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P R O C E E D I N G S

11:02 a.m.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Good morning, California. And
2 welcome to the California Citizens Redistricting
3 Commissioner meeting. I'm Jane Andersen. I'm your chair
4 through this meeting, along with my vice chair, Ray
5 Kennedy. We're going to be working on the Congressional
6 districts -- continuing to work on the Congressional
7 districts.
8 districts.

9 Today, there -- postage should be posted on our
10 website is the run of show. And today, we will be having
11 five drawing -- ninety-minute drawing sessions, similar
12 to what we did yesterday, which means we'll be actually
13 working until 8 o'clock. So at 8:15, that is when we
14 will be actually listening to public comment. You must
15 call in before 6 to get in the queue, and we will be
16 taking public comment at 8:15. And this morning, we will
17 be going into a meeting, and then having a -- then we'll
18 be doing our roll call, and then we will be going into a
19 closed session in short time.
20

21 So please have a -- please give us the roll call.

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

23 Commissioner Fernandez.

24 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Presente.

25 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Fornaciari.

1 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Here.

2 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Kennedy.

3 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Here.

4 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Le Mons.

5 COMMISSIONER LE MONS: Here.

6 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Sadhwani.

7 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Here.

8 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Sinay.

9 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Here.

10 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Taylor.

11 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Estoy aqui.

12 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Toledo.

13 Commissioner Turner.

14 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Here.

15 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Vazquez.

16 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Here.

17 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Yee.

18 COMMISSIONER YEE: Hi. Here.

19 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Ahmad.

20 Commissioner Akutagawa.

21 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I'm here.

22 MR. SINGH: And Commissioner Andersen.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: And I'm here. Thank you very much,

24 Robby (ph.).

25 MR. SINGH: You're welcome.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So sort of already gone through the
2 run of show. And we will be taking a forty-five-minute
3 lunch today, will be longer than our thirty-minute. So
4 you guys, we will be having, as I said, quite a solid
5 day. This morning in our first two sessions, we will be
6 working on Los Angeles. After lunch, we will be starting
7 on the North. And we -- 'cause this is our -- our
8 schedule is two days on Los Angeles -- Southern
9 California, two days in the Northern, and our last day we
10 will be picking up everything else. So that is how we
11 will proceed today.

12 And with that, do we have any -- do the
13 Commissioners have any announcements or comments or
14 anything like that?

15 Okay. Well, seeing no hands, I think we can
16 continue. And at this point -- oh, yes. I'm sorry. One
17 more thing to know.

18 We have -- up on our map viewer, if you go to our
19 website wedrawthelinesca.org, and go into our map viewer,
20 which I believe is in the data area -- yes -- then it
21 will actually have the iterations for Southern California
22 that we were working on yesterday. So when we come back
23 out of our closed session, that is what we'll go to, and
24 we'll have a review of what we did yesterday. And that
25 will be for the -- oh. And it also has our -- the

1 Assembly iterations are also up there from last week.
2 Well, actually, from Monday of this week. So -- and
3 those will be dated.

4 So the way to determine which is which is go for the
5 latest date. That is the correct version, because we
6 have our draft maps, and then the other iterations are
7 dated as iteration this and this. So for the public to
8 make sure that you are able to follow along. And we also
9 appreciate there was some confusion with what was posted
10 on the website in terms of naming, being not consistent
11 with what we were looking at. And that has all been
12 cleared up. We really appreciate the public notifying us
13 of that. And as I said, it's a -- it takes a whole --
14 all of California to get this job done. And we really,
15 really appreciate all our comments from the public and
16 their great participation.

17 So with that, we will go into closed session, and
18 then we'll be back at -- let's see -- we'll just say
19 we'll be back at 12 at noon. Thank you.

20 (Whereupon, a recess was held from 11:07 a.m.
21 until 12:45 p.m.)

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Welcome back, everyone, to the
23 California Citizens Redistricting Commission. Our
24 meeting is going to continue now with our map drawing.
25 Back out of closed session where no action was taken.

1 And moving on here. We are going to go through a
2 review of what we did yesterday in the Los Angeles area,
3 and actually, even a summary of, I believe, our line
4 drawing elves were active last night and helped us clean
5 up a few things.

6 So Jamie, could you please walk us through where we
7 are now?

8 MS. CLARK: Absolutely. Thank you, Chair Andersen.
9 And would you just like me to walk through what I did
10 overnight in LA?

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Or if anything that happened
12 overnight that might've changed --

13 MS. CLARK: Okay.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- you know --

15 MS. CLARK: Yeah.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- the LA or the previous work.

17 MS. CLARK: So just like a broad overview, I did
18 balance the districts in Orange County. There -- we left
19 it, and there was, like, 398 people under in one of the
20 districts or something like that. So that change all
21 occurred within Orange County. So those have not changed
22 significantly since yesterday when the public watched you
23 do this live line drawing. Just a note that I did
24 balance those.

25 And then I will start in LA County in the CDCOV.

1 The direction I received was to balance this district by
2 pulling in Glendora and Claremont if needed. So just
3 pulled in part of the Southern part of Claremont. It's
4 at a zero population, and the Latino CVAP is 54.68
5 percent.

6 Moving to South 60, I did add Commerce into this
7 district. That was something that was discussed by the
8 Commission yesterday in open session, and I did do that
9 to balance this district to negative one people. I also
10 slightly split Downey, the city of Downey. And the
11 Latino CVAP in this district is 56.02 percent.

12 Additionally, in the LB North district, there is a
13 split in Long Beach, and it includes Lakewood,
14 Bellflower, Downey, and some of these Gateway cities,
15 including Florence, Huntington Park, and Walnut Park
16 being together. This was also part of Commission
17 direction and was -- is similar to areas that were
18 included in public input that the Commission had pointed
19 me to in open session yesterday. And this is negative
20 one percent deviation.

21 For SP710, this is balanced to six people. It
22 includes South Gate, Lynwood whole, Paramount, Northern
23 areas of Long Beach and Signal Hill. This area here,
24 there's a COI of my speakers here. So just respecting
25 that COI. This also includes Carson and West Carson, and

1 then Wilmington, San Pedro. Coastal San Pedro is split
2 for population purposes. This is a similar -- or the
3 same split in this area as to what we had in Assembly.
4 And per Commission direction, the courts are not
5 together.

6 Moving to shoreline, Santa Monica is included in
7 this district now. For population reasons, Gardena is
8 not. Gardena is included in South LA. STHLA hasn't
9 changed significantly, just balancing population. This
10 includes LAX, Inglewood, Hawthorne, Lawndale, Gardena,
11 Westmont, Compton, Watts, and other areas here.

12 I will move North to 10 corridor. This also hasn't
13 changed a ton. I did include downtown Los Angeles with
14 Historic South Central. Adjusted this line to include
15 the COI of Koreatown. So Greater Wilshire is split but
16 included in this visualization. Additionally, to make up
17 for some of the population switches, including the
18 Shoreline area, yeah, just some slight changes here, and
19 Culver City is whole.

20 I'm going to zoom out to the Malibu SFV district.
21 Changes here that involve Santa Monica being removed, or
22 that the Westwood North Neighborhood Council area is
23 included, as well as Bel Air, Beverly Crest. Studio City
24 is also included now. This is just for population.

25 I'm going to move on to CDNELA. This includes East

1 Los Angeles, Boyle Heights. I tried to add as much of
2 Eagle Rock as possible while still balancing population,
3 including more of Echo Park, I believe, and then also
4 including the COI boundary -- areas included in the COI
5 boundary of Koreatown.

6 Next, let's look at GLEN2BA. This includes Glendale
7 and Burbank whole, Glassell Park, Silver Lake, Hollywood
8 Hills, West Hollywood, Beverly Hills, and Mid-City. The
9 boundaries in the North changed a little bit for
10 population just in trying to balance these two closer to
11 zero.

12 Looking at CD210, this includes the same areas in
13 San Bernadino County as when the Commission left off-line
14 drawing with Sivan yesterday. The change here includes
15 this line in Glendora moving further North to balance
16 population. Pasadena is split. And that, again, is just
17 a result of total population requirements for
18 Congressional districts.

19 Looking at the district just called SFV, this
20 includes Reseda, Lake Balboa, Van Nuys, North of Oxnard.
21 So the POSO neighborhood is included in the district to
22 the South of that. This includes North Hollywood areas,
23 Pacoima, the City of San Fernando, and Mission Hills.

24 And then moving up to AVSCV. It's very, pretty
25 similar geographically speaking to what was here at the

1 beginning of yesterday. This includes Somar, Santa
2 Clarita Valley, all of Antelope Valley. And then just
3 for population -- consolidated population discrepancies
4 between, you know, the rest of Southern California and
5 Los Angeles County moved this area, which is East of
6 Lancaster-Palmdale area and included that with MORCOA.
7 That population doesn't necessarily have to go to MORCOA,
8 but just going to zoom out. And this district then is a
9 place that can accept that 17,000-some-odd people that
10 will be coming from the Northern part of the state down
11 to the Southern part of the state to balance all of the
12 population. So just kind of to help us all visualize how
13 that could work, consolidated the population
14 discrepancies here in MORCOA, but again, it doesn't
15 necessarily need to be there.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Wonderful. Well, thank you, Jamie.
17 That was quite a lot of -- quite a lot of work. We
18 certainly really appreciate that.

19 So at this time, what the Commission -- we still
20 need to -- you know, do we like these? Do we want to
21 look at these? And we were thinking about some
22 architectural changes. And if there's any of that,
23 let's -- we need to address now.

24 Commissioner Toledo.

25 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. Can we go back to the

1 Pomona-Chino area? I just want to take a look at that
2 district a little bit more. Yeah, this looks good.
3 Okay. I'm okay with it. Thank you. Sorry about that.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No. That's quite all right.

5 Now, Commissioners, do we like this the way it is,
6 we want to go through things, make changes? You know, I
7 know we were concerned at some issues that areas weren't
8 connected to the other areas. We wanted to see if we
9 might be able to work with some of that. Now, is the
10 time to do that. And if you -- if -- so let's bring up
11 what you'd like to do or what you think you'd like, and
12 then get very precise if we want to actually draw any
13 lines -- move any lines.

14 Commissioner Sinay.

15 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Thank you. Because I know
16 there's so many different varying requirements in Los
17 Angeles, would it be possible for legal to provide us --
18 you know, they gave us the VRA maps with all the Gingles
19 requirements and all that, but it was kind of -- in
20 general for the Los Angeles area, could we have a more
21 specific map so we make sure that we are doing right by
22 the folks who need to be protected?

23 MR. BECKER: Yes, absolutely. We'll make sure we
24 get you a zoomed-in map (indiscernible) with assessment
25 of the three Gingles preconditions.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. And I -- would it be
2 helpful if we had the different cities on it for the
3 different neighborhoods? That, I believe, yes.

4 MR. BECKER: We can do that.

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Let's -- great. Thank you very
6 much.

7 Commissioner Sadhwani.

8 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Thank you.

9 And thank you, Jamie, for all of your work on this.
10 This is -- I mean, even just seeing the populations get
11 down this low is pretty incredible stuff. So I really
12 want to thank you.

13 And I think we've accomplished many of the things
14 that we set out to do yesterday when we gave some
15 priorities. Certainly things like bringing the San
16 Gabriel Valley back together, taking Santa Monica out of
17 the San Fernando Valley, keeping the two parts separate,
18 which I think there had been some split on that amongst
19 Commissioners, which is fine, maintaining historic
20 communities in South LA. So I think this map does a lot
21 of good things.

22 That being said, I do still think that there's -- I
23 am a little concerned about how we're breaking up
24 communities in the Southeast Los Angeles area. When we
25 take in a closer look there at areas like Huntington

1 Park, Florence-Graham, South Gate, Lynwood, and how they
2 are paired, all the way South down into places like Long
3 Beach, which I think we've heard a lot of COI testimony
4 that those communities are quite different. Definitely
5 gives me some pause. In addition, I'll just say, you
6 know, where we left off in our maps yesterday in our work
7 on Orange County, you know, it -- I'm curious to hear
8 where others land on what we accomplished yesterday. I
9 think we heard a lot of testimony last night that it
10 perhaps is not reflecting the desires of communities.
11 And interestingly, those two areas are all near each
12 other, and so I'm wondering if there are potentially
13 some -- some minor reconstruction that could be done
14 in -- throughout this area that could better reflect the
15 communities on the ground as we move forward with this
16 map. Thank you.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Sadhwani.
18 Jaime, did you want to address the issue that we -- of
19 the Orange County, if we wanted to rearrange things here,
20 would that affect Los Angeles? Would it not? Would you
21 please discuss a little bit about that?

22 MS. CLARK: Yeah. So I am -- I don't know which
23 specific areas you would wish to address, so hard to
24 say -- hard to say, I guess. So I guess -- and, you
25 know, as -- as I've mentioned to the Commission before,

1 we just go off the Commission direction. We don't
2 necessarily, you know, last night I didn't stay on the
3 line to listen to all of the public comments. So if you
4 could give more specific information about exactly what
5 areas you're looking to address, then I can give you a
6 better answer.

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you. But I do see,
8 just casually looking at it that Orange County is -- it
9 is, except for a few exceptions, it's essentially
10 contained in -- within Orange County. So as long as
11 we're making some even switches, that should pose no
12 problem -- a fair statement to say?

13 MS. CLARK: Yeah. That's correct, yes.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you. Commissioner
15 Kennedy.

16 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair. Three
17 things. First of all, you know, we saw over the last
18 couple of days how difficult it is to get these
19 population deviations so close to zero, so yes, I want to
20 thank Jaime for a lot of hard work. I do want to call
21 our attention to the North Hollywood, Toluca Lake area
22 because it seems like that's -- that's gone in the other
23 direction from where I had hoped it would go. And I
24 don't know that there's a solution. I just want to
25 inquire if there is a way group, you know, North

1 Hollywood, Toluca Lake, Valley Village, Valley Glenn area
2 a little bit better.

3 Second of all, if we could look at the Northern tip
4 of the San Fernando Valley district. An look at
5 extending that North, well into the forest. I don't know
6 that there's population there, but I think that that
7 would be a better way to go with that.

8 And finally, I response to Commissioner Sadhwani's
9 question about Orange County, I think, particularly after
10 hearing the input that we've received since yesterday, I
11 would -- I would favor going back and rotating population
12 in Orange County to remove Huntington Beach from
13 SANANAANA. Putting all of it, or as much of it as
14 possible into the North Orange coast. Rotating
15 population up to OCSBLA and then back into SANANAANA by
16 taking in, you know, theoretically the rest of Fullerton
17 or Fullerton and Brea, not -- I don't recall exactly how
18 that worked out, you know, I would like to preserve the
19 Costa Mesa, Irvine, Tustin area as a -- as block, if
20 possible, and make the population adjustments farther
21 South between North Orange coast and OCSBLA. Thank you.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Kennedy.
23 Commissioner Yee.

24 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah, two things. First,
25 looks -- Jaime, it looks like you took care of the postal

1 line. I think it's the last one we needed to move.
2 Okay. So I just wanted to confirm that. Postal folks,
3 you can now relax. And Gardinia -- Gardena, I know we
4 had a lot of COI testimony to try to keep Gardena or
5 South Gardena with Torrance. Wondering if there was any
6 way we could to do that. I -- but I don't know the area
7 well enough to know what trade off would make any sense.
8 I just wanted to mention that.

9 MS. CLARK: So yeah. That is -- there is a way to
10 do that. It's the discretion of the Commission. If
11 there is something else you would like to split or
12 adjust. Bearing in mind that this current configuration
13 of SP 710, there are some VRA considerations in some of
14 the areas included in that district right now.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

16 MS. CLARK: And just another reminder that this was
17 part -- like adding Gardena wholly to STHLA (ph.) was
18 part of the trade-off of moving Santa Monica from the
19 district with Malibu and San Fernando Valley.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you.

21 Commissioner Akutagawa:

22 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Thank you. Sorry, I can't
23 see the map fully so I'm not sure if I can make a
24 suggestion right now based on what Commissioner Yee has
25 asked about Gardena. But I think if we could, it seems

1 like, hopefully, what would be a simple - simple fix. I
2 do want to also just weigh in on Orange County and I
3 agree, I think we heard quite a bit of testimony
4 yesterday, feedback that we have asked communities to
5 continue to provide us on our maps. And I think we heard
6 loud and clear that there was quite a bit of -- maybe I
7 won't say, just disappointment, but concern about the
8 pairings that we created. So I do want to just point out
9 the, I think the separation of Fullerton from Buena Park
10 and Santa -- SANANAANA district. And also -- we also
11 heard quite a bit, as we had spoken about previously
12 about the -- I'm going to call it the economic
13 differences between the Huntington Beach and -- even Seal
14 Beach, I would say, with those groupings of cities in the
15 SANANAANA district.

16 So if there's a way that we can be creative and
17 figure something out. I think we've also said that,
18 while we've receive lots of COI testimony that they don't
19 want to cross over into Orange County -- mean into LA
20 and into Long Beach, I think at this point, we just need
21 to be flexible on something like that. I think to keep
22 our communities together, seems like that's a small price
23 to pay. Thank you.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. Commissioner Sadhwani.

25 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. I think you just

1 following up in terms of the issues as I see them. I
2 agree with both Commissioner Akutagawa and Commissioner
3 Kennedy about the possibilities for swapping --
4 reorienting, let's say, some of those Orange County
5 Districts. I think what I'm hearing on the one hand, as
6 Commissioner Kennedy laid out is, there's a possibility
7 of swapping out that Northern portion of Fullerton and
8 putting it back into SANANAANA.

9 And then on the other side, trying to pull in
10 additional population by hopefully keeping the City of
11 Huntington Beach whole. So I think that could be one
12 potential localized solution.

13 Alternatively, however, if we're looking a little
14 bit more holistically at this region, and again, I don't
15 know if others share my concerns about Southeast Las
16 Angeles. Another possible option could be pulling
17 together Long Beach, Seal Beach, Huntington Beach and
18 attempting to keep Huntington Beach as whole as possible.
19 We would continue to have a split in Long Beach, which I
20 know is what they want either.

21 But it could at least be a coastal district, which
22 could then open up additional opportunities to
23 potentially pull Fullerton back in with Buena Park, as
24 well as make some adjustments in Southeast Los Angeles to
25 keep some of those communities who are compact and have

1 asked to be kept together closer aligned. That would be
2 a less localized change, however. So you know, I want to
3 lay that out and would love to hear thoughts from my
4 colleagues.

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Sinay.

6 COMMISSIONER Sinay: I completely agree with what
7 Commissioner Sadhwani said, just because it does open up
8 some -- I am concerned about the Southeast part of Los
9 Angeles as well. I did want to say that we have heard
10 conflicting testimony about Gardena. So we have heard
11 straight out, you know, that part of Gardena to go with
12 Torrance. And we've also heard, keep Gardena whole and
13 keep it with the traditional working class neighborhoods
14 in Inglewood and Hawthorne and that area.

15 So this does allow us to, you know, to in some maps
16 we're respecting one COI and in other maps we're
17 respecting the other COI. I could be wrong with that,
18 but I really do think that we do have those two different
19 remarks.

20 I also -- if possible, it would be great to have San
21 Pedro be whole. I think that what was done, was it was a
22 great compromise, you know, you have Long Beach and San
23 Pedro, but you have the two ports separate, which is
24 really what they want, because that's where the
25 competition is. That if we could have all of, yeah. But

1 I do think that that is as good a place where the --
2 where the cut-off is, having been there. And I -- and
3 I'm wondering if we could maybe start with the Long Beach
4 in Orange County and just to get, you know, feel like we
5 got something done before lunch. And then move on, you
6 know, continue move on from there. But if we could try
7 to finish up Orange County before lunch.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Sinay.
9 Okay. I've been taking notes and I believe we have six
10 different items that we'd like to address. And I'm --
11 I'll list them, but then I'm going to suggest which ones
12 we should do first, which one's will be easier, low
13 hanging fruit.

14 We have the Central LA -- these areas, which we have
15 been talking about yesterday as the area -- maybe I'm not
16 saying Central LA, but that interior -- it's, I don't
17 want it call it Central LA, because that has different
18 names. I mean the middle of that. So I don't want to
19 specifically say which particular neighborhoods I'm
20 talking about.

21 And then we also have that Toluca Lake, North
22 Hollywood issue. We have the Forest area, up into the
23 Angela Forest. We have the Gardena and the Torrance --
24 half it going down Torrance, the whole going up as it is.
25 We have the San Pedro, keeping the ports separate. And

1 we have Orange County.

2 And I believe what we should do, because once of the
3 easiest ones is -- we can give direction to Jaime on the
4 Forest area. Could you please go up to the Angels Forest
5 where Commissioner Kennedy brought that up? I don't
6 believe there's any conflict in that. There's no
7 population, if we could extend that that border line up
8 into the Angeles Forest. So again, we're looking for
9 more -- Commissioner Kennedy, I'm -- I'm sort of quoting
10 a little bit or producing that what you were saying --
11 oh, Ms. Clark.

12 MS. CLARK: Yeah. Thank you. I'm unclear if you
13 are asking me to do that right now. I would say that
14 probably addressing the bigger changes, like, first,
15 maybe coming -- understanding what --

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

17 MS. CLARK: -- oh, okay.

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I'm just saying that, no, quite all
19 right. I think this is an area we can just give you
20 direction and say, could you please do that one up in the
21 Forest area. And yeah, I think -- do you need -- we --
22 we had some thought over that before. I don't believe
23 you need -- if you need more specific instruction, please
24 let us know.

25 MS. CLARK: No.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Great. Okay, the Gardena
2 Torrance area. That's an issue which we'll probably
3 discuss, which is another easy one, one way or the other.
4 These are also items that could ask Jaime to come back
5 with us, you know, what would it mean. And also that
6 Toluca Lake. Which would then put us into spend the time
7 in the Orange County and the Central -- the middle of Los
8 Angeles, which is where we need to spend the time.

9 So with that plan, do we want to spend a little of
10 time on the Gardena, Torrance, Toluca Lake area. Mr.
11 Kennedy, do you need to be more specific about what you
12 were hoping to see. And we can give instruction to Ms.
13 Clark to do this off-line? Or --

14 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair. I think I
15 mentioned that the objective was to try to group as much
16 as possible of Toluca Lake, North Hollywood, Valley
17 Village, Valley Glenn, and Van Nuys together as possible.
18 Again, I understand after the last two days how difficult
19 it is to get these population deviations down to zero.
20 But looks like we've -- that general area now sits in
21 three districts and would certainly want to try to bring
22 that down if we're not able to consolidate the entire
23 area. Thank you.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Ms. Clark.

25 MS. CLARK: I'm just -- thank you so much,

1 Commissioner Kennedy and just a question for the
2 Commission. Is it, you know, happy to look at that and
3 try and make those changes. It's certainly possible to
4 balance everything to plus or minus one person. And a
5 question is that yesterday the Commissioner also
6 identified a goal of not losing any of the districts that
7 are currently over 50 percent Latino CVAP regardless of
8 whether or not there are varied considerations in those
9 areas. And I will explore this change and just wanted to
10 understand which is the -- which is the preference of the
11 Commission if both are not possible?

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. Well, that's a very
13 good point.

14 Commissioner Sinay.

15 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Just answering Jaime's question
16 right there. I think that keeping the Latino, you know,
17 50 percent Latino, you know, any community CVAP, if it's
18 over 50 percent, any minor community CVAP is over 50
19 percent is a priority for me.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. I think that speaks for the
21 Commission.

22 Commissioner Vazquez?

23 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Oh, yes. I was going to
24 agree.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you. Commissioner

1 Toledo.

2 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Absolutely.

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. That's a -- yeah. I don't
4 think that was a I -- thank you very much for -- someone
5 had to say it, Commissioner Sinay, and thank you very
6 much. I think that's a direct -- a direction.

7 Commissioner Fernandez.

8 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: And triple, quadruple.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. Unanimously, yes. Okay.
10 Another item down. The Gardena, Torrance. Do we want to
11 discuss that for a minute or two? And who has the COI on
12 that? Now, if we did -- I'm sorry, Commissioner Sinay, I
13 think you were saying it was part of Gardena, or did we
14 have that divided before? Part of Gardena going
15 someplace?

16 COMMISSIONER SINAY: We have had it -- we've had
17 Gardena -- yeah, cut right where Jaime was showing and
18 with Torrance, because it's a strong Asian business
19 community going down that part of Gardena and then going
20 down the East side of Torrance, using Hawthorne as the
21 street where kind of that COI ends.

22 The -- we've heard from Torrance -- I think it was
23 our first public input comment back in September of
24 '20 -- what year are we -- okay, 2020 -- that the first
25 time someone called in saying, don't split us this year.

1 And the only reason I remember it so vividly is because
2 I've grown up in the South Bay. And that's why I also --
3 the Hawthorne -- but we have also heard from traditional
4 Black communities, then working-class communities, that
5 there is a -- Gardena is -- is part of their COI as well.
6 And I'm trying to get exact information. And I've been
7 going through all of them. But I just want to say that
8 there is different ways of looking at this one. We've
9 kept it simple in the past, but it can be more complex.

10 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you.

11 Commissioner Fernandez?

12 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah, just quickly, and I
13 apologize. I should have mentioned this earlier. I just
14 to remind everyone that our draft maps were mainly put
15 together based on the feedback and the communities of
16 interest that were received prior to the draft maps. So
17 I just don't want us to lose that, because it's so easy
18 to react to the recent input that we receive, but let's
19 not lose the input that we already have prior to November
20 10th. So I just wanted to make sure that we don't lose
21 that piece of it as well. Thank you.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Fernandez.
23 That's a -- very valuable information, because you're
24 right. We really were -- those were based mostly on
25 communities of interest and I think Commissioner Sinay

1 had said earlier, let's not forget all the input that
2 we've heard, just because we hear something new.

3 So Commissioner Turner.

4 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Thank you, Chair.

5 The COI input that Commissioner Sinay may have been
6 referring to, but certainly that I'm reading for this
7 area, is that it's the Northeast portion of Torrance.
8 And it is the -- with Inglewood. And their cut is at
9 Hawthorne and North of Sepulveda, I believe. Thank you.

10 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. Sorry, so the cut in
11 Torrance is that area -- want to go up --

12 COMMISSIONER SINAY: That's a different COI, but --

13 COMMISSIONER TURNER: All -- all of Gardena and the
14 Northeast portion of Torrance with Inglewood. And
15 Torrance is cut at Hawthorne Boulevard.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. Commissioner Sinay.

17 COMMISSIONER SINAY: So basically, we have two COIs
18 here. And they're kind of -- they're competing to a
19 certain extent and not, I mean, they're competing for
20 Gardena. So there's that Asian business COI that is
21 cut -- is done the way that we did last time, going down
22 to Torrance, using Hawthorne all the way until Lomita.
23 And then we have another Black business and cultural COI
24 that is all of Gardena and then the Northeast part of
25 Torrance.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Uh-hum. Would the Commission like
2 to see the two different ways and so we can say which
3 one, general consensus where we would like to go?
4 Commissioner Turner.

5 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Yeah, I was going to say, the
6 COI that I'm reading from is coming from Advancing
7 Justice, which is representing and respecting the AAPI,
8 the AMEMSA, along with the Black citizens census in
9 redistricting hub, and a few other groups consideration
10 of the Pacific Islander group, et cetera. So I think
11 they're representing the Filipino COIs as well. So I
12 think they're representing a couple of groups. So we can
13 look and see where there is a difference or a distinction
14 between two different COIs, but they represent a wide
15 group as well. So it shouldn't be too different, but
16 we'll, let's look at it.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right. Jaime, could you --
18 could kind of have a look and give us what that would --
19 what that would do, like, where -- could we find where
20 that is in Torrance, please?

21 MS. CLARK: Yeah. And just to clarify --
22 absolutely, I can. And just to clarify. Is the
23 direction to include this area and Torrance into South LA
24 or to remove the Southern portion of Gardena and include
25 that in the shoreline?

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Actually, that's -- you've exactly
2 described the two options. So could you sort of outline
3 one and save the first one outline. So we take part of
4 Torrance put it up. We're going to have a look just at
5 the, like the CVAPS and what that would look like and how
6 that would affect all the populations. And then we'll do
7 the opposite. So we'll have the two different versions
8 and come to consensus -- or, I'm sorry, two different
9 version or, you know, leave it the way it is. That's the
10 two different cuts or keep it whole, the way it is.

11 And is this the line -- oh, Hawthorne, I see.

12 MS. CLARK: So I'm going to zoom out. This area,
13 this is the Northeastern part of Torrance. And this line
14 is Hawthorne. This is Sepulveda. And these are the city
15 boundaries. And this represents 67,098 people.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Ouch. That's a lot of people.

17 MS. CLARK: And just noting that for population
18 purposes, there's this little census block group here
19 that is currently also in shoreline that would become
20 noncontiguous. So we have to address that as well. But,
21 you know, that's okay.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. That's okay. And could we
23 see the deviations for that please? Not deviations --
24 the actual CVAPS for that -- say if we add that to South
25 LA --

1 MS. CLARK: So it will -- if this was added to South
2 LA, then South LA would be over populated by 67,00
3 people, but --

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right.

5 MS. CLARK: -- the Latino CVAP would be 42.42. The
6 Black CVAP would be 35.46. The Asian CVAP would be 8.85.
7 And the White CVAP would be 11.47.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

9 MS. CLARK: And I apologize to the interpreters, I
10 will slow down.

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, okay. And could you just pan
12 out, please -- zoom out just a little so we could see the
13 whole thing? All right. So to add that many people,
14 something -- some other area would have to -- have to
15 go -- some other -- sorry. Some other people would move
16 to a different district. Okay.

17 Commissioner Sinay.

18 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I would recommend that we do go
19 in this direction, just because, you know, we went in the
20 other direction last time, and that might free up some
21 areas -- yeah, we may need to do some things differently,
22 as we've said in Southeast LA. And we might, you know,
23 if it doesn't work out when we do the Southeast LA.

24 The other option is just leave this in our potential
25 list and we come back to it after we figure out what

1 we're doing in Southeast LA. I just -- I don't feel good
2 moving anything until we figure out what we're doing in
3 the Southeast LA part.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Sinay. I
5 was just going to say, I did not realize the size of the
6 area you were talking about. I thought it would be a
7 nice kind of simple thing. That's not the case. So I
8 think we might, as you say, put that on pause for a
9 moment, thinking this could be an area where we rearrange
10 some population. And address our -- the middle of LA
11 issue. And I think that instead of -- and then -- and
12 the Orange County.

13 And so with that idea, I -- I'm thinking we look at
14 LA and see how that, we might want to go there to see,
15 like Commissioner Sadhwani said it -- she has an idea
16 that could affect Orange County in that direction. Or if
17 we do Orange County separately. So that's what -- that's
18 what I'm proposing to the group. So let's decide which
19 way we'd like to go.

20 Commissioner Sinay, do you have a different idea on
21 this, or do you still have your hand up? Okay.

22 Commissioner Sadhwani.

23 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. Before we -- I agree
24 with that, Chair, and Commissioner Sinay, I just --
25 before we move on, I just want to take a look at

1 shoreline. It looks like there's a tiny-tiny neck. And
2 I just wanted to take a closer look at -- is that what
3 we're looking at in corner of Westchester? And are we --
4 it looks like it's just a beach. Is that a problem for
5 us at all?

6 Legal, we have a neck.

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: We have Mr. Larson with us?

8 MR. BECKER: I'm on right now.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, thank you. Can you zoom out,
10 please?

11 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: I mean, I'm assuming this is
12 respecting the neighborhood council boundary? I'm not
13 sure what the neighborhood council boundary is --

14 MR. BECKER: Yeah, I --

15 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, I --

16 MR. BECKER: can you zoom out a touch more. I'm
17 sorry. I'm sorry, Commissioner, Sadhwani, I didn't mean
18 to interrupt. Thank you. Just a touch more as I -- so I
19 can see a little more of the context here.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Is that a city boundary, Jaime?

21 MS. CLARK: This is not the city boundary. This is
22 where LAX ends. Previously, the end -- this boundary has
23 been here for a couple iterations, I think. This was
24 created because the Commission would like to have LAX
25 with Inglewood. And there is a strip of beach just West

1 of LAX and that is what is represented there.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

3 MR. BECKER: And am I right, Jaime, that the -- I'm
4 sorry. Is the gray area there -- maybe you can zoom back
5 in, please. Just trying to be responsive to Commissioner
6 Sadhwani's question. The gray area in there, if you
7 could zoom in at Westchester Playa -- where it says
8 Westchester Playa where it's LAX, I think --

9 MS. CLARK: This is LAX.

10 MR. BECKER: Yeah. Am I right that the gray area is
11 basically unpopulated? Unless Tom Hanks is still living
12 in airports?

13 MS. CLARK: I am not sure exactly what you mean by
14 the gray area, but there is some population in some of
15 these census blocks. I think most of -- most of them are
16 up here. But in this area, I believe it's -- I believe
17 it's mostly zero population. I can turn on the census
18 block layer and we can have a look. So there's four
19 people in this census block. Up here there's 32 people,
20 but largely unpopulated. There is one person assigned to
21 this census block.

22 MR. BECKER: Someone go find that person. I think
23 this -- likely, given the relative nonpopulation in that
24 area, which is just created when you have an airport
25 that's literally up against the Pacific, that probably is

1 justifiable and doesn't create significant contiguity or
2 compactness concerns. If we want to go into more detail,
3 we could probably discuss it in closed session. But I
4 think it's -- I think this is likely not a -- not a
5 significant legal concern.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. Commissioner Fernandez.

7 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: No. I was -- I'm sorry. I
8 was just, like, looking at it and if there's zero
9 population, why we just don't grab it so there isn't that
10 border, but I guess that's okay.

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Sinay.

12 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Jaime can speak to this better,
13 but the reason we had that little sliver is to connect
14 the two coasts -- the coast because the airport is going
15 inland and the coast. And really, having grown up in
16 that area, that's a bypass. And it's used all the time
17 in that -- in that regard. And some and dock while, you
18 know, and the beach. So you can -- so I wouldn't grab it
19 because that's what's keep us -- the coast all together.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. And you can't own the
21 coastline on the West coast, it's public. Okay. So back
22 to the matter at hand. Do we dive into the central LA
23 area and/or just talk about what we want to do there. We
24 want to do Orange County? Or a combination? I believe
25 we should -- I think we should figure out what we're

1 trying to do in Los Angeles. What areas we're looking
2 at.

3 Commissioner Sadhwani.

4 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, Chair, I was actually
5 going to suggest we perhaps look a little bit more at
6 Orange County. We've laid out a different possible
7 options in that area. And it would be great just to see
8 what the range of options are. And then also to feel out
9 Commissioners on either one of those options, because,
10 you know, the first one was that more localized option of
11 swapping Fullerton and Huntington Beach, potentially.
12 And we have to take a look at the population and what
13 would balance. The second one would significantly impact
14 the Los Angeles map. And I think we need -- we would
15 need to make a decision on which direction we might want
16 to go to do that.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right. That's certainly a
18 plan. And yeah.

19 Commissioner Fornaciari.

20 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah, I -- Commissioner
21 Sadhwani, I -- I'm not sure what the second option you're
22 referring to was?

23 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: The second one was, we've
24 received COI testimony that would bring together portions
25 of Long Beach, probably maintaining this sort of split

1 down into Huntington Beach, which might be another
2 option. We had a lot of testimony last night about
3 keeping Huntington Beach whole, as whole as possible.
4 And then a coastal district. We had a lot of testimony
5 about keeping it out of districts with some of the
6 communities further up in El Cerrito and Bueno Park so
7 that would be an option to do that and create a more
8 coastal-based district.

9 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah, okay. So either
10 way, though, if we're going to -- if we put Buena Park
11 with Fullerton, you got to march that population around
12 and then figure out and get that population -- get that
13 population there in the -- in the Southeastern -- Western
14 corner. And then figure out what we're going to do with
15 the whole of this Southern part of LA County. So, yeah.
16 I vote we start with Orange county and balance it out.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: All righty. Orange County it is.
18 Could we have a quick look at, oh -- sorry, Jaime, should
19 be calling Sivan in?

20 MS. CLARK: Sivan has earned well -- a well-deserved
21 day off. So I'm happy to map with you now.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you very much. In which
23 case, let's make sure -- here we are in Orange County.
24 And I'm just -- again, I'm going to summarize a couple of
25 things that I've heard. And then we can sort of add to

1 that or detract from that. I believe we're talking about
2 adding Fullerton and possibly parts of Brea to Buena
3 Park. And then -- Jaime, back out for a minute, because
4 I'm -- I'll do the kind of, what I'm hearing, then we can
5 kind of do the whole thing. Yeah, the idea adding
6 Fullerton, possibly parts of Brea to Buena Park. And
7 then -- and so then, however that population is --
8 whatever that adding in, extend Huntington Beach down
9 into that -- that's correct. Move that line down however
10 far.

11 And then I'm also hearing that we still want to keep
12 Irvine, Costa Mesa, Huntington Beach, Newport Beach, in
13 together. And that's, I believe, someone had said --
14 maybe I just heard this, that maybe moving Tustin into
15 the inland -- OCB -- OCSBLA or something like that.

16 Ms. Clark.

17 MS. CLARK: Thank you so much for that overview. I
18 did hear, I think, Commissioner Akutagawa say she wanted
19 to keep Costa Mesa, Tustin, and Irvine blocked in as one
20 COI. And just a suggestion, depending on what the
21 overall goal is, is to start at that district, you know,
22 for example, moving in Fullerton, this Northern part of
23 Fullerton is about 82,000 people. We know yesterday that
24 this Huntington Beach move, I think was about 22,000
25 people or so. So just kind of thinking ahead in terms of

1 what's the overarching goal. And then starting at that
2 district to try and maintain a boundary around where
3 you're interested in maintaining a boundary.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you very much. Commissioner
5 Toledo.

6 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I'm still unclear about the
7 goal. So I'm just wondering what the goal is here. Is
8 it to make Huntington Beach whole? Is it to connect
9 Fortune and Buena Park together. All of which are --
10 would be fine. I'm just am trying to make sure that I
11 understand what the goal that we're trying to reach in
12 this area is because I'm still not quite understanding.
13 And it may just be me because we've spent quite a bit of
14 time on this yesterday. Thank you.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I've -- what I heard, and this is
16 just one idea. So I'll bring it up there and we can
17 shoot it down or rearrange it, however we want, is the
18 idea to -- Huntington Beach with Costa Mesa, Newport
19 Beach, Orange, gets -- which removes Huntington Beach
20 from the inland cities of, you know, Fountain Valley,
21 Garden Grove -- for economic reason. And possibly adding
22 Sea Beach to that.

23 So it could also be Seal Beach, Huntington Beach,
24 Costa Mesa, Orange, Newport. I think it was Commissioner
25 Kennedy that had said Tustin with them. And then that

1 would that, if we did it that way. It would -- is that
2 Cypress, Buena Park, Fullerton, Brea, would connect up in
3 that direction.

4 And then we'd probably have to grab more from the
5 OCSB, would be more down in the South area. We would
6 have to kind of do a rotation. Actually, kind of almost
7 that way. Was -- that was what I heard. But -- does
8 that sound like a -- Commissioner Akutagawa has --

9 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I still don't understand the
10 goal. I mean, I understand the movements of people, but
11 what are we trying to achieve.

12 At the end of the day, if we do all of these things,
13 what is it that we want to have happen?

14 Do we want, you know, a district that is -- and I --
15 we oftentimes think about it in terms of anchors. What's
16 the anchor that we're trying to achieve or what's --
17 what, you know, what is this that we're trying to
18 create --

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I think the anchor?

20 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- going to look like?

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I believe anchor that I heard was,
22 Huntington Beach whole and away from the inland areas.
23 And then also with Costa Mesa and Newport, essentially
24 the beaches. Except they also want to put Costa Mesa and
25 Orange -- mean, and sorry, Orange -- Irvine. Irvine,

1 because I see the word Orange -- so with Irvine, that
2 area wants to be together, is what I've heard.

3 And additionally, the Cypress -- or whatever is
4 under Santa Ana -- that, Buena Park, Fullerton, also want
5 to be together. That's what I heard. Anyone else?

6 Commissioner Kennedy.

7 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair. We -- we've
8 received some input that should be posted, but input from
9 OCET suggesting that the moves that might be made on
10 this, moving the Northern portion of Fullerton, Brea, and
11 Placentia West of North Kramer and South of Bastunchury
12 into SANANAANA.

13 Move the Northern portion of Huntington Beach into
14 North Orange coast. And the move, probably Laguna Hills,
15 Laguna Woods, Aliso Viejo, and Tustin, North of the 5
16 into OCSBLA. But I would say, you know, let's avoid that
17 split of Tustin, if we can. Looking at those other
18 communities around Laguna Hills, Laguna Woods, Aliso
19 Viejo, to see what we could do. Thank you. Okay?

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Kennedy.

21 Commissioner Fornaciari.

22 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: So yeah, I saw that but we
23 can't just grab the Northern part of Huntington Beach,
24 right?

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No. To add that, which would make

1 Huntington Beach whole.

2 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: It's physically
3 impossible, right. Just to grab the Northern part of
4 Huntington Beach without moving that line, the vertical
5 line East away -- or West, I'm sorry.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

7 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: You know, I just -- I
8 would acknowledge that.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right. I think the idea is, if we
10 determine how much population is in -- is in the rest of
11 Huntington Beach. And then match that with Fullerton --
12 plus Placentia, Brea, that part -- exchange, that's what
13 I'm assuming, yes? No?

14 Commissioner Kennedy is that what you're reading?

15 Commissioner Toledo?

16 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. I was just wondering.
17 I'm just thinking, we may want to put a time limit on
18 this. Maybe it's until lunch, because it's -- 2:15 is
19 right around the corner and --

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Great.

21 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- because we do have the VRA
22 districts to do.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, okay.

