonded and got together to be able to  
10 find solutions. We have the most in common, the coastal  
11 cities. Please keep coastal OC together.

12 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. And up next,  
13 we've got caller 3175. And after that will be 3321.

14 3175. Go ahead.

15 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello, my name is John Lapake  
16 (ph.), and I am a lifelong Korean American resident of  
17 North Orange County. I'm calling today with my concerns  
18 about the adjustments made to SANANAANA district. I  
19 share -- as I shared yesterday, the Korean community has  
20 grown over the course of the last thirty years or so.  
21 And the adjacent cities that are (indiscernible) and the  
22 working class creates communities need to stay and remain  
23 a community hub as well as access to resources regarding  
24 immigration, health access, (indiscernible). We need  
25 urgent representation to ensure that local communities to

1 remain in the cultural hub located in Orange county.

2 Our communities have much different needs compared  
3 to those in cities like Huntington Beach the  
4 wealthiest -- wealthier areas to the East like Yorba  
5 Linda or (indiscernible). Moving cities like Grant,  
6 Ontario, Yorba Linda, and (indiscernible) and looking  
7 forward to (indiscernible) will effectively dilute the  
8 voice of working class Korean Americans going forward.

9 (Indiscernible) communities not only share need to  
10 with other Korean American and with other Asian American  
11 among the immigrants community, as well as other  
12 communities all across our Orange County including  
13 (indiscernible). That being said, we ask the Commission  
14 to restore the Savannah Ana district to the way it looked  
15 in the original draft. Thank you.

16 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you. And up next,  
17 we've got caller 3321.

18 3321, the floor is yours.

19 MS. CANSLIN: Hello, my name is Ara Canslin (ph.).  
20 I am here on behalf of Latinos Whole Black, a nonprofit  
21 organization located in Santa Ana. We appreciate all  
22 your long hours you and the line drawers have put into  
23 wanting so many diverse communities. Where the original  
24 map in the Orange County -- in Orange County made a lot  
25 of sense to us. The changes you made today were shocking

1 and disrupted a key district, the Garden Grove and  
2 Westminster COI, the El Mesa COI spanning South Park.  
3 South Winter Park, La Palma, and, Cypress in Orange  
4 County and (indiscernible) in Los Angeles County and the  
5 Korean-American COI in North Winter Park and Northwest  
6 Fullerton are all over -- overwhelmingly immigrants.

7 In contrast, communities on the coast are native  
8 born who have higher levels of incomes, and in Huntington  
9 Beach is home to some of the most anti-immigrant parts of  
10 Orange County. Please reverse these changes by going  
11 back to the draft map and make Irvine whole by bringing  
12 the portion of Irvine North of the 5 freeway in this  
13 district along coast.

14 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thirty seconds

15 MS. CANSLIN: And unify the City of Irvine by  
16 drawing it together with Costa Mesa. Please refer to a  
17 file sent earlier today by the People's Redistricting  
18 Alliance. Thank you for your time.

19 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you for your time.  
20 Chair. The queue is clear.

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you very much, Kristian, and  
22 thank you to all the public who called in and give us  
23 your comments.

24 We certainly really appreciate it. We can't do this  
25 without you. And with that, thank you to everybody. Our



1 staff or all of our videographers, our are captioners. I  
2 already said the line drawers. Thank you very much for  
3 speaking with us this time. And we will go into recess  
4 until 11 o'clock tomorrow morning.

5 (Whereupon, the Citizens Redistricting  
6 Commission (CRC) meeting adjourned at 9:50  
7 p.m.)

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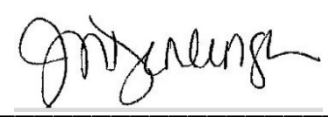
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