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11:01 a.m.

CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Good morning, California, and welcome to our full Commission meeting. It's December 20th, 2021. Before we get started, Ravi, will you take roll call for us, please?

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

Commissioner Fornaciari?

COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Here.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Kennedy?

COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Here.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Le Mons?

COMMISSIONER LE MONS: Here.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Sadhwani?

COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Here.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Sinay?

COMMISSIONER SINAY: Here.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Taylor?

COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Presente.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Toledo?

COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Presente.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Turner?

COMMISSIONER TURNER: Here.

MR. SINGH: Commissioner Vazquez?

COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Here.



1 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Yee?

2 COMMISSIONER YEE: Hai nido, here.

3 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Ahmad?

4 VICE CHAIR AHMAD: Here.

5 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Akutagawa?

6 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Here.

7 MR. SINGH: Commissioner Andersen?

8 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Here.

9 MR. SINGH: And Commissioner Fernandez?

10 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Presente.

11 MR. SINGH: You have a quorum, Chair.

12 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Ravi. Thank you so  
13 much, and thank you, California, for joining us today.  
14 Just a brief recap of where we are. We have somewhat  
15 finalized all of our maps for congressional, California  
16 Senate, Assembly, and Board of Equalization. And just so  
17 you are aware, all of the maps and shapefiles are -- have  
18 been uploaded as a handout for the Senate and Board of  
19 Equalization districts. And within the next few hours,  
20 we will also have that information for the Assembly and  
21 Congress. And the reason it's a little delayed is we  
22 were up really late last night trying to finalize this  
23 for California.

24 So with that, in terms of what we have planned for  
25 today is we're going to go through each of the each of



1 the -- each of the maps. We're going to start with  
2 Senate and go through that and go through each district  
3 and maybe talk about what was involved in terms of  
4 drawing each district. We'll start with the Senate, then  
5 go to the Board of Equalization, move on to Assembly, and  
6 then go on to our congressional.

7 So that's what we plan to do. And then hopefully in  
8 the afternoon after our meal break, hopefully if  
9 everyone's in a position we will vote for -- we will vote  
10 on the final maps.

11 Is there anything from the Commissioners before we  
12 get started? Oh, before we get started on that, I do not  
13 believe there is any -- we don't have anything for  
14 business meeting today -- correct, Executive Director  
15 Hernandez? Okay, okay. I got a nod yes, so --

16 MR. HERNANDEZ: That's correct.

17 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Okay.

18 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Sorry.

19 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: That's all right.

20 We'll go straight into agenda item number 4, which  
21 is our line drawing. Do any Commissioners have any  
22 questions before we start reviewing the maps? Okay.

23 And so what I'd like to do I think is -- oh, Jaime  
24 is going to be our driver for the maps, so we're going to  
25 start with Senate. And what I'd like to do is go from



1 south to north and opening it up to all Commissioners in  
2 terms of if you want to talk about a specific district or  
3 how we how we put districts together. Also -- oops.  
4 We're having some technical -- there we go. We got it  
5 fixed.

6 Let me know when you're ready, Jaime, and we can  
7 start moving through the state.

8 MS. CLARK: Thank you and good morning to all.  
9 What is on the screen now is the proposed final Senate  
10 districts and we're here in Southern California -- can  
11 start -- let's start with number 18. And then  
12 Commissioners, if you could please just describe  
13 decision-making points or you just describe the  
14 districts, how the districts came to be. And then we can  
15 move on to -- we'll go from south to north per the  
16 Chair's direction.

17 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Jaime. And then please  
18 highlight the Voting Right Acts District for us, please.  
19 Thank you. Okay. Jaime, are you going to describe it or  
20 do you want us -- in terms of what's included in that  
21 district?

22 MS. CLARK: Yeah, Commissioners --

23 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you so much, and then we  
24 will have Commissioners provide comments. Will that  
25 work, Jaime?



1 MS. CLARK: Yes.

2 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

3 MS. CLARK: So starting in the northern part of this  
4 district include Needles in eastern San Bernardino  
5 County. Eastern Riverside County, including parts of the  
6 Coachella Valley. All of Imperial County, and then along  
7 the border with Mexico out to include areas in Chula  
8 Vista and City of San Diego.

9 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

10 Commissioner Sinay.

11 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Can I start explaining how we  
12 created this district? So we knew that --

13 MS. CLARK: (Indiscernible) camera?

14 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yes. Oh, sorry. I'm here.  
15 Between lowering my hand, making sure the camera's on and  
16 not hitting the -- okay, so I'm here now.

17 So this district began, you know, before we had  
18 the -- yeah, before we had the VRA analysis, we had  
19 already heard from Imperial County that they really  
20 wanted to be partnered with East Coachella Valley because  
21 of the issues around the Salton Sea. There are both  
22 rural, agriculture, and had a lot of environmental issues  
23 in that in that regard. And then we learned that this  
24 was a protected area and we built it from there. And  
25 then I think Commissioner Kennedy can explain how we did



1 east Coachella Valley and then went up to Needles.

2 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: It looks like you've been tagged.  
3 Commissioner Kennedy?

4 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair. The idea  
5 was indeed to have a district that included the entire  
6 Colorado River Basin that is a key source of water for  
7 Southern California. Commissioner Sinay has already  
8 mentioned the Salton Sea. And then the eastern Coachella  
9 Valley communities that are included are those that are  
10 most likely to suffer from the environmental consequences  
11 of the Salton Sea and are going to want to be those most  
12 engaged in resolving issues related to the Salton Sea,  
13 and as we said, the southern border. So those are those  
14 are the main features of this district. Thank you.

15 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

16 Next one, Jaime.

17 MS. CLARK: This is Senate District 39. It includes  
18 much of the City of San Diego, Coronado, La Mesa, El  
19 Cajon, Crest, and other areas.

20 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Commissioner Sinay?

21 COMMISSIONER SINAY: This area we heard very early  
22 on in the process from Barrio Logan and other communities  
23 that they -- communities in San Diego, as well as the  
24 City of San Diego, as well as South Bay cities of  
25 National City, Chula Vista, Imperial, San Ysidro, that



1 they wanted to all be together. And so we continually  
2 explored how to keep those communities together. And  
3 then we learned that this was also a VRA protected area.  
4 And so we built it going north. So we had all the South  
5 Bay communities, and then we continued to add -- no, to  
6 make sure that we had it in the deviation.

7 So we were able -- the focus was really -- the  
8 anchor was the South Bay.

9 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

10 Jaime?

11 MS. CLARK: Next here is District 40. This includes  
12 areas such as Alpine, Santee, parts of the City of San  
13 Diego, Poway, Ramona, Escondido, San Marcos, Valley  
14 Center, Bonsall, and all the way north to the county  
15 border.

16 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Great, thank you. And I do know  
17 this was some of the more rural areas or some of the  
18 smaller communities, but I will pass it on to  
19 Commissioner Sinay.

20 COMMISSIONER SINAY: We had heard a lot in our  
21 earlier -- our earlier visualizations that we were  
22 splitting up what individuals called the East County, so  
23 the eastern part of San Diego, which is predominantly,  
24 you know, as you said, rural, more distant from the City  
25 of San Diego. They're very connected, even though their

1 distances are far from each other sometimes. And so we  
2 wanted to accommodate as much as we could that desire --  
3 and we also included parts of the City of San Diego.  
4 Those are the ones, the neighborhoods that are the most  
5 connected to communities like Poway, which was included  
6 in Escondido.

7 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

8 Jaime?

9 MS. CLARK: This number 38 includes areas of coastal  
10 San Diego and then moving north to the county line and  
11 including some areas in Orange County, including Mission  
12 Viejo, Laguna Hills, San Juan Capistrano, Madera Ranch,  
13 other areas.

14 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Great, thank you.

15 And we did receive quite a bit of testimony in terms  
16 of the coastal communities wanting to be together in  
17 order, obviously, to bring any other issues forward and  
18 have one voice in terms of what the needs were. Is there  
19 anyone else that has any comments for this?

20 Commissioner Akutagawa and Commissioner Sinay?

21 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, I guess I'll speak  
22 on -- at least on the Orange County side. There was  
23 quite a bit of testimony that we received just in general  
24 for a all-Orange County coastal district. Just to meet  
25 the deviations of both the Assembly and also the

1 congressional, it was just difficult to do. But this was  
2 the opportunity to create that all-Orange County coastal  
3 district, one out of the three. So we took this  
4 opportunity and then still connected, though, the inland  
5 part of Orange County to the to Camp Pendleton and North  
6 San Diego.

7 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

8 Commissioner Sinay?

9 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yes. I did want to mention  
10 Camp Pendleton, because that was a critical population  
11 that we -- all populations and communities are important.  
12 But we really did look at Camp Pendleton -- where did the  
13 military families live and work, because military spouses  
14 do work, and where did the kids go to school as well as  
15 where were services that supported the military families.  
16 And that was part of the elements of creating this one.

17 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

18 Jaime?

19 MS. CLARK: Next, District 32. This includes  
20 northeastern San Diego County and areas in Riverside  
21 County along the 15 including Sage, Winchester, Menifee,  
22 and again up 15 to Corona and Coronita, and additionally  
23 including Norco, Chino Hills, Yorba Linda, and a little  
24 piece of Brea.

25 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.



1 Commissioner Sinay?

2 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I was actually hoping that  
3 Commissioner Kennedy could give this description.

4 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Well, I was trying to decide  
5 between the two and one was on the left and one was on  
6 the right.

7 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I just want --

8 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: I mean, physically.

9 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I just wanted to check one  
10 thing. We did skip one district in San Diego, right --  
11 the City of San Diego one? That 39?

12 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: We did talk about it. Are you  
13 talking about Barrio Logan in the VRA district?

14 COMMISSIONER SINAY: No, that was 18.

15 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Oh, no, wait, I'm sorry, yes.

16 COMMISSIONER SINAY: We talked about 18, but 39 we  
17 didn't talk about -- City Heights and the refugees. And  
18 so if we want to go back after we can do that one. I  
19 just want to make sure that we get that one.

20 MS. CLARK: I believe we did highlight this one and  
21 maybe some notes didn't get added.

22 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Maybe my brain wasn't working.

23 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Or it was working too efficiently.  
24 Okay, so we're on 32. So is it Commissioner Kennedy?

25 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: I guess this district has two

1 main features. One is the northern part of the 15  
2 corridor, and the second being the eastern San Diego  
3 desert with Borrego Springs, which is closely tied to  
4 Anza. So we included Anza in the district. And there we  
5 have it, District 32.

6 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Jaime?

7 MS. CLARK: And next I will just kind of cover, if  
8 it's okay with the Commission, the areas in San  
9 Bernardino and Riverside Counties, then we can go through  
10 Orange County and Los Angeles County before we head  
11 north.

12 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Yes.

13 MS. CLARK: Just don't want to miss any here, so --  
14 next we'll go to District 19, which includes much of San  
15 Bernardino County, geographically speaking, clearly.  
16 Also including parts of Coachella Valley and the  
17 Beaumont-Yucaipa areas -- just kind of going to zoom  
18 north a little bit, Lake Arrowhead and Crestline, Apple  
19 Valley, Lucerne Valley. There we go.

20 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. I'll probably hand it  
21 over to Commissioner Kennedy, but I do know that we were  
22 trying to put as much of Coachella Valley together in one  
23 of the districts, but I will let Commissioner Kennedy  
24 talk more about that.

25 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair. We did



1 indeed put as much of the Coachella Valley as we could  
2 into this district, as well as the Pass cities, the  
3 Morongo Basin, the recreational areas in southwestern San  
4 Bernardino County mountains, as well as the bulk of the  
5 High Desert. You know, we just have to keep in mind that  
6 for a million-person district, you know, these aren't  
7 going to be as tightly knit as some of our other  
8 districts. But I think that there's certainly a good bit  
9 to bind this area together.

10       You know, we looked at both Joshua Tree National  
11 Park, the mountain areas in southwestern San Bernardino  
12 County and the Coachella Valley, as in some ways a  
13 cohesive tourism destination. And again, for the need to  
14 have the million-person population, we added the, as I  
15 said, the bulk of the San Bernardino County High Desert  
16 to that to arrive at District 19.

17       CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. And that was a great  
18 reminder, just a reminder to everyone that these  
19 districts are about a million Californians. So thank  
20 you.

21       Jaime?

22       MS. CLARK: District 29. We have the city of San  
23 Bernardino, Highland, part of Redland, part of Colton,  
24 Rialto, part of Fontana, and then also parts of Rancho  
25 Cucamonga and Upland.

1 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Commissioner Sadhwani?

2 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Sure, thank you, Chair. Of  
3 course as you can see, this district includes the bulk of  
4 the City of San Bernardino and stretches out through  
5 other parts of the County of San Bernardino. This was  
6 also an area that was identified where there are  
7 communities to be protected under the Voting Rights Act.  
8 So this is one of our VRA districts. You can see that we  
9 pulled together a number of communities throughout this  
10 area, including reaching into Upland and Rancho  
11 Cucamonga.

12 In addition, we received a lot of communities of  
13 interest testimony in this area, not only from Latino  
14 communities, but also from a growing population of  
15 African Americans that are living out in the San  
16 Bernardino area. And so we've done our best to keep as  
17 many communities together in this district that had been  
18 requesting to do so.

19 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

20 Jaime?

21 MS. CLARK: Next, looking at number 31, this  
22 includes part of Fontana, Eastvale, Jurupa Valley, part  
23 of Riverside, High Grove, Moreno Valley, Mead Valley,  
24 Meadowbrook, Perris, northern parts of Menifee, and San  
25 Jacinto.



1 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Commissioner Sadhwani?

2 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Sure. Happy to talk a  
3 little bit about this, unless Commissioner Kennedy wants  
4 to jump in. I know this is his home turf, but this is  
5 also one of our Voting Rights Act compliant districts.

6 Again, very similar to the last one. We had  
7 received a lot of testimony about how the nature of these  
8 communities have been changing over the last ten years.  
9 And so we've really done our best to keep together  
10 communities of interest that had spoken early on and  
11 really made their concerns aware -- made us aware of the  
12 concerns that they had in the area and their desire to be  
13 kept together to the greatest extent possible while also  
14 upholding our obligations to the Voting Rights Act.

15 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. Commissioner Kennedy,  
16 did you want to add anything -- you're good? Okay, thank  
17 you.

18 Jaime?

19 MS. CLARK: Okay, so just zooming out, we're heading  
20 to Orange County next. And let's start with this Eastern  
21 Orange County district number 37, that includes parts of  
22 Fullerton and Placentia, Anaheim, and Orange; also  
23 includes North Tustin, Tustin, Irvine, Lake Forest, Aliso  
24 Viejo, and other areas in east Orange County.

25 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Commissioner Akutagawa?



1           COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Sure. So I do want to just  
2 remind everybody that, again, this is a Senate district  
3 and it's about a million people. I know that there  
4 were -- as you could see in the other districts, we're  
5 looking at very large districts. What we did is we did  
6 try to group as many like communities together. So we do  
7 have the communities of North Orange County, specifically  
8 Fullerton, Placentia, Anaheim Hills, Villa Park, parts of  
9 Orange, as well as North Tustin and Tustin. This is also  
10 where it gets into some of the kind of connector cities  
11 like Tustin and Irvine who have connections to cities to  
12 the north, but also have connections to cities to the  
13 south. And that's where you'll see Lake Forest, as well  
14 as some of the canyon communities that are in the  
15 Cleveland National Forest.

16           And so we grouped them instead of some of the other  
17 south OC master-planned communities, because from a  
18 perspective of creating the south OC-north San Diego  
19 district, we wanted it to be a little bit more of a  
20 direct connection to Camp Pendleton and Rancho Mission  
21 Viejo and the cities there, including San Juan Capistrano  
22 has direct connections also, as Commissioner Sinay had  
23 mentioned, to the military families. And so that is our  
24 District -- 37? Can't see.

25           CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Yes, 37, thank you.

1 Jaime?

2 MS. CLARK: Next, looking at District 36, this is a  
3 coastal Orange County district, including San Clemente,  
4 Dana Point, Laguna Beach, Newport Beach, Huntington  
5 Beach, Fountain Valley, western areas of Garden Grove,  
6 Seal Beach, Rossmoor and Los Alamitos, Hawaiian Gardens,  
7 Cerritos, Artesia, Buena Park, Cypress, and Stanton.

8 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. And as you mentioned,  
9 it is a coastal beach, and I'm going to pass it on to  
10 Commissioner Akutagawa. She worked very, very hard on  
11 this, and thank you.

12 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: So we got lots of COI  
13 testimony related to having a coastal district. In any  
14 kind of district, we did try to look at creating other  
15 coastal districts. In this particular case, the logic  
16 around keeping the coastal cities together is around not  
17 only the COI testimony, but what was cited in communities  
18 of interest testimony around keeping a focus on the  
19 issues related to beach erosion and other issues similar  
20 to what had happened recently in Huntington Beach that  
21 impacts the entire coastline around the oil spill.

22 You will note that also we received quite a bit of  
23 testimony from Little Saigon. And again, as in the more  
24 inland OC district, there are bridge cities, and we --  
25 because of the size we had to -- you'll see combinations



1 of groups of cities. So we got a lot of testimony from  
2 Little Saigon wanting to be with the beach cities. So  
3 that includes Fountain Valley, Westminster, Garden  
4 Grove -- part of Garden Grove.

5 We also have lots of COI testimony speaking to the  
6 connections of Rossmoor, Seal Beach, being -- Los  
7 Alamitos being connected together, and then Cypress also  
8 being connected to Los Alamitos and Rossmoor, and then  
9 also the other connections to the other cities, including  
10 Cerritos, Artesia, Buena Park, to a degree Cypress being  
11 the bridge to those cities, and then also Stanton being a  
12 connection to the Asian communities that particularly are  
13 also in those communities that we heard quite a bit of  
14 COI testimony from. And so that is our very large Senate  
15 district, coastal Senate district. Thank you.

16 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

17 Jaime?

18 MS. CLARK: Next, going to District 34. This  
19 includes South Whittier, East Whittier, La Habra,  
20 southern and western Fullerton, northern Buena Park,  
21 western Placentia and Anaheim and Orange, eastern Garden  
22 Grove, and the City of Santa Ana.

23 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

24 Commissioner Sadhwani?

25 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, thank you. This,

1 again, is one of our VRA-identified areas of concern. So  
2 very excited to be able to bring these communities  
3 together. Again, a million-person district. So we see  
4 here we're reaching up into Los Angeles County, and we  
5 felt that was entirely appropriate. We've received a lot  
6 of testimony throughout this process from communities on  
7 the ground, many of whom are working-class communities  
8 who are very much tied to the -- some of the  
9 entertainment industry that is in this region as well, as  
10 well as many essential workers.

11 So I think when we span out and take a look at  
12 Orange County in its entirety, what we can see -- I think  
13 one of the things that makes Orange County such a unique  
14 and special place is the vast diversity of communities  
15 that that call the OC home.

16 And so you can see throughout our maps that we've  
17 attempted to keep communities who have asked to be  
18 together, together in varying degrees. So here, of  
19 course, keeping together most of Santa Ana and Anaheim in  
20 the -- if I may, just go back a little bit in the 37th  
21 Senate District, you can see the community of interest  
22 that we he'd heard a whole lot from of Irvine, Costa  
23 Mesa, Mesa, Tustin going more inland. And as we go and  
24 look at some of our other maps, you'll see them going  
25 more to the coast.

1           So you know, we've done our best to keep all of  
2 these communities of interest together to the extent  
3 possible. And of course, as Commissioner Akutagawa  
4 mentioned here, we were able to keep the complete  
5 community of interest of Little Saigon as they identified  
6 themselves in this map. Thank you.

7           CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

8           Jaime?

9           MS. CLARK: Moving on to LA County. Let's start  
10 with District 33. This includes Long Beach, Signal Hill,  
11 Lakewood, Paramount, Lynwood, Southgate, and some of  
12 these gateway cities here in the north, including  
13 Huntington Park, Walnut Park, Bell, Bell Gardens, Cudahy,  
14 Maywood, Commerce.

15          CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Great, thank you.

16          Commissioner Ahmad?

17          VICE CHAIR AHMAD: Thank you, Chair. This is  
18 certainly an area where we heard probably the most  
19 consistent testimony of keeping Long Beach whole. But as  
20 we know, our job is to really balance all of the COI  
21 testimony that we get against each other so that we can  
22 create fair maps for all Californians. So I'm very proud  
23 of where we ended up with this particular district. We  
24 did our best to keep Long Beach as whole as possible, but  
25 also gave other communities that are neighboring that

1 area a fair opportunity to get together and work on  
2 issues that are similar across the region. So thank you  
3 for that, Chair.

4 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

5 Jaime?

6 Oh, Commissioner Akutagawa, did you also want to  
7 mention something?

8 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, I just wanted to just  
9 mention, I think, as much as possible, I know in some of  
10 the other maps, we had to split some of the gateway  
11 cities, but we were happy that we were able to keep the  
12 majority of the gateway cities together in this Senate  
13 map. And I know that there's a lot of synergy among  
14 those cities. So being able to, again, combine different  
15 groupings, but also at the same time, similar enough or  
16 closely similar enough, we hope, that they'll be able to  
17 find ways to advocate for similar issues and concerns.  
18 Thank you.

19 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Great, thank you.

20 Commissioner Sadhwani?

21 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah. Just to piggyback on  
22 all of that, we've definitely heard a lot of testimony  
23 from the SELA communities, the southeast Los Angeles  
24 areas of Florence-Graham, Huntington Park, Walnut,  
25 Maywood, Bell, Bell Gardens. So I just really wanted to



1 highlight that we were able to keep them together here on  
2 this map. Though, unfortunately, in other places, some  
3 of those communities are split into other districts. But  
4 we were really, really proud to keep them together here.

5 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Yes, definitely. Thank you.

6 Jaime?

7 MS. CLARK: And next, looking at District 35. This  
8 includes San Pedro, Wilmington, some of the Harbor City  
9 neighborhood areas, the City of Los Angeles, West Carson,  
10 Carson, Compton, West Rancho Domingo, East Rancho  
11 Domingo, Willowbrook, Watts, Inglewood, Hawthorne, and  
12 Lawndale. Gardena is split per COI testimony. And this  
13 district also includes LAX.

14 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, and I do know on this  
15 one, we did -- actually all of them, we received  
16 communities of interest, so thank you so much,  
17 California, for helping us build these maps. And we  
18 heard from Watts and Compton wanted to be together, as  
19 well as some of the other neighborhoods. So we'll go to  
20 Commissioner Sadhwani and Commissioner Sinay.

21 Commissioner Sinay?

22 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Thank you. One of -- I  
23 guess -- Californians were very engaged and sometimes we  
24 forget because as I like to say, we're in a bubble inside  
25 a fishbowl. And I thought out loud one day and said, I

1 wonder if we should just put the two ports together. You  
2 know, to me, it made sense. But we quickly learned that,  
3 no, you do not put the Long Beach Port and the LA Port  
4 together. And I wanted to bring that up because it is a  
5 great example of how the community helped us understand.

6 And so we consistently kept Long Beach Port -- the  
7 Long Beach and the Los Angeles Port separate. Also  
8 knowing, though, that their communities around them have  
9 environmental justice issues and other issues that deal  
10 with the port as well as benefit from the port, because  
11 they have jobs, they work there, and have businesses. So  
12 that was kind -- in this one we were able to keep some  
13 bit of it whole. And as was explained we did have  
14 communities of interest testimony in Gardena that there,  
15 you know, there's an Asian business COI that's attached  
16 to Torrance. And -- oh wait, that's the next one over.  
17 Yeah, so Gardena is split because there's a testimony for  
18 that split. So we had been told exactly where to put  
19 that split.

20 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

21 Commissioner Akutagawa?

22 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yes, since Commissioner  
23 Sinay brought it up, I thought I'd just clarify. So  
24 there is a historic Japanese American community in  
25 Gardena and also in Torrance. And so the COI testimony



1 that we received did ask to ensure that by splitting it,  
2 it would respect two different COIs. And so that's why  
3 you'll see the split there, to honor the requests of  
4 community members on the ground. Thank you.

5 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Great, thank you.

6 Jaime?

7 MS. CLARK: Next, looking at District 28. This  
8 includes Westchester neighborhood areas, Del Rey, Mar  
9 Vista, West Side Neighborhood Council, Palms, Culver  
10 City, Ladera Heights, View Park, Park Mesa Heights,  
11 Zapata-King, Central Alameda, South Central Neighborhood  
12 Council, much of downtown Los Angeles, Jefferson Park,  
13 West Adams, Mid-City, Pico, and areas in southern Mid-  
14 City, west.

15 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

16 Commissioners?

17 Commissioner Sadhwani?

18 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: My Zoom actually went out,  
19 so my apologies.

20 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Okay. Yes, Commissioner Sinay?

21 COMMISSIONER SINAY: This this a big area. I mean,  
22 you forget how big a million is until you see a district  
23 like this. What a million allows you to do, though, is  
24 bring a lot of diverse communities together and be able  
25 to get very detailed -- you know, get details and be able



1 to --

2       Yeah, so it might be hard to say what do all of them  
3 have in common besides being Californians and all --  
4 yeah. There are a lot of specific COIs that came into  
5 building this community, and we spent a lot -- this  
6 district and we spent a lot of time working collectively  
7 to create a district that would mean something to the  
8 people who live there.

9       CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

10       Commissioner Vazquez?

11       COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yes. I also wanted to note  
12 that it was really important to the Commission across the  
13 state and including in Los Angeles and the Los Angeles  
14 metro area to keep historically black and African  
15 American communities together to the extent possible.  
16 And so particularly in this region, Culver City, you  
17 know, Ladera Heights, even down, you know, down through,  
18 obviously, the Empowerment Congress. There are a lot of  
19 historically black and Latino communities in this area.  
20 And so -- working-class folks, et cetera. So, yeah, that  
21 that would be what I would add about this district.

22       CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

23       Commissioner Akutagawa?

24       COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. Commissioner Vazquez  
25 said a lot of what I was going to say. I also wanted to



1 just say that this this district does reflect some of the  
2 transitions that are going on between communities, but a  
3 lot of cooperation that is ongoing in these communities.  
4 And we heard quite a bit of testimony to try to keep all  
5 of these communities connected together so that the work  
6 that they're doing together can continue.

7 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Jaime.

8 MS. CLARK: Next, looking at District 26. This  
9 includes Vernon, East Los Angeles, Boyle Heights, El  
10 Sereno, Lincoln Heights, Highland Park, Eagle Rock,  
11 Glassell Park, Echo Park, Silver Lake, Pico-Union,  
12 Westlake, Koreatown, Greater Wilshire, East Hollywood,  
13 and Los Feliz.

14 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Commissioner Vazquez and then  
15 Commissioner Akutagawa?

16 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Thank you, Chair. So similar  
17 to what Commissioner Akutagawa said, this area of LA is  
18 going through a lot of transitions. So many of you have  
19 heard me talk about sort of the historically immigrant  
20 communities, especially on the east side of this  
21 district. And then you have sort of communities, you  
22 know, maybe higher income, but still working-class young  
23 folks in Silver Lake and sort of everyone sort of coming  
24 together in the center of this district. So it was  
25 really important to us to keep like communities together.

1 And we're very glad that we were able to keep Eagle Rock  
2 and Glassell Park in with their historic neighbors of  
3 northeast LA and Highland Park, et cetera. I think that  
4 is it. And -- no, that's it. Thanks.

5 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

6 Commissioner Akutagawa?

7 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yes, thank you. And again,  
8 Commissioner Vazquez just gave a great overview. I  
9 wanted to just add a little other perspective on this.  
10 So as Californians, we know that we have lots of enclaves  
11 or towns. And in this particular district, we've been  
12 able to unite a number of towns -- Koreatown, Chinatown,  
13 Thai Town, historic Filipino district, as well as the  
14 Little Tokyo area. And of course, you're also seeing a  
15 lot of the historic Latino neighborhoods as well, too, in  
16 East LA and Boyle Heights. And so I think this is, in a  
17 sense, a microcosm of what LA is.

18 We also have, as you'll see, due to the connections  
19 of the various communities to each other, we also have  
20 the Greater Wilshire corridor, including the different  
21 transitioning neighborhoods that are part of the historic  
22 communities also in LA. And then also because of the  
23 connection to northeast LA we have Vernon as our bridge  
24 to the southeast LA communities. But because of the size  
25 of the district, they are included with northeast LA.

1 But this is a wonderful, I think, representation of LA's  
2 diverse communities. Thank you.

3 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

4 Jaime?

5 MS. CLARK: Next, looking at District 30. This  
6 includes much of Brea and all of Diamond Bar, Walnut,  
7 Rowland Heights, southern areas of West Covina -- or I'm  
8 sorry. Yeah, southern areas of West Covina, Covina, West  
9 Puente Valley, La Puente, Industry, Avocado Heights,  
10 Hacienda Heights, Alhambra Heights, Whittier, West  
11 Whittier, Montebello, Pico Rivera, Downey, Norwalk,  
12 Bellflower, and Santa Fe Springs with La Mirada.

13 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Jaime, and I believe  
14 this is one of our VRA districts, correct?

15 MS. CLARK: Yes.

16 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Yeah.

17 Okay, Commissioner Akutagawa and Commissioner  
18 Sadhwani?

19 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah. I'd like to point  
20 this is -- this is in a sense, again another reflection  
21 of just the diversity in California, but particularly in  
22 southern California. I want to just note that if we  
23 start at this -- the kind of the southwest section of  
24 this district with La Mirada, Norwalk, Bellflower,  
25 Downey, West Whittier and Whittier, particularly La Habra

1 Heights, Pico Rivera, and Montebello, these are -- these  
2 are communities that have both Latinos, but also other  
3 diverse members of, you know, other diverse Californians,  
4 but particularly similar communities in that they are --  
5 I'm going to call them middle class communities, but  
6 they're also paired with communities that are also middle  
7 class that are also more predominantly -- also Asian and  
8 Latino as well, too.

9       You'll see that in Hacienda Heights, Rowland  
10 Heights, Diamond Bar, and Walnut. We got a lot of COI  
11 testimony to keep those communities together, and then  
12 also intersected with communities from Industry and La  
13 Puente, West Covina -- or West Puente, Avocado Heights,  
14 very much, again, reflective of the kind of mixing and  
15 the intersections between the Asian and Latino  
16 communities in the San Gabriel Valley.

17       CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

18       Commissioner Sadhwani?

19       COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, thank you. Just to  
20 add on a little bit, and I think if we pan out just  
21 slightly here -- Jaime, if you don't mind panning out  
22 just a little bit. I think what's unique throughout not  
23 only this district but the entire area of eastern --  
24 south and eastern Los Angeles County going down into  
25 Orange County as we've already looked at, as well as out

1 in the San Bernardino and Riverside, is that are our  
2 legal counsel had identified significant VRA  
3 considerations throughout this whole area. And so this  
4 district, as well as some of the others surrounding it  
5 and neighboring it, you know, represents our best  
6 attempts at meeting those needs and requirements under  
7 the law.

8 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

9 Jaime?

10 MS. CLARK: Next, moving on to District 22. This  
11 includes in San Bernardino County, Ontario, Chino,  
12 Montclair; and in Los Angeles County, La Verne, San  
13 Dimas, Pomona, Covina, northern parts of West Covina,  
14 Citrus, Azusa, Duarte, Bradbury, Irwindale, Baldwin Park,  
15 North El Monte, El Monte, and South El Monte. And  
16 additionally, including per COI testimony, areas here and  
17 the forest.

18 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Jaime. And I believe  
19 this was a VRA district as well, correct?