24 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So let's give that a go please.

1 Jaime, could you tell us what the population is in
2 Huntington -- the rest of Huntington Beach? Commissioner
3 Kennedy.

4 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY? Sorry.

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, all right. Okay, no, I thought
6 you wanted to walk us through this.

7 MS. CLARK: The highlighted area in Huntington Beach
8 is 147,952.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Jaime, could you do a
10 snapshot of this whole thing, because this is a trial.
11 We'll see how this goes. And if could just hit click and
12 reverse all, please. Now, we know it's 147, so could you
13 then go up to Fullerton, Placentia, and see what
14 population that would be?

15 MS. CLARK: So it's all of Placentia and all of Brea
16 or what areas precisely?

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Kennedy, do you have
18 that -- well, just for --

19 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yes. Thank you, I do.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh.

21 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY It's Northern portion of
22 Fullerton, Brea, and Placentia, West of North Kramer
23 Boulevard, and generally South of Bastunchury.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: That's 130,000.

25 MS. CLARK: Would you like to see the entire area or

1 is knowing that this is 130,000 sufficient?

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. That -- that's sufficient.

3 Let's have a look at the area in Placentia, please.

4 Okay, this -- we're doing an explanation -- exploration,

5 so we don't need -- we need approximately, let's say.

6 Even though it is Congressional.

7 MS. CLARK: So this is Kramer. I apologize,

8 Commissioner Kennedy, could you please repeat those

9 street names?

10 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: West of North Kramer, and

11 generally South of Bastunchury. So Bastunchury we've

12 seen in Fullerton. So it would apparently be all of

13 Placentia West of North Kramer.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh.

15 MS. CLARK: This line is Kramer.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Well, that is very close.

17 MS. CLARK: So this 146,655.

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: That other one was 147,000. So

19 what does the Commissioner think? Would you like to try

20 that?

21 MS. CLARK: And then just a note that you would

22 still need to -- oh know, that is an equal swap, pardon

23 me.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Fornaciari.

25 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: So I guess my question is,

1 what is the third swap going to be? We're going to split
2 Irvine then? Or what --

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No, I believe that's

4 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: -- Tustin goes North? Or
5 what was the third --

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I think Commissioner Kennedy had
7 Laguna Woods, Aliso Viejo -- that area in there, is that
8 what you were --

9 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Correct and if necessary,
10 Tustin, North of the 5 was mentioned. I'm hoping that we
11 can avoid that and make the trade down there around
12 Mission Viejo, like, for us, et cetera.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So yes. Can we -- let's try this,
14 because we have a snapshot, so let's do this one, please.

15 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Well, and I'm thinking that we
16 may want to fill in a bit in Western Placentia, just
17 where it's kind of hollowed out there, to the left of
18 where it says Placentia.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: You know I -- where was that? You
20 know since this --

21 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: North West of the label.

22 MS. CLARK: If I may make a suggestion. I think it
23 could make sense to make this change. And then since you
24 know for sure if, like, the rest of Huntington beach,
25 then making that change, and just sort of seeing the

1 populations after that.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Perfect.

3 MS. CLARK: So shall I make this change?

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Please. Okay. Then can we take
5 the rest of Huntington Beach from SANANAANA and add it to
6 No Coast? Mr. Fornaciari?

7 Okay, then, Commissioner Kennedy, could you read
8 what the -- or tell us what area you were adding?

9 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yes, the recommendation were
10 Laguna Hills, Aliso Viejo, and then we'll have to see
11 from there. We may need to take from the North part of
12 Tustin.

13 MS. CLARK: So you're looking for about 50,000 more
14 people -- I don't know the populations of these areas --
15 we could see moving them.

16 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Could we check what they are?

17 MS. CLARK: Absolutely. Oops, you know what, that's
18 in a different district, so maybe that's --

19 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay.

20 MS. CLARK: Yeah.

21 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: -- oh, yes.

22 MS. CLARK: Sorry.

23 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. It's going to have to --
24 it would have to be either Northern part of Tustin above
25 the 5 or we'd have to look at some very far Northern

1 portions of Irvine.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Or -- yeah, is that -- sorry,
3 Jaime, could you zoom out just a little bit here for a
4 second? And is there a -- no, that's already -- that's
5 already in the area. And what is the pink area next to
6 our chosen area down here, is that also part of Laguna
7 Beach?

8 MS. CLARK: That is Laguna Beach.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. So that other little, looks
10 like a triangle, it's just --

11 MS. CLARK: Yep.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- for point of contiguity.

13 MS. CLARK: That's just part of Laguna Beach.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you. And I'm assuming
15 that the area next to it, which is -- that probably has
16 no population, that little triangle to the West of Laguna
17 Woods? That isn't Laguna Beach?

18 MS. CLARK: This is three people in total.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. And the area in the
20 little -- the area right above is the same? Yeah that's
21 all --

22 MS. CLARK: It looks like there's about 16.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- yeah. Okay, never mind. Thank
24 you. Okay. So it does look like the only other area
25 would be part of Tustin.

1 MS. CLARK: Should I make this change and then move
2 on?

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, please. Because this is what
4 we're trying. We're trying something, so. Commissioner
5 Turner.

6 COMMISSIONER TURNER: I was just tracking with
7 Commissioner Kennedy, waiting to see North of Tustin.
8 Thank you.

9 MS. CLARK: So this is everything in Tustin North of
10 the 5. Is there a place you would like to pull
11 population from next?

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I think --

13 MS. CLARK: And shall I make this change?

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- what is that little triangle
15 there that's just South of the 5 but not in the same --
16 in our Santa Ana one?

17 MS. CLARK: This?

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: To the West. No, the other way.
19 In Tustin -- little area go West -- go West --

20 MS. CLARK: Oh, yeah. It's -- this is part of
21 Tustin, yeah, yeah.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So if we grab that, would -- wait a
23 minute -- were at 590 -- that's a couple thousand
24 short --

25 MS. CLARK: So this is pretty close. I can make

1 this change and if in general, the Commission is happy
2 with this architecture, we know that there -- in total in
3 this area, you know, all of the districts were one or
4 zero percent -- or one or zero total deviation, so this
5 adjustment to something that we could work on off-line.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Yes, I --

7 MS. CLARK: Should I make that change?

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I think the -- yes, please. And
9 then we can decide if we like this or if we want to
10 reverse it. This is a change that we can balance.
11 That's what I'm hearing. Is that correct, Jaime?

12 MS. CLARK: It is, yes.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. And you just do some playing
14 with the -- yeah, maybe -- yeah, something or other here.
15 And that was one has -- do we -- what's -- does the
16 Commission like this? Not like this? Want to go back to
17 what we had before? Can I get some -- who -- get some
18 kind of -- come to a general consensus. Yes? No? Start
19 calling on people.

20 COMMISSIONER TURNER: I like it better.

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay, Commissioner Turner.
22 Commissioner Yee.

23 COMMISSIONER YEE: I like it better. Just to know
24 where Seal Beach is going to be excluded from the coast,
25 but that may be the price we need to pay.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: True. Unless we want, yeah --
2 the -- okay. Others?

3 Commissioner Ahmad?

4 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: It's like we're in school
5 again.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Exactly.

7 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: I hopped on late this morning,
8 so I'm still trying to wrap my head around what happened
9 here but I do see a lot of change in response to a lot of
10 the COI testimony that we've been receiving over the past
11 twelve hours. So --

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So these were options -- yeah,
13 these were options for us yesterday. We went with one
14 and this is essentially the other is I -- is my
15 understanding. I was away a little bit last night as
16 well. But -- Commissioner Yee.

17 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yes. As I look at it then, if we
18 did put Seal Beach in with the coast, then could we then
19 put Placentia back the other, and then put Placentia back
20 together.

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Ooh, ah-hah. I see a couple of
22 nods on that one. Could we grab the population of Seal
23 Beach. Because we know our -- North Tustin was -- what
24 was that again, around forty?

25 MS. CLARK: Seal Beach was --

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Seal Beach is twenty-five. We
2 could probably make -- do we want to try that, attempt
3 that? Commissioner Fernandez?

4 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah, that's what I was
5 going to recommend as well, trying to go around that way.
6 Thanks.

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. So we know what we -- that's
8 twenty-five. Do we want to do that -- add that in?
9 Commissioner Toledo.

10 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I mean, I think this
11 Commission has consistently said we want a coastal
12 region. I think that was clear in the Assembly. We did
13 try it a couple of times and it was difficult to do, so
14 I'm not sure if that's -- if it would be possible. But
15 it's worth a try.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right. Okay. Oh. Jaime, did you
17 have an in case on this one we could just jump back to
18 just this, what we've done so far?

19 MS. CLARK: I can control-z the changes.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Excellent. Okay. Then carry on,
21 please. Let's add this one to NCCOAST --

22 COMMISSIONER YEE: And Placentia.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- and then go up and -- yeah.
24 Yes. Commissioner Yee, do you want to go ahead and --

25 COMMISSIONER YEE: Right then. Put Placentia back

1 together and then put Tustin back together.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh. Actually, it was the other
3 way, wasn't it? Oh no. You're right.

4 COMMISSIONER YEE: No.

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. No. You're right.

6 MS. CLARK: So just a note that this is a little
7 point contiguity part of Yorba Linda, and this is
8 something that I could either include or we could have an
9 area of Placentia in the Yorba Linda OCSELA. With making
10 this change, SANANAANA would be over by about 10,000
11 people.

12 And again, this is something, like, we know that all
13 of these districts balance together and this is something
14 we could make this change, get some overarching direction
15 from the Commission, and then balance to one person with
16 the Commission's knowledge that there would be some city
17 splits somewhere for total deviation purposes.

18 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah. I liked to let the line
19 drawers try that.

20 MS. CLARK: Okay.

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right. General consensus --
22 Commissioner Fernandez?

23 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes, I agree as well. And
24 my preference is if we're going to split a city, it would
25 be a larger city in population versus a smaller city just

1 because it's -- well, that's just my preference.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. Yeah. No. I think we might
3 have even said that as one of our mapping -- one of our
4 directions in the mapping playbook, I believe it was.

5 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah. Just a reminder.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. Thank you very much. And
7 then the idea is -- oh, okay. So can we back out here
8 and see what that looks like and what our numbers look
9 like? So we have 10,000 too many, 6,000 too little, and
10 4,000 too little. Okay. What does the Commission think?
11 We like that and we want to do -- have Ms. Clark bring
12 that back to us?

13 COMMISSIONER YEE: If she's comfortable with the
14 direction we've given or if she needs anymore to ask
15 exactly what she needs.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Kennedy?

17 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Chair, I just wanted to get
18 clarification on where the balancing would take place.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, let's give direction on that.
20 What would you -- where do you see?

21 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: I mean, my inclination would be
22 to go back to Laguna Woods, Laguna Hills, and that area
23 and balance this there.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. That could balance --

25 MS. CLARK: So --

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- one.

2 MS. CLARK: -- to clarify. Yeah. So NOCCOAST and
3 OCSBLA are both underpopulated. So we would need to
4 be -- and SANANAANA is overpopulated.

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right.

6 MS. CLARK: So we would need to have some -- yeah --
7 population move from SANANAANA ultimately into each of
8 these -- each of these districts.

9 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Well, I'm thinking for that I
10 might suggest taking it all from SANANAANA into OCSBLA in
11 terms of the Eastern portion of Brea and then rotate
12 population through Laguna Woods, Laguna Hills area into
13 North Orange Coast. Thank you.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. I think that's a very good
15 idea because we've heard quite a bit of public testimony
16 about Rossmore, Alamedas, and of course, Westminster, so
17 that I -- I think that's said. And I believe we -- it
18 was because it was parts of Brea that wanted to be added
19 to Fullerton. But Commissioner Toledo.

20 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I'm just wondering if -- I
21 mean, one of the reasons we moved to Los Angeles and
22 didn't spend too much more time in this area was because
23 we thought that there would be population we need to
24 shift down. And so if we -- if that's going to be the
25 case and we're going to be shifting population down, then

1 there may be additional architectural changes we'll need
2 to make to Orange County.

3 But that's just going through my mind right now in
4 terms of we still -- what I heard earlier was that there
5 were -- there was some desire -- I don't know how much --
6 but there's some desire to make changes to Southeast Los
7 Angeles.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. Commissioner Fornaciari?

9 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. So I just kind of
10 say we're -- this population is kind of in an island at
11 this point surrounded by VRA districts, and there's not
12 really a lot of -- I mean, we can go around in a circle,
13 but beyond that, there's not a lot we can do.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. Thank you. Commissioner
15 Toledo.

16 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I think we do need to solidify
17 our VRA district because that's going to be our -- that's
18 going to be another limiting factor, and so -- in Los
19 Angeles, and then, of course, if there's going to be
20 changes impacting this area as well. So just --

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

22 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- going back to that. Thank
23 you.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right. So basically you're
25 saying stop -- you're going to stop here and it's time to

1 go to Los Angeles. That's what I'm understanding. And
2 because then we'd like to have -- Jaime can work on --
3 well, I think we've given you direction, and so we can
4 change that if we're going -- if you want -- we want her
5 to do that or not, depending on what we now do in Los
6 Angeles. Is that a good summary?

7 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I mean, maybe. But I also
8 worry about the bubble we might be creating in the
9 Southern portion of Orange County. Right now, we have
10 this 4,000 and 6,000 negative population, and if we go up
11 to -- so those are the two considerations we -- to some
12 extent, we need to figure out what we're doing in Los
13 Angeles, Southeast, if we're doing anything.

14 And then we need to push population down. And then
15 there's this other issue of creating a bubble that we
16 might not be able to get out of once we're -- once we've
17 made changes to the VRA districts. So those are the
18 two --

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

20 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- considerations.

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

22 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: It may be good to just balance
23 out the population now, recognizing that there may need
24 to be some architectural changes to the Northern OC
25 later.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. All right. No, I --

2 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: That's just my thinking, but
3 I'm just sharing. Thank you.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. No, I appreciate that. Thank
5 you. Commissioner -- I'm sorry. Commissioner Sadhwani?
6 No, you already said --

7 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. Oh. No --

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

9 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- I haven't.

10 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No, no. They were just in
11 different order, so I was thrown. Sorry.

12 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: That's okay.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Sadhwani.

14 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. I think that was
15 exactly my point from the from the get-go, right, is that
16 the changes that I'm hearing we all want to make in
17 Orange County can be localized, and I think that's what
18 we've been looking at, right? And Commissioner
19 Fornaciari said, right, we have these VRA districts, we
20 can move them around in a circle. And I think that's
21 what we're playing around with now.

22 If we're going to have additional changes, though,
23 in Los Angeles and in particular in those VRA districts
24 in Southeast L.A., right, and we've heard from our
25 counsel about where our obligations are and are not, then

1 the alternative is greater architectural changes which
2 may impact this, right? Which might change the approach
3 to not simply being cycling populations around this
4 circle around the Santa Ana district, but could --

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right.

6 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: -- be taking in different
7 portions of L.A. County in different -- could be various
8 ways in which we might think about it to satisfy our
9 obligations in Los Angeles might have additional impacts
10 to the architecture where we're working right now.

11 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yes.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you. And I think
13 that's the -- probably Commissioner Toledo's point also,
14 so we should just make these even so we know we're -- if
15 we're coming in and taking something, we have to then
16 remove something from the same side. It's of a balanced
17 idea. I'm sorry. Ms. Clark.

18 MS. CLARK: Thank you. Yeah. Just a note that
19 unless the Commission anticipates this having any changes
20 outside of -- between L.A. and Orange County, then we
21 will know that whatever areas we're working in will
22 generally balance. And again, just a suggestion to not
23 necessarily need to get everything down to a super-tight
24 deviation live and in public just for the sake of time
25 given that it sounds like there are large architectural

1 changes that the Commission would like to explore.

2 So just from a mapping perspective, as long as the
3 exterior boundary, these areas in Orange County, aren't
4 going to change, then it would be contained within
5 whatever areas we're looking at together.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. Commissioner Kennedy
7 and Commissioner Fernandez.

8 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yeah. We are self-contained at
9 this point in Orange County. Just also calling attention
10 to the sixteen-person overpopulation BEAVICAL, let's not
11 forget that because that would cause us some angst if we
12 had to go back and clean that up after all of Orange
13 County was fixed. Thank you.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. Commissioner Fernandez.

15 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes. I was actually just
16 going to state what Jaime stated. Right now, I don't see
17 the need to go -- us to take the time to go back to
18 balance between the SANANAANA, the North Coast --

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah.

20 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: -- and the OCS because it's
21 already balanced. Between the three, it'll balance, and
22 we -- I don't want to necessarily say I don't want to
23 waste my time here, but there's going to be population
24 that's pushed down, so let's not -- let's just go up and
25 then later deal with balancing with whatever is pushed

1 down.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. Yeah. Whatever we push down,
3 we have to pull back up on the other side. Yeah.
4 Commissioner Toledo.

5 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Given that we're so close to
6 lunch, maybe, I guess -- maybe you can assign the
7 Commissioner to work with just -- to just balance this
8 over lunch in Orange County while we come back --

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I --

10 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- if you're interested in
11 doing that.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah.

13 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Maybe not.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I think we gave Ms. Clerk -- or
15 Commissioner Kennedy -- but we gave her direction on
16 where to do the switching.

17 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Okay. Okay.

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: But now what I was hoping is we
19 have four -- three minutes. Oh. Commissioner Fernandez?

20 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I'm going to disagree with
21 Commissioner Toledo because if -- I hate to say -- I hate
22 to give direction to Jaime and have her go do this when
23 we know it's going to change because that's going to --

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh.

25 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Like, her energy's going to

1 be exhausted and --

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

3 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: -- she also needs lunch.

4 So I would just recommend -- and maybe, Jaime, maybe
5 that's not the direction you wanted to go in. You're
6 probably going to say that's okay, but this would be
7 iteration number 335.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, yeah. Ms. Clark.

9 MS. CLARK: Yeah. Thank you, Commissioner
10 Fernandez, that's very thoughtful. And I don't think
11 it'll take me too long to just do a general balance. I'm
12 not going to get it down to one percent, but I could do
13 that really quickly over lunch based on the direction
14 that Commissioner Kennedy provided. That's totally fine
15 with me. Thank you.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. Commissioner Toledo.

17 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I just worry about the bubble.
18 I just worry about leaving a bubble there that might be
19 hard to reconcile even after we make our changes
20 wherever. So yeah.

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. I was hoping for us to give
22 a couple of directions to Jaime about Los Angeles. Does
23 anybody have anything really fast that they want to see
24 moved in Los Angeles, or are we waiting until after
25 lunch? Because actually no. I was hoping to give Jaime

1 direction now because after lunch we're supposed to be
2 heading to the North. Okay. Russell. Oh sorry.
3 Commissioner Yee.

4 COMMISSIONER YEE: Thank you. We were exploring the
5 idea of going into Torrance to bring Torrance up to
6 Gardenia. If there's a way to do that, I think that's a
7 good way to go.

8 MS. CLARK: Commissioner Clark. Commissioner Clark.
9 Ms. Clark. I also need lunch.

10 MS. CLARK: I think what would be -- what would be
11 most helpful in terms of getting those types of
12 directions -- thank you so much, Commissioner Yee -- is
13 to get then also direction on what to remove or how to
14 make the population swaps just as explicit and clear of
15 direction as possible so that when we come back, the
16 Commission sees something that they're expecting to see.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. Thank you. Commissioner
18 Turner.

19 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Thank you, Chair. Jaime?
20 Yeah. So the direction I would have wouldn't be anything
21 new or different. I think you have the COIs that I've
22 been tracking and following and as information is coming
23 in new that we've been sharing so -- shared, it's -- I
24 think she has all of that that she's saved and tracked.
25 So I'd be interested in just seeing how she's putting it

1 together with the new direction she's receiving. You're
2 on mute.

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. Do you know where you
4 would take something out if that went in?

5 MS. CLARK: No, I don't. And I would anticipate
6 that potentially, just based on the knowledge of COIs
7 that the Commission -- I guess I would suggest maybe
8 moving the Torrance thing in, making swaps here with
9 10CORR and then trying to take part -- this is South
10 Robertson. I'm not exactly sure of the population swaps
11 here, but I -- yeah, this is -- I would love specific
12 suggestions. Thank you.

13 COMMISSIONER TURNER: So to respond, Chair, I guess
14 in what you're asking, I'm responding in a way that says
15 to follow COI input that we've given before. And I
16 understand that she needs something to know what to
17 remove, but then we would need to be doing live line
18 drawing to see which area she's in before I gave
19 direction all over the map again.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. There wasn't something in
21 this that would come out.

22 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Right.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. All right. Well, then we
24 can't really do that. Commissioner Kennedy.

25 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yeah. I'd be interested in

1 thoughts from colleagues and the community the -- this is
2 not ideal, but the portions of Del Aire and Hawthorne
3 West of the 405, I don't know whether that would be
4 helpful. I don't know whether there's a -- whether the
5 405 does constitute a clear dividing line in that area.
6 But that was something that I spotted that might be worth
7 investigating. Thank you.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh. All right. Is that something
9 that -- I don't know if that has that many people, but we
10 could maybe give that a go. All right. We're past
11 break. Let's see. Commissioner Sinay, Commissioner
12 Fornaciari, is this something sort of specific? Because
13 we're past break.

14 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Well, I would still put this
15 Torrance piece until after we do the South L.A. piece
16 because then I think we'll be able to understand and see
17 where we might pull from and then go back to the Torrance
18 piece.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right. That sounds good. And
20 Commissioner Fornaciari, were you about to say the same
21 thing?

22 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yes.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. Great. Thank you. Okay.
24 Well, unfortunately, we don't have -- other than
25 balancing, we don't have other direction in Los Angeles.

1 And I guess when we come back -- we did lose that time.

2 I guess we're going to have to do another one on L.A.

3 Okay. Jaime, I think we'll probably be seeing after
4 lunch, so thank you very much. Okay. All, we're on to
5 lunch, and we'll see you back here at 3 o'clock.

6 (Whereupon, a recess was held from 2:18 p.m.
7 until 3:00 p.m.)

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Welcome back, everyone, to the
9 California Citizens Redistricting Commission meeting. We
10 will be continuing on with our investigation into drawing
11 the Congressional maps, Congressional district maps in
12 Los Angeles County. And we have the illustrious team of
13 Ms. Jaime Clark and Ms. Karin Mac Donald helping us
14 today. And could you, Jaime, give us the maps and give
15 us a rundown on where we are?

16 MS. CLARK: Absolutely. So the Commission just
17 reconfigured within Orange County some of these Orange
18 County-based districts. Over lunch, I did balance them a
19 lot closer to zero. And as a gift from me to you, I made
20 the BEAVICAL district zero population so that's not a
21 concern anymore. And these then are all within fourteen
22 to eighteen people total, I believe. So looking pretty
23 good. Your muted, Chair Andersen.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. I'd like to say to the
25 public who's tuned in with us now, tonight we will be

1 having an additional drawing session. So while you need
2 to get in the queue before 6 o'clock, we will not be
3 hearing public comment until 8:15. So you need to call
4 in by 6 o'clock. You can then know that we are not going
5 to call on you until after 8:15. So as long as you don't
6 hang up and come back before 8:15 you'll be in the queue.

7 And with that, let's continue on up into -- we were
8 starting to look at what we want to do in Los Angeles
9 County for essentially architecture, and I'd like some
10 Commissioners to -- who have been thinking and have these
11 ideas in mind to please at this time give us what they'd
12 like to do and what are the goal, how would you like to
13 see the map look like, and then we'll go through how we
14 can get there. So Commissioner Akutagawa.

15 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Hi there. I'm back. I
16 have a question, and I apologize if this was already
17 asked and if there's a rationale for this. But can I ask
18 why we would have everybody call in before 6 o'clock to
19 then just wait for two hours, two and a half hours before
20 we start to take public comment? Could we not open it up
21 closer to the time and leave it open for the thirty-
22 minute time frame that we normally do so that people can
23 be off and doing other things?

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, actually, it's because the
25 meeting officially ends at 6 and the lines are actually

1 open all day. They're open until we close them at 6.
2 And so that's where we -- that's the time that we're
3 required to -- before the official end of the meeting.
4 Now, the meeting closes at 6 or until business is done,
5 which is why we continue on. But for the official
6 reasons, we need to close the lines at 6. So that's why.
7 But that's why I want people to know that --

8 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- we will not be getting on so
10 they don't have to hang on there because they could be
11 called on at any minute. That will not happen. It will
12 be at 8:15. So thank you for that question.

13 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Thank you. I think that
14 that would also -- that's helpful for the public to know
15 why we're doing it like that, too. So thank you.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. No, thank you. And let's
17 back to the architecture of the maps. So I know we want
18 to get certain communities together because they are --
19 and they're naturally together, they have common
20 interests, and within our -- we'd like to look at the VRA
21 districts first and work out any changes that we'd like
22 to do. We have any -- Commissioner Sadhwani.

23 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. Thank you. I don't
24 have specific direction at this point in time. I just
25 want to raise -- I think we've heard a lot from the

1 Southeast L.A. folks. We've heard a lot from the Long
2 Beach folks. And so I think the pairing of places like
3 Vernon, Huntington Park, Florence-Graham, all the way
4 down to Long Beach, and in particular those areas that
5 we're looking at in this district, I think we've heard
6 quite a bit that they are very different in nature in
7 terms of their demographics and that Long Beach very much
8 sees itself not a part of the City of Los Angeles, not an
9 appendage of Los Angeles, but as its own entity.

10 And so I think for me, seeing this combination just
11 definitely gives me pause, especially given the vast
12 amount of communities of interest testimony that we've
13 received from both areas. So I'm not -- it's not my
14 interest to blow up the entirety of the map, but I
15 definitely want to name that as a concern because I do
16 think we're pairing some communities together that are
17 very much not alike.

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you very much. Now,
19 does anyone feel that way or does everyone like the map
20 the way they are -- maps the way they are? Because we
21 need to -- I don't mean blow up the map, but if we want
22 to make some changes, now is the time to make those
23 changes.

24 And yes, we have heard from communities who said,
25 well, my community isn't together and it's kind of --

1 it's divided and so -- but we need to get some direction
2 and ways to go. Commissioner Akutagawa.

3 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. I would affirm that
4 I think we've heard COI testimony, especially from the
5 Northern part of this district, who feel that the North-
6 South length is not necessarily combining communities
7 that they feel have common interests together. And in
8 particular, I think I've read some that cite Long Beach
9 specifically that they feel quite different from just
10 across multiple kind of, I think, factors that we've been
11 looking at, especially up here in the North. So I would
12 agree.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Yes? Commissioner
14 Fornaciari.

15 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. I guess I want to
16 start with a couple of questions. Is the Commission
17 generally happy with STH60, and what's the one with West
18 Covina in it above it? CDCOV? We made some changes to
19 that -- to both of those, I think, the other day and I
20 just want to kind of understand the constraints before I
21 make my comment. Are we going to -- are we going to
22 think about changing those?

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Sadhwani.

24 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. Again, it's a matter
25 of the pairings, right? So in general, I like CDCOV.

1 Looks good. The STH60, I do think that -- the way that
2 that spans across, you're spanning -- well, Commerce is a
3 very industrial area. Montebello, Pico Rivera, more
4 densely populated, more urban in nature. And then when
5 you get further out to places like Whittier, Hacienda
6 Heights, Rowland Heights, very much more suburban.

7 So I think it was Commissioner Akutagawa yesterday
8 who had suggested Downey going in with Whittier
9 potentially as a potential swap, which would then -- we
10 would have to look at all the populations, et cetera, but
11 Pico Rivera, Montebello, Commerce coming into some other
12 kind of configuration either with East L.A. above it in
13 the CDNELA with Vernon, Maywood, Huntington Park,
14 Florence-Graham, right?

15 I mean, I think there's a lot of different ways.
16 And we've seen them, right? We've had numerous
17 visualizations and iterations of this map over the last
18 several weeks, so just trying to take a look at those
19 neighborhoods and what makes the most sense there.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Commissioner Akutagawa.

21 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. I guess on this, I
22 think generally speaking, I think the CDCOV and the
23 STH60 -- I mean, if we decided we did not want to touch
24 it, I think it's generally okay. However, to what
25 Commissioner Sadhwani also said, and I think I suggested

1 this, too, is doing some swaps. My thought is that on
2 the LBNORTH district --

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Um-hum.

4 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- there's some -- and the
5 SB710, there's some poor cities -- again, I think some
6 poor cities that if we could try to keep them grouped
7 together because they share so much in common that then
8 we could figure out from there what other cities we can
9 potentially make some swaps so that the ripple effects is
10 not going to go out to the other districts but will be
11 contained.

12 And I want to name -- and we've heard this
13 especially the last week and a half or so from Florence-
14 Graham, Huntington Park, Walnut Park, they for sure want
15 to stay together. I know also that Maywood, Bell,
16 Cudahy, Bell Gardens to a degree want to also stay
17 together, too. I think if you bring in Vernon with them,
18 I think that would be good although they really do belong
19 more with them. But one could argue that if needed for
20 population, they could go to the NELA district, but they
21 really do belong more with the -- these other Gateway
22 cities.

23 South Gate and Lynwood, I think we've seen some
24 testimony also stating that they would like to be with
25 Bell and Bell Gardens as well, too. Paramount depends on

1 who you ask, and same with -- at least in terms of these
2 more core Gateway cities. But I would suggest Vernon,
3 Huntington Park, Florence-Graham, Walnut Park, Maywood,
4 Bell, Cudahy, and Bell Gardens, and then start with that.
5 I think we could perhaps include in South Gate and
6 Lynwood, too, if we could make the numbers work. Also --

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Sorry.

8 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I was (indiscernible,
9 simultaneous speech) --

10 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I was just --

11 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- Downey and Bellflower
12 and Lakewood are very different from those upper cities,
13 those Northernmost cities that I mentioned.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, thank you. I was saying --
15 you were saying those too quickly for me to gather them
16 to give actual direction. But Ms. Clark, did you --

17 MS. CLARK: Yeah. I wrote those down and I
18 generally understand where this could be going. I guess
19 a question of mine is in thinking -- if, Commissioner
20 Akutagawa, you wanted this to be self-contained, then are
21 you okay, for example, with the ports going together? Is
22 the intention to keep Long Beach in just two districts as
23 opposed to putting it into three districts and et cetera?
24 And if part of it -- if part of Long Beach were going to
25 go into Orange County, which has been suggested by some

1 Commissioners, then what goes back into L.A. County to
2 pair with some of the other cities?

3 For example, is that Cerritos and Artesia? Can
4 Cypress go in? A lot of changes just happened to the map
5 to be able to have this area of Buena Park and North
6 Fullerton all be together and all of that would be
7 changed likely. There's just a lot of changes that are
8 potentially being discussed here, and just a question is
9 how to accomplish all of those while maintaining some of
10 the things the Commission has already worked out.

11 Additionally, right now, SB710 and LBNORTH are both
12 over fifty percent Latino CVAP. The Commission again has
13 identified not wanting to lose fifty percent Latino CVAP
14 districts and just kind of thinking through the changes
15 that are being proposed, I don't think it would be
16 possible to have two.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you. Commissioner
18 Ahmad.

19 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Thank you, Chair. I wanted to
20 ask, Chair, is it okay if we turn on the shading for the
21 VRA districts? I just want to see where they --

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Certainly.

23 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: -- fall into this piece.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Certainly. Yes, could we do that,
25 please? Oh. Oh. I thought you meant for the -- are you

1 talking about the heat map? Yes, the heat map.

2 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: No, no, no. This is what I was
3 asking for, but if someone else wants the heat amp --

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh.

5 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: -- go for it.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. Okay. I thought you were
7 going -- looking for areas of -- that you wanted to do
8 some combination of. Commissioner Akutagawa.

9 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I was just going to -- so
10 Jaime, I just wanted to make sure, for clarification, did
11 you -- so if I heard you correctly, you were saying that
12 if we make some of these changes, including some of these
13 other questions around which direction, it could result
14 in one less Latino majority district. I just want to
15 make sure I heard that. Okay. Okay. Thank you. So
16 these are just some of the decision points then that we
17 would have to discuss along with the -- putting the ports
18 together, right? And --

19 MS. CLARK: Yes.

20 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- (indiscernible,
21 simultaneous speech)?

22 MS. CLARK: Yes.

23 And may I respond, Commissioner Andersen?

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, please do.

25 MS. CLARK: Yeah. So those are just some of the

1 things -- when I'm hearing and trying to think of how to
2 make the dreams of the Commission come true, these are
3 some of the things that are coming up, right, where I'm
4 like having a hard time conceptualizing how to accomplish
5 everything that you want to accomplish while making these
6 types of changes. So I think just that was -- those
7 questions were more just kind of to frame maybe some of
8 your decision-making process.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. Commissioner Akutagawa.

10 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Jaime, if I could ask you
11 one more question for perhaps clarification and
12 understanding before we start making or trying to start
13 making decisions. I guess when I said limiting it, I
14 wasn't thinking about just the two districts, but perhaps
15 taking parts of SOUTH60 if we have to. If that were in
16 play, would that that give us an ability to maintain the
17 VRA districts? If we brought down, say, Norwalk and La
18 Mirada maybe down.

19 MS. CLARK: I think that that could be possible. Of
20 course, you're going to meet your equal population and
21 then your Latino CVAP is, of course, going to be in play
22 for your second criterion. I think that is possible, but
23 again, this is talking about a lot bigger changes than
24 just to a couple districts, including undoing some of the
25 changes that you just made.

1 And additionally, yeah. I don't know that just that
2 swap of moving Norwalk, Sant Fe Springs, for example, or
3 La Mirada out of SOUTH60 and adding other areas based on
4 the list of cities that you identified earlier as wanting
5 to be together or wanting to kind of group together.
6 That's the place where I would be -- I have a question as
7 to whether or not you could then maintain two Latino CVAP
8 districts.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Akutagawa.

10 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I'm thinking now.

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. All righty. I understand
12 that there's a -- Commissioner Fornaciari, you had your
13 hand in the air at one point.

14 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. I was just going to
15 kind of play out what Jaime just played out in what are
16 the trade-offs that we're talking about if we do that?
17 If we group those cities in the North, then we've got to
18 do something with the South. If we do a self-contained
19 thing and put the ports together, that's one outcome. I
20 mean, there's a little bit of swapping we could do with
21 maybe moving Lakewood into Orange County and Seal Beach a
22 part of Huntington Beach with Long Beach kind of thing.
23 But it's a little bit because we're kind of stuck with
24 surrounded -- Orange County's surrounded by -- basically
25 surrounded by VRA districts.

1 So I mean, if we really want to change things, then
2 it goes up through STHLA and 10CORR and then the map is
3 dramatically changed. So I just wanted to kind of play
4 that thinking out with you guys to just think about what
5 the impacts would be.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. To do something like that
7 we'd have add in cities above like the Monterey Park --
8 further up, not just Monterey Park. Commissioner Ahmad.

9 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Yeah. Thank you. At this
10 point, I think it would be helpful if the yellow shading
11 was removed and perhaps the heat map so we can start to
12 zone in on places where we can make those edits.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Ah ha. And could you scroll up
14 just a little bit, please, Jaime? Then maybe up a little
15 bit again so we can really see the tops of the -- the
16 other -- the COV. Great. Commissioner Akutagawa.

17 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Actually, it's okay. I
18 think I need to think through some more things first.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right. So I believe
20 everybody's thinking about stuff. They're not quite
21 happy but don't have a concrete idea of what to do, so we
22 should maybe move to different areas so we could give you
23 guys time to think. Actually, Commissioner Sinay.

24 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I guess I keep raising my hand
25 and putting it back down. I understand the thought of

1 putting the two ports together, but I just want to share
2 that Long Beach -- as you can see, the Long Beach along
3 the coast is very different than San Pedro. San Pedro is
4 more -- it's a harbor city more in line with Wilmington
5 and Los Angeles. Just it's -- I think the move over up
6 where it is makes more sense -- the North Long Beach with
7 San Pedro makes more sense trying to connect it --
8 connect the two port areas.

9 I realize that part of a port area doesn't have any
10 red because it's probably not very -- doesn't have people
11 there. Okay. Jaime's shaking your head yes, so I
12 figured that, but I just -- this corridor, the 710 and
13 110CORR is really hardcore working class, very diverse,
14 very mixed, a lot of renters. So if someone had asked
15 me, do the people who work in San Pedro and the ports
16 live in San Pedro, and the answer would be yes. There
17 are fishermen. There are port -- a lot of them.

18 So but having said all that, I think putting them
19 together in a smart way, just in an intentional way to
20 open up doing a better job up -- further North because as
21 you can -- as we scroll things kind of -- there's much
22 more dense Latino communities and are -- have
23 different -- everybody has said this already, and I think
24 the only way we can do this up at the top and really
25 think about it is thinking through intentionally how to

1 pair San -- San Diego -- San Pedro, Long Beach, and maybe
2 even Lakewood, some of the communities there.

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Or if we go North, some areas that
4 are not in -- you know how the Long Beach North has some
5 very densely populated Latino areas and then some not,
6 but it still creates a -- if you get the numbers over
7 fifty percent. Why not do something like that up North?

8 So then we can do something to grab the Florence-
9 Graham, and South (indiscernible) Lynwood into an area,
10 so we kind create one in a slightly above as well below.
11 Does that idea open any -- help anyone with how they'd
12 like to combine communities? Commissioner Akutagawa.

13 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Could we see the CVAP for
14 all of LBNORTH? Okay. So Latino is 50.83 --

15 MS. CLARK: Yeah. I could read those out loud for
16 you, Commissioner Akutagawa.

17 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Thank you.

18 MS. CLARK: Sure. For LBNORTH, the Latino CVAP is
19 50.83 percent. Black CVAP is 8.23 percent. Asian CVAP
20 is 8.80 percent. And white CVAP is 30.76 percent.

21 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: So Jaime, is it possible --
22 I think I saw this happen when you select certain cities,
23 and I don't know if you could just quickly just do a
24 selection by city or do you have to go block by block.
25 But if you were to -- we heard a lot from Florence-

1 Graham, Huntington Park, and Walnut Park, and they spoke
2 about -- one, about the three of them wanting to be
3 together.

4 However, that they would -- for the Assembly
5 district, that they would have been okay going into the
6 110CORR district and just kind of thinking about -- I'll
7 stop here if you want to share the CVAP for this because
8 maybe what I say may be moot if I -- depending on what
9 the CVAP is.

10 MS. CLARK: Is your question about the CVAP of
11 those --

12 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: All --

13 MS. CLARK: -- three cities?

14 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yes.

15 MS. CLARK: The Latino CVAP in Walnut Park,
16 Huntington Park, and Florence is 90.73 percent.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Whew.

18 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: What's the Black CVAP in
19 this area, too?

20 MS. CLARK: The Black CVAP is 6.56 percent.

21 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: And Asian and white?
22 Probably really small then. Ninety percent.

23 MS. CLARK: Yeah. Asian CVAP is .46 percent and --

24 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Oh wow.

25 MS. CLARK: -- white CVAP is 1.89 percent.

1 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Okay. I guess what I was
2 going to try to -- I was thinking about what Commissioner
3 Sinay said about the -- trying to keep that port of L.A.,
4 the Wilmington, Carson, and others, I was just thinking
5 perhaps doing a swap and bringing maybe Rancho Dominguez
6 or Compton in and bringing in Florence-Graham and
7 Huntington Park and Walnut Park since they had spoken
8 about wanting to stay together in the 110 if it meant
9 being able to be there. But I think that that's going to
10 blow the -- blow our CVAP, so that's okay. Thank you.

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Fornaciari.

12 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: I'm going to say something
13 that won't be popular, but I'll say it anyway. If you
14 can zoom out. We've got a couple of islands of low LCVAP
15 in our VRA districts, right? Got Southern Long Beach,
16 Lakewood in there. We've got Hacienda Heights, La Habra
17 Heights, Walnut, all those guys with low LCVAP kind of
18 pulleying the area in the middle with really high LCVAP
19 Park.

20 So I know this won't be popular, but if we took
21 those five cities, Walnut, Hacienda Heights and moved
22 them South, Long Beach, moved it Southwest, then we have
23 the whole concentrated area where the LCVAP that is
24 highest to design some VRA districts. So just sharing an
25 observation. I don't have an answer, but it's an

1 observation.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Jaime, could you move a little bit
3 North, please? Okay. Okay. Sort of that kind of same
4 idea, but the opposite way, can we -- yeah. Well, the
5 issue is if you grab Lakewood and -- Lakewood,
6 Bellflower, the towns that are under the SB710 -- thank
7 you. If you sort of grab those and move those East --
8 well, SB710 -- well, no. We actually like some of the
9 ones -- some of the ones that are in the -- North of
10 that, of 710 are ones that we would like to actually
11 combine with some in the Long Beach one. With South
12 Gate, with Cudahy, Lynwood. Nope. No. Not that way.

13 You can tell I'm not -- I am really not that
14 familiar with the downtown L.A., unfortunately, the
15 central area. But I'm just thinking, can we do something
16 like grabbing some of the Montebello. Well, I know we
17 don't want to break up East Los Angeles, but some of
18 those areas and add that -- a little bit like across the
19 El Monte, kind of the Monterey Park, Rosemead-ish, kind
20 of pull something up that way, and then that would leave
21 you more like the Paramount, Downey, sort of across the
22 center area kind of essentially like we have -- further
23 South.

24 Oh wait. We did this once before. And we have
25 East-West, but not completely like that. More like a --

1 something sort of like that because we have how many of
2 them across here? Trying to do more of a combination, we
3 would then have to -- the port would actually have to
4 go -- combine with Florence, and we have never wanted to
5 do that, have we?

6 Anyway, that's a sort of what I'm trying to do is --
7 okay, where could we move these so we could put this
8 population together? This would be a little bit easier
9 if you were all there and had our pointers. Commissioner
10 Sinay.

