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Public Map Presentation Sessions
Line Drawer Subcommittee (Comm. Andersen & Sadhwani)
October 21, 22, 23

To be discussed at the Sept. 11th CRC meeting

PURPOSE:

1. Receive input on district ideas from the community.

BACKGROUND:

The commission is tasked with receiving input from communities on the redistricting process. The Statewide Database developed two mapping tools to aid the public in providing input: The Community of Interest Tool for the public to easily share their communities of interest with the CRC which we have been using extensively, and the Redistricting Mapping Tool due to roll out after the official California Redistricting Database is released which will allow the public to share their redistricting map ideas with the CRC. Throughout the summer the CRC has received community of interest input both through the COI Tool, through virtual call-in sessions, in which individuals can share their testimony, and in emails, letters, phone calls to the CRC office. This has been the first phase of public input.

Additionally, there has been significant interest from the public for the CRC to host sessions in which we allow either individuals or groups to share their ideas for how district maps can be drawn. This brings us to the second phase of public input where we receive district map ideas from the public, similar to how we received COI input—a combination of Redistricting Mapping Tool submissions, public input sessions and emails, letters, phone calls to the CRC office.

We propose to start this second phase of public input by holding three days of public map input presentation sessions in October, approximately one month after the release of the official redistricting database during the visualization line drawing process. We have agreed to a line drawing process in which the Commission will make multiple iterations of possible districting ideas over the course of October and November of 2021. By holding the public district map input sessions in the middle of the process, we could gain valuable ideas from community members on the ground, who may wish to submit maps for our consideration and deliberation, in advance of the display of our official Draft maps. Once the Draft maps are posted we will proceed with the second phase of public district input in earnest.

We have given significant consideration to equity, to ensure that as many interested community members as possible could participate and present their district ideas to the Commission. As with the Public COI Input sessions, if an interested community member wanted to participate but did not get an appointment time, they could always submit their district ideas via the Redistricting Mapping Tools. As we are holding review sessions for COI tool submissions, we could similarly review district map submissions in a public session.

PROPOSAL:

- With the support of the outreach team, develop an appointment system (much like the COI input sessions), where community members may submit maps of 1-3 districts; regional district maps (to be defined) or statewide district maps. (*thinking about how we could have a regional option also - Southern California for example, or Bay Area*)
- Time allotments for presentations will depend on the type of submission (1-3 districts; regional; statewide). We expect 8 minutes for 1-3 district presentations; 15 minutes for regional presentations; 30 minutes for statewide presentations, but we would leave to the outreach team to finalize an exact schedule that could work with our required breaks and technological needs).
- While the commission may need to meet in person in October given the current status of the Bagley Keene executive orders, we would invite presentations only virtually for planning purposes.

Small Submission	1-3 districts	Up to 8 minutes
Medium Submission	4-20 districts (this option is intended for regional submissions such as “Los Angeles” “Central Valley” or “Bay Area”)	Up to 15 minutes
Large Submission	Statewide districts (this would be one map - Assembly/Congressional/BOE/Senate)	Up to 30 minutes

EXAMPLE SCHEDULE:

Thursday October 21st: 9:30-4:30PM

- Call to order, roll call
- Appointments for presentations
- 11am - Break
- 11:15-12:45: Appointments for presentations
- 12:45 - Break for lunch
- 1:45 - 3:15: Clarification to line drawers as needed
- 3:15 - Break
- 3:30 - Finish clarification to line drawers if needed; Open lines for **general public comment** (2 minutes - close lines at 4:30 but stay on until all comments have been taken.)

Friday October 22nd: 12 noon - 7pm

Saturday October 23rd: 10am - 5pm