20 MS. CLARK: That's correct.

21 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Okay.

22 Commissioner Vazquez?

23 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yes, thank you. This was --  
24 this was a district that I think was somewhat challenging  
25 to work out. While we did cross the county boundary

1 between Los Angeles and San Bernardino, that was really  
2 to strengthen our Voting Rights Act obligations,  
3 particularly to the Latino community and not only the --  
4 well, particularly in the east San Gabriel Valley. And  
5 so I think, like Commissioner Akutagawa said, for the  
6 areas south of this district, there are a lot of, I would  
7 say, middle class and working class Latinos, black,  
8 African American, as well as Asian residents in this  
9 particular district. I think in particular, folks would  
10 say that Pomona is sort of that transition area between  
11 the San Bernardino and the Los Angeles County region in  
12 this district.

13 So Pomona, I think, provides really good sort of, to  
14 use Mr. Becker's term, connective tissue, between these  
15 two districts. In addition, just wanted to note that we  
16 you know, we were glad to be able to keep some of the  
17 forest associated with this district so that folks who  
18 really serve as the gateway to the forest in this area,  
19 namely Azusa, had a stake and some representation for  
20 that area as well. That's it.

21 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Great thank you.

22 Jaime?

23 MS. CLARK: Next, looking at District 25 in San  
24 Bernardino County, this includes San Antonio Heights and  
25 northern areas of Rancho Cucamonga and Upland; in Los

1 Angeles County including the cities of Claremont,  
2 Glendora, Monrovia, Arcadia, Pasadena, Altadena, La  
3 Canada-Flintridge, La Crescenta, Glendale, South  
4 Pasadena, San Marino; and then these west San Gabriel  
5 Valley cities which are COI including Alhambra, Monterey  
6 Park, Rosemead, East San Gabriel, San Gabriel, Temple  
7 City, San Marino if I haven't mentioned that one yet.  
8 Those are all included here in District 25 with large  
9 areas of the national forest.

10 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Great, thank you.

11 Commissioner Sadhwani?

12 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, thank you. From the  
13 beginning of this process, we've heard a lot from  
14 environmental groups about the kind of care that needs to  
15 go into representation when there are natural resources  
16 present, such as the Angeles National Forest, which we  
17 have here -- similar to the logic that we've used to  
18 craft districts around coastal areas as well. We've  
19 attempted here to keep together many of the communities  
20 or as many communities as possible that are touching up  
21 against the Angeles National Forest, with the expectation  
22 that representatives will be good stewards of the forest.

23 In addition, we've received a lot of testimony  
24 linking many of the communities in the East San  
25 Gabriel -- excuse me, the West San Gabriel Valley -- many

1 of whom are Asian American and have strong cultural roots  
2 in those areas, linking them to the forests. And so  
3 you'll see some version of this kind of pairing actually  
4 in all three of our maps. So of course, Senate being a  
5 million-person district, it's a little bit larger than  
6 the others.

7 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Great, thank you. And I'm just  
8 going to add a little bit, because you mentioned  
9 regarding the Angeles Forest. And that's why we see a  
10 couple of the cities -- Upland and Cucamonga, they really  
11 wanted to be made sure that they were part of that. So  
12 you do see that split there. Thank you.

13 Jaime?

14 MS. CLARK: Thank you. Moving on to District 24.  
15 This is from Malibu all the way to Palos Verdes,  
16 Shoreline, you know, cities sort of on the water, and  
17 additionally some other cities. I'll read them off.  
18 This includes Malibu -- Malibu, Westlake Village, Agoura  
19 Hills, Hidden Hills, Calabasas, Topanga, Palisades; and  
20 then some West Side neighborhoods and areas in the City  
21 of Los Angeles, including Bel Air, Westwood Neighborhood  
22 Council, West Los Angeles, Beverly Hills, West Hollywood,  
23 Mid-City West, Hollywood Hills areas. And moving further  
24 south along the coast include Santa Monica, Venice,  
25 Marina del Rey. And that does not include LAX but does

1 include El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Redondo Beach,  
2 Torrance, Palos Verdes, and Rolling Hills and Lomita,  
3 including Alondra Park and southern areas of Gardena.

4 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

5 And Commissioner Sinay?

6 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Thank you. In some ways, we  
7 can say this is the South Bay beach community's bike path  
8 route because it doesn't include the airport, but it does  
9 include the beach and the bike paths. Someone had asked  
10 at one point what does this community all have in common.  
11 And having grown up in the South Bay and gone to UCLA, I  
12 thought it all made sense.

13 But it is a million people. It is large. It is the  
14 whole Los Angeles Bay Area. So from Malibu, the North  
15 Bay, all the way to Palos Verdes, this which is the South  
16 Bay part. There is a lot of work that's been done for  
17 decades in that bay to clean up the bay and help it  
18 thrive. But also the people -- the beaches are very  
19 similar and the people are very similar. And that was  
20 another one of these where we brought the coastal.

21 Up in Malibu, you know, Topanga, Calabasas, Agoura  
22 Hills, Westlake Village -- they are all part of a --  
23 let's see if I say it right this time -- Council of  
24 Governments -- a COG. And so we wanted to ensure that we  
25 kept that COG together as well.

1           So as in a lot of these Senate districts, it's a lot  
2 of small communities -- smaller communities of interest  
3 that have been put together in -- hopefully in a way that  
4 makes sense.

5           CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

6           Jaime?

7           MS. CLARK: Thank you. Looking here at District 27,  
8 which in Ventura County includes Simi Valley, Bell  
9 Canyon, Oak Park, Thousand Oaks, Lake Sherwood, Santa  
10 Rosa Valley, Moorpark areas. And in San Fernando Valley  
11 includes Greater Toluca Lake, North Hollywood  
12 Neighborhood Council, Greater Valley Glen, Studio City,  
13 Sherman Oaks, Encino, Joso (ph.) neighborhood, Tarzana,  
14 Woodland Hills, West Hills, Chatsworth, North Ridge,  
15 Porter Ranch, and Granada Hills.

16          CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

17          Commissioners?

18          I know that we did receive quite a bit of comment  
19 from the Simi Valley, Moorpark -- those communities of  
20 interest. And then in terms of the West San Fernando  
21 Valley, trying to keep that together as well. Again,  
22 these are a million Californians. So oftentimes we have  
23 to -- we group people or group communities together, but  
24 we see it as an opportunity, an opportunity to  
25 collaborate with your neighbors to the east or to the

1 west. It's a great opportunity.

2 Commissioner Akutagawa?

3 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, I wanted to note that  
4 a lot of the Ventura County cities did say that they  
5 wanted to be grouped together, and as Commissioner  
6 Fernandez had noted, these are large districts. So there  
7 are transition areas. Bell Canyon is part of Ventura,  
8 but the entryway or the gateway to Bell Canyon is through  
9 West Hills. West Hills has connections to both Woodland  
10 Hills as well as to Chatsworth. And I'm happy to say  
11 that in this district, we've been able to keep united a  
12 historic Jewish community in the San Fernando Valley that  
13 includes West Hills, Woodland Hills, Tarzana, Encino,  
14 Sherman Oaks, and Studio City, which also -- and Valley  
15 Glen. And those cities, particularly Studio City and  
16 Valley Glen, serve as a transition to a LGBTQ community  
17 that's also in the San Fernando Valley. So we've been  
18 able to honor the request from the COI there.

19 And then we have -- up to the further north, we've  
20 gotten a lot of COI testimony related to the Aliso gas  
21 leak that the communities of Chatsworth, Porter Ranch,  
22 and Granada Hills especially wanted to remain together as  
23 part of their advocacy for continued restitution or  
24 advocacy around really ensuring that those who are  
25 impacted by the gas leak will be taken care of. And so



1 that and the connections to Northridge and the other  
2 parts of -- all the Northridges, I think, that are in  
3 there. So --

4 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

5 Jaime?

6 MS. CLARK: Next, looking at District 20. This  
7 includes Canoga Park, Winnetka, parts of Northridge South  
8 Neighborhood Council, Reseda, Lake Balboa, Van Nuys north  
9 of Oxnard, Panorama City, Mission Hills, North Hills East  
10 Neighborhood Council, and much of North Coast West  
11 Neighborhood Council, Mission Hills -- if I didn't do  
12 that already, Sylmar, San Fernando, the City of San  
13 Fernando, Pacoima, Sun Valley Neighborhood Council, the  
14 City of Burbank, Foothills Trails, Sunland-Tujunga, and  
15 parts of the national forest.

16 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

17 Commissioners?

18 Again, this is our -- the bulk of our San Fernando  
19 Valley that we kept together. We did hear quite a bit of  
20 communities of interest regarding these areas.

21 Commissioner Sinay and Akutagawa?

22 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Thanks, Chair. And as you  
23 said, San Fernando Valley, we spent a lot of time working  
24 on it, taking a step back, coming back to it, taking a  
25 step back, and each time hearing from the community and



1 learning, and building with them. This here, as you  
2 said, it is the bulk of the work that we did. I mean,  
3 the bulk of it -- I mean, the center part of it. And it  
4 was really trying to keep a lot of smaller communities  
5 within the larger community together. And that's how we  
6 built this. Looking at Studio City and North Hollywood,  
7 Greater Valley Glen, you know all those, we had just  
8 received a lot of different feedback on how people wanted  
9 to be represented collectively.

10 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

11 Commissioner Akutagawa?

12 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, I wanted to just note  
13 that this particular area groups many of the working-  
14 class communities of the San Fernando Valley. And the  
15 other two points that I'd like to make just in the  
16 entirety of the San Fernando Valley is that, you know,  
17 because again, these are large districts, we weren't able  
18 to contain it entirely to the San Fernando Valley, as we  
19 saw in that kind of West Valley district. But we did  
20 hear loud and clear, do not go beyond Mulholland. So we  
21 were able to do that for all the districts.

22 On this particular district, this East Valley  
23 district, I do want to note that while Burbank is in here  
24 and we did hear quite a lot of testimony from the  
25 Armenian community, we were able to keep the Armenian

1 community, for the most part, together in the next-door  
2 district, which includes Glendale, La Crescenta, and La  
3 Canada-Flintridge. So -- and also in this East Valley  
4 district, we've been able to keep it to the San Fernando  
5 Valley, including part of the, as you can see, the  
6 Angeles Forest as well there, too, and did not cross over  
7 into Santa Clarita, which we've also heard quite a bit of  
8 testimony about as well, too.

9 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

10 Jaime?

11 MS. CLARK: Next, looking at District 23, this  
12 includes Santa Clarita Valley, Antelope Valley, and  
13 eastern Victor -- or western Victor Valley, including  
14 Adelanto, Victorville, Hesperia, Oak Hills, Phelan,  
15 Indian Hills, and then south of that Wrightwood and Lytle  
16 Creek.

17 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. Commissioners? And as  
18 Jaime noted, this, again, a million people district. It  
19 includes Santa Clarita, keep that whole, as well as  
20 Antelope Valley, and then part of Victor Valley.

21 And Commissioner Kennedy?

22 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair. I just  
23 wanted to highlight that we certainly were aware of  
24 community sentiment in the San Bernardino County High  
25 Desert. Their reluctance to be paired in a district with

1 communities in Los Angeles County. We tried to make the  
2 district as balanced as possible. I personally would  
3 have liked to have seen Apple Valley in the district to  
4 even to balance it even better, but we weren't able to do  
5 that. And so we tried to be responsive to community  
6 input as to the best place to make the cut within the  
7 Victor Valley. Thank you.

8 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

9 Jaime?

10 Oh, wait, wait.

11 Commissioner Taylor. Sorry about that.

12 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: All right, thank you, Chair.

13 I'd like to thank the Commissioners especially for  
14 being able to provide some insight to some of the  
15 specifics of our LA County districts. I think I would  
16 just like to take a sort of a moment to look at broader  
17 approach. There's a lot of connectivity between those LA  
18 County districts, and it was the COI testimony that  
19 helped to bring it together. So I'm really appreciative  
20 of those -- of that testimony that can provide that  
21 linkage. And I think that we were able to provide some  
22 districts that will be able to work together for the  
23 betterment of those specific districts. So very diverse  
24 community. It was a lot of blood, sweat, and tears. So  
25 I'm really proud of what we put together in LA County as

1 well as the rest of the state. Thank you.

2 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Commissioner Taylor.

3 Jaime?

4 MS. RAMOS ALON: Good afternoon.

5 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Oh, it is Tamina now. Sorry. I

6 did not see the changeover. That was really good.

7 MS. RAMOS ALON: Sorry, Chair, the other Jaime.

8 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: No, this is Tamina.

9 MS. RAMOS ALON: Where would you like to begin,  
10 Chair?

11 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: We were moving from south to  
12 north, so -- well, we'll just go through your areas,  
13 how's that? Thank you. Ventura to north.

14 MS. RAMOS ALON: Okay, then we'll begin in Ventura.  
15 This is District 21. District 21 includes the western  
16 part of Ventura County, including the Port Hueneme  
17 through Piru corridor, Oak View, Mira Monte, Ojai, and  
18 Meiners Oaks, and Camarillo is whole. There are no split  
19 cities. It also includes Santa Barbara County, whole,  
20 the associated islands of Ventura and Santa Barbara, and  
21 the southern areas of San Luis Obispo County, including  
22 Nipomo, Callender, Los Berros, Oceano, and Grover Beach.

23 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

24 Commissioner Fornaciari?

25 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah, thanks. As been



1 mentioned several times before, these are very, very  
2 large districts with a million people. We tried to do  
3 our best to accommodate a number of COI input that we  
4 got. The Santa Clara River Valley to Point Hueneme in  
5 Ventura County; a number of communities of interest in  
6 northern Santa Barbara County and southern San Luis  
7 Obispo County. We weren't able to keep the five cities  
8 together in southern San Luis Obispo County for  
9 population. But you know, we try to do our best to group  
10 like communities together as best we could. One of the  
11 pieces of input that we heard -- I mean, San Luis Obispo  
12 County wanted to be whole. We weren't able to do that.  
13 But one piece of input we heard loud and clear was they  
14 did not want to be districted with the Central Valley.  
15 So we were able to honor that in all of our maps. We  
16 kept the coastal counties together.

17 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

18 Commissioner Akutagawa?

19 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yeah, I thought I'd also  
20 just mention, just generally speaking, where we could, we  
21 try to also avoid city splits unless there were specific  
22 requests made through COI testimony. And so I think, as  
23 you saw, Camarillo was included in this portion. We saw  
24 that one -- I believe my recollection was that the  
25 alternative was a split, but we opted to just try to keep

1 the city whole versus splitting it. And so the same with  
2 smaller towns as well, too. We tried our best to not  
3 split small towns. And so you'll see that sometimes it  
4 may mean groupings of cities may be separated, but we  
5 felt it was better than being split. Thank you.

6 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Yes, thank you for that. That was  
7 something that we did talk about to a good extent before  
8 we started mapping, and that was something that was very  
9 important to us, especially the smaller towns that, you  
10 know, they're less than 10,000 and to split that it can  
11 be very detrimental to a community. But it can be  
12 detrimental to any community. So we're sensitive to all  
13 that.

14 Tamina?

15 Oh, Commissioner Sinay?

16 COMMISSIONER SINAY: This is the one that also  
17 includes Piru Valley, right? And I wanted to just bring  
18 that up because we did hear a lot of testimony at the  
19 beginning. And one of the things that I learned during  
20 the community of interests inputs is that that was really  
21 helpful, was actually hearing from communities, no matter  
22 how big or how small their communities were, because then  
23 we could get a feel, and it might not be the exact same  
24 description, but the more local it came and more that  
25 came from the community, it gave us an understanding of

1 why and how to start visualizing and say, what if.

2 And so I wanted just to acknowledge that, you know,  
3 we did hear a lot from individuals from Piru, Fillmore,  
4 Santa Paula, Summit (ph.), you know, Ventura all the way  
5 down to Port Hueneme. And really -- and in Spanish and  
6 in English. And it was -- I think that kind of became  
7 the anchor for a lot of the work that we did in this area  
8 just because of those voices.

9 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Definitely. Would you say it  
10 warmed your heart? I had to get it in there one more  
11 day.

12 Tamina?

13 MS. RAMOS ALON: All right, Chair, I'm going move on  
14 to District 17. District 17 begins in the south with the  
15 balance of San Luis Obispo County. So from Arroyo Grande  
16 going north to the county line. Most cities are split in  
17 San Luis Obispo County. Then take all of Monterey  
18 County, all of San Benito County, and all of Santa Cruz  
19 County.

20 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

21 Commissioner Toledo?

22 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thanks, Tamina -- so  
23 beautifully put. This district is anchored by the  
24 Monterey County -- by Monterey County and includes San  
25 Benito, portions of Santa Cruz, and San Luis Obispo. It



1 aims to create a mid-coast district, a central coast  
2 district. While there were and are VRA considerations in  
3 the San Benito County area, sections of VRA  
4 considerations were considered. Unfortunately, we only  
5 had enough population in the central coast/central valley  
6 area to create two VRA districts. And we're not --  
7 although we tried to create a third, we were unable to.  
8 We didn't have the population to do so. But we looked at  
9 various options.

10 That being said, we were able to -- we heard the  
11 community inputs from the community about keeping --  
12 creating a mid-coast county that that was focused around  
13 the interest of the central coast. And we were able to  
14 create that in this district. And we're very honored to  
15 be able to create a district that reflects the needs and  
16 desires of the central coast, which have agricultural  
17 focuses, tourism, as well as business interests aligned,  
18 and is focused more on -- the more rural interests of the  
19 community. Thank you.

20 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. That was beautifully  
21 put.

22 Tamina?

23 MS. RAMOS ALON: Thank you, Chair. We are going to  
24 move on to District 15. District 15 has the majority of  
25 Santa Clara County, including the majority of San Jose



1 City, which is split in two parts between 15 and 10. It  
2 also includes Lexington Hill, Morgan Hill -- I'm sorry.

3 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Not Morgan Freeman -- it's Morgan  
4 Hill. Let's -- don't get excited, people.

5 MS. RAMOS ALON: Morgan Fremont. Morgan Hill, San  
6 Martin, and Gilroy, Cambrian Park, Fruitdale, Burbank.

7 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Tamina.

8 Oh, Commissioners.

9 And here we have -- we tried to encompass the  
10 majority of Santa Clara and also including some of those  
11 more rural communities.

12 Okay. Next, Tamina?

13 MS. RAMOS ALON: Next, we'll be going to number 13.  
14 District 13 has the majority of San Mateo County going  
15 from the southern San Mateo County border to parts of  
16 south San Francisco. There is a split for COIs in south  
17 San Francisco. It also has part of Santa Clara County in  
18 the downtown Silicon Valley area from Palo Alto through  
19 Saratoga, Los Gatos, and Campbell.

20 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

21 Commissioners?

22 Commissioner Andersen?

23 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah, (audio interference).  
24 Sorry about that. Thank you, Chair. This is, obviously  
25 trying to fit most of the San Mateo County. And you see

1 both the Pacific side and the bay side. It's sort of  
2 very familiar to anyone who lives in this area. It's,  
3 you know, this is an area that has worked together very  
4 well over many, many issues. You know, we have dense  
5 transportation issues. We have dense housing issues. We  
6 have a mountain split in the middle where you have water  
7 issues. You know, we can't get there from here. You  
8 have to have a slide. These are all issues that we were  
9 hoping to keep this county together as much as possible  
10 because it is localized issues, and we were able to do  
11 so.

12 It spans from Pacifica down through Los Gatos, and  
13 it's very familiar with most people. It does have  
14 portions of Santa Clara County. But as you know, if you  
15 live there, you can't really tell when you're going from  
16 one county to the next because the cities sort of roll  
17 right into each other with the Caltrain and every -- all  
18 the other modes of transportation. So we're pleased to  
19 show this district.

20 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

21 Tamina?

22 MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes, Chair. Moving on to District  
23 11. District 11 has the whole of San Francisco County,  
24 with the exceptions of census blocks cut out for making  
25 Alameda whole as well as Angel Island and Tiburon. 11

1 also includes Daly City in its whole, Colma and  
2 Broadmoor, and the split in south San Francisco, as we  
3 worked on per COI testimony.

4 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. It kind of speaks for  
5 itself. It's San Francisco on all of its glorious  
6 various neighborhoods and it takes the remainder of San  
7 Mateo.

8 Commissioner Sinay?

9 COMMISSIONER SINAY: We were intentional in  
10 selecting this part of San Mateo to include not only  
11 because it connects with San Francisco, but we knew that  
12 the largest Filipino community of, you know, in  
13 California lives in Daly City and Colma, and it's --  
14 south San Francisco has a really strong tradition of  
15 working, you know, working-class community. And all  
16 these communities really work well together. And so that  
17 was on the west side of San Francisco. You really can't  
18 tell when you've left San Francisco and when you come  
19 into Daly City. It is one of the rare areas in San  
20 Francisco where you can drive without going onto a  
21 freeway to get to another county. So it felt good.

22 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

23 Tamina?

24 MS. RAMOS ALON: Moving on to District 10. District  
25 10 has Sunnyvale, Santa Clara, and the northern areas in

1 various neighborhoods of San Jose City; includes  
2 Milpitas, comes up into Alameda County, where Fremont is  
3 whole with Newark, Union City, and Hayward also whole.  
4 Fairview is also included in this district. And the only  
5 city split in this district is the northern area of San  
6 Jose.

7 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Tamina.

8 Commissioner Sadhwani?

9 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Sure. We've heard a lot of  
10 community of interest testimony from communities  
11 throughout this region wanting to be kept together,  
12 particularly areas like Sunnyvale, Santa Clara, Fremont,  
13 Milpitas. And so we're very excited to -- in this  
14 district to be able to do that, in pairing them with  
15 other neighbors further to the north. Thank you.

16 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

17 Tamina?

18 MS. RAMOS ALON: Moving to District 5. District 5  
19 includes the communities of Dublin, Pleasanton,  
20 Livermore, and Sunol in Alameda County, comes east to  
21 Mountain House-Tracy. And the entirety of San Joaquin  
22 County.

23 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

24 Commissioners Yee and Commissioner Fornaciari?

25 COMMISSIONER YEE: Actually, I'll wait -- sorry.



1 MS. RAMOS ALON: Please go ahead. My zoom -- it  
2 keeps going out.

3 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Commissioner Fornaciari?

4 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah, so as we mentioned  
5 before, you know, these are very, very large districts.  
6 And you know, this area of the central state is an area  
7 where a lot of communities all come together. And we've  
8 got some constraints to the south, constraints to the  
9 west. So in this case, you know, we had to pair three of  
10 the cities in Alameda County with basically the whole of  
11 San Joaquin County. We've got Pleasanton, Livermore,  
12 Dublin, and actually Sunol paired with San Joaquin County  
13 in this this district.

14 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

15 Commissioner Turner?

16 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Thank you, Chair. I just  
17 wanted to add on to that, looking at this district, that  
18 for sure that it's not lost on me that it's District  
19 number 5 and I'll just say the number of grace. And so I  
20 am glad that we were able to keep the whole of San  
21 Joaquin County together. And the pairing with some of  
22 the other from Contra Costa will be a great decade.  
23 We're going to make it work and it's going to work for  
24 all of those in the district because there is grace in  
25 this area. Thank you.



1 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

2 And Commissioner Fornaciari, were you just --

3 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yes, let me --

4 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: -- waiting to fly?

5 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: -- let me just finish up  
6 with a few thoughts. You know, there are a lot of issues  
7 that these communities share in common. Major  
8 transportation corridor coming through San Joaquin County  
9 into the into the Tri-Valley area, both down to the South  
10 Bay and to the to the rest of the Bay Area. Lots and  
11 lots of folks living in San Joaquin County and Stanislaus  
12 County commute to Silicon Valley and the Bay Area to  
13 work.

14 So there are a number of transportation issues,  
15 including the ACE Train that goes through there and  
16 improving the Ace Train where these counties are working  
17 together. Communities are working together to build a  
18 light rail system to go from Stanislaus, San Joaquin  
19 County to BART to connect those together. So this will  
20 give these communities an opportunity to work more  
21 closely, to have representation together, to work more  
22 closely on those issues.

23 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

24 Tamina?

25 MS. RAMOS ALON: Moving on to District 9. District



1 9 is an Alameda County, Contra Costa County-based  
2 district. In Alameda County, we have the Eden area  
3 communities of San Leandro, San Lorenzo, Ashland,  
4 Cherryland, and Castro Valley. In Contra Costa, we have  
5 the 680 corridor from Norris Canyon in San Ramon all the  
6 way up to the 4 corridor in Martinez; the Lafayette-  
7 Orinda-Moraga area together, the La Marinda (ph.) area;  
8 and the 4 corridor across from Martinez, Concord, Bay  
9 Point, Pittsburg, and all of Antioch.

10 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

11 Commissioner Yee?

12 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah. So you know, once again,  
13 California Senate districts are the largest legislative  
14 districts in the nation, you know, one million. So  
15 you're always going to get groupings and pairings of  
16 communities that may not seem like they go naturally  
17 together. And that being said, we realize, especially  
18 for San Leandro, San Lorenzo, unincorporated areas there,  
19 western Castro Valley, you know, the pairing with the the  
20 bulk of Contra Costa there, we realize is a stretch for  
21 you. And we wish we could have done things differently.  
22 We know you relate more to -- historically to the north  
23 or to the south and not to the east. We ask you to give  
24 this a try. And to the majority of Contra Costa County  
25 that is part of that district, we ask you to look at, you

1 know, with generosity and open mindedness and  
2 inclusiveness to your new neighbors to the southwest and  
3 to make this work. You'll notice that we actually do  
4 split the Tri-Valley also, you know, so there were hard  
5 choices that were made here. And you know, we sure wish  
6 we could have just given everyone what they wanted. We  
7 actually did try. But this is what we ended up with.  
8 And we are confident that you can make it work.

9 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Commissioner. And to  
10 your point, it was actually impossible to give everyone  
11 what they wanted because we had so many -- we had  
12 conflicting testimony as well. But yes, get to know your  
13 neighbors, work well together, and be a model for other  
14 states to follow. Thank you.

15 Tamina?

16 MS. RAMOS ALON: Thank you, Chair. Going to  
17 District 7. This is another Contra Costa and Alameda-  
18 based district. Alameda County has Oakland, Alameda,  
19 Piedmont, Emeryville, Berkeley, and Albany. And Contra  
20 Costa County has the Greater Richmond area, including El  
21 Cerrito, Kensington, all the way up through Pinole,  
22 Hercules, and Rodeo. And there are no city splits in 7  
23 or 9, or 10.

24 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

25 Commissioner Andersen?



1           COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yeah, thank you. Thank you.  
2 This is a familiar district to anyone who lives in there.  
3 This is my district. Thank you very much. And it  
4 spans -- it's the bayside of the hills in the San  
5 Francisco Bay in the East Bay. And it is a -- spans  
6 from -- it includes the entire West Contra Costa County  
7 School District, Rodeo, Hercules, Pinole, El Sobrante,  
8 Richmond, El Cerrito, Sobrante, San Pablo, Kensington.  
9 And then it then it goes into the northern portion of  
10 Alameda County, the Albany, Berkeley, Emeryville,  
11 Oakland, which includes Piedmont and Alameda.

12           These are areas which have worked together for  
13 decades. They have -- they share similar interests in  
14 transportation, in the environmental issues, BART, bus  
15 lines, homelessness, you know, everything from the '89  
16 earthquake, the Oakland Hills fire, which at the time was  
17 a huge firestorm. And the entire communities have always  
18 come together to help. It's a great county and it's a  
19 great district. And we're pleased to be able to keep it  
20 together as much as possible. Thank you.

21           CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

22           Tamina, do you have just one more, or?

23           MS. RAMOS ALON: I do.

24           CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Okay.

25           MS. RAMOS ALON: I have --



1 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: We'll do the last one and then  
2 we'll go on break. Thank you.

3 MS. RAMOS ALON: Oh, I have two more actually.

4 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Oh, you do?

5 MS. RAMOS ALON: And then I will be walking you  
6 through Kennedy's the best I can, so.

7 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Oh, okay.

8 MS. RAMOS ALON: Whenever you would like to take a  
9 break is --

10 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Oh, let's do one more, and then  
11 we'll take a break. Thank you.

12 MS. RAMOS ALON: Okay, then we are moving on to  
13 number 3. District number 3 begins in the south with  
14 eastern Contra Costa County, Oakley, Brentwood, Byron,  
15 Discovery Bay, Knightsen, and Bethel Island; comes up the  
16 Delta area through Isleton, Rio Vista, and Walnut Grove;  
17 includes all of Solano County, all of Yolo County, and  
18 all of Napa County, and then comes into Sonoma County,  
19 taking Rohnert Park and Cotati and goes east to the  
20 highway to Glen Ellen and the Boyes Hot Springs-Sonoma  
21 area.

22 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. And this is a  
23 community of interest that we've heard from the beginning  
24 of Yolo, Solano, and then Napa, a little bit of Sonoma.  
25 Quite bit of it is rural, agricultural. There's



1 partnerships among the communities. Also, we have some  
2 of the east Contra Costa, which is which also is familiar  
3 because we also have the delta portion in there and  
4 there's partnerships in there. So it was really -- it  
5 felt a really good fit for the members of this district.

6 Commissioner Toledo?

7 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Yeah, thank you. So this  
8 district is focused and centered around our agricultural  
9 interests in the North Bay, specifically around the Napa,  
10 Yolo, Solano, and Sonoma areas. You'll see that the  
11 essential workers -- and our focus was to connect the  
12 essential farmworker communities in Sonoma with Napa and  
13 Yolo, as well as some of the more urban communities in  
14 Solano for population purposes. And so we, I believe,  
15 have connected these communities quite nicely and  
16 following the community of interest that we've received  
17 in this area. Rohnert Park was connected to this region  
18 for purposes of essential workers being in that area  
19 that worked in many of these agricultural and hospitality  
20 sectors in this area. Thank you.

21 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Commissioner Toledo.

22 So we will take a break now. And when we come back,  
23 we will finish our tour of the Senate map and then we  
24 will go to our Board of Equalization map. Thank you.  
25 We'll return at 12:46.



1           (Whereupon, a recess was held from 12:31 p.m.  
2           until 12:46 p.m.)

3           CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Welcome back, California. We are  
4 taking a tour of our maps and we are on the Senate maps  
5 towards going -- we went from south to north and now we  
6 are kind of in the northern section.

7           Tamina, do you want to take us to the next one?  
8 Thank you.

9           MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes, Chair. We are going to  
10 District number 2. District number 2 is -- starts in the  
11 south with Marin County, takes the majority of Sonoma  
12 County, Mendocino, Humboldt, Trinity, and Del Norte  
13 County. The only county splits are in Sonoma.

14          CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. This definitely is a  
15 community of interest that we heard over and over again  
16 wanting a northern coastal district, and we are really  
17 happy and proud that we were able to provide that to the  
18 people of California.

19          Commissioner Toledo?

20          COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you. And this north  
21 coast district is comprised by Del Norte, Trinity,  
22 Humboldt, Mendocino, Marin, and Lake counties, as well as  
23 portions of Sonoma County. This district is centered  
24 around the coast, as my colleague had said, from the  
25 Oregon border to the Golden Gate Bridge. We heard very



1 clear that environmental issues, transportation,  
2 agricultural, and business issues are critical and unite  
3 the communities in these areas. We also heard about the  
4 wildfires and wildfire risk in this region that have  
5 happened throughout this this whole area from Point  
6 Reyes, Sonoma, Lake Mendocino, and up to the north  
7 portions of the district.