11 COMMISSIONER SINAY: The San Pedro and Florence, I
12 think they would be better than San Pedro and Palos
13 Verdes. But what I would like us to think about is we've
14 got the VRA. I mean, we've got numbers, VRA, and then
15 COIs are number four, and we're going back and -- we keep
16 focusing on COIs versus the first two criteria.

17 And I think right now I would encourage us to look
18 kind of -- the issue is, as I kind of agree with what
19 Commissioner Fornaciari was saying, Lakewood, that East
20 part of Long Beach, the South part of Long Beach, there's
21 part -- Signal Hill. There's parts that we could put
22 together -- I mean, I hate to say it, even Cerritos and
23 Artesia, but anyway, I won't go there. It's Orange
24 County. But there's things that we can put together so
25 that we can start really looking at the VRA districts and

1 building some really strong VRA districts that are equal
2 in number.

3 And then we may need to clean up later -- come back
4 down to the South and the West to clean that up. But my
5 concern is you can have a VRA district, but when you pair
6 it with a really united large urban center that's a
7 different -- that's not Latino -- yeah, we need to think
8 about are we really sticking to our commitment -- I mean,
9 not commitment -- obligations of VRA districts. And the
10 LBNORTH is, I think, a little low.

11 So anyway, that would be my recommendation, which
12 was similar to Commissioner Fornaciari's, is just
13 starting by grouping the areas that can be together.
14 There are some VRA -- there are some reasons to group
15 them together, and then build the VRA districts up in the
16 Northern part the way that the community has asked and
17 the way that makes sense and is strong.

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Commissioner Akutagawa.

19 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I guess I'm going to just
20 maybe go the other way. It seems like there's some
21 sticking points now in terms of do we combine the ports,
22 not combine the ports? Then there's also -- I think
23 given the numbers that I heard for just Florence-Graham,
24 Huntington Park, and Walnut Park, I am concerned about,
25 perhaps combining those cities together that would

1 perhaps maybe -- okay. So here's what I'm going to say.

2 I think maybe we just -- to ensure that there's at
3 least two VRA -- or at least one VRA distinct, a strong
4 one, in -- at least because that one's up fifty-two
5 percent. LBNORTH is at fifty percent. Maybe we just
6 leave it all alone and then we just try to fix -- it
7 looks like the deviation numbers in Orange County still
8 are a little off.

9 So we just look at where do we need to -- where do
10 we need to readjust and rebalance because SANANAANA looks
11 like -- it looks like it's a little over, as is OCBC,
12 SBLA. Maybe that might be the -- generally speaking, I
13 think if everybody's just okay with it, we have some
14 decent numbers for the VRA district. Maybe we just kind
15 of leave it and keep moving forward to the other areas
16 that we need to work on.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Akutagawa.
18 Commissioner Toledo.

19 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I do think some of the VRA
20 numbers, especially in the Long Beach area, are on the
21 lower end, but -- and I am -- I would be in support of
22 looking at the lower Latino CVAP areas and trying to move
23 them towards more of a -- shifting population to increase
24 CVAP. But I also recognize that that would take a
25 significant amount of time to do that, so I am open -- I

1 would support Commissioner Fornaciari's concept of
2 shifting population if it's something that the Commission
3 wants to do. Thank you.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Ah ha. I have an idea. What if
5 the LBNORTH at Bellflower then dodged right and gets
6 Norwalk, La Mirada, the Whittier, whatever, grabs that
7 area, which would then have Downey. So yes. So instead
8 of going up and to the East -- or West, it would actually
9 go to the East. And then that would open up the Downey,
10 those areas that could then join -- sorry, that reverb
11 there -- that would then join -- that would sort of
12 release those to then move possibly the -- through the
13 other direction.

14 So then we might have to grab a few more areas to
15 the North or the other direction a bit, or even -- that
16 that could open up a few things if the -- the only issue,
17 of course, would be -- well, might even have to grab part
18 of Signal Hill again to get more Latino group --
19 Latino -- yeah. So anyway, I'm saying I see what if we
20 open a different direction? Because right now, it was
21 just going straight up and around, and then that's pretty
22 much sort of locks everything in. I know everyone's
23 talking about combining these areas, so maybe, sort of,
24 doing a shift over without combining the ports. Keeping
25 them separate, but they would actually instead of going

1 up and West, go up and East, but then would release some
2 of the areas for the West to go up North -- go into that
3 other area.

4 Now, you guys all know those cities better and you
5 know what would pair with other pairs. You're more
6 familiar with the COIs than I am. So I'm just spitting
7 ideas here because we really only have about ten or
8 fifteen more minutes and then we will have to move on.
9 We're looking at this, looking at this. If we want to
10 come back, we can, because I know there's some issues
11 here. But we do have to keep on going.

12 Commissioner Toledo.

13 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I can see some of what you're
14 suggesting, and the direction maybe is -- I can see Long
15 Beach being underneath -- shifting that population.
16 Keeping Long Beach, maybe creating -- pushing Long Beach
17 District into Orange County and then moving the rest of
18 it up as a potential way to bring population. But I can
19 also see connecting some of the other regions if we're
20 looking at options. If I understood correctly, that's an
21 option that you were suggesting, Chair Andersen?

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No.

23 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Maybe I misunderstood.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I was keeping this all within Los
25 Angeles County. Where Long Beach, right now, LBN North

1 goes up, it goes Lakewood, Bellflower, Downey, Bell
2 Gardens, over in that direction. I was suggesting it
3 goes Lakewood, Bellflower, maybe Downey, but Norwalk, La
4 Mirada, or even La Habra. Go over this way.

5 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Oh.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So that would open -- then you
7 could -- if we liked -- and it could actually -- this
8 would be better. Long Beach would actually grab back a
9 little bit of Signal Hill, that lower portion, exactly,
10 and then would go up and go across the Norwalk, La
11 Mirada. And by taking that portion out of SB 710, at
12 South Gate, you would actually grab, say, the Florence-
13 Huntington area, that subarea. That would release the
14 Bell Gardens, Commerce, et cetera, to go over and replace
15 what had been switched with the South 10.

16 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I completely misunderstood
17 what you were saying. The only options that I see at
18 this point would either be Long Beach going West or Long
19 Beach going East, keeping the -- in order to keep the --
20 because those are areas with lower Latino CVAP.

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, no, I understand that. But
22 really, what we do have to watch out for here is, yes, we
23 could put all these Latino areas together and we'd be at
24 eighty or ninety percent, which that is not our VRA
25 obligation. That's the opposite of it. So we do need to

1 have some lower density areas with the higher density
2 areas.

3 Now, what we also understand, because of just the
4 sheer numbers and where people live in Los Angeles, that
5 cannot always happen. And we do have some areas which
6 just naturally have very high Latino CVAP, and that's
7 just the -- you can't avoid that. But in areas where --
8 I think we do keep the area of Long Beach in it. And
9 that's what I said, but we need a little bit more
10 density.

11 So I would rather that area around Signal Hill --
12 because right now, just looking at the shading, I'd say,
13 if we grab Long Beach, just go straight up the way it is,
14 Lakewood, Bellflower, over to Norwalk and La Mirada, we
15 wouldn't be at fifty percent. We'd be at forty-eight or
16 something like that. Where if we grab that Signal Hill
17 area, we might still make it because of the density. As
18 I said, by taking that area of section of SB 10 out
19 around Signal Hill, we wouldn't require more, which I've
20 been hearing Lynwood, Southgate, I think, with the
21 Florence-Huntington Park area. So that would open up,
22 moving those forward. Did that help at all?

23 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I think it confused me a
24 little bit more. Maybe if we use -- it's the map, I
25 think. I think there's just so much going on.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: If I had the pointer, it would
2 actually --

3 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I don't know.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Jaime, does this make sense to you?
5 Are you seeing what I'm trying to -- what I would be
6 doing --

7 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: If we were in the same room
8 with a pointer, I think it would help.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. Oh, it would really help.
10 But Jaime, could you see what I was saying that?

11 MS. CLARK: My understanding, Chair Andersen, of
12 what you were saying was to have this area of Long Beach
13 with Signal Hill, Lakewood, Bellflower, Norwalk, La
14 Mirada, some of these areas, balance the population
15 there.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Correct.

17 MS. CLARK: After that, I'm not sure about the
18 other --

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Let's go to that --

20 MS. CLARK: -- the act of balancing them.

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Then after that, so now
22 pretend that our North line does not -- essentially, that
23 line across there, exactly, goes up and over at La Habra.
24 So that's one district.

25 Then coming back down to the San Pedro port, it's SB

1 710, that would go up North, it can come across --
2 remember it's lots of little areas of Signal Hill. So we
3 come up there, and now -- exactly, come up to the top
4 area, and at South Gate, we don't have enough people
5 because we took a chunk out. So we would gather people
6 from -- it's Northbound who would then be coming there,
7 correct.

8 So then that would release the line between Vernon
9 and Commerce and that section up there would be open into
10 the Montebello, Hacienda Heights, Rowland Heights area.
11 Does that make sense? See what we're doing? We're
12 recombining those three districts. I'm only throwing
13 things out there.

14 Commissioner Akutagawa.

15 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Chair, I think I'm -- okay,
16 here's what I -- let me just share what I think I'm
17 hearing, or at least this is what sparked the idea in me,
18 in hearing what you were saying. So one thought is -- I
19 think what I heard you say is you take that SB 710 which
20 goes from the Port of LA and San Pedro, you keep it going
21 up to where it is but you also balance out by taking in
22 Huntington Park, Florence-Graham, Walnut Park, maybe with
23 Bell and Cudahy, potentially.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I don't think you can take that
25 much, but correct.

1 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Well, yeah, we could figure
2 out -- but then that would mean taking out Signal Hill
3 and putting some of Long Beach back in.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No, no. The Long Beach North would
5 grab that portion of Signal Hill and that little bit
6 would come from SB 710 into LB North.

7 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, I think we're saying
8 the same thing. So anyways --

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

10 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- I'm just saying, it
11 would be a longer district that would go up, capture some
12 of those Gateway cities. Then what I heard you say is
13 then you take -- I guess I would actually recommend
14 putting Bell Gardens in with Bell as well, too. So
15 Downey, Bellflower -- I think I heard you say take
16 Norwalk, Whittier, those cities, so then that would be
17 that second VRA district, right?

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Correct. That would be LB North.

19 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, and then there's
20 still the South 60 and figuring out what are some of the
21 adjustments that we could make to keep that. But then --

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Correct.

23 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- what I think I'm hearing
24 you say is then you take the Southern part, like Lakewood
25 and Long Beach, and then figure out how to combine it

1 with some of those OC cities.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No. No, no, I'm not saying that.

3 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: No? Oh, okay.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No, I'm saying no. You're taking
5 the SB 710 and getting rid of the Signal Hill area and
6 gathering, say, the Florence-Graham-Huntington Park area.
7 You're taking LB North, grabbing the Signal Hill area,
8 going up, maybe down and maybe not, and going across into
9 that direction, correct.

10 So what we're saying now, what has not been claimed
11 would then probably be the Bell Gardens, maybe Downey
12 which could go with Commerce, Montebello, Pico Rivera,
13 and across the Heights, et cetera. That's an idea. It's
14 how to rearrange, get that -- what I'm hearing is
15 everyone saying let's combine Bell Garden, Downey, into
16 West Whittier and they go across in that direction. So I
17 was trying to give us a way to do that.

18 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Actually, Bell Gardens and
19 Downey are pretty different communities --

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

21 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- economically.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I'm just trying to throw something
23 open that would get thoughts rolling here.

24 Commissioner Fornaciari.

25 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: I'm just following up on

1 Commissioner Akutagawa's comment and Commissioner
2 Toledo's comments. Commissioner Akutagawa said maybe we
3 should just leave it the way it is. Commissioner Toledo
4 would like a little more LCVAP. So I look at Hawaiian
5 Gardens and it's very red. And I didn't know if we
6 could -- what the effect of swapping Hawaiian Gardens in
7 and then maybe a bit of Lakewood out would have, and
8 maybe that would strengthen the LCVAP enough to be
9 comfortable.

10 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Just leave as is. That's a whole
11 nother idea. Commissioner Yee.

12 Oh, sorry. Commissioner Toledo, do you want to --

13 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I was just -- I think an
14 option might be still to unite Long Beach, Signal Hill,
15 Seal Beach, and Huntington Beach. I think going through
16 the -- in order to create space. In order to push
17 population from Los Angeles area into the South opening,
18 we'll have the rope take through the other portions, but
19 in order to open up -- in order to be able to
20 effectualize some of the changes we potentially want to
21 make in the Los Angeles area, but I don't know if we have
22 enough time to do so. So that's the question.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. What I'm not hearing out of
24 that is what areas we want to move around that are above
25 Vernon Park. Maybe I'm missing the -- above Vernon Park,

1 I'm not hearing anything being wanted to be moved around
2 with Vernon and Montebello. I'm just not hearing it.

3 Commissioner Yee.

4 COMMISSIONER YEE: With Commissioner Akutagawa, I
5 can live with these esteemed boundaries. Of course,
6 there are tradeoffs. All tradeoffs are painful. I can
7 live with these tradeoffs; however, I see the merit of
8 your thoughts. I'm wondering, in terms of process, if
9 you want to pursue them to take it off-line with Jaime
10 and you could prepare a proposal. I especially like the
11 idea that it could more of Long Beach together. But such
12 a proposal would need to stay exactly within the combined
13 boundaries of the three existing districts. If it could
14 do that, I'd be open to considering that further.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Again, I brought that up
16 because I'm not the one who actually knows what area
17 should go with what. Like Commissioner Akutagawa said,
18 Bell doesn't really -- they're very different. So I'm
19 just trying to toss out an idea because I don't know to
20 the extent, even above this area, that we'd like to make
21 changes. So maybe they're much smaller.

22 Commissioner Fernandez.

23 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: We lost the heat map, which
24 I was hoping to get back on. But my concern is that
25 we've -- I get that Long Beach and San Pedro, they don't

1 want to be together in a Port City, but let's not keep
2 acting like that's a constraint because I am looking at,
3 if you combine Long Beach with San Pedro to Signal Hill,
4 you might be able to get the VRA stronger. And then the
5 middle portion right above it to -- yeah, that might be
6 something that's lower, and then once you go further up,
7 then you have a higher CVAP. So that's what I'm
8 thinking. I'm just, you know, fifty minutes in and I
9 would like to see some sort of visualization would be
10 great. Thank you.

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you.

12 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: And if they can work on it
13 off-line, that would be great. Thank you.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Vazquez.

15 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I just wanted to say that I
16 agree that I think a strategic pairing of San Pedro and
17 Long Beach could make sense, especially if you think
18 about, on a more macro level, one Congressional
19 representative advocating for the interests of Port
20 communities generally, to me, makes sense, as opposed to
21 two, potentially, maybe working at cross-purposes. I
22 think this unifies the policy considerations of Port
23 communities. So I would like to see something visualized
24 that doesn't have Long Beach and San Pedro as
25 constraints.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I'm going to jump in, because these
2 are the Congressional Districts, and having two people in
3 Congress on 435 people makes a much bigger influence that
4 having one. And they are competitors. And this is a lot
5 of -- the Ports up here by Oakland, the Port of Oakland,
6 and it's a lot of federal issues going on here. And it's
7 not state money; it's federal money. And I really do see
8 why they should be -- as Commissioner Sinay was saying,
9 the Port of Los Angeles has a very different type of
10 approach than the Port of Long Beach.

11 Yes, they are competitors. And I don't really think
12 it would be cross-purposes at the federal -- they would
13 actually be two voices instead of one for the area. So I
14 would like to see it together, which is one of the ideas
15 why I spun that a different way. And I think this might
16 be -- or the idea of maybe taking it down into Seal
17 Beach. But whatever the Commission really wants to do.

18 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: May I respond?

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, absolutely.

20 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: I'm wondering if we're now
21 working off general consensus or how much --

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, yes.

23 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: -- opposition to one idea
24 carries the day. I've heard mixed on this, so I would
25 like us to make a decision and move forward. And I don't

1 think I agree, necessarily, that if you don't want the
2 Ports together that that means we shouldn't visualize it.

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No, absolutely. This is what --
4 just as everybody gets a say, then I said as well. If
5 the consensus is we put them together, that's what we do.

6 Commissioner Akutagawa.

7 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I'll be honest. I could go
8 either way. I see the logic in both arguments; however,
9 I think what we've all been reminding each other
10 throughout this process is we should not hold any line
11 sacred. And if this is what's best, perhaps this is what
12 we have to think about.

13 I do like the idea -- I think this is what
14 Commissioner Vazquez was talking about, about if we were
15 to combine the Port Cities. And I will also say, we've
16 gotten some testimony that also spoke to there's an
17 East/West divide in Long Beach, and if you take the Port
18 side and then the more affluent West -- the West side
19 which is the more Port side which is economically more
20 similar to San Pedro and Carson and some of those other
21 areas, and then you get the East side of Long Beach which
22 is much more affluent, and I will say, more similar to
23 the Seal Beach and the Huntington Beach as well as those
24 cities along the LA border.

25 Options would be to create that middle section that

1 Commissioner Vazquez was talking about that would --
2 interestingly, Carson could -- and I'm sure this would be
3 where it would be good to get feedback from the
4 community. But perhaps move Carson into the South LA
5 District because a lot of the population there shares a
6 lot in common with Hawthorne and Lawndale as well too.
7 Not as exact, but they could go into that and then look
8 at combining some of those other cities, up as you go
9 further North. So that's just a thought that I wanted to
10 just contribute to this.

11 But I do agree. I think we should make a decision
12 about whether or not -- are we going to hold it sacred
13 like we did the Golden Gate Bridge issue? I don't know
14 if we should.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. I'm hearing three options
16 here. Maybe we'll get these working off-line and come
17 back with it. Option 1 is combining the Port areas and
18 making that a district, and then combining the
19 Bellflower -- essentially the Northern parts of the SB
20 710, LB North, and if we need to -- for population
21 purposes, and make just a whole different one in that
22 area. But I don't know if also you want to put
23 Montebello in one of those. If there's some switching
24 around in there, I'm not sure. So making that one -- so
25 that would be one option.

1 Another option would be that thing that I came up
2 with.

3 A third option would be adding the Long Beach, Seal
4 Beach, Huntington, and then we'd have to grab -- I guess
5 we'd have to go in to get Brea or something else. If we
6 take one, we have to put back in Orange County, and doing
7 something like that. So that's the three -- that's one.

8 What I'd like us to do right now is come up with
9 some options and then take them off-line and be worked
10 on. So we'll do that between now and 4:15, our next
11 break.

12 Commissioner Fernandez.

13 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: That's fine. My preference
14 would probably be to combine the Ports. Again, I
15 understand why they wouldn't want to be together, but
16 that would fall under Criteria 4. So we've got Criteria
17 1, which is population, and Criteria 2 is VRA. So we
18 really need to focus on the higher criteria when they
19 come in to play. Sometimes they don't come in to play,
20 so that's fine. We can go down to number 4, but we
21 really need to concentrate on 1 and 2 right now because
22 that's what we're dealing with are the VRA Districts and
23 getting those CVAP numbers higher. Thank you.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. And the instruction on that
25 would be to make sure that it's at least a 50.83 in

1 combining them.

2 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Or higher. Thank you.

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Or higher, yes.

4 Commissioner Sadhwani.

5 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: So we've laid out many
6 different options here. It sounds like one of the key
7 goals is to increase Latino CVAP in some of our VRA
8 Districts. I think that's a reasonable goal. I would be
9 happy -- if Jaime is willing, I'm happy to work off-line
10 on this because I think we've spent a lot of time talking
11 about potential changes and not making any.

12 That being said, I think there's several options
13 that -- if Jaime's down, that we could potentially come
14 up with more than one snapshot to bring back to the
15 Commission as perhaps two options.

16 One, it sounds like Commissioner Andersen, some of
17 the changes that you are mentioning, to the extent that I
18 could follow them, I think that some of them were making
19 some sense to me. Making some swaps within some of the
20 areas here to shift around so that communities that are
21 more closely aligned can stay together, and as a result,
22 increasing some of that Latino CVAP.

23 Another one is playing around with Long Beach. Long
24 Beach is currently cut. They've been asked to stay
25 whole, so one of those options could potentially be

1 bringing in Signal Hill, as has been mentioned. I'll
2 say, personally, I found the testimony about keeping the
3 Ports separate very compelling. It's not a preference of
4 mine to combine the Ports. But if we work on this, I'm
5 happy to look at both options and see what is available
6 to us in order to meet this goal, this priority, of
7 improving and boosting that Latino CVAP. But I do
8 think -- my sense is, if we work on it off-line, we
9 should keep the changes from a population deviation
10 standpoint relatively localized within this area and not
11 rippling out further into other counties. North in
12 particular, because I think that that's where we're
13 headed next, is to start working on that. So that would
14 also be a major priority while maintaining many of the
15 other pieces that we've already built throughout this
16 map. So that would be my recommendation for moving
17 forward, and that we should move on so that we can finish
18 our Congressional maps as soon as possible.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Perfect. I'm so glad you
20 volunteered to be our Commissioner to help out working
21 out those options.

22 Commissioner Akutagawa.

23 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I just wanted to -- I'm
24 noticing some of the OC deviations. I have some
25 suggestions on how to shift a little bit, but then I

1 think it'll also depend on where these other changes to
2 the Port area, Long Beach, and others are. But I'll just
3 state here that, depending on what does happen, Los
4 Alamitos and Rossmoor have also requested to be with Seal
5 Beach. I think it looks like Savannah-Ana is under by
6 300-and-something. So it could be that we could take
7 those two into the NOC Coast and then maybe -- I don't
8 know. There's too many moving pieces, but I thought I'd
9 just mention that as a COI to help do some balancing if
10 we needed to, depending on which direction we go.

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you.

12 Commissioner Turner.

13 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Thank you, Chair. I just
14 wanted to name I'm in support of having whichever
15 Commissioner work it off-line. And I also wanted to
16 acknowledge and thank the response of those writing in
17 from Long Beach in regards to the Congressional
18 representation for the Ports being separated. Just
19 wanted to assure them that I do see it. I do see their
20 correction that they're not intending ever to combine,
21 are proudly independent governed, and thank you for all
22 of that. Wanted to read that since I read out the other
23 information that I received that there was talking for
24 years about them combining. I wanted to make sure that
25 they know I stand corrected. I hear directly from you

1 that that is not your intent. So I wanted to name that
2 for sure, and thank you for taking the time to write it
3 in.

4 Now, having said that, I really can go either way.
5 But because of the criteria for us, it can't be a
6 sticking point for us. So we just do need to be open.
7 We see the importance. We know how the Ports impact all
8 of the Congressional Districts. We see all of the
9 testimony. So just wanted to thank you for that and to
10 say that I do think we should work it, at this point,
11 off-line, have options, and we will have to move in one
12 direction or another. And for sure, unless a miracle, it
13 will not necessarily be satisfactory to everyone. Thank
14 you.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner.

16 Ms. Clark.

17 MS. CLARK: Thank you. Just a couple things that
18 came up that I wanted to make a note of. First, in terms
19 of the deviations in the Orange County-based Districts,
20 just a reminder that I did balance BEAVICAL, so that zero
21 population so the rest of these districts in Orange
22 County right now are around sixteen people total out of
23 balance. So no major reworkings or adjustments needed,
24 in general, in Orange County. This will all balance out.

25 And of course, I'm happy to work with any

1 Commissioner on different iterations. A note about some
2 of these things is that I think that, minimally, six
3 districts would be impacted by some of the changes that
4 we're discussing. So that's just a note for everyone to
5 keep in mind, that these are big changes that'll impact
6 the map in the area. And it sounds like that's the goal.
7 So just a note of that.

8 Another question that I have is, when would this
9 need to be accomplished by?

10 CHAIR ANDERSEN: That's a very good question. It
11 would have to be -- well, so what we're going to do then
12 is go to the North. After our break, we'll go to the
13 North. Then our last drawing session will be on the
14 North. I don't know if we'll finish that all. So say we
15 do the morning session tomorrow in the North to finish it
16 all up. So it could be even that second session but
17 before lunch tomorrow, or say, it could be after lunch,
18 whichever. I know that's a bit of a tight time frame.
19 If it has to be after lunch --

20 MS. CLARK: Yeah. Just thinking through, if it's
21 two different redraws of this area, of course I will do
22 my best just in consideration of the total population
23 concerns and some of the other requests that I've gotten
24 from Commissioners about other parts of the map besides
25 this and thinking about balancing everything. I, of

1 course, will do my best to have this prepared by tomorrow
2 morning, and that is all I can do, is my best.

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, yes. It's certainly better
4 than -- that's all we ask, and that's what you give us,
5 that and more. So anything you do for us, Jaime, we
6 really, really appreciate.

7 MS. CLARK: I apologize. I do have one more
8 question, which is, is the redraw of this area a priority
9 over the other requests that the Commission has given?

10 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I am not sure --

11 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Could you just explain what
12 you mean by that?

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. What are the other requests?

14 MS. CLARK: Yeah. My list of requests that I
15 have -- I can pull up my notes -- is extending Northern
16 San Fernando Valley-based District into the forest,
17 looking at that.

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh.

19 MS. CLARK: Torrance --

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. The one's that we -- go
21 ahead.

22 MS. CLARK: The Torrance thing, and keeping San
23 Pedro whole, working on -- I know that some of these
24 changes would impact the CVAP for some of the districts,
25 but just thinking about all of the direction that the

1 Commission has given, wondering in terms of workload,
2 what is the priority for the Commission. Should I
3 prioritize changing this or should I prioritize doing the
4 list of direction that I've received from the Commission
5 already?

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I believe this, because those are
7 small items that are more isolated. And this, we need to
8 do to move the entire thing forward. So I would say
9 this. Now, that's what I'm -- any others?

10 Commissioner Toledo.

11 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I think equal population and
12 VRA in everything we do, if it's in the VRA area. So of
13 course, if it's obviously outside of the VRA area, then
14 communities of interest such as was just mentioned, those
15 items would take priority. But outside of a VRA area, as
16 long as we're speaking of VRA areas, I would put these
17 requirements above the community of interest
18 requirements.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. As I said, this is major work
20 and those are minor works. So the possibility of -- if
21 we say, oh, we really are going to go ahead and do this
22 one, then we need to pursue that and finish it, or we'll
23 go with this. In which case, then we can scale back and
24 do those other minor things. But these options would be,
25 I believe, number one in this area.

1 Now, having said that, Commissioners, is there any
2 other area -- do we like the rest of Los Angeles County?
3 Is there any other items that come to mind that we have
4 not said? Speak now or forever hold your peace. Do we
5 like the -- we got our POSO. We do have that other area,
6 that Commissioner Kennedy item.

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

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, thank you very much,
10 everyone. I know this has been a long haul to get where
11 we are now, but I think we at least have some plans. We
12 can work out some options that we can agree to and move
13 forward with the entire Orange County. And I appreciate
14 all the hard work from everyone.

15 And Jaime, thank you, thank you, thank you, for all
16 of the work that you're doing and about to help us too.

17 We're going to take a break, and we'll be back at
18 4:30, and we will go to the North. So if we could have
19 Kennedy, please. Thank you very much, everyone.

20 (Whereupon, a recess was held from 4:13 p.m.
21 until 4:28 p.m.)

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Welcome back, everyone, to the
23 California Citizens Redistricting Commission Meeting.
24 We're still working on our Congressional Districts, and
25 now we're moving to the Central Valley. As you can see

1 up here, we have the map of our Central Valley.

2 At this time, we'd like our mapper, Kennedy, to
3 please walk us through the VRA Districts. Actually, you
4 can even just do an overview of what we have here, but
5 specifically, walk us through the VRA Districts, please.

6 MS. WILSON: I will begin, thank you. We do have a
7 total of three in my area, starting with Kings-Tulare-
8 Kern, going up to Fresno-Tulare, and then Stanis-Fresno
9 here, and King-Tulare-Kern.

10 We have areas from Arvin, Benton Park, La Cresta,
11 East Bakersfield, Cottonwood, Olde Stockdale all
12 together, and we have received testimony -- you have
13 received testimony to make this line a bit thinner and
14 take out areas of Bakersfield Country Club and Olde
15 Stockdale. So those are in and have been wanted to be
16 moved out.

17 And then moving North, also in this area, we have
18 Pixley and Porterville together, Terra Bella, not split,
19 and then we do split into Kings County right beneath
20 Lemoore Station, Lemoore, and Hanford.

21 Then we move into our Fresno-Tulare District where
22 we have Tulare, Lindsay, Tonyville, Farmersville. We
23 create a split in Visalia, having the Northern part go
24 North, and then we do have the areas of Lemoore, Hanford,
25 Home Garden together, going up into Fresno County. I've

1 been speaking very fast again. Sorry to everyone taking
2 notes and signing.

3 As I slow down, we go into Fresno County. We have
4 the areas of Kingsburg, Parlier, Reedly, Selma, Fowler,
5 Sanger together. Going up into the City of Fresno, we
6 have Sunnyside, and notably, Sunnyside and Old Fig
7 Garden, as well as this middle part of the city. And we
8 have this line at about Shaw Avenue right above cutting
9 across.

10 And then we go into Stanis-Fresno, which has the
11 Western portion of Fresno County, West Park, Southwest
12 Fresno West of the 99. And then we have the rest of
13 Fresno County to the West, including Cities of Coalinda
14 to Riverdale, Raisin City, Mendota, Firebaugh. And then
15 we continue to move North through this district.

16 And you'll find into Madera County, we have Madera,
17 Madera Acres, Fairmead and Chowchilla together, the
18 entire city -- of course, the entire of Merced because we
19 have the entire of Merced, which is what I meant to say.

20 And then moving up into Stanislaus, we do have a
21 split through Turlock and Ceres and Modesto to maintain
22 this CVAP at 51.66 percent. And then we have Patterson,
23 Diablo Grande, Grayson as well in that district. And
24 those are the three VRA consideration districts in this
25 area. And I will zoom out so you can look at all three

1 of them together.

2 And I did anticipate -- I guess, going forward, I
3 will say anticipate those changes in Bakersfield and
4 there is a Shapefile that I have, trying to map some of
5 those lines that were brought up from before. So at any
6 point you want to see that, let me know as well. It
7 makes changes through here up into keeping Kings City
8 whole, and then brings this CVAP in Kings-Tulare-Kern to
9 at fifty-five percent from a fifty-three, and then goes
10 into Fresno-Tulare-Kern and maintains and fifty-three
11 percent and brings in Three Rivers as well, and does not
12 touch the Stanis-Fresno because it goes through the
13 Fresno-Kern.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Wonderful. Thank you very much.
15 Commissioner Toledo.

16 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Kennedy, thank you so much for
17 everything you do. The first thing I was curious about,
18 the Shapefiles, is that the communities that were moved
19 out of this area in the Assembly, specifically Stockdale
20 Estates, Stockdale Country Club, Sundale Country Club, et
21 cetera? Are those the ones that you have in the
22 Shapefile?

23 MS. WILSON: Yes. It's actually something I've
24 created on my own, because following that Shapefile, it
25 was the entire state so they made different priorities

1 than you did. But following within Bakersfield, I tried
2 to stay as close to that Shapefile as possible, as from
3 the same group of people that came and spoke about the
4 Assembly as well. And it does remove Olde Stockdale and
5 the Bakersfield Country Club.

6 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: How about Rosedale and Seven
7 Oaks?

8 MS. WILSON: Yes, it does remove -- the way I had to
9 do it, Rosedale actually isn't in it the way it is right
10 now. But for balancing population, it did cut through
11 Rosedale --

12 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you.

13 MS. WILSON: -- which I can show you also, if you'd
14 like.

15 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah, could you just show
16 me -- if you have it in Shapefile, it'd be great to just
17 take a look.

18 MS. WILSON: Yes. So I can show you what I did and
19 the other Shapefile as well. I'm going to change the
20 color of it to a blue because your background is blue.
21 I'll do a dark blue and apply that and turn that on so
22 that we can see.

23 So here in this green-black is what we had
24 previously and what I changed it into. We move in -- let
25 me move in a bit closer so we can see what's there. But

1 goes through Olde Stockdale -- and I'm going turn on the
2 train layer so that you can see what is around us as
3 well. So it goes through Olde Stockdale, down this --
4 I'm not sure exactly what this road is, but comes down
5 here, doesn't include Old River but does have Pumpkin
6 Center and Greenfield.

7 And the moving out to the East, the new version does
8 take out Bakersfield Country Club as well; however, it
9 does create a split through Oildale for population
10 concerns. And that is after trying to -- we're staying
11 here, but just wanted to also show that this in its
12 entirety does also go up North, and following the blue
13 lines, it does keep Kings County whole. It does create a
14 slight split through Tulare as well, but still keeps
15 Porterville and Terra Bella whole.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

17 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you very much, Kennedy.
18 Great job, as usual.

19 MS. WILSON: Thank you.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Turner.

21 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Thank you.

22 Thank you so much, Kennedy, for the phenomenal work
23 you've done. This is exactly what I wanted to see. The
24 COI testimonies that reflect this, that you have a
25 Shapefile for, that removes the Stockdale Estates, et

1 cetera, and all those piece parts that we've talked
2 about. So thank you for that.

3 Moving up, Kennedy, into the other area, were you
4 able to move Fresno into the Merced-Fresno-Stanis-Fresno
5 area?

6 MS. WILSON: So that area remained untouched, for
7 the most part, because I was trying to keep the CVAP. A
8 lot of changes here dropped the CVAP, and so it was
9 already at a fifty-one percent, so trying to keep that
10 relatively the same. And so I really tried with moving
11 populations between King-Tulare-Kern and Fresno-Kern and
12 Fresno-Tulare because they had a bit more wiggle room.

13 And as you can see, the changes from the Fresno-
14 Tulare-Kern, it was at a 53.11 and now it's at 53.7, and
15 I was also able to bring in Three Rivers so that it is
16 connected --

17 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Good.

18 MS. WILSON: -- to Visalia.

19 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Thank you.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

21 Commissioner Yee.

22 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah, Kennedy, fabulous work.
23 And thank you for mindreading us and anticipating these
24 suggestions. Just to recap then, in blue, we have an
25 application of the COIs we've received that basically

1 maps the work we did in the Assembly Districts, correct?
2 And that you've balanced these out. And I didn't catch
3 any particular concerns or decision points that you
4 raised, so I'd like to suggest we go forward with these.

5 MS. WILSON: And I did not -- I will say, I didn't
6 balance them 100 percent, and maybe there are other
7 splits you would like to do elsewhere. Maybe you don't
8 want to split through Oildale and you want to split more
9 through the City of Bakersfield, or you don't want to
10 split through Tulare and you want to split through
11 Porterville. I just chose some spots, so that might be
12 choosing where you might want to split differently.
13 That's just a note because it's not 100 percent balanced.
14 As you can see in Kings-Tulare-Kern, it's still under 332
15 people.

16 COMMISSIONER YEE: Sure. I'd love to get the neck
17 through Oildale larger, but I imagine you already played
18 with that. So I don't have any particular suggestions.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

20 Commissioner Fornaciari.

21 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah, thank you for this.
22 This is great. I really appreciate that you put Kings
23 County whole. I'll just confess that I worked on trying
24 to do that too, and I just made it worse. But you did
25 that and you made it better. So I guess my reaction to

1 your question about looking at your splits is I'd rather
2 not go chasing my tail because I'm afraid it's going to
3 impact the CVAP. Great work. Thank you.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Fernandez.

5 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes, echo everyone else's
6 comments. Thank you so much, Kennedy, on this work. And
7 as we were going through it, I did appreciate that when
8 you did have splits they seemed to be in the bigger
9 cities, so thank you so much for doing that. And then
10 just to Commissioner Fornaciari, thank you for your
11 efforts as a Commissioner. And thank you to Kennedy as a
12 mapper. Thank you both.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Sometimes you find out where your
14 talents really lie.

15 Commissioner Toledo.

16 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I was wondering if the -- I
17 can't tell from the map right now just because of where
18 we are, but I just want to make sure -- I just wanted to
19 ask about the Lamont area. Did the Lamont area make it
20 into this map? Lamont?

21 MS. WILSON: Can you refer me to where Lamont is?

22 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: It's a little bit -- if you
23 zoom out a little bit.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I guess, what county?

25 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Oh, it would be --

1 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: It's by Bakersfield, just
2 South.

3 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Right by Bakersfield South.

4 MS. WILSON: Oh. I think Arvin and Lamont are --

5 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah, Arvin and Lamont are --

6 MS. WILSON: Yes, I know that COI. We did hear that
7 all together.

8 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Looking for the Arvin and
9 Lamont COI specifically, and just --

10 MS. WILSON: Yes, Arvin, Lamont, Benton Park,
11 Cottonwood, Hillcrest, La Cresta, East Niles, Fairfax,
12 those are all together in this area still.

13 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Okay. Thank you. I
14 appreciate it. Sorry I was blanking. I knew it was
15 below Bakersfield, but I just couldn't --

16 MS. WILSON: No, it's okay. I blanked too.

17 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: The way it's being shown here
18 is -- we've just been looking at maps for the past couple
19 months. Everything's blurry. Thank you so much.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Kennedy, may I ask a question? So
21 the blue is just a Shapefile of everything, or is this
22 work you've actually done? If we say, hey, yes, I love
23 all those, can you please incorporate those, do the new
24 lines just become the blue?

25 MS. WILSON: The new lines -- I would have to do a

1 little bit of cooking, but they would become the blue and
2 not affect any of the other areas. I just worked --

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

4 MS. WILSON: This Shapefile is just what I worked on
5 in these three areas together.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay, because I'm just noticing --

7 MS. WILSON: The black --

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Go ahead.

9 MS. WILSON: I was just going to say that the black
10 are the previous lines, or what the current districts
11 are, that were posted as the draft. And this was just
12 work I had done off-line.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you very much.

14 Commissioner Turner.

15 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Kennedy, I just wanted to
16 support Commissioner Yee's proposal that we move forward
17 with this. And I wanted to say that I support your split
18 in Tulare, and I'm hoping that split is going down the
19 99.

20 MS. WILSON: And we can take a closer look, right
21 this second, to see exactly what it was cutting through.
22 But it's right around that area. One moment while I pull
23 up that so we can see all in that area. So it actually
24 does not go out to the 99. The 99 goes in a bit more.

25 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Okay. So when you're

1 adjusting, that would be a suggested place.

2 MS. WILSON: Okay. Thank you.

3 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Um-hum.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

5 MS. WILSON: And I would say that this line here,
6 Tulare has a skinny bottom, so it just touches the
7 outline of that and goes to this Eastern part of Tulare.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you very much. Wonderful.

9 Well, we do have a -- Commissioner Yee said, I
10 recommend that we accept these changes, and I fully
11 agree. So can we make those changes?

12 MS. WILSON: Yes, we can. I can do that right now.
13 It's just clicking to meet the districts' match then.
14 There's only three of them, so I'll do that right now.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Wonderful. Thank you very much.
16 It really jumped out at you on the blue.

17 (Pause)

18 MS. WILSON: This is just going to take another
19 three or four minutes, just to let you know.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

21 So once we have these lines all in our area, then
22 I'd like us to zoom out a little bit and then go through
23 the rest of the architecture of the county and see what
24 we like and what don't like. Hopefully, if we like all
25 the architecture, then it's just balancing.

1 Now, are there any areas in the Central Valley that
2 Commissioners particularly wanted to see?

3 Commissioner Sinay.

4 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Do we need to look at San
5 Benito with the Central Valley, or do we look at it
6 separately?

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I believe we're going to look at it
8 separately. We'll do the -- look at the Central Valley
9 and then we'll probably go back, all the way up to the
10 North, and have a look at the entire -- coming on down.

11 MS. WILSON: Okay. The changes have been made.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Wonderful.

13 MS. WILSON: And if you would like me to talk
14 through that, just as far as deviations go, Fresno-Kern
15 has zero percent deviation. It's minus eight people
16 right now.

17 Kings-Tulare-Kern is negative 332, and did 0.04
18 percent deviation, and then 55.49 percent Latino CVAP.

19 And then Fresno-Tulare is at a zero percent
20 deviation, positive 37 people, at a 53.17 percent
21 deviation.

22 And then Stanis-Fresno remains unchanged, a negative
23 one person, minus one person, negative zero percent
24 deviation, and a 51.66 Latino CVAP.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Wonderful.

1 Commissioner Turner.

2 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Thank you.

3 So if anything in this area, Kennedy, I'd be
4 interested in increasing the LCVAP in the Stanis-Fresno
5 area. Is there a -- can you put on the heat map real
6 quick?

7 MS. WILSON: Yes, one moment.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Yee, do you have a
9 similar question, or something different?

10 COMMISSIONER YEE: I was just going to ask about how
11 to move forward with zeroing out the deviations, whether
12 Kennedy has enough instruction to go forward with that or
13 whether we need to provide some instructions.

14 MS. WILSON: And I will say, so you know, I have a
15 negative 332 population here. Depending on what we end
16 up -- what you end up deciding to do with this area
17 further, might further populate this and might make a
18 probable swap between the two. I'm not too sure, but I
19 think once we're done with this area, that might be
20 helpful as far as balancing Kings-Tulare-Kern, at least,
21 with Fresno-Kern.

22 COMMISSIONER YEE: Right. And I believe we get that
23 deviation over to the ECA where we'll take care of it
24 later. Yeah, thanks.

25 COMMISSIONER TURNER: And in addition to the

1 deviation, Kennedy, if you just would keep looking for
2 opportunities to increase the LCVAP in Stanis-Fresno
3 area.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Did we try -- I can see that one
5 area right by -- it's in Madera. Yes, that little area
6 right in there.

7 MS. WILSON: And we have tried that. There just --
8 it is red, but there just aren't very many people there.
9 So it does not have too big of an impact.

10 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Can we --

11 MS. WILSON: But I will --

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Go ahead.

13 MS. WILSON: I was just going to say that I can try
14 that right now quickly.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: And also, are there areas that -- a
16 bit of population where we could take some out in terms
17 of switching?

18 COMMISSIONER TURNER: And Chair --

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

20 COMMISSIONER TURNER: For me, I'm comfortable in
21 just seeing what -- because I know we've played around
22 with this before and we could not. So I just wanted to
23 name again, and I trust if Kennedy keeps working on it,
24 if she can increase it, it will. I know we didn't have
25 much success in it before.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Correct. We did try quite a lot.

2 COMMISSIONER TURNER: So we won't have to do it live
3 now.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right. We'll try this one
5 little thing.

6 MS. WILSON: Just to show, 570 people, the CVAP
7 stays the same and our deviation goes up. That's one of
8 the things we tried. And we tried multiple options, too,
9 because at one point, the Ceres split wasn't preferred.
10 So we tried moving things around there, and it kept
11 dropping. But I can continue to look at that further,
12 but we have exhausted a lot of options looking at that.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right. The question is trying to
14 add this -- add that and take out the same area that's
15 almost virtually no Latino population. Well, thank you
16 very much. Yes, that is our goal. If we could do that,
17 we would really like to. But barring that, how do we
18 feel about the architecture here? Can we zoom out a
19 little bit and have a look at the whole thing?

20 Commissioner Toledo.

21 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I'm almost thinking that we
22 should look at the San Benito-Monterey area at this
23 point, rather than going to the North, just because it's
24 connected to this, at least in our draft maps, connected
25 to the Central Valley to some extent. When you look at

1 our draft maps, there's connection to the Central Valley.
2 It's up to you, Chair. But I'm just raising that as a
3 point.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. But what we would have to
5 change and get Tamina in, and I don't know -- does she
6 have these maps up and ready?

7 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Well, wouldn't Tamina be
8 coming in anyway if we go to the North? Isn't Tamina the
9 map line drawer that helps with the North, or am I
10 confused?

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No, Tamina's doing the Coast and
12 the Bay Area. The North Coast.

13 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Oh, got it. Got it. So we're
14 looking at the Eastern part of the map.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, correct.

16 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Okay. Got it.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

18 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Okay. Thank you, Chair.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

20 Just we can have a look here and could you just walk
21 us through? So we have -- the bottom is the Fresno-
22 Tulare, the --

23 MS. WILSON: Yes, I can walk you through the maps.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, please.

25 MS. WILSON: One that I just -- in smoothing these

1 VRA consideration districts along, there's a Fresno to
2 Kern, so what's left in Kern County that's not in the VRA
3 District, and then we have into Tulare County, the
4 Sequoia National Forest area.

5 Going into Fresno, we have Northern Fresno and
6 Clovis all in one district.

7 And then moving to the East, we have Mono, Eastern
8 parts of Fresno and Madera, Inyo, Alpine, Mariposa,
9 Tuolumne, Calaveras, Gold Country. Into El Dorado, we
10 have a split slightly in the middle of the county. El
11 Dorado Hills is going North. And we have Lake Tahoe a
12 part of this --

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh.

14 MS. WILSON: -- going down into this area.

15 Going into San Joaquin, I'm going to zoom in closer
16 so that we can see the cities. Oh, and another big part
17 of this is that Modesto and Turlock are moving outwards
18 into the Eastern California District, as well as Oakdale
19 to Knights Ferry.

20 We also have, moving North, San Joaquin kept whole
21 except for this Southern border, which Ripon is going
22 South, and then we bring in Valley Home from Stanislaus.

23 And then continuing to move North into Sacramento,
24 we do have Elk Grove and Vineyard together with Southern
25 Sacramento, Fruitridge, Pocket, Lemon Hill, Florin.

1 Rosemont and La Riviera in another as well.

2 And we have this Northern Sacramento District that
3 has Natomas area. Del Paso Heights is here. Arden-
4 Arcade and Carmichael are together here. Foothill Farms,
5 McClellan Park. We have Rancho Cordova. I believe this
6 is Citrus Heights, Antelope, Rio Linda, all together in
7 this Northern Sacramento.

8 And then going to Placer-SAC, we have the El Dorado
9 Hills area to Cameron Park, Folsom, up to Roseville,
10 Granite Bay, keeping most of Plaster County whole except
11 for all that is a part of the Tahoe area.

12 Then continuing to move North, we have a portion of
13 Yuba County that was split in half. There's the Air
14 Force Base, Olivehurst underneath it. We have Nevada and
15 Sierra Counties kept whole. And these County Districts
16 are extremely small, so my apologies for that. Let's
17 turn it up a little bit. And even more. Okay, that is
18 better. And then we have Plumas as well in here.

19 And then backing out to view this Northern
20 California, we have the portions of Yuba City that
21 weren't a part of this district that I just went into.
22 Sutter, Colusa, Glenn, Butte, Tehama, Shasta, Lassen,
23 Siskiyou, and Modoc. The portion of Humboldt which we
24 can bring in easily; there's not too much population
25 there.

1 And that's an overview of the districts in this
2 area. And I will zoom out again so we can just take a
3 look at all of them.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you very much.

5 Well, I know that people want architectural changes
6 in this area. I can think of a few, the Tahoe area,
7 putting the area from Humboldt back into Humboldt, things
8 like that. Do we have any Commissioners who have any
9 ideas or changes?

10 Commissioner Fornaciari.

11 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Commissioner Yee and I
12 worked on Plan FY that was distributed yesterday that
13 makes a number of changes that take into account some of
14 the things that were brought up, the Tahoe thing and --
15 Commissioner Yee looked at the Bay Area. I looked at the
16 North State. And thought we could just -- so this was
17 our draft maps. The plan changes a number of these
18 things, and I was wondering if we could just bring that
19 forward to talk through that proposal.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, please.

21 Commissioner Fernandez, Commissioner Akutagawa, do
22 you have any objections to doing that?

23 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Oh, no. Yeah, let's do
24 that and I'll leave my hand up in case I have any
25 questions. Thanks.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. That's perfect.

2 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: I'll do the same.

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you.

4 Oh, and Commissioner Ahmad.

5 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Yeah, I just wanted to verbally
6 state aloud that Commissioner Yee and Fornaciari worked
7 together because two people are allowed to work together,
8 right?

9 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: We didn't actually work
10 together. We worked --

11 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Oh, okay, separately.

12 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: -- separately with the
13 mappers and then they --

14 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Got it. Got it. Okay, but
15 regardless, it would still fall under the two people
16 working --

17 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah, right.

18 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Okay, cool. Thank you. I'm
19 excited to see this.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Toledo.

21 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you. I'm also excited
22 to see this. I have seen it, because it's been posted
23 publicly, but yeah, excited to see it and see more of the
24 details because it's harder to see the details --

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, exactly.

1 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- on the posting. Thank you.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No, thank you.

3 And yes, for the public, this is posted under our
4 handouts for today. And it is under, what, FY? Great.

5 So yes, could you show that to us, please? Do we
6 need --

7 MS. WILSON: Yes, I do have -- so I'm going to turn
8 on Commissioner Fornaciari's layer in green.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right.

10 MS. WILSON: And we can walk through some of those
11 changes through my area.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Perfect.

13 MS. WILSON: And I'll have the black lines are,
14 which are what the original district is, so that we can
15 see that.

16 So starting in the North, he brought back in
17 Humboldt.

18 And Commissioner Fornaciari, you can speak through
19 this as well, or I can if you would like me to.

20 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: I can go or you can go.

21 MS. WILSON: Okay.

22 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Maybe I should go because
23 you don't know what I was thinking.

24 MS. WILSON: So yeah, we'll start with that one
25 because that one's done, and I can --

1 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: She's a mind reader.

2 MS. WILSON: Yeah.

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: You don't want to know what he was
4 thinking.

5 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Okay, I'm going to let
6 that one go.

7 So just wanted to be consistent with where we're at
8 with that change. If you can go South to Santa Rosa --
9 so we had over 4,000 extra people in this district. So
10 we had a split in Santa Rosa, in black. I moved that up.
11 It follows on a street.

12 And then, as you've all seen, to try get to zero,
13 you're picking little blocks. And so to really try to
14 get it to zero -- if you move a little further South, I
15 went out there to get it to zero or one or wherever it
16 was. But I'm sure our line drawers can maybe clean that
17 up.

18 So I had 4,000 extra people over in this district.
19 So if you can zoom out, yeah. So if you can see, I moved
20 some of Vacaville into NORTHCONT. And I was picking
21 stuff up where her hand is waving, and I didn't realize I
22 was getting stuff down there. So that needs to be
23 cleaned up.

24 And then, if you can go further North -- if we can
25 clean up the details. So I think, if you zoom out, I

1 think the rest of it was the same in this district.

2 Yeah, I didn't change Yolo Lake other than grabbing a
3 little Vacaville.

4 Oh, yeah, I added a little bit more of West SAC in
5 to be in the Sacramento area. West SAC was already in
6 there. I just added a little bit more for population.
7 And then down by the W of Walnut Grove, I had to move a
8 little more population over into the Sacramento County.

9 MS. WILSON: If I may, really quick, -- if I can
10 just have a moment to screenshot the changes that we made
11 of the Central Valley, then I can pull up -- so everyone
12 can see the deviations and the cleaner lines.

13 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Oh, okay.

14 MS. WILSON: I just need to screenshot the changes
15 that we have now, because I couldn't easily bring the
16 changes over to your plan. So I'll just do that really
17 quickly.

18 (Pause)

19 MS. WILSON: Thank you for your patience. It's
20 coming up right now. That way, we can see all the
21 deviations and so forth that are a part of it. I just
22 couldn't move those other changes, so I wanted to make
23 sure we had everything that we solidified already. And
24 I'll go right back to the area that we were talking about
25 with the lines cleaned up.

1 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Okay. So now, what I did
2 is -- oh, there's no -- the other one is not here
3 anymore, right?

4 MS. WILSON: This is your other one. This is
5 just --

6 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Oh, okay.

7 MS. WILSON: I made it into its own plan. And I
8 just --

9 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah.

10 MS. WILSON: It's with the clean -- everything's
11 cleaned up a little bit more.

12 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Okay, yeah. I wasn't
13 seeing the green.

14 MS. WILSON: Yeah, so the black is the new green now
15 in this plan.

16 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Okay. And the green is
17 the old black?

18 MS. WILSON: The green is just what your Shapefile
19 is. It's what you did. But I made it into --

20 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Okay.

21 MS. WILSON: I changed it into --

22 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Okay.

23 MS. WILSON: -- so that we can see deviations --

24 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Okay.

25 MS. WILSON: -- and everything else with it.

1 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Okay. So zoom on out.
2 Yeah, go ahead and zoom on out. Yeah, go up to Yuba
3 City.

4 So to balance out NORTHCONT, I don't think I changed
5 anything there. I just had to balance it, so I grabbed
6 some population around Marysville and moved it over. I
7 tried to fix this Tahoe thing by putting El Dorado County
8 North with Placer-SAC, but it was just too many people
9 and the deviations South wasn't working out. So I moved
10 the rest of El Dorado County back South. There's other
11 ways we can make that change, possibly.

12 It's a little bit difficult here because you have
13 population North and East of Sacramento County, but then
14 there's a big blank spot there just where her hand is,
15 where the hand was, down South of the pink one, right
16 there. That big blank spot. And so it makes it really
17 hard to move population between these two districts, but
18 we can think of something different.

19 But if you zoom on in then, kept NORSAC mostly
20 together. But to balance the population, I moved Folsom
21 and Citrus Heights into Placer-SAC -- I mean Folsom and
22 Orangvale and then part of Citrus Heights.

23 And then if you go just North of Sacramento, if you
24 recall, the line was a squiggly line right down the
25 middle of Downtown Sacramento. So I moved that line, as

1 recommended, up to the American River. But I had to do a
2 little balancing right around Arden-Arcade to get
3 population balanced. So you can see, the river turns
4 South below Arden-Arcade, but I had to take some of that
5 South and a little bit of Arden-Arcade.

6 But Vineyard, Elk Grove, Florin, Fruitridge, Pocket,
7 Lemon Hill, Parkway are together. Rancho Murieta had to
8 come South into this Southern district. And that's as
9 far as I went. I didn't touch SAC-San Joaquin, but I did
10 balance out ECA as best I could with what I had. So when
11 I stopped, the population between -- you see NORTHCONT is
12 11,000 over and -- well, this doesn't all work out.

13 You'll see, when we get to Tamina's map, there's
14 17,000 people sitting in North Contra Costa County. The
15 work that I did was merged with that Russell had done --
16 well, me and Kennedy and Russell and Tamina. So there's
17 17,000 folks sitting there. Then we have a couple of
18 options on how to -- and those are the 17,000 that need
19 to go South. So we have a couple of ideas of how to move
20 those South.

21 MS. WILSON: And before you're off the mic, this is
22 the version -- this moves it through Inyo, so if you
23 wanted to speak about that as well, that's right here.
24 The 17,000 --

25 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Oh, that move's already in

1 here? Oh, okay.

2 MS. WILSON: Yes.

3 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: So in order to move the
4 17,000, we moved it through Discovery Bay. So we grabbed
5 Discovery Bay and Byron and moved that in with SAC-San
6 Joaquin.

7 And then if you walk that across, then we had to
8 move the Eastern portion of what was SAC-San Joaquin into
9 ECA.

10 And then where did you put it? Oh, you moved it out
11 of Inyo?

12 MS. WILSON: Yes, this version, like Commissioner
13 Fornaciari said, there's two, but this version pushed it
14 out through Inyo. So Inyo has a little over 18,000, and
15 so it did require splitting of -- no cities are split,
16 but the county is split up North to get it to 17,000 to
17 push South.

18 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: So the other option for
19 moving that 17,000 South could be to come in through this
20 Fresno-Kern and then we could move -- keeping Inyo, go
21 through Fresno-Kern and then we have parts of California
22 City, Mojave, Rosemont, maybe. I don't know what the
23 populations are.

24 MS. WILSON: Yeah, it was California City had to be
25 split, and then we had Boron and the Air Force Base out

1 to here, all moving that way. And I have a version of
2 that I could show you if it go to that point as well, if
3 that's something the Commission wanted to see. But
4 instead of -- so it moves this line here of Fresno-Kern a
5 little bit more North, and then takes in that 17,000 and
6 pushes it out through -- like Commissioner Fornaciari
7 said, through California City which does get split, and
8 then the Air Force Base out to the East goes into the San
9 Bernadino County.

10 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: So that's where I left it.
11 I don't know if we want to -- well, I guess we'd have to
12 switch mappers at this point, if we wanted to have
13 Commissioner Yee talk to his changes. But maybe we want
14 to just stay here and get feedback.

15 It's up to you, Chair.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. Thank you for all the work
17 that you did in putting into this, and I see where you
18 made a few architectural changes and I see others where
19 you just balanced. And you can see the plan, how this
20 does -- this really gives us an idea of how we ultimately
21 need to move the population down, one way or another.

22 At this time, I'd like to take the hands, because I
23 think we want to stick on architectural changes first and
24 then moving population. So Commissioner -- oh, yes,
25 thank you.

1 Commissioner Fernandez.

2 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Chair.

3 And thank you, Commissioner Fornaciari and Kennedy.

4 And I should say, Commissioner/mapper Fornaciari, so
5 thank you so much.

6 Kennedy, can you move up to -- oh my gosh, sorry.
7 I'm losing it right now -- up to the Delta area, please,
8 but Rio Vista? I just wanted to zoom in on that area
9 that was brought in. Yeah. Can you -- yes, thank you so
10 much. I was trying to figure out one of the many islands
11 that we have. Can you zoom in just a little bit more?
12 I'm just trying to actually see what the -- okay. I
13 don't get to see anything. All right. Thank you.

14 And then, if you can zoom out of there a little bit
15 and go to the Yolo Lake, I just wanted to look at that
16 one more time. Okay. And I understand that the
17 population had to move down, so thank you.

18 The only structural change, major -- I do like the
19 way it looks, so thank you so much for this -- separating
20 Lake Tahoe. That's a stickler for me. So if there's --
21 and I don't want to take the time now to try, because I
22 do know that Commissioner Fornaciari -- as he mentioned,
23 he did look at that. And you probably also looked at
24 that. But that would probably be one of priorities would
25 be to keep the Truckee-Tahoe area, preferably in the

1 Placer-SAC. But I think that would cause so much ripple
2 effects to go around to try to do that. But that would
3 be my architectural change.

4 If you wouldn't mind, really quick, if you could
5 tell me what the population is in that South Lake Tahoe
6 that was cut out, just so I have an idea of what the
7 population is.

8 MS. WILSON: Yes, one moment.

9 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Thank you so much.

10 MS. WILSON: So that has a total of 30,532 people.

11 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Okay, thank you. That's
12 just a huge population for that part of the state. So
13 thank you. Thank you both, again.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Fernandez.
15 Commissioner Akutagawa.

16 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: First off, I just want to
17 thank everyone for all the work that you've done on here.
18 It looks great. I was focusing on that Tahoe region as
19 well, too, but I think there's going to be some going
20 back to the drawing board there maybe.

21 One question that I wanted to ask; we came up with a
22 semi-solution that worked for at least most people on the
23 Eastern California where we went in and took Amador and I
24 think Calaveras to a degree. If we could just go down on
25 this part, it looks like we're still into Modesto, I

1 think, right? Is that correct?

2 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah, I didn't go any
3 further South because I didn't know what was happening
4 with the VRA Districts. This is a decision point for us.
5 Our options -- it's a lot of population that we would
6 have to get, maybe from Sacramento area, and then --
7 you've got to grab population from somewhere to fill out
8 the population requirements for all those counties that
9 aren't very populated. So where we want to grab it is, I
10 guess, the question.

11 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, because I feel like
12 we heard quite a bit of, I guess, passionate testimony
13 about not wanting to be connected to Modesto. And also,
14 the Modesto folks saying the same thing. I'm wondering
15 if we were to stick to the county line there and then
16 move up through Tuolumne, Calaveras, Amador, would that
17 enable the entirety of Tahoe to be included, including up
18 to Truckee?

19 MS. WILSON: If I can also say one thing about that;
20 that would under populate this district. And taking from
21 these other VRA Districts, switching between this one,
22 the options that are closer to this line lower the CVAP
23 in this Stanislaus District. And then dealing with the
24 population, it's a little bit difficult between those.

25 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: If we were to take Lake

1 Tahoe all the way up to Truckee, if you took maybe parts
2 of Madera, I think there's some of the parts of Madera, I
3 guess the flatlands or on the valley floor itself, would
4 that also pick up -- it may not pick up all, but would it
5 be enough to pick up -- yeah.

6 And you said Stanis-Fresno would be under populated,
7 or you're talking about ECA would be under populated if
8 we removed Modesto?

9 MS. WILSON: If you stuck to the county line in
10 Stanislaus, is that -- I guess I don't know if you meant
11 North or South.

12 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Oh, I guess I was thinking
13 that we would just remove Modesto, and so go the opposite
14 way, when I said county line.

15 MS. WILSON: Oh, yeah. So removing Modesto, also,
16 this area is helping with the Latino CVAP as well. And
17 so that's what -- we fuddled around with that before and
18 we took out all of that. (Indiscernible, simultaneous
19 speech)

20 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: And you can't go North on
21 that into --

22 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Can I interject here? I
23 think what you're proposing, Commissioner Akutagawa, is
24 to remove the Northern part of Modesto from ECA --

25 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yes.

1 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: -- at the county line.
2 Let's play that out, right? So we have a couple hundred-
3 thousand people -- I don't -- two-hundred-and-some in
4 Modesto. So scroll back out a little ways, please, zoom
5 back out. So then we would go into San Joaquin and
6 combine San Joaquin until we've got enough population
7 there to make a district. Then we'd march up into
8 Sacramento and balance that out.

9 And then ECA would have to come up and then come
10 into Cameron Park, all these towns there, to get the
11 population needed. And we may be able to grab parts of
12 Placer in there so Tahoe could be whole, but the
13 balancing out -- you either get population in Modesto to
14 fill out ECA or you get it up by Sacramento.

15 But you need a couple hundred-thousand people to
16 fill out that district. So it's an architectural
17 decision on where we want to get that population to
18 complete that district, and then make the changes --
19 march the other changes up, if we do make a change.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right.

21 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: So I guess the question
22 is -- I think we've heard from both sides of that Modest-
23 Stanislaus border with the Eastern Sierras area. The
24 preference --

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah.

1 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Well, I hear what you're
2 saying, whether you take from Placer or you take from the
3 Modesto area, although the Modesto folks did not want to
4 be part of this district either, so. I know it's just
5 shifting where we grab the -- or we take in and add to
6 this district. I don't know, from my perspective, and
7 from what I've heard from some of the COI testimony -- I
8 mean, obviously, from the people in the Eastern Sierras,
9 they would prefer to go North rather than make that left
10 turn into Modesto. But I'm sure everyone else has
11 opinions on it.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. Yeah. I see where you're
13 going there. You could almost, like, put it into
14 Stanislaus, take Tracy and Knights Ferry, move those into
15 Tracy. You could do it that way, and then you'd make the
16 Tri-Valley together. And then you'd end up kind of
17 having to take that out and you'd probably get rid of all
18 that. You'd actually give Solano County back to Solano,
19 and create a whole large delta area through there. Kind
20 of take it up that way. And you'd probably have to grab
21 Glenn down in there until you get up to Sacramento.
22 There are ways to kind of do that. Commissioner Toledo.

23 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you. I just want to
24 also give my thanks to Commissioner Fornaciari. I think
25 the -- especially on the Western side of the North coast

1 districts certainly reflects the discussions that we've
2 had over the last couple of months. The agricultural
3 district to the East, the Yolo Lake district as well for
4 the most part. It has an agricultural focus, essential
5 worker focus. The only modification I'd make, and it'd
6 be more of a refinement, if we are looking to swap
7 populations, would be in the Santa Rosa area. I think
8 we've mixed some essential worker populations with some
9 populations that are a little bit -- that are different
10 in terms of income, but in terms of -- it is the
11 population center, and this is -- for the most part this
12 looks great. And so I wouldn't change too much, because
13 I know it's difficult to find the population in a rural
14 area. So this looks great. And the other aspects of it
15 also look very good. So thank you, and thanks for the
16 hard work, and just wanted to show my appreciation.
17 Thank you.

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Turner.

19 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Um-hum. Thank you again to
20 all that's contributed to this current iteration. A
21 couple of things. So for sure, Modesto -- I wish there
22 was a different place. I understand the 219,000 plus
23 population in Modesto makes it difficult with the
24 constraints we have on the map. So should there be an
25 exploration, I wouldn't mind going on that journey to do

1 something different.

2 However, I do understand and I don't think that
3 they're that -- there are some differences in parts of
4 Modesto but I think they also may be well served with
5 some of the other Eastern communities that's in Central
6 Valley. So we would probably have to find the best of
7 the end result, I imagine. But what I do want to say is
8 that, Kennedy -- when we were talking Tulare-Fresno-Kern,
9 et cetera, and some adjustments that you still need to
10 make -- I just wanted to -- I failed to say at that time,
11 I certainly will work with you based on testimony that we
12 continue to receive down to street level so that you're
13 not having to guess and pick and choose. So I'll be able
14 to help you with that as well. And then as it relates to
15 South Sacramento area, up there I think the maps do a
16 really good job for the most part. In the North Sac area
17 if we can look -- okay what's already included? Okay.
18 Yeah. And you've got that pretty balanced. Okay. Well,
19 so I'll look at that a little bit more off-line as well
20 to see if there's something that can be done to bring in
21 Lemon Hill, Fruitridge Pocket, Parkway, from the
22 Sacramento District into the North, and then see if that
23 gives us more -- frees up space as we move down. But
24 thank you so much.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Fernandez.

1 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Oh, you wanted those
2 communities in the North to be in the North, oh. Yeah,
3 no, right now you do have South Park, Lemon Hill,
4 Meadowview -- you have the Pocket area, West Sacramento
5 with Elk Grove, and that does -- those are quite a few
6 communities of interest that are being filled -- having
7 to do with cultural, education, homelessness -- all that
8 stuff. But that's not why I raised my hand.

9 Kennedy, just really quick back at the Tahoe? I
10 believe it is split right at the county line, correct?

11 MS. WILSON: That is correct.

12 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Okay. Yeah. So I would
13 prefer for it to be together, but I am also okay with
14 this. I'm okay with this iteration of maps. And again,
15 thank you so much. If you're going to split it
16 somewhere, splitting it at the county is a good place to
17 be. Thanks.

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Sinay.

19 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Thank you, Chair. And thank
20 you, everybody who worked on this. Just keeping it here
21 on the Tahoe area -- if we can't have all three counties
22 in the same district, I don't think carving out South
23 Tahoe to put it with Placer and Nevada would be a good
24 solution, because El Dorado sees South Lake Tahoe as one
25 of their assets. And so I think this is a great kind of

1 middle point. At least we don't have them in three
2 different districts, which at one point, I think we did
3 have Truckee, North Tahoe, and South Tahoe. So this
4 looks great. Thank you.

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: At this time, could Katy please
6 read the instructions for the public comment to call in?

7 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Absolutely, Chair. Uh-
8 oh. I made the mistake. Really? I'm clearly on island
9 time.

10 All right. In order to maximize transparency and
11 public participation in our process, the Commissioners
12 will be taking public comment by phone.

13 To call in, dial the telephone number provided on
14 the livestream feed. It is (877) 853-5247. When
15 prompted to enter the meeting ID number provided on the
16 livestream feed, it is 811 4925 9556 for this meeting.
17 When prompted to enter a participant ID, simply press the
18 pound key. Once you have dialed in, you will be placed
19 in a queue. To indicate you wish to comment, please
20 press star nine. This will raise your hand for the
21 moderator. When it is your turn to speak, you will hear
22 a message that says, the host would like you to talk, and
23 to press star six to speak. If you would like to give
24 your name, please state and spell it for the record. You
25 are not required to provide your name to give public

1 comment. Please make sure to mute your computer or
2 livestream audio to prevent any feedback or distortion
3 during your call. Once you are waiting in the queue, be
4 alert for when it is your turn to speak, and again,
5 please turn down the livestream volume. And the lines
6 will be open until 6 o'clock.

7 Please call in, and we will come back to you all
8 later. Thank you so much.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Katy. Yes. For the
10 public comment, now remember, you must call in before 6
11 o'clock, because that's when the lines will close. We
12 will not be getting to public comment until at the
13 earliest 8 o'clock. And it could be 8:15, but be on --
14 back at 8 o'clock, but you have to call in before 6,
15 because that's when the lines close. So thank you.

16 With that, Commissioner Ahmad.

17 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Thank you, Chair. Looking at
18 the map, which by the way, is great, so thank you, Team
19 FY for working on this. I like the way that it looks. I
20 also am very cognizant that there are some refinements in
21 several of the draft visualizations that folks want to
22 make. However, with that 17,000 district -- the one
23 that's populated with 17,000 right now it's NORTHCONT. I
24 think this map is not updated to show what's posted
25 online. But moving that population through Sacramento,

1 through North Sac potentially into Placer Sac and then
2 down ECA to Southern California, might help us make those
3 refinements that quite a few number of people already
4 spoke about. So I would be in favor of exploring that
5 path so we can get to the needed populations for these
6 districts. But otherwise, I like it.

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Ahmad.
8 Commissioner Yee.

9 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah. Following up exactly that
10 thought. I'm wondering, Kennedy, if you could zoom out,
11 so we could see MORCOA and just remind ourselves of what
12 the big picture is of population balancing that we're
13 going to need to do to zero out throughout the state.

14 MS. WILSON: And I would like to say, I do not have
15 Sivan's most recent version of the map in this area, too,
16 so it's moving it down. But this is most likely not the
17 right deviation from what you worked on.

18 COMMISSIONER YEE: Right. That's what I saw, and it
19 was confusing. That's the reason why. Perfect. Okay.
20 In that case, yeah. That's all I had to ask for. Thank
21 you.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. I have a -- before we
23 get to -- I'm sorry, Commissioner Fornaciari, was that
24 directly about that?

25 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah, well -- no. In the

1 big picture, the maps that Tamina has, she's got the
2 17,000 in NORTHCONT, or yes. And then, like, we showed
3 you how we moved that. I think if just -- if you're
4 thinking of running it through El Dorado County, as you
5 move population South, the border of the district goes
6 North. So I think --

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right.

8 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: -- it's going the opposite
9 direction of what we are wanting.

10 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

11 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Just an FYI, but I think
12 what I'm hearing is -- maybe Kennedy and I can spend a
13 little time investigating potential opportunities to make
14 El Dorado more whole and how we can move that population
15 around. I'm not sure exactly how we do it, but maybe we
16 can look at that if you would like me to do that, Chair.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. I actually have a
18 couple of ideas. And one, I really appreciate -- yes,
19 this was a lot of work, and you really worked at
20 balancing and thinking about many different things. I
21 also agree, though, because I had been toying around with
22 this, but not on the QGIS. And yes, there is a way where
23 we can keep the Tahoe area together, and it does not
24 mean, like, just that little, tiny issue right around --
25 so that is an area I would really like to work on. The

1 other area that I've never been happy with is Solano
2 County. Solano County, the way it is right now is --
3 most of Solano County is not in Solano County, and I
4 never -- I mean, we're not hearing that much from --
5 well, I don't know -- from Solano, but literally, all of
6 their county has been put into Contra Costa. And that's
7 just -- I believe the capital of Solano -- I'm not
8 exactly sure. I thought it was in Vacaville, wasn't it,
9 or? I don't really know exactly where it is.

10 Commissioner Fernandez, you -- but, I know we were
11 talking about adding Vallejo or Benicia and everything to
12 do Contra Costa County, but that has never sat well with
13 me. And it certainly doesn't -- and I know that means
14 we'd have to do something different in that area, but I
15 would really, really like us to pursue that. And even if
16 that means we're creating some of that other population
17 we create a large delta area that actually includes
18 several of those parts of North Contra Costa and even the
19 bits of San Joaquin and the Sacramento and that whole
20 area, something like that. But that has never been
21 something that's appealed to me. And then, of course,
22 there's the area -- but I believe if we worked out the
23 Tahoe area we could then work out the whole ECA being
24 with the Valley. And I believe, actually, that bringing
25 the population down through the Valley is actually sort

1 of the easier thing to do rather than completely -- I
2 think that would agree more with public testimony than it
3 wouldn't -- than the other side.

4 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Just, Chair, if I can jump
5 in -- we really can't bring it down the Valley, because
6 the Valley's all VRA districts.

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Through ECA and then down into the
8 Kern --

9 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Oh, through Fresno-Kern,
10 yeah, we can -- yeah.

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Correct. The Fresno-Kern, that's
12 what I mean.

13 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: That's certainly an
14 option, yeah.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. And that's the Valley, so
16 that's Fresno-Kern. And then, Cathedral City, that sort
17 of area. That would be my preference. I think it would
18 be a cleaner -- but again, now, Commissioner Fernandez.

19 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Chair. Just
20 wanted to respond -- in terms of trying to move that
21 population up and through to get Tahoe together -- along
22 the way we're going to be breaking up other COIs as well.
23 Again, I think the split is good in terms of county
24 lines. And then also in terms of the Vallejo-Benicia,
25 just as a reminder, in the Fairfield -- in the Assembly

1 map we did not put that with Contra Costa, and we said,
2 okay, maybe in Congressional or Senate in some of the
3 bigger districts. So I'm okay with having Vallejo and
4 Benicia to go in with Contra Costa. I do agree with you,
5 however, Chair, that I prefer to try to keep Fairfield in
6 Solano County.

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

8 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah. But again, the Tahoe
9 split, I think, is good. You're going to have different
10 COIs that you're breaking up if you go up and over. Just
11 the same way as if you go down, so it's a tradeoff.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. Okay. Yes. Commissioner
13 Kennedy.

14 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair. This may
15 seem like a minor issue, but I hope that we can try to
16 use terminology like grouped with, rather than moved to,
17 because we've already had instances where people are
18 putting out misinformation and trying to make people
19 believe that their children will have to enroll in
20 different school districts, that they'll be paying taxes
21 to different jurisdictions, because people keep using
22 this terminology of moving people from one county to
23 another. We're not moving them from one county to
24 another; we're grouping them with people from another
25 county. So let's not feed the misinformation out there.

1 Thank you.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you very much, Commissioner
3 Kennedy. That's a very, very good point. That actually
4 didn't occur to me, so I'm glad you brought that up,
5 because that's exactly what we're doing. What happens in
6 the county happens in your county regardless of where
7 your Assembly lines are drawn. So I didn't realize that
8 information was going out there, and I'm really glad that
9 you brought that up.

10 Commissioner Sinay.

11 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I just wanted to echo what
12 Commissioner Fernandez said. I think we're okay unless
13 we actually brought all three counties together. I don't
14 think it makes sense just to bring North Tahoe, Lake
15 Tahoe, and North-South Tahoe, and then Truckee together.
16 The other thing about Vallejo and Benicia -- sorry, what
17 Commissioner Fernandez said was accurate. We couldn't
18 bring them in -- we didn't bring them in for -- there's a
19 strong working class community that doesn't feel
20 represented by Solano, and they've asked to please be
21 part of the Contra Costa.

22 Ideally, if we -- can we zoom in a little bit in
23 this area? I don't know if it's possible above, like,
24 Vallejo and Benicia -- well, there's a place that's like
25 a little dot where two freeways come in -- it's a

1 triangle, and ideally, we could stop there and maybe move
2 and still pick up Antioch. And then that would give --
3 put Fairfield and others back -- move that part up. But
4 I would -- yeah, if we could get -- if we could include
5 Antioch in North Contra Costa, that would be ideal. But
6 I hope that we don't take Vallejo and Benicia out from
7 here.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Sinay.
9 What I was talking about is Fairfield on up, because
10 that's -- Fairfield by no means thinks they're part of
11 the Bay Area. They're in Solano County, and that's what
12 I was talking about -- from Fairfield, Green Valley,
13 Suisun City -- that whole portion. I would really like
14 to put not with Contra Costa. But I believe we might
15 have made some changes in the actual East Bay.
16 Hopefully, we put Pittsburg with Antioch, Albany back
17 with Oakland and Berkeley and Emeryville. Things like
18 that. Tri-Valley. Commissioner Fornaciari.

19 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: I can envision that we
20 will have that exact conversation when Tamina's map comes
21 up, so stay tuned.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Great. Well, so we've kind of gone
23 over the areas we would still like to work on here, and
24 we are going to be taking a break at 6 to 6:15.

25 Do we want to sort of -- Commissioner Fornaciari,

1 you said you would like to work on a couple of these
2 ideas with Kennedy? I also can give you a quick --

3 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. I think --

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- rundown on this.

5 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: -- I mean, I think I'm
6 pretty clear on what -- I mean, Commissioner Kennedy and
7 I can work on some of these things off-line and come
8 back. I mean, Senator Kennedy -- oh, I mean, Kennedy --

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: The other Kennedy. Not
10 Commissioner Kennedy. Yes, and I have an idea I can tell
11 you pretty quickly of how you'd rearrange to do that one.
12 In which case, do we have any other ideas about the North
13 or San Joaquin, Sacramento, any of these areas? Okay.
14 Do we want to do any exploring right now? Commissioner
15 Sinay.

16 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Can we not move to the other
17 map -- Tamina's map right now, or we have to wait until
18 after break?

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, we would just have to get
20 Tamina in. I think that that would take a little bit of
21 time.

22 MS. WILSON: After break would be preferable.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

24 MS. WILSON: I am a little unclear about what I am
25 walking away to go do, so maybe -- I don't know -- if

1 there's direction that I could -- I will work with
2 Commissioner Fornaciari about this Northern part. I'll
3 work with Commissioner Turner about moving just some
4 street lines in Fresno, but generally it seems --

5 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. Can I jump in here?
6 So --

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, please.

8 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: So we're going to have a
9 conversation focused on North Contra Costa County and
10 Southern Solano County, and the Commission has to make
11 some decisions there on how we want to go. Because, we
12 got 17,000 people parked there, and if we decide we want
13 to add Antioch into that area, then we got to figure out
14 how we're going to -- how we're going -- that's 110,000
15 people. We have to figure out how we're going to manage
16 that. I'll just say it that way. And so I think we have
17 potentially a few options to look at, and then we can
18 figure out how we want to manage that at that point. But
19 some of the options are going North, some are going
20 South, some are going around in different ways, and so
21 until we make that decision, I think going any further
22 and making explorations in the North state should wait.
23 And once we have a decision there, then we can kind of go
24 forward with what we want to do.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Commissioner Fornaciari,

1 should we say -- I'm assuming that you have Fairfield and
2 Dixon and all that -- is that part of the thing we have
3 to deal with it?

4 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Well, that's --

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Or has that been removed?

6 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Okay. So that's an option
7 that we'll explore.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. So assuming we do want to
9 take that chunk out, that would have to go North. We'd
10 have to rearrange North. Do we want it --

11 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: It doesn't have to go
12 North. So Commissioner Andersen, let's -- why don't we
13 just switch maps and have that conversation, because we
14 can --

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

16 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: -- pull it up, and we --

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right.

18 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: -- can see what the impact
19 would be for a few different options. If that's okay.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Certainly, but I don't see
21 how we'll do that without looking at the North as well.

22 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah, but Tamina has all
23 that.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, okay. Oh, I see what you're
25 saying. Okay. Commissioner Yee.

1 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah, Commissioner Fornaciari,
2 just for the members of the public, I'm wondering if you
3 could -- if we could zoom into North Contra Costa. If
4 you could explain the 17,000 and where they are, and what
5 the challenge is there?

6 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: So --

7 COMMISSIONER YEE: Because the number 17,000 doesn't
8 appear there.

9 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Right. The numbers aren't
10 correct on this map, so when we left our draft maps,
11 there were about -- between NORTHCONT and the one below
12 it, I -- there were 13,000 people left in this area, and
13 then there were about 4,000 people on the coast. And
14 they kind of all wound up there. And so as the Bay Area
15 got balanced and they all wound up in that area, and then
16 we've come up with an option for moving them. But then
17 the other thing is, if we put Antioch with Pittsburg and
18 Vallejo and Benicia and the rest of it -- then that's
19 adding 100,000-110,000 people into that area. And then
20 we have to move that population elsewhere.

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right. Thank you. And I have
22 Kennedy, and we have Karin in there. Do you guys want to
23 say something now?

24 MS. MACDONALD: Yeah. Hello, this is Karin.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Hello.

1 MS. MACDONALD: And I just wanted to ask if we could
2 please just wait for Tamina to come up. We're just
3 PDFing the changes for the map that Commissioner
4 Fornaciari has just described. And as soon as that's
5 sent up, which is just a few minutes from now, then
6 Tamina can come up. We have it posted for the public to
7 follow along, and then we could discuss it. So we need a
8 tiny little bit of time to actually --

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Perfect.

10 MS. MACDONALD: -- show this.

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No. Thank you. And we can just
12 sort of just finish this discussion, and we'll go on a
13 break. We're going to come back at 6:15.

14 But I just want to say right now for the public, the
15 lines are open. They will be closing at 6. So if you
16 want to make public comment tonight, you must call in
17 before 6 o'clock when the lines close.

18 Now, we will not be getting to public comment until
19 8 o'clock at the earliest. But you must call in, then
20 you can -- as long as you don't hang up, you're still in
21 the queue, and make sure you're back by say, 8 o'clock.
22 We might not go -- it'll be between 8 and 8:15 when we
23 get to public comment.

24 So Commissioner Toledo.

25 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. I think Kennedy was

1 requesting clearer direction as to next steps on her end,
2 and then I also just wanted to suggest maybe after we do
3 that we can go to a break and then while we wait for
4 Tamina. Just to --

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. That's sounds --

6 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you.

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- wonderful. Thank you.

8 Commissioner Sinay.

9 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I was just wondering, why is it
10 that we open up the phones and then we make people wait
11 for two hours? I haven't chaired and I haven't been part
12 of the creating the plan, but it just seems kind of
13 unfair to make people wait for two hours.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Sorry, that question was -- that
15 very question was asked earlier by Commissioner
16 Akutagawa, but the public who were on the call at the
17 time might not have heard it now. And so the reason why
18 we must do this is because the meeting is scheduled to
19 end at 6. So that is when we need to close the line.
20 Now, the only reason that we are able to continue our
21 meeting and continue getting public comment -- because
22 it's at 6 -- or as business ends, and we are not finished
23 with business. So you need to get in the queue. But
24 what has often been the case is, get in the queue and
25 we'll get to you -- we'll get to you.

1 Well, I'm telling people right up front, no, we
2 aren't going to get to you until after 8 o'clock. So
3 they can get in line, then they can go off and eat their
4 dinner or something and then come back. That's the
5 reason why. I don't want them having to wait in line and
6 thinking they could call -- I could be called at any
7 time. So I'm trying to accommodate -- keep within the
8 rules and help the public as well. So thank you for
9 asking the question.

10 Now, Kennedy, for direction on this, the areas that
11 we are looking at is can we do some rearranging such that
12 we can actually get Truckee, Tahoe, and all of Tahoe into
13 a district? So it would be parts of El Dorado, Placer,
14 and then Nevada, and then because Sierras part of Nevada,
15 essentially that's an area that everyone would kind of
16 like to look at that. The other area is -- well, that
17 has to do with that area in Solano, from Fairfield up.
18 Say that population -- how would that fit if that has to
19 be part of Solano, some areas like that? So those are
20 the areas -- that's what we're trying to look at in terms
21 of can we rearrange those upper districts.

22 Commissioner Fernandez.

23 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah. I believe the two or
24 three of us that brought up the Tahoe-Truckee, I think
25 the three of us were okay with how it is. So I'm just

1 wondering if -- I don't want to have Kennedy go and do
2 something and then it's not necessarily what was agreed
3 to. Thanks.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you. Okay. But I
5 know, like -- Sutter and Yuba wanted to be together, and
6 they're not in this plan. So there's some areas that we
7 might be able to not break up certain COIs and put other
8 COIs together. So that's kind of what I was thinking --
9 some of those ideas like that.