8 To the extent possible, we honored the requests of  
9 Indian nations in the district and the divisions around  
10 Santa Rosa and the Sonoma County area around Santa Rosa,  
11 Sonoma and Rohnert Park were to, as previously stated, to  
12 unite essential workers with more of the agricultural  
13 interests in the District 3. Thank you.

14 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

15 Okay, Tamina, next.

16 MS. RAMOS ALON: Next, we're going to be going to  
17 District 1. District one has two county splits in Nevada  
18 County and Placer County. Otherwise, the counties that  
19 are whole in this district include Butte, Colusa, Glenn,  
20 Lassen, Modoc, Plumas, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, and  
21 Sutter, Tehama, and Yuba.

22 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Tamina. And with this  
23 district, again, it's a million -- the population is a  
24 million. So we were able to honor the northern counties  
25 that wanted to stay together. So we're very proud of



1 that. But of course, because of population, we had to  
2 come all the way down to the Placer divides.

3 Commissioner Fornaciari and Commissioner Sinay?

4 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah, oftentimes, Senate  
5 districts are somewhat of a nesting of two Assembly  
6 districts, and we have kind of a lot of that going on  
7 here. You know, with the northern and the far northeast  
8 and mountainous counties together, we've heard a lot  
9 about, again, about wildfires, about forest management, a  
10 lot of commonality there. Then we have the also with the  
11 Central Valley districts -- Tehama, Butte, Glenn, Colusa,  
12 Sutter, and Yuba together, we heard a lot of communities  
13 of interest there to be together to work farming issues,  
14 flood issues, water issues, and challenges. So I think  
15 we've got a pretty solid Senate district for the  
16 northeastern part of the state.

17 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

18 Commissioner Sinay?

19 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I think -- Commissioner  
20 Fornaciari explained it really well, but I did want to  
21 publicly thank, you know, all Californians, but I wanted  
22 to thank this district for participating and engaging as  
23 much as they did, because during the communities of  
24 interest sessions, they were battling fires. And we had  
25 heard earlier that, you know, broadband challenges and

1 such, but we really got a robust input from all this  
2 region to help us be able to build this district.

3 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. And I do know early on  
4 when we had our input meetings, I referred to this area  
5 as God's country, and it really is beautiful. So I hope  
6 that everybody gets a chance to go to Northern  
7 California.

8 Tamina, the next one.

9 MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes, Chair, next one is District 4.  
10 I am zooming out a little bit. District 4 includes the  
11 counties whole of Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, El Dorado,  
12 Inyo, Mariposa, Mono, Stanislaus, and Tuolumne; shares  
13 the split from --- with one of Nevada and Placer in the  
14 north. And I'm sorry, and there is also a split in  
15 Madera and Merced.

16 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Okay, thank you.

17 Commissioner Fornaciari and Commissioner Andersen --  
18 or did you just leave your hand up? You did a Taylor  
19 today? Okay, first to do a Taylor.

20 Commissioner Andersen?

21 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Thank you, Chair. Well,  
22 this was an area -- this is again, a million people. And  
23 the Sierra counties of Amador, Calaveras, Mariposa,  
24 Tuolumne, Alpine, Mono, and Inyo all wanted to stay  
25 together and really with the other Sierra counties. And



1 they have parts of Merced -- or I'm sorry, parts of --  
2 yeah, Merced, and you know, where you get the million  
3 people. And given the arrangements of, you know, you  
4 have the counties up north, you put Sacramento in, and  
5 you know, you have the area in the south. It's kind of  
6 what population fills it out and it ends up being -- on  
7 the good, it's a full county of Stanislaus and a portion  
8 of its neighbor.

9       So while you're not Sierra, you do have -- there's a  
10 little bit -- there's a lot of the Central Valley, but  
11 your counties are all together. It's diverse interests,  
12 but they are adjacent, and we just hope that these  
13 wonderful people can find the best in each other and come  
14 together for a very, very large district. Again, a  
15 million people in the state. So thank you very much for  
16 all. We had great participation from everyone in this  
17 area, diverse interests from wildfire, water, broadband  
18 to you know, agricultural, you know, the agriculture and  
19 the farming versus the ranching. These are issues which  
20 come around from a hundred years. And this area, I know  
21 can do something about it. So thank you.

22       CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

23       Commissioner Yee?

24       COMMISSIONER YEE: Thank you, Chair. Just briefly,  
25 you know, this district went through a lot of changes and



1 variations. I'm glad in the end we were able to include  
2 the entire Tahoe region, including Truckee. So that's  
3 where we landed, and we were happy that we did so.

4 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Yes, thank you.

5 Tamina?

6 MS. RAMOS ALON: Moving to District number 12 which  
7 includes parts of Fresno, Tulare, and Kern counties, and  
8 it keeps California City whole and Clovis -- Clovis and  
9 Exeter and Maricopa, Ridgecrest, Taft, Tehachapi. That's  
10 it. Thank you.

11 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Tamina.

12 Commissioner Andersen, or is that a Taylor again --  
13 oh, okay, all right. Everybody wants to be Taylor today.

14 Commissioners? So this is one of our Central Valley  
15 districts that we are proud of with Fresno, Tulare, Kern.  
16 We did hear over and over again, Fresno with Kern. But  
17 at the end of the day, there's huge farming communities.  
18 There's more commonalities. And I am very excited that  
19 you're going to get to know how much more you have in  
20 common because now you're paired together. So that's  
21 very exciting. I hope you're as excited as I am right  
22 now. So please look at the opportunities, look at new  
23 partnerships, and you really are more common and have the  
24 same water issues, transportation issues. And we know  
25 that you'll work well together.



1 Tamina?

2 MS. RAMOS ALON: Moving to District 16. This is --  
3 has Kings County whole with parts of Kern and Tulare, and  
4 a little bit of Fresno up here. We have incorporated  
5 cities whole are Arvin, Avenal, Corcoran, Delano, Dinuba,  
6 Farmersville, Hanford, Kingsbury (sic), Lemoore, Lindsay,  
7 McFarland, Porterville, Wasco, and Woodland Lake --  
8 Woodlake.

9 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

10 Commissioner Sadhwani?

11 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yeah, thank you. I'm really  
12 excited to present this district. It's, of course, one  
13 of the areas throughout the Central Valley where we had  
14 identified significant Voting Rights Act considerations.  
15 And we believe that this district is firmly in compliance  
16 with the Voting Rights Act and will keep together  
17 communities who are very similar in nature -- of course  
18 has Kings County whole and you know, includes many of the  
19 portions of Bakersfield and up into Fresno. Thank you.

20 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. Yes, and as you noted,  
21 it is a VRA. And we did receive some input as well on  
22 this in terms of from Bakersfield all the way to Fresno.  
23 But there is so much in common. You've got your working-  
24 class Latinos, regardless of being a farm worker or some  
25 other job as an essential worker. They are facing the

1 same struggles. They have the same goals. They have the  
2 same wishes. And now I'm very excited that we get to  
3 hear them. They have a voice now. So thank you. Thank  
4 you, fellow Commissioners.

5 Tamina?

6 MS. RAMOS ALON: Thank you, Chair. Moving to  
7 District 14. District 14 has parts of Fresno, Madera,  
8 Merced and Tulare counties. The cities which are kept  
9 whole in this district are Atwater, Chowchilla, Coalinga,  
10 Dos Palos, Firebaugh, Fowler, Gustine, Huron, Kerman, Los  
11 Banos, Madera City, Mendota, Merced City, Orange Cove,  
12 Parlier, Reedley, Sanger, San Joaquin City, and Selma.

13 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. This is another one of  
14 our Voting Rights Act -- I'm sorry. Oh, Commissioner  
15 Sadhwani, did you want --

16 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: No, no, no. I thought maybe  
17 Commissioner Fornaciari --

18 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Oh, Commissioner Fornaciari. I'm  
19 sorry -- I did not see your hand. Oh, your hand was not  
20 raised? Were you swatting a fly? Were you -- okay?

21 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: You want me to go? Okay.  
22 Yeah, so this is another one of our VRA districts in the  
23 Central Valley. It, you know, it includes a split in  
24 Fresno, parts of Madera County and Merced County. You  
25 know, it's a tough challenge to build these VRA

1 districts. And I think we've done a nice job, as was  
2 stated earlier, that we've we put communities together  
3 and we've given folks who historically haven't had the  
4 opportunity to have effective participation in the  
5 process an opportunity here with these districts that  
6 we've drawn.

7 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. Yes, you're right, it  
8 is a tough challenge, but we were so honored to be able  
9 to do it. So thank you so much.

10 Tamina?

11 MS. RAMOS ALON: Going to District 8, Chair.

12 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: We're going north. Gold country.

13 MS. RAMOS ALON: District 8 is the county of  
14 Sacramento. Also in -- the cities which are whole in  
15 this district include Elk Grove, Sacramento City.

16 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Tamina. I believe this  
17 is the only map where we were actually able to keep  
18 Sacramento City whole, which was great. I feel really  
19 good about this. We all feel really good about this  
20 district because it ties so many of our working-class  
21 communities from the Fruitridge, Oak Park, Lemon Hill,  
22 Vineyard, Florin area. Also, our LGBTQ communities are  
23 together as well as our Afghan community and  
24 Carmichael -- oops that's on the other one. We'll get to  
25 that one in a second. But also with North Natomas, tying

1 them into the communities in Elk Grove also, they do have  
2 quite a bit of commonality with our Asian -- the Asian  
3 community from Pocket and Greenhaven and Elk Grove. It's  
4 just -- it's a really good -- and we able to keep  
5 Sacramento State University whole and with its  
6 neighboring and housing areas.

7 Commissioner Andersen?

8 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Thank you, Chair. Yes, and  
9 additionally, we also have -- the entire city of  
10 Sacramento is kept whole. We have the whole floodplain  
11 here for the American Rivers and Sacramento Rivers, which  
12 we all we all consider coastal, having sea rise issues.  
13 With the change in weather and the no rain and massive  
14 flooding, Sacramento has a huge flooding problem, most  
15 people don't realize. And keeping the floodplain  
16 together will really help have get the community together  
17 to work on this issue. So we're proud of that.

18 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

19 Tamina?

20 MS. RAMOS ALON: District number 6 is a Placer and  
21 Sacramento County-based district. And it keeps intact  
22 the cities of Citrus Heights, Folsom, Galt, Lincoln,  
23 Loomis, Rancho Cordova, Rocklin, and Roseville.

24 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Tamina.

25 This district is made up of the remaining of



1 Sacramento County. It does include some rural  
2 communities, but they still -- they do have commonalities  
3 with some of their neighbors up north. And it also ties  
4 in going from Sacramento County, the suburbs of  
5 Sacramento -- City of Sacramento to the Placer, which is  
6 also suburban areas that are connected to Sacramento,  
7 whether or not they want to admit it sometimes, but  
8 that's okay. We take no offense to that. So I actually  
9 believe this is a really good pairing for all involved.  
10 And I think that's it. Thank you.

11 MS. RAMOS ALON: Chair, this concludes our overview  
12 of --

13 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: That is it for the Senate?

14 MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes, Chair. This concludes our  
15 overview of the Senate districts. We'll be turning to  
16 Sivan now who will do an overview of the Board of  
17 Equalization.

18 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Great, thank you.

19 And just a little prelude to the Board of  
20 Equalization, in case you weren't following, we initially  
21 nested ten of our Senate districts into each Board of  
22 Equalization district, but then we modified it from  
23 there. And I will end up handing it over to Commissioner  
24 Fornaciari. Thank you.

25 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Are we ready to go, Chair,



1 Sivan?

2 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Sivan, are you ready?

3 MS. TRATT: I am, yeah.

4 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Okay.

5 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Okay. So let's see, just  
6 as a reminder to everyone in the state and Commission  
7 that the Board of Equalization was created to ensure  
8 property tax assessment practices were equal and uniform  
9 throughout the state. So in addition to that role, the  
10 Board of Equalization is responsible for administering  
11 property tax programs, alcoholic beverage tax, tax on  
12 insurers and private railroad car tax. So when you go  
13 buy your private railroad car, you'll know who to talk  
14 to.

15 And so as Chair Fernandez mentioned, we'd initially  
16 started by nesting ten each of our Senate districts to  
17 create the four Board of Equalization districts. So if  
18 you thought Senate districts were big, these are  
19 basically ten million people per district. But because  
20 the districts are county-based, what we did is we went  
21 back and took a look and tried to make as many counties  
22 as possible whole per district within the allowable  
23 deviation.

24 So as you can see on starting in the north coast,  
25 we'll see how many of these I can get. We start with Del



1 Norte, Humboldt, Trinity -- yeah, it starts --

2 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Do you want to phone a friend?

3 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah, geez, Mendocino,  
4 Lake, Sonoma, Napa, and then Marin. Do you want to go --  
5 Pedro. And then we have the Bay Area, and we'll skip  
6 down to Santa Cruz, San Benito, Monterey.

7 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: San Mateo -- don't forget San  
8 Mateo.

9 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yeah, the Bay Area. I  
10 just lumped them all together.

11 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Wow. And then we have  
12 California -- we're done.

13 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: And then If we go further  
14 south, we have -- I think I said San Benito, Monterey,  
15 and then it keeps going south, right? We have San Luis  
16 Obispo, Ventura, and Santa Barbara counties. And those  
17 counties are all whole. And then on the eastern side of  
18 the state, I'm not going to go through all the counties,  
19 but it starts in the northeast corner and all the way  
20 down to Kern and almost all of -- yes. So it starts up  
21 there in Modoc in Siskiyou, and yeah. We can just scroll  
22 on down -- and then almost all of San Bernardino County.

23 Well, and then if we look at District 3, it is the  
24 entirety of LA County without any splits. And then if  
25 you will scroll down to the to the bottom, we've got four



1 counties together -- Orange, Riverside, San Diego, and  
2 Imperial, and then just a slight split in San Bernardino  
3 County. So if you can zoom in right there where you're  
4 circling, that would be great. Because of population  
5 balance, we had to include Chino, Chino Hills, Ontario,  
6 Rancho Cucamonga, Upland, Montclair, and San Antonio  
7 Heights in District number 4. But those cities are  
8 whole, and that represents the only county split in the  
9 Board of Equalization districts.

10 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Commissioner  
11 Fornaciari. Thank you so much for your work on this as  
12 well.

13 Commissioner Yee?

14 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yes, thank you so much,  
15 Commissioner Fornaciari -- excellent work. So just  
16 curious, so out of the forty Senate districts, how many  
17 did you do further splits to unite counties? Just a  
18 proportion or the exact number of you have it.

19 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: I don't have that. I do  
20 know, for instance, that San Bernardino and Riverside  
21 County, there was a split in Riverside County in one of  
22 the Senate districts that we eliminated. There was a  
23 split in Ventura County that brought some of Ventura  
24 County into LA County. There were a few splits in Los  
25 Angeles County. One of the Senate districts went from



1 the San Gabriel Valley into northern -- northeastern  
2 Riverside County. Then there were additional couple of  
3 county splits in Senate districts between Orange and LA  
4 County. And I think the final split was in Alameda/San  
5 Joaquin County. And we were able to put Alameda County  
6 whole. I think I got all the splits.

7 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: That's it? Yeah.

8 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Oh, no, that's not true.  
9 The tail of Sacramento County was split in the Senate  
10 map. And so we were able to put that back whole.

11 COMMISSIONER YEE: So in our statutory criteria, you  
12 know, county boundaries is higher up than nesting. So in  
13 the end, for the four VRA districts, then none of them is  
14 perfectly nested.

15 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: No, but close.

16 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yeah, which is fine per our  
17 criteria; I just wanted to know. Thanks.

18 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you for clarifying that,  
19 Commissioner Yee.

20 Any other questions with the Board of Equalization?  
21 Okay. At this point in time, we are actually going to go  
22 into closed session under the pending litigation  
23 exception. It will just be a very short session.  
24 However, after that session, we will be taking a long  
25 break. We are waiting for our line drawers to do all the

1 magic they need to do in order to load the maps for  
2 Assembly and congressional before we actually discuss  
3 them. So we plan to be back at 4 o'clock. So please  
4 join us then.

5 (Whereupon, a closed session was held from 1:11  
6 p.m. until 4:15 p.m.)

7 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Welcome back, California, and  
8 thank you for joining us. We started a little bit later  
9 because it took us a little bit longer to get the  
10 Assembly map uploaded. It is on our handout. So if you  
11 would like to see what we're talking about, you can go to  
12 our handouts, or you can also watch it live with us.

13 And also, we did have a closed session under the  
14 pending litigation exception and took no action.

15 And what we're going to do is we're going to go  
16 through Assembly. And again, as we go through the  
17 Assembly, if you would like to comment about a specific  
18 district, you can. If not, we'll just move on to the  
19 next district.

20 And again, there's eighty districts and we're going  
21 to start in Southern California. And is that -- is it  
22 Tamina today? I can't see.

23 MS. RAMOS ALON: Sivan will be starting.

24 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Sivan is going to start. All  
25 right, Sivan.



1 MS. TRATT: Yes. Thank you, Chair. Just have the  
2 state up for everyone's overviewing purposes. And then  
3 starting in the south of the state, we have District 36.  
4 This stretches across three counties, excuse me. It  
5 includes all of Imperial County whole, a large portion of  
6 Riverside County, including areas on the eastern and  
7 southern sides of the Coachella Valley. It also  
8 stretches up north to include this town of Needles and  
9 the unincorporated area around Needles that make up the  
10 Colorado River basin.

11 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Sivan.  
12 Commissioner Kennedy?

13 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Just to correct that. That's  
14 eastern and northeastern segments of the Coachella  
15 Valley. The southern portion of the Coachella Valley is  
16 not involved. Thank you.

17 MS. TRATT: Thank you. Sorry. Thanks for  
18 correcting that.

19 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.  
20 Sivan, the next district, please.

21 MS. TRATT: Absolutely. Just moving westward to  
22 District 75. This district is mainly comprised of towns  
23 on the eastern, more rural side of San Diego County,  
24 including the cities of Fallbrook, Rainbow, Bonsall and  
25 Pala, Borrego Springs south to the southern border --

1 county border and state border as well -- also includes  
2 cities such as Jamul, Rancho San Diego, Santee, Descanso,  
3 and Alpine, as well as a small portion of the City of San  
4 Diego.

5 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Sivan.

6 I do know that this is some of the more rural areas  
7 in San Diego, and so we reviewed the communities of  
8 interest and we tried to keep as many of those  
9 communities together as possible.

10 Thank you, next one.

11 MS. TRATT: Next one is District 79. Oh, excuse me.  
12 I'll just start with the southernmost -- District 80. So  
13 District 80 is one of our VRA consideration districts.  
14 It includes the southernmost portion of the City of San  
15 Diego, the San Ysidro area, the cities of Imperial Beach,  
16 Chula Vista, Bonita, and National City, as well as the  
17 historic barrios of Barrio Logan and Logan Heights in San  
18 Diego City.

19 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

20 Commissioner Sinay?

21 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah, this -- as Sivan said,  
22 this is a VRA district and last -- in 2010, this was a  
23 VRA district that was connected with Imperial County.  
24 And this year, this year -- this decade, we will have two  
25 VRA districts on the border.



1 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. Yes, that's very  
2 exciting for us to have two VRA districts on the border.

3 Next one, Sivan.

4 MS. TRATT: Yes. Moving right along to the north of  
5 80 is District 79. This district comprises of a large  
6 portion of the city of San Diego, as well as the cities  
7 of La Presa, Spring Valley, La Mesa, Lemon Grove, and the  
8 southern part of El Cajon. Within San Diego we are  
9 keeping intact neighborhood COIs such as City Heights,  
10 which had noted ties to some of these cities they are  
11 included with.

12 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Great. Thank you for the  
13 descriptions.

14 Commissioner Sinay?

15 COMMISSIONER SINAY: This is a community -- we've  
16 been able to keep in this community, the LGBTQ+  
17 communities as well as refugee/immigrant. A lot of the  
18 black business areas and where a lot of immigrant and  
19 refugees have been able, as they assimilate and get their  
20 businesses going, move to. So it was -- this is kind of  
21 an exciting district.

22 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

23 Sivan?

24 MS. TRATT: All right. So just to the west is  
25 District 77. Let me zoom out so you can see the full



1 district. It goes as far south as Coronado and then is a  
2 coastal-based district, including many of the coastal --  
3 or I should say all of the coastal neighborhoods of the  
4 city of San Diego, as well as the coastal towns of Del  
5 Mar, Solana Beach, Encinitas, and Carlsbad.

6 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Yes, thank you, Sivan. It was  
7 great that we were able to build a coastal district in  
8 San Diego. The next one.

9 MS. TRATT: We have a more inland San Diego  
10 district. This is District 76. This includes this top  
11 San Pasqual corridor of the city of San Diego, as well as  
12 some of the more rural canyon areas in the north of the  
13 city; also includes the cities of Rancho Santa Fe,  
14 Fairbanks Ranch, all of Escondido, all of San Marcos and  
15 Lake San Marcos, as well as Elfin Forest and Harmony  
16 Grove.

17 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Sivan.

18 Commissioner Sinay?

19 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Never mind.

20 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: No, no, no, you have something,  
21 yeah.

22 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Well, what I was going to say  
23 is we really worked -- tried really hard to create a 78  
24 corridor, which is the highway in the area that has  
25 really united Camp Pendleton, Oceanside Vista, San



1 Marcos, and Escondido, and just the numbers for all the  
2 different districts. And being that San Diego and  
3 Imperial County are kind of unique in that not only are  
4 they you when you hit the south, not only do you hit the  
5 county line and the state line, but you hit an  
6 international border. And then you've got -- on the west  
7 you've got the ocean.

8 So unfortunately, the numbers didn't allow and to do  
9 the configuration that we, in every district, we've tried  
10 to keep portions of the 78 corridor together.

11 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you for that.

12 And just as a reminder for our Assembly districts,  
13 we are looking at about a population of just a little  
14 under a half a million, so 500,000 Californians. So it's  
15 still big, but sometimes not big enough to get all of  
16 your neighbors in. And that's when we have the Senate  
17 and congressional.

18 Sivan, thank you. Next one.

19 MS. TRATT: All right. Continuing north is District  
20 74. This district stretches across two counties. The  
21 southern county is San Diego, and then it also includes a  
22 southern portion of Orange County. The cities from San  
23 Diego included are Oceanside, Vista, as well as both Camp  
24 Pendletons and the Camp Pendleton base as well. Across  
25 the Orange County line, we have the cities of Dana Point,



1 Laguna Niguel, San Juan Capistrano, and San Clemente.  
2 And again, this is a more coastally-based district,  
3 although it stretches across two counties and also has  
4 other COI testimony keeping the cities paired as they  
5 are.

6 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Sivan. Yes, this is  
7 another coastal community or district that crosses from  
8 San Diego into Orange County. Thank you. Next one.

9 MS. TRATT: Next is District 72. This is our more  
10 coastally-based Orange County district. It goes as far  
11 north as Seal Beach to include also most of Huntington  
12 Beach, Newport Beach, and then the cities of Laguna  
13 Woods, Laguna Hills, Aliso Viejo, and Laguna Beach.

14 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. And I like the way you  
15 put it as, "coastally". That's very nice and cozy it  
16 sounds like. The next one.

17 MS. TRATT: I'm hoping it's a word and not something  
18 I just made up. 73-- District 73 keeps the cities of  
19 Costa Mesa, Irvine, Tustin, and also includes a small  
20 swatch of land, unincorporated land, just to the north of  
21 Irvine as well.

22 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. And we did actually  
23 receive quite a bit of communities of interest  
24 information regarding Costa Mesa and Irvine and Irvine  
25 and Tustin. Sometimes it was conflicting, sometimes not.



1 But it was a good district to build. Thank you. Next  
2 one.

3 MS. TRATT: District 70 keeps intact many COIs  
4 including the Little Saigon COI of Orange County. It  
5 includes the cities of Rossmoor, Los Alamitos,  
6 Westminster, Stanton, Garden Grove, a portion of Santa  
7 Ana, Fountain Valley, Midway City, as well as a portion  
8 of Huntington Beach.

9 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Commissioner Sinay?

10 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I just want to say we've moved  
11 to numbers and we're all so used to the names, so I think  
12 that's why we're being a little delayed in responding  
13 because it's like, wait, is this from SANTAANA or is  
14 this -- so I just wanted --

15 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Yes, that's a good point. We're  
16 used to the creative names and sometimes they actually  
17 don't relate to the areas anymore.

18 But yes, Commissioner Sadhwani.

19 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Sure. In this district, I  
20 just wanted to note, you know, we've had an immense  
21 amount of participation from the Vietnamese community in  
22 the Little Saigon area. So you know, very excited in  
23 this district we keep most of those areas together.  
24 We've also had an incredible amount of testimony from Los  
25 Alamitos and Rossmoor wanting to be with their friends in

1 Orange County and an Orange County based district. And  
2 so I think we achieved a lot of those goals here.

3 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

4 And Sivan, next one.

5 MS. TRATT: Next, we have District 68. This is  
6 another one of our VRA districts. This district is  
7 comprised of a large portion of Santa Ana, the  
8 westernmost portion of Orange. I believe this map splits  
9 Orange at the 55 going south, and then it also includes a  
10 large portion of the Anaheim Valley area of the City of  
11 Anaheim.

12 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Sivan. And again, it's  
13 one of our VRA districts, and we are always happy to  
14 lift -- to help lift the voices for those that maybe did  
15 not have voices in the past. Thank you.

16 MS. TRATT: Continuing on with our Orange County-  
17 based districts, the next district is District 67, it is  
18 mostly in Orange County, but does cross over slightly  
19 into Los Angeles County, to include the cities of  
20 Cerritos, Artesia, and Hawaiian Gardens. In Orange  
21 County it includes a large portion of the City of  
22 Fullerton, as well as another portion of the Anaheim  
23 Valley area of the City of Anaheim, Cypress, Buena Park,  
24 and La Palma.

25 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Sivan. Next district



1 please?

2 MS. TRATT: The next District is 59. This includes  
3 the other part of Fullerton, as well as the Cities of  
4 Brea; it crosses into San Bernardino County to include  
5 Chino Hills, and a portion of the City of Chino as well.  
6 It goes south and stops before the hillside cities, but  
7 includes North Tustin, the eastern portion of Orange and  
8 Villa Park, as well as the Anaheim Hills area of the City  
9 of Anaheim, Yorba Linda, and Placentia.

10 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Sivan. The next  
11 district, please.

12 MS. TRATT: All right. So moving into our San  
13 Bernardino-based districts, we have District 53; again, a  
14 VRA district for consideration. Largely based around the  
15 City of Ontario, and includes the other portion of the  
16 City of Chino, as well as Pomona and Montclair, and the  
17 southern portion of the City of Upland.

18 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Sivan. And again, a  
19 reminder that this is another one of our VRA districts,  
20 thank you.

21 MS. TRATT: District 50 is another VRA district, and  
22 this district includes the southern portion of Rancho  
23 Cucamonga. It also includes the majority of the City of  
24 Fontana, Bloomington, a southern portion of Rialto, as  
25 well as Colton, Loma Linda, and a portion of Redlands and



1 San Bernardino. Originally, this district was more  
2 north-south oriented, and the Commission changed the  
3 architecture of this district recently during live line  
4 drawing, in efforts to make it more of a single-county  
5 district.

6 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Yes, thank you, Sivan. A  
7 reminder, this one -- this is another one of our VRA  
8 districts. Thank you. The next one?

9 MS. TRATT: It is hard to keep track of which ones  
10 we've done. I don't believe I've talked about 58, which  
11 is right here. This District is comprised of the City of  
12 Riverside, as well as Highgrove, and Grand Terrace,  
13 Jurupa Valley, and goes south to include Corona,  
14 Coronita, and El Cerrito.

15 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Sivan. The next  
16 district?

17 MS. TRATT: District 63 includes the other portion  
18 of Corona, as well as the City of Norco. It also  
19 includes El Sobrante, Woodcrest, a portion of the City of  
20 Riverside, a portion of the March Air Force Base, Lake  
21 Matthews, Lake Elsinore, and goes as far south as  
22 Lakeland Village and Menifee.

23 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Sivan. And the next  
24 one?

25 MS. TRATT: District 60 is comprised of Moreno

1 Valley, the Cities of Perris, Good Hope, and Mead Valley,  
2 Romoland, Nuevo, Lakeview, Homeland, Green Acres, the  
3 northern portion of the City of Hemet, as well as East  
4 Hemet, and San Jacinto, is -- is a COI kept together with  
5 Moreno Valley as best we could in this -- in this  
6 district.

7 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Sivan. And yes, one of  
8 the COIs that we -- one of the many COIs that we were  
9 able to keep together. So thank you so much.

10 Commissioner Sinay?

11 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I just want to say, where  
12 with -- in San Bernardino and Riverside, and you know,  
13 over the last ten years there's been a lot of growth in  
14 this area. And it was a really exciting process to kind  
15 of hear from the communities that have been there  
16 traditionally, and as well as new communities, and how  
17 much civic engagement there is in this area.

18 I've worked -- I've worked in this area twenty-plus  
19 years ago, and it was just nice to see just the efforts  
20 that were in play during the redistricting process.

21 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Oops. Thank you. There we go.

22 Sivan, next one?

23 MS. TRATT: Yeah, absolutely. So continuing on in  
24 our tour is District 45. This city keeps together Rialto  
25 and San Bernardino, as well as a northern portion of the

1 City of Fontana.

2 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

3 MS. TRATT: It also includes northern portion of the  
4 City of Redlands.

5 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Yes.

6 MS. TRATT: And part of Highland.

7 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: I was like, wait. There's a  
8 little bit more there. Thank you.

9 MS. TRATT: Yes.

10 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Sivan. Next one. The  
11 next one?

12 MS. TRATT: Yeah. 47, I'm just zooming out so we  
13 can see the whole district. So 47 is mostly Riverside-  
14 based, but also goes into San Bernardino County to pick  
15 up the Morongo Basin, cities of Morongo Valley, Yucca  
16 Valley, and Joshua Tree. We also keep all of Joshua Tree  
17 National Park in this district.

18 The remaining cities on the western side of the  
19 Coachella Valley are kept together, including Palm  
20 Springs, Cathedral City, Desert Hot Springs, La Quinta,  
21 and includes the cities of Valle Vista, as well as  
22 Idyllwild-Pine Cove, Beaumont, Banning, Calimesa,  
23 Yucaipa, Oak Glen, all those cities there.

24 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. Commissioner Sinay?

25 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yea. I just wanted to share



1 that with -- you know, the Assembly is 494,403 people,  
2 which sounds big, but it does require us to split cities  
3 more often than in the Senate districts. So that's why  
4 we're hearing more about Senate -- about splits in cities  
5 and counties. Also, we tried, whenever possible, to keep  
6 tribal communities whole. And those are what those  
7 light-brown squares are.

8 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. Next district, please?

9 MS. TRATT: All right. I am being told that I have  
10 three more. So going south quickly to -- oh, we already  
11 did 36, Andrew, so that's not right. Let's see, 71 is  
12 this district which stretches between the sort of  
13 foothill communities of inland Orange County, including  
14 Rancho Mission Viejo, Cote de Caza, Mission Viejo,  
15 Modjeska, Silverado, Trabuco Canyon, and then stretches  
16 across county lines into Riverside, to pick up Wildomar,  
17 Murrieta, and Temecula.

18 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Sivan. Don't listen to  
19 Andrew. You know what you're doing.

20 MS. TRATT: And then the last one is District 47 --  
21 no, I did that. District 34, sorry, excuse me. It  
22 really -- you can tell we're all reaching the end of our  
23 ropes here. Districts 34, again, a large district, so  
24 let me just zoom out to give an overview. This district  
25 is quite geographically large. It includes the majority

1 of San Bernardino County. It also crosses into Kern  
2 County, and then also crosses into Los Angeles County.