10 But again, Commissioner Fornaciari has been sort of
11 paying attention to all these things; he's been looking
12 at the numbers. And so I think if anyone can come up
13 with a possible solution it would be him. So at this
14 point -- and he volunteered to work with Kennedy, so.
15 And with that -- Kennedy, does that --other than that --
16 another item that's -- is that worth pursuing to try to
17 get Modesto, say, with San Joaquin or something like
18 that? Just so the Modesto people would not be with the
19 Sierras and vice versa. So thank you very much. With
20 that, I say we'll go on our break. And as far as --
21 Kennedy, do you have enough direction? You'll be working
22 with another Commissioner, so I think that might help.

23 MS. WILSON: Yeah. I believe so. As far as that
24 Northern area maybe looking at a version of that. As far
25 as Modesto goes, I think that we'll make a lot more

1 changes, like, I've tried doing that and it would just
2 make a lot more changes North that you not really be
3 happy with, but I will continue to work with other
4 Commissioners to get everything done.

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Great. Thank you very much,
6 Kennedy. And with that, we are going to go on our break.
7 The public again, the lines will be open until 6 o'clock
8 to call in, but public comment will not be taken until at
9 least 8 o'clock. We'll be back at 6:15 to continue
10 working, and hopefully, at that time we will be looking
11 at Tamina's map, and we'll be doing the coasts and the
12 Bay Area.

13 (Whereupon, a recess was held from 5:56 p.m.
14 until 6:14 p.m.)

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Welcome back, everyone, to the
16 California Citizens Redistricting Commission. We are
17 continuing on with our exploration and drawing of the
18 Congressional district lines. And at this point, I just
19 want to give a quick comment for those in the public who
20 are in our queue. Thank you very much for all those who
21 have called in, and we can't wait to hear all your
22 comments, but we are going to continue. We're going to
23 have another ninety-minute drawing session, a fifteen-
24 minute break, and then we will get to you. So we will
25 not get to you before 8 o'clock. Between 8 and 8:15 is

1 when we will be taking public comment. So please stay in
2 the queue. But again, you can go off and do something
3 and come back, because we will not be getting to you
4 until about 8 o'clock.

5 So with that said, Tamina we have the whole East Bay
6 here and the San Francisco Bay area we're looking at. So
7 could you please walk us through the map that we're
8 looking at?

9 MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes. Absolutely. Oh, one moment,
10 please. Sorry about that. Can everybody hear me now?

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. We could hear you before.

12 MS. RAMOS ALON: Oh. Okay. I couldn't hear because
13 I turned my volume down to not interfere with Kennedy's,
14 so, that's why I can hear now. So where we were last --
15 if you'll remember, we're going to go over the end of
16 Plan FY. We started talking about Commissioner
17 Fornaciari's changes with Kennedy and so just wanted to
18 go through the ones that Commissioner Yee was able to
19 make in my areas. What you're looking at now, is
20 actually Plan Y2, which has just been sent up in PDF
21 form, so you'll be able to look at it. The only
22 difference between Plan Y2 and Plan Y1 is that there used
23 to be this bubble the last time you saw it of 17,000
24 people sitting here in NORTHCONT. It has been moved
25 through and in the way that Kennedy explained, and I can

1 show you kind of what those pieces look like because
2 they're on the map here. And so I am happy to go
3 whichever way first. If you want to take a look going
4 down at -- zooming in on some of these areas that you
5 just discussed, or if you'd like to see the changes that
6 Commissioner Yee made in the Bay.

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: We would like to see them. One
8 thing is the way the map is shown right now, we cannot
9 see the cities. If you zoom in, we can see the cities
10 and things underneath it?

11 MS. RAMOS ALON: Can you see -- let me take those
12 colors off.

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Ah. Thank you. That's definitely
14 a little better. Yes.

15 So I see Commissioner Yee's hand up. Could you
16 please give us what you have changed here?

17 COMMISSIONER YEE: Sure. Tamina, I'm wondering if
18 we could pick up the changes on the peninsula first so we
19 can just get past those? You'll recall, we'd spent quite
20 a bit of time in Assembly plan to make some changes,
21 bringing East Palo Alto and the Belle Haven neighborhood
22 up to -- farther up the peninsula. And so working with
23 Tamina, we've matched that change. This involved the
24 same tactic that we used in the Assembly plan, which is
25 to move Pacifica to Half Moon Bay into a district with --

1 that goes all the way down to Mountain View and South.
2 So that doesn't match exactly the Assembly, but it's
3 pretty much the same move. Remind me, Tamina, did we do
4 anything else? I don't think we did anything else here.

5 MS. RAMOS ALON: A couple things.

6 COMMISSIONER YEE: All right. Please.

7 MS. RAMOS ALON: So just a few lines to correct some
8 COIs in San Jose, but --

9 COMMISSIONER YEE: Oh, that's right.

10 MS. RAMOS ALON: -- and we put this area of Fremont
11 back together. We corrected the line in Dublin to be
12 closer to what we had in the Assembly. And then the big
13 news up here, we got Albany back with Berkeley, and
14 Albany is now with Berkeley and Oakland, and there is a
15 new San Leandro split in the South of San Leandro.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Great. Thank you. I see it has
17 the Cherryland together.

18 COMMISSIONER YEE: Right. So the far South of San
19 Leandro is with San Lorenzo, then Ashland and Cherryland
20 and so forth, Eden, and the unincorporated areas.

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Unfortunately, yes. I see we were
22 not able to do any work with the Tri-Valley.
23 Commissioner Toledo.

24 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I just want to see where the
25 cut in San Leandro is.

1 Does it go along a road, Commissioner Yee, or is
2 it --

3 COMMISSIONER YEE: It does.

4 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- per population?

5 COMMISSIONER YEE: It follows a waterway for a time
6 and then --

7 MS. RAMOS ALON: Yeah. So we were trying to take
8 kind of this -- the Bay Fair Area and go over and then we
9 had to adjust for population, so we used the Bay Fair
10 Area and the Lakeside Village area first, and then came
11 to 880, and then came down to the Escondido Canal. And
12 then this was for population balancing.

13 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. And any other -- okay.
15 And can you go across so -- we still have -- could you go
16 up to the top a little bit, please? I see. So we still
17 have the Antioch that we'd like to do, and I see how --
18 yes. So could you walk us through, now that we can see a
19 little bit closer, how you've sort of moved the
20 population?

21 MS. RAMOS ALON: Certainly. So as I mentioned, we
22 started with the 17,000 plus population bubble that was
23 in NORTHCONT that was just from balancing out both
24 Kennedy and my areas to plus or minus one or sometimes
25 two, and there's a three. And so the plan was to move it

1 through Contra Costa. So the first move was changing the
2 line in Pleasant Hill where the split was. The second
3 move was to take Byron and Discovery Bay and some of the
4 unincorporated areas surrounding it, and moving that in
5 with Stockton. I'll zoom out a little bit so you can see
6 it. The third move moved this area that used to be a
7 part of the San Joaquin County in with ECA. The fourth
8 move is really one that we are still contemplating, which
9 is whether to push it -- and I'm sorry. These are not
10 what you just saw in Kennedy's area, so please ignore the
11 numbers in these areas. But out of ECA our two options
12 were to either continue to go straight down South into
13 San Bernardino, or to resolve the population in the
14 Fresno-Tulare area. Oh, sorry. I'm sorry. The
15 California City area. Right.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

17 MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes.

18 COMMISSIONER YEE: Right. So two things in play
19 here. One is, balancing out the North and South of the
20 state, and zeroing all that out involving that 17,000
21 population that we need to move from North to South. So
22 the two options, California City or moving Inyo whole
23 with San Bernardino. The second issue is, the whole
24 question of Fairfield and Antioch, and whether we think
25 about just a swap there. There are possibilities. The

1 possibilities would lead to more and bigger splits in
2 East Bay. Not impossible. Not inconceivable, but quite
3 a bit more complicated. So I believe Commissioner
4 Fornaciari worked on this. And I don't know if he wants
5 to talk through them.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. Thank you.

7 Before we call on Commissioner Fornaciari,
8 Commissioner Toledo?

9 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. I like the map the way
10 it is. I think it captures many of the COIs that we
11 want, although I'd be supportive of exploring the Antioch
12 swap -- the Antioch and Fairfield swap, given that the
13 populations are quite similar as well. So I think it
14 would be comparable. Thank you.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. I might put myself in
16 the queue, because I understand that Fairfield is the
17 capital of Solano County, so I would really like to put
18 that back in Solano County. And the COI that we were
19 trying to get that we did not get in the Assembly or in
20 the Senate is the Vallejo, Benicia, all the way out to
21 Antioch -- Pittsburg and Antioch. So I would really like
22 to see that explored. But that's my opinion. So do we
23 have other items that we want to -- in this East Bay
24 area? I'm going to call on Commissioner Fornaciari, but
25 are there other areas here that we wanted to address?

1 That anyone wanted to do some architectural changes on
2 before we --

3 MS. RAMOS ALON: I'd just like to note that the
4 reason that we did not get the Vallejo through Antioch
5 area together in the Assembly is because it's more than
6 an Assembly district, so it would not have fit.

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No. We also had other items in
8 there, I thought.

9 Commissioner Kennedy.

10 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair. Yeah. The
11 idea of moving Fairfield out and Antioch in is an
12 interesting idea to me. My question then for Tamina,
13 Commissioner Fornaciari, and others is, how do we carry
14 that population of Fairfield around and through to
15 wherever it needs to go? I mean, I do like the idea. I
16 just want to understand a little bit better the mechanism
17 of making it happen. Thank you.

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Kennedy.
19 Commissioner Yee?

20 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah. I was going to say,
21 Commissioner Fornaciari, if you want to proceed with
22 this, fine. If not, I was thinking -- actually I should
23 not just hand it off like that, but you're welcome to.

24 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. No, that's fine.
25 If it's okay, Chair, I'll go.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. No, that's because -- I was
2 going to call on you next. So thank you --

3 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Okay.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- for volunteering.

5 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: So the simplest fix that I
6 could think of that I asked Tamina to look at was put in
7 Antioch and then move Richmond, El Cerrito, Kensington
8 down into Oakland. Move that population out of the
9 bottom of Oakland, send it over into Alameda, and then
10 back up into Contra Costa because we have to -- if we
11 take Antioch out of NORTHCONT, we have to replace
12 population. So that was the first thing we looked at.
13 And then subsequently, Tamina has explored the idea of
14 taking Fairfield out, I believe -- swapping Antioch and
15 Fairfield and what those would look like. So I haven't
16 seen those, so I would have to defer to her to walk down
17 that road.

18 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Okay. So then if I could be a
19 little bit more specific, I am specifically interested in
20 that Fairfield for Antioch swap and then how to handle
21 the Fairfield population once it goes into Yolo Lake.
22 Thank you.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes --

24 MS. RAMOS ALON: I'll look at my map for a second
25 and see if I have some visualizations which may address

1 this.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Ooh. Thank you very much. In the
3 meantime, Commissioner Sinay, did you have -- you also
4 had a question?

5 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I was just going to second what
6 Commissioner Kennedy said, since we work on consensus.

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. And it's a lot easier when I
8 can see faces here. So people want to see that. Who'd
9 be interested in seeing the Vallejo, and who is not
10 interested in seeing that whatsoever? I'm sorry. I
11 should say, who wants to just keep -- likes the maps the
12 way they are and rather not change anything?
13 Commissioner Akutagawa?

14 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Sorry. I was just slow, so
15 I just wanted to say I'm in support of exploring that
16 swap.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Great. Thank you. In which case,
18 Commissioner Fornaciari, are you ready to walk us through
19 it?

20 Or Tamina, you were doing these visualizations.

21 MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes. Give me one second. I almost
22 have the map up.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, no, no. Not a problem. I was
24 just getting ready to call on Commissioner Fornaciari.

25 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. I haven't seen them

1 yet, so Tamina can walk us through.

2 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Chair, just quick. I don't
3 want to say I'm completely against it; I just feel that
4 that's a lot of population you have to move around
5 somewhere up there, so this'll be interesting. Thanks.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. I think we've done a
7 lot of exploration in the South. I can do a little
8 exploration up in the North here. This little fun and
9 games up here.

10 COMMISSIONER YEE: I can mention a few items while
11 we're getting it loaded up. Some of the splits that this
12 would involve, it would involve splitting Richmond, but
13 then part of Richmond would be paired with Vallejo and
14 part of it would be paired with Oakland. And then it
15 would be spitting Oakland instead of San Leandro. But
16 you would be able to get more of the Tri-Valley together.
17 So that's one route we can go.

18 MS. RAMOS ALON: So there are three visualizations
19 that -- oh, I'm sorry.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No, go right ahead.

21 MS. RAMOS ALON: There are three visualizations that
22 might be interesting to look at. I didn't really address
23 the Fairfield issue in all of them. In all of them, we
24 had the question of how do we get Antioch into this
25 circle. But this one I think addresses most of

1 Fairfield. We'd probably be able to clean it up somehow.
2 So this visualization puts Antioch in with NORTHCONT.
3 Antioch goes up through Vallejo, Benicia, and then takes
4 this part of Fairfield on the West.

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: You're not sharing the map yet.

6 MS. RAMOS ALON: Oh, my gosh. I'm so sorry. Now
7 you have everybody over here laughing at me, too. Sorry
8 about that. Okay. So --

9 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: We'll call it doing a
10 Tamina.

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Can we have the city lines darkened
12 maybe a bit, because my eyes aren't quite as young as
13 they used to be. So it's a little hard for me to see
14 them.

15 MS. RAMOS ALON: Okay. So here with the cities
16 being the ones in color, the first move was to take
17 Antioch. Antioch is 115,291 people thereabouts. In
18 fact, I'm going to take those numbers off so you don't
19 have to stare at them.

20 COMMISSIONER TURNER: We like the numbers.

21 MS. RAMOS ALON: Do you? Oh, okay. I'll leave
22 them. So Antioch had 115,291 people that was moved into
23 NORTHCONT. This particular visualization -- so there
24 were several ways to resolve this 115,000 people, right.
25 So one is you go up through Fairfield, you hang a left,

1 you go through Yolo Lake, down North Coast and over the
2 bridge. So that's option number one. And I have done
3 that if you'd like to see it. Option number two is you
4 go up through Fairfield and instead you come through the
5 Elk Grove area and you come back around through San
6 Joaquin, which is what this is. Option number three is,
7 you cut out Richmond and you move the Oakland line and
8 you come downwards, but anything that -- the downward
9 move does not address the Fairfield. And then option
10 number four is to do a rejigger of Contra Costa itself up
11 here, move more of East Contra Costa in and come down and
12 change the split down here, which again, does not address
13 the Fairfield part. So I will go through this one,
14 because it addresses the Fairfield part and then you can
15 see where you'd like to go from there.

16 So we moved Antioch in, which brought us into
17 NORTHCONT overpopulated by Fairfield, so now the majority
18 of Fairfield -- excuse me -- is back with Solano County.
19 So then Yolo Lake had to give away something. So Yolo
20 Lake gave away part of Woodland and Davis which were
21 joined to the Sacramento area. The Sacramento area split
22 Elk Grove, joined the Southern half of Elk Grove to the
23 Sac San Joaquin District, which came around to the SCALA
24 TRACY District, adding Tracy and Mountain House. Tracy
25 is split in this visualization, but they were added to

1 the SCALA Tracy with Livermore. This helped reunite part
2 of the Tri-Valley area with Pleasant and Dublin being
3 pulled, going up the 680 and part of Livermore. And then
4 that completed our circle.

5 COMMISSIONER TURNER: And that was option one,
6 right?

7 MS. RAMOS ALON: And that was option one. Please
8 don't shoot the messenger.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: It's okay. You aren't in the room,
10 so.

11 COMMISSIONER YEE: Chair, if I may. I suggest we go
12 through all four options so that we have them all in our
13 minds, and --

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, yes, please. Yes.

15 MS. RAMOS ALON: Okay. One moment.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: And then, I'm sorry.

17 Commissioner Kennedy or Commissioner Fernandez, do
18 you want to say something about this particular one
19 before we move on?

20 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Yeah. Thank you, Chair. I'll
21 just say at this point that I am not a fan of the Elk
22 Grove split, but I was hoping and was happy to see that
23 this enabled us to perhaps improve the situation down in
24 the Tri-Valley. So I don't know if there's any way in
25 this to reunite Elk Grove, but to me that's the issue

1 that I would have with going this way, which otherwise I
2 like. Thank you.

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. And Commissioner Fernandez.

4 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah. I do not like this
5 one at all. I know that's shocking. It's splitting
6 up -- if you move up, it's splitting up Yolo County.
7 We've already taken out West Sacramento from Yolo County,
8 now we're taking out the other major city that -- of four
9 cities that that county has, and we're breaking it up and
10 we're splitting Elk Grove, and we're also then moving
11 Tracy back into a different district. So it's tearing up
12 so many COIs -- other COIs. So yeah. Not a fan of this
13 one. And even if you were here, Tamina, I would not harm
14 you in any way. I love you.

15 MS. RAMOS ALON: Much appreciated, Commissioner.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Toledo.

17 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. I'm just wondering if,
18 Tamina, if there's another option through the tail --
19 through the Sacramento tail without having to go through
20 and interrupting Yolo County, which I'm not a fan of
21 either. But if we could go through the bottom part --
22 the delta portion of the Solano County instead of down --
23 I don't know if that's an option, so I'm just asking if
24 that could be potentially an option or no. I see no, and
25 so just was asking.

1 MS. RAMOS ALON: Unfortunately, there's just no --
2 we're looking for 115,000 people. So I need Davis and
3 Woodland in order to do that in this visualization. But
4 stay tuned. There are more.

5 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you.

6 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Oh, wait a minute. You
7 took Woodland, too. So actually three of the four major
8 cities in Yolo are now in a different county, so --

9 COMMISSIONER YEE: Two-and-a-half.

10 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. Commissioner Sinay just
11 has -- we'll go through all four, and then -- unless it's
12 a clarity question about a particular one -- and my hand
13 is up because I do have a clarity. Tamina, I'm sorry,
14 but can we -- can we just see the cities a little darker?
15 I mean, because it's like there's a haze layer over them.
16 Because it's -- yes, when you clear it, we get in closer,
17 you can kind of see them, but -- that's wonderful. Yeah.
18 Did you just change the color of the lines?

19 MS. RAMOS ALON: I just made their lines darker. Is
20 that any better?

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, it is. Thank you very much.
22 Okay. So now you're going for option 2, please.

23 MS. RAMOS ALON: One second while I remove the
24 color.

25 COMMISSIONER TURNER: For those that's not in the

1 room, we're just saying this one's going to be great.

2 We're going to love it.

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I know. It might be 3. You never
4 know. Could be 4.

5 MS. RAMOS ALON: Okay. So this is visualization
6 number 2, or this is the Richmond split visualization. I
7 won't worry you with the numbers. So as I said, this
8 does not touch the Fairfield issue at all. This one was
9 really looking at just Antioch, and what would happen if
10 we did a Bay Area rotation to get Antioch in with Vallejo
11 and Benicia. So the long and short of it is that you
12 have a split in Richmond and through part of San Pablo.
13 This is along the freeway, so this is the 80, and then
14 this area is along Macdonald going back out toward the
15 580. I would welcome a better split for that.

16 Richmond, unfortunately, could not get by itself
17 because it is noncontiguous and has El Sobrante, San
18 Pablo, East Richmond Heights, all of these other smaller
19 cities and census-designated places all wrapped together.
20 So even though it is just 116,000, it would have to be
21 split in order to be a trade with Antioch.

22 So then the Northern area of Richmond and North goes
23 up with the NORTHCONT district, the Southern area of
24 Richmond going South, including El Cerrito, Kensington,
25 the Heights, are going to come in with Oakland, and it's

1 going to create a new Oakland split down here in the
2 South, which then pushes this open population into
3 Scalrey Tracy, which creates a new split here in the Tri-
4 Valley area, in the Pleasanton area. So this used to go
5 down further, and now it takes in more of Pleasanton in
6 order to balance that. And then that pushes that back
7 up, more of Pleasanton area comes back up -- and
8 Livermore, sorry, Pleasanton and Livermore. So Livermore
9 is taken out of the Tri-Valley area and put up with this
10 area that goes up through Bethel Island.

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. On this one, Commissioner
12 Sadhwani?

13 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. Just as we're
14 weighing our options, Tamina, would you be able to put up
15 all of the different CVAPs for these different
16 configurations?

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh. Commissioner Kennedy?

18 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair. I guess,
19 from Tamina's description, what I'd be interested in
20 seeing is acknowledging that Richmond kind of goes in all
21 sorts of different directions. If there's a way to split
22 it so that the center of Richmond isn't affected? Yeah.
23 I don't want to split in the center, but if there's a
24 piece of it way over here and we can divide there, then
25 to me, that makes more sense. Thank you.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right. Commissioner Toledo?

2 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah, I think, in making
3 splits, I think if we are making -- we're prioritizing
4 some communities over others, then I would hope we would
5 prioritize the communities that are least likely to --
6 the most underserved and the most -- the ones that are --
7 our least resourced, and just to keep them together, as
8 they would be the ones who lose the most, I think. And
9 there was other communities that might be able to
10 advocate for themselves better, but I mean, ultimately --

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

12 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- I would agree with
13 Commissioner Kennedy. There might be a better way to
14 cut --

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah.

16 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- in Richmond if we go in
17 this direction. Thank you.

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

19 Commissioner Fernandez?

20 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes. Tamina, if you can
21 just zoom out a little. And I would agree with
22 Commissioner Toledo. The way I look at it is, try to
23 keep those communities that, unfortunately, don't have
24 time for their voices to be heard because they're busy
25 just trying to make it from one day to the next. Thanks.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: And thank you.

2 Commissioner Turner?

3 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Yep. I sure want to zoom in
4 to Richmond and see what streets those are. I know you
5 said Macdonald, but --

6 MS. RAMOS ALON: I can actually tell you exactly
7 what this is. So this is the bottom of the Iron
8 Triangle. I was trying, at least, to preserve that part
9 of the poorest part of Richmond. But for population, I
10 had to take more of this area, West and East of Macdonald
11 and Barrett going up. I can turn on the streets for you.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes, please.

13 COMMISSIONER TURNER: So City Hall is Macdonald.

14 MS. RAMOS ALON: This is why I said I really welcome
15 another way to split --

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah.

17 MS. RAMOS ALON: -- because the problem is right
18 where we need to split is right down the center of
19 Richmond. So I tried taking all the hills area instead,
20 and that wasn't even enough.

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah.

22 MS. RAMOS ALON: So you can see Macdonald's here,
23 and Barrett, where the Kaiser is. This is Garrard.

24 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Yeah.

25 MS. RAMOS ALON: And then this is Cutting, the

1 bottom of Cutting.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right. Commissioner Turner,
3 would you like to keep on seeing this, or?

4 COMMISSIONER TURNER: I will go into, I guess, the
5 map viewer and look at the --

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, this is -- remember this is
7 one of -- this is the second option --

8 MS. RAMOS ALON: Yeah. And I --

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So there are two others that you
10 might like better.

11 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Yeah. I never anticipated a
12 Richmond split, so I haven't given it much thought. So
13 yes. Well, yes. Let's see the other options.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. Katrina (sic), one
15 thing. If you could go over, in this one, and actually
16 in all of them -- I put myself in the queue here -- I've
17 noticed that you still left Pleasant Hill in it. And you
18 would certainly take that out. That -- yeah. Pleasant
19 Hill. Yeah. There are areas that are in this area that
20 we really don't need to have in that area. So that
21 would -- so if we took Pleasant Hill and put it -- took
22 it out of the area and put it with the one in the South,
23 whatever that says, and we don't have to take quite as
24 much out of Richmond or those areas. And I'm just
25 noticing what cities we've gathered at the top here, and

1 Pleasant Hill certainly should not be with that. I'm
2 thinking about Alhambra Valley, too. I'm not sure if
3 that should be either.

4 I was just wondering if there's areas that are -- we
5 don't necessarily want together, because I'm think these
6 are the ones that are affected by the refineries and
7 definitely different working class, and separate the
8 others out, and we don't have to take quite as much. The
9 grab isn't as great. If you can do that, please?

10 Commissioner Toledo?

11 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah, it was along the same
12 lines, just perhaps taking what's left of, I think it's
13 Pleasant Hill.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

15 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: And then maybe even Pacheco,
16 and seeing if we can get more of Richmond into the
17 district, or all of Richmond, preferably, into the
18 Northern district.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: You know, Tamina, just because that
20 might happen in each of the options, could you just give
21 us a population of just that, yes, that area right there,
22 please? See if that would affect us at all.

23 MS. RAMOS ALON: That is 17,488, so not really.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: We'll, it's something, so. Okay.
25 It might be -- like a switch of it might make the cut in

1 Richmond much easier, but okay. Thank you very much.

2 Commissioner Toledo, do you still have a question?

3 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Just how many people are in
4 Richmond? How big is the city of Richmond? I don't have
5 my handy dandy guide with me.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: No. I ---

7 MS. RAMOS ALON: The City of Richmond is 116,000,
8 but it has other communities that are interwoven
9 throughout it. So you have -- see this purple area is
10 all Richmond over here. So you can take the city of
11 Richmond, but it's noncontiguous. You have to also
12 include El Sobrante, San Pablo, Rollingwood, East
13 Richmond Heights, and North Richmond if you want to take
14 all of Richmond together.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. That's rather tricky.

16 Commissioner -- I'm sorry -- Commissioner Ahmad?

17 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Thank you, Chair. Just
18 thinking about that change that you just proposed. If
19 we're moving any -- let me rephrase that. If we are
20 moving the line to encompass more of NORTHCONT into
21 Concord so that we can move the line to encompass a chunk
22 of Oakland more into NORTHCONT, we would be under in
23 Oakland more, so we would have to move population
24 through, since that change recommended, it touches three
25 different districts. Just bringing that up. It's not --

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh. Oh, I see. I see what you're
2 saying.

3 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Yeah.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. Because you'd have to --
5 well, yeah. But actually, in that area, what I was
6 thinking is, we'd like to get more of the -- oh, no. If
7 we took area out of that, then we'd have to take more
8 area out of the Tracy. Okay. Thank you.

9 Commissioner Turner?

10 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Yeah. So if we, Tamina, were
11 able to keep Richmond whole, can we bring in this
12 Reliez -- I don't even know how to say that -- Valley and
13 part of Pleasant Hill to unify them with the nearby
14 communities of Concord and Walnut Creek?

15 MS. RAMOS ALON: It would not be -- there would not
16 be enough population to do that.

17 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Green Valley. What about --

18 MS. RAMOS ALON: You would need to split Concord,
19 which is an option, or (audio interference).

20 COMMISSIONER TURNER: I think Concord, maybe, can
21 take a split better than the other area, but Concord,
22 Walnut Creek, Green Valley --

23 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Audio interference).

24 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Is that still in the Contra
25 Costa area? So let's see the other options, and then

1 maybe we can explore some more of how else we can do
2 this. I really would prefer not splitting Richmond or
3 Oakland.

4 MS. RAMOS ALON: Okay. I can move on to the next
5 one.

6 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Audio interference).

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. I'm sorry. I missed
8 that.

9 Commissioner Turner, were you asking for --

10 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Yeah. Yeah, I was asking for
11 us to move to another option.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, thank you. Yes, please.

13 Tamina, could we see the next option?

14 Now, this was option 2; is that correct?

15 MS. RAMOS ALON: The first was the Elk Grove option.
16 Then that was the Richmond option. Now, we're moving on
17 to the Oakland option.

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

19 MS. RAMOS ALON: And I will remove the color.

20 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you.

21 (Pause)

22 MS. RAMOS ALON: Okay. So now we're into the
23 Oakland option, which again, comes South. So it did not
24 affect Fairfield at all. Starting here. This
25 visualization actually took in Antioch, Knightsen,

1 Oakley, Brentwood, and Bethel Island, so it goes all the
2 way to the border. If you'll remember, Discovery Bay and
3 Byron were in the 17,000 move that went out. So this
4 goes all the way to the border.

5 And instead, it takes the Hercules, South through
6 Richmond-Kensington area and puts it down with Oakland.
7 There's a split in Oakland here, which ends the Southern
8 part of this district and joins it with the Southern
9 Contra Costa I-80 corridor. So all the Oakland Hills are
10 together with Lafayette, Orinda, Moraga. This also keeps
11 Dublin and most of Livermore together in that district,
12 which then creates the Scalrey Tracy district, which has
13 Pleasanton and part of Livermore, the same split in
14 Fremont that we saw before, but has San Leandro whole,
15 with the Eden area and all of the small unincorporated
16 guys over here.

17 VICE CHAIR KENNEDY: Chair, you have hands raised.
18 You're muted.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Sorry about that. Yeah.

20 Tamina, could you please put on the highway map,
21 because I'd like to see where -- we know where 24 is, but
22 where are the 680 and -- right. Yeah. So just an
23 observation here. So the portion of Oakland, you can't
24 actually get to the rest of it unless you go, kind of,
25 real squiggly -- actually, I don't know if there is a

1 road directly over that area.

2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: One road.

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So I just thought I'd bring that
4 up.

5 Commissioner Fornaciari?

6 Thank you, Tamina.

7 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. Okay. This is
8 different.

9 How many people are in -- what is the population of
10 Oakland in this split?

11 MS. RAMOS ALON: One moment, please.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oakland itself has 441,000, but.
13 Sorry.

14 Commissioner Yee?

15 COMMISSIONER YEE: Thank you, Chair. We could
16 explore this more. I'm thinking this one, for me, just
17 falls off the contender list because you're taking
18 Richmond out of the Vallejo to Antioch COI, and pairing
19 it with only half of Oakland and if you're going to pair
20 Richmond with Oakland, then the COI is Richmond, West
21 Oakland, East Oakland. And you're not getting that here.
22 So I'm not feeling this one.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. No. I think we'll go ahead
24 and weigh them all at the end, but yeah. Thank you.

25 I'm sorry, Commissioner Fornaciari, were you done?

1 I just thought you were waiting for something to -- so I
2 went to Commissioner Yee. I did not mean to --

3 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: No, that's fine. I was
4 just curious as to what the population of Oakland was.
5 I'm not a fan either, but I just was wondering.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

7 Commissioner Toledo?

8 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you. I'm just wondering
9 if there might be an option through -- and you caught me
10 while I was eating, sorry.

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, sorry.

12 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: No, it's all good. If there
13 is an option either through -- I've been saying the
14 Sacramento (indiscernible), but maybe other portions of
15 the Sacramento area, or is this -- so there is --

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

17 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- in terms of population,
18 there is more population up there.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. Thank you.

20 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Just curious. Just curious.

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah. If I put myself in the
22 queue, I'd say that was another option that I would have
23 also looked at -- wanted to look at.

24 But you do not look into that one, did you, Tamina?
25 We don't have visualization of doing something like that?

1 MS. RAMOS ALON: There is not enough population,
2 Chair. It's 115,000 people. These are some pretty
3 massive moves. So Kennedy and I, these were the
4 visualizations we could think of.

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Yeah. It would be a -- the
6 restructure would be grabbing counties, and that sort of
7 stuff, I would say that you need to do. Okay.

8 And that was option 3. Would you give us option 4,
9 please?

10 (Pause)

11 MS. RAMOS ALON: Okay. So here again, we're
12 starting with Antioch. And again, I will ask you not to
13 shoot the messenger. So this was actually a turn which
14 involved only the North and did not go into the South,
15 so -- actually, it did. I'm sorry. This was the turn --
16 this was the long one. This is the one that went up and
17 then went over the bridge. So this is going to take a
18 little bit longer to go through, but I wanted you to see
19 it.

20 So Antioch goes into NORTHCONT. NORTHCONT splits
21 Fairfield, which goes back with Solano. Instead of
22 hanging a right into Elk Grove, we hang a left. We
23 changed the split in Santa Rosa, which brings us down to
24 Southern Marin County. Takes everything South of Sleepy
25 Hollow without splitting San Rafael, joins that with San

1 Francisco.

2 This creates a different split in San Francisco
3 that's similar to our Assembly split. Since we already
4 had all of this in the greater SA district, I couldn't
5 draw from anymore, so Santa Clara had to come up and take
6 parts of Redwood City, Menlo Park, and East Palo Alto.
7 So this COI is still intact, and the COIs in Redwood City
8 are still above this line, but this Southern area of
9 Redwood City is with the greater SA district.

10 This shifted over and added Campbell and Saratoga to
11 the Cupertino-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara district. This split
12 is for population in Cupertino. This pushed up this
13 population to take out to this Northern section of San
14 Jose, so it ends with this downtown area of San Jose and
15 Milpitas, but they are whole. Pushing that up allowed
16 for the reunification of Fremont, so Fremont is whole in
17 this visualization, along with all of Eden and the lower
18 part of San Leandro. Livermore is in with this Scalrey
19 Tracey area, but Pleasanton, and Dublin, and part of
20 Livermore are reunited with the 680. And that, I
21 believe, yeah, that brought us full circle here.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I'm sorry. Those are definitely
23 four options. Thank you, Tamina.

24 Commissioner Sinay?

25 COMMISSIONER SINAY: So what I like about option 4

1 is that it is -- I didn't look -- obviously, I didn't
2 look closely into San Francisco and see how that split's
3 affected, but on the whole, it's keeping a lot of the
4 working class COIs together throughout the North and
5 South and the whole Bay Area. So I know it's not going
6 to be a popular one, but I just wanted to put that out
7 there, that it's pretty impressive what it did.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Yee?

9 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yes. Thank you, Chair.

10 Thank you, Tamina, for these four options. That's a
11 lot of creative thinking, and it's a real puzzle.

12 There's going to be pain no matter which way we go.

13 I'm wondering -- I hate to do this, but I wonder
14 about a fifth option. And maybe you can even tell me
15 quickly, Tamina, what this would take, or why it's
16 impossible. But what if we took Fairfield whole and put
17 it all back in Solano? We'd probably have to do the
18 North -- Vallejo to Richmond to Antioch, and go even
19 farther out to Redwood, Knightley (sic), and so forth,
20 take all of that. Then what else would we have to do?

21 MS. RAMOS ALON: I don't think you'd actually have
22 to go that far. You could, yeah, it would probably be to
23 the end of Contra Costa right here, plus or minus a
24 little bit of Brentwood, maybe.

25 COMMISSIONER YEE: But that's more people to march

1 through Sacramento, right? That's the big --

2 MS. RAMOS ALON: Not in this visualization. That'll
3 be more to march through -- this will be more to march
4 through San Francisco.

5 COMMISSIONER YEE: Right, right, but not for
6 visualization 4, but I mean, just as a fifth option from
7 scratch. Start with --

8 MS. RAMOS ALON: Oh, I see. Yes.

9 COMMISSIONER YEE: -- (indiscernible, simultaneous
10 speech) --

11 MS. RAMOS ALON: If you --

12 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah.

13 MS. RAMOS ALON: -- wanted to take out all of
14 Fairfield and push it through Sacramento that way, then
15 yes, it would be -- if that's the rotation you wanted to
16 make, then that would push into here. You may be able to
17 get all of Elk Grove in (audio interference) explore
18 that. Coming down here is going to be the tricky part.
19 There's an option to split Stockton. There's an option
20 to take all of Manteca, Mountain House, Tracy, through
21 Manteca, maybe French Camp, around this area. Trust me,
22 you have another.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Yee, did you have
24 another --

25 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah. I mean, I --

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

2 COMMISSIONER YEE: -- would -- I'd love to explore
3 that, but that would probably be an overnight kind of --

4 MS. RAMOS ALON: I'm happy to try it. I'm open to
5 ideas.

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Commissioner Toledo?

7 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. I just want to thank
8 Tamina for all this creative thinking, and certainly, I'm
9 sure it's a lot of work to work through all of these
10 visualizations. I mean, at this point, I like the
11 original one the best, that we all came up with, and
12 Tamina certainly put that together, but -- or the second
13 one. I'm open to exploring the option Commissioner Yee
14 posed. I think that might be a solution, as well, but I
15 don't -- I do like the one that we currently have, based
16 on what I've seen thus far. Thank you.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Fernandez?

18 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah. I also like the one
19 that was proposed by, was it Commissioner Fornaciari or
20 Commissioner Yee? I think that kept quite a bit more
21 communities of interest together. So yeah.

22 Thank you for all of the different options, Tamina,
23 but yeah.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Fernandez.

25 Commissioner Fornaciari?

1 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: So just a little context
2 here. When did we have this conversation? It was late
3 this morning, just, I think, before we started. And so I
4 just bow down to you as an awesome, incredible mapper
5 because you get, I mean, three or four visualizations
6 together and have it plus or minus one person? It's
7 just -- wow. It's amazing.

8 So but context, this was just off the top of our
9 head, four options that we could go down the road and
10 just look at, and the idea was to take the temperature of
11 the Commission and see which way the Commission would
12 like to go. I mean, option 0 is not to include Antioch,
13 I guess, but take the temperature of the Commission, see
14 which way the Commission would like to go, and then, we
15 can certainly do some off-line exploring of other
16 iterations of options that the Commission likes.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Fornaciari.
18 Commissioner Akutagawa?

19 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Thank you. Sorry. I was
20 just eating something. I think, one, I would --

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Your mic is very -- it's breaking
22 up sort of.

23 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Oh, I don't know what's
24 going on with it. Can you all hear me now?

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, that's better. Yes. Thank

1 you.

2 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Is that better? Okay. I
3 don't know what was going on. Okay. One, I would agree
4 with what -- well, I agree with the part that
5 Commissioner Fornaciari said, and if I haven't already
6 said it, either too, Tamina, I'm just amazed at what
7 you've done. Thank you for all the options. I'm just
8 kind of like, wow.

9 And I'm still kind of thinking through all of them,
10 but I think it's just -- to me, I think there's some more
11 work to do. I think I also, and I think this has been
12 said that I want to repeat it again. I'm just very wary
13 about sacrificing, or perhaps maybe splitting one, I'll
14 call it vulnerable community for another one. I think if
15 there's a way that we could try to ensure that we don't
16 really inadvertently just move the pain in a way that is
17 from one community to another, that doesn't -- I mean,
18 there's going to be pain for all communities, but.

19 I'll just give you an example. The Redwood City
20 split that I think it was in that option 4. Sure,
21 they're whole for the most part, but they just got --
22 you've got, again, a community that is very low income,
23 primarily immigrant, low wage, essential workers, across
24 the spectrum in terms of Latino, Pacific Islander
25 communities particularly, and into, again, one of the

1 wealthiest -- I'm going to say one of the wealthiest
2 districts, because it includes a lot of the Silicon
3 Valley. So we're just kind of -- I don't want to call it
4 a shell game, but I just want to be careful about where
5 these splits are.

6 I think I agree with what Commissioner Toledo said
7 earlier, let's try to maybe limit them -- not that any
8 place wants to be split, but there are some places that
9 have the ability to advocate for themselves a little bit
10 more effectively than some of the communities where they
11 really can use the kind of help to ensure -- that comes
12 from being together with like communities, so. Thank
13 you.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you, Commissioner Akutagawa.
15 I put my hand up here because I also -- there were so
16 many communities of interest that were cut in half and
17 rearranged on almost each of those options. It was a
18 little startling. So yes, I like -- if we can't do --
19 I'd almost like go back with what we had.

20 But I do think a different option that I would like
21 to see -- well, one, I was hoping to not (sic) keep
22 Fairfield whole. Absolutely. And leave it in Solano.
23 One thing that I just thought of is a different -- and I
24 know people will shoot this one down, but put that up --
25 put that in -- leave it in Solano, and so that would take

1 a bit more, and then we could actually hopefully get more
2 of the Delta communities along, like, the Brentwood or
3 something like that, in the Contra Costa, North Contra
4 Costa.

5 And then, what to do with it up in -- put in Solano,
6 and then -- and fortunately, it's about the same,
7 probably, number. I think, if you have -- it's all of
8 Fairfield, but parts of Yolo would have to go up with
9 Glen, or up with Colusa. Or yes, something like that,
10 because -- and then, that could shift up and move things
11 around on the other side, or through Sacramento, where
12 the more population is, because it's -- I mean, I hate --
13 Solano County is supposedly there, but most of it is cut
14 in half. I mean, there's very little left of Solano
15 County. So I really don't like the way we have it, or
16 just the way we first drew it up, and that was an area
17 that I was hoping to come back to.

18 And yeah, I would like to see a -- I mean, there's
19 a huge amount -- first of all, I am -- Tamina. Wow.
20 That you did all of those since first thing this morning
21 is extremely impressive. Thank you very much.

22 But I would like to see something slightly
23 different. I would vote for the original over of those
24 different options, was my personal opinion.

25 But now Commissioner -- I'm sorry. Commissioner

1 Akutagawa, were you -- did you have one more question?

2 Commissioner Sinay?

3 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Thank you. It's hard for me to
4 say if we have split up a lot of COIs because we went
5 really quickly. And I think what you had said in Redwood
6 City is that the COIs that were given to us of a lot of
7 the working class communities were kept together.

8 What I was hoping is, if you can answer that,
9 obviously, and then if you could zoom in to San Francisco
10 just so we can see how you split San Francisco, because I
11 don't want us just to say no without really looking at
12 the details, because it's pretty amazing work you've
13 done. Thank you so much.

14 MS. RAMOS ALON: I can certainly answer those. So
15 in Redwood City, yes, all the AAPI COIs that were given
16 to us, including -- here, in fact, let me go down a
17 little bit -- including the North Fair Oaks COI, are all
18 together in this visualization. However, Redwood City
19 the city is still split. In San Francisco, let me turn
20 on this layer. So the pink line is what we did for
21 Assembly. We came down and broke down this way. And
22 what we had before was this area of Excelsior, Visitacion
23 Valley, Crockett, and Amazon. So came up across West of
24 Twin Peaks and then the split is in the outer Sunset.

25 COMMISSIONER SINAY: That's pretty impressive.

1 Thank you.

2 MS. RAMOS ALON: yeah. I take absolutely no offense
3 if everybody hates all of these visualizations.

4 COMMISSIONER SINAY: No. Okay. I would say I still
5 like option 4. I think you've done an amazing job. The
6 biggest COI that we've broken is not crossing the bridge.
7 But again, there is no -- nothing is sacred, and if it's
8 helping other smaller COIs in underserved communities --
9 not even underserved communities, working class and
10 others. Yeah. I'm okay with it, but I'm sure the Bay
11 Area's taking away my Bay Area card, but that's okay
12 because I think the South Bay of Los Angeles took my be
13 my card away from there, too. But yeah. I see this, and
14 I completely understand this.

15 MS. RAMOS ALON: Thank you.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you. Thank you, Commissioner
17 Sinay.

18 Commissioner Fernandez?

19 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah. I mean, this option
20 out of all of them, I guess, was the one I would prefer,
21 but again, I prefer what Commissioner Fornaciari and Yee,
22 and yet, I did like our draft maps, but the problem with
23 our draft maps is we needed to push population down in
24 the way that Commissioner Fornaciari and Commissioner
25 Yee, I'm not sure which one of them worked on it. I

1 appreciated that.

2 And then, I guess my question to you, Chair, is how
3 are we going to proceed? I mean, if most of us are maybe
4 good with what it was, but you want something different?
5 I mean, I don't know how -- I guess I just don't want to
6 send Tamina off with twenty different options.

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Correct. Yes. Do we have a
8 consensus on this? I mean, do the people -- I mean, I
9 guess, Commissioner -- we have a few that like different
10 ones. Okay. So this is a sort of start again, or do we
11 want to just leave it and go back with the draft?

12 Commissioner Ahmad?

13 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Thank you, Chair. Just off the
14 bat, I don't like this one. I'm sorry, Tamina.

15 However, I would like to see all four of the
16 options, if there's a way that we can post it or share
17 the files so I can compare and contrast, I do think that
18 it would be nice if all of us can come to a consensus on
19 which option to start from, as I know we'll probably make
20 changes and refinements. That would be very helpful,
21 Chair, if we can get a copy of the different options.

22 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you.

23 Commissioner Turner?

24 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Thank you.

25 Tamina, for this fourth option, I did not like it

1 initially. I may still not like it, but can you walk me
2 through again what the fourth option did so that I can
3 reconsider perhaps?

4 And then, while you're moving it a little bit,
5 Chair, as far as the question about how do we move
6 forward, because it seems like we're all over the board,
7 I'm wondering even if we're in a place to start with
8 saying which one we collectively absolutely don't want,
9 and maybe kind of come from that perspective? May be a
10 way to proceed. So let me just look at this one
11 currently.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you for that idea.

13 COMMISSIONER TURNER: So this one (indiscernible)
14 what?

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: So Tamina -- wait, I'm sorry. We
16 want Tamina to walk through this one again, please?

17 COMMISSIONER TURNER: I'd like to see it one more
18 time.

19 MS. RAMOS ALON: Certainly. So this one started
20 with NORTHCONT -- Antioch going into the NORTHCONT
21 district. This resulted in this split in Fairfield, and
22 most of Fairfield being put with Solano, which resulted
23 in a different line in Santa Rosa, which was currently
24 split before, and so it just changed the line of how it
25 was split, which then pushed population down, and we

1 have -- or rather, pulled it up and created an
2 overpopulation in North coast, and so this area of Marin
3 County, none of these cities are split here, but this
4 area of Marin County, Sleepy Hollow, pretty much
5 everything West of San Rafael, and South, join San
6 Francisco.

7 In San Francisco, we kept together, West of Twin
8 Peaks. This is where we had the four, the outer Richmond
9 through Visitacion Valley, and the one neighborhood split
10 is in the other Sunset. This allowed the Daly City area
11 to be whole with all of South San Francisco, and going
12 down the 101 corridor --

13 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Okay.

14 MS. RAMOS ALON: -- which then, we couldn't fit all
15 of Redwood City in here, but Redwood City and its COIs in
16 Menlo Park, and East Palo Alto, and North Fairfield were
17 able to be kept together in the Santa Clara district,
18 which comes down from Pacifica, which allowed for
19 Cupertino, and Campbell, and -- sorry -- Saratoga and
20 Campbell to join the Santa Clara-Sunnyvale-Cupertino COI
21 that is here.

22 The San Jose COIs, as we mentioned before, are
23 maintained. The top head of San Jose was joined with the
24 Scalrey Tracy district, which allowed Fremont to be made
25 whole and kept with the rest of Eden. Eden is all whole

1 and together, with the exception of the division here in
2 San Leandro. Some COIs consider that Eden, some don't.
3 But that's there. We do have Albany with Oakland and
4 Berkeley in this visualization, on the West side. On the
5 East side, Pleasanton, part of Livermore and Dublin,
6 joined the 680 corridor going up Contra Costa. Albany is
7 the end of the OAKLAMORI district, which is also the
8 county line, which brings us back into Concord TR, which
9 picks up the Eastern part over here, instead of -- which
10 it had before and just didn't have Antioch, and maintains
11 its same split in Pleasant Hill.

12 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Tamina, thank you so much for
13 sharing that again. I think a nonstarter for me on this
14 is back at the bay point with Marin and all of those
15 pieces and the splitting of the COIs for LGBTQ in the San
16 Francisco area. I don't think those lineups felt like we
17 split through those as well. Thank you.

18 If you work backwards, this would be one that's a no
19 also.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Oh, I see. Yes. We could
21 do the -- shall I -- do we want to just go through -- is
22 there an option, like, sort of consensus on 1, 2, 4, 3,
23 2, 1, or -- actually, I'm sorry. Tamina, you did four
24 options. Was that in addition to, Commissioner
25 Fornaciari, what you first did?

1 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: So in my mind, option 0 --

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

3 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: -- is we move the 17,000
4 people we had to move through San Joaquin County into
5 ECA. So we needed to do that, so that's where this all
6 started.

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

8 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: And everything was
9 balanced, and we could move forward from there.

10 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

11 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Then these four options on
12 top of that were, if we want to add Antioch to NORTHCONT,
13 how do we -- how do we manage that?

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

15 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: So we could just start --
16 stay with option 0, and not try to move Antioch into
17 NORTHCONT, or further explore some of these options that
18 we've come up with.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right. Or as Commissioner Yee, and
20 then I said, another -- we'll go in to get North, or into
21 somewhere on the other side. Okay. So yes. So there's
22 sort of five options we have right now, unless you want
23 to -- well, six, because we can just go with the draft.
24 Well, no, you're right. We can't because we have to
25 bring the 17,000 out of it, regardless. Okay.

1 So Commissioner Sinay, you said -- so are you -- do
2 you have another thing you want to say, or we should I go
3 to Commissioner Toledo? Okay.

4 Commissioner Toledo?

5 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah. I just can't support
6 this map. I mean, it breaks up the coast. The LGBT
7 community and the Asian-American COIs in San Francisco
8 are broken up. And it's not so much the crossing the
9 Golden Gate Bridge as it is breaking up all the COIs in
10 non VRA areas, so. And then, of course, crossing county
11 borders and all that, so. Thank you.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

13 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: There may be -- one of the
14 other options may be viable --

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

16 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- at this point.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. So I think we are, like
18 Commissioner Turner mentioned, let's talk about -- unless
19 you are -- should we save that option 4 and eliminate
20 some of them? Going 4, 3, 2, 1?

21 Commissioner Yee? Or do you have something else to
22 say?

23 COMMISSIONER YEE: Two things. One is, weighing in
24 on option 3, I think that's a nonstarter. That's the one
25 that separates Richmond and Vallejo and joins Richmond

1 with only West Oakland. I don't think that gets us
2 enough to be worth that.

3 And then I would reiterate, I'd love to cook up an
4 option five that involves keeping Fairfield whole in its
5 county, as the county seat. I'd be happy to work on
6 that.

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, okay. Okay.

8 Commissioner Akutagawa?

9 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. Just one
10 clarification that I want to make about option 4, that I
11 don't like it. I want to make sure that there's this
12 understanding. I think the -- there's an Asian-American
13 COI in San Francisco, but I want to be clear that the COI
14 in East Palo Alto, North Fair Oaks, Belhaven, and Redwood
15 City, the term AAPI becomes a rather catchall phrase, but
16 in that particular area, it is not an Asian-American COI
17 per se, it's more of a native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander
18 COI. They have social determinants that are very similar
19 to African-American and Latino communities., and so
20 that's one of my great concerns about that.

21 And I want to just say this out loud now so that all
22 of the Commissioners also understand why I'm really
23 concerned about having them be in a place with, like,
24 Pacifica, and Palo Alto, and all of those. I mean, this
25 is what I meant by we're trading one vulnerable community

1 for another, and they're very small. And so again, it
2 goes back to if we can try to keep them in a place where
3 they're more likely to be -- especially like in that
4 greater SA, when there's that mix with the Filipino
5 community to the North of that, I think there's more of
6 an option for them to ensure that their needs will be at
7 least addressed. In a district like Palo Alto, they're
8 going to be completely ignored and completely
9 marginalized. So I just wanted to share that part about
10 that district and why I'm so opposed to option 4.

11 And I would support Commissioner Yee with this
12 option 5 if it comes up with something that we can all
13 agree upon, or at least be comfortable with. Thank you.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you.

15 Commissioner Turner?

16 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Nope. Let me find it on the
17 map first so I can give you your change this for that.
18 Thank you.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: All right. I had my hand in here.
20 I also don't like this one. On this one there are
21 multiple COIs broken up and other COIs put together that
22 specifically said they don't, like East Palo Alto, those
23 areas did not want to be with Palo Alto and the Stanford.
24 And as I see it, there's a lot of wealthy mixed with very
25 poor in multiple areas on this map.

1 And also, San Jose is cut six times in that one.
2 And that's just -- I had a problem with that. But that
3 was mine. And I would actually -- I kind of like the
4 idea of Commissioner Yee, but that's my personal, so.

5 Commissioner Toledo?

6 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I do like to look at other
7 options. Potentially, including Commissioner Yee's
8 option, although I'm not opposed to Fairfield -- I'm not
9 opposed to the original map, where we have Fairfield and
10 with Vallejo and the Contra Costa area. I think,
11 certainly, we've received some commentary that there are
12 populations that want to be -- that these communities are
13 very similar. As a former resident of Fairfield, I see
14 that connection as well. I see Fairfield being very
15 connected to Vallejo and some portions of especially
16 Richmond and other portions of the Contra Costa area.

17 I also see Commissioner Andersen's point about
18 Fairfield is the county seat. But just looking at
19 population, what we're really thinking about here is
20 people. The people, the COIs in Fairfield and that area
21 are very similar to the COI, the population, the
22 residents of Vallejo and Richmond and the Northern Contra
23 Costa area. So I'm not opposed to keeping Fairfield in
24 this NORTHCONT district. Might there be another option?
25 Maybe, and I look forward to seeing Commissioner Yee's

1 proposal.

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you. All right. I'm
3 hearing that -- I didn't hear anyone said, "I like this
4 one." I heard a couple of well, this would be -- I'm
5 sorry, Commissioner Sinay, you said out of the four you
6 did like the number 4. I thought everyone was a bit
7 like, well, well. So I am sort of inclined to like, why
8 don't we try option 5, or another option? Or does
9 someone like particular one and want to work with a
10 different other one?

11 Commissioner Fernandez?

12 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I like option 0. And --

13 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

14 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: -- so I want to make sure
15 I'm --

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

17 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: -- on the record for that.

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Option 0 is essentially leave it as
19 it is, and balance the population through?

20 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Well, option 0 is what
21 Commissioner Fornaciari and Commissioner Yee worked on to
22 balance the districts.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. Yes. So I'm sorry,
24 Commissioner, just to clarify. On that one, you did --
25 the 17,000 a bit of -- a bit of Fairfield was put into

1 Solano on that, or not? Option 0.

2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Bring that map back up,
3 Chair.

4 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, thank you very much.

5 And while Tamina is moving the map, Commissioner
6 Yee?

7 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yes. If we do go with option 0,
8 would we still need to move Albany back out, which means
9 splitting (indiscernible) and then rotating that
10 population through Contra Costa somewhere. It would do
11 nothing for the Tri-Valley?

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, I'm sorry, I thought that was
13 option 0.

14 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. Commissioner Yee, I
15 was considering that option 0, because I considered that
16 you had worked through the whole Bay Area and that 17,000
17 and you were done. You'd already moved Albany and that.
18 And then we moved the 17,000.

19 COMMISSIONER YEE: I see.

20 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: And that's where I
21 thought -- for me, that's what the options here, where
22 the baseline was. Then the question came up, what do we
23 do with Antioch?

24 COMMISSIONER YEE: Sure. Okay.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

1 COMMISSIONER YEE: Well, we'll get into that and get
2 that straight.

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. Thank you. Thank you very
4 much. I'm glad we're getting that clear.

5 So Tamina, this is our option 0, correct?

6 MS. RAMOS ALON: This is option 0.

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay. And so could we walk through
8 this one again, please? Now, I'm confused, but I keep on
9 thinking of the five different options here.

10 MS. RAMOS ALON: Sure. And they all are very
11 similar, so I'm happy to just explore what's going on in
12 these different areas.

13 So starting in NORTHCONT, we have this area
14 unchanged. This goes to Pittsburgh and does not include
15 Antioch, but this was the one that had the bubble, so we
16 were able to move that out. That's where this split came
17 from, which then caused an overpopulation in Concord TR,
18 and that pushed out population through Discovery Bay and
19 Byron. Discovery Bay and Byron then joined the San
20 Joaquin based district.

21 The San Joaquin based district then lost a corner
22 over here, Ripin, Escalon, Valley Home, and I believe
23 some of these areas as well, which gave it to ECA. And
24 ECA, as you know, is the large district on the East,
25 which then left you with the two options of whether you

1 wanted to feed that 17,000 into San Bernardino or into
2 California City.

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Great. Okay. Thank you very much,
4 Tamina.

5 Commissioner Fornaciari?

6 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yes? Did you have a
7 question for me?

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Your hand was up.

9 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Oh, it is? Oh.

10 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes.

11 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: I keep forgetting. Sorry.

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

13 Commissioner Turner?

14 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Chair, I'm wondering, the four
15 drafts that we just put up, it doesn't look like we're
16 going to move on those, but -- oh, Anthony's not here.
17 Do we need to post those since we've had discussion, so
18 that the community can weigh in on what we've talked
19 about? Are they already posted, or? Okay. Thank you.

20 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I actually did -- are they posted?

21 MS. RAMOS ALON: According to Anthony, they are
22 posted.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, okay. All right.

24 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yes, they're up. I just
25 saw them right now.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh, thank you very much. Okay.

2 Commissioner Turner, did you have a follow-up? No.

3 Commissioner Fernandez?

4 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Tamina, can you zoom in to
5 the Contra Costa -- now I can't remember what -- Contra
6 Costa area again?

7 So I'm wondering -- okay. I know the communities of
8 interest has to do with Pittsburgh and Antioch, which I
9 completely agree with. Is there any way to bring in
10 Pittsburgh to the Concord TR, and then possibly split
11 Concord in terms of the population difference, so then
12 you're only impacting those two districts?

13 MS. RAMOS ALON: Concord has a larger population
14 than Pittsburgh, so --

15 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Right.

16 MS. RAMOS ALON: -- (audio interference) while I do
17 that.

18 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Right. So there would be a
19 split. Sorry. It has to do more with -- I'm trying to
20 not split the smaller communities, and not that that's
21 fair to a big city, but I just feel, if you try to loop
22 everything around through Yolo, Sacramento and those
23 areas, you're talking about really small towns that
24 you're breaking up potentially. And so I'm trying to
25 keep it within the two districts that we have right now.

1 So that would be something that I think should be looked
2 into.

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

4 Commissioner Sinay?

5 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Just to be clear, the COI is
6 not just a point in Pittsburgh, it's Vallejo all the way
7 to Antioch. I mean, it's not just Pittsburgh and
8 Antioch. It's the whole working -- yeah -- the whole
9 bay -- that whole along the bay there, And --

10 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Right, but there's also
11 another COI that is Pittsburgh and Antioch. So they're
12 separate ones.

13 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah. I mean, you if those two
14 were together, that would be good, but if all of them are
15 all the way through, that would be awesome.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

17 Commissioner Fornaciari?

18 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: You know, one thing just
19 occurred to me, and I don't know if it's a satisfying
20 idea or not, but we could put all of Pleasant Hill in
21 Concord DR and put that population from Antioch into
22 NORTHCONT. It doesn't get us all the way there, even
23 close to all the way there, but gets us partway there.

24 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I put my hand in because I was
25 going to say that same thing. And there's also, I think

1 there's Pacheco and there's a little of Alhambra Valley.
2 Any population, I think, that we could put into the
3 Concord from the North Concord. I think I would rather
4 do that, and then try to -- then get all the extra out of
5 Antioch to try to get as much of Antioch as possible in
6 it. Yeah. So like all of Pleasanton, the Alhambra
7 Valley. I don't think there's any people under the
8 unincorporated, but if there were, grab those, and the
9 unincorporated area between Concord and Pittsburg, grab
10 that. Oh, it looks like a little bit of Concord. Yeah.
11 So any of that stuff, I would pull that into the Concord,
12 so we get as much as Antioch as possible.

13 Commissioner Toledo?

14 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I also would be open to
15 splitting Martinez, because Martinez is different than
16 many of these other communities when you look at who
17 lives Martinez. And so I would be open to splitting
18 Martinez, as well to get more of Antioch.

19 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Commissioner Fernandez?

20 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah. I mean, if we wanted
21 to go the opposite way, which is fine, that's what I was
22 going to recommend, too, was splitting Martinez. Thanks.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you.

24 Commissioner Akutagawa?

25 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Is Kensington also one that

1 could be moved out, or is it more similar to, like,
2 Richmond and -- I'm not familiar with --

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yeah, it is. And the thing is, you
4 can't get -- Kensington, El Cerrito, those are -- well,
5 Kensington in particular, you can't get there from --
6 you've got to out through El Cerrito or you have to go
7 through Berkeley. There isn't a -- you have to come down
8 and around and then go up through Oakland to get into
9 that whole area. So they're kind of -- they're sort of
10 together. And they're definitely considered -- they're
11 West of the hills, so it's hard for those to -- also,
12 completely different economic class.

13 Commissioner --

14 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Chair, also, if I can
15 correct myself on the on these iterations. I thought
16 that they were up, but they're not.

17 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh.

18 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: So just wanted to mention
19 it. I think we should probably try to get them up onto
20 the website.

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: We can certainly see -- okay. I
22 can certainly see if we want to have those up, and
23 they -- well, we did talk about them, certainly, so.

24 MS. RAMOS ALON: I'll be happy to look into that,
25 Chair.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you very much.

2 And Commissioner Sinay?

3 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Did we stop looking at
4 Martinez, or?

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Oh. Well, let's just see what --

6 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Oh, that is.

7 CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- (indiscernible, simultaneous
8 speech) here. Yeah.

9 COMMISSIONER SINAY: No. There is parts of Martinez
10 that are working class. Well, it's gentrified as well,
11 so it's gotten kind of difficult. But if we can just --
12 the closer we are to the water, leave that part, if
13 possible. I don't know where the split is in Martinez.

14 CHAIR ANDERSEN: It's hard because there's a lot of
15 Martinez which is very, very -- it's mountainous, but
16 it's sort of, it's very hilly, but it's actually quite
17 rural, so. And it's really not like -- it's like parts
18 of Eastern Contra Costa, but it's certainly not like the
19 areas right around it. So in terms of cutting Martinez,
20 I really, really want us to be extremely careful about
21 where we cut it.

22 COMMISSIONER YEE: And it is the county seat, too.

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right. So could we see, if we put
24 this into -- how much do we have, 24,000?

25 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah, it is.

1 CHAIR ANDERSEN: It's less than a quarter of
2 Antioch. Okay.

3 Well, other ideas we were -- do we want to --
4 that's, of course, keeping all of the -- is there any
5 parts of Solano we could put back with Solano? So then
6 we could easily grab Antioch. That's just so -- oh.
7 Yeah. No, we'd have to bring it out the other way,
8 wouldn't we? I mean, could you -- I'm trying to think of
9 a different -- another alternative.

10 Commissioner Akutagawa?

11 Commissioner Sinay?

12 Commissioner Yee?

13 COMMISSIONER YEE: I just want to mention, break is
14 in less than sixty seconds.

15 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. Less than sixty seconds. All
16 right. Well, so we have -- this is an idea. Do we want
17 to explore just cutting up cities until we can get
18 Antioch in? Do we want all of Antioch? There's a
19 question. I mean, the COI, is it all of Antioch?
20 Actually, come to think of it, I don't believe it is.
21 This one is actually one of the wealthy parts of Antioch.
22 There's a whole swimming pool area. That's an item we
23 could look up.

24 Commissioner Fornaciari?

25 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: There's a what? A

1 swimming pool area? What does that mean?

2 CHAIR ANDERSEN: There's a whole --

3 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Oh, area where homes have
4 swimming pools?

5 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, no, it's an entire, like
6 estates.

7 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Oh.

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: I don't believe it's gated, but --

9 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Oh, okay.

10 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Yes. It's --

11 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Well, I don't --

12 CHAIR ANDERSEN: -- it's not the working class, as
13 Commissioner Sinay's been saying.

14 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah. Certainly the South
15 is large, single family homes. And so before we go
16 haphazardly splitting Antioch, I'd want to make sure we
17 understood where --

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Right.

19 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: -- would be appropriate.
20 So part of the challenge here is, there really isn't much
21 population to grab near the edge here of Concord TR to
22 bring in to move Antioch out. And so that's --

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Correct.

24 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: -- our struggle.

25 CHAIR ANDERSEN: It is a struggle. All right.

1 At this point, it's just about time -- it's time for
2 us to go to break.

3 So could we -- worry -- I think we're working with
4 two different options here. Commissioner Yee would like
5 to work at -- that's his option 5. And if we could -- if
6 someone could actually look more into the COI in this
7 area to see what parts of towns or things we really want
8 to get so we could match the sections that we're talking
9 about so we're really -- we're not just sort of
10 arbitrarily grabbing an entire city here and cutting the
11 city there. Let's try to get the -- what areas we're
12 really looking to keep together.

13 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Chair Andersen, I can work
14 with Tamina on just making sure the splits in Martinez
15 and in Antioch and seeing if they're appropriate.

16 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you very much.

17 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you.

18 CHAIR ANDERSEN: And other tasks? Nope. I think
19 that's -- I think we need to go on break.

20 Any other items that we should address?

21 Commissioner Akutagawa?

22 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: One, I do like the new
23 redistricting term "swimming pool areas". Secondly, I
24 just wanted to let everybody know that we cleared up the
25 confusion. I think the versions that Commissioner

1 Fornaciari and Yee did, there was confusion, thinking
2 that that was the four options that we're talking about.
3 They're working on trying to get those four options up so
4 that, for all the Commissioners and all the public.
5 That's the message that I got --

6 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Great.

7 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- is that they're --

8 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Okay.

9 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: -- working on it to get it
10 up.

11 CHAIR ANDERSEN: And yeah. Marcy would be happy to
12 help out with that. Okay. Thank you very much,
13 everyone. We'll go on break, and we'll come back --
14 let's see -- at let's say 8:05. Thank you very much.

15 MR. MANOFF: Thank you so much, Chair. We are on
16 break until 8:05.

17 We would also like to welcome the members of the
18 public who have called in to give public input. We see
19 your calls. We see your raised hands. As a reminder, if
20 you've called in to give public input, and you --

21 (Whereupon, a recess was held from 7:48 p.m.
22 until 8:04 p.m.)

23 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Welcome back to the California
24 Citizens Redistricting Commission meeting. We've just
25 sort of wrapped up our line drawing events for the day.

1 And I want to say we're just about to go into public
2 comment right now.

3 So to the line drawers, I want to thank you very
4 much for all your work today, and also for all the
5 assignments that we've asked you to do between today and
6 tomorrow, because the public should know how much our
7 line drawers are working. When they're not on here,
8 they're also working. And that sometimes means late into
9 the night, early in the morning. So I think the whole
10 state should really appreciate them. And I'm going to
11 appreciate -- so thank you and congratulations to a job
12 well done for all of the people who been working with us,
13 including the public. Thank you very much for all your
14 participation.

15 At this time, I'd like to have Katy or Kristian read
16 the instructions for the public to come on in. We'd love
17 to hear them.

18 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much, Chair.

19 To all of those that have called in, if you have not
20 chose to, please press star nine to raise your hand
21 indicating your wish to give comment. Our comment time
22 this evening will be two minutes -- one minute and thirty
23 seconds. I apologize for that. And you will be
24 receiving a verbal warning at thirty seconds and fifteen
25 seconds remaining.

1 Right now, we'll be going to caller 2948. And up
2 next after that will be caller 2588.

3 Caller 2948, if you'll please follow the prompts to
4 unmute.

5 And again, for those in the queue, please be alert.
6 We are in public comment time. Please be alert for when
7 it is your turn to speak.

8 Caller 2948, if you will please follow the prompts
9 to unmute by pressing star six.

10 Caller 2948, you appear to be having some type of
11 connectivity issues at the moment. I will come back to
12 you.

13 Caller 5958. Up next after that will be caller
14 1043.

15 Caller 5959, please follow the prompts to unmute.
16 The floor is yours.

17 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Good afternoon,
18 Commissioners. Hello, I'm Jane (ph.) from Long Beach,
19 and I just want to remind the Commission about the large
20 LGBTQ plus community that stretches from downtown Long
21 Beach to Belmont Shore on the Orange County border. This
22 is really important because while I support keeping the
23 ports separate, more important to me is that if you
24 combine the ports, which sit in downtown Long Beach, you
25 are breaking up the historic LGBTQ plus community.

1 Please do not do this and support us.

2 The Equality California LGBTQ heat maps show the
3 community density. Please look that up and do not
4 remove -- do not remove downtown or the port from the
5 greater Long Beach gay community. Thank you, and good
6 night.

7 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

8 And right now, we'll have caller 1043. And up next
9 after that will be caller 2927.

10 Caller 1043, if you'll please follow the prompts to
11 unmute. The floor is yours.

12 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello, Commissioner. First,
13 I would like to thank Commissioner Andersen to your
14 comment to protect Little Saigon. (Audio interference),
15 and I'm grateful to hear your comments. The comment of
16 our Little Saigon areas and removing Stanton and putting
17 a portion of North Garfield Avenue in Huntington Beach is
18 there -- is almost there. Why are we advocate for months
19 to ask you to add North Garfield Avenue in Huntington
20 Beach with Little Saigon. We were asking for the entire
21 portion of North Garfield Avenue in Huntington Beach, and
22 not asking just for a portion of it. Please, add all of
23 North Garfield Avenue to Seapoint Street of Huntington
24 Beach 2GGW part of Little Saigon community of interest.
25 Please don't stop at the Beach Boulevard. This will

1 finish Little Saigon, and we will be forever grateful --

2 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

3 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- for you to give us the
4 Assembly district we want for our community for the next
5 decade. Thank you very much. God bless Little Saigon
6 and bless our Commissioner. Good night.

7 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

8 And right now, we will have caller 2927. And up
9 next after that will be caller 2922.

10 Caller 2927, if you'll please follow the prompts to
11 unmute. And one more time. Caller 2927, if you'll
12 please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star six.
13 Caller 2927, you appear to be having some type of
14 connectivity issues at the moment. I will have to come
15 back to you.

16 And right now, we'll be going to caller 2922. And
17 up next after that will be call in user 1.

18 Caller 2922, if you'll please follow the prompts
19 unmute

20 And again, for those in the queue, please be alert
21 for when it is your opportunity to speak.

22 Caller 2922, if you'll please follow the prompts to
23 unmute by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

24 MS. WEISSMAN: Good evening, Commissioners. My name
25 is Sharon Weissman, and I'm the vice president of the

1 Long Beach Board of Harbor Commissioners. I believe you
2 received a letter from our executive director this
3 morning asking for strong Congressional representation.
4 I would just like to highlight a few key points.

5 Please ensure two Congressional representatives for
6 this region, one for each port. The ports of Long Beach
7 and Los Angeles are two separate entities. We need two
8 representatives for this region. And one of the reasons
9 for that is to continue making progress while getting our
10 fair share of federal funding for supply chain projects
11 in this region. We move forty percent of the nation's
12 imports to every Congressional district in America.
13 Please ensure California has two representatives for this
14 region. As someone who works on important issues every
15 day, please trust me. The port workers, the truck
16 drivers, the terminal operators, we all lean on both
17 members of Congress. I thank you for your time and your
18 hard work. Good evening.

19 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

20 And right now, we will have call in user 1. And up
21 next after that, will be caller 4361.

22 Call in user 1, if you'll please follow the prompts
23 to unmute. Call in user 1, they do not have the last
24 four digits of your phone number. If you'll please
25 follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star six.

1 If you're calling in with a blocked phone number
2 from an office line, I do apologize, you appear to have
3 some type of connectivity issues at the moment, and I
4 will try to come back to you.

5 And right now, we will have caller 4361. And up
6 next after that will be caller 6590.

7 Caller 4361, please follow the prompts to unmute.
8 The floor is yours.

9 MS. ROSSI: Hi. Good evening, Commissioners. My
10 name is Deedee Rossi (ph.). I've been a Long Beach
11 resident for many years and retired after an incredible
12 career in athletics at Cal State Long Beach. I also
13 served as the executive director for the Belmont Shore
14 Parking and Business Improvement District, and the Long
15 Beach Airport Commissioner. Needless to say, I am very
16 involved and care deeply about my community.

17 As you know, our city has been dealing with a
18 congestion crisis at our port for months now, and our
19 Congressional representation has been more important than
20 ever. As you have likely seen covered in the news, both
21 ports each having their own Congressional representative
22 has been extremely important in tackling this crisis.
23 Not just because the impact the backlog has on our supply
24 chain, but also because the backlog impact on our
25 environment. I've seen and heard several potential

1 options for our area over the last day. One of them
2 being to cut the LA-Long Beach Port representation in
3 half. Please keep Long Beach --

4 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

5 MS. ROSSI: -- as together as possible in your
6 Congressional maps, as you have done your best to achieve
7 thus far. And please, do not move our port into a
8 district with our sister port.

9 Leaving the map in the iteration posted this morning
10 is completely --

11 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

12 MS. ROSSI: -- fine with me, but as long as you keep
13 the ports separate. Thank you. Have a good evening.

14 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

15 And right now, we will have caller 6590. And up
16 next after that will be caller 7672.

17 Caller 6590, if you will please follow the prompts
18 to unmute.

19 MS. SHANNON: Hello?

20 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: The floor is yours.

21 MS. SHANNON: Good evening, Commissioners. This is
22 Shannon Shannon with the Greater High Desert Chamber of
23 Commerce. I'm the chair of our legislative affairs
24 committee that works with governments at all levels to
25 address the need of our local businesses and community.

1 We feel very strongly that you should respect the county
2 boundary between us and Los Angeles. We have a history
3 of our community being treated as a redheaded stepchild
4 by Los Angeles, and putting us into a district with them
5 would mean our representatives would have not only
6 different, but conflicting interests, and interests in
7 addressing issues like education, transportation, and
8 public safety. Please work to keep our San Bernardino
9 County High Desert separate from LA County, and with
10 other rural communities near us that we can work
11 collaboratively with to address the needs of our
12 community. These maps make us feel like you are not
13 listening, and I ask you to please hear us. Thank you.

14 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
15 right now, we have caller 7672. And up next after that
16 will be caller 2153.

17 Caller 7672, if you will please follow the prompts
18 to unmute. The floor is yours.

19 MR. FUNG: Good evening, Commissioners. My name is
20 Henry Fung (ph.). I want to thank all you guys for
21 spending all this time on redistricting. I just want to
22 remind the Commissioners of the need to put Cal Poly
23 Pomona and Pomona in the same district, as a Cal Poly
24 Pomona graduate, and I very much support the university.
25 And it is in the same district in the Assembly, but

1 according to the draft that I saw while I was watching
2 the meeting yesterday, I don't -- and today -- I didn't
3 see Cal Poly Pomona and Pomona in the same district in
4 the Congress. So it needs to be in the same district
5 Congressionally, and it also needs to be in the same
6 district in the Senate.

7 And there is a small portion, just as a reminder,
8 there is a small portion of unincorporated Los Angeles
9 County that comprises the Cal Poly Pomona campus. The
10 Cal Poly Pomona campus is split between the city and the
11 unincorporated area, and they need to be connected.

12 And I just want to also elevate the Commissioner
13 Sinay's concerns about the call in -- of people calling
14 in, having to call in before 6:00 p.m.

15 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

16 MR. FUNG: That is not acceptable. And we need to
17 allow call ins until the public comment period begins at
18 8:00 p.m., or whenever the public comment period begins.
19 So I very much appreciate Commissioners Sinay elevating
20 those comments. I thank you so much.

21 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

22 MR. FUNG: And I hope that those changes can be
23 made. Thank you.

24 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

25 And right now we have caller 2153. And up next

1 after that will be caller 8209.

2 Caller 2153, if you'll please follow the prompts to
3 unmute. The floor is yours.

4 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you. I appreciate the
5 hard work that the Commission has been doing, and I'd
6 like to look at the San Gabriel Valley of Los Angeles
7 County for the Congressional districts. I have served on
8 a city redistricting Commission, and currently serving on
9 a school district redistricting Commission, and live in
10 Pasadena.

11 For CD 210, I would strongly urge that you return to
12 the foothills configuration of the draft maps from the
13 week of November 7th. The pandemic has reinforced the
14 importance of access to public open space, and the San
15 Gabriel Valley -- San Gabriel Mountains supply seventy
16 percent of our public open space in Los Angeles County
17 with 2.5 million visitors. I would urge that you keep
18 the foothill communities to the South of the San Gabriel
19 Mountains together as a community of interest, and keep
20 them connected to the mountains. A legislator for this
21 area can consider the recreational needs, management of
22 forest, fire prevention, wildlife watersheds --

23 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

24 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- and their constituents in
25 mind. So I would urge that you, for CD 210, go back to

1 the November 7th configuration. Thank you so much.

2 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

3 And right now, we will have caller 8209. And up
4 next after that will be caller 9216.

5 Caller 8209, if you will please follow the prompts
6 to unmute. And one more time, caller 8209, if you will
7 please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star six.

8 Caller 8209, appears to be some type of connectivity
9 issue for you. I will be coming back around to these re-
10 tries shortly. Just trying to give everybody an
11 opportunity, either to get back to their phone or get
12 different reception.

13 And right now, we'll be going to caller 9216. And
14 up next after that will be caller 5777.

15 Caller 9216, if you will please follow the prompts
16 to unmute. The floor is yours.

17 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes, hi. I appreciate all
18 the work -- hard work that the Commissioner is doing
19 right now. I heard that a group of a students from
20 (indiscernible) call in last night and make some sort of
21 statement against Little Saigon and Huntington Beach.
22 I'm a Vietnamese American and live in Huntington Beach.
23 How am I racist against myself? If the people that I've
24 (indiscernible) as described by the (indiscernible), I
25 would have moved already. The people in Huntington Beach

1 are great and friendly people. I live in Huntington
2 Beach for over ten years, and more and more Vietnamese
3 American have moved here. Housing prices and everything
4 in Westminster -- to Westminster and Fountain Valley are
5 roughly around 700,000. Huntington Harbor alone has over
6 forty percent Vietnamese American resident living there.

7 I'm asking you to listen to the hundreds of callers,
8 emails, and COIs that have been submitted for months, and
9 not just a few organized groups who have their own
10 agenda.

11 MR. MANOFF: 30 seconds.

12 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Assembly put North Garfield
13 Street all the way to Seapoint Street in Huntington
14 Beach. We need Stanton and East Garden Grove at Euclid
15 Street. Congressional --

16 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen --

17 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- at Huntington Beach and
18 Seal Beach. Keep Little Saigon together and allow the
19 growth for the next decade. Thank you so much, and thank
20 you for all your hard work, Commissioners. Good night.

21 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

22 And right now, we will have caller 5777. And up
23 next after that will be caller 2931.

24 Caller 5777, if you will please follow the prompts
25 to unmute. And one more time, caller 5777, if you please

1 follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star six.

2 And caller 5777, I do have you down as a retry.

3 And caller 2931. And up next after that will be
4 caller 3192.

5 Caller 2931, please follow the prompts to unmute.
6 The floor is yours.

7 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Dear Commissioners, thanks --
8 thanks, Commissioner Akutagawa, for waiting, created the
9 coastal district in Orange County. You can still do
10 this, and make Little Saigon whole by putting the inland
11 park up on North Garfield Avenue in Huntington Beach and
12 (indiscernible) Park will be included in (indiscernible)
13 Park where it belongs. This is satisfies the
14 (indiscernible) of this area and the Little Saigon
15 community. The Inland Park of Huntington Beach, that's
16 on Garfield to Seaport Street (sic) needs to be with
17 Little Saigon, because the majority of Asian population
18 in Huntington Beach live in the North of Garfield Street
19 then stop at Beach Boulevard. Little Saigon is asking
20 you to please listen to our voice and do the right thing.
21 Thank you, and have a good evening. Bye-bye.

22 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

23 And right now, we will have caller 3192. And up
24 next after that will be caller 8037.

25 Caller 3192, please follow the prompts to unmute.

1 And one more time, caller with the last four digits 3192,
2 if you will, please follow the prompts to unmute by
3 pressing star six. And caller 3192, we have you on the
4 retry list.

5 Caller 8037. And up next after that will be caller
6 8549.

7 Caller 8037, please follow the prompts to unmute.

8 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi, can you hear me?

9 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can. The floor
10 is yours.

11 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi. I've watched the process
12 from the start, and it's been exhausting, but after last
13 night, I was actually believing in it. I watched as the
14 Commission thoughtfully considered testimony, weighed the
15 benefits, and acknowledged not everyone would be happy.
16 It was a high-level, focused discussion.

17 Today was the opposite. The Commission hastily
18 reverted every thoughtful decision they made and ruined
19 fair Orange County that's built on months of COI
20 testimony. I'm not sure if it was because two democrat
21 callers called you racist or because you forgot the many
22 months of calls. I'm just so confused because you had
23 fair maps. Please reverse your course. We know the
24 populations even out. So bring Orange County back to
25 where you were Wednesday night. Thank you.

1 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

2 And right now, we will have caller 8549. And up
3 next after that will be caller 4201.

4 Caller 8549, please follow the prompts to unmute.

5 And one more time, caller 8549, the floor is yours.

6 MS. RUSSO: Yes. Thank you for taking my call. I'm
7 from Canyon Country. My name is Kimberly Russo (ph.),
8 and I wanted to voice my concerns over the map change in
9 District 25. And a pressing issue why Simi Valley and
10 Santa Clarita should be together.

11 There's no logical reason for a change, and the map
12 change would be a considerable one. And it would not be
13 a representative one for sure. First, Simi Valley and
14 Santa Clarita have a population that includes a majority
15 of working-class people in LA County, not the super-rich
16 of Agoura. So we must stay together on this map.

17 And two, Simi, Santa Clarita, and Antelope Valley
18 are homes to people in the aerospace industry, a major
19 economic engine that is a community and many are homes to
20 people who work in LA, such as firefighters, police, and
21 teachers. And so there is definitely a working community
22 here.

23 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

24 MS. RUSSO: And it works and has worked well.

25 Three, when it comes to population, San Fernando

1 Valley is part of LA, which is the largest city in the
2 U.S. And Santa Clarita and --

3 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

4 MS. RUSSO: -- Simi Valley are outside of LA. And I
5 don't think a representative can represent -- merge with
6 San Fernando in such a massive valley. There's --

7 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

8 And right now, we will have caller 4201. And up
9 next after that will be caller 5184.

10 Caller 4201, please follow the prompts to unmute.
11 The floor is yours.

12 MR. WALDMAN: Thank you, Commissioners. Stewart
13 Waldman, from VICA. I want to thank you. I really would
14 like to complain about the maps in the San Fernando
15 Valley, but I can't. I know how hard it is to -- with
16 districts this size and with the deviations, and I
17 appreciate the -- all that you've done for the San
18 Fernando Valley Districts. You listened. We asked for
19 some changes. You made them.

20 Obviously, it's not perfect and how could they be
21 with all the problems, trying to put everything together.
22 But we want to thank you for listening and we're okay.
23 Don't change them, just change everything else on other
24 places, but don't touch the Valley -- the San Fernando
25 Valley. So thank you.

1 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

2 And right now, we have caller 5184. And up next
3 after that will be called 3580.

4 Caller 5184, if you'll please follow the prompts to
5 unmute. The floor is yours.

6 MS. SELTZER: Hi, Commissioners. Chris Seltzer
7 (ph.) from Mammoth Lakes. I just want to say that I've
8 been watching as you have gone to great, painstaking
9 lengths to protect communities. Your tenacity and
10 commitment are truly impressive. I just want to point
11 out that when you addressed BCA earlier, not a single
12 Commissioner mentioned our community, whether its Mono
13 County or neighbor Alpine County. Those counties weren't
14 even mentioned at all. It's like we don't exist. You
15 did briefly Zoom in on Inyo to show how you're going to
16 split it, and there's no mention that the Eastern
17 (indiscernible) want community.