3 In San Bernardino County it includes communities of  
4 interest in the Apple Valley area, also keeping Lucerne  
5 Valley, Big Bear City, Lake Arrowhead together with  
6 Homestead Valley, Twentynine Palms, and the base north of  
7 Twentynine Palms. It keeps Barstow and Yermo together.

8 In Kern County we have California City, as well as  
9 Edwards Air Force Base and Mojave.

10 And then, finally, in Los Angeles County, this  
11 district dips into the Palmdale/Lancaster area, also  
12 includes the Cities of Acton, Agua Dulce, Green Valley,  
13 and Lake Hughes.

14 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Sivan. Are you going  
15 to switch maps?

16 MS. TRATT: And we have transitioned into --

17 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Okay.

18 MS. TRATT: --Los Angeles County, so I'm going to  
19 stop screen sharing, and pass the baton to Jaime.

20 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Great. Thank you so much, Sivan.

21 MS. CLARK: Thank you. One moment, please.

22 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Yes.

23 MS. CLARK: So I am going to start in the Long Beach  
24 area, I'll try not to miss any of these, there are so  
25 many, lots of little ones all right next together, so



1 starting with District 69, this includes majority of the  
2 City of Long Beach, also includes Signal Hill and  
3 Southern Carson.

4 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. Now, the next  
5 district, please. There are quite a few in there, so  
6 I'll try to keep track too, Jaime.

7 MS. CLARK: And did you want to say anything about  
8 this district?

9 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: We'll just move --

10 MS. CLARK: Moving on? Okay. Sounds good.

11 District 65: This is much of San Pedro, including  
12 Wilmington Neighborhood Council, West Carson, northern  
13 Carson, Compton, Watts, west Rancho Dominguez, and east  
14 Rancho Dominguez.

15 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. And I think what we're  
16 going to do is -- it's going to be more of like a  
17 regional, once we've viewed the various districts, then  
18 we'll kind of give an overview of the region. Thank you.

19 MS. CLARK: Thank you. District 66 is South Bay,  
20 Los Angeles. This includes El Segundo, Manhattan Beach,  
21 Redondo Beach, Torrance, Palos Verdes, Rolling Hills,  
22 Lomita, and western parts of San Pedro.

23 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. The next one?

24 MS. CLARK: District 61 includes Venice, Marina del  
25 Rey, Westchester and LAX, Inglewood, Lennox, Hawthorne,



1 Lawndale, northern parts of Gardena, and Westmont.

2 District 55 includes Mar Vista, Del Rey, Culver  
3 City, Ladera Heights, View Park, West Adams, Jefferson  
4 Park, Pico, southern parts of Mid-City West, South  
5 Robertson, Century City, and Palms.

6 District 57 includes -- sort of has the 110 that  
7 runs through it, and includes portions of Downtown Los  
8 Angeles, South Central Neighborhood Council, Zapata-King  
9 and Central Alameda neighborhoods, Florence-Firestone,  
10 9th District, and Empowerment Congress Southeast Area.

11 District 62 includes Lakewood, Bellflower,  
12 Paramount, Lynwood, South Gate, Walnut Park, Huntington  
13 Park, Maywood and -- yeah, those are the cities in there.

14 District 64 includes some of the gateway cities,  
15 Bell, Bell Gardens, Cudahy, also includes Downey,  
16 Norwalk, Santa Fe Springs, South Whittier, East Whittier,  
17 La Mirada, and La Habra.

18 District 56 includes Walnut, Diamond Bar, Rowland  
19 Heights, Hacienda Heights, the City of Industry, La  
20 Puente, La Habra Heights, Whittier, West Whittier, Pico  
21 Rivera, South El Monte, and southern portions of the City  
22 of El Monte; it's split roughly around the 10.

23 District 48 includes Glendora, Azusa, areas of  
24 Duarte that are south of the forest, Irwindale, Covina,  
25 West Covina, Baldwin Park, West Puente Valley, and



1 Valinda.

2 District 49 includes Arcadia, East Pasadena, San  
3 Marino, South Pasadena, Alhambra, Monterey Park,  
4 Rosemead, Temple City, San Gabriel, and East San Gabriel,  
5 northern portions of El Monte, North El Monte, and South  
6 San Gabriel.

7 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. Commissioner Sadhwani?

8 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Sure. So I just wanted to,  
9 as we pause here in our review of Los Angeles, just to  
10 note. We've spent a lot of time working through the  
11 numerous COI testimony that we have received throughout  
12 the Los Angeles -- the City of Los Angeles and the -- and  
13 the county. And I think this presents our best work  
14 here.

15 We, of course, have a number of VRA obligations  
16 throughout this area, including a number of districts,  
17 both in the south and eastern portions of Los Angeles  
18 City and the county, as well as District 49 here, we can  
19 see is an Asian American VRA district as well.

20 I do believe we have some documentation that's going  
21 to be posted very soon regarding our VRA districts, as  
22 well as the district statistics that will be posted for  
23 all of -- all of the districts throughout the state on  
24 all three maps.

25 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Yes. Thank you, Commissioner

1 Sadhwani. That information should be posted soon.

2 Are you going to continue on, Jaime?

3 MS. CLARK: I'm ready when you are.

4 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: And we are ready for you.

5 MS. CLARK: Shall I -- all right.

6 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Yes. Thank you.

7 MS. CLARK: Sure. So District 49 -- or excuse me,  
8 41, sort of this 210 corridor district. It includes La  
9 Canada, Altadena, Pasadena, Monrovia, the northern part  
10 of Duarte that's included in the National Forest, San  
11 Dimas, Laverne, Claremont, and northern portions of  
12 Upland, and Rancho Cucamonga, San Antonio Heights in San  
13 Bernardino County, along with Lytle Creek, Wrightwood,  
14 Oak Hills, Hesperia along 15, and Pinion Hills, and of  
15 course, much of this Angeles National Forest area.

16 And moving back more into northern and central Los  
17 Angeles, District 54 includes Montebello, Commerce,  
18 Vernon, Boyle Heights, Chinatown and Little Tokyo,  
19 Westlake and Rampart Village, Koreatown, Pico Union areas  
20 all together. And again, that's District 54.

21 District 52 includes East Los Angeles, El Sereno,  
22 Lincoln Heights, Highland Park, Eagle Rock, Glendale --  
23 south, roughly, of the 134 -- Glassell Park, Echo Park,  
24 and Silver Lake. Yes, these areas here.

25 And then going back to the west side, District 51

1 includes Santa Monica, and West Side neighborhoods, like  
2 Westwood, Westside Neighborhood Council in West Los  
3 Angeles, a portion of Bel Air, Eastern Bel Air, with  
4 Beverly Hills and West Los Angeles, northern Mid City  
5 West Neighborhood Council, much of Greater Wilshire,  
6 Hollywood Studio areas, and some of central and East  
7 Hollywood, Atwater Village, and the Hollywood Hills.

8       District 42 includes the western part of Bel Air  
9 with Palisades, Malibu, Topanga, Calabasas, Hidden Hills,  
10 Agoura Hills, Westlake Village; all of that is in Los  
11 Angeles County. And additionally, in Ventura County,  
12 includes southern and eastern portions of Camarillo, with  
13 Thousand Oaks, Moorpark, Simi Valley.

14       Moving on to the San Fernando Valley area. District  
15 46 in Ventura County includes Bell Canyon, and in San  
16 Fernando Valley includes West Hills, Woodland Hills,  
17 Canoga Park, Winnetka, Reseda, Tarzana, Encino, Lake  
18 Balboa, and Van Nuys north of Oxnard, and this southern  
19 boundary here is Mulholland.

20       District 44 includes Sherman Oaks, POSO, Studio  
21 City, Valley Village, North Hollywood Neighborhood  
22 Council, Greater Toluca Lake, the City of Burbank,  
23 Glendale north of 134, La Crescenta, and Foothills Trails  
24 District with Sunland-Tujunga.

25       Still in the San Fernando Valley, District 43



1 includes Sylmar, the City of San Fernando, Pacoima,  
2 Mission Hills, much of North Hills East, Panorama City,  
3 Arleta, Sun Valley area, North Hollywood West, and North  
4 Hollywood -- North Hollywood Northeast Neighborhood  
5 Council, and Greater Valley Glen Neighborhood Council.

6 And here we have District 40. This includes the  
7 Santa Clarita Valley and some of Angeles National Forest,  
8 with Granada Hills, Porter Ranch, Northridge, and  
9 Chatsworth.

10 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Jaime. It's  
11 interesting, we're in the same room, but I'm on ten-  
12 second delay on my monitor. Commissioner Sinay?

13 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Thank you. I wanted to just --  
14 I think we've heard a lot about Mulholland Drive, and I  
15 wanted -- this area, if we were going to have the  
16 greatest hits album for -- yeah, for California  
17 Redistricting 2020, there would be some songs that would  
18 come from here since people sang them to us during the  
19 COI input part.

20 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. Jaime?

21 MS. CLARK: And last one, I think. District 39 --  
22 oh, I'm sorry -- oh, yeah, Sivan went over 34. So  
23 District 39. This includes eastern portions of Antelope  
24 Valley, so eastern portions of Lancaster and Palmdale,  
25 also includes Little Rock and Sun Village. And this

1 district joins Antelope Valley and Victor Valley  
2 together, and this contains most of the City of Adelanto.  
3 There is a little noncontiguous zero population area out  
4 here that, because this is VRA district we were not able  
5 to include. Also includes much of Victorville, and part  
6 of Hesperia in this district.

7 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Jaime. What would be  
8 the next area?

9 MS. CLARK: And next, we will head north. Just one  
10 moment, please.

11 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. Commissioner Sinay?

12 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah, since we have a moment.  
13 Yeah, one plan -- what we learned in one plan did inform  
14 the other plans, and that's why we're not reiterating  
15 everything for each of the districts, because we did a  
16 pretty good job when we talked about the last plan.

17 But one of the things that I think important when  
18 thinking about our VRA obligations is that those  
19 obligations do impact other -- other communities, and  
20 boundaries, and neighboring districts. And it really  
21 does influence how we draw the maps.

22 And I always, yeah, just because there's a squiggly  
23 line or a funny shape doesn't mean that something funny  
24 took place. Usually if you go in deeper, you'll see that  
25 it was either VRA district, or there is some geographic

1 reason cities don't -- aren't straight lines. And so I  
2 just wanted to share that as we were exploring all of  
3 this.

4 MS. CLARK: And just really quickly, we were double  
5 checking the transcript, and think we might have  
6 accidentally missed District 78. So I'll describe it  
7 now, and for the record here. It's much of the City of  
8 San Diego and includes, sort of, northern El Cajon.

9 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: And Jaime, I probably missed it,  
10 but did we go over District 65? I probably did miss it.

11 MS. CLARK: Let me see.

12 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

13 MS. CLARK: Yes, I believe -- yes, that's the one  
14 with -- we did, yes, with Compton and North Carson.

15 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Oh.

16 MS. CLARK: Yes, yeah.

17 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

18 MS. CLARK: All right. And we're going to head  
19 north now.

20 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: It must be that ten-second delay,  
21 Jaime. Now, we have Tamina that's coming in.

22 MS. RAMOS ALON: Good afternoon, Commissioners.  
23 We're starting with 38. 38 is the majority of Ventura  
24 County, with the Port Hueneme through Piru area,  
25 including the Ojai through Oak View area. There is a

1 split in Camarillo; Somis is whole in this district.

2 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Tamina. Can we get to  
3 the next one, please?

4 MS. RAMOS ALON: This is District 37. District 37  
5 has the majority of Santa Barbara County and its  
6 associated islands. Forgot to say Ventura County also  
7 has its associated islands.

8 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Yes. That would always throw us  
9 off when we do visualizations.

10 MS. RAMOS ALON: And 38 -- thank you. The northern  
11 area of District 37, takes the very southern -- the  
12 southwestern tip of San Luis Obispo County. The cities  
13 of Nipomo, Woodlands, Blacklake, Callender, and Los  
14 Berros.

15 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Tamina. The next one,  
16 please?

17 MS. RAMOS ALON: The next one is 30, which takes all  
18 of San Luis Obispo County, and then the coastal areas of  
19 Monterey County, including Lockwood, Fort Hunter Liggett,  
20 Carmel Valley Village, Monterey, Del Monte Forest,  
21 Carmel-by-the-Sea, Pacific Grove, Del Rey Oaks, Seaside,  
22 Marina, and Moss Landing. Oops. I'm sorry. Also takes  
23 part of Santa Cruz County, La Selva Beach, Rio del Mar,  
24 Aptos, Day Valley, Soquel, Capitola, Pleasure Point, and  
25 Twin Lakes -- Twin Lakes and Live Oak.

1 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. And this truly is a  
2 coastal district. Thank you. The next one?

3 MS. RAMOS ALON: Next is number 29. District 29  
4 takes the entirety of San Bernardino County, takes the  
5 101 corridor of Monterey County. From San Ardo, up the  
6 101, San Lucas, Pine Canyon, King City, Greenfield,  
7 Soledad, Gonzales, Chualar, Spreckels and Salinas,  
8 Castroville, Prunedale, Elkhorn, Aromas, Las Lomas, comes  
9 into this part -- southeastern part of Santa Cruz County  
10 with Watsonville, Aptos Hills-Larkin Valley, Amesti,  
11 Interlaken, Freedom, and Watsonville. And then into  
12 Santa Clara County, it has Gilroy and San Martin.

13 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Tamina. The next one?

14 MS. RAMOS ALON: This is District 28. This takes  
15 Morgan Hill and the western part of San Jose City from  
16 Santa Cruz -- sorry -- from Santa Clara County and Los  
17 Gatos, Monte Sereno, and Cambrian Park. Also comes down  
18 the 17, takes Lexington Hills, the majority of Santa Cruz  
19 County, including Davenport, Bonny Doon, Boulder Creek,  
20 Brookdale, Lompico, Zayante, Ben Lomond, Felton, Scotts  
21 Valley, Pasatiempo, and Santa Cruz City.

22 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. Next one?

23 MS. RAMOS ALON: This is District 23. Spans the  
24 north to southern borders of San Mateo County, and we'll  
25 start in the south. Takes areas of Santa Cruz County, so

1 Campbell and Saratoga are included with Palo Alto,  
2 Stanford, Mountain View, Los Altos, Loyola, Ladera,  
3 Portola, La Honda, Woodside, Atherton, West Menlo Park.

4 Also takes the coastal communities, Pescadero, Loma  
5 Mar, La Honda, Half Moon Bay, El Granada, Montara, Moss  
6 Beach, and Pacifica.

7 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. Let's continue on.

8 MS. RAMOS ALON: District 21 takes the eastern side  
9 of San Mateo County, it starts in the south with East  
10 Palo Alto, Menlo Park, Redwood City, Emerald Hills --  
11 Emerald Lake Hills, North Fair Oaks, San Carlos. North  
12 Fair Oaks and Atherton are -- or sorry -- Atherton is  
13 split so that this part of Atherton could remain with  
14 North Fair Oaks for a COI consideration. Belmont,  
15 Highlands-Baywood Park, San Mateo, San Carlos,  
16 Hillsborough, Burlingame, Millbrae, San Bruno, and South  
17 San Francisco. South San -- and Brisbane. South San  
18 Francisco and San Bruno are split to accommodate COIs in  
19 this area as well.

20 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Great. And continue on into San  
21 Francisco.

22 MS. RAMOS ALON: District 19 has western San  
23 Francisco, Daly City is whole, Colma, and areas of South  
24 San Francisco, and San Bruno.

25 District 17 has the eastern parts of San Francisco

1 City and County, noting that there is a census block  
2 which is carved out to go with Alameda, which is attached  
3 to Alameda Island, and a census block which is attached  
4 to Angel Island, which has been included with Tiburon.

5 Going to 26. District 26 has Sunnyvale, Santa  
6 Clara, and Cupertino, areas of San Jose City around  
7 Burbank and Fruitdale area, and northern San Jose.

8 District 25 has the eastern areas of Santa Clara  
9 County -- sorry -- the southernmost points of San Jose  
10 City, and eastern and Downtown San Jose City, up to the  
11 county line with Alameda County.

12 District 24 starts in the south with the Berryessa  
13 neighborhood of San Jose, takes Milpitas, all of the City  
14 of Fremont, Newark, and Sunol in Alameda County.

15 District 16 has a split in Dublin and Pleasanton,  
16 which -- for population reasons, so it has Dublin,  
17 Pleasanton, and Livermore of Alameda County, together  
18 with the 680 corridor of Norris Canyon, San Ramon, Camino  
19 Tassajara, Blackhawk, Danville, Diablo, Alamo, Castle  
20 City, Saranap, Walnut Creek, Contra Costa Center,  
21 Acalanes, and then the Lafayette, Orinda, and Moraga  
22 regions of Central Contra Costa, as well as  
23 unincorporated areas to the east and west.

24 District 20 has the western balance of Dublin and  
25 Pleasanton Cities, Union City, this is the City of

1 Hayward, Fairview, Cherryland, San Lorenzo, San Leandro,  
2 and Castro Valley.

3 District 18 has the majority of the City of Oakland,  
4 including Emeryville, comes right south of Piedmont, and  
5 has Alameda City.

6 District 14 has Piedmont and the Oakland Hills area  
7 of Oakland, Berkeley, and Albany in Alameda County, and  
8 then takes west Contra Costa County from Kensington, El  
9 Cerrito, to the greater Richmond area with Richmond, East  
10 Richmond Heights, El Sobrante, Tara Hills, Bayview, San  
11 Pablo, Hercules, Rodeo, and Pinole.

12 District 15 is the Highway 4 area of Contra Costa  
13 County, starts with unincorporated areas on the west into  
14 Martinez, Vine Hill, and Alhambra Valley, Pleasant Hill,  
15 and Reliez Valley, Concord, Bay Point, and Clyde,  
16 Pittsburg, Clayton, Antioch, and Brentwood, and the  
17 southern unincorporated areas to the county border.

18 District 11 starts in the south with eastern Contra  
19 Costa County, Byron, Discovery Bay, Knightsen, Oakley,  
20 and Bethel Island, comes up through the delta, through  
21 Isleton and Rio Vista -- actually, not Isleton, comes  
22 through Rio Vista -- apologies -- and takes all of Solano  
23 County.

24 District 12 takes all of Marin County, and takes the  
25 southeastern part of Sonoma County, including Petaluma,

1 Temelec, Glen Ellen, Kenwood, Rohnert Park, Cotati, and  
2 Penngrove, Bloomfield, and there's a split in Santa Rosa.

3 4 starts in the south with American Canyon, takes  
4 all of Napa County, including Napa City, goes into Sonoma  
5 County on the west side, with the Boyes Hot Springs,  
6 Eldridge, Fetters, El Verano, and Sonoma area, and  
7 continues north to take Yolo County, Colusa County, and  
8 Lake.

9 And District number 2 has Del Norte County,  
10 Humboldt, Trinity, Mendocino, and Sonoma Counties, down  
11 to the Santa Rosa line where there's a split in Santa  
12 Rosa.

13 And now we will be moving on to District 1, and this  
14 has Siskiyou, Modoc, Shasta, Lassen, Plumas, Sierra,  
15 Nevada, parts of Placer, and parts of El Dorado, Amador,  
16 and Alpine. And I will zoom in closer to the splits  
17 within Placer and El Dorado.

18 THE COURT REPORTER: This is the court reporter.  
19 Who is speaking, please?

20 MS. WILSON: Kennedy. My apologies. So in El  
21 Dorado, we have a split at the Placerville border, and  
22 the Georgetown border, and then in Placer we have a split  
23 up at the Meadow Vista border.

24 And then moving to District 3. There is Tehama,  
25 Glenn, Butte, Sutter, Yuba, and parts of Placer County,

1 which include Sheridan and a part of Lincoln; which is a  
2 noncontiguous city, Lincoln, and so part of it is in the  
3 Sheridan County -- Sheridan City as well.

4 Now, moving on to District 5. We have parts of El  
5 Dorado County and Placer County. Again, we have Lincoln  
6 that was split to the part that's attached to Rocklin,  
7 Roseville, Granite Bay, Loomis, Penryn, Newcastle,  
8 Auburn, and North Auburn, and Meadow Vista. And then in  
9 El Dorado you have El Dorado Hills, Cameron Park, Shingle  
10 Springs, Diamond Springs, Placerville, Cold Springs,  
11 Coloma, Georgetown, and Auburn Lake Trails.

12 Now, moving to District 6. We have parts of  
13 Sacramento City, Elverta, Antelope, Rio Linda, Arden-  
14 Arcade, and parts of Carmichael and La Riviera.

15 Now, moving to District 7, we have McClellan Park,  
16 North Highlands, Foothill Farms, Citrus Heights,  
17 Orangevale, Folsom, Fair Oaks, parts of Carmichael, Gold  
18 River, Rancho Cordova, Mather and Rosemont, and  
19 unincorporated area between Rancho Cordova and Folsom.

20 Now moving on to District 8. I'm going to zoom out,  
21 because the most northern point is here; so we have parts  
22 of Calaveras, Tuolumne -- let me zoom out so we can see  
23 the entirety of this district -- Mariposa, parts of  
24 Madera, parts of Fresno County, including Clovis and  
25 northeastern Fresno, the city, out to Mono and Inyo as

1 well.

2       And now to District 9. We have parts of  
3 unincorporated Sacramento, we have Rancho Murieta,  
4 Wilton, Galt, Herald, and Clay, we also have Walnut Grove  
5 in here as well. And then going down into San Joaquin  
6 County, we have Lodi, Dogtown, the farming towns in San  
7 Joaquin County, Morada, I believe this is Garden Acres,  
8 and then you have Lathrop, Manteca, Ripon, Escalon,  
9 Valley Home, Salida, Del Rio, Riverbank, Oakdale out to  
10 Knights Ferry, and then down to the Stanislaus County  
11 border.

12       And then to District 10, which is back in  
13 Sacramento. We have the southern part of the Sacramento  
14 City, Fruitridge, Pocket, Lemon Hill, Parkway, Florin,  
15 Vineyard, and Elk Grove together.

16       And now to District 13. Here we have the entirety  
17 of Stockton City kept whole and together, we have Kennedy  
18 and August as well in here, French Camp, Tracy, and  
19 Mountain House. And then it follows on the western  
20 border, the border of San Joaquin County.

21       Now, to District 22. This district encompasses  
22 Modesto, Ceres, and Turlock, the rest of Stanislaus  
23 County, and then goes into Merced County as well, where  
24 you have Ballico, Snelling, Gustine, and Stevenson from  
25 Merced County.



1           And now moving to District 27, right beneath in  
2 Merced County; the rest of Merced is here. You have  
3 Atwater, Winton and Atwater, University of California  
4 Merced, and Merced together. And then moving down we  
5 have the parts of Madera County, including the City of  
6 Madera, Madera Acres, up to Chowchilla. And then we have  
7 the western parts of Fresno County, and within the City  
8 of Fresno -- let me zoom in a bit closer -- we have Old  
9 Fig Garden Loop west of the 99 together as well.

10           And now moving on to District 31 -- and sorry, as  
11 I'm zooming through this, would you like to comment on  
12 anything or shall I just --

13           CHAIR FERNANDEZ: You can just keep going.

14           MS. WILSON: Okay.

15           CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Yeah. Thank you.

16           MS. WILSON: So now going to District 31. We have  
17 West Park, southwest Fresno -- southwest of the 99, the  
18 rest -- most of the rest of Fresno City, we have Sanger,  
19 Sunnyside, and Selma together, Fowler, Parlier, out to  
20 Orange Cove as well, and those farming towns along the  
21 99.

22           Now moving to District 32. District 32 incorporates  
23 parts of Tulare and Kern County, we have a split in  
24 Visalia, Goshen, and out to Three Rivers, and then going  
25 down into Kern County, and parts of the City of



1 Bakersfield, parts of the City of Oildale as well -- or  
2 Oildale is whole here -- my apologies -- and then parts  
3 of the City of Bakersfield, Greenacres, Rosedale, Old  
4 River, and Lakeside.

5 And then, now moving to District 33. I'm going to  
6 go back up. Here we have Kingsburg and Reedley from  
7 Fresno County coming in with parts of Tulare, parts of  
8 Visalia, Farmersville, and Kings County kept whole,  
9 Tulare, Porterville, Terra Bella, Pixley as well.

10 And now moving to 35, District 35. We have parts of  
11 Kern County that are in the City of Bakersfield, we have  
12 Lamont and Arvin kept together, there's Benton Park,  
13 Cottonwood, East Niles, Fairfax -- Fairfax, Hillcrest,  
14 and La Cresta. And then moving north, there's Shafter,  
15 Wasco, McFarland, Delano.

16 Now to 36 --

17 (Pause)

18 MS. WILSON: I'm sorry. We're checking if Sivan had  
19 presented this earlier, so yeah.

20 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: She did present it. That was the  
21 first one that she presented.

22 MS. WILSON: Perfect. Thank you.

23 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. I was like, wait, I  
24 have it marked off.

25 Thank you so much. So I think that's the tour,



1 right, of our Assembly districts. Thank you so much.  
2 And from what I hear, I believe the congressional has  
3 been posted as well. Is that correct? Do we need --  
4 yeah.

5 So why don't we take a quick break while we make  
6 that transition? We will return at 5:30. Oh. Okay,  
7 wait. We have a fifteen-minute break at 5:45, so let's  
8 take a fifteen-minute break right now. That makes sense.  
9 So let's go until 5:40, I'm giving you a bonus, a  
10 little -- a few-minutes bonus.

11 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Indiscernible)

12 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: 5:40, we return at 5:40? Oh,  
13 she's trying to get 5:45. I see, yeah. 5:40, that was  
14 nice. I like that. That was a nice try. Sorry, return  
15 at 5:40, please.

16 (Whereupon, a recess was held from 5:22 p.m.  
17 until 5:40 p.m.)

18 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Welcome back, everyone. Right  
19 now, we've already gone through the Senate, the Board of  
20 Equalization, and the Assembly maps. So now we are going  
21 to go to the congressional maps. And we are actually  
22 going to mix it up a little bit, because that's just how  
23 we roll all the time. We're going to go from north to  
24 south this time.

25 And I think it's -- is it Tamina?



1 MS. RAMOS ALON: Yes. It's Tamina.

2 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Oh. We've got some excitement  
3 about north to south. Wow. Okay, okay. I need to do  
4 something to --

5 COMMISSIONER TURNER: You said you were mixing it  
6 up. I'm like, we're living dangerous.

7 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Oh, do we need another break? Is  
8 that -- okay. All right; thank you, Tamina. I think  
9 you're --

10 MS. RAMOS ALON: Okay. Good evening, everybody.  
11 We're starting off Congress in District number 2, living  
12 dangerous. In District 2, and that is Del Norte County,  
13 Mendocino, Humboldt, Trinity, Sonoma, and Marin. There's  
14 a split in Santa Rosa City, and the minority part of  
15 Santa Rosa City is in with District 2, as well as the  
16 City of Petaluma.

17 Moving on to District number 4. We have Lake  
18 County, Napa County, Yolo County, and parts of Sonoma and  
19 Solano Counties, the parts of Sonoma Counties include the  
20 majority of Santa Rosa City, Kenwood, Glen Ellen, Fetters  
21 Hot Springs-Agua Caliente, Boyes Hot Springs, Sonoma,  
22 Temelec, El Verano, Penngrove, Cotati, and Rohnert Park.

23 The parts included of Yolo County are Vacaville,  
24 with a split in the southwestern portion, Hartley,  
25 Allendale, Dixon, Rio Vista. West Sacramento is not

1 included in this area of Yolo County. And that is  
2 District 4.

3 Moving to District number 8, we start in the north  
4 with parts of Vacaville, Fairfield City, Green Valley,  
5 Vallejo, and Benicia in Solano County. Most of Contra  
6 Costa County takes from the county line in West Contra  
7 Costa, from Kensington and El Cerrito, through the  
8 greater Richmond area, with Richmond, East Richmond  
9 Heights, San Pablo, North Richmond, El Sobrante, Tara  
10 Hills, Bayview, Pinole, Hercules, Rodeo, Pinole,  
11 Crockett, and Port Costa.

12 Takes the northern part of Martinez -- and there's a  
13 split in Martinez, Clyde, Bay Point, Pittsburg, and  
14 Antioch, where there's a split in Antioch as well.

15 District 10 is the balance of Contra Costa County,  
16 with the exception of Discovery Bay and Byron, we have  
17 the 680 corridor from Norris Canyon, San Ramon, Camino  
18 Tassajara, Blackhawk, Danville, Diablo, Alamo, Castle  
19 Hill, Walnut Creek, Saranap, Lafayette, Orinda, Moraga,  
20 Acalanes Ridge, Clayton, Pleasant Hill, Reliez Valley,  
21 Alhambra Valley, the majority of Martinez, Vine Hill,  
22 Pacheco, Concord, Clayton, Mountain View, the southern  
23 areas of Antioch, Oakley, Bethel Island, Knightsen, and  
24 Brentwood. And also includes the majority of the City of  
25 Dublin in Alameda City -- Alameda County.

1 Moving west to District 12. District 12 has Albany,  
2 Berkley, Emeryville, the entirety of Oakland City,  
3 including Piedmont, Alameda Island, including the census  
4 block from San Francisco, and parts of San Leandro.

5 CD 14 has a part of San Leandro, the split in San  
6 Leandro, and the Eden area, including San Lorenzo,  
7 Fairview, Ashland, Cherryland, and Castro Valley,  
8 Hayward, Union City, the remaining part of Dublin,  
9 Pleasanton, and Livermore, Sunol, Union City, and the  
10 split in Fremont.

11 District 17 has the southern areas of Fremont,  
12 including Newark, Milpitas, the northern and Berryessa  
13 neighborhoods of San Jose City, and the southwestern --  
14 northwestern -- sorry -- San Jose, Santa Clara,  
15 Sunnyvale, and Cupertino.

16 District 11 has San Francisco City and County, with  
17 the southern areas of certain neighborhoods that were cut  
18 out for population.

19 District 15 has the east of San Mateo County, so  
20 this is Brisbane, Colma, Daly City and Broadmoor, South  
21 San Francisco and San Bruno, Millbrae, Burlingame,  
22 Hillsborough, San Mateo, Baywood Park, Highlands, San  
23 Carlos, Belmont -- sorry -- Millbrae, Redwood City,  
24 Emerald Lake Hills, North Fair Oaks, including a small  
25 area in Atherton for COI, Menlo Park, and East Palo Alto.

1 District 16 has the majority of San Mateo County  
2 stretching from Pacifica and Montara, El Granada, Half  
3 Moon Bay, and Moss Beach, down through La Honda, Loma  
4 Mar, and Pescadero, all the way to the county line. Also  
5 includes Woodside, Atherton, West Menlo Park to the  
6 south -- sorry -- West Menlo Park and Menlo Park to the  
7 south, Portola Valley, Ladera, Stanford, Palo Alto,  
8 Mountain View, Los Altos, Loyola, Los Altos Hills, and La  
9 Honda, Saratoga, Campbell, Fruitdale, Los Gatos,  
10 Lexington Hills, Cambrian Park, and at this mid-section  
11 of San Jose.

12 District 18 starts in the north, in San Jose in the  
13 Alum Rock neighborhood, takes the eastern part of Santa  
14 Clara County, Morgan Hill, San Martin, and Gilroy, in  
15 Santa Clara County. Takes the southeastern part of Santa  
16 Cruz County, including Interlaken, Amesti, Freedom,  
17 Watsonville, and the unincorporated areas.