18 Many people who work in Mammoth Lakes live in Bishop
19 and now they won't be in the same district. Our
20 environmental groups (indiscernible) here work as one to
21 protect our wilderness areas and our federal and
22 indigenous land. I know you care deeply about leaving
23 vulnerable communities with no voice, but the current
24 configuration does just that to us. We know our
25 populations are small. All three counties together are

1 33,415 people. Please try and keep us together. I'm
2 imploring to please give Alpine, Mono, and Inyo the same
3 painstaking care as the rest of the state.

4 And finally, just to remind you that --

5 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

6 MS. SELTZER: -- if you proceed with connecting Mono
7 County to Modesto, you create a situation where we will
8 have to drive through multiple other Congressional
9 districts to visit our Congressperson. No one can say
10 that is acceptable. So please hear us. Please go back
11 to back to VCD --

12 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

13 MR. SELTZER: -- ECA and (indiscernible). Thank
14 you.

15 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

16 And right now, we will have called 3580. And up
17 next after that will be called 4125.

18 Caller 3580, if you will please follow the prompts
19 to unmute. The floor is yours.

20 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi. Yes. I just want to
21 thank you all for the all work that you've done. I
22 really do appreciate it and know so many of us do with
23 all your conflicting interests that you have to deal
24 with.

25 I'd like to reiterate that Simi Valley should please

1 stay with Santa Clarita and Antelope Valley. These are
2 working-class families and, as we stated beforehand, Simi
3 Valley is at the end of the Ventura County and Santa
4 Clarita is at the end of the Los Angeles County. And if
5 they're actually changed, then we will not get the fair
6 representation.

7 And then I know that some of the prior maps have
8 actually made Simi Valley be part with, you know, Agoura
9 and Calabasas with the uber rich. And we know that our
10 rights will not be actually listened to if they actually
11 are going to be moved with the uber rich, like the
12 Kardashians in Calabasas. And, you know, we're working-
13 class families that have many, many shared interests that
14 we have. We share the same forests, the same --

15 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

16 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- power. And I just wanted
17 to say, please keep Simi Valley with Santa Clarita.
18 Thank you so very much, and I wish each of you very happy
19 holidays. Merry Christmas. And hope that you're able to
20 enjoy them with your families and friends. Thank you so
21 much for this time. We do appreciate it.

22 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

23 And right now, we will have caller 4125. And up
24 next after that, will be caller 3311.

25 Caller 4125, please follow the prompts to unmute.

1 The floor is yours.

2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi, Commissioners. I just
3 want to thank you all for your hard work throughout this
4 process. You got the three Congressional districts for
5 the San Fernando Valley right, and I just wanted to
6 encourage you not to change them. Don't let those with
7 the political axe to grind cause you to change them. You
8 listened to the Valley, you drew districts that address
9 our most important concerns.

10 I thank you especially for keeping my area in the
11 North Valley together with Grenada Hills, Chatsworth, and
12 West Hills. The Porter Ranch natural gas blow out was
13 the biggest natural gas leak in the history of America
14 and affected not only Porter Ranch, but Grenada Hills,
15 Chatsworth, and the West Hills. And we need to push a
16 Congressman to enforce the EPA to strictly enforce
17 natural gas storage safety regulations today, and then
18 shut down the facility soon.

19 Thank you again for all your work. Have a great
20 night.

21 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

22 And right now, we have caller 3311. And up next
23 after that will be caller 4258.

24 Caller 3311, please follow the prompts to unmute.
25 The floor is yours.

1 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Good evening. My name
2 is Gene (ph.). I'm calling today to point out a few
3 mistakes you've made in Orange County. Irvine and the
4 Coastal District should never have been grouped together.
5 There was never any testimony behind this. Everyone
6 knows this. Completely partisan politics.

7 Rather, I believe Newport Beach and Huntington Beach
8 should have been kept together, as there has been
9 significant public testimony for this. I am a resident
10 of Laguna Niguel, which is in Orange County. I am
11 dumbfounded as to why you placed us in San Diego County.
12 We have absolutely nothing in common with San Diego
13 County. I find it ridiculous to be drawn in with cities
14 such as Oceanside.

15 Please fix this. It's not too late. Follow the
16 desires of the general public and not paid Democratic
17 operatives.

18 I have one question for you guys as I leave. If you
19 lived in Laguna Niguel, who would you want representing
20 you? Someone down in San Diego or someone in Orange
21 County?

22 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

23 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Who would have your best
24 interest? Thank you.

25 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

1 And right now, we will have caller 4258. And up
2 next after that will be caller 3338.

3 Caller 4258, please follow the prompts to unmute.
4 And one more time, caller with the last four digits 42,
5 the floor is yours.

6 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you. Good evening,
7 Commissioners. Getting a little hung up on those
8 buttons. I appreciate the hard work you're doing. It's
9 been a challenge. I'm concerned about the Simi Valley
10 not part of the Santa Clarita and Simi Valley anymore.
11 My friends that are dealing with the fires and the power
12 shut off issues. And I'm concerned that including Sylmar
13 and other parts of the San Fernando Valley with Santa
14 Clarita would dilute a representation on those issues.

15 Also, I think Simi Valley would be a better match to
16 go to align with us in the Antelope Valley because
17 there's more of -- it's got more of a working-class feel
18 compared to Del Mar and the San Fernando Valley, which is
19 really part of Los Angeles Metro, different character to
20 that, which I think some of the prior callers mentioned.

21 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

22 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: So I think Simi Valley would
23 be a benefit to align with Santa Clarita and the Antelope
24 Valley. Thanks for very good work. Good night.

25 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: And right now, we have

1 caller 3338. And up next, after that will be caller
2 7175.

3 Caller 3338, please follow the prompts to unmute.
4 The floor is yours.

5 MR. FORSYTH: Good evening, Commissioners. My name
6 is Mike Forsyth (ph.). I want to speak to what I feel is
7 the primary concern of the Commission, which is to assure
8 districts serve competitive democracy and represent the
9 character and common interests of district residents. So
10 we're back to the Simi Valley thing and Santa Clarita.
11 Simi Valley and Santa Clarita, they share -- closely
12 share key demographics. They should be together. Both
13 share a large population of working class, including
14 first responders and public servants of Los Angeles.
15 This contrasts with the wealthy communities of Calabasas
16 and Agoura Hills, where Simi Valley would otherwise be
17 located.

18 The aerospace industry is another convergence of
19 interests among Simi Valley, Antelope Valley, and Santa
20 Clarita. Many residents of these communities are
21 employed in aerospace. Please give due consideration to
22 the shared and unique interests -- shared and unique
23 interests of the growing communities in Simi Valley,
24 Santa Clarita, and Antelope Valley. We deserve to have
25 our interests represented.

1 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

2 MR. FORSYTH: Thank you very much.

3 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
4 right now we have caller 7175. And up next after that
5 will be caller 3841.

6 Caller 7175, please follow the prompts to unmute.
7 The floor is yours.

8 MR. PAYNE: Thank you. Good evening, Commissioners.
9 My name is Jeremy Payne (ph.), calling on behalf of
10 Equality California. Regarding the Bay Area options that
11 were presented today, I would like to thank Commissioners
12 Turner, Toledo, and Akutagawa for opposing option 4,
13 which would have left the LGBTQ+ plus community of
14 interest in San Francisco by removing densely LGBTQ+
15 neighborhoods like (indiscernible) Twin Peaks.

16 I would also like to speak on the Long Beach region
17 and reiterate our support for Commissioners Sadhwani,
18 Toledo, Akutagawa, and Sinay's proposal of a Long Beach,
19 Signal Hill, Seal Beach, Huntington Beach, Coastal
20 District that would better unite the LGBTQ+ community and
21 coastal communities with environmental interests. A
22 configuration that would also strengthen Latino VRA
23 districts in the gateway cities and strengthen API
24 opportunity in Little Saigon.

25 We also want to echo the overwhelming testimony to

1 not combine the ports of San Pedro and Long Beach,
2 particularly because the LGBTQ+ community of Long Beach
3 extends from downtown Long Beach, where the Long Beach
4 port is located to Belmont Shore. And unnecessary merge
5 of the Long Beach --

6 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

7 MR. PAYNE: -- and Los Angeles ports may jeopardize
8 unification of our LGBTQ+ community in greater Long
9 Beach.

10 Thank you for your careful attention to our
11 communities of interest. And we hope that you continue
12 to oppose districts that break up the LGBTQ+ community
13 where possible. Thank you, and have a good evening.

14 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
15 right now, we will have caller 3841. And up next, after
16 that will be caller 7803.

17 Caller 3841, please follow the prompts to unmute.

18 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello. Can you hear me?

19 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can. The floor
20 is yours.

21 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Dear redistricting Commission
22 members, I really appreciate the work that you've done
23 through this long process. I'm the former transponding
24 board member of Silicon Valley Clean Energy and former
25 chair of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District, as

1 well as the former mayor of Cupertino. And I happen to
2 be president of the Rotary Club in my town this year, but
3 I'm speaking on my own behalf.

4 The map that you've created that rings the cities of
5 the South Bay, called Greater ED in your draft, that
6 includes cities including Cupertino at the South end of
7 the San Francisco Bay does a very good job, I believe, in
8 retaining a nexus in cities that share common
9 infrastructure. And that's infrastructure that will be
10 inundated by sea level rise.

11 If, you know, it's going to take a major lift from
12 our Congressional representative to deal with the fact
13 that those plants are going to be inundated in perhaps as
14 soon as ten years. Wastewater treatment so that we can
15 recycle and become --

16 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

17 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- less dependent on water
18 imports is going to be super important. So then, in
19 short, I just thank you for the draft map and urge you to
20 leave it as you do final adoption. Thank you so much and
21 thank you for all your work.

22 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
23 right now, we have caller 7803. And up next after that
24 will be caller 1339.

25 Caller 7803, please follow the prompts to unmute.

1 The floor is yours.

2 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Thank you very much.
3 My name is Georgianne (ph.), and I'm calling from -- I'm
4 calling in regards to Simi Valley and Santa Clarita and
5 why should they be kept together? Simi Valley has
6 nothing in common with the super-rich cities of Agoura
7 Hills and Calabasas. We are working-class city like
8 Santa Clarita. Please bring us back together with Santa
9 Clarita on the Congressional map.

10 Simi Valley, Santa Clarita, and the Antelope Valley
11 are home for the workers in the aerospace industry, a
12 major economic engine in the area. Simi Valley and Santa
13 Clarita are both bedroom communities for people that work
14 in Los Angeles, particularly public sector workers like
15 law enforcement, firefighters, and teachers. The Simi
16 Valley portion of Ventura County and the Antelope Valley
17 are better fit to include with Santa Clarita --

18 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

19 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: -- rather than the San
20 Fernando Valley. The San Fernando Valley is part of the
21 second biggest city in the United States, Los Angeles.
22 Simi Valley and Santa Clarita are both small suburban
23 towns outside of Los Angeles --

24 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

25 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: -- so a representative

1 cannot properly represent a merged district if they are
2 that different. Thank you very much.

3 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
4 right now we have caller 1339. And up next after that
5 will be caller 4218.

6 Caller 1339, please follow the prompts to unmute.
7 The floor is yours.

8 MS. THROWER- CONYERS: Good evening, Commissioners.
9 My name is Tracy Thrower-Conyers (ph.), and I spent most
10 of the day with you and completely understand the
11 enormity of your responsibility and appreciate what
12 you're doing. I'm calling tonight about the
13 Congressional map for the Los Angeles area with LAX in
14 it. I think that's STHLA5. I have a small, simple
15 request. This is the area that one panelist this
16 afternoon called the gray area above LAX and asked if
17 there was any population.

18 I'm speaking as a resident of the area. The area
19 may not look that dense because it's primarily single
20 family homes. The boundary line on the Northwest corner
21 currently bisects a 3,400-member homeowners association
22 in the neighborhood known as Kentwood and bisects the
23 larger Los Angeles community of Westchester. I'm asking
24 you to keep the HOA and Westchester together and bring
25 them in with our sister cities in the Shoreline District.

1 This would involve drawing the boundary to include all of
2 the ZIP code 90045 in the Shoreline District.

3 I think this is a minor population change and may
4 help your Torrance --

5 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

6 MS. THROWER- CONYERS: -- quandary to a limited
7 extent, too, if I understand that suggestion correctly,
8 to mean that you want to move Torrance out of shoreline.
9 Thank you and good night.

10 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

11 And right now, we have caller 4218. And up next
12 after that will be caller 9819.

13 Caller 4218, please follow the prompts to unmute.
14 And one more time, caller with the last four digits,
15 4218, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute by
16 pressing star six.

17 I do apologize, caller 4218, appears to be some type
18 of connectivity issue for you at the moment. I will come
19 back to you.

20 And right now, we have caller 9819. Up next after
21 that will be caller 7039.

22 Caller 9819, please follow the prompts to unmute.
23 And caller with the last four digits, 9819, if you'll
24 please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star six.
25 And we will come back to you.

1 Caller 7039, if you will please follow the prompts
2 to unmute. And up next after that we caller 1327.

3 Caller 7039, please follow the prompts to unmute.
4 The floor is yours.

5 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello, Commissioners. There
6 have been over 500 submissions in the last two months
7 asking for a coastal district on top of a petition that
8 has been signed by over 1,000 people, and not one of
9 these requests include Irvine with that district.

10 We want a real coastal district that can fight
11 against climate change, counteract oil spills, and
12 protect our beaches. Irvine is and never was a part of
13 our coast. I certainly hope it is not included now
14 because of political reasons. We have to consider our
15 maps and rectify the political influence that has
16 happened tonight. We have had 5 resolutions passed, over
17 200 calls and over 500 emails asking for an actual
18 coastal district. None of this has happened. It's not
19 too late to disengage from the liberal activist groups
20 and make a district that the public actually wants.
21 Thank you.

22 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

23 And right now, we will go on to caller 1327. And up
24 next after that we will try call-in user 1.

25 Caller 1327, if you'll please follow the prompts to

1 unmute. Caller with the last four digits, 1327, please
2 follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star six. The
3 floor is yours.

4 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening. I live in
5 Santa Clarita and appreciate the opportunity to express
6 my concern about separating the suburbs of Santa Clarita
7 Valley from Simi Valley on the 25th District map, and
8 grouping Santa Clarita with San Fernando Valley, which is
9 part of the City of Los Angeles.

10 Both Santa Clarita and Simi are similar. They're
11 situated beside hills and a national forest and are prone
12 to devastating wildfires that sweep through the mountain
13 ranges. San Fernando Valley uses the Department of Water
14 and Power, while Santa Clarita and Simi Valley use
15 Southern California Edison for electricity and have to
16 endure Edison's public safety power shut off, which for
17 the residents means no lights. They can't charge cell
18 phones. They can't watch TV for safety announcements.
19 Students can't attend classes online. People can't
20 conduct business. And for those who depend on wells,
21 there's no water. They can't even douse the fire. Some
22 have turned to generators during these devastating shut
23 offs, but generators are blamed for starting fires or
24 exploding if they catch fire. After the Tick Fire --

25 MR. MANOFF: Twenty seconds.

1 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- burned through our
2 neighborhoods, burned it to a crisp during the power shut
3 off, I turned to our representatives for help. They
4 should be able to focus to regulate and prevent --

5 MR. MANOFF: Ten seconds.

6 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- power shut off. They
7 can't afford to get entangled with different departments
8 when shaping public policy. Please keep Santa Clarita
9 and Simi Valley grouped together. Thank you.

10 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. Right
11 now, we will retry call-in user 1. And then up next
12 after that will be caller 3241.

13 Call-in user 1, please follow the prompts to unmute.
14 The floor is yours.

15 MR. MUNSON: Thank you very much. I didn't realize
16 that I was user 1. My name is John Munson (ph.). I
17 represent Nature for All. And I'd specifically like to
18 thank Commissioner Ray Kennedy and the rest of the
19 Commission for your willingness to extend the boundaries
20 of SFV and GLENN2BA North so they can include national
21 forest land, as do their counterparts, the 29th and 28th
22 Districts right now.

23 I have updated our recommendations and the maps for
24 them today based on the new districts that were drawn
25 yesterday, and I submitted that. It might be helpful for

1 your line drawing team to be able to see that. These
2 changes will empower the Congressional representatives of
3 those two districts to represent the Foothill community
4 constituents and the diverse communities South of the
5 Foothill Cities community of interest on public lands
6 issues. These improvements put more communities in the
7 Foothill Cities community of interest in Congressional
8 districts and public lands, like Tujunga and Pacoima.

9 These changes are very important, even though they
10 do not alter your district numbers. Members of Congress
11 who do not have public land in their districts have
12 almost no say in how public lands like the Angeles --

13 MR. MANOFF: Twenty seconds.

14 MR. MUNSON: -- National Forest are managed, and
15 neither would their constituents. Note that ABSC
16 maintains a presence in the main section of the Angeles
17 National Forest, even though almost all the gateway
18 cities are in the South, and they have 100,000 acres of
19 forest in the district. And so they'll be represented
20 well even with these changes.

21 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
22 right now we have caller 3241. And up next after that
23 will be caller 3480.

24 Caller 3241, if you will please follow the prompts
25 to unmute by pressing star six. The floor --

1 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Can you hear me?

2 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can. The floor
3 is yours.

4 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi, there. I would just like
5 to say that adding inland cities to a coastal district in
6 Orange County is a horrendous idea because none of these
7 communities have anything in common because what does an
8 inland city and a city like, say, Newport or Huntington
9 have that are similar? I mean, does Irvine have sand?
10 Does it have an ocean? No, it doesn't. So they have
11 different, completely different interests. And so
12 keeping them separate is a paramount idea.

13 And not only that, Irvine -- it's good you guys kept
14 Irvine whole, but you should put Irvine whole in its own
15 district rather than adding it to a coastal because it
16 just -- it doesn't make any sense. And they don't
17 even -- and they honestly, beach cities should just stay
18 with beach cities because they're all similar. They have
19 the same economies, cultures, histories, and they share
20 an environment. And so just please keep the beach cities
21 together and keep neighboring counties, neighboring
22 inland cities out of it. Thank you.

23 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
24 right now, we have Caller 3480. And up next after that
25 will be Caller 6795.

1 Caller 3480, please follow the prompts to unmute.

2 The floor is yours.

3 MR. VIETLE: Hello. My name is Richard Vietle
4 (ph.). I am a Vietnamese voter living in Huntington
5 Beach. And I'm calling because there's a political
6 effort to separate Little Saigon and Huntington Beach.
7 It's like a community that long-shared interests with the
8 Little Saigon cities, like Westminster, Fountain Valley,
9 and Garden Grove. It's disappointing to see and I hope
10 the Commission sees this for what it is. Our residents
11 have been calling for months asking you to put Little
12 Saigon with Huntington Beach, and you did. So please
13 keep it that way. Please keep Huntington Beach whole.
14 And please do not let this last-minute political coup by
15 a special interest group sway your opinion. You know,
16 there -- it's just Huntington Beach is a city with 20,000
17 Vietnamese residents and anyone calling to say otherwise
18 doesn't live here or isn't actually a part of our
19 Vietnamese community. I hope you can keep maps this way.
20 Thank you so much for your time. And we really
21 appreciate the hard work that you guys are doing. Thank
22 you.

23 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
24 right we will have Caller 6795. And up next after that
25 will be Caller 9194.

1 Caller 6795, please follow the prompts to unmute.
2 The floor is yours.

3 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Hi. My name is Mia
4 (ph.). The Commission has been hearing a lot of
5 complaints tonight, so I thought I would break it up and
6 say a thank you. Little Saigon has asked for months to
7 be included with Huntington Beach, a city that we share
8 an economy, community, and residence with. And the
9 Commission did just that. I am proud that our community
10 of interest has been recognized, and I hope that the
11 Commission will keep it this way when they realize the
12 map from Saturday and Monday. Thank you.

13 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
14 right now, we have Caller 9194. And up next after that
15 is Caller 3434.

16 Caller 9194, please follow the prompts to unmute.
17 The floor is yours.

18 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Good evening,
19 Commissioners. My name's Ryan (ph.). I'm deeply upset
20 about the Commission has the summaries and decided to
21 pick politics over doing the right thing. Yesterday,
22 clearly, individuals associated with the paid democratic
23 group demanded that the Commission spend today redrawing
24 Orange County lines because of fake and false claim of
25 racism. Unbelievable. Revert OC lines to what they were

1 drawn yesterday. This is purely based on truth and
2 public input, not political influence. Thank you.

3 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
4 right now, we have Caller 3434. And up next after that
5 is Caller 8939.

6 Caller 3434, please follow the prompts to unmute.
7 The floor is yours.

8 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Hello. My name is
9 Eugene (ph.). And I would like to talk about the people
10 who are saying that it would be racist to place Simi
11 Valley in the same district as Santa Clarita. That is
12 basically false because Simi Valley shares the same
13 demographic characteristics as Santa Clarita, Palmdale,
14 Lancaster, having all those cities have an above twenty
15 percent Hispanic population. And Simi Valley does not
16 belong with the other wealthy communities in Ventura
17 County like Calabasas, Thousand Oaks, and Agoura Hills,
18 which all have the median household income of above
19 100,000 dollars, while Simi Valley, Santa Clarita,
20 Palmdale, and Lancaster all have a median household
21 income of below 100,000 dollars. So please do not listen
22 to these interest groups and people who are trying to
23 make racist -- claims of racism. They are just acting as
24 democratic allies and interest groups. So please, the
25 right thing to do is to keep --

1 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

2 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: -- these cities on the
3 outskirts of Los Angeles together and not place it with
4 the second biggest city in the country, Los Angeles.
5 Thank you and have a great night.

6 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
7 right now, we have Caller 8939. And up next after that
8 will be Caller 2714.

9 Caller 8939, please follow the prompts to unmute.
10 The floor is yours. Caller 8939, if you will please
11 double-check your phone and make sure it is not on mute,
12 you are unmuted in the meeting.

13 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: My apologies. I have been
14 following this process for many months now, and I'll make
15 this quick. It seemed that we started with a noble goal
16 of understanding communities of interest. And now that
17 the rubber hits the road, we've abandoned a lot of that,
18 and have broken up rational communities of interest.

19 Specifically, I'm calling from Mammoth in Mono
20 County, and we've been saying for months that creating a
21 district where the leader of the district is going to be
22 a five- to seven-hour drive away, unacceptable during the
23 winter months, makes no sense for anybody. And so I
24 would just urge you to go back to the earlier maps that
25 had been proposed; I think it was 1102. And instead of

1 going East, which does not make rational sense, respect
2 the needs of the rural communities of the Eastern Sierra
3 and go North, and keep those communities together. Thank
4 you very much for your time.

5 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
6 right now, we will have Caller 2714. And up next after
7 that will be Caller 3995.

8 Caller 2714, please follow the prompts to unmute.
9 The floor is yours.

10 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi. I -- hello,
11 Commissioners. I was at work yesterday and were not able
12 to stay on the call for too long, but I heard some of the
13 public comment who learned that they are from Little
14 Saigon and say that Huntington Beach doesn't belong to
15 our community. They forgot to mention that the accurate
16 town rights in Huntington Beach as similar to Fountain
17 Valley and Westminster around 700,000 to 600,000.

18 On education now, Huntington Beach High School
19 District has school in Fountain Valley and Westminster.
20 Oceanview School District in Huntington Beach has school
21 in Westminster, Midway City, and Fountain Valley.
22 Fountain Valley School District has school in Huntington
23 Beach and Garden Grove. For the Assembly District,
24 please put up North up Garfield Street in Huntington
25 Beach, Long (indiscernible) at Beach Boulevard. Go to

1 Seapoint Street, remove Stanton and East --

2 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

3 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- Garden Grove. You leave
4 the area, a majority Hispanic. Please hear our voice.
5 Thank you.

6 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
7 right now, we will have Caller 3995. And up next after
8 that will be Caller 8224.

9 Caller 3995, please follow the prompts to unmute.
10 The floor is yours.

11 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening, Commissioners.
12 I'm calling from the high desert in San Bernardino County
13 to comment on the MORCOA map. My question to each of you
14 is, why have you grouped the high desert community of
15 Wrightwood into Los Angeles County despite Wrightwood and
16 Phelan, which is in our district, literally sharing a
17 school district and public safety services in San
18 Bernardino County. Instead, you've given parts of Los
19 Angeles County to this high-desert district.

20 I don't know why you're ignoring the concerns of our
21 high-desert residents. It's really unfair to us. So all
22 we're asking is that you please keep our high-desert
23 community together and also in this public comment
24 process, please, please help us out and just not let us
25 wait this long. Thank you.

1 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
2 right now, we have Caller 3783. And up next after that
3 will be Caller 7517.

4 Caller 3783, if you'll please follow the prompts to
5 unmute. The floor is yours.

6 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi there. Can you hear me?

7 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

8 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Okay. My name's Irene
9 (ph.). Hello. I'm a Vietnamese resident in Orange
10 County, and I live in Huntington Beach. Little Saigon is
11 the home of the largest Vietnamese population in the
12 United States. It is a vibrant and growing beyond just
13 Westminster and Garden Grove. Huntington Beach is now
14 home to over 20,000 Vietnamese residents.

15 Politically motivated callers have decided to call
16 in and call the Commission racist for putting Huntington
17 Beach and Little Saigon together. I wanted to call them
18 out on behalf of our community, and again, emphasize that
19 Little Saigon in Huntington Beach have always been
20 connected communities with many Vietnamese residents now
21 living in the city, making Little Saigon crossover. I
22 wanted to make sure you all knew that the actual
23 Vietnamese community is excited to be included with
24 Huntington Beach, and we are happy our larger community
25 is all in one Congressional district. Thank you.

1 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
2 right now, we have Caller 7517. And up next after that
3 will be Caller 1234.

4 Caller 7515, please follow the prompts to unmute.
5 The floor is yours.

6 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi. Good evening. I'm in
7 Huntington Beach in Orange County, and I want to start by
8 remarking on what was said the other evening, and it's
9 recklessness to label Huntington as racist. It's a
10 blanket statement. It's irresponsible and outright
11 wrong. We love the diversity here and the beach welcomes
12 everyone. And I've certainly enjoyed a multitude of
13 diverse restaurants all over our city.

14 That being said, I hope that you are drawing the
15 maps for the Assembly, Senate, and Congress, and that you
16 keep in mind our biggest community of interest, Little
17 Saigon, which is certainly intertwined into Huntington
18 Beach, without a doubt.

19 Our current representative in the Assembly is
20 Vietnamese-American and does well in representing all of
21 our communities and bringing us all together. So I ask
22 that you keep us in one district for each office that
23 will allow us to have that person in office to support
24 that diversity. Based on what I've seen on the Assembly
25 map, I think the Commission should add all of the

1 North -- add all of North Huntington Beach starting North
2 of Garfield in Huntington. The East Garden Grove and
3 Stanton, I don't think --

4 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

5 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- we have anything in common
6 with Stanton and I believe that I've never been to
7 Stanton for anything really. And then add all of
8 Huntington Beach and Seal Beach into the Congressional
9 district with Little Saigon. So thank you for all of
10 your hard work. And please keep our Little Saigon
11 community --

12 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

13 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- together and have a great
14 evening. Thank you.

15 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
16 right now, we will have Caller 1234. And up next after
17 that will be Caller 6542.

18 Caller 1234, please follow the prompts to unmute.
19 The floor is yours.

20 MR. LITTLEPAGE: Hello. My name is Michael
21 Littlepage (ph.). I'm from Turlock, California. I'm
22 calling in because I'm really concerned with the
23 Congressional redistricting for Stanislaus County. I
24 mean, the border's drawn, I guess -- when I first saw
25 them, I had to take a minute because the division is so

1 unnecessary, the way it like, continually crosses Highway
2 99. I live in Northern Turlock, and I did a quick --
3 like a route of how long -- or I just did a route of
4 driving to my hospital. I would cross Congressional
5 district five times just to go to the doctor's office
6 that I need to go to get my daily -- not daily, but you
7 know, my check-ins. So I really don't understand why
8 they're being divided up so much except --

9 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Caller 1234, you might
10 want to double-check, maybe you hit your mute button. We
11 are not hearing you.

12 MR. LITTLEPAGE: -- completely different, though.
13 Hello.

14 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: There you are.

15 MR. LITTLEPAGE: Oh, okay. I'm sorry.

16 MR. MANOFF: Please, continue. You have --

17 MR. LITTLEPAGE: Where did I get --

18 MR. MANOFF: -- thirty seconds.

19 MR. LITTLEPAGE: -- left off at? Oh, okay. I'm not
20 sure I got left off from. But basically, yes, please
21 re -- keep Turlock and keep Modesto whole, preferably
22 group us (indiscernible) said, I think our Congressional
23 district is really good as it is right now. And all --

24 MR. MANOFF: Ten seconds.

25 MR. LITTLEPAGE: -- this unnecessary dividing is not

1 needed. Thank you.

2 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
3 right now, we have Caller 6542. And up next after that,
4 we will have Caller 7618.

5 Caller 6542, please follow the prompts to unmute.
6 The floor is yours.

7 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello, Commissioners. I am a
8 resident of Orange and will be talking about North Orange
9 County. I was originally going to call today to express
10 my appreciation for the Commissioners that stood up in
11 the interest of Northern Orange County and maintain our
12 important region. And I truly appreciated the changes
13 that were made last night that kept Orange, Yorba Linda,
14 and Anaheim Hills together with Brea in North Fullerton.
15 I know it wasn't easy, but you had respected the VRA
16 boundaries while keeping our North Orange County
17 communities of interest together to make everything work.

18 And this morning, all of that great work was
19 destroyed by splitting up North Orange County and putting
20 parts of Brea, Placentia, and Fullerton separately from
21 Yorba Linda and Anaheim Hills in Orange. Please fix this
22 by going back to the OCSBLA maps that you drew last
23 night. Keep North Orange County and all in the same
24 district. Thank you so much.

25 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And

1 right now, we have Caller 7618. And up next after that
2 will be Caller 3700.

3 Caller 7618, if you will please follow the prompts
4 to unmute. The floor is yours.

5 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Hi. Can you hear me?

6 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

7 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Hi. This is Fone
8 (ph.). It was really important for me today to wait this
9 long line and call in to emphasize that Little Saigon
10 wants to be in Huntington Beach in a Congressional
11 district. Separating us will actually disenfranchise the
12 Vietnamese community because there's so much crossover in
13 our communities. Commissioner Taylor said it best last
14 night when he explained that the inland Vietnamese
15 Huntington Beach community is completely connected to the
16 coastal community. We shop there, eat there, work there.
17 I'm not sure what organization is telling people that
18 Little Saigon is disenfranchising them by putting -- by
19 being put with Huntington Beach. That's just not true.
20 And anyone that lives here would know that. We are happy
21 to do be with Huntington Beach. Please, please keep it
22 that way. Thank you.

23 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
24 right now, we will have Caller 3700. And up next after
25 that will be Caller 0011.

1 Caller 3700, please follow the prompts to unmute.

2 The floor is yours.

3 MS. WILSON: Hi. My name is Betty Wilson (ph.).
4 I'm calling in for our Coalition Zone F (ph.) San Joaquin
5 County listening to the discussion tonight, we know you
6 folks have had some hard decisions to make. Please don't
7 break up our strong working class and Latino population
8 or our essential workers that work day-by-day to make a
9 better way for their families. We have concerns about
10 splitting up areas that have been together for years or
11 adding areas with no common interest. We would once
12 again refer back to the map dated 11/10 or review and
13 consider our submitted Map 1006, 2002, 1112.

14 It just seems like tonight so many communities were
15 split, and many moved around. One of the Commissioners
16 shared, we are not just looking at populations, but
17 people. Please consider the voice of our community.
18 Thank you so very much.

19 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
20 right now, we will have Caller 0011. And up next after
21 that will be Caller 7331.

22 Caller 0011, please follow the prompts to unmute.
23 The floor is yours.

24 MR. RAMIREZ: All right. Good evening. My name is
25 Salvador Ramirez (ph.). I'm a resident of Eagle Rock, a

1 community in the Northeast portion of the City of Los
2 Angeles, the community advocate of NELA, as we have
3 called this geographic area for decades. It's not just a
4 redistricting designation of 2021. I thank you for the
5 work you are doing in CD NELA draft map. But I must
6 insist that you include the entirety of Eagle Rock to the
7 134 Freeway, including Occidental College, and West to
8 the -- to at least the 2 Freeway, and down to Garfield
9 Park by way of the 5 Freeway to Stadium Way. We share
10 school districts, businesses, business corridors, CVL
11 (ph.) service areas, and municipal services. This would
12 ensure a voice for our community and the region we call
13 NELA. Thank you.

14 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
15 right now, we have Caller 7331. And up next after that
16 will be Caller 6659.

17 Caller 7331, please follow the prompts to unmute.
18 And one more time; Caller 7331, if you'll please follow
19 the prompts to unmute by pressing star six. I do
20 apologize, Caller 7311, it appears to have some type of
21 connectivity issue for you at the moment. We will be
22 coming back to those retries after our next break.

23 Right now, we have Caller 6659. And up next after
24 that will be Caller 7592.

25 Caller 6659, if you will please follow the prompts

1 to unmute. The floor is yours.

2 MS. CHAN: Hi. Can you guys hear me?

3 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

4 MS. CHAN: Good evening. My name is Wi Chan (ph.).

5 And this is not my first time calling in. Since the
6 start of this process in October, I have worked with the
7 Vietnamese leaders in Orange County to protect Little
8 Saigon in redistricting and ensure our community was
9 empowered.

10 At the eleventh hour, there's now a political
11 organization with a clear and deliberate political agenda
12 trying to call the Commission racist for doing exactly
13 what the Vietnamese community has been asking for, for
14 months. Keep greater lower Little Saigon together, which
15 includes Fountain Valley, Westminster, Garden Grove, and
16 leads into Huntington Beach. Please don't take these
17 comments seriously and empower the Vietnamese community,
18 and not the special interest groups by keeping us with
19 Huntington Beach, a city that is completely connected to
20 our thriving economy. Thank you and have a good night.

21 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
22 right now, we will Caller 7592. And up next after that
23 will be Caller 4351.

24 Caller 7592, please follow the prompts to unmute.
25 The floor is yours.

1 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening. In regards to
2 calling times, I would ask that the phone lines be opened
3 from the beginning of the meeting. And for today, if the
4 lines did actually close at 6 p.m., it seems too early.

5 In regards to redistricting, it seems that Diamond
6 Bar, Rowland Heights, and Walnut would be in a Hispanic
7 U.S. Citizen VAP District for both State Assembly and
8 U.S. House of Representatives. This is not how it is
9 currently, so I hope you can reexamine perhaps having a
10 Diamond Bar, Rolling Heights, and Walnut not in a
11 Hispanic U.S. Citizen VAP District for both State
12 Assembly and U.S. House. Coming to Congressional for
13 Santa Clara County, seems like a big change for the Clara
14 San Benito district, or I guess it's also known as the
15 Cupertino district. So I'm sure I'll have comments to
16 say in regards to redistricting of the Congressional
17 districts in Santa Clara County --

18 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

19 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- when I exceed the
20 appropriate, I guess, Shapefiles and CSV files. Thank
21 you so much.

22 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
23 right now, we have Caller 4351. And up next after that
24 will be Caller 1002.

25 Caller 4351, please follow the prompts to unmute.

1 The floor is yours.

2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening, Commissioners.
3 Thank you for all the work that you're putting in in this
4 endeavor. I'm not sure if you've -- the Commission
5 understood the comment that I made yesterday, so I just
6 wanted to repeat it. As a lifelong resident of three
7 re -- generations in San Bernardino County who lives in
8 Yucaipa, I'd like to make two brief points. First, we
9 appreciate the Commission's efforts to group Yucaipa with
10 Big Bear in the MORCOA mapping. We're two communities
11 who share wildfire concerns and need representatives who
12 will fight for the critical resources we need to combat
13 wildfires.

14 Secondly, please consider regrouping Calimesa into
15 this map. Our two neighboring communities that are
16 adjacent to each other share a school board and a water
17 board. The housing is the same in both communities. The
18 demographics are the same. The business interests are
19 the same. Their addition into this map would be greatly
20 appreciated. Thank you very much.

21 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
22 right now, we have Caller 1002. And up next after that
23 will be Caller 8412.

24 Caller 1002, please follow the prompts to unmute.
25 The floor is yours.

1 MR. DING: Hello.

2 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: The floor is yours.

3 MR. DING: Hello. Can you hear me?

4 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

5 MR. DING: Oh, thank you. Thank you so much to the
6 Commissioners. My name is Nam Ding (ph.). And I'm
7 calling in today because I couldn't keep -- this is --
8 any -- quiet anymore. I heard some of couple of the
9 young people speaking during the public comments
10 yesterday saying that the Huntington Beach does not
11 belong to the Little Saigon because the Little Saigon
12 have more -- I'm sorry, low-income working class, while
13 Huntington Beach is welfare, and that is ridiculous. And
14 that is not true at all. Huntington Beach median
15 household income is at 95,000 dollars, while Fountain
16 Valley is at 93,000 dollars. And Fountain Valley just
17 passed a resolution this week to ask you, to ask Fountain
18 Valley what Huntington Beach in the Assembly, Senate, and
19 the Congressional. So please, please listen to the
20 Little Saigon's voice and add Huntington Beach to the
21 Little Saigon. Please do not listen to the advice. That
22 is the political group --

23 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

24 MR. DING: -- funded by the political party. They
25 have their own agendas, and they are not protecting the

1 popu -- overall population for the community of the
2 (indiscernible) for the Little Saigon at all. So please
3 do something. This is now or never, too late. Thank
4 you --

5 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

6 MR. DING: -- so much to the Commissioners. Thank
7 you so much for your hard work.

8 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
9 right, now we have Caller 8412. And up next after that
10 will be Caller 9947.

11 Caller 8412, please follow the prompts to unmute.
12 The floor is yours.

13 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Hi. This is Gina
14 (ph.). I'm calling from Manteca in the Central Valley.
15 Thanks for your efforts towards fair and equitable
16 boundaries and districts. Several proposals
17 significantly disrupt and carve up the current California
18 10 (ph.), which includes the Central Valley communities
19 of Modesto, Manteca, Tracy, and Turlock. I'm calling to
20 please keep the Modesto area whole and the Central Valley
21 intact as these communities have common interests
22 unrelated to areas that have been proposed that are
23 adjacent to Nevada. And we would like to keep these
24 areas together. Thank you. I appreciate the opportunity
25 to comment.

1 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
2 right now, we will have Caller 9947. And up next after
3 that will be Caller 4150.

4 Caller 9947, if you will please follow the prompts
5 to unmute. The floor is yours.

6 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening, Commissioners.
7 I'm calling regarding the comments from some folks
8 regarding the Little Saigon community. I've lived in
9 Orange County for over fifty-eight years. I'm currently
10 a realtor and I have been for over thirty years. My
11 office is in the City of Garden Grove, and I service all
12 the surrounding cities.

13 Given the population growth in this area, a lot of
14 my clients are Vietnamese-Americans. In my experience,
15 their interest for homes are within the cities of
16 Westminster, Garden Grove, Fountain Valley, Midway City,
17 Huntington Beach, Seal Beach, Los Alamitos, and Rossmoor.
18 I've had the opportunity to learn, witness, and enjoy
19 Vietnamese-American culture, food, and festivals. I have
20 seen this community grow dramatically in the past few
21 decades.

22 Regarding the Assembly District GGW Map, I am asking
23 you to please to look --

24 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

25 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- at and consider removing

1 the City of Stanton and adding North of Garfield,
2 Seapoint Street in Huntington Beach. This will give
3 Little Saigon a true representation due to the many
4 Vietnamese businesses and restaurants that are located on
5 North of Garfield Street to Seapoint and Pacific Coast
6 Highway. I hope you will investigate and/or research
7 this area, protect the Little Saigon community of
8 interest.

9 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
10 right now, we will have Caller 4150. And up next after
11 that, will be Caller 3746.

12 Caller 4150, please follow the prompts to unmute.
13 The floor --

14 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening.

15 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: The floor is yours.

16 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you. Good evening,
17 Commissioners. Thank you very much for the opportunity.
18 I've waited a very long time to talk to you about this.
19 I'm a twenty-year resident of the San Bernardino County
20 in the high-desert communities and I would like to -- as
21 you understand, we are very close up here in the high
22 desert. And we love our region, and we want our -- it's
23 important that we keep our communities oriented. I'm not
24 trying to say anything bad about Los Angeles County. I
25 grew up in Los Angeles County. But there's a reason I

1 live in San Bernardino County now. And I really, really
2 would like to hope that you keep the Moraga, I believe
3 it's pronounced district within San Bernardino County
4 boundaries. You currently have that district going into
5 Los Angeles County and Lake Los Angeles. And may I
6 suggest that maybe swapping out Alta Loma and --

7 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

8 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- maybe San Antonio Heights
9 which is North Upland and the Wrightwood area to
10 compensate for the population. We have deep ties in our
11 communities, and we just wish to keep our communities of
12 interest intact. Thank you so much for this --

13 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

14 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- opportunity. Good night.

15 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
16 right now, we will have Caller 3746. And up next after
17 that will be Caller 3770.

18 Caller 3746, please follow the prompts to unmute.
19 The floor is yours.

20 MS. TOM: Hi. My name is Fay Tom (ph.). And I'm a
21 resident of Little Saigon, and my brother's actually from
22 Huntington Beach and he lives there for over almost
23 twenty years.

24 And I feel like the Commission -- thank you for the
25 Commission for listening to our community voice for the

1 past month or so and kind of give us a Little Saigon in
2 Huntington Beach together. And I don't know what's going
3 on, why they're -- all of a sudden, we don't know where
4 this group thinking their racism, making all these
5 claims. But if you notice all the voice calling, you
6 have many different broken English, fluent English. You
7 have mom, you have grandpa, you have -- this is what a
8 true community is. You have a variety of interests, a
9 variety of people.