18 And then moves south into Monterey County, where we  
19 have Pajaro, Las Lomas, and Aromas. Prunedale is split,  
20 Salinas and Castroville, Chualar, Gonzales, Soledad,  
21 Greenfield, King City, Pine Canyon, San Lucas, Fort  
22 Hunter Liggett, Lockwood, and San Ardo, and Bradley to  
23 the county border. Also all associated unincorporated  
24 areas, and all of San Benito County.

25 District 19 has the majority of Santa Cruz County

1 with Davenport, Bonny Doon, Boulder Creek, Brookdale, Ben  
2 Lomond, Lompico, Zayante, Scotts Valley, Felton, Santa  
3 Cruz City, Pasatiempo, Live Oak, Capitola, Pleasure  
4 Point, Soquel, Aptos, Rio del Mar, Day Valley,  
5 Corralitos, La Selva Beach, Aptos Hills-Larkin Valley,  
6 Rio del Mar, Pajaro Dunes.

7       And then comes south into Monterey County where we  
8 have the majority of Prunedale, Elkhorn, Moss Landing,  
9 Marina, Seaside, Monterey, Pacific Grove, Del Monte  
10 Forest, Carmel-by-the-Sea, Carmel Valley Village. It  
11 follows the coast south to San Luis Obispo County.

12       District 19 has the northern areas of San Luis  
13 Obispo County, including San Simeon, Cambria, Oak Shores,  
14 Lake Nacimiento, San Miguel, Whitley Gardens, Shandon,  
15 Paso Robles, Templeton, Atascadero, and Creston.

16       District 24 starts with the southern half of San  
17 Luis Obispo County, with the unincorporated areas to the  
18 east and south. And it's starting in the north with  
19 Cayucos, Morro Bay, and Los Osos, Garden Farms, Santa  
20 Margarita, San Luis Obispo, Cal Poly, Los Ranchos and  
21 Edna, Avila Beach, Pismo Beach, Arroyo Grande, Grover  
22 Beach and Oceano, Los Berros, Callender, Blacklake,  
23 Woodlands, and Nipomo.

24       In Santa Barbara County, 24 has Guadalupe, Santa  
25 Maria, Orcutt, Garey, Sisquoc, Casmalia, Vandenberg Air

1 Force Base, Vandenberg Village, Mission Hills, Lompoc,  
2 Los Alamos, Los Olivos, Ballard, Santa Ynez, Solvang, and  
3 Buellton.

4 In northeastern Santa Barbara County, New Cuyama,  
5 and Cuyama, and in southeastern Santa Barbara County,  
6 Isla Vista, the University of California-Santa Barbara,  
7 Goleta, eastern Goleta Valley, Santa Barbara City,  
8 Mission Canyon, Montecito, Summerland, Toro Canyon, and  
9 Carpinteria.

10 24 also includes sections of Ventura County,  
11 including Ojai, Meiners Oaks, Mira Monte, and Oak View,  
12 and Ventura City, there is a small split in Ventura City  
13 for population.

14 And District 26 is the majority of Ventura County.  
15 We have Port Hueneme, Oxnard, El Rio, Saticoy, Santa  
16 Paula, Fillmore, Piru, Camarillo, Somis, Moorpark, Simi  
17 Valley, Santa Susana, Oak Park, Santa Rosa Valley,  
18 Thousand Oaks, and Casa Conejo , Lake Sherwood. And in  
19 LA County, Westlake Village, Agoura Hills, and Calabasas.  
20 Bell Canyon is not included in 26.

21 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Now, it's Kennedy's turn. We're  
22 swapping up. And just a reminder that with the  
23 congressional districts, we're looking at about 760,000,  
24 and with congressional districts, we really don't have a  
25 deviation, it's negative one-zero, or one person. So

1 that becomes a little bit more challenging.

2 MS. WILSON: And hello to the court reporter. This  
3 is Kennedy.

4 So we are going to start back in the north.  
5 District 1, which has Siskiyou, Modoc, Shasta, Lassen,  
6 Tehama, Glenn, Colusa, Butte, Sutter, parts of Yuba. And  
7 I'll zoom in closer so we can see that there is  
8 Marysville, Linda, Olivehurst, Plumas Lake, Wheatland,  
9 and Beale Air Force Base, within Yuba City is included in  
10 District 1.

11 Now, moving to District 3. We have the rest of the  
12 County of Yuba, Plumas, Sierra, Nevada, all of Placer  
13 County, and then parts of El Dorado County, which include  
14 the South Lake Tahoe area, Grizzly Flats, Pollock Pines,  
15 Camino, Georgetown, and Auburn Lake Trails.

16 Now, moving on to District -- oh; and my apologies.  
17 A part of 3 is also dipping into Sacramento County, where  
18 we have Folsom, Orangevale, and parts of Fair Oaks, and  
19 then unincorporated area that's in Sacramento County  
20 between Rancho Cordova and Folsom.

21 Now, moving to District 5 -- oh, we're still on 3?  
22 Oh. So Tamina had District -- did she not do District 4?

23 Oh. I'm still on District 3. Okay. Thank you.  
24 Thank you for that. Also in District 3 -- thank you  
25 Commissioner Fornaciari -- Alpine, Mono, and Inyo. We

1 did not forget about you.

2       And now moving to District 5. We have parts of El  
3 Dorado County, El Dorado Hills, Cameron Park, Shingle  
4 Springs, Diamond Springs, Coloma, Cold Springs,  
5 Placerville. And then we have Amador County, Calaveras  
6 County, Tuolumne, Mariposa, parts of Madera including  
7 Yosemite Lakes, Coarsegold, Ahwahnee, Oak -- Oakhurst,  
8 Bass Lake, North Fork, parts of Auberry, and Shaver Lake,  
9 and the eastern parts of Fresno -- and I really apologize  
10 for laughing.

11       CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Was that Sadhwani that we just  
12 passed, is that what it was? Is that a new state that  
13 we -- or a new -- a new town that have in California?

14       Thank you.

15       MS. WILSON: And now moving to District 6, which is  
16 back north in Sacramento County. We have parts of  
17 Sacramento, northern parts of Sacramento, including  
18 Natomas, and South Natomas. We have Elverta, Antelope,  
19 Citrus Heights, parts of Fair Oaks, Gold River,  
20 Sacramento -- Mather -- sorry -- this is Rancho Cordova,  
21 Rosemont, La Riviera, Arden-Arcade, and Carmichael.

22       Now moving to District 7, this is the southern part  
23 of Sacramento County and City, along with West  
24 Sacramento -- oops, sorry -- Fruitridge, Lemon Hill, to  
25 Florin, Vineyard, Elk Grove, Wilton, Rancho Murieta,



1 Galt, Herald, Clay. We have a portion of Solano County  
2 above Rio Vista. And then we have Isleton, Walnut Grove  
3 as well, and the rest of Sacramento County going  
4 southwest.

5 And then moving on to District 9. We have a  
6 majority of San Joaquin County, which includes --

7 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Did we miss -- did we lose the  
8 map?

9 MS. WILSON: Oh, we did.

10 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: We lost the map.

11 MR. MANOFF: The internet has dropped down because  
12 for the (indiscernible).

13 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Okay. Please hold on for just a  
14 few minutes.

15 Something apparently happens at 6 o'clock. The  
16 internet goes out in this building, I'm assuming, or  
17 something, and I'm stalling right now to see what  
18 Kristian is going to tell us.

19 Oh, we're coming back. There we go. Thank you.

20 MS. WILSON: Okay. So back to District 9 -- or is  
21 that the last thing we heard before we went out? I'm  
22 sorry. I didn't realize when it went out.

23 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: We started at 9.

24 MS. WILSON: Okay.

25 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

1 MS. WILSON: So starting with 9, we have the City of  
2 Stockton up to the county line, and we have Lodi,  
3 Thornton, Woodbridge, Collierville, Dogtown, Lockeford,  
4 down to Farmington. We also include Manteca, and Valley  
5 Home, and parts of Stanislaus. And then over to the west  
6 we also pulled in Discovery Bay, Byron, and Mountain  
7 House, and Tracy.

8 And now moving to District 11 --

9 MS. CLARK: Why? Did we not do that?

10 MS. WILSON: And possibly -- one moment.

11 (Pause)

12 MS. WILSON: So we might have not done this one, so  
13 we're just going to come back to San Francisco. And here  
14 we have parts of San Francisco, most of San Francisco in  
15 District 11.

16 And now we will be moving to District 13. District  
17 13 has -- goes into San Joaquin County, taking Lathrop --  
18 and I also just noticed when I was doing District 5, I  
19 did fail to mention parts of Modesto, and Oakdale out to  
20 Knights Ferry, and parts of Turlock being in District 5.  
21 So my apologies for that; they are also included in that  
22 district, District 5, Modesto and Turlock.

23 And then back to 13. And I'll start again. We have  
24 parts of San Joaquin, unincorporated area underneath  
25 Mountain House and Tracy, and up into Lathrop. We have



1 southern parts of Modesto City, and Ceres and the rest --  
2 the western part of Stanislaus County. We have the  
3 entirety of Merced County.

4 And then moving into Madera, we have the City of  
5 Madera, Madera Ranchos, and Bonadelle Ranchos going up to  
6 Chowchilla. Then we have the western portions of the  
7 County of Fresno, and not any of the City of Fresno in  
8 District 13.

9 And now we will be moving to District 20. District  
10 20 has parts of the City of Fresno, and it also has  
11 Clovis, parts of Auberry, and too, goes into Tulare  
12 County that has parts of Visalia, a part of Hanford,  
13 Lemoore and Lemoore Station, and Three Rivers, and  
14 follows down into Kern County.

15 And here we have parts of Rosamond, and we have  
16 Edwards Air Force Base, and Mojave as well, and the rest  
17 of -- we have parts of Oildale, and the rest of  
18 Bakersfield -- the City of Bakersfield.

19 And now -- now, moving to District 21, back in the  
20 City of Fresno, we have this -- parts of the City of  
21 Fresno, west of the 99, southwest of 99, Old Fig Garden  
22 Loop, Old Fig Garden, Sunnyside, out to Easton, Fowler,  
23 Selma, Kingsburg, Parlier, Reedley, Orange Cove, Sanger,  
24 and Del Rey. And then we move into Tulare County, where  
25 we have northern parts of Visalia, Goshen, Farmersville,



1 Toolville, Lindcove, Lemon Cove, Ivanhoe, and northern  
2 cities in Tulare County.

3       And then moving south, we have District 22, which  
4 encompasses the southern parts of Hanford, and southern  
5 parts of Tulare, Lindsay, Portersville, Pixley, and Terra  
6 Bella. Moving down into Kern County, we have Delano,  
7 McFarland, Wasco, Shafter, parts of Oildale -- a small  
8 part of Oildale, and then moving into the City of  
9 Bakersfield, we have parts of the city, Benton Park,  
10 Cottonwood, Arvin, Lamont, East Niles, Hillcrest, and La  
11 Cresta, and Fairfax.

12       And then moving to -- and now I will be passing to  
13 Jaime, in Los Angeles County.

14       MS. CLARK: Thank you, Kennedy. Starting in  
15 Northern LA County, District 27 includes Antelope Valley  
16 and Santa Clarita Valley, with Granada Hills and Porter  
17 Ranch.

18       District 29, we have areas in Angeles National  
19 Forest with Sylmar, the City of San Fernando, Pacoima,  
20 Mission Hills, Arleta, Sun Valley, North Hills East,  
21 eastern Reseda, Lake Balboa, Van Nuys north of Oxnard,  
22 all of the North Hollywood Neighborhood Council areas  
23 with Greater Valley Glen, Valley Village, and Greater  
24 Toluca Lake.

25       In District 32 we have Chatsworth, Northridge, Bell

1 Canyon, West Hills, Winnetka, western areas of Reseda,  
2 with Hidden Hills, Woodland Hills, Tarzana, Encino,  
3 Sherman Oaks, Studio City, Bel Air, Palisades, Topanga,  
4 and Malibu. And that was District 32.

5 Moving to District 30, again, areas of Angeles  
6 National Forest, with Sunland-Tujunga, Foothills Trails,  
7 Burbank, Glendale, for the very strict deviation  
8 requirements of Congress, this western part of Pasadena  
9 is included. Also includes Atwater Village, much of Echo  
10 Park, Silver Lake, Hollywood Hills, East Hollywood and  
11 central Hollywood, much of Greater Wilshire, Mid-City  
12 West neighborhood, and West Hollywood.

13 Moving on to District 36. This includes Beverly  
14 Hills, Westwood Neighborhood Council, West Side  
15 neighborhood -- with most of Westside neighborhood, West  
16 Los Angeles Neighborhood Council, Santa Monica, Mar  
17 Vista, Culver City is split at the 405, Del Rey, Venice,  
18 Marina del Rey, Westchester neighborhoods.

19 Then this bike path here right on the shoreline,  
20 with El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo  
21 Beach, much of the City of Torrance; Torrance is split at  
22 Hawthorn and Sepulveda per COI testimony. Also including  
23 Lomita, Rolling Hills, Palos Verdes, also includes part  
24 of the Harbor Gateway South Neighborhood Council for  
25 population.



1 District 37 includes Century City, south Robertson,  
2 much of Palms, Culver City east of the 405, Ladera  
3 Heights, View Park, Pico, Mid-City, West Adams, Jefferson  
4 Park, much of Downtown Los Angeles, South Central  
5 Neighborhood Council, Zapata-King, and Central Alameda,  
6 Ninth District, Park Mesa Heights.

7 District 43 includes Inglewood, LAX, Hawthorne,  
8 Lawndale, Northeast Torrance -- and again, this split is  
9 at Hawthorne and Sepulveda, Gardena, Westmont, Watts,  
10 Willowbrook, Compton, and East Rancho Dominguez and West  
11 Rancho Dominguez. That is District 43.

12 District 44 includes South Gate, Lynwood, Paramount,  
13 this area -- area western Bellflower and Lakewood,  
14 northwestern Long Beach, Carson, Wilmington, San Pedro.

15 District 42 includes much of Long Beach, including  
16 areas along the shore in Long Beach Harbor, Signal Hill,  
17 eastern Lakewood, Bellflower, most of Downey, Commerce,  
18 Bell, Bell Gardens, Cudahy, Maywood, Huntington Park,  
19 Walnut Park, Florence-Firestone.

20 District 34 includes East Los Angeles, Boyle  
21 Heights, El Sereno, Highland Park, Eagle Rock, Glassell  
22 Park, Lincoln Heights, Chinatown, Little Tokyo, historic  
23 Filipinotown, Westlake, Koreatown, Pico Union. Again,  
24 that's District 34.

25 District 38 includes Montebello, Pico Rivera,



1 Norwalk, Santa Fe Springs, La Mirada, La Habra, Whittier,  
2 West Whittier, South Whittier, East Whittier, La Habra  
3 Heights, Hacienda Heights, Rowland Heights, Diamond Bar,  
4 a little bit of Pomona for population, a little bit of  
5 the City of Industry, and Walnut.

6 District 31 includes areas in Angeles National  
7 Forest, with Duarte, southern Monrovia, Azusa, southern  
8 Glendora, San Dimas, Laverne, Covina, West Covina, La  
9 Puente, West Puente Valley, Valinda, South El Monte, El  
10 Monte, North El Monte.

11 COMMISSIONER YEE: Chair, can I comment on 31?

12 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Yes. Commissioner Yee.

13 COMMISSIONER YEE: For District 31, for those  
14 involved in the stewardship of the forest there, who have  
15 been writing us the past couple of days. I'm sorry, we  
16 were just unable to implement your final request, and  
17 we're hoping that taking more rather than less of the  
18 area that you were concerned about will not, in the end,  
19 impede your efforts.

20 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Commissioner Yee.

21 Jaime?

22 MS. CLARK: District 28 includes cities in west San  
23 Gabriel Valley, such as Monterey Park, Alhambra, South  
24 Pasadena, San Gabriel, Rosemead, Arcadia, San Marino,  
25 also including most of Pasadena, with La Crescenta, La

1 Canada, Altadena, northern Monrovia, northern Glendora,  
2 Claremont, northern parts of Upland and Rancho Cucamonga,  
3 with San Antonio Heights, Lytle Creek, and Wrightwood,  
4 these areas, and Angeles National Forest.

5 Okay. And I will also cover the congressional  
6 districts in Southern California.

7 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Jaime.

8 MS. CLARK: So looking at number 23. This includes,  
9 geographically, much of San Bernardino County, including  
10 the Victor Valley, also includes in Kern County,  
11 California City, very eastern -- northeastern LA County  
12 through very, very eastern Antelope Valley. And includes  
13 Lake Arrowhead, Running Springs, Yucaipa, much of  
14 Redlands, Morongo Valley, Joshua Tree, Twentynine Palms  
15 areas.

16 District 33 includes parts of Rancho Cucamonga,  
17 northern Fontana, Rialto, Bloomington, San -- much of San  
18 Bernardino, much of Highland, northern Redlands, much of  
19 Colton and Grand Terrace.

20 35 includes most of Pomona, southern areas of  
21 Upland, Rancho Cucamonga, Fontana, all of Ontario,  
22 Montclair, Chino, and parts of Chino Hills. I am going  
23 to go to Orange County and do those, then we can do  
24 Riverside going south.

25 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

1 MS. CLARK: District 45 includes most of Brea, or  
2 some -- part of Brea, western Brea, Placentia, northern  
3 Fullerton, all of Buena Park, Artesia, Cerritos, Cypress,  
4 Hawaiian Gardens, Los Alamitos, Rossmoor, Garden Grove,  
5 Westminster, Midway City, and Fountain Valley.

6 District 46 includes southern Fullerton, western  
7 Anaheim, Stanton, western areas of Orange and all of  
8 Santa Ana.

9 District 47, is a coastal Orange County district.  
10 It includes Seal Beach, Huntington Beach, Costa Mesa,  
11 Irvine, Newport Beach, Laguna Beach, and Laguna Woods is  
12 split a little bit for population.

13 District 40 is most of Chino Hills, eastern Brea,  
14 Yorba Linda, Anaheim Hills areas, Orange Park, Tustin and  
15 North Tustin, Silverado, Lake Forest, Mission Viejo,  
16 Laguna Hills, Aliso Viejo, Rancho Santa Margarita areas  
17 in eastern Orange County.

18 Okay. Back to Riverside County. District 39  
19 includes Jurupa Valley, most of the city of Riverside,  
20 Moreno Valley, Mead Valley, Perris, Good Hope,  
21 Meadowbrook.

22 District 41 includes in Riverside County, areas  
23 along the 15, such as Norco, Corona, Temescal Valley,  
24 Lake Elsinore, Menifee, also includes areas such as  
25 Calimesa and Cherry Valley with Nuevo, French Valley,

1 Sage, Anza, Idlewild, Mountain Center, with areas in sort  
2 of western Coachella Valley, including Palm Springs, Palm  
3 Desert, and La Quinta.

4 District 25 includes in Riverside County, Hemet,  
5 East Hemet, San Jacinto, Beaumont and Banning; east  
6 Coachella Valley areas, such as Indio and Coachella,  
7 Thousand Palms, out to the state border; also, including  
8 in very eastern San Bernardino County, this Needles area,  
9 and including all of Imperial County.

10 Next, moving to District 49, this a coastal district  
11 in southern Orange County, includes San Clemente, San  
12 Juan Capistrano, Dana Point. Pardon me. And in San  
13 Diego County includes Camp Pendleton with Oceanside,  
14 Carlsbad, Encinitas, Vista, and Del Mar.

15 District 48 includes sort of eastern San Diego  
16 County communities and in Riverside County includes  
17 Temecula, Murrieta, Lake Riverside.

18 District 50 includes southern parts of Escondido,  
19 San Marcos, Rancho Santa Fe, northern areas of the City  
20 of San Diego, and coastal San Diego down to Coronado.

21 District 51 includes much of the City of San Diego  
22 with El Cajon, La Mesa, Spring Valley, La Presa.

23 And last but not least, Congressional District 52  
24 includes southern areas of the City of San Diego with  
25 National City, Bonita, Chula Vista, and Imperial Beach,

1 all the way down to the national border.

2 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Jaime. And so fellow  
3 Commissioners, we've gone through all of the maps that  
4 we've drafted over the last few months. Is there any  
5 further discussion? Oh, Commissioner Kennedy.

6 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Thank you, Chair. Just to  
7 say that in relation to District 41, this was one of the  
8 only, perhaps the only instance -- no, I guess it was one  
9 of the only instances in which tribal lands were divided  
10 between districts. The Agua Caliente lands in the  
11 Coachella Valley span both Palm Springs and Cathedral  
12 City. Cathedral City is in District 25, Palm Springs is  
13 in District 41. So while we did make an effort to keep  
14 the tribal lands whole, given that they are dispersed in  
15 a checkerboard pattern across those two cities, and given  
16 the other higher-level priorities as far as population  
17 balance and Voting Rights Act compliance, that is,  
18 unfortunately, one of the instances in which case tribal  
19 lands had to be split. Thank you.

20 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. And it maybe not so  
21 bad, because now with congressional districts, they can  
22 have, essentially, two representative is -- two  
23 representatives, right? Yeah. Commissioner Toledo.

24 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you Chair Fernandez.  
25 And I'm so of the work of that together we have completed



1 to serve all Californians. Despite a difference of  
2 opinion at times, there was always commitment to our  
3 common goal; to the goal of creating representative and  
4 fair maps for all Californians. Accomplishing this was  
5 only possible by leaving our own interests and wants at  
6 the door, and by listening to the voices of Californians  
7 and working together to meet those needs a collaborative  
8 and fair manner that prioritized the meaningful  
9 involvement and engagement of Californians. I feel so  
10 privileged to have been part of -- to have been -- sorry;  
11 I'm emotional -- to have been able to serve California  
12 and its people alongside such an accomplished, caring and  
13 equally-committed group of individuals.

14 We accomplished all of this while in the midst of a  
15 global pandemic and unprecedented adversity that impacted  
16 us all personally, impacted our communities and our  
17 state. And thank you for your dedication, for your time,  
18 your commitment to the people of California, and the  
19 advancement of a representative democracy where all  
20 people have the opportunity to elect candidates of their  
21 choice. As such, I am honored, and I am privileged to  
22 motion that we approve the proposed final statewide maps  
23 for California for State Assembly, State Senate, State  
24 Board of Equalization, and U.S. House of Representatives.  
25 Thank you.



1 VICE CHAIR AHMAD: Chair, I would like to second  
2 that motion.

3 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Wow! That was very strong. I'll  
4 give you a clap. So, so powerful.

5 Are there -- we have a motion, and the second. Do  
6 we have any other comments before we go to public comment  
7 from our commissioners?

8 Oh, Commissioner Vasquez.

9 COMMISSIONER VASQUEZ: Let's lock it in.

10 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Oh, yay. We're going to lock it  
11 in.

12 Commissioner Sinay.

13 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yeah, I just want to say I'm  
14 proud of the collective work that we've all done  
15 together. We set out to create fair and representative  
16 maps with Californians. Democracy is beautiful, and it's  
17 very messy. I'm honored to have served California with  
18 all of you. Not all who wander are lost. I thought  
19 about that often as we were in this process. I am so  
20 proud to have been with you guys on this journey.  
21 Thanks. Salama. Gracias.

22 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. That's wonderful as  
23 well.

24 Emotional day. Any other comments before we open it  
25 up for public comment? Okay.



1 Katy, is -- she was here a second ago.

2 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: I'm here.

3 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Did I just --

4 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: I'm here.

5 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Did you leave us? Where are you,  
6 Katy?

7 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: I'm here, Chair.

8 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Oh, you are. Wonderful.

9 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes.

10 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: So if we can please take public  
11 comment for the motion and also for the general public  
12 comment.

13 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Certainly, Chair.

14 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

15 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: In order to maximize  
16 transparency and public participation in our process, the  
17 commissioners will be taking public comment by phone. To  
18 call in, dial the telephone number provided on the  
19 livestream feed. It is 877-853-5247. When prompted to  
20 enter the meeting ID number provided on the livestream  
21 feed, it is 879 0815 1544 for this meeting.

22 When prompted to enter a participant ID, simply  
23 press the pound key. Once you have dialed in, you will  
24 be placed in a queue. To indicate you wish to comment,  
25 please press star 9. This will raise your hand for the



1 moderator. When it is your turn to speak, you will hear  
2 a message that says, the host would like you to talk and  
3 to press star 6 to speak. If you would like to give your  
4 name, please state and spell it for the record. You're  
5 not required to provide your name to give public comment.  
6 Please make sure to mute your computer or livestream  
7 audio to prevent any feedback or distortion during your  
8 call. Once you are waiting in the queue, be alert for  
9 when it is your turn to speak. And again, please turn  
10 down the livestream volume.

11 And we will be doing a minute and thirty seconds for  
12 public comment. You will receive a verbal warning around  
13 thirty seconds remaining and fifteen seconds remaining.  
14 I will be identifying you by the last four digits of your  
15 telephone number. And as the Chair said, this is public  
16 comment for general public comment and the motion on the  
17 floor to approve the maps.

18 We will begin with caller 0129, and up next after  
19 that will be caller 3640.

20 Caller 0129, please follow the prompts. The floor  
21 is yours.

22 MR. LEBARRE: Commissioners, Mike LeBarre, Mayor of  
23 King City. While I acknowledge the hard work that you  
24 have put in over this time, I am very disappointed. And  
25 the continuance of dividing Monterey County, a previously



1 protected Section 5 VRA county, and dividing it, and  
2 connecting the Hispanic population to San Jose, I'm very  
3 disappointed that you think that is okay, when you were  
4 provided actual maps that would have rectified these  
5 concerns. I appreciate you taking the time to do the  
6 work, but I wish you would have provided Monterey and San  
7 Benito County the same consideration and due process as  
8 other counties had received through the public input  
9 process. Thank you, Commissioners.

10 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
11 right now, we will have caller 3640, and up next after  
12 that will be caller 5719.

13 Caller 3640, please follow the prompts. The floor  
14 is yours.

15 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening, Commissioners.  
16 The iteration that was posted on December 15th, for  
17 Kings-Tulare-Kern congressional visualizations best  
18 reflects our communities of interest. The other  
19 iterations take northwest Hanford and Lemoore out of our  
20 district. We share more similar communities of interest  
21 than we do with Fresno. I'm from the Central Valley, and  
22 it's our best interest that the Commission keeps our  
23 communities together. Keep Kings County whole. Thank  
24 you.

25 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And



1 right now, we have caller 5719, and up next after that  
2 will be caller 6644.

3       Caller 5719, please follow the prompts. The floor  
4 is yours.

5       UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you so much. Thank  
6 you, Commission, for taking public comment on this kind  
7 of momentous evening, after how much work has been done.  
8 Your work is certainly appreciated. There are still,  
9 obviously, a number of concerns for many of the  
10 individuals that are still making public comments. And  
11 some of us certainly feel as though perhaps our voice  
12 hasn't been heeded nearly as much and as desired as could  
13 be, especially in the northeastern portion of Los Angeles  
14 County.

15       I hope that this final, you know, listening of  
16 public comment is not just a formality, and that this  
17 won't necessarily get rubber stamped. But the Antelope  
18 Valley is still being significantly divided. The most  
19 recent change to the congressional map actually cuts out  
20 part of the Antelope Valley from being a part of the  
21 congressional district with the rest of Antelope Valley,  
22 and so it's not being kept whole. It's being  
23 significantly divided. And again, it's that portion of  
24 northeastern Los Angeles County that already has just a  
25 limited number of resources and that is often overlooked

1 and not represented --

2 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

3 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- to the fullest extent  
4 possible. And so by diminishing our voice, by removing  
5 us from our counterparts in the Antelope Valley, in which  
6 we would be able to share our collective voice, it is  
7 very disenfranchising, very harmful --

8 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

9 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- and certainly a  
10 consideration that before this gets approved should be  
11 revisited. The 14 shouldn't be diving it, and Lake Los  
12 Angeles should not be removed from the Antelope Valley  
13 either. I thank you for your time, I thank you for your  
14 consideration, and I do thank you for your --

15 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
16 right now, we have caller 6644, and up next after that  
17 will be caller 2931.

18 Caller 6644, please follow the prompts. The floor  
19 is yours.

20 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening, Commissioners.  
21 I implore you to please go back to the iteration posted  
22 on December 15th for Kings-Tulare-Kern congressional  
23 visualizations. My neighbors and community leaders have  
24 called you numerous times and asked you repeatedly not to  
25 split up Kings County. I mean, you've got Lemoore and



1 Ridgcrest in the same district. Those places don't even  
2 look the same geographically, much less economically and  
3 socially. And why would you rather listen to  
4 organizations that have no desire to keep communities  
5 together?

6 The Central Valley, where my neighbors and I call  
7 home, will suffer, because this Commission continues to  
8 ignore communities of interest and the voices of those  
9 that actually live here. And things do need to be  
10 balanced and the Voting Rights Act is very important, but  
11 it does not just justify joining communities that don't  
12 belong together and splitting up those that do.

13 Please, me and my community are imploring you, do  
14 not split up Kings County. Do not set the precedent for  
15 partisan redistricting. Thank you very much. Good  
16 evening.

17 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
18 right now, we have caller 2931. And up next after that  
19 will be caller 5777.

20 Caller 2931, please follow the prompts.

21 And one more time, caller 2931, please follow the  
22 prompts to unmute by pressing star 6. The floor is  
23 yours.

24 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello? Did you hear me?

25 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure did. The floor



1 is yours.

2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Okay. Dear Commission, I  
3 called yesterday, and I am going to repeat myself until  
4 Commission respond to our comment for the GGW map. We  
5 have explained since beginning and not sure why our  
6 concern regarding the Little Saigon aren't being heard at  
7 all. Please, please don't depend on one Commission to  
8 best representative -- to best represent Orange County.  
9 We don't understand why she ask -- she refusing  
10 acknowledge that Huntington Beach, especially the island  
11 portion belong with the greater Little Saigon district.

12 We are asking the rest of Commissioners to please,  
13 please help us. Please don't let one Commission who has  
14 her own agenda against us to have the final decision  
15 against us. The Commission duty is to represent and make  
16 the best decision for every community. Please, please  
17 represent every community. Please don't leave Little  
18 Saigon community out just us unequally --

19 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

20 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- for the GG map, and we are  
21 asking to remove Santa Ana and East Garden Grove out of  
22 North Garfield Street in Huntington Beach. This is swap.  
23 We are beginning (sic) the rest of Commissioners to step  
24 in, and please, please help complete Little Saigon.  
25 Thank you.



1 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

2 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

3 And right now, we have caller 5777, and up next  
4 after that will be caller 2714.

5 Caller 5777, please follow the prompts.

6 And one more time, caller 5777, please follow the  
7 prompts to unmute by pressing star 6. And caller 5777,  
8 you do appear to have some type of connectivity issue of  
9 you at the moment. I have you down for a retry. Right  
10 now, we have caller 2714, and up next after that will be  
11 caller 0983.

12 Caller 2714, please follow the prompts.

13 And one more time, caller with the last four digits,  
14 2714, please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing  
15 star 6.

16 And I do have you down as a retry.

17 Caller 0983, if you'll please follow the prompts to  
18 unmute.

19 And up next after that it will be caller 9517.

20 Caller 0983, please follow the prompts to unmute.

21 Caller with the last four digits 0983, please follow  
22 the prompts to unmute by pressing star 6.

23 And I do have you down as a retry.

24 For all of those in the queue, for any type of  
25 connectivity issues, I will have you down as a retry, but



1 we will ask that you please be alert and attentive for  
2 when we call your number just in case.

3 Right now we have caller 9517, and up next after  
4 that will be caller 1619.

5 Caller 9517, please follow the prompts to unmute.

6 Why does -- the floor is yours.

7 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes. Good evening. I submit  
8 a public comment online, and email and also call in every  
9 day to make sure my voice is heard. There have been a  
10 lot of people in our Little Saigon communities call in as  
11 well, but it seem that no matter what I or any one in our  
12 community do or say, the Committee is not going to make  
13 any change to the Assembly district in Orange County.  
14 What can we do?

15 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

16 And right now, we have caller 1619, and up next  
17 after that will be caller 6692.

18 Caller 1619, please follow the prompts to unmute.

19 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello, Commissioners. I'd  
20 like the Commission to revisit the iteration posted on  
21 December 15th for Kings-Tulare-Kern congressional  
22 visualization. I've spent a lot of time listening to  
23 Commissioners discussing communities of interest  
24 testimonies in the Central Valley. From what I've  
25 gathered, the Commission continues to ignore our



1 communities of interest.

2 I am well aware that my community is being split up.  
3 Numerous callers have called in from my community  
4 expressing their concerns. I don't understand how  
5 organizations such as Delores Huerta Foundation and  
6 MALDEF are considered the utmost priority when discussing  
7 what's best for our communities. These far-left  
8 organizations are dictating the entire Central Valley for  
9 the next ten years. The fact that they are calling it a  
10 MALDEF map only proves the point that these are  
11 politicized maps. I urge the committee to not split up  
12 our -- I urge the Commission to not split up our  
13 communities. Keep our communities together. Thank you.

14 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

15 And right now, we will have caller 6692, and up next  
16 after that will be caller 9743.

17 Caller 6692, please follow the prompts. The floor  
18 is yours.

19 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Commissioners, please revisit  
20 the iteration posted on December 15th for Kings-Tulare-  
21 Kern congressional visualization. We strongly urge the  
22 Commission to keep Kings County as a whole, as they have  
23 no interest in being separated into two congressional  
24 districts. All the iterations split up our communities,  
25 and the only iteration that keeps Kings County whole is



1 in the December 15th iteration. Thank you.

2 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

3 And right now, we'll have caller 9743, and up next  
4 after that will be caller 1043.

5 Caller 9743, please follow the prompts to unmute.  
6 The floor is yours.

7 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you. I'm from  
8 Stanislaus County, Modesto to be specific, and  
9 everything -- I know that your job has been terrific, and  
10 I don't understand why there's so few of you to be doing  
11 it, but you have taken Modesto, and you have chopped it  
12 in half, and it is the seat, the county seat of  
13 Stanislaus County. Now, if that doesn't mean anything to  
14 you, obviously, it doesn't, because you've put us in  
15 District 5. And I just barely know that I'm District 5,  
16 because you didn't mention Modesto until after you read  
17 the other ones. And so I don't really know where we are  
18 now, and I've not been able to pick up the most latest  
19 map. And I'll admit I am technologically not quite as  
20 advanced as the people that are building these maps for  
21 you. Because I'm on the City Council commissioning  
22 districting in Modesto, so I know a little bit about what  
23 you're doing, and you have split a community up, and I --  
24 and that's what Modesto and the Stanislaus County are  
25 and --



1 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- all these other cities  
3 that are within it, like -- sent a few outside, like  
4 Manteca. There was nobody from our area that hardly even  
5 know about your redistricting until about October. And  
6 the -- except for the -- maybe the people that were  
7 really political, and I'm sure they got their two cents  
8 in right away. I have put in many things that I -- as  
9 far as I can tell --

10 MR. MANOFF: Five seconds.

11 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- it appears that we are  
12 still being allied with forests, deserts, and you still  
13 have --

14 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

15 And right now, we have caller 1043, and up next  
16 after that will be caller 1553.

17 Caller 1043, please follow the prompts. The floor  
18 is yours.

19 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello, Commissioners. You  
20 know this is very sad and very angry. I have called in  
21 every day, and we continue to keep calling to make sure  
22 that my voice heard to protect my community of Little  
23 Saigon. Our voice were not heard at all. Okay. You  
24 still refuse to help us have the Assembly district to  
25 protect the current and future of Little Saigon. You



1 don't have -- you don't live here, I am, and I respect  
2 that. But when you should have listen to our voice and  
3 helped us.

4 North of Garfield Street and Huntington Beach belong  
5 to Little Saigon and not East Garden Grove and Stanton.  
6 This is very simple. You still have a few days to make  
7 this refinement to help to protect Little Saigon. Give  
8 us a representative that we can deserve. Little Saigon  
9 needs an Assembly member who have a true interest in our  
10 unique community, tradition, and culture. Give us a  
11 Christmas gift, not (indiscernible) for a next ten years.  
12 Fight for our Little Saigon, please. That's all I'm  
13 asking. God bless.

14 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

15 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you. Goodbye.

16 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

17 And right now, we have caller 1553, and up next  
18 after that will be caller 8224.

19 Caller 1553, please follow the prompts. The floor  
20 is yours.

21 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello, Commissioners. Hello,  
22 Commissioners, I express a similar concern and  
23 disappointment and anger on our district, which is  
24 Congressional map you just read out for Santa Clara  
25 County. Currently, Asian Americans is splitted (sic),



1 Palo Alto, I believe from fifteen percent of Asian, now  
2 fifty-one percent Asian is grouped to San Mateo, which is  
3 not our county. We belong to Santa Clara County.  
4 Mountain View, who is two miles away from me, is grouped  
5 with East Bay, which is twenty, thirty miles away from  
6 us. So we need to group Asian mappings together and all  
7 in Silicon Valley, because we share the same values,  
8 we're an integrated community, we have huge  
9 infrastructure projects together for underground for the  
10 Caltrain, and the current proposal mixed rural  
11 communities, like (indiscernible) La Honda with us, who  
12 have their needs in their farming community, who doesn't  
13 really feel they belong together with Silicon Valley. So  
14 I propose to group Palo Alto, Mountain View, Fremont, and  
15 Cupertino together --

16 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

17 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- to represent Asian  
18 American communities fairly and to look into democracy in  
19 the real sense. The Justice Department is suing Texas  
20 for gerrymandering. Maybe that's the next step we need  
21 to take to take legal action if our Asian community --

22 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

23 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- is not heard in Palo Alto,  
24 Mountain View, Fremont, and Cupertino. Thank you.

25 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.



1 And right now, we have caller 8224, and up next  
2 after that will be caller 5231.

3 Caller 8224, please follow the prompts. The floor  
4 is yours.

5 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening. All people  
6 heard the Commissioner miss Little Saigon call in  
7 yesterday. We wanted to give the Commission a chance to  
8 go back to the GGW map to make the change by adding all  
9 of North Garfield Street in Huntington Beach, but you did  
10 not bother to go back and make the minor change. If you  
11 really miss our call, then why didn't you listen to our  
12 concern? What can we do or what does it take for the  
13 Commission to take our comment seriously? Why you don't  
14 adding all of North Garfield in Huntington Beach? You  
15 won't hear from our community again. Please help us to  
16 be well represent in the Assembly and Congress in the  
17 next decade. Please, don't destroy Little Saigon forty  
18 years of work and future progress in the next ten years.  
19 Thank you.

20 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

21 And right now, we have caller 5231, and up next  
22 after that will be caller 7672.

23 Caller 5231, please follow the prompts. The floor  
24 is yours.

25 MR. MADHDHIPATLA: Good evening, Commissioners. My



1 name is Muni Madhhipatla, a long-time Cupertino resident  
2 and a planning commissioner of Cupertino. I know we have  
3 a very difficult task, as there are competing forces  
4 prioritizing inputs with their own vested agenda. As an  
5 involved resident, I ask you to give us an opportunity  
6 to -- for representation proportional to the demographics  
7 of Silicon Valley. The current maps, as shown on your  
8 district redistricting site for District 16 and 17, are  
9 wrong and doesn't make sense at all. Hopefully, they are  
10 not final.

11 I feel Cupertino is wrongfully being split from West  
12 Valley cities of Saratoga, Los Altos, Los Gatos, and Palo  
13 Alto and is being lumped with East Bay cities of Fremont,  
14 Newark, Milpitas with the sole intent of creating a Asian  
15 ghetto district. Let me repeat. Asian ghetto  
16 congressional district. You might ask why we name it as  
17 such. This is unfair and racist. I never thought I  
18 would use this word, as our voice are being limited to  
19 just one congressional representative.

20 MR. MANOFF: Twenty seconds.

21 MR. MADHDHIPATLA: Cupertino belongs in District 16  
22 along with rest of the West Valley cities. Cupertino  
23 Mayor Darcy Paul and Vice Mayor Liang Chao spoke on this  
24 topic, and I believe in our voice are being ignored.  
25 70,000 residents' voices are being ignored. Please do

1 the right thing by putting Cupertino in District --

2 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

3 And right now, we have caller 7672, and up next  
4 after that is caller 4036.

5 Caller 7672, please follow the prompts. The floor  
6 is yours. And one more time, caller with the last four  
7 digits 7672, please follow the prompts to unmute by  
8 pressing star 6.

9 I do apologize caller 7672 -- no. Please follow the  
10 prompts by pressing star 6, not star 9. There you go.  
11 The floor is yours.

12 MR. FUNG: All right. Hi. Hi. Good evening,  
13 Commissioners. My name is Henry Fung, and I'm calling  
14 about Cal Poly Pomona. I want to thank the Commissioners  
15 again for reuniting Cal Poly Pomona in the Assembly and  
16 congressional districts. Unfortunately, you didn't do it  
17 in the Senate district. It would be a minor change to  
18 fix it right now. It won't affect any population  
19 deviation. It wouldn't exceed the population deviation  
20 to have Cal Poly Pomona in with the -- united with west  
21 Pomona in the Senate district rather than off in its own  
22 little district, you know, to the south. If you can fix  
23 it, it would really be great for all the students and  
24 faculty and all the thousands of Cal Poly Pomona alumni.

25 I know that you were focused on this issue for the



1 Assembly, and you did address it in the congressional  
2 district. So I hope you can please address it for the  
3 Senate district and help all our Broncos out, you know,  
4 in the state for the next ten years. Thank you so much.

5 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

6 And right now, we have caller 4036, and up next  
7 after that will be caller 1535.

8 Caller 4036, please follow the prompts. The floor  
9 is yours.

10 MR. SAXENA: Hi. Hi. My name is Vikram Saxena. I  
11 am a planning commissioner from the City of Cupertino.  
12 I've written to the Commission multiple times about  
13 including Cupertino with other West Valley cities, like  
14 Saratoga, Los Gatos, Los Altos, Palo Alto; instead, we  
15 are being clubbed with Fremont and Newark, which we have  
16 very little in common in terms of the issues we face.  
17 East Bay gets BART, the transit system which connects  
18 most of the Bay Area. West Valley and the Peninsula  
19 doesn't get BART. It's one of our top priorities to fix  
20 that, because it is related to huge amount of problems  
21 and quality of life issues for the residents of West  
22 Valley. We need federal help to make that happen, and we  
23 want our representative to be a part of the coalition  
24 from there. So I'm urging you to put Cupertino in  
25 District 16 instead of District 17.



1 We also have a quarry, a hundred-year-old quarry  
2 which existed before --

3 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

4 MR. SAXENA: --- Silicon Valley became Silicon  
5 Valley, and it is polluting our waterways, and we need  
6 federal funding to help mitigate that. People of Fremont  
7 or Newark or Milpitas don't have the same problem. And  
8 finally --

9 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

10 MR. SAXENA: -- we have noted that even West San  
11 Jose, which has a predominant Asian population, has now  
12 been plopped with 17. It almost looks like, as my  
13 partner Muni said, you're creating an Asian ghetto. We  
14 will not forget this. This is --

15 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

16 And right now, we have caller 1535, and up next  
17 after that will be caller 7703.

18 Caller 1535, please follow the prompts to unmute.

19 Caller 1535, if you'll please follow the prompts to  
20 unmute by pressing star 6. The floor is yours.

21 MR. MALDONADO: Hi. Can you hear me?

22 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

23 MR. MALDONADO: Hi. Hi. Commissioners. It's Tony  
24 Maldonado from Santa Clarita. As we witness the  
25 Commission conclude a sausage-making process that has



1 been extremely painful to watch, it would be nice if  
2 Commissioners would not simply celebrate, but also  
3 recognize the large amount of damage they have caused.  
4 There's much disappointment with the division of  
5 communities based on arbitrary and biased viewpoints,  
6 many times ignoring valid reasons and pleas. The  
7 Commission promised transparency, but we think it's a lot  
8 of sausage making.

9         With Santa Clarita's Assembly map, you forced it  
10 against its will into the San Fernando Valley, solely to  
11 please political groups in the San Fernando Valley,  
12 treating the people of Santa Clarita as slaves being sold  
13 to another master. On our Senate and congressional maps,  
14 you gave away our lands in the Angeles National Forest to  
15 others, despite current federal litigation in that area  
16 regarding Cemex. You ignored the heartfelt pleas of  
17 Little Saigon, whom we greatly sympathize for, and went  
18 out of your way to favor Koreatown, Thaitown, and Hemet.  
19 I'm sorry, but I cannot fully share your happiness; not  
20 when I have witnessed a lot of gerrymandering and  
21 courting of favors.

22         MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

23         MR. MALDONADO: And not when the people of Santa  
24 Clarita have been sold off as slaves. Sorry, we're not  
25 slaves for anyone. Goodnight.



1 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

2 And right now, we have caller 7703, and up next  
3 after that is caller 2815.

4 Caller 7703, please follow the prompts. The floor  
5 is yours.

6 MS. LANDON: Good evening, everybody. Thank you so  
7 much for over a year of dedicated service. I share the  
8 concerns of many of the previous callers which I also  
9 submitted online, so I won't reiterate them now. My name  
10 is Sarah Landon (ph.), and I'm from Hayward, and I'd like  
11 to offer a path forward tonight. Adopt the Assembly maps  
12 as proposed; amend the motion, and only adopt the  
13 Assembly maps. You have a few more meetings, if I read  
14 your website correctly. And use those meetings to  
15 reconsider the congressional maps as people have asked,  
16 and to return the practice -- to the practice of nesting  
17 two Assembly districts into one Senate District rather  
18 than the current Senate districts which divide many  
19 communities and interests, divide many Assembly  
20 districts, and are very confusing and make it very  
21 difficult to -- for the public to participate  
22 meaningfully in the process.

23 There are many issues with the current Senate maps,  
24 and I won't go into them, but I will say that --

25 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.



1 MS. LANDON: -- you do have time to do -- to return  
2 to that practice. So tonight, please only pass the  
3 Assembly maps. Thank you.

4 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

5 And right now, we have caller 2815, and up next  
6 after that is caller 0045.

7 Caller 2815, please follow the prompts. The floor  
8 is yours.

9 MR. TRAN: Oh, hi. I'm Mike Tran (ph.). I'm  
10 calling from Cupertino, which is basically in the  
11 (indiscernible) 16 and 17 Districts. Right now,  
12 Cupertino, Sunnyvale, we are all lumped together with  
13 Fremont, Milpitas. These are East Bay cities. We have  
14 very little in common with them. The demography of  
15 Cupertino is much closer to that of Los Altos, Mountain  
16 View, Los Gatos, Saratoga, and those places. All the  
17 West Valley cities, essentially, and the 101 corridor.  
18 It's a high-tech community with a large percentage of  
19 Asian population, and it could be very appropriate to  
20 have somebody represent us, to represent this entire  
21 region rather than being split into Fremont, which with  
22 we share very little. It's almost, like, twenty, twenty-  
23 five miles from here, and Saratoga is basically next  
24 door, and so is Mountain View and Palo Alto. So I think  
25 we -- the City of Cupertino and Sunnyvale, they should



1 both part of the West Valley set of cities, the 101 tech  
2 corridor, and it's basically a way to get the tech  
3 community --

4 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

5 MR. TRAN: -- accounted and also the Asian  
6 population. So that is my recommendation. The prior map  
7 which we saw was lot more representative of this  
8 demographic. It is not the case right now, and it has  
9 not been like that for quite some time. So I would  
10 highly recommended that we make Cupertino as part of --

11 MR. MANOFF: Ten.

12 MR. TRAN: -- the West Valley corridor, the 101  
13 corridor, which is essentially the Cupertino, Los Gatos,  
14 Saratoga, Mountain View, Palo Alto and --

15 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

16 And right now, we have caller 0045, and up next  
17 after that will be caller 5490.

18 Caller 0045, please follow the prompts. The floor  
19 is yours.

20 MR. MENDOZA: Hi, John Mendoza. I live here in the  
21 City of Pomona. Thank you for all your hard work. I  
22 listened to you all summer, and so congratulations, and  
23 have a happy holidays. And I'm very pleased with the  
24 maps here in Pomona. Thank you.

25 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.



1           And right now, we have caller 5490, and up next  
2 after that will be caller 0318.

3           Caller 5490, please follow the prompts. The floor  
4 is yours.

5           UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Good evening, Los  
6 Angeles Redistricting Commission. My name is Kim, and I  
7 am from Phelan-Pinion Hills. Thank you for the twenty  
8 seconds you spent on our area yesterday. You have not  
9 taken the time to understand our community and did not  
10 seem to hear any of our testimony. For months, we have  
11 asked you to keep us with the San Bernardino High Desert  
12 and to keep us whole. I'm going to try one more time to  
13 try and help you understand why the San Bernardino High  
14 Desert is unique and should be whole.

15           From Morongo to Barstow, Pinion Hills to Hesperia,  
16 there isn't a single Trader Joes. Lancaster and  
17 Coachella have a Trader Joe's. Pasadena has three. The  
18 San Bernardino High Desert is working class, has dirt  
19 roads, and is disadvantaged and you should have been  
20 working to protect us rather than protecting the rich in  
21 Pasadena or stealing our population for Los Angeles.  
22 You've doomed us to ten years of no representation and  
23 treated us so inequitably compared to Los Angeles. Have  
24 a great evening, and merry Christmas.

25           PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.



1 And right now, we have caller 0318, and up next  
2 after that will be caller 6376.

3 Caller 0318, please follow the prompts. The floor  
4 is yours.

5 MS. RALPH: Hello. My name is Catharine Ralph, and  
6 I'm from San Leandro in the East Bay, Northern  
7 California. I'm writing -- calling you with real big  
8 concern about a very recent last Friday redistricting  
9 of -- including our -- pulling San Leandro and the  
10 unincorporated Alameda County areas out of Alameda County  
11 as a district. We feel that this is a violation of our  
12 civil rights. The district map disadvantages our  
13 racially-diverse community of black and brown families  
14 and white allies who advocate for services, education,  
15 environmental justice, and affordable housing from San  
16 Leandro down along the East Bay shoreline to Fremont.

17 We are the most racially integrated city in  
18 California with a liberal voting community. Our  
19 increasingly rare working-class city within the Bay area,  
20 the majority people of color and facing a housing crisis.  
21 All our mental health services, fire and emergency  
22 services are --

23 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

24 MS. RALPH: -- done through county contracts.  
25 Pulling us out of the county doesn't make sense.



1 Geographically alone, the district map isolates and  
2 disenfranchises us. We really want to be left in that  
3 SD\_EDENTECH --

4 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

5 MS. RALPH: -- area not the iteration. Thank you.  
6 Merry Christmas.

7 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

8 And right now, we have caller 6376, and up next  
9 after that will be caller 6855.

10 Caller 6376, please follow the prompts. The floor  
11 is yours.

12 MS. WILSON: Thank you, and good evening,  
13 Commissioners. My name is Sylvia Wilson. I live in  
14 Westchester, California, which is Los Angeles County. I  
15 do want to thank you for all of your hard work.  
16 Initially, the redistricting map was going to divide my  
17 city, Westchester, into two separate congressional  
18 districts. I know several of us made public comment  
19 objecting to this. And that, of course, is problematic  
20 in our community. Now I see the Commissioners are  
21 including all of Westchester in Congressional District 36  
22 instead of Congressional District 43 with LAX.

23 If you are not aware, LAX is our next door neighbor.  
24 They have such a profound impact on our community. LAX  
25 impacts us as they impact Inglewood and Lennox. This



1 decision takes away our voice to LAX. We will have no  
2 protection. We'll lose our community voice, and we won't  
3 be able to hold them accountable like we've done for  
4 many, many years --

5 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

6 MS. WILSON: -- for their noise, pollution, and  
7 sprawl. This is going to be devastating to our  
8 community. We want you to please keep Westchester in  
9 Council District -- in Congressional District 43. We're  
10 not like the other coastal communities in 36. They're  
11 not impacted by LAX at all. We're not even close to  
12 them.

13 MR. MANOFF: Ten.

14 MS. WILSON: Maybe you don't know that, based on  
15 where you're located. Thank you very much.

16 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

17 And at this time, Chair, we are up against a break.

18 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you so much, Katy. We will  
19 be taking our fifteen-minute required break and return at  
20 7:25.

21 (Whereupon, a recess was held from 7:10 p.m. until  
22 7:25 p.m.)

23 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Welcome back, everyone. And we  
24 are -- we left off with public comment, and now we are  
25 continuing with public comment. I am going to pass it



1 back to Katy. Thank you.

2 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much, Chair.

3 The Commission is now taking public comments for the  
4 motion on the floor to approve the maps and general  
5 public comment at this time. To give comment, please  
6 call 877-853-5247. Enter the meeting ID number, 879 0815  
7 1544, for this meeting. Once you have dialed in, please  
8 press star 9 to enter the comment queue. The full call-  
9 in instructions were read previously and are provided in  
10 full on the livestream landing page.

11 And right now, we'll be going to caller 6855, and up  
12 next after that is caller 2652. And as a reminder for  
13 those that have called in and not done so already, please  
14 press star 9 to raise your hand, indicating to wish to  
15 give comment.

16 Caller 6855, please follow the prompts. The floor  
17 is yours.

18 MR. SUKATON: Commissioners, Sam Sukaton in  
19 California Environmental Voters Education Fund. For the  
20 last time, let me be among the first to congratulate you  
21 on completion -- on your completion. We haven't agreed  
22 on every line, district, decision, but you have built  
23 substantially on the 2010 Commission's consideration of  
24 conservation, public lands, and environmental justice  
25 communities of interest. We, and I specifically,



1 appreciate your care, consideration, and commitment to an  
2 open process. You've had a heavy load to bear, and  
3 you've occasionally missed the forest for the trees or  
4 been thrown about by the surf of public comment.

5 But make no mistake, in an era ruthless  
6 gerrymandering without public input in dozens of other  
7 states, the Commission, this Commission, you  
8 Commissioners, have done something unprecedented. We  
9 believe that smoke-filled rooms create smoke-filled  
10 districts. We believe that sunlight should power our  
11 industry, our economy, and our civil society. We believe  
12 that clean air, clean energy, and clean water depend on  
13 clean government. So we at Enviro Voters stand by our  
14 participation in this process and appreciate your  
15 hospitality and your curiosity as we came before you  
16 again and again with Lorax jokes and bear jokes in April,  
17 VR comment in July, to wandering around --

18 MR. MANOFF: Twenty seconds.

19 MR. SUKATON: -- in North San Diego coast with you  
20 last week. We believe that inequality in and the climate  
21 crisis are the twin challenges of our time and more  
22 democracy is the answer to both. In a moment of great  
23 fear and uncertainty, you created a container for more  
24 democracy --

25 MR. MANOFF: Ten seconds.



1 MR. SAKUTON: -- for California and an example to the  
2 rest of the country. Our compliments again. And for the  
3 last time in the 2020s, let's lock this in.

4 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

5 And right now, we have caller 2652, and up next  
6 after that will be caller 1220.

7 Caller 2652, please follow the prompts. The floor  
8 is yours.

9 MR. KUSIAK: Hello. This is Michael Kusiak. K-U-S-  
10 I-A-K, and I'm calling from unincorporated Castro Valley  
11 in Alameda County. And I just want all the Commissioners  
12 to realize being in an unincorporated community in  
13 California can be a very -- a big challenge, particularly  
14 in an urban unincorporated area. Last Friday, the  
15 Commission decided to change maps, where our community,  
16 San Leandro, and other unincorporated residents  
17 representing about 200,000 people were suddenly moved  
18 from a district cantered around Alameda County and moved  
19 in to a district centered in Contra Costa County.

20 Our connections, our neighbors, our political  
21 institutions, the -- where we relate is in Alameda  
22 County. I think what's really frustrating though is that  
23 it's at the very end of this process when we talked the  
24 people -- citizens of this state being able to contribute  
25 and make change. We were given less than three days to



1 respond. And from what I can tell, there's been no  
2 response to the many comments, the public input that has  
3 been provided, and the comments provided over the phone.  
4 I just want to second Sarah Landon's proposal that  
5 there's an opportunity tonight to approve Assembly maps  
6 and take some time to consider nesting and consider the  
7 alignment of Senate seats.

8       It's wholly inappropriate that our communities are  
9 being put in this Contra Costa County-centric seat. And  
10 I would also recommend -- maybe this is something that  
11 the legislature could look at -- is having rules  
12 establishing for the next commission to limit last-minute  
13 switches like this based on a number of people who are  
14 being moved at the last minute. We had no reason to  
15 believe, up until Friday, when we were --

16       PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

17       And right now, we have caller 1220, and up next  
18 after that will be caller 3995.

19       Caller 1220, please follow the prompts. The floor  
20 is yours.

21       MR. ROWE: This is Chris Rowe. I am looking at AD  
22 46, and I want to thank you for making the change, which  
23 is very dramatic, to add West Hills and reconfigure a  
24 great deal of the San Fernando Valley. I would have to  
25 say that I am sorry that the northern part of the West



1 San Fernando Valley was not kept in the San Fernando  
2 Valley itself. I do understand the VRA requirements.  
3 But I'm thankful to you that what you have drawn here is  
4 more contiguous in contact communities of interest, which  
5 I've submitted numerous written testimonies, my husband  
6 has submitted testimonies, as an anthropologist and  
7 sociologist. And I notice that one of you is -- has  
8 also -- is also an anthropologist in someone -- one of  
9 you also taught Marriage and Family, which my husband has  
10 also taught. So we -- I looked at all of you, and I just  
11 want to thank you for your time. It -- the maps are not  
12 perfect, but I can't say that you haven't given a great  
13 deal of your lives. And I just want to share my  
14 appreciation for AD 46 --

15 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

16 MS. ROWE: -- and the adjacent district. Thank you.

17 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

18 And right now, we have caller 3995, and up next  
19 after that will be caller 9445.

20 Caller 3995, please follow the prompts. The floor  
21 is yours.

22 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: You know, it's just so  
23 disingenuous to even allow for this public comment to  
24 happen if you aren't going to do anything with it. All  
25 of this just a formality, especially when some of you are

1 laughing at the people calling in. It's quite pathetic,  
2 not to mention outright embarrassing. These aren't fair  
3 maps. You've clearly failed at your job. People around  
4 the country tonight are looking at California -- again,  
5 you people in particular -- with a lot of shame. Not  
6 you, Katy. Democracy doesn't always die in darkness.  
7 Like tonight, it's happening right in front of us.

8 I hope each of you know what you've done and how  
9 you've gerrymandered our state and disenfranchised our  
10 residents. Just so disappointing. Thanks again though  
11 for allowing for a "public comment" before the vote.  
12 It's not like it means anything, to be honest. But I do  
13 hope you all have a happy holidays. Thanks again.

14 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

15 And right now, we have caller 9445, and up next  
16 after that is caller 8490.

17 Caller 9445, please follow the prompts. The floor  
18 is yours.

19 MS. SANATI: Hi. My name is -- thank you so much.  
20 And again, thank you all so much for taking the time and  
21 doing this work that happens so rarely and that not many  
22 people get engaged in. And so it's really -- I'm happy  
23 to hear that we're doing this now, because it's critical  
24 work for all of us in our communities. As you can see,  
25 there are a lot of people coming in, getting engaged with



1 the process, and I hope you do hear us out.

2 My name is -- like I said, Amani Sanati (ph.), and I  
3 live in District 43. And right now, what I'm hearing, as  
4 one of my dear community organizing partners, Sylvia  
5 Wilson, called in earlier to state, is that we are  
6 removing the Westchester area from the LAX Region. And  
7 earlier, I heard someone saying that you were trying to  
8 keep the tribal communities whole, when someone was  
9 referencing Idlewild and other places. And I think on  
10 that same token, as you were saying, that we also need  
11 the communities affected by the travel whole. It is  
12 critical, because we have this voice, because we are  
13 directly affected by LAX. It's hard to understand that.  
14 But as one of the biggest airports in the nation, the  
15 noise --

16 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

17 MS. SANATI: -- the pollution, everything here  
18 affects us. And it's really critical to keep us here  
19 whole with the community so that we can be a voice, and  
20 we can be a voice together with the community that we've  
21 been with this entire time. So I urge you to reconsider  
22 this move --

23 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

24 MS. SANATI: -- so that we can stay in our district  
25 at 43. Thank you so much.



1 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

2 And right now, we have caller 8490, and up next  
3 after that will be caller 0428.

4 Caller 8490, please follow the prompts. The floor  
5 is yours.

6 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi. First of all, I'd like  
7 to thank you, you know, for all the hard work. I know  
8 you've been here for almost an entire year now. It's  
9 been extremely difficult. You get people, like me,  
10 calling, complaining about your work, asking for changes,  
11 angry calls, and I know you must have a heart full of  
12 patience with -- for all that you, you know, you get.

13 But I'm going to add to that for a second. You  
14 know, I'm a San Jose resident, and I see that my city is  
15 split four ways, you know. The city of San Jose, which  
16 is the third largest city in California and the tenth  
17 largest city in the country, shouldn't be so diluted and  
18 shouldn't be so split. And furthermore, the Silicon  
19 Valley congressional districts, District 17, District 16,  
20 and District 18 are cracking and packing the Asian  
21 American vote and the Asian American population, you  
22 know. District 19 has thirty-six percent Asian  
23 population. District 16 has only twenty-five percent.  
24 District 15 has thirty-six percent and Congressional  
25 District 17 packs the Asian population forty-five



1 percent.

2 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

3 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: You had the opportunity with  
4 the prior map you approved on Friday to create a new  
5 minority opportunity district in the GD 18 area, where  
6 you combined the --

7 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

8 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- where you combined is  
9 Valley cities with San Jose. This is the most equitable  
10 map possible. The West Valley cities have very little in  
11 common with places like Pacifica, places like San  
12 Gregorio, which you've added into that CD 16 --

13 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

14 And right now, we have caller 0428, and up next  
15 after that is caller 9690.

16 Caller 0428, please follow the prompts. The floor  
17 is yours.

18 MR. RAMOS: Thank you. Good evening, Commissioners.  
19 My name is Andres Ramos. I'm a resident of the City of  
20 Sacramento. First of all, I want to thank you for the  
21 great work that you've been doing throughout this  
22 process. I think you've produced, you know, pretty good  
23 maps, certainly for the Sacramento County area. I think  
24 the maps are generally pretty good. I called in a month  
25 ago. I'm asking that the Central City area be kept



1 together in the congressional map. It was previously  
2 split, and you all have now adjusted the line, and so I'm  
3 really grateful for that and want to thank you. It makes  
4 a lot of sense not to split that community.