10 And it's not just organizations because our
11 community needs to stick together for us to have a voice.
12 And by dividing us, we will lose a voice for the next ten
13 years. And I think by losing a voice defeats the
14 intention of the Commission of protecting it. So please
15 go back and protect our community, our voice by
16 keeping --

17 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

18 MS. TOM: -- by keeping Little Saigon and Huntington
19 Beach together.

20 And then another thing I want to mention is the way
21 you guys have the system set up. Tonight, you know, a
22 few people that's trying to call in basically got
23 dropped, all the PTA moms I know got dropped because of
24 the system. So if you guys could --

25 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen seconds.

1 MS. TOM: -- kind of fix it because it's not fair
2 for them.

3 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
4 right now, we have Caller 3770. And up next after that
5 will be Caller 9736.

6 Caller 3770, if you'll please follow the prompts to
7 unmute. And one more time; caller with the last four
8 digits, 3770, if you'll please follow the prompts to
9 unmute by pressing star six. The floor is yours.

10 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Yes. My name is
11 Cheryl and I'm from Laguna Niguel. And I was
12 disappointed to see Laguna Niguel removed from Orange
13 Coast -- County coast yesterday. I feel like there's
14 been significant testimony asking us not to be placed
15 with San Diego. And the only reason we were was because
16 you started in San Diego and had to even out the
17 population.

18 You then decided to place Irvine and Tustin in with
19 largely coastal community of Newport Beach. This was
20 never discussed until yesterday. And as a resident in
21 Laguna Niguel, it is closely connected with the Orange
22 County coast. It does not make any sense. We should be
23 together with the OC coast and Irvine should be back
24 together with the inland region.

25 This was just arbitrary, and I suppose, I would ask

1 you to revisit this on Saturday and make decisions that
2 start with VRA districts and communities of interest, not
3 just what you determined the schedule to be. Thank you
4 very much.

5 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
6 right now, we will have Caller 9736. And up next after
7 that will be Caller 3752.

8 Caller 9736, if you'll please follow the prompts to
9 unmute. Caller with the last four digits, 9736, if
10 you'll please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing
11 star six. Caller 9736, you appear to have a connectivity
12 issue at the moment. We will be coming back around to
13 our retries shortly.

14 Right now, we have Caller 3752. And up next after
15 that will be Caller 0469.

16 Caller 3752, please follow the prompts to unmute.
17 The floor is yours.

18 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you. I'm an interested
19 person who lives in the 42nd Congressional District, and
20 my interest is to keep the cities along the I-15 corridor
21 together because they belong together, they're
22 economically similar, and they work well together. We're
23 so different from the desert cities like Coachella. And
24 that's all I have to say this evening. Just if you -- we
25 can keep those as they were, I'd really appreciate it.

1 Thank you, and appreciate all your hard work, and have a
2 good evening.

3 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
4 right now, we will have Caller 0469. And up next after
5 that will be Caller 7087.

6 Caller 0469, please follow the prompts to unmute.
7 The floor is yours.

8 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Hello. Can you hear
9 me?

10 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

11 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Hi. I'm Nahid (ph.).
12 I'm calling from Santa Clarita Valley, and I've called a
13 few times before. And again I want to thank the
14 Commissioners for working so hard and putting all this
15 together. My -- I wanted to reiterate my concerns that
16 I've raised in the past to keep areas of similar
17 population density distance to metro areas, and income,
18 and other demographics together.

19 And right now, our Congressional district in Santa
20 Clarita is being lumped in with Sylmar. And Sylmar is
21 really part of San Fernando and Sun Valley areas. It
22 borders Pacoima, and Sun Valley, and pulls and every --
23 and all of those neighborhoods are very close together
24 and they have nothing in common with Santa Clarita. So
25 Sylmar makes -- putting them with Santa Clarita makes --

1 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- no sense. Sylmar is
3 high -- you know, high Hispanic population as well.
4 Santa Clarita belongs with Simi, not Sylmar. Thank you.

5 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
6 right now, we have Caller 7087. If you will please
7 follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

8 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Hi. Good evening,
9 Commissioners. My name is Hayden (ph.), and I'm a
10 resident from the high desert. I just want to call in
11 tonight and let you know that you guys are looking at the
12 Mar -- MORCOA draft earlier. And I think that that's a
13 good draft, but it's not quite perfect. And I think it
14 could be a lot better.

15 So as a resident of the high resident -- as a
16 resident of the high desert, sorry, my one -- like I had
17 two issues with the map, and one of them is that I don't
18 believe that they should be grouped in with Los Angeles
19 County. There's a part of us that's looped into the map,
20 and I don't believe that that's fair to the residents of
21 the high desert.

22 These people are my neighbors and friends, and I
23 believe that when we're grouped in with Los Angeles, we
24 get our voice drowned out. And I believe these maps
25 should be fair and give these people a voice. And

1 another thing is that this district is not functionally
2 contiguous. As many of the residents know in this area,
3 Highway 18 is often closed, which means that it's really
4 hard for this district to --

5 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

6 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: -- be connected. And
7 again, our voices get drowned out by communities such as
8 Los Angeles, so I believe that that community should be
9 separated from that map draft. Thank you so much.

10 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
11 Caller 2902, please follow the prompts to unmute. And
12 one more time; caller with the last four digits, 2902,
13 please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star six.

14 Well, at this time, we are up against a break, and
15 Caller 2902, we will be coming back to our retries after
16 this break. And for all those who have called in, please
17 do not hang up through this break. You are in line, and
18 I will be coming back around to the retries and people
19 have not spoke.

20 Chair, pass this over you.

21 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Thank you much -- very much, Katy.

22 It is indeed time for our break. It's not -- it
23 will be 9:35 and we will come back at 9:50. And so as
24 Katy said, anyone who's still in line, please hang on.
25 We will be back. Thank you.

1 (Whereupon, a recess was held from 9:35 p.m.
2 until 9:48 p.m.)

3 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Welcome back, all, to our
4 California Citizens Redistricting Commission meeting. We
5 are taking public comment at this time. Thank you to all
6 those in the -- in our queue, all the public who have
7 been waiting a long time to give us their comments, and
8 for all those people who have already participated and
9 will continue to participate. Thank you.

10 With that, please let in the next caller.

11 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much, Chair.

12 And right now, we will go ahead and retry caller
13 with the last four, 2948. And then up next after that
14 will be the retry of Caller 3192.

15 Caller 2948, please follow the prompts to unmute.
16 The floor is yours.

17 MR. MOORE: Good evening, Commissioners. My name is
18 Tom Moore, council member for Seal Beach. Thank you for
19 keeping Seal Beach as part of Orange County and making
20 the county line a firm dividing line for all three draft
21 maps that I can see.

22 As a person who represents a coastal Orange County
23 city and in conversations with my peers down the OC
24 coast, Seal Beach should be in a district with closer
25 Orange County cities that have more in common, like

1 Newport Beach, Huntington Beach, and Laguna Beach. We
2 are a small beach city with common aspects. The recent
3 oil spill is an example where our representative was
4 important for us and represented these common areas.

5 Seal Beach shares Pacific Coast Highway, sand
6 replenishment, parking, traffic, lifeguard issues,
7 potential sea rise, and other common ocean-related
8 problems with these cities. Why not have the
9 representative that could be --

10 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

11 MR. MOORE: -- familiar with similar types of
12 problems? It just makes sense.

13 This Monday, the Seal Beach City Council will vote
14 on a resolution to keep Seal Beach with the other beach
15 cities in Orange County. I ask at least that you look at
16 that --

17 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

18 MR. MOORE: -- and keep that in mind as it will
19 represent the interests of Seal Beach. Thank you for
20 keeping Seal Beach in the Orange County area. And I hope
21 that Seal Beach is aligned with Orange County cities with
22 similar interests along the coast. Thank you for the
23 consideration.

24 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
25 right now, we will retry Caller 3182. And then up next

1 after that will be the retry of Caller 2902.

2 Caller 3192, if you will please follow the prompts
3 to unmute. The floor is yours.

4 MS. HENRY: Good evening, Commissioners. My name is
5 Susan Henry, and I am an elected school board trustee
6 with the Huntington Beach Union High School District in
7 Orange County and a past president of the California
8 School Boards Association. I've been a resident of
9 Fountain Valley and Huntington Beach for over forty
10 years.

11 I want to address some of the public comments that
12 were made by callers last night regarding Huntington
13 Beach. Those comments do not reflect the reality and
14 celebration of diversity in our community and were
15 inaccurate and misleading.

16 The Huntington Beach Union High School District has
17 an enrollment of just under 16,000 students in grades
18 nine through twelve. Our district serves students in the
19 communities of Huntington Beach, Fountain Valley and
20 Westminster with six comprehensive high schools, two
21 alternative education campuses, and the Huntington Beach
22 Adult School.

23 Our student demographics are 34.9 percent white,
24 28.9 percent Hispanic, 28 percent Asian, .3 percent
25 American-Indian, 1.3 percent Filipino, .9 percent

1 African-American, and 4.5 percent two or more races. 37
2 percent of our students are socioeconomically
3 disadvantaged, 10 percent are English learners, 2.3 are
4 homeless -- 2.3 percent are homeless, and .3 percent our
5 foster youth.

6 MR. MANOFF: Twenty seconds.

7 MS. HENRY: In order to advocate for the students
8 and families that I represent, I am asking that you draw
9 the Assembly, Senate, and Congressional lines along
10 school district lines. It is extremely important not to
11 split the representation of our school district so that
12 we can maintain one strong united voice in the Assembly,
13 Senate, and Congress. Thank you for your time.

14 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
15 right now, we will have Caller -- retry Caller 2902. And
16 then up next after that will be Caller 8797.

17 Caller 2902, if you will please follow the prompts
18 to unmute. The floor is yours.

19 MR. NGUYEN: Hello. Good evening, Commissioners.
20 My name is Ling Nguyen (ph.). I am a long-time resident
21 of Orange County and in Westminster in particular. I
22 have participated in a lot of activities within our
23 Little Saigon community. I've seen so many children and
24 students sharing the Huntington Beach High School
25 District. And I go to the beach almost every day. I

1 enjoy the beach and I've seen so many friends of mine and
2 residents of Westminster, Fountain Valley, Garden Grove,
3 they enjoy Huntington Beach. I also have a chance to
4 listen during the past four hours --

5 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

6 MR. NGUYEN: -- waiting for my call that I
7 understand there are besides me, there are a lot of
8 Vietnamese and people living in Little Saigon truly want
9 the Huntington Beach to be with Little Saigon as before.
10 I am so disappointed that today the Commission separated
11 the Little Saigon community in Orange County.

12 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
13 right now, we have Caller 8797. And up next after that
14 will be Caller 2667.

15 Caller 8797, if you will please follow the prompts
16 to unmute. The floor is yours.

17 MR. LI: Hi, guys. My name is John Li (ph.). And
18 I've been with Orange County over thirty years, and
19 the -- I work in the Westminster and my residence is in
20 Huntington Beach. Okay?

21 So just to be short, if things not broken, don't fix
22 it. So I like what we are right now, then just keep it
23 the way it is. Don't change it if it's not break. So I
24 hear a lot of people talking about things and most of
25 them complain, they're not happy with these maps, with

1 the change so.

2 And also, there's another things here. I just want
3 to say, relisten to the public input first before you
4 enter the change. So we -- the thing about this right
5 here, right, you got a new public change --

6 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

7 MR. LI: -- and you listen to the public comments at
8 the end, not -- it's like what, 10 o'clock. That's very
9 late. Okay? That listen to it in the morning, and you
10 know.

11 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

12 MR. LI: That's it. Thank you.

13 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
14 right now, we have Caller 2667. And up next after that
15 will be Caller 5736.

16 For those that have called in that have not spoke
17 this evening, if you please press star nine, so raise
18 your hand indicating you wish to give comment. And for
19 those of you that have raised your hand previously and we
20 need to retry, if you press star nine, it indicates you
21 are near your phone and ready to give comment again.
22 Makes my job a lot easier.

23 And right now we have Caller 2667. And up next
24 after that, we have Caller 5736. And I do see all those
25 hands. I'll be addressing those shortly.

1 Caller 2667, if you will please follow the prompts
2 to unmute. The floor is yours.

3 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Good evening,
4 Commissioners. My name is Deanne (ph.) and I am a
5 resident of the high desert. I'd like to ask each of you
6 to please keep the high desert together and do not group
7 us with communities who do not understand our struggle.

8 We often have -- we often have to address issues
9 like federal lands, conservation, and rural
10 transportation in our community. That's something that
11 more urban communities do not have to deal with. Please
12 leave the high desert whole and do not group of
13 communities who do not experience the same issues.

14 Thank you very much. And I have lived in the high
15 desert for sixty years, so I'm very concerned that our
16 high desert stays whole. Thank you very much.

17 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
18 right now, we will have Caller of 5736. And then up next
19 after that, we will retry Caller 2927.

20 Caller 5736, if you will please follow the prompts
21 to unmute. The floor is yours.

22 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello. Good evening, I'm
23 calling in to set the record straight. There's a pending
24 lawsuit against the Commission for partisanship and
25 that's exactly what we saw today. Democrats testimony

1 outweigh weeks of public commentary to get what they
2 want, and it is the partisan sham. I've seen articles
3 written in CalMatters and So-Cal Daily Post (ph.)
4 explaining what it's -- what exactly is happening here.
5 Democrats are mad because the lines are not drawn in
6 their favor, so the Commission destroyed the Orange
7 County line today.

8 We have solid lines based on months of testimony,
9 but the Commissioners decided against compromise in favor
10 of the Democrat operation. It's embarrassing and we need
11 to revert back to the Wednesday night lines. Thank you
12 very much.

13 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. All
14 right, now, we have Caller 2927 as a retry. And then up
15 next after that will be Caller 3970.

16 Caller 2927, if you will please follow the prompts
17 to unmute. The floor is yours.

18 MR. SCHULTZ: Yes. Good evening, Commissioners. My
19 name is John Schultz. For identification purposes, I'm a
20 nonelected city official serving on the nonpartisan
21 Equity and Human Relations Commission for the City of
22 Long Beach, but today I call you as a small business
23 owner in the Long Beach area.

24 My business and income have been directly and
25 severely impacted by the nation's supply chain crisis, a

1 big part of which can be seen by anyone looking out to
2 our local ocean waters to a backlog of containerships.

3 First and foremost, I ask that the ports of Long
4 Beach and Los Angeles be kept in separate Congressional
5 districts. Our ports move about forty percent of
6 America's imported goods, so your decision on our
7 boundaries down here are much further reaching than just
8 my warehouse. The ports are in crisis; we are in crisis.
9 And we can use all the help we can get in regards to
10 Congressional representation.

11 In short, the two ports should have two
12 representatives. Some of us are still reeling from our
13 own recent citywide independent redistricting process.
14 Thousands of residents and businesses are trying to
15 navigate new representation on the local level. I submit
16 that it's more important than ever to keep consistency of
17 Congressional representation for the City of Long Beach.
18 As a fellow Commissioner, I thank you for your work on
19 the Commission, and I hope you all have a happy --

20 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

21 MR. SCHULTZ: -- happy, and healthy rest of the
22 holiday season. Thank you.

23 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
24 right now we will have Caller 3970. And up next after
25 that will be the retry of Caller 4218.

1 Caller 3970, please follow the prompts to unmute.

2 The floor is yours.

3 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello, Commissioners. Last
4 night the Commission started with reasonable Orange
5 County Congressional maps, sure. Not everyone was happy,
6 but it was a compromise that actually took into account
7 months of public comment. For some reason, the
8 Commission decided to completely reverse every thoughtful
9 decision they made over the last twenty-four hours.
10 Coincidentally, after the Democrat offered it, began
11 calling to influence a supposedly independent Commission.
12 I'll say it, it's a joke. The second Democrat offer it
13 is, get involved. The Commission completely disregards
14 the actual public input. It is an embarrassment to our
15 state, and I hope the Commission can go back to the maps
16 they settled on Wednesday night. Thank you, and
17 goodnight.

18 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

19 All right. Now, we will be caller 4218. And up
20 next after that will be caller 0565. Caller 4218, if you
21 will please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is
22 yours.

23 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Hello, thanks for
24 getting back -- thanks for getting back to me. Good
25 evening. Yeah, my name's Bob, and I live in Orange

1 County. And I want to echo some of the thoughts that
2 people have been calling in about. I'm just amazed at
3 what happened today in Orange County Congressional maps,
4 you know. We had fair maps that represented the inland
5 communities and put the coastal communities together and
6 had one-third Asian district and -- obviously, we -- we
7 kept the VRA intact, and -- and today for no apparent
8 reason, it just got all blown up. And you had great
9 maps, and you decided to ignore the -- all the thoughtful
10 work that -- that you did yesterday and -- I'm not asking
11 to spend more time on it, but -- I mean, just -- I know
12 it's been a long day, just go back to the work that we
13 did and -- and listen to all the calls that have been
14 coming in. I mean, it's -- it's a hundred percent in
15 favor of going back. So --

16 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

17 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: -- I'm just asking you
18 to revert back to those maps that were concluded on
19 Wednesday night, and let's not play politics with the --
20 you know, we're better than that, aren't we, in
21 California? Listen to the people. Listen to our
22 communities. That's what should be --

23 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

24 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: -- focus of
25 redistricting. Thanks. Thanks, and have a great

1 evening. Bye.

2 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

3 And right now we will have caller 0565, and up next
4 after that will be the retry of caller 5777. Caller
5 0565, if you'll please follow the prompts to unmute. The
6 floor is yours.

7 MS. JONES: Yeah, hi, can you hear me?

8 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

9 MS. JONES: Yeah, hi, my name is Jennifer Jones, and
10 I am a resident of Simi Valley. And first off, I would
11 like to thank everybody from the host to the line drawers
12 to the redistricting committee for taking pob -- public
13 comments this late at night. I know you probably all are
14 very tired and would like to go to bed. So with that
15 being said, I feel strongly that Simi Valley and Santa
16 Clarita should be kept whole. I feel strongly that they
17 should be kept together. We have a lot in common, such
18 as the aerospace industry, film industry, and whatnot.

19 One thing that I did notice recently in regards to
20 your map drawing is that you have San Fernando split up,
21 and you're also taking Sylmar and putting it closer into
22 Santa Clarita, and that concerns me because that is a
23 Latino stronghold, and I really feel that with the --

24 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

25 MS. JONES: -- heavy Latino population in the entire

1 State of California, dis -- disseminating their voices in
2 any way just totally harms them. And one last thing.

3 Agoura and Calabasas --

4 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

5 MS. JONES: -- Simi Valley really has nothing in
6 common with them. Have a good evening. And thank you
7 for letting me speak.

8 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

9 And right now we have caller 5777, and then up next
10 after that will be caller 5621. Caller 5777, if you will
11 please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

12 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi, Commissioners. Thank you
13 for what you do, and you did a great job. I know you are
14 not talking about the Assembly -- Assembly
15 (indiscernible) tonight, but I'm asking you to please
16 revisit it. You are just so close. You got part of
17 North of Garfield Street in Huntington Beach with the
18 Little Saigon District, but we have been asking for you
19 to add the entire North of Garfield Street, which is
20 roughly about 49,000 people. Twenty percent of
21 Huntington Beach residents are foreign born in that, and
22 mostly in the Northern part of Huntington Beach, where
23 majority of the 8,000 residents in Huntington Harbor
24 Vietnamese American alone. For the Assembly district,
25 add all the North of Garfield Street all the way to

1 Seabourne Street, which has 49,000 people. Remove
2 that --

3 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

4 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- then which has
5 (indiscernible) people, and East of Garden Grove at
6 Euclid Street, which has 20,000 people, enough, an exact
7 population for you to do this. Protect Little Saigon,
8 please. Thank you and goodnight.

9 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

10 And right now will be caller 5621, and then up next
11 after that will be the retry of caller 9736. Caller
12 5621, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute.
13 The floor is yours.

14 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Hi, can you hear me?

15 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

16 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Hi, my name's Robert,
17 and I've worked in Huntington Beach for a few years. So
18 I was shocked to hear the other night when people lev --
19 levied allegations of racism against our city. That
20 could be farther from the truth.

21 As many people have called in and -- tonight and
22 said, Huntington Beach, Westminster, Fountain Valley all
23 share common interests. There are school districts
24 between Huntington Beach and Westminster. The Little
25 Saigon area has asked to go with Huntington Beach.

1 Callers have called the last two days to do it. Your
2 maps last night were perfect. Even though they didn't
3 achieve that coastal district people wanted, I think it
4 was a fair compromise to that. And on top of that, it
5 all changed this morning -- or early this afternoon when
6 all of a sudden you reverted everything and went back.
7 Now, if you don't want to go back, I can understand that,
8 and I would just stick with that. It -- I think it's a
9 fair compromise (indiscernible) that as well --

10 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

11 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: -- however I think a lot
12 of callers tonight have advocated for putting Huntington
13 Beach with Westminster, and you should listen to them
14 instead of the partisan special interest groups who
15 called in last night and tried to change your minds.

16 On top of that, another partisan special interest
17 group trying to influence you to put Long Beach into
18 Huntington Beach and everyone has said --

19 MR. MANOFF: Ten seconds.

20 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: -- not to do that. They
21 are the only ones who want to do that. Please do not do
22 that. The beach has nothing in common with Long Beach.
23 Long Beach is a majority minority city, putting --

24 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

25 And right now we will have caller 9736, and up next

1 after that will be caller 3378. Caller 9736, if you will
2 please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

3 MR. MARTINEZ: Good evening, Commissioners. My name
4 is Jerry Martinez. I'm calling from San Bernardino
5 County's High Desert. It seems that over the past week
6 you have continuously ignored testimony given by our
7 community members here in the High Desert. You've now
8 decided to undermine the High Desert again by grouping
9 parts of Los Angeles County into our map, after numerous
10 public comments from the High Desert voice who have
11 requested not be grouped with the Antelope Valley.
12 During this process you've gone as far as grouping things
13 like Wrightwood with Los Angeles, even though they have
14 so much more in common with the High Desert. Wrightwood
15 shares a school district with Phelan, and public safety
16 fairs with San Bernardino County.

17 This is blatantly disrespectful to the High Desert
18 and ignores our wishes. We're asking you to strongly
19 consider the wishes and the voices coming from the San
20 Bernardino's High Desert. Thank you, Commissioners.

21 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

22 And right now we will have caller 3378, and up next
23 after that will be the retry of caller 8209. Caller
24 3378, if you will please follow the prompts to unmute.
25 And one more time, caller with the las -- there you go.

1 The floor is yours.

2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi. I -- I'd like to ask
3 that you please keep Santa Clarita and Simi Valley
4 together. I've lived in Santa Clarita for thirty-six
5 years and have friends in Simi Valley. Our con --
6 communities are mainly working class and have many shared
7 concerns. Thank you for considering my request.
8 Goodnight.

9 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

10 And right now we have caller 8209, and then up next
11 after that will be caller 9517. Caller 8209, if you will
12 please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

13 MR. HARPER: Thank you. My name's Patrick Harper.
14 I'm the mayor of Fountain Valley in Orange County. And
15 just wanted to let you know on Tuesday, our council
16 passed a resolution that we would request to be included
17 in the -- with the Cities of Huntington Beach and
18 Westminster and any districts that are drawn. We share a
19 South -- Southern and Western border with Huntington
20 Beach, and as the high school district person mentioned,
21 we share high school district with Huntington Beach,
22 Fountain Valley, and Westminster.

23 About a third of our population is Vietnamese, and
24 so we share a lot of common interests with Little Saigon.
25 And so what I would suggest is use the Santa Ana River as

1 the East boundary, and that way you could include all of
2 Huntington Beach and Fountain Valley together. We even
3 have -- our Boys and Girls Clubs is called the Boys and
4 Girls Club of Huntington Valley. So we have a
5 Huntington --

6 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

7 MR. HARPER: -- Valley (audio interference) and --
8 and many other such things. So I appreciate, again, all
9 that you do. Also, would recommend similar lines for the
10 Assembly district and the Congressional district. Thank
11 you, again, for your efforts, and appreciate the time.

12 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

13 And right now we will have caller 9517, and up next
14 after that will be caller 4867. Caller 9517, if you will
15 please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

16 MS. VOUGH: Yes. This is Min Vough (ph.) I am --
17 hello, Commission. Ten years ago the private restriction
18 Commission add Huntington Beach to Little Saigon for
19 Assembly, Senate, and Congressional because they see that
20 Huntington Beach belong to Little Saigon. Over the years
21 the Asian population is growing. In Huntington Beach,
22 especially Vietnamese people. Just so you know our
23 school system crossover within Huntington Beach, Fountain
24 Valley, Westminster, and Garden Grove, and is all the
25 North Garfield and Huntington Beach stop at the Seabourne

1 Street is the right move to make sure Little Saigon has a
2 true representation. Thank you very much. Goodnight.

3 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

4 And right now we will have caller 4867, and up next
5 after that will be caller 4102. Caller 4867, if you will
6 please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

7 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening. What we have
8 witnesses today is an assault on democracy. We
9 (indiscernible) last night with four solid Orange County
10 districts; a VRA district, an Asian centric district, an
11 inland district, and a South coast district. Though not
12 every coy was accommodated, just listing the description
13 out shows just how much was actually considered. Now,
14 the Commission completely blew up these maps for no
15 reason. The line drawer said it best, Control V these
16 lines. It's a joke. We had a compromise, and I'm not
17 sure if it's because liberal groups started calling in,
18 but the Commission completely reversed their solid
19 direction. Thank you.

20 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And
21 right now we have caller 4102, and up next after that
22 will be caller 8408. Caller 4102, please follow the
23 prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

24 MS. NGUYEN: Hello, Commissioner. First I want to
25 thank you for your hard working, and I know you are very

1 tired group. I want to talk fast and (indiscernible)
2 Little Saigon communi -- my name is Elan Nguyen. And I
3 live in Huntington Beach. The ZIP code is 92647. Little
4 Saigon community has been paying close attention to this
5 redistricting because it is very important for us to keep
6 our community of interest together. So we are please
7 asking you please for one more chance. Please thinking
8 and -- I -- why did you stop at West Boulevard to add
9 not --

10 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

11 MS. NGUYEN: -- (indiscernible) Huntington Beach for
12 Little Saigon to (indiscernible) Westminster Assembly
13 map. We please asking you to add all of (indiscernible)
14 Avenue --

15 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

16 MS. NGUYEN: -- in Huntington Beach to Seabourne
17 Street, please, please. Complete and (indiscernible)
18 your attention (indiscernible) at the (indiscernible)
19 Assembly as represented (indiscernible) ask --

20 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

21 And right now we will have caller 8408, and up next
22 after that will be caller 5490. Caller 8408, if you will
23 please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

24 MS. SASOON: Good evening. My name is Lori Sasoon
25 (ph.). I'm calling on behalf of the City of Rancho

1 Cucamonga to urge the Commission to reconsider its
2 proposed districts and keep the City of Rancho Cucamonga
3 whole. On the newest map, the City of Rancho Cucamonga
4 is now split into three Congressional districts, three
5 districts for one medium-sized (indiscernible) community
6 in -- in an empire. We have a strong sense of den --
7 identity, and it's historically been all or mostly in one
8 Senate Assembly or Congressional district.

9 The -- the maps -- depending on the map split us,
10 across the Foothills, largely into Los Angeles County,
11 with which we have no identity. Some of our were also --
12 and other maps portioned off with High Desert regions in
13 San Bernardino County. Some of those communities are
14 more than seventy miles from us, include rural
15 communities, which are in stark contrast to our more
16 suburban environment. We have virtually no commonality
17 between our residents with those of LA County and the
18 remote mountain and desert areas. We really ask that you
19 consider the unique diversities of our community and --

20 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thirty seconds.

21 MS. SASOON: -- how that gets deleted when you're
22 lumped in with other districts of competing priority. We
23 respectfully request the Commission keep Rancho Cucamonga
24 whole and revise the propped Congressional Assembly and
25 Senate district maps to include all of Rancho in one

1 district. And we thank you so much --

2 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

3 MS. SASOON: -- for your consideration tonight.

4 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

5 And right now we have caller 5490, and up next after
6 that caller 7507. Caller 5490, please follow the prompts
7 to unmute. The floor is yours.

8 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Good evening. My name
9 is Kim, and I'm from Pinon Hills, which is in the San
10 Bernardino County High Desert. I was shocked to watch
11 you add our community to a district with Pasadena last
12 week in the Assembly. Now, you're combining us with LA
13 County at the Congressional level. Our community is
14 rural Mohave Desert. It cannot be anything different
15 from Pasadena. Most of our streets are dirt roads. Our
16 houses are cheap. There's no million-dollar mansions
17 here. And we work with San Bernardino County for public
18 safety and for other services, such as healthcare and
19 public transportation.

20 Putting us with LA County communities for
21 representation purposes will be a detriment to our
22 community. How is a representative from Pasadena, one of
23 the most urban areas and most expensive areas in Los
24 Angeles, going to be able to advocate for our needs? The
25 Commission has spent multiple hours discussing other

1 rural areas, like the Eastern Sierra, but almost no time
2 with the concerns of our area.

3 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

4 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: You are supposed to be
5 the voice of all Californians, and right now we feel left
6 behind. Thank you.

7 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

8 And right now we have caller 7507, and up next after
9 that will be caller 8888. Caller 7507, please follow the
10 prompts to unmute. Caller -- the floor is yours.

11 MR. GUYEN: Hi. My name's Ben Guyen (ph.),
12 representing the business community of Southern
13 California. And I just want to make a -- a comment about
14 Huntington Beach being in the redistrict. Besides from
15 all the political and demographic reasons, it is just a
16 simp -- very simple reason why without Huntington Beach,
17 there will be a big hole in this district. And that hole
18 can be -- only be (indiscernible) by the City of
19 Huntington Beach. That's the only one to make the --
20 this district compact. And so for that reason alone,
21 a -- the -- for me is the main reason why the Commission
22 should keep Huntington Beach within this new district to
23 make it compact and whole. Thank you.

24 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

25 And right now we have caller 8888, and up next after

1 that will be caller 4608. Caller 8888, please follow the
2 prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

3 MR. BUI: Good evening, Commissioner. This is
4 Councilman Ted Bui from the City of Fountain Valley. We
5 passed a resolution this week on 12/7 to ask your
6 Commission to make assured that Fountain Valley is with
7 Huntington Beach in the Assembly, Senate, and the
8 Congressional district. Fountain Valley and Huntington
9 Beach share many commerce and cultural overlap. Fountain
10 Valley school district has school in Huntington Beach.
11 Huntington Beach Union School District oversees Fountain
12 Valley High School. Oceanview School District has school
13 in Fountain Valley. Boys and Girls Clubs of Fountain
14 Valley serve tutoring in Huntington Beach and Fountain
15 Valley.

16 I'm asking you to keep Huntington Beach, Fountain
17 Valley, Seal Beach, Newport Beach, and Westminster, our
18 city, within Orange County. They have common interests
19 and concerns, as well as similar challenges, and would
20 benefit from having the same representative.
21 Particularly, the City of Huntington Beach and the City
22 of Fountain Valley have many share commerce --

23 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

24 MR. BUI: -- and -- and cultural overlap. And
25 should there be drawn together in the same Assembly,

1 Senate, and Congressional district. Due to population
2 limits, just add all North of Garfield Street to
3 Seabourne Street in Huntington Beach --

4 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

5 MR. BUI: -- for the Assembly, and all of Huntington
6 Beach for the Congressional district. Thank you for
7 giving Fountain Valley a strong voice in this -- its
8 district so we can protect family (indiscernible).
9 Lastly, thank you for all you do, and good evening.

10 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

11 And right now we will have caller 4607, and up next
12 after that will be caller 1945. Caller 4607, if you'll
13 please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.
14 Caller 4607, if you'll please double-check your phone and
15 make sure you are not on mute, you are unmuted in the
16 meeting.

17 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi, can you hear me?

18 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

19 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening, Commissioners.
20 It is very unfortunate that there were people last night
21 who call in and made statements that are not true about
22 our community. These people were (indiscernible)
23 political organization paid for by political party
24 leaders who decided to start calling in just yesterday.
25 From day one, our community has been involved and

1 submitted hundreds of emails (indiscernible) and call in
2 almost daily to make comments to ask for your support to
3 protect Little Saigon. Our interests are our families,
4 children, and friends, not a political party or
5 leadership.

6 It is very clear from all of the comments, you have
7 heard from our community, minus the few from last night
8 that our community of interest lies with Westminster,
9 Midway City, Fountain Valley, Seal Beach, Rossmoor,
10 (indiscernible) and West of Garden Grove and North of
11 Pleasanton Beach. This city and community share culture,
12 tradition, healthcare systems, education and --

13 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

14 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: -- for the -- for the
15 Assembly map, please add all of North of Garfield Street
16 all the way to Seabourne Street in Huntington Beach.
17 Remove (indiscernible) and East of Garden Grove, the
18 majority of the residents here are Hispanic and they
19 belong with the --

20 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

21 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: -- Latino districts. For
22 the Congressional map, please add Seal Beach and all of
23 Huntington Beach in with Little Saigon. Thank you for
24 listening to us.

25 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

1 And right now we have caller 1945, and up next after
2 that will be caller 3257. Caller 1945, if you'll please
3 follow the prompts to unmute. Caller 1945, if you will
4 please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

5 MS. GREEN: Hi.

6 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We can hear you now.

7 MS. GREEN: Hello? Can you hear me?

8 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes.

9 MS. GREEN: I am Cathy Green, and currently serve on
10 the Orange County Water District Board of Directors. And
11 I'm a former mayor of Huntington Beach. My husband,
12 Peter Green, also served as mayor of Huntington Beach.
13 I've been elected to many positions within the Fountain
14 Valley, Huntington Beach, and Westminster areas in the
15 last twenty years. There were comments made yesterday to
16 claim that the people of Huntington Beach are racist. It
17 is really unfortunate that these false statements were
18 made, and that someone feels that way.

19 I am a board member of the Boys and Girls Club of
20 Huntington Valley, where we serve children from Fountain
21 Valley and Huntington Beach. Many other youth programs,
22 like the Huntington West Little League Baseball, serve
23 children from Huntington Beach and Westminster. It is a
24 disservice to make these reckless statements to try to
25 incite unnecessary targets against Huntington Beach and

1 its residents.

2 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

3 MS. GREEN: For the GGW map, please put North of
4 Garfield Street to Pacific Coast Highway in Huntington
5 Beach and remove Stanton and East Garden Grove. For the
6 Congressional district, keep all of Huntington Beach,
7 Seal Beach, Westminster --

8 MR. MANOFF: Ten seconds.

9 MS. GREEN: -- and Fountain Valley together with
10 Garden Grove, Rossmoor, and Los Alamitos together. Thank
11 you very much for your time.

12 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

13 And right now we will have caller 3257, and up next
14 after that will be caller 2846. Caller 3257, if you'll
15 please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.
16 Caller 3257, if you'll please double-check your
17 telephone, make sure you are not on mute. You are
18 unmuted in the meeting.

19 MR. BOUIE: Hello? Hello, Commission, can you hear
20 me?

21 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

22 MR. BOUIE: Okay. Hi, Commissioner. I am John
23 Bouie (ph.). I own a business in Westminster, and I have
24 lived in this area for thirty years. I'm involved in
25 Rotary Club, Kiwanis Club, Chamber of Commerce,

1 (indiscernible) festival, and many throughout the years.
2 Last night we heard from a student who spoke perfect
3 English and tell you that Huntington Beach doesn't belong
4 to the Little Saigon area because of income level, and
5 that Little Saigon meets a different government program
6 than Hunt -- Huntington Beach resident. If this is the
7 case, then why did the county board supervisor put
8 Westminster, Fountain Valley, Rossmoor, Los Alamitos,
9 Seal Beach, West of Garden Grove, and all -- all of the
10 Huntington Beach into the first district (indiscernible)
11 district and approve redistrict map if it's clear of fact
12 that Vietnamese American who live in Huntington Beach
13 share many social, economy, culture, education, and
14 business interest with the Little Saigon community of
15 interest. For your Assembly map, at North Garfield
16 Street to the Seabourne Street in Huntington Beach, and
17 remove Stanton and East Garden Grove at Euclid Street
18 after GGW map --

19 MR. MANOFF: Twenty seconds.

20 MR. BOUIE: -- and thank you for your time and help.
21 Happy Holiday to all of you.

22 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

23 And right now we will have caller 2846, and up next
24 after that will be caller 0345. Caller 2846, if you will
25 please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

1 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello, can you hear me?

2 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

3 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes. Yes. Good evening,
4 Commissioners. Even though I'm moving my mom today to a
5 hospice place, but I'm still calling in because this is
6 about the future of my family, my children, and
7 grandchildren. I am Vietnamese American and I have lived
8 in Huntington Beach for over thirty years. I have called
9 in before and I have sent in comments in the past. While
10 I respect other's opinions, I have to say that the young
11 voices who claim they know Little Saigon are not telling
12 the truth. Here are the facts. Vietnamese is the number
13 one language other than English spoken in Huntington
14 Beach, just like Westminster and Fountain Valley. Cow
15 sales average are the same. The largest minority group
16 in Huntington Beach are Asian Americans. Our youth
17 programs serve Huntington Beach, Westminster, and
18 Fountain Valley. We are begging you to allow Little
19 Saigon the growth in the right Assembly, Congressional,
20 and Senate seats, to include Huntington Beach --

21 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

22 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- with Little Saigon.
23 Please remove Stanton and East of Garden Grove at Euclid
24 Streets. They should go with the Latino districts. Add
25 all the North Garfield Street to Seabourne Street in

1 Huntington Beach to Little Saigon.

2 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

3 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Don't stop at Beach
4 Boulevard, please. Make Little Saigon whole and add all
5 of North Garfield Street in Huntington Beach to the GGW
6 Assembly district. Please keep our Little Saigon
7 community of interest together. Thank you, and
8 goodnight.

9 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

10 And right now we will have caller 0345, and up next
11 after that will be caller 0983. Caller 0345, please
12 follow the prompts to unmute. And one more time. Caller
13 with the last four digits 0345, if you wish to give
14 comment this evening, please follow the prompts to unmute
15 by pressing star six. Thank you so much for joining us,
16 caller 0345, this evening.

17 Right now we have caller 0983, if you'll please
18 follow the prompts to unmute. And then after that will
19 be caller 1926. Caller 0983, please follow the prompts.
20 The floor is yours.

21 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Speaking foreign language)
22 Little Saigon (speaking foreign language) Huntington
23 Beach (speaking foreign language) Little Saigon (speaking
24 foreign language) Huntington Beach (speaking foreign
25 language) Little Saigon (speaking foreign language)

1 Huntington Beach belong to Little Saigon (speaking
2 foreign language).

3 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

4 And right now we will have caller 1926, and then up
5 next after that will be caller 2212. Caller 1926, if you
6 will please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is
7 yours.

8 MR. MENDOZA: Yes. My name is John Mendoza. I live
9 in the City of Pomona, 35th Congressional District. And
10 I'm speaking on behalf of my family who live in Up --
11 Upland, California, and also an article that came out on
12 the newspaper re -- regarding redistricting. I'd like to
13 see a modified change in map with 35th Congressional
14 District and have all of Upland crafted into the 35th
15 Congressional District and take Eastvale out of the 35th,
16 which is located in Riverside County. Eastvale does not
17 share community interest with Upland, Ontario, Montclair,
18 Fontana, from Po -- and Pomona, who have a shared
19 community interest with water issues, transportation,
20 environment, and public safety. Connecting Upland into
21 Eastern San Gabriel Valley makes no sense because it
22 splits community of interest for Upland and undermines
23 Upland's effort to influence or elect candidate of their
24 choice. Please put all Upland within the 35th
25 Congressional District. Thank you.

1 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

2 And this time we will be going to caller 2212. If
3 you will please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor
4 is yours.

5 MR. CHO: All right. Good evening. My name's
6 Edward Cho (ph.), resident of Fullerton since 1979.
7 Practiced law in Buena Park since 2006. So yesterday --
8 yesterday's OC map made perfect sense. Kept the areas of
9 North Orange County COIs together, but the drastic
10 changes obviously separated Placentia and Brea and
11 actually split Brea from contiguous Yorba Linda and
12 Anaheim. So the timing is kind of suspect. The changes
13 were big and -- and obviously in reaction to these false
14 allegations of racism.

15 So I'm advocating and take the position that the
16 common interests of North Orange County, tens of
17 thousands of residents on the current map should not be
18 divided in North Orange County. And the COI testimony
19 has been clear that Fullerton, Brea, Yorba Linda,
20 Placentia, Chino Hills, Anaheim Hills, they're all --

21 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

22 MR. CHO: -- the community of interest that want to
23 be kept together. So the -- the map was great last night
24 but got completely ruined this morning. It was actually
25 tortured. And really it did put the communities of

1 interest together last night but --

2 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

3 MR. CHO: -- it just makes no sense to split up
4 North Orange County. So I'm asking that you please
5 revert back to yesterday's map. It's the fairest
6 district for North Orange County. Thank you.

7 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

8 And Chair, at this time, that is all of our callers.

9 CHAIR ANDERSEN: Well, thank you very much, Katy.

10 Thank you very much to everyone who has called in
11 tonight. We will be starting the meeting again tomorrow
12 at 11 -- at 11 a.m. And we will go into recess now.
13 Thank you very much.

14 (Whereupon, the 2021 Citizens Redistricting
15 Commission (CRC) meeting adjourned at 10:40
16 p.m.)

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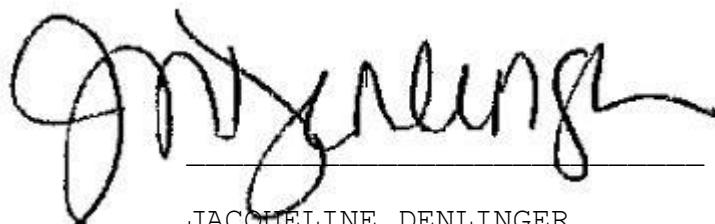
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December 30, 2021

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