5 The Senate district map looks great in Sacramento.  
6 The Assembly map also makes a lot of sense. The one  
7 thing that I would ask for the Assembly map, and  
8 honestly, I'm not really too sure if you even have the  
9 ability to change the map at this point, so please excuse  
10 my ignorance if you're not able to change it. But for  
11 the -- so I'm a current resident Assembly District 7 --

12 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

13 MR. RAMOS: -- see that the new District 7 would  
14 have cut off Carmichael and split it in half. It's the  
15 only census-designated place in that area that would be  
16 split up. Every other census-designated place in  
17 Assembly District --

18 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

19 MR. RAMOS: -- in the new Assembly District 7 would  
20 be kept whole. So I would -- if it's possible to make  
21 any changes, and again, I don't know if that's the case,  
22 I would just ask you take that little one tweak just to  
23 keep Carmichael whole along with the other census  
24 designated places in AD 7.

25 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.



1 And right now, we will have caller 9690, and up next  
2 after that will be the retry of caller 2714.

3 Caller 9690, please follow the prompts. The floor  
4 is yours.

5 MR. KARAPETYAN: Hi. Hello, Commissioners. My name  
6 is Ruben Karapetyan. I'm a citizen of the Tri-Cities  
7 area, and I'm calling in with major concern for the  
8 Armenian American community on all three levels of  
9 congressional mapping. With the most important is that  
10 the Assembly district divides up Glendale along the 134  
11 freeway. And this is unconscionable, and I think this is  
12 a major step that must be taken to be righted this --  
13 right this wrong.

14 Next would be the state Senate where Burbank should  
15 be reincluded into the district of Glendale and Pasadena.  
16 And on the congressional level, the foothill  
17 communities -- the foothill Armenian communities in La  
18 Crescenta and in La Canada Flintridge should also be  
19 rejoined with Glendale and Burbank. Thank you.

20 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

21 And right now, we have caller 6968, and up next  
22 after that will be caller 7507.

23 Right now, caller 6968, please follow the prompts.  
24 The floor is yours.

25 MR. BARSOUMIAN: Hi. Thank you. My name is Edward



1 Barsoumian, and I'm calling on behalf of the Armenian  
2 National Community of America Western Region, and I'd  
3 like to express the Armenian community's outrage with  
4 every map iteration released so far. So you've split  
5 Glendale into two separate Assembly districts as well as  
6 separating Glendale, Burbank, and La Crescenta from each  
7 other at every level of government. And you've ignored  
8 thousands of Armenian community members who have reached  
9 out through forms, emails and call-ins.

10       These communities have been in the same unified  
11 district for decades, and they're the -- these  
12 communities form the cultural economic and religious hubs  
13 of the Armenian community. You need to immediately  
14 return all of Glendale in its entirety, Burbank and La  
15 Crescenta under one Assembly and Senate District, as well  
16 as return La Crescent and La Canada Flintridge to their  
17 original congressional district with Glendale and  
18 Burbank. Thank you.

19       PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

20       And right now, we have caller 7507, and up next  
21 after that is caller 0846.

22       Caller 7507, please follow the prompts. The floor  
23 is yours.

24       UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening. I'd like to  
25 reiterate what a previous caller was proposing that you



1 have a choice of the Commission would only adopt the  
2 official version for the Assembly map tonight, and so  
3 that you have two more meetings tomorrow and the day  
4 after to fix whatever that needs to be fixed with the  
5 congressional and the Senate map. So for your vote  
6 tonight, you can only adopt the Assembly map. That is my  
7 proposal, and I hope that the Commission will take that  
8 into consideration. Thank you very much.

9 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

10 And right now, we will retry caller 2714, and up  
11 next after that we will retry caller 0983.

12 Caller 2714, please follow the prompts. The floor  
13 is yours.

14 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Dear Commissioners, I have  
15 been -- make public comment and call in before. I'm  
16 still confused why you still don't want to hear what we  
17 have to say. I have spent hours, sometimes over five  
18 hours, just calling to make comments to you. How can you  
19 say that Huntington Beach doesn't belong to Little  
20 Saigon? You have made minor change for other communities  
21 across the state but not ours. You heard it's now second  
22 largest minorities community on Orange County. I know  
23 you have heard from us the majority of -- you have made  
24 various comments on wanting to add north Huntington Beach  
25 in with Little Saigon, but you never actually did it.



1           There is still time. Please help us. Our education  
2 system brought over, our healthcare program brought over,  
3 our community has grown and will continue to. How can  
4 you not to see our community has grown beyond the heart  
5 of Westminster and Garden Grove to city like Huntington  
6 Beach?

7           MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

8           UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Add north Huntington Beach at  
9 Garfield Street for the Assembly and congressional seat.  
10 You can still do this. You still have time. Please help  
11 us fight for Little Saigon. Thank you for your time and  
12 letting to speak again. Thank you.

13           PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

14           And right now, we retry caller 0983, and up next  
15 after that will be caller 0846.

16           Caller 0983, please follow the prompts. The floor  
17 is yours.

18           UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi Commissioner, I'm calling  
19 yesterday, and I have made comment in the last few  
20 months. This is very frustrating and disappointing, but  
21 I have been watching and hear some of your comments. So  
22 I still believe in miracle. I know you won't let Little  
23 Saigon go without an Assembly member and congressional  
24 member for the next ten years. You still have time.  
25 Please, please fight for us like you have done so for

1 other community across the state. Stanford, East Garden  
2 Grove do not belong to Little Saigon. They are more  
3 close related to Anaheim and Santa Ana.

4 Please remove Stanton and East Garden Grove and add  
5 north of Huntington Beach on north of Garfield Street  
6 down south to Beach Boulevard. Help us to have an  
7 Assembly member who understand our current community and  
8 its growth in the next ten years. There is time, and I  
9 know you will step up to help us please. Thank you.  
10 Happy --

11 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

12 And right now, we have caller 0846, and up next  
13 after that will be caller 1986.

14 Caller 0846, please follow the prompts to unmute.

15 And one more time, caller 0846, if you'll please  
16 follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star 6.

17 I do apologize, caller 0846. You appear to have  
18 some type of connectivity issue at the moment. We will  
19 come back around. Right now, we have caller 1986, and up  
20 next after that will be caller 8108.

21 Caller 1986, please follow the prompts. The floor  
22 is yours.

23 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Commissioners, please refer  
24 back to the iteration posted on December 15th for Kings-  
25 Tulare-Kern congressional visualization. This iteration,



1 in particular, keeps Kings County whole. Our communities  
2 deserve to be kept together, not split up. As someone  
3 who is from the Central Valley, I know for a fact that my  
4 community deserves to have fair representation in  
5 Congress. I don't appreciate our cities being split up  
6 into two congressional districts. Keep Kings County  
7 whole. Thank you.

8 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

9 And right now, we will have caller 8108, and up next  
10 after that will be caller 2720.

11 Caller 8108, please follow the prompts. The floor  
12 is yours.

13 MR. MENOR: Good evening, Commissioners, and thank  
14 you very much for the work that you're doing. My name is  
15 Ben Menor, a member of the Region 8 National Federation  
16 Filipino-American Association and a long time resident,  
17 forty-four years in the Santa Clara Valley. I want to  
18 let you know that I support the -- and maintain the CD  
19 17, CD\_GREATERED, similar to the previous CD\_ GREATERED  
20 which has not changed for weeks, because districts like  
21 it has is tremendous amount of community input supporting  
22 it; including the unanimous vote of Sunnyvale City  
23 Council, unanimous vote of Santa Clara City Council,  
24 majority of the Fremont City Council as well, and  
25 MALDEF, Asian Law Alliance, Asian American Advance



1 Justice, and the AAPI community of the State  
2 Redistricting Collaborative Organization,  
3 environmentalists as well, and hundreds of other local  
4 community groups. This brings together Fremont, Santa  
5 Clara, Sunnyvale --

6 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

7 MR. MENOR: -- Cupertino, Milpitas, and San Jose,  
8 Berryessa in a congressional district that has been in  
9 existence for over the last fifteen years. This  
10 arrangement of the map is good, and that's good. The  
11 district is one of the most diverse communities in  
12 California which represents a large population of our  
13 Asian --

14 MR. MANOFF: Ten.

15 MR. MENOR: -- communities including east Asian  
16 Filipino community, Chinese, Vietnamese. And so I think  
17 I would like to say continue with this --

18 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

19 And right now, we have caller 2720, and up next  
20 after that will be caller 4607.

21 Caller 2720, please follow the prompts. The floor  
22 is yours.

23 MR. PARILLA: Good evening, Commissioners. My  
24 name's is Angelin Parilla (ph.). I don't understand why  
25 you decided to split up Kings County, a former Section 5



1 jurisdiction. It's sad that you continue to listen to  
2 outside groups rather than elected officials who  
3 represent the areas. It's very disappointing to see how  
4 gerrymandered FRESNO-KERN is. That arm that's in that  
5 district makes no sense. I understand it's important --  
6 the Voting Rights Act is very important, but not to such  
7 a degree that communities are not together that are not  
8 shared or joined together. This effort is extreme. I  
9 implore you, please keep Kings County whole. Have a  
10 great day.

11 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

12 And right now, we have caller 4607, and up next  
13 after that will be caller 5228.

14 Caller 4607, please follow the prompts. The floor  
15 is yours.

16 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Commissioners, I really don't  
17 know what to say tonight. I am speechless and very  
18 angry. I just saw the map online, and all the hours that  
19 I've spent in the last few months have really just gone  
20 to waste. The hundreds of callers and thousands of  
21 comments made by the Vietnamese American for Little  
22 Saigon in Orange County went nowhere, and we're not sure  
23 how to express our angry and disappointment. You know, I  
24 thought that after leaving communist government of  
25 Vietnam where we had no representation, that America's



1 different. It sure doesn't seem like it through what you  
2 did to our Assembly and Congress districts. One last  
3 item we have asked for months is to add Huntington Beach  
4 with Little Saigon to all three districts. But you have  
5 failed us in the Assembly and Congress seats. However,  
6 well I'm still a believer in America, and this democracy.  
7 I know you still have time to make this change.

8 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

9 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: It's not a lot to ask. These  
10 are simple changes, or what you like to call it,  
11 refinements. Please put Little Saigon where it need to  
12 be. Give us a Christmas gift for the next ten years.  
13 The 250,000 --

14 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

15 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- Vietnamese Americans are  
16 begging you to please help us. Thank you.

17 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

18 And right now, we have caller 5228, and up next  
19 after that will be caller 1738.

20 Caller 5228, please follow the prompts. The floor  
21 is yours.

22 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello. I'm calling from  
23 Kings County, which is a Section 5 county. I think it's  
24 important to have three effective VRAs in the Central  
25 Valley, so I request that you approve all current maps.



1 I support the splits. They are necessary. It's not what  
2 a lot of us want, but it does the job to create the three  
3 effective VRA districts. Thank you.

4 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

5 And right now, we have caller 1738, and up next  
6 after that will be caller 2395.

7 Caller 1738, please follow the prompts. The floor  
8 is yours.

9 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Hi. My name is  
10 Stella. I live in the Vermont (audio interference), and I  
11 was calling because I really think you guys need to go  
12 back to the drawing board in that community. I lived in  
13 this community for a very long time, and the last round,  
14 our community was split up and taken out of the  
15 congressional district. Now it looks like even more was  
16 taken out. Last time it was just outright illegal,  
17 because it wasn't supposed to be cut in the way that it  
18 was. So I'm asking that you please relook at the map.  
19 It also looks like in the congressional -- that  
20 congressional district, which is Congressional District  
21 43, you've also taken out two major county parks from the  
22 community, which is Jesse Owens Park and Ted Watkins  
23 Park, which Ted Watkins is part of the Watts Community,  
24 which is part of that district. So it's interesting that  
25 the park itself would be cut out. And our park from

1 Vermont Knolls, that is the closes park which is Jesse  
2 Owens which we wouldn't share with. And we also have a  
3 lot --

4 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

5 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- in common -- hello?

6 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Yes. You have 25  
7 seconds.

8 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I'm sorry. So we also have a  
9 lot in common with people that live in the -- what's  
10 called the flight path of LAX airport, so that's kind of  
11 cut up as well too. So we all go to the same sound  
12 installation place when it's time to get signed up, so I  
13 think that community needs to be relooked at to be drawn  
14 correctly and include it in Congressional District 43 for  
15 Vermont Knolls. Thank you.

16 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

17 And right now, we have caller 2395, and up next  
18 after that will be caller 5736.

19 Caller 2395, please follow the prompts. The floor  
20 is yours.

21 MR. GONZALEZ: Hi Commissioners. My name is Israel  
22 Gonzalez. I'm from the Santa Clarity Valley, and I want  
23 to thank you for your hard work. I've been following you  
24 for the past two months while doing my finals and college  
25 work as well, and it's been fun watching all of you in



1 this process. I also want to apologize for previous  
2 caller Tony Maldonado who thinks he speaks for everyone  
3 in Santa Clarita Valley and apologize for him yelling at  
4 you guys yesterday and today. I want to thank you, and I  
5 think it's important for people to know the word  
6 "comprise". You can't get everything you want. And it's  
7 important for someone like me, who I disagreed with the  
8 Senate map. I don't think we should be with Victorville,  
9 but I think it's fine. I mean, that's the important part  
10 of this compromise. Thank you so much, guys. Thank you.

11 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

12 And right now, we have caller 5736, and up next  
13 after that will be caller 3683.

14 Caller 5736, please follow the prompts. The floor  
15 is yours.

16 MS. CAIN: Hi. Thank you. My name is Liz Cain, and  
17 I'm a resident of Westchester in Los Angeles, and I live  
18 on the last street before LAX. I was disappointed to  
19 hear that Westchester is being removed from CD 43, as we  
20 are greatly impacted by the international airport. And  
21 by removing our community from this congressional  
22 district that includes LAX, you are silencing our voices  
23 and our advocacy for environmental justice, responsible  
24 modernization, and increased mobility options within our  
25 communities.



1           Hundreds of Westchester families lost their homes in  
2 the expansion of LAX when we did not have great advocacy.  
3 This map is a slap in the face to them. As a community,  
4 we have many organizations that work hand-in-hand with  
5 LAX. And without congressional representation, we'll not  
6 have the federal support to have that strong advocacy.  
7 Please add Westchester back into CD 43. Thank you.

8           PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

9           And right now, we have caller 3683, and up next  
10 after that will be caller 9033. I'd like to invite those  
11 that have just called in to please press star 9  
12 indicating you wish to give comment. And for those who  
13 have not done so already, please press star 9 indicating  
14 you wish to give comment.

15           Right now we have caller 3683. Please follow the  
16 prompts. The floor is yours.

17           UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you. I live in Sonoma  
18 Valley, and we -- our valley has been split up in this  
19 district mapping. And I do want to thank you for your  
20 hard work of the Citizens Redistricting Committee. But  
21 our valley has been really working hard to unite our  
22 various communities up and down the valley. We have a  
23 lot of ethnic and economic diversity up and down our  
24 valley, and we've been working really successfully in  
25 uniting our various communities, and we've been working



1 together supporting each other. And please help us  
2 continue to create strong bonds between our communities  
3 up and down Sonoma Valley by uniting us in one district  
4 please. Please help us keep our valley whole, and thank  
5 you for your hard work.

6 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

7 And right now, we have caller 9033, and up next  
8 after that will be caller 4340.

9 Caller 9033, please follow the prompts. The floor  
10 is yours.

11 MS. HUNT: Hi, my name is Jenny Hunt (ph.), and I'm  
12 a resident of the Westchester community in Los Angeles.  
13 I'm extremely concerned that the proposed maps removes  
14 Westchester from CD 43 and lumps us in with CD 36.  
15 Westchester borders directly on LAX and is affected by  
16 the noise and pollution and expansion of LAX and  
17 encroachment into our neighborhood. People have lost  
18 their homes. And we need to be in the same district as  
19 the airport itself and joined with other communities  
20 directly affected by the airport, such as Inglewood.

21 Also, Westchester and Playa Vista are among the most  
22 ethnically diverse neighborhoods on the Westside, and  
23 these proposed maps lump us in with wealthy and  
24 overwhelmingly white communities, such as Palos Verdes  
25 and Beverly Hills, diluting the diverse voices in our



1 community. It's just wrong. Please listen to the  
2 community. There have been several callers, and change  
3 this. Westchester residents are furiously this  
4 disenfranchisement. We need to be in the district with  
5 the airport to be able to hold the airport accountable --

6 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

7 MS. HUNT: -- and protect our neighborhood. Thank  
8 you.

9 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

10 And right now, we have caller 4340, and up next  
11 after that will be caller 5826.

12 Caller 4340, please follow the prompts. The floor  
13 is yours.

14 MS. LADDISH: Good evening. Kate Laddish. That's  
15 K-A-T-E, L-A-D-D-I-S-H. I live in the Yolo County city  
16 of Winters. First, thank you to Commissioners and to  
17 staff, including mappers, ASL interpreters, transcribers,  
18 and of course, to Katy and Kristian for keeping things  
19 humming on public comment. I appreciate that the  
20 Commission has taken in a tremendous amount of COI  
21 testimony and has referenced that in discussions. In  
22 this comment, I'll focus on what I like about districts  
23 for my area. Thank you for keeping Yolo whole in  
24 Assembly and Senate districts. Thank you for grouping  
25 all of both Yolo and Solano in SD 3. Thank you for



1 including most of Yolo and much of Solano in the  
2 congressional district together. Thank you for grouping  
3 Yolo and Solano in the Board of Equalization map. And I  
4 appreciate that an independent commission, rather than  
5 the legislature, is tasked with redistricting for our  
6 state and that you're meetings are accessible to so many  
7 Californians.

8 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

9 MS. LADDISH: In fact, the online and call-in format  
10 increases accessibility for Californians who can't travel  
11 the in-person meetings for a number of reasons. I hope  
12 the 2030 Commission will have the same degree of access.  
13 Finally, I can only hope that someone will write the  
14 ballad of --

15 MR. MANOFF: Ten.

16 MS. LADDISH: -- Old Fig Garden some time in the  
17 next ten years and keep it to a radio-friendly minute and  
18 thirty seconds. Truly thank you so much for all of your  
19 work.

20 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

21 And right now, we have caller 5826, and up next  
22 after that we will retry caller 5777.

23 Caller 5826, please follow the prompts. The floor  
24 is yours.

25 MR. NAMALA: Hello. My name is Sunee Namala (ph.).



1 I live in the city of San Jose. Thank you for the  
2 Commissioners' support to maintain CD 17, CD\_GREATERED,  
3 similar to the previous CD\_GREATERED. This brings  
4 together Fremont, Santa Clara, Sunnyvale, Cupertino,  
5 Milpitas, and San Jose in a congressional district. This  
6 arrangement of the map is good, and I support it. These  
7 cities being together is good for cultural connectedness  
8 and common needs, such as access to language services,  
9 cultural-specific social services, immigration, and  
10 strong cultural connections. Many also work in tech-  
11 related jobs which create economic opportunities for many  
12 in the region and beyond. These technology workers  
13 commute between these cities, so there are shared  
14 concerns about traffic and housing. Fremont Union High  
15 School District and Cupertino Union School Districts  
16 contain San Jose, Sunnyvale, Santa Clara, Cupertino, so  
17 please do not divide our community. Thank you.

18 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

19 And right now, we will retry caller 5777, and up  
20 next after that we'll have caller 9843.

21 Caller 5777, please follow the prompts. The floor  
22 is yours.

23 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello, Commissioners. Again,  
24 Little Saigon is begging you. Please, please, please  
25 listen to us, we the people. We know what's best for our



1 community. We are asking you to add all of north  
2 Huntington Beach to Little Saigon Assembly district map.  
3 We don't understand why you put so much effort in making  
4 sure the other communities is whole, but yet our Little  
5 Saigon voice have been ignored. It is unfair how the  
6 Commission is treating us. All of our efforts have  
7 continued to not be heard. All we have continued to ask  
8 for is remove Stanton and East Garden Grove, everything  
9 east of Euclid Street. Add on north of Garfield Avenue  
10 to either Sea Point Street in Huntington Beach. Again,  
11 please go back to the GGW and add on north of Garfield.  
12 Please do the right thing and make the right choice.  
13 Please prove to us that fairness and democracy is still  
14 existing in this country. Thank you.

15 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

16 And right now, we will have caller 9843, and up next  
17 after that will be caller 9049.

18 Caller 9843, please follow the prompts. The floor  
19 is yours.

20 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening. I'm calling  
21 with regard to the KERN-KINGS maps that I'm asking you to  
22 vote yes on later after public comment. Your Highway 198  
23 split in Kings County tells the story of my childhood  
24 when my mom moved us up as a newly single mom, I attended  
25 school south of 198, Roosevelt Elementary. And then



1 later on when we had a little bit more stability, we were  
2 able to move to attend Monroe Elementary on the northside  
3 of Hanford. The difference between the two areas is  
4 night and day. And guess what? Nothing has changed.  
5 Nothing has changed. What has changed is the fact that  
6 the census data, and the people who have raised their  
7 voices to tell you about their stories along this 198  
8 corridor, they have been a part of this process when they  
9 have never been able to be a part of it before. I have  
10 gone on to work in public interest in all of your VRA  
11 districts --

12 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

13 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I've worked Delano as a  
14 teacher, and my brother served our country multiple times  
15 at Lemoore Naval Air Station as a -- an F18 pilot. I  
16 fully support your maps, because they give me hope for  
17 the future. I don't ever want to see 70 percent --

18 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

19 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- of our population, people  
20 of color, disenfranchised ever again. Thank you.

21 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

22 And right now, we have caller 9049, and up next  
23 after that will be caller 8575.

24 Caller 9049, please follow the prompts. The floor  
25 is yours.



1 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening, Commissioners.  
2 I'm calling in today to express my extreme disappointment  
3 and shame in Commissioners laughing at and making jokes  
4 while Californians are providing input; in particular,  
5 Commissioners Sadhwani, Toledo, Fornaciari, and Vazquez.  
6 It's even more disappointing to see you laugh at and make  
7 jokes when Californians whose first language may not be  
8 English, are speaking. As a former student of yours,  
9 Commissioner Sadhwani, I'm especially disappointed of  
10 you.

11 I'm sure it's easy to laugh and makes jokes while  
12 you're all planning vacations, but the Californians you  
13 represent won't be laughing with these maps for the next  
14 ten years. Thank you and have a good night.

15 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

16 And right now, we have caller 8575, and up next  
17 after that will be caller 1816.

18 Caller 8575, please follow the prompts. The floor  
19 is yours.

20 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Commissioners, you've been  
21 (indiscernible) with limited time. You've done a lot of  
22 good, but not have not -- but you have not done justice  
23 for the Armenian community. In the Assembly maps, you  
24 divided Glendale north and south. I haven't found an  
25 easy fix for that. But you can unify at least the

1 Armenian community in the East San Fernando Valley in a  
2 simple three-way swap that's population balanced:  
3 putting Valley Glen and the rest of North Hollywood with  
4 Burbank and Glendale, unifying the Armenian community;  
5 moving Studio City and Sherman Oaks to the Central San  
6 Fernando Valley district to unify the Jewish community;  
7 move Van Nuys and Lake Balboa to the East San Fernando  
8 Valley to improve the Latino CVAP.

9 That would improve the districts for the Armenian  
10 community, the Jewish community, and the Latino  
11 communities of the East Sand Fernando Valley. I know  
12 it's been a long few months, and you're right at the  
13 finish line, but the fixes here, please make it. It's  
14 Valley Glen in North Hollywood with Glendale-Burbank --

15 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

16 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- Studio City-Sherman Oaks  
17 to Central San Fernando Valley, Van Nuys-Lake Balboa to  
18 East San Fernando Valley. Thank you very much for your  
19 great work. Make this quick fix, and call it a day.

20 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
21 right now we have caller 1816. And up next after that is  
22 caller 7268.

23 Caller 1816, please follow the prompts. The floor  
24 is yours.

25 MS. LOPEZ: Thank you very much. My name is Corina



1 Lopez. I'm a member of the San Leandro City Council,  
2 calling again. I want to thank you very much for all  
3 your time and work for those of you Commissioners that  
4 are taking public comment seriously. I appreciate your  
5 professionalism.

6 Commissioner Andersen, earlier today -- by the way,  
7 I do represent my own opinion tonight.

8 Commissioner Andersen, later -- earlier today, you  
9 had mentioned about being happy having the corridor --  
10 the transportation corridor of Oakland and Berkeley tied  
11 in. And of course, that's also -- the corridor is tied  
12 in between Hayward going to Fremont. But left out of  
13 that equation is San Leandro.

14 And so I beg you to reconsider the map and actually  
15 have the whole transportation core -- public  
16 transportation corridor sharing the hospitals, et cetera,  
17 BART, all meshed together by putting San Leandro,  
18 unincorporated areas around San Leandro, and Castro  
19 Valley, back together with its historic base --

20 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

21 MS. LOPEZ: -- that you have so proudly championed  
22 for the other communities in our geographic reach. Thank  
23 you, Commissioner Andersen.

24 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
25 right now we have caller 7268. And up next after that



1 will be caller 5251.

2 Caller 7268, please, follow the prompt. The floor  
3 is yours.

4 MR. RUIZ: Hi, good afternoon. My name is Angel  
5 Ruiz, I live in the city of Tulare. I'm calling to let  
6 you know that 3.5 million people in the Central Valley  
7 are waiting for you to take an action and vote. Let's  
8 go. Let's get the -- to the Senate VRA district, and  
9 let's get the four Assembly VRA districts, and most  
10 importantly, let's get the congressional three VRA  
11 districts ready to go. Everybody's waiting.

12 Don't listen to the people in Kings County because  
13 they haven't even shown up to the meeting for their own  
14 Board of Supervisor meeting. And they don't even  
15 complain about the fact that their own Board of  
16 Supervisors don't even live in the county. They live in  
17 different states, not -- let alone the state of  
18 California.

19 I would like, like the Chair said earlier, tomorrow  
20 when the sun rises, we hope we have the vote so we can  
21 make new opportunities, new friendship, and most  
22 importantly, we can begin to work on the issues at hand,  
23 which is infrastructure, water issues, broadband in the  
24 Central Valley. And we need to do this with the maps  
25 that you guys have. Let's get the vote in.



1           Again, thank you for everything that you have done.  
2 To the mappers, AS -- ASL interpreters, to Katy. We hope  
3 you get a contract with HDTV because we are extremely  
4 proud of you. Thank you so much. Thanks, Commissioner.  
5 Please, let's get the vote. Let's do everything that we  
6 can. 3.5 million people are waiting for your vote.  
7 Let's get this show on the road. Lock it in. Let's go.  
8 Thank you.

9           PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. Right  
10 now we have caller 5251. And up next after that we have  
11 caller 5944.

12           Caller 5251, please follow the prompt. The floor is  
13 yours.

14           UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: I live in Kings  
15 County. People of color are seventy percent of the  
16 Central Valley. They need representation. I request  
17 that you approve all current maps. And the current  
18 proposed maps protect our farm workers. Thank you.

19           PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
20 right now we have caller 5944. And up next after that is  
21 caller 0240. And for those that have just called in,  
22 please press star 9 indicating your wish to give comment.  
23 This will raise your hand. Helps me do my job a little  
24 bit easier. Right now we have caller 5944. Please  
25 follow the prompts. The floor is yours.



1 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello, Commissioners. Hey, I  
2 just wanted to let you all know -- or tell you all  
3 congratulations for making it to pretty much the end of  
4 this process. I am not stoked about some of the lines,  
5 especially in the FRESNO-KERN District. However, I  
6 really do support the VRA districts that you drew, and I  
7 think that overall, you guys did a very good job for the  
8 state of California. So I hope you guys take pride in  
9 that. I think it would be great if you were all on the  
10 Commission again in ten years because you did a fantastic  
11 job.

12 And yeah, just thank you. And thank you to Katy and  
13 all the support staff, the mappers, and everything that  
14 did a wonderful job for you guys. They -- they were  
15 fantastic. I think I followed this a little bit too  
16 closely. So -- and also, I just want to say I'm not --  
17 I'm just debating whether or not at this point I want my  
18 ringtone --

19 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

20 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- to be Katy saying the,  
21 floor is yours, or do I want my ringtone to be  
22 Commissioner Andersen saying, that's Gold Country. So  
23 I'll figure that out over the holidays. Hope y'all enjoy  
24 some Christmas wine and have a good one. Bye-bye.

25 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. Right

1 now we have caller 0240. And up next after that we have  
2 caller 7592. Caller 0240, please follow the prompt. The  
3 floor is yours.

4 MR. MUNSON: Yes, hi, this is John Munson from  
5 Nature for All, and I wanted to generally thank you for  
6 creating some very good districts for the national  
7 forests, for the Angeles National Forest in western San  
8 Bernardino.

9 One thing we would hope you would mention to the  
10 Commission in the future, ten years from now, is you need  
11 a way to draw actual boundaries of public land because  
12 below -- what, Acton and Agua Dulce you have what looked  
13 like a gigantic monster took chunks out of the forest.  
14 It does not make sense to have it. There are actually  
15 jurisdictional reasons, it's -- this'll complexify  
16 things. Same thing with the artifact of (indiscernible)  
17 District, what is now Congressional District 31. The  
18 last eight miles there is an artifact of the way your  
19 data is put together.

20 So for ten years, you're going to be -- be  
21 explaining to people why that occurred. And it's going  
22 to have implications for the Forest Service in those  
23 districts and for citizens because it -- having a  
24 district jutting inside another district for no reason is  
25 going to cause a lot of administrative headaches --



1 MR. MANOFF: Thirty second.

2 MR. MUNSON: -- on a lot of different issues. So --  
3 ranging from the management of wilderness, fire and fuel  
4 break locations, flood control, and other things. So if  
5 you had thirty seconds to switch that back to --

6 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

7 MR. MUNSON: -- Commissioner Yee's original  
8 proposal, we'd appreciate it. But overall, thank you.

9 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
10 right now we have caller 7592. And up next after that  
11 will be caller 8264. Caller 7592, please follow the  
12 prompts.

13 And one more time, caller with the last four digits  
14 7592, please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing  
15 star 6. The floor is yours.

16 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you and good evening.  
17 Regarding congressional redistricting in Santa Clara  
18 County, it seems that Mountain View is whole and together  
19 with Los Altos, Los Altos Hills, Layola, and Palo Alto.  
20 It seems that Saratoga is whole and together with  
21 Campbell, Los Gatos, and Monte Sereno.

22 However, it seems that San Jose is split among four  
23 congressional districts, as the Barryessa in San Jose  
24 neighborhood was split among four State Assembly  
25 districts with the 2001 redistricting plan.



1           Imagine the following add. A group of fourteen  
2 unelected Commissioners split the city of San Jose among  
3 four congressional districts. Four congressional  
4 districts. Isn't it time we return the line drawing to  
5 our elected state legislators? Vote for proposition such  
6 and such? There are those who want to return the line  
7 drawn to the state legislature. Don't give them  
8 ammunition.

9           I ask that you not approve the congressional plan  
10 tonight, and ask Tamina to explore if the four-way split  
11 of San Jose can be prevented --

12           MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

13           UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- if a congressional  
14 district can cross the Marin-San Francisco boundary, and  
15 if a congressional district can cross the Alameda County-  
16 San Joaquin County boundary. Thank you and have a good  
17 evening.

18           PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
19 right now we have caller 8264. And up next after that is  
20 caller 5249.

21           Caller 8264, please follow the prompt.

22           And one more time, caller with the last four digits  
23 8264, please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing  
24 start six.

25           Caller 8264, we do still have some time left, so I



1 apologize, you do have a connectivity issue at the  
2 moment, but I will come back around.

3 Right now, we have caller 5249. And up next after  
4 that is caller 7181. Caller 5249, please follow the  
5 prompt. The floor is yours.

6 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi, there. I am a longtime  
7 resident of San Jose and worked on three census. I'm  
8 calling in support of CD 17, CD\_GREATERED for the  
9 congressional district. And their current version has a  
10 lot of support from many organizations, climate groups,  
11 and it addressed a lot of the issues related to climate,  
12 as well as -- there's a lot of common interest of the  
13 residents in the district. So I hope that you will  
14 approve the -- the map. Thank you so much for all your  
15 hard work.

16 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
17 right now we have caller 7181. And up next after that  
18 it'll be caller 1784. I'd like to ask those that have  
19 just called in and those that have not done so already to  
20 please press star 9 indicating you wish to give comment.

21 Caller 7181, please follow for the prompts to  
22 unmute. The floor is yours.

23 MS. SPRIGGS: Good evening, Commissioners. My name  
24 is Terisha Spriggs (ph.). This is the second time I'm  
25 calling in from the Alameda County unincorporated area of



1 Ashland. I'd like to say I support SD\_EDENTECH draft  
2 that keeps our communities -- mostly Asian, Latino,  
3 black, working families -- whole and focus on issues  
4 critical to our survival. Good jobs, education, health  
5 care, voting rights and representation. I'd like to  
6 reject -- you to reject SD 10 proposal final map and SD  
7 10 proposed map.

8 So we -- one of the Commissioners was stating  
9 earlier about Oakland and Berkeley, that they're  
10 connected by transportation. San Leandro and the  
11 unincorporated communities are so as well. For example,  
12 the BART is connected to San Leandro, Bay --

13 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

14 MS. SPRIGGS: -- Fair -- Bay Fair. BART is in San  
15 Leandro. There's Castro Valley BART station as well. So  
16 all down East 14th Street --

17 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

18 MS. SPRIGGS: -- all of our transportation is  
19 connected, even AC transit, all the way from Oakland on  
20 down to Fremont. So that covers San Leandro and the  
21 unincorporated communities. And I would like --

22 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
23 right now we have caller 1784. And up next after that we  
24 have caller 0846.

25 Caller 1784, please follow the prompts. The floor



1 is yours.

2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good evening, Commissioner,  
3 and congratulations on reaching the finish line. I just  
4 want to -- I had to call in when I heard a caller say  
5 that the legislature should be doing this. It's crazy.  
6 Thank you for -- it's messy, but thank you guys for your  
7 hard work.

8 And I think there's a point of unity for our state.  
9 We can be proud that you guys are doing what you guys are  
10 doing. But I think all of us, from Fig Newton (sic) all  
11 the way down to -- or Fig Garden all the way down to --  
12 to San Fernando Valley, San Jose, whatever, in the state,  
13 all of us from Gold Country to the coast can be united in  
14 the fact that we all want Katy to -- to be signed to some  
15 type of voice acting job or something.

16 Katy, thank you for putting up with all of us for  
17 five months on public comment. You're a rock star.  
18 Merry Christmas to you guys and good luck the rest of the  
19 way.

20 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. Right  
21 now we have caller 7609. And up -- I'm sorry, right now  
22 we are retrying caller 0846. And then up next after that  
23 will be caller 7609.

24 Caller 0846, please follow the prompts. The floor  
25 is yours.



1 MS. SULIEMANE: Hi, my name is Asmed Suliemane  
2 (ph.), and I'm reaching out as a profoundly concerned  
3 Armenian resident to express my deep discontent with the  
4 consistent pattern of disenfranchisement that we have  
5 seen in every iteration of the State Assembly district  
6 and Glendale, Burbank, and the Central Valley.

7 Glendale and Burbank are not only the most densely  
8 populated Armenian communities in Southern California,  
9 they are the cultural and economic -- economical heart of  
10 our community. The Commission must immediately address  
11 these concerns, or risk fracturing and silencing the  
12 voice of the Armenian community.

13 On the congressional level, return La Crescenta and  
14 La Canada Flintridge to the original congressional  
15 district. On the California State Assembly level, return  
16 Glendale, Burbank, and La Crescenta to one Assembly  
17 district.

18 The map drafts that have been released consistently  
19 delete the Armenian community voice in areas like  
20 Glendale, Burbank, and La Crescenta under the state and  
21 congressional levels under the most recent proposals.  
22 Glendale, Burbank, and La Crescenta, which house the  
23 highest --

24 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

25 MS. SULIEMANE: -- population of Armenians, are



1 separated into three different districts when they have  
2 always been in one. Glendale was split in half between  
3 two different California Assembly districts, reducing the  
4 overall representation for Armenians in each district and  
5 splitting apart communities that have advocated together  
6 for decades.

7 MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

8 MS. SULIEMANE: Diluting and dividing our  
9 communities is impacting vital services to address the  
10 specific needs of the Armenian American community. Thank  
11 you for your time.

12 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
13 right now we have caller 7609. And up next after that  
14 it'll be caller 1379.

15 Caller 7609, please follow the prompt. The floor is  
16 yours.

17 MR. ABERNATHY: Hello, can you hear me?

18 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can.

19 MR. ABERNATHY: Can you hear me?

20 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We sure can. We can  
21 hear --

22 MR. ABERNATHY: I could --

23 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: -- you.

24 MR. ABERNATHY: Could you hear me?

25 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Can you hear -- can you



1 hear me?

2 MR. ABERNATHY: I can --

3 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We can hear --

4 MR. ABERNATHY: -- hear you. Can the --

5 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We --

6 MR. ABERNATHY: -- Commissioners hear me?

7 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We can all hear you. All  
8 of the Commissioners can hear you.

9 MR. ABERNATHY: Okay. My name is H. Walter  
10 Abernathy. That's spelled H, W-A-L-T-E-R,  
11 A-B-E-R-N-A-T-H-Y. Again, that's H, W-A-A-T-E-R (sic),  
12 A-B-E-R-N-A-T-H-Y. Just want to call in to say great  
13 job. Thank you very much.

14 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. Right  
15 now we have caller 1379. And up next after that we have  
16 caller 5316.

17 Caller 1639, please follow the prompts to unmute.  
18 The floor is yours.

19 MR. GOMEZ: Hello. This is Arturo Gomez, I live in  
20 Elysian Valley, currently represented by Adam Schiff in  
21 Congressional District 28. I just look at the current  
22 final draft proposal and I have to say I'm pretty  
23 unsatisfied and disappointed. Our community is a  
24 community of 6,000 people abutted by the I-5 freeway and  
25 the Los Angeles River, and it is currently being split



1 between two congressional districts, proposed CD 30 and  
2 CD 34.

3 I would like to ask the Commission to keep our  
4 community whole. It is a small community, and to split  
5 us between two congressional districts would further  
6 dilute our voting power in Congress. We are whole in LA  
7 City Council, in the LA County Board of Supervisors, in  
8 the California Assembly, and in the California State  
9 Senate. And I would like to ask that the Commission keep  
10 us whole in --

11 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

12 MR. GOMEZ: -- Congress. Preferably, in CA 30.

13 Other than that, I know this is a lot of work you  
14 guys been doing -- you guys have been doing, so thank you  
15 for the time and effort. But I would just like this  
16 request to be respected. I spoke to several neighbors  
17 about this and they are very incensed. We want to stay  
18 whole. Thank you.

19 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
20 right now we have caller 5316. And up next after that is  
21 caller 2780.

22 Caller 5316, please follow the prompt. The floor is  
23 yours.

24 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi. I live in Kings County,  
25 where our Board of Supervisors recently controlled



1 redistricting to maintain their power structure. I  
2 appreciate an independent Commission for the whole state.  
3 The current configurations of map -- of the maps protect  
4 farm workers all over the valley. So I request that you  
5 approve the current maps. Thank you.

6 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
7 right now we have caller 2780. And up next after that is  
8 caller 8683.

9 Caller 2780, please follow the prompt. The floor is  
10 yours.

11 MS. DE CARASECHEA: Hi, my name is Fabula de  
12 Carasechea (ph.). I'm from Kings County, and I'm just  
13 calling to ask you to support all the maps, to approve  
14 all the maps. And again, this is Fabula de Carasechea  
15 calling from Kings County. Thank you.

16 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
17 right now we have caller 8683. And up next after that is  
18 caller 9938. Caller 8683, please follow the prompts.  
19 The floor is yours.

20 MR. GARCIA: Commission, this is Jesus Garcia,  
21 Equitable Maps Coalition here in the Central Valley. And  
22 we've done a lot of work in Kings County Board of  
23 Supervisors, City Council, school districts, and on and  
24 on. And as some of the previous caller have noted, the  
25 current Board of Supervisors created lines to protect



1 themselves. Well, guess where they did that? They split  
2 them directly along Highway 198. That protects the  
3 northern side for them, and the southern side for people  
4 of color and communities that we represent. So we, the  
5 Equitable Maps Coalition, humbly ask that you follow the  
6 Kings County Board of Supervisor adopted map and please  
7 split Hanford-Lemoore along Highway 198.

8 Katy, again, and everybody, you all deserve the  
9 biggest prize in the world. Anybody who wants to get  
10 tamales, I know a lady here in Bakersfield that can get  
11 them. I will ship them and freeze them to you. So thank  
12 you for everything that you've done. The people of the  
13 Central Valley are seeing already change. And we thank  
14 you for all of the maps. Please lock them in.

15 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
16 right now we have caller 9938. And up next after that is  
17 caller 7054.

18 Caller 9938, please follow the prompt. The floor is  
19 yours.

20 MS. CELL: Hi, my name is Linda Cell (ph.) and I  
21 live in Sunnyvale. I wanted to thank you so much for  
22 creating CD 17 GREATERED Congressional District, which  
23 brings together Fremont, Santa Clara, Sunnyvale,  
24 Cupertino, Milpitas, Berryessa. This congressional  
25 district structure has received a tremendous amount of



1 COI input in support of it. The Sunnyvale City Council;  
2 Santa Clara City Council; majority of Fremont City  
3 Council, including Mayor and Vice Mayor; current  
4 Cupertino City Council Member Hung Wei; former mayor of  
5 Cupertino, Rod Sinks; maps from MALDEF, Asian Law  
6 Alliance based in San Jose, and the other API/AMEMSA  
7 organization, environmentalists, and hundreds of COI  
8 input.

9       These cities being together is good for common  
10 needs, such as access to language services, cultural  
11 specific social service, immigration, strong cultural  
12 connections.

13       Many technology workers commute --

14       MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

15       MS. CELL: -- between these cities and have shared  
16 concerns of traffic and housing. These cities share  
17 common concerns about sea level rise, water  
18 infrastructure upgrades, oversight of large industrial  
19 polluters.

20       This Congress member that we currently have --

21       MR. MANOFF: Fifteen.

22       MS. CELL: -- has followed up on large industrial  
23 polluters such as the cement plant in Cupertino. I hope  
24 whoever follows him does similarly. These cities with  
25 common interests do best working together to solve these

1 common concerns. Thank you so much for your --

2 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
3 right now we have caller 7054. And up next after that  
4 will be caller 0802.

5 Caller 7054, please, please follow the prompt.  
6 Floor is yours.

7 MR. CHI: Hey, this is Victor Chi (ph.) in  
8 Westchester. What's doing? Just want to let you guys  
9 know you're making a huge mistake by cutting Westchester  
10 out of the same district as LAX Airport. It's part of  
11 the fabric of the neighborhood.

12 I don't know if you guys ever have checked out a  
13 AYSO game or Little League baseball game at Nielsen  
14 Field. There's planes whizzing by all the time, jets  
15 flying right over our heads. But that's part of the  
16 character of this neighborhood. Sometimes teams from  
17 other communities come by and they're looking at these  
18 planes going over their head. That's the home field  
19 advantage we have in Westchester at Nielson. That's how  
20 integrated and locked together the Westchester community  
21 and LAX are.

22 In fact, my kid, when he was little, he had speech  
23 therapy and the speech therapist was trying to get him to  
24 say the word airports because he was having trouble with  
25 it. So she's trying to prompt him, and she says, where



1 do the planes land and take off? And my kid, who was  
2 three years old at the time, he didn't say airport, he  
3 says LAX. So that's how -- that's how --

4 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

5 MR. CHI: -- much of a bond there is between this  
6 community. And you guys are going to cut it out, making  
7 a huge mistake, with all due respect. Thank you.

8 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
9 right now we have caller 0802. And up next after that  
10 will be caller 7504. Caller 0802, please follow the  
11 prompt.

12 Caller 0802, please follow the prompts to unmute by  
13 pressing star 6.

14 Caller 0802, as you had not chosed (sic) to raise  
15 your hand this evening, if you wish to give comment,  
16 please press star 9. Otherwise, thank you for calling.

17 Right now we have caller 7504. If you'll please  
18 follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

19 MS. CUNNINGHAM: Hello, my name is Rebecca  
20 Cunningham and I am in Westchester. I live right between  
21 Loyola Marymount University and LAX. And I'm concerned  
22 about the idea of separating Westchester from LAX as it  
23 deals with our local government and representation. You  
24 know, it's when -- wherever you drive in Westchester, LAX  
25 is pervasive here, both in a good way and a bad way.



1           As I talk to you right now, I've moved into my  
2 back -- back of my house so that my kids can watch TV in  
3 the front, and I can hear the planes go over me right  
4 now. If I drive to the grocery store, one of the things  
5 I have to think about are the number of motorcades that  
6 come through and the cars and the Ubers that go up and  
7 down on Lincoln. And if it's a busy time, it might take  
8 me a while to get to the Ralph's by the bowling alley.  
9 If I'm trying to get over to Neilson where my kids  
10 practice, I have to think about it in December and I have  
11 to think about if it's going to run into the holiday  
12 traffic. Or if it's a holiday weekend, even around the  
13 4th of July.

14           These are all things that we deal with my absolute  
15 every day. Morning -- in the morning, I hear the planes,  
16 and at night. It is part of our community, again, for  
17 the good and the bad. And I think we need to really step  
18 back and wonder why we would ever separate our district  
19 from being closely intertwined with LAX. We need to work  
20 together because it's also wonderful with a family that  
21 travels as much as --

22           PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
23 right now we have caller 3375. And up next after that  
24 will be caller 4047. Caller 3375, please follow the  
25 prompts to unmute.



1           Caller with the last four digits 3375, please follow  
2 the prompts to unmute by pressing star 6. The floor is  
3 yours.

4           UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Hi. My name is Jay.  
5 I'm -- Commissioners, I really applaud your work, but I  
6 would like -- I have a request. I feel that you have  
7 ignored the Asian voice of Silicon Valley. They deserve  
8 two Asian majority-minority congressional districts.  
9 Congressional District 15 has thirty-six percent Asian.  
10 District 19 has thirty-six percent Asian. And District  
11 15 has twenty-five percent. While you have kept  
12 Congressional District 17 at forty-five percent.

13           We are packing all the Asians into District 17, we  
14 feel. But please, (indiscernible) you're  
15 disenfranchising Silicon Valley Asians, as District 16  
16 would be that second Asian minority. Majority district  
17 would be -- but -- but by excluding --

18           MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

19           UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: -- Evergreen and  
20 Cupertino out, you are preventing the wealth of Asian  
21 community.

22           Please create a better representation for Asian  
23 majority in Santa Fe District, especially in CA 18. I  
24 implore you to do that. And thank you for  
25 (indiscernible) and all your hard work.



1 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
2 right now we have caller 4047. And up next after that  
3 will be caller 4299.

4 Caller 4047, please follow the prompt.

5 Caller 4047, if you wish to give comment tonight,  
6 please follow the prompts to unmute by pressing star 6.

7 Caller 4047, as you have not chosen to raise your  
8 hand, if you do wish to give comment, please press star  
9 9. This will raise your hand indicating you do wish to  
10 give comment. Otherwise, thank you for calling in.

11 And right now we will go to caller 4299. And then  
12 up next after that would be caller 4647. Caller 4299,  
13 please follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

14 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you very much. I  
15 wanted to call in and say for the redistricting, I  
16 believe that Westchester should remain in -- tied with  
17 the community that we're very close to the airport. To  
18 extract us from the airport it would really -- it seems  
19 like a very bad idea. We -- we are really tied to the  
20 community surrounding the airport, LAX, and to have us  
21 tied with all these -- I understand, beef (ph.)  
22 communities, but they are -- they are -- the community  
23 around the airport is unique.

24 And we do really need to have a voice of things  
25 going on at the airport, around the airport that directly



1 impacts us. The airport and the traffic around the  
2 airport, it impacts us every day. And we're seeing this  
3 even more so around the holidays with all the traffic  
4 surrounding the airport --

5 MR. MANOFF: Thirty seconds.

6 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: -- and the (audio  
7 interference) to it.

8 Please reconsider in moving us out of representation  
9 for this district around the airport. Thank you very  
10 much.

11 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
12 right now we have caller 4647. And then up next after  
13 that would be caller 0153.

14 Caller 4647, please follow the prompt.

15 Caller with the last four digits of 4647, if you  
16 wish to give comment this evening, please follow the  
17 prompt by pressing star six.

18 Caller 4647, as you have not chosen to raise your  
19 hand this evening, if you do wish to give comment, please  
20 press star -- star 9. Otherwise, thank you for calling  
21 in.

22 And right now we will be going to caller 0153. And  
23 up next after that will be caller 9033.

24 Caller 0153, please follow the prompt.

25 Caller with the last four digits 0153, if you wish



1 to give a comment this evening, please press star 9 as to  
2 raise your hand indicating your wish to give comment.

3 And right now, we'll be going to caller 9033. And  
4 up next after that, we have a caller that is called in  
5 without caller ID, identified as call-in user one in my  
6 queue. If you have called in and you do not have a  
7 call -- if you have blocked caller ID, please follow the  
8 prompt after caller 9033.

9 Caller 9033, please follow the prompt to unmute.  
10 The floor is yours.

11 MS. CHI: Hi, my name is Max Chi (ph.). I live in  
12 Westchester. Please keep us in the same district as the  
13 airport.

14 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
15 right now we have the call-in user 1, which is no caller  
16 ID. If you wish to give comment, please follow the  
17 prompts to unmute by pressing star 6. The floor is  
18 yours.

19 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: You know, six years ago, I  
20 watched as a man came down an escalator --

21 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Um-hum.

22 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: -- and announced that he was  
23 running for president. That man was Donald Trump. That  
24 man would not like that Westchester was (audio  
25 interference).



1 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. All  
2 right. Right now we go on to -- hold on. One moment.  
3 Oh.

4 Chair, I do believe at this time, everyone in the  
5 queue has had an opportunity to speak.

6 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Katy. We still have  
7 some time left, so could you read the instructions to see  
8 if more individuals would like to call in to provide  
9 comment? Thank you.

10 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Absolutely. The  
11 Commission will now be taking public comment on the --  
12 general public comment and on the motion on the floor to  
13 approve the maps. To give comment, please call 877-853-  
14 5247 and enter the meeting ID number 879 0815 1544 for  
15 this meeting. Once you have dialed in, please press star  
16 9 to enter the comment queue. The full call-in  
17 instructions have been read previously and are provided  
18 in full on the livestream landing page.

19 Chair, I will pass it back to you.

20 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Katy.

21 And thank you all that have called in today and not  
22 only today, but all of our -- at all of our other  
23 meetings.

24 While we wait to see if we have anyone call in,  
25 Alvaro, do you have the language for the motion? If you



1 could share that, so we could see the language.

2 MR. HERNANDEZ: Yes, Chair. One second, please.

3 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

4 Commissioner Toledo, is that -- do you have any  
5 changes to the motion in terms of the language?

6 Oh -- can you move it up? Thank you.

7 COMMISSIONER SINAY: I believe it was a lot longer.

8 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: No, just the motion.

9 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: It looks appropriate. Thank  
10 you.

11 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

12 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Chair, this is Katy.

13 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Yes.

14 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: I'd like to invite the  
15 caller who just called in, if you wish to give comment,  
16 please press star 9 indicating your wish to give comment.

17 Thank you so much.

18 Chair, may I go to the public comment that is here?

19 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Oh, yes, please. Thank you, Katy.

20 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

21 Caller 6345, please follow the prompts to unmute.

22 The floor is yours.

23 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I just want to say good job  
24 on completing the maps on time, as it's a very stressful  
25 job and I appreciate what you've done. Thank you.



1 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
2 right now we have caller 6996. If you would please  
3 follow the prompts to unmute. The floor is yours.

4 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Awesome. Well,  
5 Commissioners, since we finished on top, finally eat figs  
6 in the garden of the fragrance department in Long Beach  
7 with our friends from Little Saigon, and maybe go enjoy  
8 the swimming pools in Antioch. However, if we have to go  
9 and break into someone's backyard, we might be committing  
10 a felony. That's all.

11 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

12 And Chair, that is --

13 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Yes, Katy?

14 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: -- that is all of our  
15 comment at this time.

16 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Okay, great, thank you. Thank you  
17 for that last comment. Thank you for all the comments,  
18 actually.

19 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thanks.

20 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Commissioner Kennedy?

21 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Just to ask if Executive  
22 Director Hernandez could change that to district maps for  
23 the State Assembly, State Senate, State -- et cetera.

24 Thank you.

25 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you.



1 And Katy, has anyone else called in?

2 No? Doesn't look like it --

3 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Not --

4 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: -- Katy?

5 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Not -- oh.

6 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Oh.

7 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: We do have -- literally,  
8 when you said that.

9 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: I know, see?

10 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: See?

11 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: They just need to hear my voice.

12 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: They do. They call on --

13 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: I'm competing with --

14 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: -- command.

15 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: -- you, Katy.

16 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Oh, oh, please. No, no.

17 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: But I'm not even going to be  
18 close.

19 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: I -- I am humbled and  
20 honored to have served all of you and California. So  
21 thank you so much.

22 Caller 5115, if you would please follow the prompts  
23 to unmute by pressing star 6.

24 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hi.

25 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: The floor is yours.



1 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hello. I just thought I'd  
2 call in. While I think it might be too late, I just  
3 wanted to call in on behalf of San Jose and say I wish  
4 and hope that you guys could find another option of what  
5 is currently presented. I know you guys have decided to  
6 vote today, despite changing it last minute last night,  
7 but I know that there are better options that could be  
8 presented. And I just hope that maybe you could take  
9 that time to do so. But thank you and have a good night.

10 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much. And  
11 we do have -- caller 4047 has chosen to raise their hand  
12 at this point. Caller 4047, if you will please follow  
13 the prompts to unmute by pressing star 6. The floor is  
14 yours.

15 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I just didn't want the night  
16 to end on -- a little down. I've called in and listened  
17 most days and nights for the work you've been doing.  
18 It's been an extraordinary task. And I'd like to thank  
19 you. And I really hope that the court cases aren't so  
20 bad. So I hope people sleep well tonight. It's a job  
21 well done. Thank you so much.

22 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Thank you so much.

23 And Chair, it's all yours.

24 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you. Thank you all.

25 Let's see, did we make the changes to the language,



1 Alvaro?

2 MR. HERNANDEZ: Yes, Chair.

3 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Yes? Okay. Do we have any  
4 comments prior to voting?

5 Commissioner Andersen?

6 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yes, and I, respectfully,  
7 Commissioner Kennedy, it's a map of something, it's not a  
8 map for something. So I would like it to actually say  
9 the District maps of the State Assembly, because it's a  
10 map of the State Assembly of the state.

11 I -- I know they're the purpose for redistricting  
12 these -- those as those groups, but the maps are of. I  
13 would prefer it to say maps of.

14 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Commissioner Toledo, it's your  
15 motion. How would you like it to be written? It's on  
16 you.

17 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: We'll just leave it as is,  
18 it's --

19 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Okay.

20 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I think the spirit of it is --  
21 is the same. And let's just go to the vote.

22 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Okay. And --

23 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Thank you.

24 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: -- no -- no comments prior to the  
25 vote? We're good.

1 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I have no -- I already made my  
2 comments. If the --

3 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Right, right.

4 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- other colleagues want to  
5 make comments --

6 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Yes, if -- that's --

7 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- that would be --

8 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: -- what I'm asking if --

9 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: -- wonderful.

10 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: -- if other Commissioners would  
11 like --

12 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I guess my --

13 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: -- to make any comments.

14 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: My only comment would be that  
15 I -- I really hope that -- we've done -- we've done great  
16 work. It's been very inclusive, very collaborative. And  
17 I am hoping for a unanimous vote. Thank you.

18 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Oh, I shouldn't have laughed,  
19 right?

20 Okay. Oh, Commissioner Yee.

21 COMMISSIONER YEE: So the two-minute comments were  
22 being postponed till the 26th?

23 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: You can give a comment now. And  
24 then. I mean, you're -- you're not limited, but -- two  
25 minutes? Sure. Two minutes -- one minute.



1 COMMISSIONER YEE: Sure, why not?

2 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Okay.

3 COMMISSIONER YEE: I thought this would be one of  
4 many, though.

5 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Are -- you are going to give your  
6 comment, right?

7 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yes.

8 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Okay. All right. Not that you  
9 were taking too long, you know.

10 COMMISSIONER YEE: Redistricting rap.

11 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Oh.

12 PUBLIC COMMENT MODERATOR: Oh.

13 COMMISSIONER YEE: Come hear the story of trans-  
14 partisan map artisans, remapping practitioners and  
15 precinct partitioners. Come hear the story of the 2020  
16 California Citizens Redistricting Commissioners. So the  
17 decennial decree gave us all the new numbers, and all our  
18 Zoomified selves logged on to hear all comers. Community  
19 cares and concerns, stories and priorities. Weighing the  
20 words of majorities, pluralities, and minorities.

21 We puzzle-pieced the state so that districts equate;  
22 no packing, no cracking, the numbers all even. The  
23 Voting Rights Act applied and believed in. Of course,  
24 you must have contiguity and communities of interest  
25 considered respectfully in compactness and in nesting.



1 Part math, part art. So much wrestling. Tehama, Tulare,  
2 La Jolla, and Palms, Del Norte, and Modesto, and Little  
3 Saigons.

4 Muting, unmuting, and hands not unraised, and  
5 staring at Zoom until desperately dazed. To maximize  
6 transparency, we had Kristian's cis (ph.). Katy soothed  
7 the state into a state of true bliss. Our magnificent  
8 mappers burned candles at both ends, and kept them  
9 burning when we changed our minds again and again and  
10 again and again and again.

11 Together we wielded our brushes and palettes to  
12 paint us a picture of equal weight ballots. We summoned  
13 again, this bi- and nonpartisan superpower. We rose to  
14 serve the people in this needful mal-partisan hour. And  
15 today, may it be that no one can say, lay redistricting  
16 is a bust. It works. It's fair. And it's worth  
17 nationwide trust.

18 Ten years from now, in two zero three oh, it'll be  
19 another decade, census, time to give this another go.  
20 May we all tip a hat trick with another happy sequel by  
21 drawing these lines that make all our votes equal. May  
22 the third Commission once again help create a more  
23 perfect union and a more Golden State.

24 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Oh. Wow. How do you follow that?

25 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: I don't know. Just end it



1 there.

2 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Follow it with the vote.

3 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Ah, there we go.

4 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Our mics are attached, we  
5 can't drop them.

6 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: All right. Let's lock this vote  
7 in. What do you say? All right.

8 Alvaro?

9 MR. HERNANDEZ: Very well. Commissioner Fornaciari?

10 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Fornaciari.

11 We couldn't hear you, Alvaro.

12 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yes.

13 MR. HERNANDEZ: Oh, sorry. Can you hear me better  
14 now? Sorry. Can you hear me?

15 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Yes.

16 MR. HERNANDEZ: Okay. Yes.

17 Commissioner Fornaciari?

18 COMMISSIONER FORNACIARI: Yes.

19 MR. HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Kennedy?

20 COMMISSIONER KENNEDY: Yes.

21 MR. HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Le Mons?

22 COMMISSIONER LE MONS: Yes.

23 MR. HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Sadhwani?

24 COMMISSIONER SADHWANI: Yes.

25 MR. HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Sinay?



1 COMMISSIONER SINAY: Yes.

2 MR. HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Taylor?

3 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Affirmative.

4 MR. HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Toledo?

5 COMMISSIONER TOLEDO: Absolutely, yes.

6 MR. HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Turner?

7 COMMISSIONER TURNER: Yes.

8 MR. HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Vazquez?

9 COMMISSIONER VAZQUEZ: Yes. Si.

10 MR. HERNANDEZ: Thank you.

11 Commissioner Yee?

12 COMMISSIONER YEE: Yes.

13 MR. HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Ahmad.

14 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Yes.

15 MR. HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Akutagawa?

16 COMMISSIONER AKUTAGAWA: Yes.

17 MR. HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Andersen?

18 COMMISSIONER ANDERSEN: Yes.

19 MR. HERNANDEZ: Commissioner Fernandez?

20 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Yes. Lock it in.

21 MR. HERNANDEZ: The motion passes.

22 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Woo-hoo. Wow. I do have a  
23 statement, but I -- I might have to ask Fredy to say it  
24 for me because I don't know if I can get through it.

25 Come on. Yep, because I have it in Spanish and



1 English and you know how I am with all that stuff.

2 I don't think so.

3 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: You got this, Chair.

4 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Nope, I don't think so. I don't  
5 think I can do it. But thank you.

6 (In Spanish.)

7 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: I know, you guys are so good.  
8 Okay. Okay.

9 (In Spanish.)

10 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: It's hot in here.

11 (In Spanish.)

12 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Anyway, I'm also supposed to say  
13 it in English, but I think I might just have my vice  
14 chair say it for me.

15 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Okay.

16 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Oh, wait. Do you have the English  
17 one?

18 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Yes, thank you.

19 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Okay, thank you.

20 COMMISSIONER AHMAD: Thank you, Chair Fernandez.

21 I will be translating her statements into English.

22 Colleagues, we have done what the people of  
23 California tasked us to do. This has been a  
24 collaborative effort of historical proportions. We  
25 started out as fourteen strangers coming together almost



1 a year and a half ago with a common goal: to draw fair  
2 maps for the forty million Californians.

3 I am proud of our efforts. I am particularly proud  
4 of the VRA districts we created to ensure representation  
5 for those that have not had a voice in the past. I am  
6 proud for the first time, some residents in California  
7 will have the opportunity to select their  
8 representatives, as opposed to having representatives  
9 selecting their constituency.

10 For those communities that find themselves grouped  
11 with new ones, take this opportunity to create new  
12 alliances, create new partnerships. These will be your  
13 neighbors for the next ten years.

14 Thank you to our wonderful staff who were  
15 instrumental in supporting our efforts to meet our goals.  
16 Our line drawers, who knew every part of California, and  
17 were such a joy to work with. Our videography team, who  
18 are second to none. Our captioners, our court reporters,  
19 ASL interpreters, and our various language interpreters  
20 throughout our meetings. And finally, it was an honor to  
21 serve alongside my fellow Commissioners to serve the  
22 people of this wonderful state. I wish you and your  
23 families happy holidays.

24 These maps will now sit for three days for public  
25 review, and we plan to reconvene on December 26th to take



1 care of procedural matters to certify the maps, which we  
2 will then deliver to the Secretary of State for the State  
3 of California on December 27th.

4 CHAIR FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Commissioner Ahmad. I  
5 could not have said it better. But we will be meeting  
6 tomorrow, so I'm sorry to put a little down -- sorry, we  
7 do have a business meeting tomorrow at 10 o'clock. Thank  
8 you all very much. And thank you, California. Our  
9 meeting today is adjourned. It is 9:04 p.m. Thank you  
10 all.

11 (Whereupon, the Business/Final Report Meeting  
12 meeting adjourned at 9:04 p.m.)

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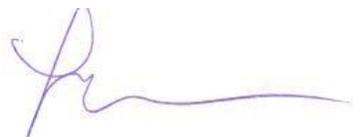
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